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# OMICRON DELTA KAPPA COMES HERE

## RESOLUTIONS ARE DRAWN UP BY PRESS CLUB COMMITTEE TO BE SENT TO W. W. BALL

President of Organization Appoints Men to Express Esteem for Dean

NEW CHARLESTON EDITOR

George Wittkowsky and Professor Davis Discuss Journalistic Topics at Meeting

Whereas, the Press Club, learning with regret of the departure of Dr. William Watts Ball, founder of the Club and Dean of the School of Journalism, and realizing the great loss to the University and the Press Club.

Be it Resolved, that a copy of resolutions be sent Dr. Ball acquainting him of our appreciation of his work as an instructor, and his high ideals of scholarship. And, furthermore, wishing him success and happiness in his work, though it takes him from our midst.

W. L. T. Crocker,  
J. V. Nielsen,  
Committee on Resolutions.

The foregoing resolutions were drawn up by a committee appointed by W. J. Thomas, president of the Press club, and they express in a very small way the high esteem in which Dr. William Watts Ball, dean of the school of Journalism, is held by the members of his "Child," as Prof. Yates Snowden has termed the University Press club. Dr. Ball severs his professional connection with the University at the end of the present session when he goes to Charleston as editor-in-chief of "The News and Courier."

George Wittkowsky, Columbia attorney and instructor in the English Department, spoke on "Freedom of the Press, and Its Limitations or the Law of Libel and Slander" at the meeting of the Press club at the home of Miss Elizabeth Lindsay, Wednesday night.

Mr. Wittkowsky divided slanderous and libelous words into several categories and then explained how a newspaper might be guilty of libel by their use. He gave a short discussion of privileged statements explaining the right to reproduce in a newspaper the remarks of lawyers and judges talking to juries in the performance of their offices. He pointed out where the distinction should be made in privilege and qualified privilege telling wherein the newspaper had the right to criticize and how far it could go in its criticism.

At the conclusion of Mr. Wittkowsky's talk, Wilbur Zeigler gave a number of selections on the piano. Following this, Prof. Henry C. Davis, of the English department, talked on "Drifts in Our Speech."

Prof. Davis traced the history of the English language from the highly inflected Greek through the less inflected Anglo-Saxon and middle English to the almost uninflected English of today. He declared that language is to society, what speech is to the individual, and pointed out that as clearness demands that we have definite words, variety demands that they change.

Going further into his subject he said that as journalists change type, capitalization and punctuation, publishers, linguists and journalists may get together and properly change the English language. He gave a number of examples of the use of the gerund in English as the subject of a verb, where formerly, it was the verb itself.

## JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET PLANS NOW COMPLETE

Junior Class Decides to Make Reception at Jefferson Hotel a Formal Affair

TICKETS BEING SOLD NOW

Governor Richards Has Not Yet Decided Whether He Will Speak

At a meeting of the junior class Thursday morning it was decided that the Junior-Senior banquet will be a formal affair. This settles a question which has been discussed for several days. After much argument the Juniors agreed to let each junior and senior bring as many as two guests and no more.

Tickets went on sale last Tuesday, and will be sold until next Monday night. They can be bought from any one of the following: Lawrence Murden, Tom Craig, Raymond Hildebrand, Eirene Mayers, Harriet Scarborough, or Burton Shook. There are two kinds of tickets, white ones which are for juniors and sell for \$2.50 and red tickets which are given to seniors and sold for the guests of the juniors and seniors for \$2.00.

Plans for the banquet are almost completed. The orchestra has not been chosen, several being under consideration. As usual the banquet will be given at the Jefferson hotel.

Juniors and seniors are urged to get tickets by next Monday night, as they will not be sold after that time. Monday has been set as the last day for buying tickets in order that the financial committee will know definitely how much money will be available. If there is a sufficient amount of money on hand the committee plans to buy favors, which will be given to those attending.

Governor Richards has been asked to speak, but has not yet made his decision.

—U.S.C.—

## Co-ed Debaters to Go to Tuscaloosa

Misses McLure, Goff, Jones, and New to Represent Carolina Against Alabama

Misses Ethel Ann McLure of Chester, Carrie Nell Goff, Lillian Jones, and Anne New of Columbia, were chosen Wednesday afternoon to represent the University in a debate with the University of Alabama. The subject for the debate is: "Resolved, That the United States should enact a uniform marriage and divorce law."

Misses McLure and Goff will uphold the affirmative and Misses Jones and New will debate the negative. The affirmative team will go to Tuscaloosa where it will oppose the University of Alabama's negative and their affirmative will come to Columbia to meet the University's negative.

Miss Goff is a junior; Miss Jones a senior; Miss New is a freshman while Miss McLure, who is a member of the Euphrosynean literary society, all the debaters are members of the Hypatian literary society. Judges for the contests were Professors Norwood and Walsh, and Miss Johnston, all members of the University faculty.

## Ask These Men About Blue Ridge and the Life There

If you want to know about Blue Ridge ask any of the men below. They have been there.

Bill Boyd, Cecil Scott, John R. Pate, C. C. Cuttino, Bus Wise, Ed. Massie, Jim Hearon, Jim Hicks, R. M. Smith, Lee Crocker, Leroy Griffith, Sam Ready, W. J. Thomas, Hoye Earle, Sewell Hawkins, W. C. Nolan, H. B. Stevenson, T. L. Ulmer, H. H. Foy, Jasper Derrick.

—U.S.C.—

## Melton Gate To Be Erected By June First

Memorial Will Be Placed at Main Gate of Athletic Field—Contract Let

SOCIAL CABINET WORKING  
\$1233.29 Has Been Raised—Other Contributions May Come in Soon

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| Faculty .....                 | \$293.50 |
| Students .....                | 254.29   |
| Organizations .....           | 493.30   |
| Officials and Employees ..... | 149.50   |
| Miscellaneous .....           | 23.00    |
| Graduates .....               | 10.00    |
| Colored Employees .....       | 9.70     |
| Total .....                   | 1233.29  |

Sponsored by the Social cabinet, the memorial to the late president of the University, Dr. W. D. Melton, will be completed by commencement. This memorial will be in the form of two ornamental posts on either side of the main gate of the athletic field.

These two posts will be of brick, surmounted by large urns and each bearing a bronze tablet, one bearing this inscription: "Dedicated to William Davis Melton—President of the University 1922-26." The other tablet will bear this acknowledgment: "Erected by the officers, faculty, student body, organizations, and employees of the University of South Carolina, sponsored by the social cabinet, 1927."

An iron arch will span the gateway which is to bear the words "Melton Field" in bronze letters. The gates themselves will be of wrought iron.

Plans for the memorial were drawn by Carroll Johnson, architect, and the work will be done by the Crary Construction company.

The original plans, as sketched by the Social cabinet, composed of Ethel Ann McLure, S. Siedeman, Tom Craig and Professors Bruce Coleman and Malcolm McCrae, called for a brick wall extending on either side of the two posts for some distance. However, the lack of funds prevented the carrying out of this plan. It is still possible to do this, though, and if any other contributions come in this will be done.

Following is a list of those on the University faculty and others who have contributed and their contribution. The Gamecock will print the names of others who have contributed in succeeding issues.

W. T. Aycock, \$10.00; L. T. Baker, \$5.00; W. W. Ball, \$5.00; F. W. Bradley, \$5.00; W. B. Burney, \$25.00; W. H. Callcott, \$4.00; A. L. Campbell, \$5.00; A. C. Carson, \$5.00; J. A. Chase, \$2.00; Burton Clark, \$2.50; E. C. Coker, \$5.00; J. B. Coleman, \$5.00; Vernon Cook, (Continued on page eight)

## LEADERSHIP FRATERNITY TO TAKE ITS PLACE WITH PHI BETA KAPPA AT CAROLINA

## DEBATERS FOR GA.-ALA. MEET ARE SELECTED

Simpson, Karesh, Tyler and Funderburke Compose Carolina's Teams in Triangle

FIRST MEETING OF THREE

Pate, Euphradian, Presides in Affirmative Preliminary—Garrett, in Negative

W. D. Simpson and Joseph Karesh, both of Columbia, Guy Tyler, of Norway, and Harold Funderburke, of Camden, were last week chosen in preliminaries held in the Clariosophic and Euphradian halls to represent the University in the first triangular debate between the University of South Carolina, Alabama, and Georgia.

Simpson and Karesh, on the affirmative of the query: "Resolved: That Compulsory Military Training in Colleges and Universities in the United States Should be Abolished," will travel to Tuscaloosa, Alabama, there to oppose the negative team of the University of Georgia. Tyler and Funderburke, defending the negative, will go to Athens, Georgia, there to engage in verbal conflict with the affirmative team of the University of Alabama. The affirmative team of University of Georgia and the negative team of University of Alabama will clash in Columbia. The date for the contests is May 2. Both Georgia and Alabama boast of strong teams. Georgia, debating in the triangle with Carolina and Virginia in 1925, was successful.

With the exception of Funderburke, who is a newcomer in intercollegiate debating at the University, all the members have represented Carolina in platform tilts on former occasions. Only recently did Karesh and Simpson, paired with each other, defeat Presbyterian College in one corner of the annual "Little Triangle" debate.

Simpson and Tyler are members of the Clariosophic literary society, of which Simpson is the vice president and Tyler is president and senior valedictorian. Karesh and Funderburke are sophomores.

—USC—

## May Queen Will Be Coronated on May 4

Miss Virginia Utsey, of St. George, recently elected May Queen, will be crowned in the new Field House at 9:00 o'clock, on the night of May 4th.

Immediately following the coronation there will be a social cabinet dance lasting until two o'clock. Admission will be by athletic ticket only.

The coronation of Miss Utsey, a senior in the Academic school, promises to be a gala occasion. The usual interest in May queen coronations will be added to by the popularity of the May Queen-elect.

The election of a May Queen is an age-old custom at Carolina but for some unknown reason, this practice was dropped for some time and was revived with the election of Miss Frances Wannamaker, of Columbia, as Queen in 1923. Miss Thelma Penland of Columbia was elected Queen in 1924, Miss Caroline Sams, also of Columbia was elected as Queen in 1925, and last year Miss Elizabeth Thompson, of Laurens, was Queen of the May.

Election to New Organization Is Confined to the Junior and Senior Classes

FIVE FACULTY MEMBERS

Only Leaders in Campus Life and Activities Have Been Selected as Members

Omicron Delta Kappa, national honorary leadership fraternity, will take its place with Phi Beta Kappa, national scholarship fraternity, when a chapter is established on the campus of the University of South Carolina within the next two weeks.

Election to this fraternity is confined to members of the junior and senior classes. Twenty men, ten juniors and ten seniors, have been elected to Omicron Delta Kappa by the men on the faculty who are members of the fraternity. These twenty men will be notified of their election within the next few days.

At present there are five men on the faculty who are members of Omicron Delta Kappa. William Spenser Currell, Washington and Lee chapter; James Glenn Driver, William and Mary chapter; Joseph Means McFadden, Davidson chapter; Henry L. Shaw, Davidson chapter; and Havilah Babcock, William and Mary chapter. Dr. Reed Smith was elected to the fraternity last year and will go to Davidson College next week for his initiation. Dr. Henry Louis Smith, president of Washington and Lee University, will make the address at the initiation of Dr. Smith. Five members of the faculty have been chosen as honorary members of the new chapter of the fraternity that will be established here. Their names will not be known until the day of the installation ceremonies.

Omicron Delta Kappa is rated with Phi Beta Kappa and the charter is being secured for the University, it is presumed, under the same conditions as the Phi Beta Kappa charter. Being an honorary fraternity, it is not necessary for the trustees of the University to approve the action of the legislature and governor in repealing the anti-fraternity law before the chapter may be established here. Membership in Omicron Delta Kappa will not affect the eligibility of any of its members who may receive invitations to become affiliated with any social fraternity that may be established here provided the Board of Trustees sees fit to allow the re-establishment of fraternities at the University.

Leaders in athletics, in forensics activities, in Y.M.C.A. work, in the literary societies, in the social life of the University—leaders will make up the membership of the Omicron Delta Kappa fraternity. Every aspect, every group, of University life will be represented by its leaders. The men who are most conspicuous in campus life and its activities have been selected as members of the new fraternity and men of their calibre will be the ones elected to membership in the years to come. The fraternity is intended as a rendezvous for leaders in all campus groups and as a clearing house for discussion of University problems. Unlike Phi Beta Kappa, Omicron Delta Kappa is not based on mere scholarship. Members must prove their ability as leaders and unless this ability is proven in some form of University life a man is not eligible for membership in the new (Continued on page eight)