

## Nathan Says Nicholson Probably Came To His Death From Suicide

Verdict Based on Traces of Potassium Cyanide Found in Beaker in Room.

NO MOTIVE IS ATTRIBUTED

Raleigh Student Was Member of Freshman Boxing Squad Last Year.

John A. Nicholson of Raleigh, University sophomore, who was found dead Tuesday night in his rooming house, "probably came to his death from suicide," was the decision reached by Dr. S. A. Nathan, local coroner, after investigating the death yesterday.

The verdict was based on the fact that positive traces of potassium cyanide were found in a soft drink bottle and a chemical beaker, evidently used as a drinking glass, found near the bed of the Raleigh youth. The remaining contents of the bottle and beaker were analyzed by Professors J. M. Bell and H. D. Crockford, of the University chemistry departments, and they discovered traces of the poison.

### Chemicals Missing

Nicholson, a student in chemistry, was working at the time on cyanides in the course of his studies. The official report of the chemicals issued students in their laboratory exercises shows that Monday, April 11, Nicholson checked out twenty-five cubic centimeters of potassium cyanide. A careful check-up of his laboratory desk revealed a shortage of the cyanide from the contents of his working stock there. In view of this fact it was judged that the poison was self-administered.

Nicholson was the son of Mr. and Mrs. David B. Nicholson of Raleigh. He was expecting to go into medicine and therefore was taking a pre-medical course. He was a member of the freshman boxing team last year, fighting in the welterweight class. His marks were very good, though not quite averaging honor roll grades. This fall he became a pledge of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity. His father is connected with the state department of hygiene.

### Talked of Suicide

It seems that Nicholson had been talking of suicide since the opening of school in September.

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## NOTED ORGANIST WILL PLAY HERE

Edward Eigenschencck Will Present Recital in Hill Music Hall, May 6.

Edward Eigenschencck of Chicago, formerly of the Chicago Symphony and one of the country's most noted organists, will present a recital here in the Hill music auditorium Friday evening, May 6, at 8:15 o'clock.

The recital will be a feature of the annual meeting of the North Carolina chapter of the American Guild of Organists which is to be conducted here that day, according to Professor Nelson O. Kennedy of the University music department, who is dean of the North Carolina chapter.

There will be a business meeting of the organists when officers for the ensuing year will be elected.

Another feature will be a student contest at the Episcopal church which will be open to any organist under 25.

## Business Manager



R. D. McMillan of Red Springs was appointed business manager of The Daily Tar Heel for next year at a meeting of the Publications Union board Monday. McMillan will go into office next fall.

## FRANK P. GRAHAM INVITED TO SPEAK IN NEW ORLEANS

Other University People Will Address American Library Association This Month.

President Frank P. Graham of the University of North Carolina has accepted the invitation of the American Library Association to be a speaker at its fifty-fourth annual conference in New Orleans, April 25-30. He will address the conference on "Public Libraries in American Life" at a general session Tuesday evening, April 26. Professor Frederick H. Koch, speaking on "Making a Regional Drama" will also take part in the program of the association. Miss Susan G. Akers of the school of library science, and Miss Guelda H. Elliot of the commerce library of the University have also been scheduled to speak to professional groups of the conference.

It is estimated that more than 2000 representatives from libraries in all parts of the United States, Canada and Mexico will attend the conference, at which Josephine Adams Rathbone, president of the association, and assistant director of the Pratt Institute School of Library Science will preside.

### Distinguished Speakers

President Frank P. Graham of the University of North Carolina; Hendrik Van Loon, author of *Story of Mankind*; Edwin R. Embree, president of the Julius Rosenwald Fund; Frederick H. Koch, speaking on "Making a Regional Drama" will also take part in the program of the association.

## HENDERSON CONTRIBUTES ARTICLE TO DUKE ARCHIVE

A leading article in the May issue of the *Duke Archive* has been contributed by Professor Archibald Henderson of the local mathematics department. In this article, "The Relation of George Washington to Aviation," will be published a contemporary letter, now in the possession of Professor Henderson, describing the first balloon ascension in the United States. This occurred at Philadelphia in 1793 under the patronage of Washington. This is another contribution of Dr. Henderson to the Washington Bicentennial Celebration.

## Choir From Durham To Sing Here Sunday

William Powell Twaddell, superintendent of music in Durham high school and choir master of First Presbyterian church in Durham, will present a group of thirty-five voices, composed of boys and girls from Durham high school, in a concert in the lounge room of Graham Memorial Sunday, April 17, at 4:30 o'clock. All of the voices are well trained, and many have won wide recognition in state musical contests.

Light folk music and classical selections from Mozart will complete the program, upon which will appear many fine choral and solo numbers.

## SWAIN HALL TO PROVIDE FOR MANY GUESTS HERE

Swain hall has made preparations to accommodate the crowds of high school students expected here to participate in the activities of the annual High School Week to be observed here beginning today. Manager Obie Harmon called a meeting of all his help Tuesday night to re-organize for the purpose of taking care of the extra guests.

He has arranged to have the lower end of the hall set up with tables which will be entirely given over to the high school visitors so that they might all eat together. Harmon expects to put into use all of the silverware in the dining room, and has had the dish supply supplemented by extra lots brought up from the storage rooms.

## Junior Playmakers To Give Annual Play

The Carolina Playmakers entertained Tuesday at a weiner roast in the forest theatre for the newly organized Junior Playmakers in appreciation of the success of their first production, *Cinderella*.

Professor F. H. Koch announced that the performance was so successful that the Playmakers had decided to make them a permanent part of their organization. The Carolina Junior Playmakers, he said, would be aided in producing one play annually and would be recognized as "equals" of the adult and faculty members of the senior dramatic organization.

## BAXTER RETURNS FROM DANCE ENGAGEMENTS

Jack Baxter and his Carolina Tar Heels orchestra have just returned to Chapel Hill from a trip during which they played at the University of Georgia, Mercer University, and Atlanta, where they received much publicity. From there they went to Washington, D. C., where they played for the intercollegiate ball at George Washington University. The trip was ended by the Pika ball at Raleigh. At the end of this week they will play at Hampden-Sidney College.

The orchestra has recently acquired a new man, formerly with Blue Steele and his orchestra, who will handle the organization from now on and will act as booking-agent for engagements.

## AVERAGE FRESHMAN SHOULD READ FIVE GOOD MAGAZINES REGULARLY

Joint Faculty-Freshman Committee, After Survey of Reading Habits of Class, Makes Recommendations on Periodicals First-Year Men Should Be Acquainted With.

The well-read University freshman should read twelve of the better class magazines regularly, according to a report issued yesterday by a joint faculty-freshman committee. The average freshman should read five of these magazines regularly, and no first year man should fall below three.

The committee, composed of Dr. A. P. Hudson, Dr. R. W. Adams, and G. F. Sensabaugh of the English department, and Bob Blount, Colin Stokes, and Gene Bagwell, made the selection on the basis of the questionnaire conducted in freshman chapel recently by H. F. Comer, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. The types of first-year readers were invited into three groups, the well-read, the average, and the minimum or those who read as little as possible. Selections were made by the committee for each group of readers, dividing the thirty-one magazines into those to be read regularly, occasionally, and not at all or infrequently by each type of reader.

### Should Read Daily Papers

The well-read and average freshman according to the report, should read THE DAILY TAR HEEL, a state or national daily paper, and *The New York Times* regularly. The first-year men who read the minimum amount are expected to read *The New York Times* occasionally, but they should read the campus paper and a state or national daily regularly.

The magazines selected for the well-read freshman by the committee are *Time*, *Literary Digest*, *Harper's*, *Scribner's*, *For-*

*um*, *Atlantic Monthly*, *Vanity Fair*, *Collier's*, *American*, *College Humor*, *Judge*, and *Buccaneer*. Of these, *Time*, *Collier's*, *American*, *Judge*, and *Buccaneer* were chosen for the average reader. As a minimum list, the three magazines chosen are *Time*, *Collier's*, and *Buccaneer*.

### No Artistic Magazines

The well-read freshman occasionally should read *The Nation*, *Christian Century*, *World Tomorrow*, *New Republic*, *Mercury*, *National Geographic*, *Saturday Evening Post*, *Cosmopolitan*, *Life*, *Ballyhoo*, *Popular Science*, and trade magazines. He is not expected to read the more highly artistic and literary periodicals such as *Asia*, *Harper's Bazaar*, or *Theatre Arts*, nor the cheaper and less literary magazines such as detective stories, true stories, movie magazines, *Liberty*, and *Physical Culture*.

The average first-year man should read occasionally *The Literary Digest*, *New Republic*, *Harper's*, *Scribner's*, *Mercury*, *Forum*, *National Geographic*, *Atlantic Monthly*, *Vanity Fair*, *Liberty*, *Saturday Evening Post*, *Cosmopolitan*, *College Humor*, *Life*, *Ballyhoo*, and *Popular Science Monthly*. This class is not expected to read *Christian Century*, *Nation*, *World Tomorrow*, *Asia*, *Harper's Bazaar*, *Theatre Arts*, *Physical Culture*, movie magazines, detective mysteries, "true story" romances, and trade magazines.

The minimum list prepared by the committee included among the magazines to be read occasionally *Literary Digest*, *Harper's*, *Scribner's*, *Forum*, *Atlan-*

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## Gift Of \$25,000 Contributed To Emergency Student Loan Fund

### Managing Editor



George W. Wilson of Charlotte, who was selected managing editor of The Daily Tar Heel by the Publications Union board April 7. Wilson assumed duties with last Saturday's issue of the paper.

## HIGH SCHOOLS TO BEGIN CONTESTS THIS AFTERNOON

Over 200 Speakers Will Take Part in Annual Championship Debates.

The University community yesterday completed preparations for the opening of High School Week, with its state high school championship contests in debating, track, and tennis, and today Chapel Hill will throw its doors open to a thousand contestants and visitors.

The track championships will not be held until tomorrow, but the tennis tournament will begin this morning, drawings having been held yesterday. The debaters will gather in Memorial hall at 2:00 o'clock this afternoon to make their drawings, and first preliminaries will be held tonight, semi-finals tomorrow morning, and finals in Memorial hall tomorrow night at 8:00 o'clock.

Ten schools have entered teams, aggregating 200 men, in each of the tennis and track championships. The contest for the Aycock cup and the debating championship is drawing 228 speakers from 57 schools stretched from Cullowhee to Manteo, these schools being the survivors of the preliminary triangular contests, participated in by 228 schools in 85 counties of the state.

### Insurance Is Debate Topic

The young orators will stand on rostrums where many North Carolina leaders made their

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## DR. J. G. BEARD LEAVES TO VISIT PHARMACY SCHOOLS

Dr. J. G. Beard, acting-dean of the school of pharmacy, will leave tomorrow to visit and inspect the pharmacy schools of Ohio Northern University, Western Reserve, University of Pittsburgh, and the University of West Virginia. Every three years the pharmacy schools which are members of the American Association of Schools in Pharmacy are visited by a group from this association, and Dr. Beard, who is a member of the executive committee, will go as official visitor from that body. Dr. Beard expects to be gone about ten days.

Mrs. Jessie Kenan Wise Is Donor of Gift For Student Loans.

FUND IS RAISED TO \$55,000

Goal of \$100,000 Is Set for July 1, This Year; Ultimate Aim Is \$200,000.

A gift of \$25,000 by Mrs. Jessie Kenan Wise, prominent Wilmington woman, to the Emergency Student Loan Fund being created at the University, was announced last night by President Frank P. Graham.

Mrs. Wise is a member of the Kenan family that has been so prominently identified with the University for generations. She made the gift sometime ago, Dr. Graham said, but preferred that no announcement be made. Later, however, "she yielded to the realization of the value that such an announcement at this time might have on the further progress of the loan fund appeal and on University morale," it was said.

### Fund Totals \$55,000 Now

This \$25,000 gift carries the student loan fund total to \$55,000, a little more than one-fourth of the \$200,000 set as the goal for the student loan fund between now and July 1, 1933. An anonymous gift of \$10,000 was announced Tuesday by President Graham. A total of \$20,000 had previously been contributed by some 2,500 students, parents, faculty, trustees, alumni and friends of the University. These smaller gifts, President Graham said, have created an interest and supplied a momentum that have gone far toward making the appeal a success.

### \$100,000 Needed by July

The University has had a student loan fund for more than 50 years and it has been so well administered that losses have been less than one per cent. When the present depression came along the available funds were soon exhausted, however, and the University was faced with the necessity of making an emergency appeal or sending more than 500 students back to "jobless towns," and in many instances, bankrupt homes. The emergency appeal was launched January 29 when 150 alumni

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## STATE ORGANISTS WILL MEET HERE

Student Organ Contest Will Be Feature of Annual Meeting, May 6.

The North Carolina chapter of the American Guild of Organists, of which chapter Professor Nelson O. Kennedy is the dean, will have their annual meeting in Chapel Hill Friday, May 6.

In the afternoon the annual business meeting will be held, to be followed by a student's organ contest. This contest is open to all organ students under twenty-five. A cup will be awarded to the winner. Friday night there will be a dinner at the Carolina Inn, after which, at 8:30 o'clock, will be an organ recital in Hill music hall by Professor Edward Eigenschencck of Chicago. Professor Eigenschencck will be remembered as the man who first played the organ here. So many people requested to hear him again that a special attempt was made to get him here for another performance.