William Davis Melton

For the education of South Carolina, William Davis Melton has dedicated to the state his capacities and his understanding. At the University, he has worked for his institution and for every institute which trains future citizens. His work has taken his health, but he has gone, a sick man, to the legislative halls; told of the needs of his people, won support for the state institutions for higher learning, and reminded the legislators that young men and women.

As The Gamecock goes to the press, it learn's that Dr. Melton is critically ill at home. The students and faculty of the University express the hope that the president will recover speedily. We have known him as an executive who has performed the difficult duties of a university president. We have seen his ideas materialize with the extension of the work done at Carolina and realized the benefits, which are appreciated and enjoyed the greater service the University.

One Thing Done Well

After the battle, a word must be said for the fighters. And although the battle on the new covenant did not evidence any sudden burst of student interest in important matters, the result was indicative of sound judgment.

If 1000 votes had been cast, instead of a little over 200, the same conclusion might have been drawn that it would have started with a stronger hold on the student body. Any instrument by which men and women are asked to do something should be accepted or rejected by an expression of choice—and not by a self-satisfied attitude which lets the students do.

Out of the straining of amendments and colossal propositions that were nailed on the ballot, five survived. They may be regarded as an indication of the way the wind blows since amendments were offered to those sections upon which there was difference of opinion. Those who went to the polls seemed deterred to reserve the student body and classes a part of the powers centered by the original covenant.

The Gamecock feels that it has been a wise step to adopt these amendments, not that they have insured the students an objections, but because they have assured each man and woman to feel its importunities. The Gamecock doubts whether the classes will add to the government by the student council for the honor committee; nor does it think that the council would have ever resisted to call student body meetings, whenever they were needed, or squash worthwhile amendments before they could be considered by the student body. But with those languid decisions, everybody to another's opinion; the student body.

For, while a wise crusader put it, the student committee has the authority to determine, send flowers and charter special trains, not a great deal attempted to do, but it is certain now that resolutions and flowers will be sent and special trains chartered without some rashness rising to hold the floor for ten minutes on the great traditions of Carolina. Every student body meeting called for important business has destroyed student interest—and the council should see that their letters are promptly filled. The original draft of the resolution was called for, and that will be the raising of unnecessary meetings and the railroad of any legislation. The students will have only one vote in the General Assembly, and those privileges taken from the council will not be abased and the constitution, as a result, weakened as an instrument satisfying the student body.

Proposals of this kind, however, do not make the honor committee competent judges of what is, and what is not sufficient evidence to conclude any future attempt upon technical and word-building matters.

The election to allow one more than a century and a half of indifferent guilt is not at great a distance from the former system as it seems at first glance. Next year the honor committee will have eleven members and should sit upon a trial, seven votes will be necessary to convict; should eight, the minimum, six votes will be necessary to find an offender guilty. At present five of the six members (the three committees can return a verdict of guilt). At least no many votes now will be necessary, and the student is in all justice given an unqualified right of appeal to the student body—a security which should be demanded.

Concerning two other sections of the constitution as adopted, The Gamecock is of the opinion that no serious consequences depended. The sole power of the president of the student body to appoint students for activities occurring in the honor committee inures the student body against any one sitting in appoint being elected by the student body—though The Gamecock hardly thinks the president of the student body would have been a fight asked, in order that eleven students should always serve on every case.

Possibly the lowest bowls of diaphanous and the heartiest whoops of satisfaction will be combined with the satisfaction of the election of May queen—who, in the future, will come from the junior or senior class. Those voting for the prevailing side claim the new ruling will add greater honor to the position while the defeated maintain that seniority is no greater guarantee of greater politherism.

At the risk of the money upon the heads of the game, The Gamecock declares that the greatest difficulty has been to find twaddly-dum and twaddly-dum in its band. The eyes have it.

"USC."

The lunch will be put, "What the college means is narrower truwars and broader minds.

"USC."

Vanity Fair finds nothing in Jack's Irish Rose but mockish sentiment. Some of us are unable to find anything but futile elanations of drenchness in that smart magazine.

Finish the Job!

In another column we ran a letter from The Gamecock, which stated that the plans of the honor system were partially discussed the discussion of the honor system. They point out that the honor system in the final manner provides only for the punishment of offenders and is for the revelation of principles of honor. They state their arguments, which may be summed up in their own words.

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The "moral" provisions which the student body adopted, The Gamecock does not believe were intended by the committee to be other than machinery for warding out punishment. The committee realized as do the writers of the communication that a change in the current and an orientation of course must come from the faculty. And in the midst of adopting a new constitution the committee did not have time to prepare or put into force.

That provision was lost in print the constitution adopted by the student body in the two weeks next overlooked. The letter from Messrs. Warr and Bell brings this other to the attention of the student body. The Gamecock will welcome expressions of opinions from the students. If they wish action to be taken this event, they must talk the question over, send in their letters, and regard action. There is no need to b(elm the book of a complete constitution—get out and get the game on, please.

The formula for writing a book is to write a better book. The same is true of any of the obliging anti-something society.

"USC.

The Forum

Editor of The Gamecock:

No matter how perfect the constitution or the organization of the Honor Committee may be, the Honor System cannot be enforced until a higher level of honor is injected into the students of the University.

All suggestions thus far officially discussed are superficial, and do not touch the root of the problem. Constructive rather than destructive measures are necessary for character building. Some structure rather than destructive measures are necessary for character building. In other words, they are not going to do away with the sin."