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"ALL ABOUT" THE FRESHMAN POLITICAL SITUATION

The only people who haven't had something to say about the freshman elections, it seems, are the freshmen themselves. But there'll come a day, and the correspondence column won't be able to hold the protests from the new men who'll want to be left alone.

The Murnick-Cole verbal fray of yesterday only illustrates the fact that the upperclassmen are coming out into the open this fall and deliberately declaring their intentions of lending guiding hands to the newcomers.

Murnick says the University party has never participated. Cole says that's just a sham statement, that the University party has always participated before now, under an assumed name. The real truth of the matter is this: eight or nine of the fraternities who ordinarily support the University party in the regular spring elections have heretofore done a little independent political maneuvering of their own in the fall freshman elections. Murnick is chairman of the University party and a member of T. E. P. Now T. E. P. isn't in on this freshman group at all, and when Murnick says the University party doesn't ever play freshman politics, he's technically right.

The University party hook-up has been a much bigger thing than the fraternity "Freshman" hook-up. Actually in the past, Phi Delta Theta and A. T. O., in the party fold in the spring, have been known to put up candidates in the freshman elections against the S. A. E.'s, Zetes, Dekes, etc., the other party loyalists.

Now the question that's on everybody's lips is just whether or not the little group of fraternities who usually take a hand in freshman elections on their own will run a ticket this fall.

As far as can be discovered, they really don't know themselves. There's a little trouble. It seems that the story is out that the Student council wants to spring freshman elections very, very early, say almost immediately, in order, just for the sake of experiment, to catch all the political machines off their watch.

This is all right and dandy for the Student Party, so say the fraternity boys, because Cole's crowd has had the benefit of the period of silence in which to organize his forces. What's more, if the elections come so very early, they'll come during rushing season when the fraternities will not have finished pledging, won't know who to nominate in order to be sure that their "side" would win, won't be able to control many votes for they certainly can't afford to dictate to the freshmen they are delicately trying to "shake up."

Suppose the elections do come early, what can they do? They can wash their hands of the whole mess and wait until spring when the regular University party will be engaging in the game. This should leave them in a dignified position as compared to Cole's boys who will have gone ahead with their freshman campaign. But on the other hand, say some, if the fraternities do not participate this fall, the campus will take it that they were scared, that they lost the presidency of the student body (Magill was Student party man) and are dropping out of the fight. The University party will follow by denying it, of course, continue to point out that it never did play freshman politics in the first place, that they will be strong in the spring.

That the freshmen won't do any better job of picking their officers (they'll vote prep school, good looks, or home town lines) is generally agreed, but the experiment might prove helpful, make us appreciate and learn to use the device of parties. Now would be an excellent time to try preferential balloting, and pray that the "ultra-democratic" scheme will get you out of the prob-

able situation (with no parties) of 25 candidates running for each office.

The freshmen might object to being made guinea pigs, but why should they worry, they've got the alternative of being a test case for the council, or for the older political parties. Freshman elections don't mean an awful lot, merely give freshmen a chance to taste the process, feel themselves vote as a class, give three or four fellows their pictures in the Yackety-Yack, and cause those same fellows to be forgotten men the rest of their college careers (generally true: a freshman president has held his last major office). The only objection the freshmen might raise to the "pre-season" elections would be that the student council is keeping certain freshmen from making a "political" place for themselves in the folds of either of the two regular parties.

WORLD NEWS

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China. The third power was Great Britain.

The new declaration is the second refusal to a British mediation effort. The first was made to the League of Nations where the English suggested arbitration.

"If any power wants to mediate," said today's statement, "let her first acquire a full appreciation of our aims and aspiration."

FRANK R. McNINCH TAKES NEW JOB

Washington, Oct. 1.—Frank R. McNinch of Charlotte, N. C. is the new chairman of the federal communications commission. He took his office today.

President Roosevelt has given McNinch a year's leave from the federal power commission, where he was head, to improve the work of the communications commission.

COPELAND SELECTS PRESIDENTIAL TIMBER

Washington, Oct. 1.—Senator Royal S. Copeland, democrat from New York and recently defeated candidate for mayor of the City, said today that the New Deal will be unbeatable in the 1940 elections.

He named three men from whom, he declared, the democratic party will have to choose its presidential nominee. His selections were President Roosevelt, Senator La Follette, and John L. Lewis.

Music Program To Be In Hill Hall

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Minor, by Dvorak; "Il Fior Che Avevi A Me Tu Dato," by Bizet; "Come Away Death," by Shakespeare-Sibelius; Barbieri Di Siviglia—act 1, scene 1, by Rossini; Spielerei ("Playfulness"), by Carl Stix; Lohengrin, by Wagner; Traviata—act 1, by Verdi; "Oh! Susanna," by Steven Collins Foster; "When I Have Sung My Songs," by Charles.

This is the third concert in the fall series.

4500 Rushees To Get Bids

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been undertaken as they first had to be arranged in alphabetical order.

The invitations request that the new men call at the fraternities sometime after 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. The Interfraternity council emphasized that new men should call at the fraternities whether they intend to pledge or not. Failure to answer the invitation would mean that the new man would not be allowed to join a fraternity during the next 12 months.

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Davis Gives Folk Plays

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any doubts as to how the Carolina folk plays would be received in a northern resort were dispelled when a large audience turned out for the first production and the cast found themselves in a round of parties, clambakes and dances in their honor for the remainder of the summer.

Varied Duties

The duties of the company were varied and versatility was a prime requisite for all of Mr. Davis' actors; versatility with tools and scenery as well as with a play script. The company worked as a repertory unit with a division of acting honors, and the technical duties were shared by all. Mrs. Davis did the costuming for the company, and also some acting.

Prof. Davis hopes that the Nantucket venture can be made a yearly affair. If such were done, many of the incipient actors and actresses who are coming to Chapel Hill annually in ever-increasing numbers would have an ideal outlet for their talents during the summer months.

Members of Prof. Davis' Island theater company will be spread up and down the Atlantic seaboard this fall; all engaged in dramatic pursuits of one sort or another: Marion Tatum, who was quite a sensation as Widow Cagle in "Sun-Up," will be assistant director of dramatics at the Woman's college in Greensboro; James Decker, student here during the summer, will be technical director at the Town Theater in Columbia, S. C.; Sanford Reese will be scouring the state with the health board's puppet show; and Mary Haynsworth and Joseph McKie will be trying to crash the professional theater in New York.

Spruill Announces Rhodes Deadline

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versity of Oxford. A third year may be added for those whose records at Oxford make such additional consideration advisable.

Competition for the scholarships is organized by states and districts. There are eight districts of six states each. Each state committee may nominate two candidates to appear before the district committee, which selects four to go abroad.

Qualities

The qualities forming the basis of the selection specified by Rhodes in his will are: (1) literary and scholastic ability and attainments; (2) qualities of manhood, truth, courage, devotion to duty, sympathy, kindness, unselfishness, and fellowship; (3) exhibition of moral force of character and of instincts to lead and to take an interest in his schoolmates; (4) physical vigor as shown by interest in outdoor sports or in other ways.

To be eligible a candidate must be a male citizen of the United States and unmarried; be between the ages of 19 and 25 on October 1, 1938, and have completed at least his sophomore year by the time of application.

Dean Spruill was a Rhodes scholar.

Johnson To Play For Ball Tonight

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made his 1937 campus debut last week at the first pep meeting held prior to the South Carolina game.

During the summer, the Johnson organization played a three-week engagement at Myrtle Beach and a 10-week engagement at Rehoboth Beach in Delaware.

On The Air

By Walter Kleeman

6:30—Eddie Dooley's Football News, WBT, WDNC.

7:00—WPTF has Top Hatters' Orchestra.

7:30—Saturday Swing Club from WBT, WDNC.

8:00—"The March of the 45," drama from WPTF.

8:30—Johnny Presents over WBT.

9:00—WPTF presents National Barn Dance; WBT has Professor Quiz.

9:30—Saturday Night Serenade, WBT.

10:00—Hit Parade Over WBT, WDNC; Jamboree from WPTF.

10:45—Patti Chapin's Songs, WDNC, WBT.

11:00—Same stations, Benny Meroff's Orchestra.

Ivey's Trip To New York

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and his father's railroad pass, he left the friendly southern pines and sailed with the wind into the Big City, therein to make his fortune and fame.

Pete had been given letters of recommendation by Phillips Russell and Dr. Coffman, and he thought success merely a matter of time. In a way it was, but his time naturally never came. With little knowledge of metropolitan ways he stormed into newspaper offices and demanded an interview with the editor. As he blushingly confided to me, "In my naive way I didn't have any subtlety about getting into offices." The bars and barriers, erected by gum chewing secretaries, bore heavily upon our director's soul, and, as he claims, he heard the word pronounced in a thousand different ways.

Finally, when the soles of his shoes were worn and his pocketbook was approaching the state of acute anemia, he was granted interviews with Don Wharton of the New Yorker and Gurney Williams of the New York Times. Pete must have acquired that "lean and hungry look" for both of these luminaries took him to lunch—and then advised him to hurry home.

Pete trudged home to his lonely room in the Y. M. C. A. to consider this discouraging advice. Stacks of want ads lay in futile array upon the floor, desk, and bed. With a blush or two of shame the country boy gone wrong realized that he was not "wanted" by the scions in New York. Sadly gathering up his depleted baggage, and ferreting out his trusty railroad pass from a drawer overstocked with advertisements for "Men! Men! Men!", he left New York to its bustling, unappreciative self.

"I guess that it wasn't for me," Pete sadly reminisced, "and besides, I didn't like that Yankee cooking."

German Club Dances Announced

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five dollars. The German club will also present a Mid-winter set of dances during next quarter and May Frolics in the Spring quarter. It was stated yesterday that the officers of the club have ruled that no "Big Apple" dances will be allowed during this set.

The 1937-38 officers of the German club are John Umstead, president; Haughton Ehringhaus, vice president; Morris Fitts, secretary-treasurer; and Lewis Gordon, assistant secretary-treasurer.

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DARK ALLEY

By OLD STREET CLEANER

To Bob and Lewis it must be told that information on "Little Tommy Sikes" (of Beta-Phi Gam—Pika fame) is strangely scarce. In all the trash collected there was no hint of her.

Through a devious route it came into this littered lane that E. G. Shaw did not resent the mention of his classroom-hand-holding. In fact Mr. Shaw announced that those interested should also come see him in political science class. He admitted that in Journalism 57 he had to let Miss More's hand alone because he needs both hands for the typewriter.

GUESS AGAIN

It seems that some poor innocent victims have fallen heir to grief that is rightly mine. One aspiring young journalist was threatened with physical violence last week after the appearance of the first column. Life is not just in its distribution of retribution. Remember long ago we studied "render unto Caesar that which is Caesar's."

POINT OF ORDER

For years Mrs. Lawson has been famed around Chapel Hill as being a reformer of everything. Known of late for her crusade to forbid the wearing of shorts by perspiring summer school students, but remembered long as being the village's number one jacker-upper and one woman "Watch and Ward," Mrs. Lawson was seen early this week violating University regulations by walking on the grass of the lower campus.

AGREE

Gossip about the University building program lists as new projects to be seriously considered before we follow the trade cycle down again: two new boys' dorms, new Playmakers theatre, completion of Graham Memorial, new Y. M. C. A., and possibly a new auditorium to handle the increased enrollment. We'll still need a little gathering place like Memorial hall just the same.

TRUTH

The real reason why Pete Ivey wanted to have a bon fire on Times Square last year was, according to the psychologists called in, due to the fact that young Ivey felt that New York hadn't treated him right. He wanted to show 'em. He wanted to put the biggest light on Times Square they'd ever had. He warn't to be cast aspersions upon because he was a Tar Heel.

Barbara Harris complains that last week's blurb has occasioned her no little inconvenience. Taking literally her suggestion for more socializing between upper and lower classes, several freshmen have appointed her mother superior to their class.

Bobby complains that the green ones approach her with questions about how much they should pay for a radio, what girls they should date. They call her "mama."

Since the maternalistic display, Miss Harris has come out from behind those dark glasses so the freshmen can really realize what a kind face she has.

A long philosophical discussion could be made on just how people do talk. Old maids are the proverbial gossips and according to "Village Chronicle" the members of the faculty are good at the art of spreading rumors, but for supreme story-telling the bets can be safely laid on students.

Latest rumor that has been brought about is the one of the marriage of Miss Virginia Lee and Carl Pugh. The story is untrue and no doubt arose simply because the two of them enjoy being together, and consequently they are seen in company often.

Others rumors of similar nature have gone the rounds, causing considerable embarrassment to the parties concerned.

To encourage traffic in this alley a plan is being considered that would put a neon sign offering advice to the lovelorn and free parking. Complaints, inquiries, and information may be addressed to the "Old Street Cleaner."

For the best tid-bit sent each week to this address will be awarded a shiny new half-dollar. The items should be mailed or left in a sealed envelope in the DAILY TAR HEEL office. It is understood that all items become the property of this column and may be used for publication.

If you have an eye for seeing and an ear for seeing, and if you want to earn a little, write, send or telegraph your observations. A winner will be announced every Saturday.