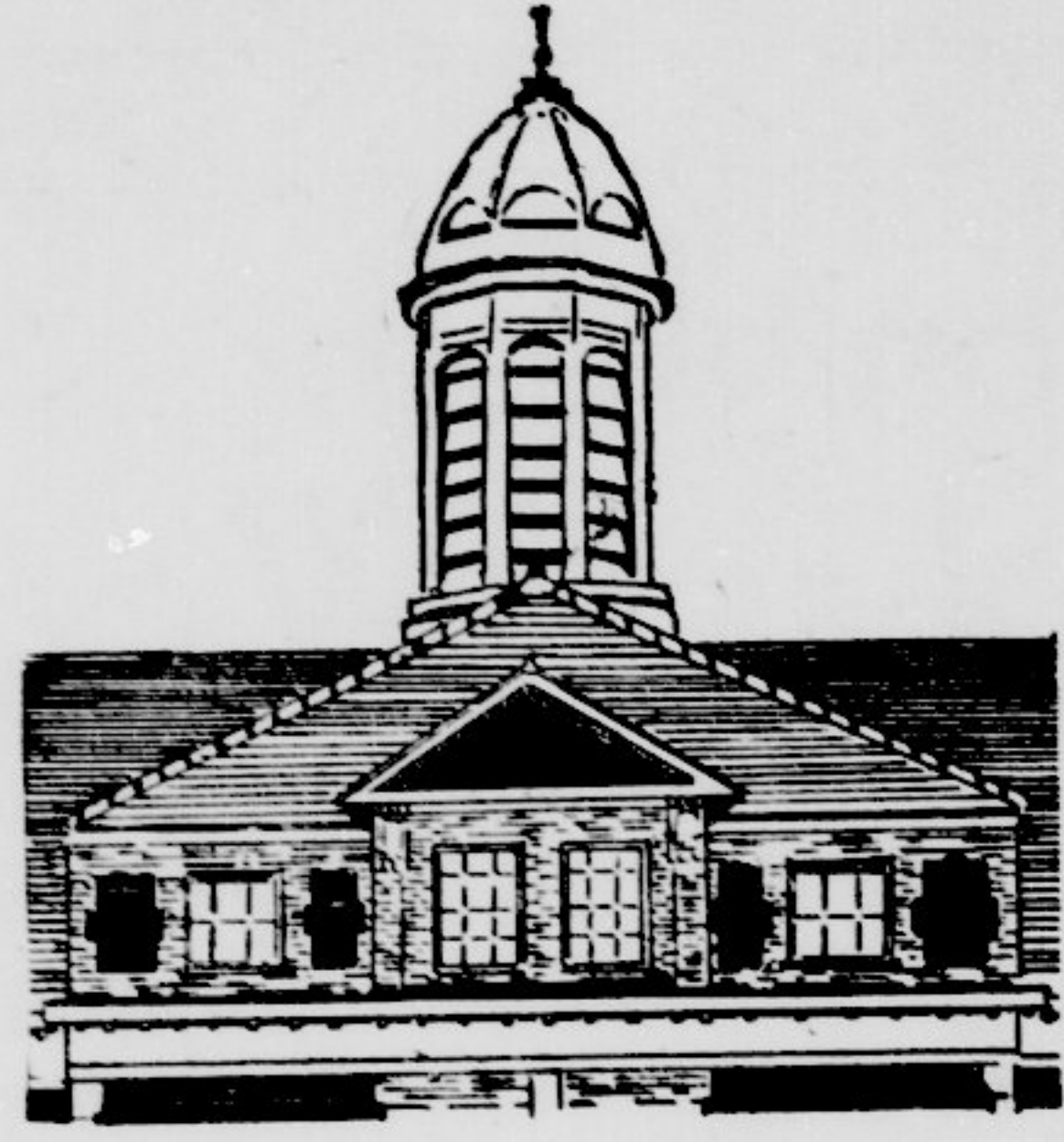


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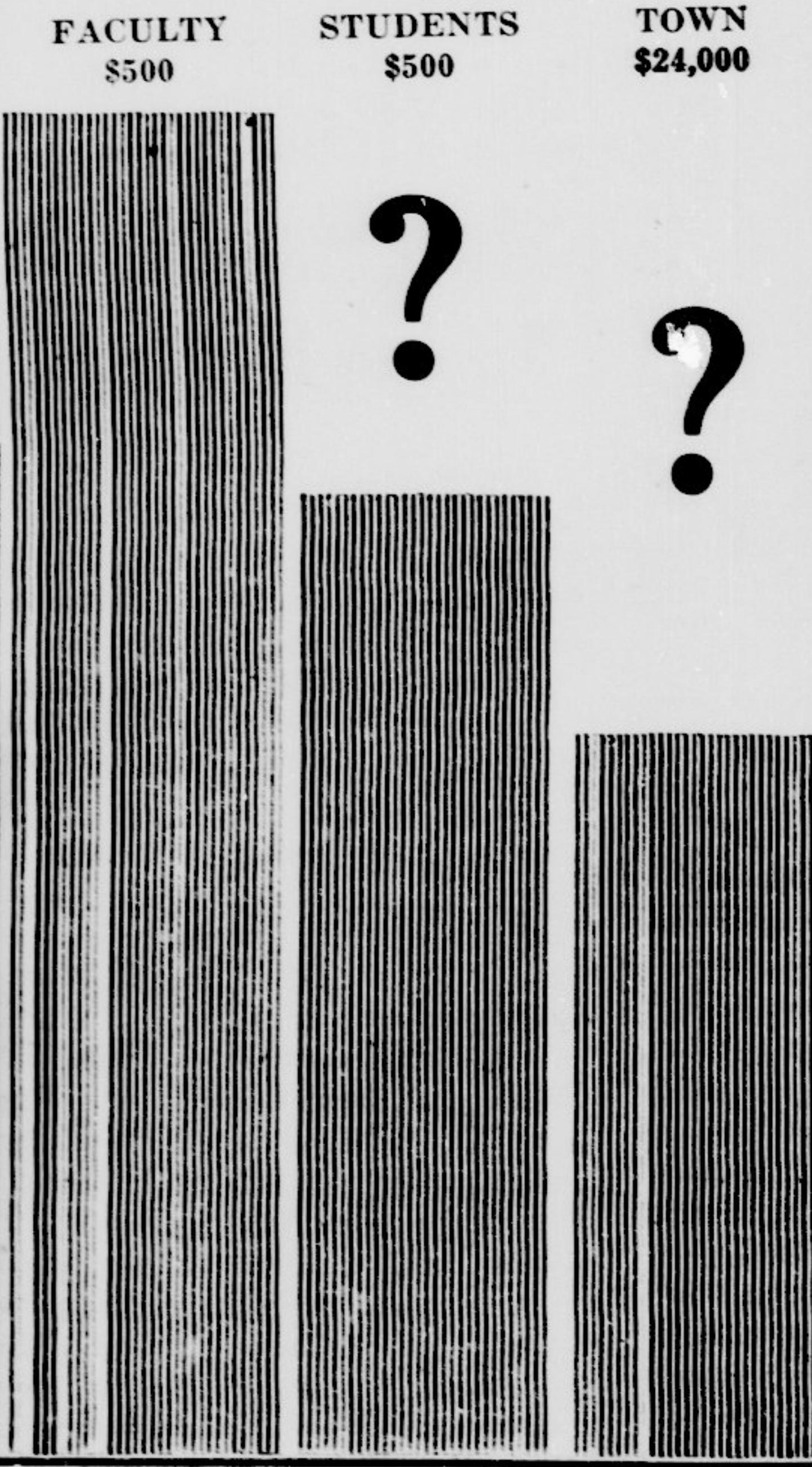
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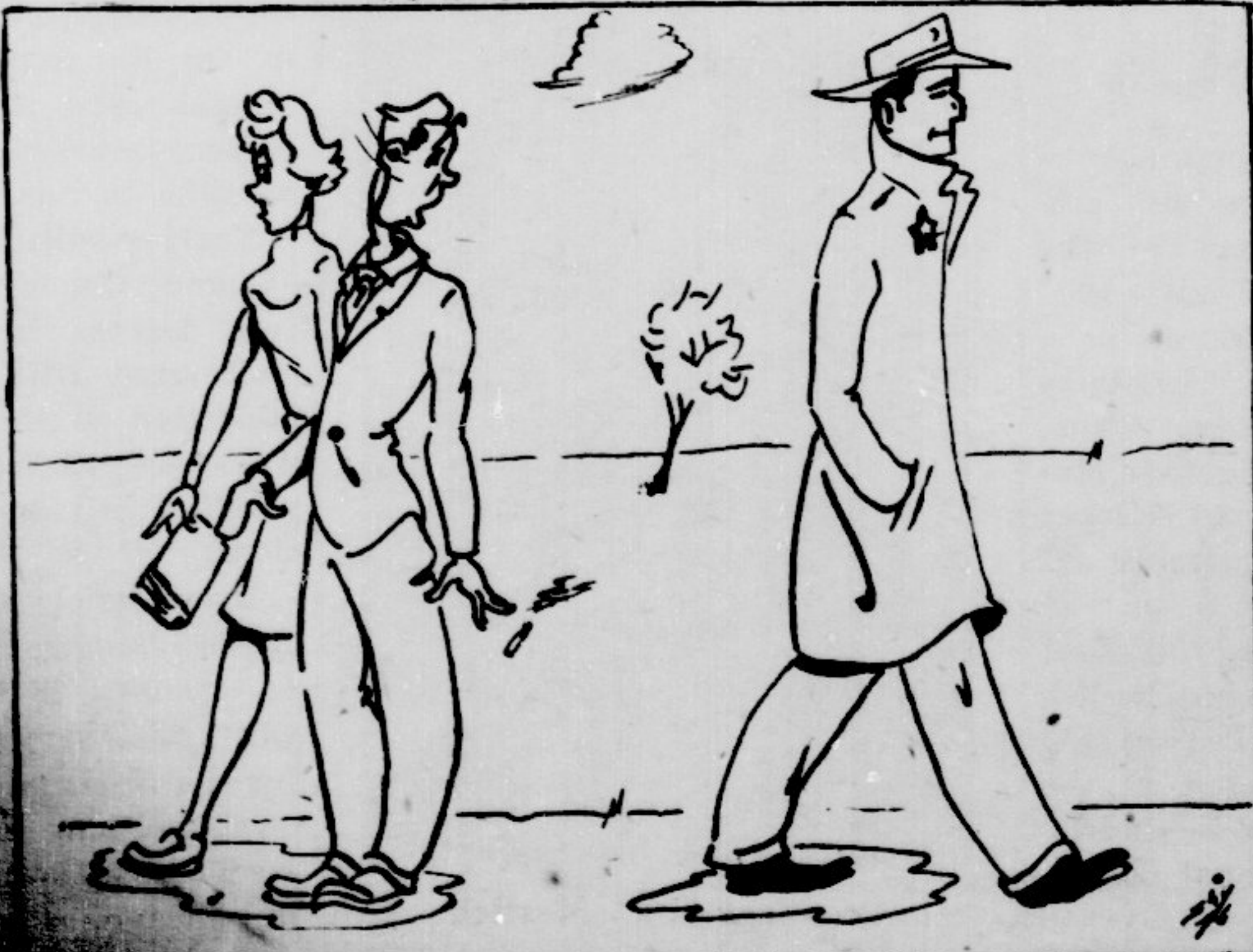
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Big Goal — \$25,000 — Big Goal



Editor's Note—

Shown above is a picture graph of the funds thus far collected on the stadium drive. The students were requested to collect \$500. Of this sum, to date, the students have contributed \$348.30. Two-hundred dollars of the \$348.30 was given by the Student Legislature—the rest by 33 students. The percentage per student so far is good—but where are the other students? The percentages contributed so far are as follows: student 70% of goal, faculty 147%, and town 47% of goal. The total collected so far is \$13,542.20.



Demerit System As Begun Seems To Be Excellent Idea

According to Article II of the Constitution of the East Carolina Teachers college Student Government Association, the purpose of the Association is "to develop student honor and self-control; to encourage right ideals and promote a sense of personal responsibility in the students of the college; and to keep in touch with and cooperate with the National and State Student Government Movements."

With the above three main purposes in mind Dean Marshall visited many college and university campuses over a two year period for the purpose of determining the most satisfactory system of student government, and all that the term implies. Among the colleges and universities the Dean visited were John Hopkins, the University of Richmond, Farmville, Va., Teachers College, Duke University, the University of North Carolina, State College, the Woman's College at Greensboro, Wake Forest, Meredith, and others.

It was found that all of these colleges and universities had employed the Demerit System rather than the outmoded system of denial of social privileges, which system had never worked smoothly or satisfactorily. We at East Carolina Teachers college had met with the same difficulties that had been met, and overcome, by these colleges, decided to look into our situation.

After much planning, research, and organization of a Demerit System to replace our present system, the proposal to make the change was submitted by Dean Marshall to the President, the Dean of the college, and the Dean of women. Upon receiving their approval the proposal was then submitted to the Policies Committee of the college which gave the proposal immediate approval. Whereupon the idea was given to the President of the Student Government Association who submitted it to the Executive Council of the Student Government where it was approved for submission to the Student Legislature.

At the last meeting of the student Legislature prior to the Christmas holidays the proposal of changing to the Demerit System was discussed thoroughly and approval of the change was by unanimous vote. In this session, however, it was proposed, voted upon and carried unanimously that the proposal should be submitted to a committee to work out the details. This committee was composed of Dean Marshall, Dean Morton, the chairman of the Men's Judiciary, the chairman of the Women's Judiciary, the presidents of the House Committees of Wilson, Jarvis, Fleming, and Cotten dormitories, and one man and one woman selected by the Student Legislature to represent the student body as a whole.

This committee met and after much deliberation and discussion approved unanimously a system of demerits which the present unsatisfactory "social privileges" could be replaced.

Dean Marshall will explain in General Assembly the entire demerit system soon. It is a system that treats our young men and women students as adults, capable and willing to accept the responsibilities of adults. We all know what is right and what is wrong. It is our inalienable right to be treated like adults if we act like adults. But if we act like little boys and girls then we should be treated like boys and girls.

In the election to be held a few weeks from now on the approval or disapproval of the Demerit System, the Student Legislature voted unanimously to provide a ballot by which the women would vote for or against the proposal for the women, and another ballot by which the men would vote for or against the proposal for men.

Dean Marshall is of the opinion that if the men and women of the colleges and universities mentioned above can accept the responsibilities of adulthood, then so can we, and he hopes the student body will see eye-to-eye with him in attempting to modernize and make more satisfactory our system of student government. Let's all turn up at election time — which date will be announced later—and make our student government modern, efficient, and satisfactory.

Stadium Drive Moves Slowly Ahead While Few Students Give

The stadium drive, which started just before Christmas, is still on. In a letter received here at the college by Dr. Carl L. Adams, campus chairman, Ed Rawl (in charge of the entire drive) said, "Thanks, gentlemen, for your fine work. We know you won't let up until the job is done—and then some!"

"Don't let up"—this should be our motto here at East Carolina. Thus far contributions by the students for the stadium drive have been good considering the amount per person—but as a whole, contributions are very low. We realize that the majority of the students were unable to give when the drive began because of Christmas buying, but Christmas is over now, we must drive ahead. To date only about 40 students (or less than 3% of the student body) have turned in contributions.

We can and must revive the stadium drive! At a student committee meeting Monday of this week we worked out a plan to give every student the opportunity to give something. Letters will be mailed to each student with a return envelope and a contribution card enclosed.

To stimulate interest we are going to ask President Messick to have a special corner stone placed in the stadium with all student contribution cards sealed inside. Each student who gives will have his name and card sealed in this stone as a permanent memorial to the fine work he has done. We are sure you will want a part in this great project.

Don't throw the cards away—everyone can give something. If you are financially able to give \$10 or more do so, but if you are not, don't be embarrassed, give what you can even if it's only twenty-five cents. Pennies make dollars you know.

Let's keep East Carolina Teachers college on the map by helping to build a stadium of which our athletes can be proud as well as the community, county, and state. *Contribute until it hurts!*

Do You Agree?

by Josephine Pinnell

Since there has been so much discussion about the demerit system we decided to make that the subject for this issue's "Do You Agree?". As so few students really know anything about demerits or what effect they will have on the student body, we decided to ask only Legislature members. Since they have investigated the possibilities of demerits and know most about the set-up, we feel that they are more capable of answering the question, "What do you think of the demerit system?" This is the opinion of those I was able to see.

Tom Collins—If properly set up and administered, I think it will be an improvement over the present set-up.

Charles D. Connor—Frankly, I think it is a more mature way of keeping a check on students. We all know there has to be some rules and regulations and the demerit system is the best way I know. The system we now have is more or less the way pupils in training schools are treated.

Elsie Carver—Those who vote against it are doing an injustice to themselves and others. The demerit system gives the women on the judiciary something to work with and also, lets the student know where he stands.

Florence Boerckel—I think it is a great improvement over what we now have.

Audrey Feezor — The demerit system will simplify things for everyone.

Linwood Kilpatrick—I think it's the best governing system the girls of East Carolina Teachers college have ever had an opportunity to have. This way everyone is treated the same way and you know what you are going to get before you do something you shouldn't. The demerit system will not clamp down on your social events.

Myrtle Davis—It is just what is needed here at East Carolina Teachers college.

Milton Fields—What I know about it, I think is good. It all depends on the way it is set up.

Ramblin' Thoughts

by Ye Ole Rambler

With all the stuffing Ye Old Rambler did during the Christmas holidays I thought it would be enough to last me until spring holidays, but I was indeed mistaken. So it is back to the bones and fat of the dining hall's veal chops, which are beautifully ca-

Student Spotlight

by Elizabeth Manning

June Davis Bass, this issue's Student Spotlight, is a dark-haired, dark-eyed lass known to nearly everyone on campus. When you consider, however, how many East Carolina pies June has had her fingers in since coming here in 1945, it is not unusual that she is so well known and liked by students and faculty. June was born June 5, 1927 in Halifax, North Carolina. Says June, "They had given out of names when they got to me so they just named me 'June'." There are five girls and one boy in the Bass family. After graduation from Theldon High school, June came to East Carolina with the idea of becoming a primary teacher. As May draws nearer with graduation on the agenda ("Providing I pass English grammar," June confides), that idea promises to become a reality.



Since enrolling at East Carolina, June has been vice-president of the freshman class, president of the junior class, a college marshal for three years, and chief marshal for this year, a member of the Entertainment committee for two years, a May court attendant, a senior class superlative, and a member of the Women's chorus. Besides that June has served on the Women's Judiciary, the TECO ECHO business staff, and has recently been elected to represent this college in "Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges."

"June Bug's" varied interest include walking, art, and serious movies. Bette Davis, Tyrone Power, and Van Johnson rank high on her star hit parade. June confided that although the only musical instrument she can play is the radio, she is very fond of music, particularly the semi-classical variety. She definitely does not like silly music and says it gives her a good case of nerves. Another pet peeve is dripping faucets.

June enjoys reading, her favorite book being Gabran's "The Prophet" and Douglas

moflauged with crisp golden batter . . . to say nothing of the breakfast toast.

It seems like everyone had a busy time during his or her vacation. If you happened to see a certain type of species on this campus who have a sallow complexion, slightly degenerated spine, and an appearance of being green around the gills, you shouldn't have been alarmed—they just got back from the Sugar Bowl.

We'll take this space to extend all our congratulation to the many students who entered into that great institution of matrimony during the holidays. At the rate the students are getting married around here, this college will soon be known as the East Carolina Coastal Marriage College; but who can think of a better career to study?

We've heard of budgets for time, for money, and — well — brace yourself. YOU MAY SOON BE BUDGETING YOUR DEMERITS. Ten here, five there, three there, and—hey, you better slow up because you only get twenty-five you know. On the serious side however, we believe the demerit system will be a great improvement, but, remember, demerits still won't mean that you can do to suit yourselves. Your pleasure ends where another's rights begin.

Well that just about concludes the rambling for this issue—but to keep East Carolina Teachers college from rambling out into the state looking for students in a few years give to the stadium drive.

Editor's Corner

On arriving back at East Carolina the students were faced with newly painted floors in the lobby of the dining hall, and oiled ones in the Austin building. They were nice while they lasted, but I wonder if (in some respects) they were worth the expense and trouble they cost. Some unthoughtful students continued to drop their cigarettes on the floor just as they would have on the ground. In three days some of the floors looked as if they had never had a brush on them.

Students, this may sound old, but please remember that the college is home while you are here. If you don't respect the college, respect the students who do—*put your trash where trash belongs—in the trash can.*

Work on the new men's dormitory is really going forward. Already the basements have been dug out and some of the piping for the water works put in place. When complete, East Carolina will have a dormitory of which it should be proud. If you haven't already done so, go by and see what has been done—it's just back of the Classroom building.

The Veterans club of East Carolina has announced that an electric scoreboard will soon be installed in the Wright building to

"The Robe." Fried chicken is what she considers "good eating." Favorites with her in scholastic subjects are psychology and education. In the field of sports, June especially likes baseball, football, and "Bud" Johnson is an ardent fan of all three. 'Tis rumored, however, that June has an ulterior motive in this last interest. Several persons have reported that "Bud" had to serve as guinea pig when June practiced stories for the Training school last quarter.

When asked about future plans, June replied that they included teaching until something better came along. When she followed up that statement with "And I want a bushel of children!", we interpreted the "something better" to be a male with the idea of matrimony.

Even if the desired man does not happen along and you stick to teaching along, we of the TECO ECHO staff wish for you, June Bass, success and happiness throughout your life.

be used in basketball games.

The Vets ordered and paid for the board out of their funds and are giving it to the physical education department of the college.

That's a real contribution and one for which we should be very grateful, we've really needed a scoreboard. As editor of the TECO ECHO I should like to personally express my thanks and I am sure the thanks of the entire student body. *Veterans, you're doing a wonderful job!*

Last week someone broke several windows in different buildings on the campus. It certainly seems that college students in an institution of higher learning, and supposedly sane, should have more respect for the college than that. I feel that East Carolina Teachers college has no need for such students. I wonder if that person (or persons) realizes that money from their income taxes or from their fathers' taxes must replace the windows — yes, your own money thrown away. I say they have had *some rearing!*

The college March of Dimes drive is now underway with Jack Hedgepeth and the college dormitory presidents heading the drive. This year it is more important than ever before that we contribute. I realize that you hear the word contribute many times during your stay at college, but I also realize that many times during your college career you throw many dollars to the wind. Each week you spend one or two dollars for movies, fifty or seventy-five cents for drinks, and then some. Did you know that the dollar you may give could save someone near to you in case they should have polio? Think about this as you pass the contribution boxes during the next two weeks.

It seems that the work is going forward on the stadium in spite of the lack of the entire goal of \$25,000. Already grading machines are pushing off the high parts of the field and filling in the low places. Seeing work progressing so should really make everyone give.

The TECO ECHO has already entered in two collegiate press contests for this year. Last year it entered in only one contest. This year we have sent papers to the Columbia Scholastic Press and to the Associated Collegiate Press.

We are looking forward to breaking last year's second class score with at least a first class rating this year.

Herbert L. Carter, director of the college band has requested that anyone who took pictures of the band at the inauguration of Governor W. Kerr Scott on January 6, please get in touch with him. If you have a good clear picture it will probably be used in the Tecoan.

Many different stories have been spread about the campus during the past three or four days about a new football coach at East Carolina, but as yet Dr. Messick has made no official announcement. You may be sure that the news will be released as soon as possible.

Jenkins Suggests Revisions In Graduate Instruction

Dean Leo W. Jenkins of East Carolina, writing in the December issue of the "American School Board Journal," points out the fact that some graduate courses now used by superintendents and members of school boards as bases of salary raises for teachers are unprofitable in that they do not better classroom performance. He suggests a series of revisions tending toward improvement of graduate instruction for teachers and designed to benefit "the direct purchasers of courses—teachers and superintendents and the indirect purchaser, the taxpayer."

"The theory behind increased salaries for persons with advanced study is based on the belief that such teachers," says Dean Jenkins. "Most superintendents and alert boards of education must know that the relationship between some types of graduate instruction and better teaching is either remote or nonexistent. The present struggle for better salaries will most certainly be injured when the general public discovers this fact."

Cooperation Among Teachers, School Officials Needed
Dean Jenkins states that too much emphasis in some graduate programs for teachers is now given to courses in administration and supervision. Credit for graduate work as it affects salary schedules, he maintains, should be given only for courses which have a direct relationship to better classroom teaching. He recommends closer

cooperation among teachers, superintendents, school boards, and colleges in determining which graduate courses are of dubious value, which are worthy of credit toward salary raises, and how colleges may revise their graduate programs in the interest of the schools and the public.

Participation in such local projects as surveys, curriculum revision studies, and the establishment of guidance programs, Dean Jenkins states, should be recognized, along with college courses, as worthy of credit in the determining of salary raises.

H. of D. Gives Cage Exhibition Here Before Huge Crowd

The House of David, a five man scoring machine, who barnstorm all over the country just to play basketball, gave two brilliant performances against two teams representing ECTC here last week. In the afternoon contest, the modern Robinson Crusoes defeated Charlie Butler's Fancy Five by the score of 46-38.

The beardmen made up of five men who have basketball experience from Michigan to Hungary put on a great clowning show before a capacity crowd of 2,100 townspeople and students, in the evening classic.

Alumni News

Greenville Chapter

Dean of Men W. E. Marshall will discuss current topics at the meeting of the Greenville chapter which will be held in the Alumni office tonight at eight o'clock.

Mrs. Ruel W. Tyson, president of the chapter, has announced that during the business session the chapter will take action on its contribution to the drive for the stadium.

The hostesses for the meeting are Mrs. W. G. Garner (Ernestine Wynne), Mrs. J. D. Aman (Ruth Brown), Mrs. Leslie T. Jones (Blanche Clark), Mrs. D. Rock Vincent (Revie Medlin), and Mrs. C. D. Ward (Hester Gist).



Herbert L. Carter, director of the college band, and a member of the music department, directed the band Thursday, January 6, when it played for the inauguration of Governor W. Kerr Scott.

Johnny Long Gives Up Ring To Study At East Carolina

by Eugene Price

The professional boxing world looked around today for the boy who was last year named the most promising welter weight of the year. But Johnny Greely Long of Tabor City, N. C., whose shot at Sugar Ray Robinson and the Welterweight Championship of the world seemed so certain last winter, was not to be found in the circles of professional ringdom. Johnny has left the fight-for-money game, possibly forever.

He is now a student at East Carolina Teachers college here in Greenville, where he is majoring in physical education. The stocky little farm boy from a little bit north of South Carolina, whose mighty right won him nationwide recognition, wants to coach.

"I've always wanted to coach and knew I had to go to college to do so," Johnny, balding at 26, said this week. He says he may go back into the professional ring. "If I do, it will be this coming summer. If not, then I'll never fight professional again," the soft-spoken Johnny remarked.

But Johnny has not forsaken boxing entirely while in school. He is assisting Coach Jim Johnson in coaching the East Carolina Teachers college boxing team. And the modest little pugilist has won the admiration and respect of both Coach Johnson and the entire team. "Take anything Johnny tells you for the gospel truth," Johnson told his boys on the first day of boxing workouts at the college. Johnny never boasts of his ring record.

Few of the boys on his boxing team even know that he won 36 out of 37 professional bouts. Many students of East Carolina Teachers college know Johnny only as "that short, slightly balding fellow who speaks so softly and who is said to have been a prize fighter."

Few of his classmates realize that he is none other than the great Corning Kid, whose mighty right and jabbing left beat out a tattoo which mingled with the cheers of New York fight lovers and won him the distinction of being one of the most prominent contenders for the Welter Weight Crown of the world.

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