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THIS ISSUE: NEWS, JONAS; NIGHT, SMITH

"The open air of public discussion and communication is an indispensable condition of the birth of ideas and knowledge and of other growth into health and vigor."—John Dewey.

### THE FIGHT ON FRANK GRAHAM

The following editorial on the Graham situation appeared in the Asheville Citizen-Times. It is the most complete, accurate, and intelligent interpretation which has yet been published:

"One would think that all North Carolinians would know the history of their State university. Apparently there are some of the University's own alumni who do not know that history. They could hardly let their minds run in the channels in which they seem to be running if they did know it.

"Oldest of all the State universities in America, the University of North Carolina is as old as the State itself. When the people of this colony met in convention in 1776, to declare their independence of Britain, they declared also their purpose to encourage and promote 'all useful learning' in one or more universities. Within less than a month after North Carolina had ratified the Federal Constitution and become a part of the American Union the North Carolina legislature voted to charter the University, the lawmakers declaring that in so doing they were discharging their indispensable duty to consult the happiness of a rising generation and endeavor to fit them for an honorable discharge of the social duties of life.

"From the birth of the State until this moment the history of the University of North Carolina and the history of North Carolina have been inextricably interlocked.

"The University of North Carolina, it may be respectfully suggested, does not belong to its alumni. It belongs to North Carolina. Some of its alumni seem to think that its fate is involved in whether it shall be able to subsidize athletes so as to send, perhaps, a winning team to the California Rose Bowl. Some of its alumni seem to think that its doom will be sealed if a single department of the institution is moved away from Chapel Hill. Some of its alumni think that its support will be imperilled and lost if the University's president is not stopped from making speeches which, it is suggested, are offensive to powerful influential and financial interests in and out of the State.

"The people of North Carolina, we hope, will feel that the University is worthy of its heritage and worthy of their support only as it is conducted in relationship to the ideal in which it was founded and in which it has been maintained.

"There is under way at the present time, it was reported, a bitter fight on Dr. Frank Graham, the president of the University. It is our thought that Dr. Graham is able to fight his own battles. He is a man of the highest character, of passionate conviction to that which he believes to be right, and surely there is no man more devoted than he to Chapel Hill or to North Carolina. But our present concern is not for Dr. Graham. We are, as just suggested, confident that he will come through this war, whatever its proportions, with his own colors flying. What, however, of the University?

"The football furor and the disagreement which has arisen as to the location of the engineering school can both be dismissed for the moment as matters capable of being worked out and which probably will be worked out in the general interest in due course. It is the effort to discountenance and defeat President Graham and to remove him from the presidency because of his stand in the matters just mentioned, and because some of his utterances have been offensive, it is said, to persons of wealth and influence, that has to be taken seriously. We do not believe that such a movement can prosper. But it is distressing that it should be possible at all. And the distress is not for Dr. Graham. It is for North Caro-

lina and for the University.

"Had President Graham been going about the State and the country making speeches subversive of the morality of his student body and the public one might expect such deliverances to provoke a tide of indignation. But he has made no such speeches. His utterances which are reputed to have given offence in some high quarters were earnest and sincere appeals for social justice, a plea for the widest recognition in these disturbed times of the necessity for intelligent readjustments which will conserve the democratic ideal.

"In his arguments and in his eloquence his point of view may not appeal to all alike as sound. We have not ourselves agreed with all that he has said. But what has that to do with it? The vital need today is for men of courage, men with the power to think and the will to serve, men filled as Frank Graham is with a passion for the right. Shall a man of this kind who speaks out as Frank Graham has done be disciplined and suppressed? Will that serve the public interests? Will it be for the welfare of the State or the State's University?

"Of course not. The truth is that it is not in the power of any group, however powerful to suppress a man like President Graham. His own sources of power whatever they may be, are not derived from the position which he holds. They are inherent in the man. If he should be ousted from the presidency of the University it would be the University which would stand to be injured.

"Its great periods in the past have been those in which the democratic tradition has flourished most. Its chief usefulness has been in its search for and service of truth. It had a name before it ever had a football team. It can be a powerful dynamo for the upbuilding of North Carolina whether there is or is not an engineering school at Chapel Hill. But rob it of free speech and its integrity will be gone. It will cease to be the University the people of North Carolina have known and will become only another kept institution.

"This is the heart of the matter. It is not Frank Graham whose future is at stake in the controversy of which he has become the center. It is the future of the University that is at stake."

### University Press

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Life." The emphasis is placed on the big hotel where all types of American life are seen. He includes interesting stories that happen in hotels and gives character sketches of perennial inhabitants of the institutions. Hayner is assistant professor of sociology at the University of Washington.

"Diplomatic History of Georgia" by John Tate Lanning tells the story of Spain's maneuvers in Georgia in the first half of the 18th century. Such personalities as Benjamin Keene, Lawrence Washington, and James Oglethorpe are given important places in the book. Lanning is connected with the history department of Duke University.

Charles H. Amblin, of the history department of the University of West Virginia, wrote "Washington and the West" in which he tells the complete part that Washington played in the history of the western country. He tells of Washington as a surveyor in the west as a young man, then of his exploits in the French and Indian War and the Revolution, concluding with Washington's statesmanlike efforts at uniting the west with the east during his presidency.

## POT SHOTS

BY  
DON WETHERBEE

ONE OF THE major surprises of the quarter has been the sudden spurt of activity on the part of the Student Council. The Student Council, despite the fact that it has considerably more power than any council in the country acting as the governing head of a student body, has always been a passive sort of thing, usually sluggish in reacting to delicate situations and often reacting rather unintelligently.

### FIRST HAZING . . .

The terrific strain placed on the council by the exposure of the cheating ring, and the subsequent self-indictment of the council's president, evidently awakened the council from its customary lethargy. After the probe was completed, the council, without any previous intimations, shocked the campus with the announcement that all hazing would be strictly punished. At the time there was no attempt at delineation, and subsequent attempts have been for the most part unfruitful—the members of the council still have considerable differences of opinion as to what shall constitute hazing.

### . . . THEN THE CO-OP

Another flurry of action, not so widely publicized as the hazing episode, came forth from the council the other day. Fairley, acting on the basis of criticisms and complaints, appointed a committee to investigate the Student Co-operative association. On the surface of things that action amounts to no more than the investigations of the consolidated plants of the University last spring, but interesting repercussions have arisen.

The directors don't appreciate the investigation in the least. They point out that though they have often petitioned that the Co-op be recognized as a student organization, it has persistently been refused that status by Dean Bradshaw. Under these circumstances it would seem that technically they have every right to denounce the investigation and refuse to submit to it.

The technical grounds, of course, are not the main reason for the directors opposing the investigation. They realize that inexperienced investigators might make recommendations concerning business policy that would be injurious to the best interests of the association. They are perfectly willing to submit their books for auditing.

### TACTICAL ERROR

On the other hand, it would seem that, even though the Student Council has overstepped its bounds (which is denied by the president of the student body and therefore questionable), the Co-op could have no better advertisement than a clean bill of health by a student government-appointed committee. It is probable that the tactical error of the council in not consulting the directors before taking action or even of telling them soon afterwards had something to do with the attitude taken by the directors. But they may be passing up an opportunity for some excellent publicity.

CONSTITUTION! The situation proves once more the crying need for a written constitution delineating the powers of the various campus organizations. Opponents of the constitution point out that more flexibility is possible without it. But no government has ever been successful without some broad basis setting forth the ultimate limitations and powers of the governing authorities.

## Now YOU'RE Talking

### DI REPERCUSSIONS

To the editor,

The DAILY TAR HEEL:

In writing this I wish to make clear first that I am not the type to say very much at any time, much less resort to the practice of sending "letters to the editor." But in spite of the extent to which a campus organization may deserve the sharp criticism presented in the editorial of yesterday entitled "Di Dialect," certain facts and issues have been lost sight of, and the interpretation of these facts is against the DAILY TAR HEEL.

On February 25, the Phi and Di met in joint session for the first time this year and discussed two resolutions: one on the American Liberty League and the other on staff elections. The important fact is that the two societies went on record (by a narrow margin) in favor of staff elections after a very heated discussion in which a few members of the DAILY TAR HEEL staff took part. From any viewpoint this joint session deserved a write-up at least, but IT GOT NOT ONE LINE! Are we to judge from the profound silence of the campus news organ on this joint meeting that they wish to "soft pedal" an issue containing so much "political dynamite?"

J. H. HOWELL, JR.,

Di Pres.

[Ed. note: See February 18 issue of the DAILY TAR HEEL for Buccaneer news story on this matter. See also Campus Key-board column during this period.]

### WORD TESTS

To the editor,

The DAILY TAR HEEL:

May we congratulate you because you have on your staff someone with the vivid imagination shown by the writer of the article dealing with the Word Association Study in which the writers of this letter are interested. In spite of that imagination he has managed to incorporate a bit of truth in the third and fourth paragraphs. Those two paragraphs together with the use of our names assure us that it is our work to which you have reference; without this evidence, we could not have suspected it.

The first, second, and sixth paragraphs convey meanings contrary to the information given to your reporter; paragraph five is generalized into meaninglessness. The most important statement that we gave the reporter does not appear in the article at all.

How can we adequately express our appreciation of your efforts!

Respectfully yours,

HARRY V. BICE,

EDITH WLADKOWSKI.

[Ed. note: For their constructive criticism on an originally un-newsworthy research, thanks to graduate students Bice and Wladkowski.]

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## Puppet Plays

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orite characters in the puppet show, has a heavy fan mail, receiving on some days 500 to 600 letters at the state health office in Raleigh. Each child who writes a letter to Little Jack receives a copy of his photograph with the four rules of good health inscribed on it. In Forsythe county after a performance some small boys lingered to give Little Jack gifts of marbles and other cherished toys—one gave a half stick of peppermint candy and another a lead automobile.

So great has been this interest among the teachers of North Carolina that Dr. Edgar Knight, director of the summer session here has included a course in the making of puppets and the puppet stage, with practice in the writing and production of puppet plays among the summer session courses.

## Fashion Show

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Virginia Burd will act as mistress of ceremonies during the show and will tell of the trends of dress for the spring. Marjorie Usher will furnish piano music throughout the performance.

In the side-light entertainment, Hester Barlow and Dick Burnette will dance; Jo Oettinger and Geddie Monroe will sing solos; Sammie Ruth Bell will give a reading; the Spencer hall trio composed of Marjorie Usher, Helen Pritchard, and Mary Crockett Evans, will harmonize on popular tunes, and Boxer Jules Medynski will sing.

There will be no advance sale of tickets to the fashion show, but an admission charge of a quarter for a single person or a couple will be taken at the door.

The Y. W. C. A. will use the proceeds to carry on their spring activities.

## Extension Tests

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of the contest will include a vocabulary test, the conjugation of several representative verbs, the composing of French sentences illustrating different grammatical points and a reading test.

The Extension division conducted a high school Latin contest on February 21 and plans to sponsor competition in Spanish and mathematics during the spring. Winners of the Latin contest will be announced at an early date.

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## LETTERS LOST

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