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"If we would change the face of the earth we must first change our own hearts."—Robert M. Hutchins, President, University of Chicago.

## A FORMER EMPRESS

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## Of Mice

By SIMONS ROOF

**Socrates Jones**  
Despite the skeptics, college students do like speculative thinking; and in spring, more than any other season, they wonder What It's All About.

This is a proper time to worry, too. A confusion of ideas found at us for approval, and these ideas include their opposites. What will we have—democratic government or dictatorship? Is Nazi efficiency more valuable than democratic liberties?

Debunking has impressed us like a rainbow. Nearly anyone of us is an excellent critic. We can tear up anything, lay it out piece by piece, and crush it to lifelessness. But less emphasis has been placed on the building process. After

we've torn down an idea, can we replace it? We've spent little time replacing.

So the problem for most of the members of our generation seems to be to find a hard and positive faith. A tree would look a little foolish without a trunk; but many of our minds offer the same picture of confusion.

The point of speculation for springtime philosophers is—what faith or belief is going to be the center of our ideas? After the trunk is established, the branches will follow, and then the leaves.

You can be told that the answer is the brotherhood of man, power, love, the superior race. . . . You can be told anything, by friend, propagandist, or parent.

But you yourself are facing a confused world. You face it just as lonely as a man in the dark. Perhaps this spring, before you enter the army, your thinking will be more important than any you have ever done.



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## Show Business

**"Family Portrait"**  
The idea of two movie script writers merging their talent in the creation of a play about Jesus' family sounds just incredible enough, by Hollywood standards, to turn out successfully. "Family Portrait" the result of such a combination, (on view at the Playmaker theater this week) is neither very incredible nor very successful.

Excepting a few realistic moments, the Coffee and Cowan play shapes up as an amateurish attempt to mirror chummy family life replete with Hollywood hokum and a sincere effort to utilize the historic events of Jesus' life in the making of genuine drama. How the playwrights strained to make it genuine! Their labor showed through everywhere. It was as if one could see them groping in their Hollywood bag of tricks to create a homey little joke and then rising most of the time only to melodramatic heights to push over their message. Sometimes it rang true, but not nearly enough times.

The central theme of "Family Portrait" is an interesting idea. The playwrights have presented Jesus' family with its hair down. They have built their story around all the little family crises which grew out of the group's contact with Mary's first Son. The prophet is not understood in His own country. His brothers rise up in arms when He leaves His carpentry work. His younger brother's marriage goes on the rocks because of His reputation as a dangerous reformer. But the play never resolves itself into anything more than that. It continually reiterates its theme in seven overly long scenes. Coffee and Cowan had much of their drama ready-made. They

missed no opportunity to use the little dramatic ironies which history provides. This grabbing after effects by foreshadowing ominous events soon loses its freshness.

At best, and apparently Judith Anderson was at best on Broadway, the playwrights' conception of Mary did not measure up to the real heights of a significant creation. With a suitable role, Robin Boice is a good actress. Although her interpretation of Mary was admirably done in the technical sense, she simply wasn't Mary.

As for the others, there was too much over-acting. Young Daniel played by John Evans had a naturalness few in the cast ever approached. Perhaps he hasn't had time to learn about shouting at the audience and concentrating on delivering lines than making convincing conversation.

Mrs. A. R. Wilson, as the fat homey Mary Cleophas, made the playwrights' strained attempts at naturalness least painful. It was as if she were the only real character on the stage and yet she did not sustain the mood always.

With the exception of four excellent sets by Lynn Gault, "Family Portrait" did not realize its potentialities. Only on the briefest occasions did its authors capture the dramatic qualities which their subject possessed inherently.

The total creation showed that most Hollywood script writers, even when they can secure the services of a Judith Anderson for Broadway, would do well to stick to the Hollywood game. There, at least, strained efforts at catching the homey essence of family life don't have to be exerted on anything more significant than Andy Hardy and Blondie.

## CAMPBELL

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investigation of both sides of the questions involved.  
6. To keep the "Letter to the Editor" column open to all letters, so long as they remain within the bounds of journalistic propriety and the space limitations of the paper.

7. More pictures on all subjects, with particular attention to spot news possibilities and better picture coverage of sport events.

8. To publish a Sunday Feature Section like the experimental one printed at the end of the winter quarter.

9. Daily publication of the crossword puzzle, a complete "Today" column, and birthday lists, to be begun at the first of the year and never omitted, and uncensored columns by capable writers.

10. To make the TAR HEEL an instrument for desirable improvements on the campus such as dormitory social rooms and telephone booths, seats for Memorial hall, better lights for the library, better student-faculty and dormitory-fraternity relations, and to cooperate with the Student council in making the honor system work as it should work."

A pastel drawing of Mrs. Dwright W. Morrow recently was presented to Smith college.

## Call for Cooperation

A sign in front of the Infirmary announces office hours as 8:30 to 11 a. m. and 3 to 6 p. m. during week days and 10 to 11 and 4 to 5 on Sundays.

This does not mean that emergency cases would remain emergencies until the official hours for medical service; it simply means that during those periods the doctors wish to dispose of routine cases. They need the cooperation of the students to ease their task of guarding the health of 3,500 members of the student body.

## Athletic Imports

A new kind of "import" will be on the campus the next few days.

This "import," strangely enough, will be the guest of none other than the Carolina coed.

Women students from eleven colleges throughout the state are convening here for the North Carolina State Conference of the Athletic Federation of College Women.

The girls will talk about sports, coed athletic activities, and will witness several demonstrations of rifle shooting and dancing.

For several years down in Woollen gymnasium, men students, rushing to and from gym classes, have seen coeds, adorned in sprightly white outfits, playing basketball on the main floor or dancing on the third floor. Mrs. J. C. Beard, head of women's athletics here, has kept coeds in trim through a healthy curriculum of sports.

The whole movement for coed athletics is a relatively new one on college campuses, the time once having been when women were supposed to be retiring, blushing, dainty delicacies, that were as frail as a budding rose in a hailstorm. It was the duty of the male population to shroud them from the hard, tough world.

Times have changed since then, however, and now, with women taking over many posts in defense industries, with women more and more look-

ing ahead to professional careers, it becomes imperative that they are in fit condition for the trials of a career. Athletics in college, then, is merely one part of the program to make women better able to stand squarely on their own feet when they get out of school.

This weekend, coeds will discuss the importance of physical training programs, and a fitting tie-up would be athletics for women and national defense.

The "imports" are here on business this time, and we add a word of warning to our own men here: watch your step, because with the athletic training these women students have had, they are said to pack an awful wallop.—L. H.

## Disease of the Mind

It is not difference — but rather indifference — of the students that worries President Graham, Controller Billy Carmichael told an audience at a joint political gathering in Graham Memorial Wednesday night.

On every hand one sees why this is true. The Student Legislature had on the calendar one of the most important measures it has ever debated — yet a quorum did not appear Monday night for action on the amendment to lump all student fees for collection and allocation. The Carolina Mag seeks material from everyone, yet the same writers contribute month after month because the editors can find no one else to do the work. The Interdormitory council meets, it holds an annual dance, but does little more. Coed government is usually in the hands of a few because only they alone manifest interest in affairs of the association.

Supporters of non-intervention in the war seek to arouse interest in their cause, but they receive little response. Advocates of total aid have their organization, but it too languishes. Believers in democracy, opponents of democracy, sit quietly and say nothing as forces counter to their

## Lend An Ear

By Louis Harris

### An Open Letter

(The following is a letter to the thousand high school students who are spending today here as guests of the University, while attending E. R. Rankin's North Carolina High School Day.)

Dear Jim:

You have spent yesterday and will stay in Chapel Hill today as guest of the University. No doubt,



you have and will see many things on the campus that all go together to make up a lot for you to absorb in so short a time.

You saw men and women, who looked like college boys and girls to you—in shirt sleeves, light dresses, and saddle shoes. The reason you could tell was because you expected them, and because you felt a certain air about them that just doesn't exist in other places.

Yet, Jim, if this was all you noticed, I'm afraid that you just scratched the shell. There's a fertile field that lies inside the signs marked Chapel Hill.

Carolina isn't a place like most others in the world. It isn't nearly so hard as the world that you will live in when you are 25 or 30, but it's a lot tougher than being tied to mamma's apron strings. It is more of a stepping stone into life.

We have a lot here that most of us can't get at home. For one thing, we make a real effort to learn to stand on our own feet — squarely and firmly. We must make our own decisions and get a proper perspective. For, if we don't, we just don't fit in.

We continually know more about people, things in the past, and most important, how to go about bucking the future. Fortunately, we haven't the economic difficulties, in most cases, that folks have out in the world, but we have all the ideas are at work. Mental lethargy is everywhere.

There is nothing wrong in alert difference, whether it is in a race for a class presidency or in attitude concerning the administration's policy toward war. Indifference is fatal. It breeds poor government here on the campus; it breeds blind, obedient dependence on one mortal man in national life.

personal problems—the kind that make a man build character within him, so that the University hopes he can step out and become a leader in his community later on.

There are many more things to pick up after spending four years on this campus. Tolerance—respect for the judgment of another — and the realization that we have to keep moving forward or we will inevitably fall back.

Jim, you'll like Carolina, because it's everything you heard it was, and lots more. The longer you stay here, the better you like it, and the more you get out of it. Think about it, Jim, and when next fall rolls around, try and make it. We'd like to see you here.

## NEWS BRIEFS

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to exist 20 years like Czechoslovakia and Poland.

The Nazi plans were vague, but it was indicated in informed circles that Germans and Italians, with Hungarian, Bulgarian, and Rumanian representatives, would begin a study of the various claims.

**ATHENS, April 17** — Military sources said late last night that the eastern end of the Allied line held firm while the battle of Greece raged along a 100-mile front and "not one foot of Greek territory behind the Greco-British lines has fallen into enemy hands." (Two German divisions, of from 22 to 30 thousand men, have been wiped out in casualties in the past ten days during mass Nazi attacks with infantry and tanks, according to an observer who returned to Athens and quoted by the British radio.)

The Allied right flank, extending from Katrini some dozen miles northeast of Mount Olympus near the Gulf of Salonika, to Serbia, 30 miles to the southwest was reported to be repulsing all enemy attacks.

German bombing planes were said to be supporting the land onslaught, blasting heavily at British and Greek positions in efforts to open a breach for a drive down on Larissa, key communication center 45 miles to the south.

**WASHINGTON, April 17**—The first major step toward enactment of legislation to prevent labor disputes from interfering with defense production crystallized today when the house naval affairs committee approved the Vinson compulsory mediation bill.

As originally drafted, the measure would have applied only to plants working on navy contracts, but the committee amended it to embrace all defense industries. The bill calls for

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