

Education Here and There

Stories continue to circulate around the campus about luckless would-be students who have been accepted by the University but have found it impossible to find a place to live during their stay here. For the benefit of any such unfortunate, we wish to pass on a reminder from Russell Grumman, head of the Extension division in Swain hall, about the University's statewide College Center program.

This program was initiated last year for the purpose of giving a year of college work to students who found themselves squeezed out of regular institutions by heavy post-war enrollments. Twelve such centers operated in North Carolina cities last year, and five have already been started for the current term. The University will try to provide this instruction to any group of university candidates numbering 30 or more who will sign up with the Extension division. Director Grumman has said

that there is hope that some of this year's Centers will provide the full two years general college curriculum.

It seems to us that, in these days of small college towns throughout the nation being jammed with students in a fashion never dreamed of a few years ago, the college center idea is a program to be nourished and fostered. Presbyterian College is now running an off-shoot of its campus at Maxton on a former Army flying base procured from the government surplus property services. There are numbers of these abandoned bases over the countryside where educational centers such as these could function. The facilities of an Army post, such as recreation halls and movie houses, are all being operated at Maxton "College" and provide students there with all the normal advantages of university life without the current problems of overcrowded classrooms and unsanitary living conditions. —STANFORD.

Mr. Coates and Civic Responsibility

The Wedgewood room of the Waldorf-Astoria hotel has played host to many distinguished personages, but perhaps none has contributed as much to his state government as Prof. Albert Coates who will speak at a conference on "The Citizen's Participation in Public Affairs." This subject is one that is indelibly stamped on Coates' mind. Several years ago, inspired by a great incentive to teach the duties of responsibility to the new office holders in the State, he almost single-handedly established the Institute of Government here in Chapel Hill. As a result of his indefatigable efforts, the Institute has become one of the most important functions of our state government. In the training of county, local, and state officers it is second to none. The newly-organized school for traffic and highway officers is expected to be a tremen-

dous step in decreasing the number of accidents in the state.

Coates' association with the University and the state has not been an easy-going chain of events, and he was not received with outspread arms. He was forced to prove the merits of his system. He has. And the State is greatly indebted to Coates for his ingenuity in working out the Institute and for his orientation of its elected officers.

The members of the Conference, held under the auspices of the American Bar association, the American Political Science association, and the School of Law of New York university, are indeed fortunate in being able to have Coates with them a few pointers. The "Citizenship Clearing House" will inevitably be a success.

On Skyscrapers

Has anyone ever wondered why the Daily Worker's New York office is in a small building? Well, quit wondering; the word is out. The Communist party line: American skyscrapers are dangerous. They sway so much that water sloshes in

the bathtubs and pictures bounce on the wall.

That somewhat frightening bit of information was printed in the Moscow Literary Gazette, under the byline of a Russian engineer. Seems to us there might be some truth in it. Last

time a fellow we know was in the big city he was staying a-way up yonder on one of the top floors of a hotel. Coming home in the wee hours from a brief tour of 52nd St., he went to his room and fell onto the bed. And, would you believe it, it seemed that that room, bed and all, was doing inside loops.

He sure does appreciate that

Crossword Puzzle

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS
1—Moby Dick's wreny
5—Male pig
9—Malt beverage
12—Hang inly
13—Pimples
14—The legal profession
18—Green letter
19—Arifical night
20—Thoughts
21—Student doctor
22—To one side
23—Neat's ship
24—French coin
25—Defamed
30—Burred road to Burma

DOWN
1—Priest's garment
2—Garden tool
3—Height
4—Sword
6—Dried orchid roots
7—City's name
8—Hold back
9—French dugout
10—Come to verb
11—Scotch verb
12—Climax ridge
19—Blitter verb
21—Small island
22—Christmas car
23—Historians
25—Insect
27—Purity
28—Princely Italian family
29—Birded animal
31—Last letter in
32—Broken plates
35—Vain person
36—Cover
40—Cue
41—God of war
42—Deal out
43—Perry
44—Copper
45—Large body of water
46—Prefix not
49—Conclusion

Show Was Good, But...

The Audience Was Bad

By Bob Sain

There is not much use in trying to give last evening's Sound and Fury Freshman Night Show an ordinary review. It was not an ordinary show.

First of all, the show—which was not up to the best that the campus musical comedy organization can produce—was played to one of the largest groups ever to crowd into Memorial hall. Unfortunately the audience was well spiced by townspeople's twelve-year-olds who heckled the performers without mercy and who made very impolite noises with little horns. Perhaps children under sixteen shouldn't be admitted without adult supervision.

But that is neither here and we hope it won't be there again.

In the best tradition of the stage, Sound and Fury's stand-out showpiece—Coline Smith, Doug Gardner, Gray Adams, Pete Strader, Ben Kistler—gave the big, noisy audience a good fight. Coline, perched on a piano and warbling her "Love for Sale", sold her number as usual while the people out front greeted her every phrase with horns, whistles, and coins thrown on the stage. Most any other singer would have cut the tune after one chorus.

Doug Gardner ran through an Eddie Cantor style harem number with his usual energy and spirit. Dancers in the skit were Grace Blades, Nancy Tucker and Anies Daye, Jr.

Gray Adams was at home in front of the heckling, cat-calling audience in a comic routine. His *little woman* very funny, but, as usual, he knew his way around behind footlights.

Pete Strader, lanky director of the show and more-or-less emcee due to the late arrival of Ben Kistler, fought the good fight against the tough audience.

His work in "Love That Soap Opera," the summer show "Blip" skit, and in the finale was outstanding. Equally outstanding in the finale were Coline Smith, who presented the amusing Kern tune, "Life Upon the Wicked Stage," with almost perfect comedy technique, and Forrest Covington. Covington's summer-show holdover, "Old Man River" was the top number of the show. The audience was impressed by his voice and dramatic appeal. Their applause was what had been missing through the show.

Workmanlike performances were turned in by June Matthews and her brother, Frank. June sang one of Frank's songs, "Moonlight" with what may well have been careful regard for the notes. We couldn't say for sure since it is not one of composer Matthews' best tunes. June has a competent voice and an agreeably subdued stage personality. If she has luck she should be tops in the organization within a year. Frank worked as hard as, if not harder than, most in the show. His piano accompaniment to all the songs was excellent.

The Sigma Chi sextet was well received by the audience. The reception was probably due to the fact that their six voices could be heard, while earlier numbers were presented without mikes. S&F should remember that next time.

Considering the early presentation of the show following fall vacation, Sound and Fury did well. But, if it was their plan to make a good impression on new freshmen, they could have started work a little earlier and worked a little harder.

YACKETY YACK MEET

Student photographers possessing their own equipment who would like to work on the Yackety Yack are requested to meet in the Yackety Yack office at 4:00 Monday afternoon 29 September. Samples of work should be brought if possible.

EXPECT PACKAGES

All persons who are expecting packages by railway express collect should either check by the office or call them so that the express may be delivered. It is the policy of the express company to not deliver any collect goods until notification by the receiver.

Student World

National Organization Launched

Madison, Wis. (Special)—The National Student association, launched at a constitutional convention on the University of Wisconsin campus from August 30 to September 7, gives the American college student unprecedented representation in the educational world.

Some 700 delegates officially representing 1,100,000 students in 351 leading colleges and universities throughout the United States worked day and night in Madison to write the NSA constitution and plan a dynamic and comprehensive program of activities to improve education and promote friendship and understanding among students both at home and abroad.

The new-born NSA, with permanent headquarters on the University of Wisconsin campus in Madison and six full-time national officers, is starting immediately with its activities on campus, regional and national levels.

The aims of NSA, as presented in the preamble to the constitution, are to "stimulate the development of democratic self-government; promote international understanding and fellowship; and aid in securing for all people equal rights and possibilities of primary, secondary and higher education regardless of sex, religion, political beliefs or economic circumstances."

These aims will be pursued through such activities as collecting and disseminating information and statistics, working out student tours and cultural exchanges, and bringing students together to discuss and plan projects for the improvement of education in all its phases.

The NSA constitution is to be ratified by the member student bodies within nine months. The national organization is divided into 26 geographic regions, which have already elected their officers. Depending upon the number of students in each, the regions will have one or two representatives on the national executive committee. Only the officially constituted student governing bodies on the respective campuses will send representatives to the national congresses to be held each summer.

The convention authorized the executive committee to begin negotiations for NSA affiliation with the International Union of Students, with reservations which will preserve the purely educational nature of the NSA and prevent the NSA from being bound by political actions which might be taken by the international group. Admitting political complexity of the IUS, argument was made that "staying out of the international organization would put American students in danger of becoming isolated from the international student community."

The knottiest problem before the convention involved NSA's method of carrying out its stated purpose of "securing

eventual elimination of all forms of discriminatory educational systems anywhere in the United States."

Southern white delegates were concerned lest their regional autonomy be impaired by by-law provisions on the elimination of discrimination. Negro delegates and others desired that the NSA should be enabled to act on such problems on a national level without leaving them to the initiative of regions.

The final compromise solution provided that NSA "will take action on national, regional, and campus problems through the corresponding organization of NSA to implement its stated principles, with regard to the legal limitations involved."

The constructive activities of IUS with which the NSA plan cooperation are: educational and student exchange; national and international tours; exchange of student publications and information; world-wide sports events; student relief; reconstruction and study of educational facilities; faculty conferences and exchanges; and joint

projects and exchanges on art, drama, and science.

The organization has been giving a special send-off by President Truman. His statement:

"The people of the United States have long manifested an outstanding interest in higher education. Our colleges and universities are now crowded beyond their capacities with an unprecedented number of students, eager to prepare themselves in the best possible manner for meeting the problems of the future. It is a pleasure to send greetings to the Constitutional Convention of the National Student Association.

IRC PLANS ELECTION

The International Relations club will elect new officers to serve through the winter semester at tomorrow evening's business meeting at 7 in the Roland Parker lounge of Graham Memorial. Retiring President John Bristow asked all IRC members to attend this first planning session.

CAROLINA CAROUSEL

Trains, Jail, Texas

Never seen anything to beat the pre-game enthusiasm of a Tar Heel grid set-to. . . Here it is Sat. aye and the whole town's on millenium-high-pace. . . We are, too. . . since we took a nice piece of that Georgia-and-13 proposition one of our more reckless cohorts was mouthing around the other day! . . . A thousand-odd Georgians who arrived in Durham on a special train from Peachland at 8:30 this morning are helping keep things interesting. . . And on the last topic: Here's hoping the athletic big-wigs will arrange special Tar Heel trains to Florida, Rich-

mond, and Washington this fall.

Things are tough. Proof: Ace DTH newsmen Bill Sexton, who classifies himself as a "highly respectable local citizen" had to sleep in the local jail Friday night. Reason, says respectable citizen Sexton, was the housing shortage. . . But he's moving into the quonset huts today, fellows.

Perusing the Daily Texan yesterday, noticed an encouraging sign for the year. A recent series of lectures on "How to Study" drew overflow crowds of eager studes every night. . . More! They've got flying courses at UT; why not here???? . . . Ordinarily we're not particularly nosy, but can't help wondering how come there's a bright red - and - white striped cushion in the middle of the beautiful comfy maroon sofa in the lobby of E. Carrington Smith's local movie emporium. . . . Well. . .

In closing, here's the hand of the week to Don English, promoter extraordinaire. The Rendezvous, revival of the defunct Candlelight room, packed in over 1000 at the grand opening Friday evening. Thanks to Don for making a fine start as Jack-of-all-trades manager of the Rendezvous.

Over-lite

Many are the puns concerning the distaste for army life in all of its various stages, but the cream of them all really happened. A state convict, who escaped last year and joined the army, surrendered himself to the Commanding officer of his base in California requesting that he be permitted to finish his two to three year sentence for larceny.

Princess Elizabeth who will soon become the bride of Lt. Philip Mountbatten has her wedding dress locked behind bars. Curious women the world over are eager to learn of the design and cut of the dress, but the men of American would prefer for the women folks to think of the cut of their own dresses—several inches off the bottoms, or lock themselves behind bars.

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There have been about 73,000 murders in the United States in the past 10 years.

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As a parting note, the Russian engineer adds that the buildings lean so much in the wind that they remain permanently lopsided. (Maybe he was the character who stood in a 5th Avenue canyon and looked up, saying, "Goodness, the buildings come together up there.)

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