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V. P. I. WINS THE LYNCHBURG GAME.

A Beautiful Game Well Played in a Clean Sportsman-Like Manner.

Despite the threatening weather the middle of the week, Saturday dawned bright, clear and cool, an ideal day for football. Nearly one hundred Varsity rooters accompanied the team down to the Hill City Friday night and three hundred and fifty went down on Saturday's special. Everybody was in fine spirits and willingly waited at the station for the Tech special. When it came in the whole crowd got in some rousing good yells for our friendly rivals and were answered lustily by the Techs.

At 2:30 we left the Carroll for the field and by the time the rooters settled down the great W. & L. Tech game was on.

V. P. I. kicked off to W. & L. and Fuerstein returned the ball three yards. The Varsity was held for downs, and when Fuerstein punted Booker recovered it in middle of field. W. & L. was penalized ten yards and Billy punted, V. P. I. running it back twenty yards. W. & L. was penalized five yards for off-side play. V. P. I. punts and recovered ball on the fifteen yard line, and on next play went through right guard for seven yards. On two line bucks, the Techs took it over for a touchdown. Hodgson fails at easy goal. Score. V. P. I., 5; W. & L., 0.

V. P. I. again kicked off, Smartt receiving the ball and returning it five yards. Barker was sent around left end for four yards and Alderson bucked left guard for three. Here the Techs held the White and Blue team for downs, which gave them the ball on our thirty-yard line. Izard gathered in a forward pass, and Billy went left end for a beautiful gain of fifteen yards. Alderson bucked the line for eight yards and Izard made three yards around right end. After attempting two line plays the Varsity was held for downs, giving the Techs the ball on our thirty-eight yard line. Bil-lups circled left end for fifteen, but the Techs failed to gain on two line plays. Hodgson tries drop—kicked from thirty-five yard line but the ball hit the goal post. W. & L. kicks from twenty-five yard line and Techs run it back eight, and on delayed pass make thirty around left end. Hodgson makes four on fake kick, around left, and then drops

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ROOTING PRACTICE.

Enthusiastic Students Turn Out Every Night For a Week.

Between the rooting of the rooters and the falling of the fall weather this has been a noisy week in the erstwhile quiet vale of Lexington. With one accord, it seems the constituent elements of this grand institution of Dubmell have adopted for their guiding principle the maxim of the ancient Greeks, "Root little pig or loss yo' tail," while all the other elements have resolved or dissolved, themselves into a volunteer hose company, elected Jupiter Pluvius captain, and adopted a platform declaring unequivocally for the preservation of national forest reserves and the abolition of inter-collegiate football. Thus the week has rolled merrily on with the ardor of enthusiasm burning high every evening when the student-body assembles under the friendly shelter of the chapel, and that same ardor getting body dampened when the student-body sallies forth and contemplates the steaming face of the heavens. "How are we going to get the advantage of our speed on a wet field? How are we going to run back Hodgson's prints? It takes that field a week to dry off and maybe it won't stop raining before Saturday." Well, never mind, let's talk about something cheerful.

Say, when three hundred and fifty or four hundred students turn out every night for a week for rooting practice—and most of them rainy nights—and Xmas not so far away either—its something like the real thing now, aint it? And didn't it surprise you the way that bunch sang the songs the second night? Well, it needn't have if you had only taken a round among the ranches and the pool rooms and the dormitories and everywhere that two or three of the young men were gathered together, with their tattered song books in hand and their stern young faces lit with the fire of an unquenchable determination to get a little bit closer harmony out of "Dear Dubmell" than "Sweet Adeline" even had in her—which is doing better than your best and going some, as Dr. Howe would say. Hark, what unearthly cry breaks the stillness of the stilly night and what means that reverberating detonation that follows in its wake like the clap of doom? Be still, perturbed heart, 'tis only the ancient and honorable order of pikers practicing the "Slow Drag" between pikes. And that answering chants, with its wierdly rhythmic concatenation of

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THAT GYMNASIUM.

Responsibility Should Be Fixed and Evils Corrected.

For drinking Postum and eating Grape-Nuts it is said "There is a reason." Perhaps there is also a "reason" why nothing whatever has been done to correct the existing evils at the gymnasium. If so, why not give it to us? There is not a man in the student body who does not realize and appreciate the fact that it costs the University more to give him his education than he pays back to them in dollars and cents, and we all realize that right at present when so many other improvements have been made it may not be feasible to put up a new gymnasium, and that it is better policy to wait a short while and get a first-class building, but that does not excuse, in our minds, the fact that the baths and dressing rooms should be in such a deplorable condition. This condition of affairs has been called to the attention of the chairman of the Building Committee, and it is entirely unnecessary to state again and again that the only light in the dressing room has been the one in with the baths; that about two shower baths work properly; that the hot water supply is entirely inadequate; that the room is poorly ventilated and full of offensive odors. To argue the fact that all this should be corrected would be a waste of time and space. That is admitted by those apparently responsible. The great question is "Why is it not done?"

To build a new gymnasium is a matter for the Board of Trustees to decide upon, and if the matter were properly called to their attention we cannot see how they could do otherwise than to bend every energy in that direction. To correct evils on the grounds should not be left to them, but should be attended to at once by those in charge of such matters. From the way in which the matter has been neglected it would appear that no one considers that the responsibility lies on him. Perhaps this is the "reason." Maybe it is lack of funds, but that can hardly be when a small amount judiciously expended would go a long way. We do not believe the University is entirely bankrupt.

If there is any good reason

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PHI DELTA THETA WINS FROM SIGMA CHI.

First Inter-Fraternity Football Game of the Season.

The first inter-fraternity football game of the season was played last Monday between the Sigma Chi and Phi Delta Theta fraternities, in which the latter won by a score of 16 to 0. Despite the fact that neither team had had any previous training, the game was a good exhibition of ball. The winning team had a slight advantage in weight over their opponents, but both sides put up a good fight. Chinery, captain of the Phi Delta Theta team was forced to retire early in the game because of injuries of a painful, but not a serious nature.

Although the ball was kept in Sigma Chi's territory most of the time, Truslow and Robbins did good work for them in stopping end runs, while Bootay was also good in the line.

For Phi Delta Theta the playing of Glasgow, Coulter and W. K. Lamley was the special feature.

The following is the line-up of Sigma Chi:

Dawley, center; Lewis, left guard; Alexander, left tackle; Truslow, left end; Bootay, right guard; Bryant, right tackle; Robbins, right end; McDonald, quarter-back; Lamberton, right half-back; Coyle, left half-back; Mann, full back.

The following is the line-up of Phi Delta Theta:

H. J. Lemley, center; J. D. Richardson, left guard; J. O. Hodgkin, left tackle; Coke, left end; McKee right guard; Manor, right tackle; W. K. Lemley, right end; Thach Coulter, quarter-back, Glasgow, right half-back; W. N. Hodgkin, left half-back; Coulter Chenery, full back.

Summary: Touchdowns, Glasgow, 2; field goals, Glasgow; goals kicked, Glasgow, 2. Linemen, Davis and Hall; timekeepers, W. R. Bledsoe and Strassel; referee, Jemison; umpire, Barker. Time of halves, ten minutes each.

FLINCH CLUB.

A Flinch Club has been organized at Castle Hill, and at its first regular meeting held Thursday night elected the following officers: J. L. Ryan, President, and W. W. Trigg, Vice-President.

President Ryan has only been "finched" once.

AT CASTLE HILL—Occupants wanted for a suite of four rooms with bath. Rooms freshly papered and painted.

V. P. I. Wins Lynchburg Game.

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the ball over. Score: V. P. I., 9; W. & L., 0.

Again the Techs kick off and Armentrout rushes it back ten. Alderson hits right guard for four. Izard goes around left end for six. On quarter-back run Fuerstein fumbled, Tech player recovering it, and runs thirty-five yards for touch-down. Hodgson kicks goal. Score: V. P. I., 15; W. & L., 0.

W. & L. kicks off and after two attempts and no gain Hodgson punts, Izard taking the punt. Armentrout hits left tackle for six and Barker took one of Billy's beautiful forward passes for a twenty-five yard gain. Izard makes three and Alderson three, and Billy tries for field goal, which is blocked, Izard recovering the ball. W. & L. is held for downs on twenty yard line. Hodgson punts on first down, Fuerstein again running it back five, W. & L. held for downs and Barker punts, V. P. I. returning it three. V. P. I. goes around left end for five and punts. Armentrout makes three and Dutch one through the line, and the Varsity punts.

V. P. I. runs the ball back to their thirty-yard line. Hodgson then punts on the first down, Fuerstein gathering in the ball in the middle of the field. Barker then makes ten yards on a forward pass around right end. Armentrout makes six yards through left tackle. An outside kick by Armentrout is gathered in by V. P. I. Hodgson punts and Fuerstein is down with the goal on W. & L.'s forty-yard line. Izard then makes eight yards after which W. & L. punts. V. P. I. ball on their forty-yard line. W. & L. then holds them for downs. Time is then called with the ball in W. & L.'s possession on V. P. I.'s forty yard line.

Score: V. P. I., 15; W. & L., 0.

SECOND HALF.

W. & L. kicks off to V. P. I. V. P. I. returns the ball to the thirty-yard line before being downed. V. P. I. then makes five yards around right end on a fake kick. Hodgson then punts. Fuerstein gets the ball being downed in the middle of the field. After two line plays with a gain of four yards, Barker punts and Alderson recovers the ball on V. P. I.'s thirty-five yard line. Billy then tries drop kick but the ball is blocked and Barker recovers it on the forty-yard line. V. P. I. then gather in a forward pass from Armentrout, and they punt on the first down. Billy gets the ball in the middle of the field. After two plays with no gains, Barker punts. V. P. I. gets the ball on their forty-yard line. They make eight yards around left end on two downs and then punt. Billy returns the punt seven yards and is downed in the middle of the field. "Dutch" then makes eight yards through right guard, and follows it up on the next play with three more in the same place. Izard then makes five, Armentrout two, but on the next play Osborne is

thrown for a loss of ten yards. Armentrout then gains five yards around left end, after which Barker punts. V. P. I. is downed on their twenty-yard line. V. P. I. then gains ten yards around right end, followed after two line plunges with no gain, by twenty more yards, around right end. Izard then gathers in a forward pass on V. P. I.'s forty-five yard line. Billy then makes six yards around left end, Armentrout following it up with fifteen through left guard. After two line plays with a gain of three yards, Armentrout tries an outside kick which is gathered in by V. P. I. Two end runs then by V. P. I. net four yards and on the third down they punt. Billy is downed with the ball in the middle of the field, after which Barker makes thirty-eight yards on a forward pass. Billy then makes a drop kick from V. P. I.'s thirty-yard line.

Score: V. P. I., 15; W. & L., 4.

V. P. I. then kicks off to W. & L. Barker is downed with the ball on the thirty-yard line. W. & L. is then penalized fifteen yards for an unsuccessful forward pass. The ball is then carried by W. & L. to their thirty-five yard line, where V. P. I. obtains the ball. V. P. I. is penalized fifteen yards on an off-side play. They then punt, Fuerstein receiving the punt and running it back ten yards to the forty-yard line. After an exchange of punts, W. & L. obtains possession of the ball on their twenty-yard line. After another exchange of punts W. & L. gets possession of the ball on their own forty-five yard line. Dutch then goes through the line for a first down. A forward pass from Fuerstein to Armentrout nets twenty yards. After two line plays with no material game, time is called with the ball in W. & L.'s possession on V. P. I.'s thirty-five yard line. Score: V. P. I., 15; W. & L., 4.

The following is the line-up of W. & L.:

Pipes, center; Pelter, right guard; Morales, left guard; McCord, right tackle; Osborne, left tackle; Smartt, right end; Carey, left end; Fuerstein, quarter-back; Armentrout, right half-back; Alderson, capt., full back.

The following is the line-up of V. P. I.:

Gibbs, center; E. R. Hodgson, right guard; Walter, left guard; J. P. Jones, right tackle; H. G. Jones, left tackle; Hicks, right end; Hufford, left end; Connolly, quarter-back; Billups, right half-back; Lutteral, capt., left half-back; U. Hodgson, full back.

Officials: Referee, Gass, of Lehigh. Umpire, Williams, of U. of Va. Head Linesman, Chase. Time keeper, Moomaw. Time of halves, twenty-five and twenty-five.

Billy Fuerstein was the bright, particular star and endeared himself to every W. & L. man. Time and again with several heavy Techs trying to down him, the nifty little quarter ran punts back for five yards or more. He was always in the game, playing like a regular little fier running his team beautifully, gaining consistently and tackling hard, when

WASHINGTON LITERARY SOCIETY.

The "Wash" held a most interesting and well attended meeting Saturday evening, October 24th.

Mr. Walters rendered an oration and Mr. Bowman a declamation.

Messrs. McCowan and Rivier discussed the affirmative side of the question "That the Sherman anti-trust law should be repealed at once," while the negative was defended by Messrs. Stanley and Heart. The judges, Messrs Morland, Leonard and Bumgarner gave their decision in favor of the negative.

Impromptu speeches by Messrs. Richardson and Bridenback contributed to the success of the evening.

Mr. Bumgarner resigned as preliminary debator. Mr. Stanley was elected to fill the vacancy.

Rooting Practice.

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cadenced consonants! That, sweet innocent, proceedeth from the Y. M. C. A. room on the second floor of the main building, where the student's volunteer mission band has met tonight to decide whether there is great need for earnest workers in the Congo field, or Hodgson might not be able to get off his prints so well after we run "Dutch" through there once or twice. What's that? Yell, yell, yell like—what? Strange litany for embryonic apostles! Yet it hath an earnest sound.

Well, this thing of trying to write like that chap in the Saturday Evening Post is getting to be too much of a strain, and it isn't such a cinch as it looks either, anyhow we are not going to lose that tail—meaning the South Atlantic championship—if rooting can save it.

And the man who thinks he knows it all soon shows how little he really does know.

Lots of people believe it is better to grab than wait till they are served.

he booted that pretty drop between the bars the rooters went wild. Nine good 'rahs for Billy Fuerstein.

"Dutch" Alderson played star ball too, and never failed to gain. He went at the line like a human battering ram, and went through the big holes. Pelter opened for him in fine style. Izard, Armentrout, Smartt, Carey and Pelter also played brilliant ball, but for that matter the whole team played the game like the men they are. With 1-5 points against them they went at it harder every down and in the whole of the second half completely outplayed the Techs. It was a beautiful game but it was won in the first fifteen minutes. After this is was "nip and tuck." For V. P. I. Billups, Capt. Luttrel, E. R. Hodgson and Hufford played great ball and were well backed up by their team-mates. It was a clean game and a hard played, sportsman-like one.

That Gymnasium.

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why such a state of affairs should exist let us have it. If there is not, then the responsibility should be fixed and the evils corrected, and corrected at once.

The student body, and especially the athletic teams, have put up with all this and have done their best for the University. Is it not, then, the duty of the University to do its part by the teams? Can it be expected that men should wish to go out and try for the teams when such a bath room stares them in the face? How long would such a place be tolerated in the home of any member of the faculty or Board of Trustees? For many of the students it is unfortunately the only bath room they have. Is it remarkable that they do not wish to use that bath room? Yet they are forced to do so, and have been (to the writer's knowledge) for the last six years, and probably many more. How long will such an evil be allowed to go uncorrected?

We all regret that we have to admit to the world at large and to our sister Colleges that such a state of affairs exists at Washington and Lee, but facts are facts, and until corrected the existing evils will be told in these columns.

THE LONG HORNS MEET.

President Stanley A. Beard called the Texas Club to order promptly at 3:00 o'clock Tuesday evening, and after some discussion the Club proceeded to reorganize and to elect officers for the session of 1908-9.

Mr. K. W. Denman was elected President, and made a rousing inaugural address in which he outlined the policies of his administration, putting especial emphasis on the importance of appropriately celebrating the Independence Day of Texas on March 2nd. Mr. W. E. Dameron was elected Vice President, Mr. M. E. Kurth, Secretary and Treasurer, and S. D. Ware, Ring Tum Phi Reporter.

After the election and inauguration of the officers a motion was carried that an entertainment should be had once each month, to be given by every two members in turn. An entertainment committee was appointed composed of Messrs. Denman, Kurth and Dameron. The matter of celebrating the second of March was brought forward and after patriotic speeches by Messrs. Beard, Dameron and Kurth the motion was unanimously carried. By this action the boys have determined to make the students of W. & L. and the people of Lexington know that Texas is well represented at this University.

The membership of the Club shows a large increase over last year, and indications are that the Texas Club is going to be the most successful one in college. All new men are requested to promptly report their names to the secretary.

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CONCERNING THE LORDLY SENIOR.

The student body organization has long since passed the experimental stage. The steadily increasing importance of the executive committee as a dynamic as well as a directive factor in the student life has been a source of gratification to those that have watched the results of the experiment from its inauguration. Nevertheless, certain by-products of the system might well be the ground for apprehension among discerning students and alumni and we wish to mention here particularly the apparent willingness of the senior class to abdicate its natural functions of undergraduate leadership.

In former years there was no little rivalry between successive classes as to which one could claim a record of more solid achievement in college affairs. One senior class fathered the Calyx; another the Ring Tum Phi. One points with pride to having by its efforts revived class distinction, at least in the degree in which they now obtain; another to having instituted the student-body organization, still another to having finally secured the adoption of the cap and gown system in vogue, after several preceding classes had made the attempt and failed. One class of a destructive trend of mind more or less effectually put an end to the irksome weekly university assemblies. Nineteen-two after proudly proclaiming itself "the class that does things" decided to continue its activity as a class even after graduation and is now accumulating a fund to be devoted to the erection of an entrance gate to the campus. This same class was the first, we believe, to set a date for reunion and better still they are actually

going to have it next year, if we are not mistaken.

It was certainly never intended that the student body organization shall absorb the functions of the senior classes, but rather, on the contrary, the organization was designed with the end in view of providing an effective instrument through which the upper classes might control and direct the affairs of the school as a whole. While of course the upperclass men as individuals do do this now, nevertheless it is time that, as a class, the Seniors are far less in evidence than the Sophomores or Freshmen—certainly than the latter.

We are told that among this year's Seniors there is a strong inclination to have the class assert itself more in college affairs, although the inclination has not as yet borne any visible fruit. There are several organizations in college whose real purpose—and a laudable one it is—is to "keep things moving" in college. Yet this is a service which can only be properly performed by the Senior class as a class—and the sooner and more vigorously it sets about it the better for this college.

INDIFFERENTISM VS. YOUTHFUL FOLLY.

A Bit of Ancient History Newly Interpreted.

In a vigorous magazine article defending intercollegiate athletics and football in particular, President Thwing of Northwestern University, a few years ago claimed for this sport a plan and one of transcendent importance in the college curriculum, on the ground that it is the greatest enemy yet discovered of that indifferentism which is "the supreme evil of American college life today." This point of view is no doubt incomprehensible to those exceptional members of one Faculty who view college life through the narrowness of the class-room windows. Nevertheless it is a practical and an intensely sympathetic point of view. Not only does all work and no play make Jack a dull boy, but Jack the undergraduate, unless he finds some outlet for his play instincts that appeal to his imagination, is more than apt to injure both work and play and to sink into an apathetic do-nothingness that is the fruitful seed ground for all viciousness.

Probably, as President Thwing asserts, undercollegiate football is the most valuable agent the educator has in hand for combating this tendency, because of the intensely dramatic appeal it makes to one of the highest of the human sentiments—that of loyalty to an ideal. It does not matter much whether the student plays on the team or on the scrubs, whether he writes a song, or leads the rooting, or endeavors to follow the leader with all his might; no matter which one of the required forms of student activity, called into play by this sport, he may participate in, the main point is that his activity

and intense interest is aroused through the appeal made to his love of his Alma Mater—loyalty to a social ideal. Football achieves this result: that the average undergraduate makes offering freely of his resources, physical, primary and otherwise on the altar of an ideal. The extent to which this is true varies with the college and the individual; but football must be judged by the validity of the general law, of which there can be little doubt.

But the various other branches of college enterprise must be allowed a fair share in this good work of crowding the undergraduate from the dangerous stupor of indifferentism. And those more picturesque incidents of college life which are never mentioned in speeches by the faculty at the Y. M. C. A. reception, but are dwelt on longest and with most satisfaction when one or two old boys meet in chance reunion to take a cup for auld lang syne,—the pranks of Halloween, the class banquet, the joyful calathump, the wild ecstacy of celebrating the great victory, the club invitation "with a stein on the table and a good song ringing free;" these too are worth while—perhaps not the last of all.

A few years ago three young men—Seniors, took note of the appalling state into which the college spirit had fallen at that time. Not only was there a lack of interest in athletics and every other college enterprise, but the average man in college seemed to have lost interest in himself. General apathy was spread like thick gloom over the face of the campus, and the poolroom and the poker-shark alone flourished. So the young men—who were taking a course in social psychology—held many a solemn conference in the old sociological library, and out of much conversational travail was born the once famous—or notorious Saturday Night Club.

The object of this organization was frankly convivial but the conviviality it aimed at was on an unheard-of—one might say, an epic scale. Nothing less than the entertainment of the entire student-body satisfied it. The spirit of its gatherings is best interpreted in the song written for it and published in the Calyx of that year:

"Where the foam mounts high
on the stein,
Where the cup circles freely
around,
Where the glass glows red with
the wine,
Good fellows are sure to be
found,

Refrain:

"For we're jolly good fellows
gathered here
To drown our cares in lager
beer.
Our cares are few, the beer is
much.
So fill your steins and shame
the Dutch.
"When we've drunk as much as
we care

(Of beer may there never be
dearth)

Then our song rings out o'er the
air

And the night grows gay with
our mirth."

Refrain, etc.

The Saturday Night Club met an untimely fate. In the spring of the year, through no fault save carelessness, it came into violent head-on collision with a revival service at the Presbyterian Church and was completely derailed. Its founders have long since passed from among us "unwept, unhonored and unsung," and with legend of the bacchanalian horrors of its revels the mothers of Lexington are wont to frighten their babes to sleep. Nevertheless it is recorded that during that year the University swept all before her on the athletic field, that scarcely ever before had college enthusiasm run so high, that bitter inter-collegiate feuds of many years' standing were healed and forgotten, that college enterprise awoke to unwonted activity in all its different branches.

In the renaissance which is dated by most from the beginning of the reign of the Great Sheik, mayhap the three young men played their humble part. At least let it be said that their intentions were good, and so, in testimony, this passing tribute is paid their memory by

A Survivor of the S. N. C.

BOZZARIS, JR.

[With due deference to Halleck and to the 782 bards who have beaten us to it].

At midnight in his handsome flat
The Turk lay dreaming of the
hours

When he might hand an ultimatum

Unto the avaricious powers.

In dreams he saw himself uprising
And biff the German on the eyes;

He heard wild cheers ring out

Now Austria felt his stinging blows,

Now he pursued scared Russian foes,

Now England quivered as he rose

And banged the Lion's snout.

At midnight this occurred, I say,

And in the tricky land of Nod—

But ah me, with the crack of day

A telegram came for him, COD

It read: "Sure, Bosnia's in revolt,

Bulgaria has announced a bolt,

And Crete, I hear, also;

Rumelia is not far behind,

And Herz'govina's of like mind"—

So ran the wire; it was signed

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At daylight, in his guarded flat,

In something of a peevish mood,

The Turk lay, eating from a plate

Some predigested breakfast food.

Mused he: "The time is not yet ripe.

As for my dream, it was a pipe—

Which this dispatch has left,

I'll try no annexation yet—

It's denaxation that I get;

In short, unless I hump, I'll bet

There'll be no Turkey left."

H. S. H., in Times-Dispatch.

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1908

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The Misses McPheters have returned to Raleigh, N. C., after having been the guests for some time of Miss Ellen Glasgow.

Miss Hicks after a visit of several weeks to Lexington, has returned to her home in Wilmington, North Carolina.

The Misses Barclay entertained very informally but delightfully on Tuesday.

Mrs. Reid White was the charming hostess of a beautiful tea given Monday afternoon in honor of Mrs. W. H. F. Lee, who is spending a few days in Lexington.

Miss Emma Staples is the guest of her parents, Professor and Mrs. Staples, on Jackson avenue. Miss Staples is convalescing from a severe attack of illness before returning to Farmville, where she is a Junior at the State Normal School.

The Rev. and Mrs. William Pendleton are spending a small part of their "honeymoon" at The Pines.

Mr. J. T. L. Preston left on Thursday for Charlotte, N. C., where he has been appointed the manager of a large truck farm.

Dr. White, who attended the State Medical Convention in Richmond last week, has returned home.

Mr. Powell Glass, of Lynchburg, spent the week-end here last week. While in College he was the guest of Mr. Ray Strassel.

Miss Scull, of Pittsburg, is visiting Miss Hope Stuart, who is the hostess of a very enjoyable house party at her home on Main street.

"Shorty" McCrum has recovered from an attack of illness, and is the guest of his mother on Main street.

Miss Burks, of Bedford City, is the guest of Professor and Mrs. Burks.

Mrs. Trigg of Abingdon, was the guest last week of Mrs. Mills, at the V. M. I.

Mrs. Withers who has been spending some time in Bedford City, returned home Tuesday night.

GRAHAM-LEE SOCIETY.

Graham-Lee society was called to order at the last meeting promptly at eight o'clock by the president. After calling the roll the regular program was taken up.

Mr. Earman delivered in good style an extract from one of the public addresses of the great Webster. This feature of the program is especially remarkable because of the clear and succinct enunciation of the speaker.

Mr. Somerville next delivered a declamation in lieu of an oration on presenting a legitimate excuse. The declamation was "On the Revolutionary hero LaFayette," and showed a good knowledge of the principles of public speaking on the part of the speaker.

The question for debate was: Resolved, That the granting of injunctions against strikers is justifiable.

Messrs. Carnell and Eggleston represented the affirmative of the question at issue, Messrs. Adkins and Blake argued the negative.

Mr. Carnell approached the question with a large number of parallel points, which were very ably defended by Mr. Eggleston, his colleague. Mr. Adkins presented the reasons why should a method of government would not be in accordance with existing principles of justice. His colleague, Mr. Blake, adopted the strongly defensive method in rebuttal, and spent his allotted time in explaining the discrepancies in the argument of the affirmative.

The judges, with the aid of a miniature debate among themselves, decided with a split vote in favor of the affirmative.

The society then proceeded to elect its debaters for the contest preliminary to our fight with the great Universities. Messrs. Alley, Herold and Warrell were the choice of the society to represent them in this contest.

The society next proceeded to elect the president and the secretary of this contest. Messrs. Price and Tucker attained these respective positions. After spending some little time on minor business the meeting was adjourned.

NORTH CAROLINA CLUB.

October 22, 1908, the North Carolinians met Wednesday and organized a club. Mr. Rockwell, of Asheville, was elected president, and Mr. Jones, of Durham, vice-president.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, October 28, at the rooms of the president.

JUNIOR LAW CLASS.

John Izard Elected President—Other Officers Chosen.

The Junior Law Class held a meeting in Tucker Hall on Friday morning, October 9th, for the purpose of electing a President and effecting a permanent organization. Mr. O. C. Jackson, President of the Student Body, called the meeting to order and acted as temporary chairman.

For the office of President the candidates were Messrs. Hawthorne, Lambertson and Izard, the honor going to the popular 'Varsity halfback on the first ballot.

For Vice-President the vote of the house was a tie between Messrs. Hood and Lambertson. To decide the contest the Chairman "tossed up" and the honor went to Mr. Lambertson, who then took charge of the meeting.

For Secretary-Treasurer, H. C. Alexander; for historian, Thos. R. Cather; for Executive Committee, J. W. Eggleston, and for Representative on the Ring-tum Phi Board, Raymond Kenny. Conclude the elections, after which the meeting adjourned.

The Junior Law Class of this year is the largest in the history of the Law School, while the men enrolled represent nearly every State in the Union. A noticeable feature is the number of old Academic students who are studying law this year, as fully one-third of the juniors have done work in the College.

WANTED.

All the men in College who can write, draw or paint, to hand in their names to the Editor of THE CALYX. It is most desirable that all of us should contribute what we can to make this year's annual a record-breaker. So if you have any talent or any good suggestions please see me at once.

D. L. GWATHMEY.

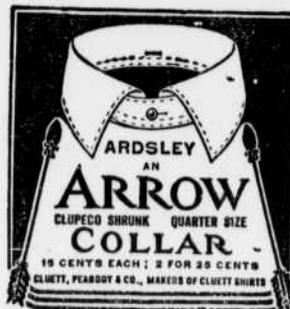
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GLEE CLUB.

There has been some inquiry concerning the Glee Club, as to its prospects, membership and organization. The Glee Club depends entirely on the voluntary assistance of the men in college who can sing and who will suffer a little inconvenience in order to attend rehearsals. So far there has been but little interest shown in it except by the freshmen, while the older men look upon it as a "has been." Such feeling should not exist and it is to the advantage of the University to have a good Glee Club. Other institutions such as U. Va., U. W. Va., etc, have good musical organizations and its up to W. & L. to get in the game. Come to the rehearsals. Watch the bulletin board, and we will get in the game. Communicated.

CLASS FIGHTS IN OTHER COLLEGES.

The "tank scrap" at Purdue was won by the sophomores.

The freshmen won the annual tie-up at the University of Washington.

The freshmen won the recent pushball contest against the sophomores at Drake University.

The flag rush at Rush Medical College provided material for the upperclass clinics. Several of the students were badly injured.

At Columbia, the fountains, a soul kiss of five minutes' duration, and bull fights play a prominent part in the Fresh-Soph conflicts.

The underclassmen of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, in St. Louis, held a class scrap on the roof of a three-story building.

Because oxalic acid was poured on the banner used in the rush at the University of Indiana, the sophomore fight was declared a draw.

The cane rush at the University of Washington has been abolished because of the roughness of the sophomores and freshmen when it came to raising cane.

All hazing at Amherst has been abolished, even though the sophomores say hazing is not for their enjoyment but for the freshmen's good. The flag rush will be allowed if the students conduct themselves like gentlemen.

Many of the freshmen of Indiana University have their locks of hair hanging in the rooms of sophomores as souvenirs, for hair-cutting is now in vogue at Bloomington. The faculty and freshmen do not like such a barbarian system of "scalping."

THE GRUMBLER.

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