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## THIS TELEPHONE PROPOSITION

Today, the student body will be given an opportunity to either approve or reject a measure to provide for installation and operation of telephones in the dormitories. The cost as provided in the measure will be one dollar per student per annum to be paid through the treasurer's office.

The telephone proposition was originally brought up last year, but because there was considerable investigation needed before the motion could be presented to the students, the Student Council delayed action until this year. We believe that the committee appointed by Student Body President Brown has made a fair investigation of the feasibility of the plan before submitting their report back to the council. Therefore we believe that the measure is a fair one for all concerned.

At present there is no adequate method for getting in touch with a student living in the dormitories. True, the YMCA has been pinch-hitting by delivering as many messages as is possible to the individual student, but this is an entirely inadequate system for a campus of this size.

There are on the State College campus some thousand students who at present depend on one phone connection for incoming messages. State is the only college of its size in North Carolina which does not have some system of telephones available to its students. Until this year, toll phones were placed in the dormitories, but this year, even they have been lacking.

We think that the student will consider the one dollar per year well spent if he knows that he could be reached at any time for an important message. However, this would not be the only advantage. Many students find it necessary to call up that girl occasionally, and dormitory phones would prove a boon to them.

Aside from the benefits that the student would receive from telephone connections, each and every parent or friend would be appreciative of the opportunity to get in touch with a student living on the campus. The College in a measure owes to the parents and friends an adequate means for contacting persons on the campus.

The students living in fraternities would find it much easier to contact boys living on the campus. The system would allow for connection between all the dormitories on the campus.

According to present plans, the telephones would be operated through the present State College switchboard, which would of course be enlarged to accommodate the added phones. By using part of the present system, a saving will not only be made in installation costs, but in cost of operating.

WE CANNOT RECOMMEND TO STUDENTS TOO STRONGLY THAT THEY TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE PROPOSAL DRAWN UP BY THE STUDENT COUNCIL AND VOTE YES ON THE MEASURE TO PROVIDE FOR TELEPHONES IN THE DORMITORIES AT STATE COLLEGE. State College owes it to itself to have an adequate means for contacting those students who live in the dormitories. Other colleges have telephone systems, why not State?

We hope that the voters will go to the polls today determined to pass this amendment which will go a long way toward making State College a better place in which to live.

## RING IN THE NEW

With this issue of THE TECHNICIAN, the new staff and editor take charge. Though many staffs down through the years have been through this same experience, we feel that it is something unique—and it is to us.

At first we may be a bit rough in some places, as an uncut stone, but we hope that the constant wear through which we will have to go during the next nine months will in some measure serve to polish and brighten us. We are beset by sad forebodings that we can never attain the brilliance of the staff that preceded us, and who we have been brought closely in contact during our preparatory years on the staff of THE TECHNICIAN.

Nevertheless, the policy of THE TECHNICIAN during the term of the present staff will be to write the news in the most interesting manner possible for consistent newspaper style, striving always to give the news in a form which is logical, clear, and as far as is humanly possible unbiased toward any and all groups on the campus; however biased to the extent that we believe in State College, the things that State is doing toward the betterment of the Tar Heel State, and we hold that State College spirit will find a way to overcome odds to make this College better day by day.

We hope that during the coming year THE TECHNICIAN will become, more than it ever has been, a paper more truly representing the students who are at State; the agriculturists, the engineers, the textilists.

We are planning during the coming year to vary somewhat from the physical make-up that has been used during the past year, to try some changes from time to time which we think will appeal to the students. We believe that a newspaper is for utility more than beauty and symmetry of form, yet we believe that there is a medium which can be reached and held which can accommodate both the idealist and the altruist. We shall try during the coming year to reach such a point and to maintain such a standard. How well we shall accomplish that end lies in the future, and the best we can do is to try.

One of the most important things that we hope to do during the year of our editorship is to revive the long lost and almost forgotten feature of the paper—the Open Forum. We believe that the students of State College have some opinions to express, and we believe that these comments can be most constructive when expressed in written form through such a medium as THE TECHNICIAN.

We cannot be successful in this phase of our work unless we have the cooperation of the members of the student body; unless they are willing to write us so that we may know the consensus of opinion and so that their fellow students may know how they feel about certain matters.

We will print in each and every issue of THE TECHNICIAN any letters submitted to us, providing they carry the name of the writer. WE HOPE THAT STUDENTS WILL TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR OPEN FORUM COLUMN AND WILL COMMIT THEMSELVES TO WRITING.

We again reiterate our statement. We hope that THE TECHNICIAN will come to mean more to the students of State College during next year.

## CONGRATULATIONS, MEN

Yesterday at noon students and faculty alike gathered in Pullen Hall to celebrate the twelfth annual Scholarship Day of State College. During the assembly, many students walked forward to receive various awards as a token of their proficiency in certain lines of study. Seventy-two men were listed on the high honor roll, with a total of over 260 gaining honors.

THE TECHNICIAN believes that these men who have won honors are to be congratulated, not only for the victory that they have won, but for the leaving, so to speak, which they furnish to the entire student body. Scholarship Day is the only day during the year when scholarship is held above all other activities.

We believe that such concentrated thought by the entire student body has helped a great deal to bring scholasticism to its present high standard on the State College campus and that it will continue to do more as long as it is continued. Each year has seen a certain stiffening of scholarship requirements, a gradual, but well-directed tendency toward the producing of a higher and better trained class of graduates.

We think that it is an excellent idea to set aside one day in the year and on that day to honor and call to mind the students who have made high grades during their time of citizenship here.

We wish to compliment the campus honor groups which have made this day possible, the faculty who have had a part in its conception and arrangement, but most of all we wish to honor those students who through their high scholastic standings honor State College.

## THESE SENIOR TRIPS

The spring term is one of constant travel for the seniors in the various departments of the College. Though some may hold that these trips, the causation of four, five or more days absence from class, are harmful to the student, we believe that the inspection trips serve a very needful place in the training of the student.

During the four years that the student spends at State College, he studies to a great extent the theoretical side of his prospective profession. The trips to view industries doing his kind of work serve to solidify the knowledge accumulated during the technical curriculum, and give the student a good vantage point from which he can see his field in its entirety.

## HERE and THERE

By DICK MACKENZIE

Friday and another parade, but this time it's honoring the neighboring "angel farms." Here's hoping that the mud on the south end of the field is not quite so soft... those shoe shines won't take it!

And then they took "Mex" Madeiro on a snipe hunt. When one of the fellows allowed a snipe to escape, it aroused the ire of the entire hunt. Madeiro decided that he was the man to hold the bag and, well, after an hour and a half of patient waiting, in the rain, he sensed the joke. If anybody wants to go on a snipe hunt, Madeiro will be more than glad to show you the proper technique of "holding the bag."

The screen flashed "College Professor Murdered," and the applause was tumultuous. State Collegians must have composed the greater part of the audience. It might be a good idea in some cases, but what would the humane societies say?

Billy Aycock keeps climbing the ladder to the higher realms of the Federation of College Students. Billy is now president of Southern Federation, and we hope to see him president of the National in the near future.

The phone rings and Lloyd Brown answers, "Who do you want to speak to? Lloyd Brown? He's busy, call back in fifteen minutes." Lloyd's technique is to keep them waiting... After all it does prove one's importance.

The Charlotte Observer gave our textile boys a most complimentary write-up while stopping in the Queen City on their way to the Southern Textile Exposition. These fellows claim that they had a most successful trip.

Next year we will have dormitory phones to connect us with the outside world. That is, if the proposed issue of the Student Council is upheld in today's election. This is the only State-supported school that does not have these facilities which would prove a useful asset.

Since the boys have proved that they can take care of property, I am in favor of parlors in each dorm for the purpose of entertaining the home folks (?) during a visit to our institution.

## ANNUAL PEACE CONTEST TO BE HELD HERE SOON

The annual peace oratorical contest and the fifth Forum of Public Opinion will be held Tuesday, April 20, 7:30 p.m. in the YMCA auditorium. Over twenty students took part in the preliminary round of the oratorical contest, held April 12-15. K. W. Clark, Natalie Hicks, Samuel B. Moss, L. S. Satterfield, T. W. Yarborough, C. B. Shimer, and Harold Zekaria were chosen for the final contest.

Following the contest, the Forum will discuss the question, "Is Peace Possible?"

## AS WE SEE IT

By JOHNNIE BING

In the hall-way, over against the wall, sets the cheap baby carriage. It seems a bit out of place in that grimy, dimly-lighted passageway; a baby-carriage, a means whereby a tiny infant can be wheeled and counter-wheeled in the life-giving and bone-strengthening fresh air and sunshine; a vehicle that soundlessly tells the story of parental love for an offspring. Just its presence in that sordid tenement dwelling unfolds before the spectators eyes a tale of misery, sacrifice, a struggle to give unto an unknowing child all the advantages and privileges his, or her parents did not know. Who knows but what the purchase of that perambulator took the bread out of the mouths of Mother and Father for several days, maybe weeks. Father may have needed his only pair of shoes half-soled, but newspaper and cardboard did the trick nicely—when it rained, his feet were wet, but at least it kept feet from leaving a bloody trail on the rough sidewalks. Mother had no shoes, but, well, when one is inside, one can easily walk from one household duty to another bare-footed, can't one? And it's really more comfortable, too! Sure, we can do it, and Father goes proudly to the junk dealer, hands over five dollars, and wheels home the dilapidated carriage; bowing and smiling to all the neighbors; yes, the little Bambino will now ride forth into all the fresh air his little lungs can hold, and his safflow cheeks will take on the bloom of the sun itself. Father has pegged himself and his family one notch above his neighbors by his purchase, and a shiny, new roadster wouldn't have made him any more happy.

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draft in the passageway sweeps the flames down onto the floor and up against the walls. Tinder-like floors catch fire like a cat catches a mouse, and the fiendish human-like flames race to the stair-well. Success, success! "Heh, heh, they're trapped, the only way out is to jump from the windows, and that means practically the same as trying to dash through me," chorles the fire.

The Mother and a daughter awaken in a smoke-filled room, horror racing through every nerve in their bodies. Only one thought in both minds; how to get out of the blazing trap? The "leetle" Bambino is with Pappy, and Pappy will get him out. Mother rushes to the door; smoke and licking flames beat her back. They jump from windows, and lay prostrate suffering from injuries. Pappy and Bambino do not join them; they lie dead, unfocused from smoke and fumes. A home broken up, irreparably so. Father and child dead; Mother and child, injured.

Somewhere in the vastness of a huge city, roams a gleeful fiend, chuckling over the fire he has set. Human lives

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mean nothing to him; they are but pawns in a hellish game he loves to play. Plain killing is too good for such a person; he ought to be slowly boiled in acid; be made to suffer the Death of a Thousand Cuts. Better still, he ought to be tied in a fire trap, and burned alive, just as he has done to others. This is one instance when the axiom, "An eye for an eye,..." should hold sway. Small wonder that less-civilized nations look at us, and laugh.

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### Sigma Nu Formals

Tomorrow evening in Frank Thompson Gymnasium the Sigma Nu's will entertain at their fortieth Spring Formal, one of the outstanding events of the college's spring social calendar.

The gym will be decorated in the fraternity colors of black, white, and gold, and a large replica of the Sigma Nu pin will be hung at each end. Still more color will be furnished by the corsages of lilies of the valley with white roses, the fraternity flower, which each young lady in the figure will wear.

Special guests of State's Beta Tau chapter at the dance will be the Sigma Nu chapters at the University of North Carolina, Duke University, the University of South Carolina, the University of Virginia, and Washington and Lee University.

Members and pledges who will take part in the figure will be Richard Edmondson with Olivia Root, Henry Falls with Mabel Warlick, Peter Ibric with Mary Green Thiem, George Ashby, Jr. with Alice Poe, Richard Henry with Helen Morton, W. A. Scholes with Ruth Suplee, H. R. Browne with Virginia Patrick, Robert Lake with Virginia Trostel, William Mauney with Jane Forbes, Jack Bing with Jane Womble, Harry Plummer with Sarah Oliver, Joe Ashcraft with Mary Helen Stewart, Hult Smith with Peggy Leonard, F. R. McClurd with Edna Earl Coggins, Asbury H. Sallenger with Betty Telfair Wright, James M. Smith with Martha Mauney, J. M. S. Gettner with Ruth Hunt, Arthur McKimmon with Becky Williams, Fred Peden with Mary Lily Cromartie, Arthur Gewehr with Elsie Mae English, Sam N. Mann with Eloise Harris, Alfred L. Parker with Katherine Crosby, Richard Chatham with Margery England, Paul Hoover with Betty Scott, Tommy Hay with Betty Hobby, John Redding with Ruth Hamilton, Richard Davis with Barbara Davis, J. B. Gaither with Helen Fago, Wade Meadows with Betty Ashby, and R. V. McPhail, L. E. Milks, Fred Miller, R. L. Oliver, George Poyner, and M. F. Harris.

Chaperones for the dance will be Dean and Mrs. John W. Harrelson, Dean and Mrs. E. L. Clloyd, Dean and Mrs. Romeo Lefort, Dr. and Mrs. Marc Leager, Dean and Mrs. Thomas Nelson, Dr. and Mrs. Robert S. Warren, Dr. and Mrs. J. V. Hoffman, Professor and Mrs. Thomas Hay, Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Miller, Professor and Mrs. C. L.

### Junior-Senior

The Junior Class will be hosts to the seniors tonight in Frank Thompson Gymnasium, as Freddy Johnson and his Carolina Tar Heelians melodize for the annual Junior-Senior Prom.

In addition to the figure, composed of junior class members, the high spots of the evening will be the Senior No-Break Dance and the Junior Ring Ceremony, which features the juniors, their rings, and their dates.

Seniors will be admitted by bid with registration card, while juniors may attend upon presentation of bids at door. A limited number of bids are available to members of the lower classes, and these may be secured from members of the Junior Prom Committee.

The figure will be led by J. G. Bronson, class president, with Mary Jean Bronson of Durham; Claude Clark, class vice president, with Emily Clark of Danville; D. L. Ramsey, class secretary-treasurer, with Charlotte Ruffner of Raleigh; T. C. Ragadale, dance committee member, with Lucile Aycock of Raleigh; and J. W. Sears, committee member, with Dorothy Thurman of Raleigh.

Guests of honor will be Governor and Mrs. Clyde R. Hoey, Dr. and Mrs. Frank Porter Graham, Dean and Mrs. John W. Harrelson, and Colonel and Mrs. Charles S. Caffery.

Chaperones for the dance include Dean and Mrs. Thomas Nelson, Coach and Mrs. Doc Newton, Coach and Mrs. R. S. Warren, Dr. and Mrs. E. E. Randolph, Dean and Mrs. E. L. Clloyd, Dean and Mrs. Romeo Lefort, Major and Mrs. Thornton Chase, Major and Mrs. Robert E. Jones, Major and Mrs. B. W. Venable, Dr. and Mrs. Z. P. Metcalf, and Prof. and Mrs. R. H. Ruffner.

At the weekly meeting of the Forestry Club, J. V. Hoffman, head of the forestry department, gave a descriptive talk on his trip through Europe last summer at which time he accompanied a student group who were viewing the different forestry methods used in Germany, Switzerland, and France.

Hofmann illustrated his lecture by the use of slides which he had made on his trips.

Mann, Mrs. Mary Smodes Poyner, Mrs. Edith Hoover, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hulick.

### Announcements

Seniors who want extra invitations are urged to get their orders in at once. Wednesday, April 21, is the last day that requests will be received. Mrs. B. Sumner.

The 1937 *Agromedica* are expected in a short time, and all fraternities, and other campus organizations are urged to pay their bill to the business manager by next Monday afternoon. The office will be open from 2:30 until 5:30 that afternoon. George M. Ashby, Jr., Business Manager.

There will be a meeting of the *Southern Engineer* business staff Monday night at 6:30 in the publications building. All students interested in working with the *Southern Engineer* next year are invited to attend this meeting. F. E. Mask, Business Manager.

### STATE BOYS TO ATTEND CAMP NAWAKWA MEET

On Friday, April 23, a delegation of State YMCA members will leave Raleigh to attend the annual state-wide conference of student members of the YMCA and the YWCA which will be held at camp Nawakwa located 20 miles southeast of Greensboro.

This conference is sponsored by the YMCA and the YWCA for the purpose of creating friendly relations between the boys and girls from all parts of North Carolina.

According to E. S. King, secretary of the "Y", the conference will start Friday evening and will consist of friendly discussions of mutual interest to the group and participation in such sports as hiking, horseshoe pitching, motorboating and swimming.

The conference will come to a close on Sunday, April 25, and the State delegates will return to Raleigh that night.

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### MECHANICAL ENGINEERS ATTEND SOCIETY MEET

Twenty ASME Members to Leave for Student Convention at Chattanooga Sunday

Twenty mechanical engineering students will leave for Chattanooga Sunday to attend the annual ASME student convention to be held in the Read House on April 19 and 20.

During the two days of the convention, the delegates will make inspection trips to the most important factories and manufacturing centers of the city in the mornings, followed each day by luncheons at the Read House. After lunch Monday the student representatives attending the convention will submit papers in competition for cash prizes, the first prize of which will be \$50.

Monday evening the delegates will attend a banquet and open forum discussion at which many subjects of common interest will be discussed.

The State delegation will leave Chattanooga Tuesday evening to return to State late Tuesday night.

According to reports from E. L. Guerrant, secretary of the ASME, Fred Connell, president of the ASME and Colonel of the State ROTC unit,

has been recommended as chairman of the convention.

Professor R. B. Rice and Professor M. R. Rowland, of the mechanical engineering department, will accompany the delegation on the trip to Chattanooga.

fraternity.

The smoker was followed by a business meeting, at which ten new members were elected. Bids have not been extended, so the names of the prospective members cannot be published.

### TEXTILE STUDENTS MEET AT SMOKER HELD IN "Y"

Twenty-five sophomore and junior textile students attended a Phi Psi, honorary textile fraternity, "get-together" smoker held in the YMCA Tuesday night.

George Norman, president of the fraternity, made a short talk, and Professor T. R. Hart of the Textile School spoke on the history of the Phi Psi

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