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Dr. Ogden Makes Great Impression

Sunday's Services Very Interesting and Largely Attended—Strong Appeals Carry Conviction and Productive of Great Good.

The special evangelistic services conducted by the Rev. D. H. Ogden, of Knoxville, Tenn., closed on Sunday night, Jan. 17. Following the strong appeals made to college men of the week before, the services of Sunday made a fitting climax to the week's work. In the morning at 11 o'clock, and in the evening at 8, a large number of students assembled at the Chapel to hear his closing address.

At the morning service Dr. Ogden's subject was: "Thy Kingdom Come." After pointing out the presence of the Kingdom here on earth, a strong plea was made for pure penitence of heart. To be really penitent a man must feel deep and genuine sorrow for his sin. If he has not this sorrow, his ideals and standards of life have been broken and the man is in a miserable condition.

At the closing service Sunday night, as in the opening address at the University assembly Tuesday morning, the great moral problems were discussed. The four great evils of profanity, gambling, intemperance, and impurity were approached from a different point of view Sunday night. The evils and dangers that result from indulgence in these base practices were so clearly and forcibly impressed upon the men who heard him that they could not but forever turn away from them, if they followed the dictates of their consciences. A stronger appeal was never given to college men. The three hundred men who heard him that night could not but see the right way. If they do not follow it, it is because they lack manhood to stand up for the right; and to turn away from those things which they clearly see will drag their character and their ideals downward. The thinking man will stop, think, and turn now while he can.

Dr. Ogden's meetings were exceedingly effective in creating a strong sentiment against these ruinous college evils; and this is exactly what the student body of Washington and Lee needs. We hope that the men of strength in this University will answer to the summons, and do their best to uproot these heart-breaking evils.

As an outward result of the meetings, seven men have taken a stand for the Christian life. Doubtless their example will be followed by others.

Virginia's Crack Quint Goes Down Before White and Blue

Spectacular Game In Which Captain Smartt and His Fast Bunch Outclass Visitors

Virginia Players Swept Off Their Feet in First Half—Play Fast and Furious.

In a game replete with brilliant and spectacular play, the strong basket-ball team from the University of Virginia was defeated Friday night by "Pat" Krebs' speedy bunch of youngsters. Many reports had appeared in the papers of the strength of Virginia's "quint," and, as they had been at hard practice ever since October 1st it looked as if Capt. Smartt and his team-mates, who have only been practicing about two weeks, stood little chance of winning. Especially when the Orange and Blue team appeared on the floor, did things look slim, as they were a larger set of men than are on the "Varsity" "quint." The result of the practice game with Roller had shown the men to be poor at passing and uncertain when it came to shooting baskets, but soon after the game started it was plain that Virginia had the tough proposition on their hands.

The visitors were clearly outclassed. In only two points did they show any degree of superiority, and that was in dribbling and passing—the result of long and consistent practice. Although their team-work was good and the men were all fast, it certainly appeared that each Washington and Lee man was superior to his opponent. Every man on our team secured at least one basket, and this put him even with or ahead of his opponent. Seldom is such guarding seen as Capt. Smartt did against the crack forward he was playing. His work was clean and fast, and always effective. It is a noteworthy fact that only one of the Virginia forwards secured a goal. It was the first game in which Tom Glasgow had ever played guard, and he deserves great credit for his work. "Pat" Osbourn had his tall opponents completely at his mercy, and the way Boyd and Hannis dodged around the experienced guards was a caution. These two guards were Virginia's stars and mainstays. It was only their classy work that kept

the score from going 'way up, and their goal-shooting made six of the fourteen points.

It was only in the latter part of the second half that Virginia had the advantage. Ten of their fourteen points were scored in this half and one of the features of the game was a long shot for the basket by Sargent. He soon afterwards made another pretty goal after dribbling the ball nearly the entire length of the field. We feel that the training which the Virginia team has undergone was responsible for the greater part of their scoring in the second half. Our boys had practically no opportunity to train, and they showed the lack of it.

Basket-ball is now the only branch of athletics in which we meet Virginia, and we hope that the two games will be played each year with the same sportsman-like conduct on the part of both teams which characterized Friday night's game. The Virginia men are always welcome visitors here, and we are glad to extend to them every courtesy.

The Virginia team was the first to appear on the floor, and they were most enthusiastically greeted by the large crowd of students present with several rousing yells. The W. & L. quintet, headed by Captain Smartt, followed soon after, and their appearance was the signal for an even greater outburst of enthusiasm. After a slight argument concerning the rules, the game began. From the very start the play was fast and furious, but during the first half the Virginia "five" could do practically nothing with the "Varsity" boys. Boyd threw the first goal of the game two minutes after play was called. The large crowd fairly went wild with joy. Both Boyd and Osbourn played very spectacular games. Tommy Glasgow, at left guard, made his first appearance on the "Varsity" team, and from the way he played it is safe to say that he will stay there. Captain Smartt as a guard is hard to beat. His opponent did not score a single point in the entire game. Hannis, at right forward, played his usual fine game, and in fact the whole

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Graham-Lee Celebration

Interesting Event on 19th—Burks Wins Orator's Medal and Landreth Debater's—Stonewall Orchestra Furnishes Music.

The one hundredth anniversary of this Society was celebrated by its members in the Lee Memorial Chapel on Tuesday night, January 19, 1909. The officers of the occasion were Mr. J. H. Price, president; Mr. F. P. Guthrie, vice president; Mr. B. C. Moomaw, secretary, and Mr. R. S. Keebler, chief marshal. The assistant marshals were Messrs. D. B. Owen, L. C. Caldwell, H. St. George Tucker, C. S. Minter, and J. R. Saunders. The Society was so fortunate as to secure the famous Stonewall Orchestra, which entertained the audience highly with several choice selections.

The audience was unusually large, but every one was seated after some difficulty. The student body was well represented, and large numbers of the townsfolk favored us with their presence. The faculty and students of the Southern Seminary, Buena Vista, Va., graced the occasion as our specially invited guests. The whole Graham-Lee Society, about seventy strong, entered the Chapel in a body.

Lee Memorial Chapel was decorated in a very beautiful and attractive manner especially suited to the occasion. A very large streamer with the inscription "1809—Graham-Lee—1909," in blue and white was stretched across the front. Lines of numerous pennants from schools throughout the country suspended over the rostrum and around the galleries presented a scene of surpassing beauty.

Mr. Elton Watkins, of Mississippi, had been elected as president of the celebration, but was unable to serve on account of illness. President Price's address was appropriate and excellent, and consisted of warm words of welcome to the audience—not by any means overlooking the ladies from the Southern Seminary—and a short sketch of the Society's remarkable and useful career of one hundred years.

President Price next introduced the first orator, Mr. Charles E. Burks, of Mississippi. Mr. Burks' oration, "The Supremacy of Law," was well composed, clear, and effectively delivered. The second orator was Mr. Samuel D. Ware, of Texas, whose ornate production was well written, noble and patri-

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A DIFFERENCE OF OPINION.

A leading newspaper sums up the result of the 1908 football fatalities in the manner set out below. It will be noted that the editor says that probably three of these deaths should not be charged to football. We go still further and state that from the information given only five, at the most, of these thirteen deaths should be properly charged to intercollegiate football—and that is the real football that counts. Of course, men and boys who do not train are liable to fatal injuries. College players are all, or at least should be, under the care of a trainer. A great number of such men play the game every season, and five is an exceedingly small per cent of deaths. We know of no sport which requires more consistent training, and if the men who play the game are properly trained the fatalities are really very small.

The News-Leader has the following to say:

FOOTBALL DEATH ROLL NUMBERS 13 FOR 1908.

Seriously Injured Players are 135, With Scores Slightly Hurt.

The annual compilation of fatalities and injuries due to football playing, made by the Chicago Tribune, has been made and the report shows thirteen deaths and 135 serious injuries. This takes no account of scores of players slightly hurt. Two or three of the deaths probably should not be charged to the game, itself, such as the death of Marker, Dougherty and Elwell. The open play game, brought about by the ten-yard rule and other innovations, supposed to lessen the perils of the gridiron, has not produced any great saving of life, and limb. There was a falling off of eight in the list of dead between 1905 and 1906, the year the rules were first enforced, but the last two seasons have shown increases over the 1906 list, possibly due to the vast increased number of participants.

The number of seriously injured for 1908 has climbed near the record for the last four years. The greatest number of seriously wounded in any of these years was 137 in 1905. The wounded this year already total 135.

A summary of the more serious injured, as compared with the previous year, follows:

Broken legs	20	24
Concussion of brain	14	20
Broken collar bones	11	27
Broken arms	8	8
Broken hands	3	2
Broken noses	3	4
Broken shoulders	10	9
Broken ribs	3	6
Miscellaneous	20	35

A direct argument against the open game is that practically all of the brain injuries reported were received in running tackles, made prominent by the open game. Broken legs and broken collar bones also show heavy advances in numbers over the previous year.

The list of dead contains four

college players, two high school boys, and seven players of athletic teams. In the East, particularly in the big colleges, the injured is largest, while in the South and West more deaths occurred. The roster of the dead is as follows:

Sept. 19—J. J. Dyck, Southwestern Normal School, internal injuries, in a game at Weatherford, Okla.

Sept. 28—Wilfred Balthazer, Waterbury (Conn.) High School, fractured spinal column in a practice game.

Oct. 11—William M. Potts, member of school team at Cannonsburg, Pa., concussion of brain.

Oct. 14—W. S. Pollock, of the East High School, Cleveland, O.; overexertion in practice and games.

Oct. 19—William Smith, of Clarion, Ia.; heart trouble caused by violent strain.

Oct. 27—Thomas Evans, Utah Agricultural College; neck broken in game against Colorado School of Mines.

Oct. 31—G. Cook Ferebee, Virginia Military Institute; concussion of brain in game with Roanoke College.

Nov. 5—Ernest Dickson, University of Arkansas; internal injuries in game with Oklahoma University.

Nov. 6—John Cooper, University of North Carolina; injury to spinal column in tackling dummy.

Nov. 8—Charles Marker, Great Bend, Kan., injured while a spectator at a game.

Nov. 10—Albert Dougherty, of Evansville, Ind., Young Men's Christian Association; paralysis resulting from collision with a player.

Nov. 16—Bartholomew Murphy, Bayonne, N. Y.; internal injuries.

Nov. 20—William Elwell, Jr., Shurtleff College, Upper-Alton, Ill.; blood poisoning following a slight injury on gridiron.

GENERAL WORDS FOR W. & L. "SWING."

(This is not meant to replace the football words.)

When Washington and Lee's men take the field

The White and Blue they wear means never yield.

W. and L., I yell, yell, yell, yell,

For the University, I yell, I yell like hell.

So fight, fight, fight, for Washington-Lee.

Hail! oh, hail! to our grand 'Varsity-e.

See again they're crowned with victory.

RAH! RAH! RAH!

BASKET-BALL NOTES.

When Washington and Lee's five take the floor

We're going to win again, as we did before.

W. & L., I yell, yell, yell, yell,

For the University, I yell, I yell like hell.

So pass, pass, pass that ball along High above the fiercely battling throng.

Straight and true, you see it can't go wrong.

RAH! RAH! RAH!

Virginia's Crack Quint Goes Down Before White and Blue.

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team played well. For Virginia Captain Ashby was the star. He showed skill at passing, and was perhaps the fastest man on the floor.

The Varsity boys showed a remarkable improvement in their play over the game with A. M. A. Their passing was much better, and the team work was of much higher order. Both teams were rather weak on throwing goals from fouls, the advantages being slightly in favor of the Varsity quintet. During the first half, although the Virginia boys played hard and fought to the last, they could not withstand the whirlwind play of the Varsity five. The score at the end of that half being 19 to 4 in favor of W. & L.

In the second half Virginia put in two fresh men, and during this half neither team had much advantage. The game was the best probably ever seen on the local floor. It was certainly the fastest game ever seen here. Fouls were numerous on each side, but both teams played clean basket-ball, and there was no unnecessary roughness shown. The score at the end of the game stood 28 to 14 in favor of W. & L., and once more the colors of U. Va. were lowered before the White and Blue. For the third consecutive time has our basket-ball team triumphed over that of Virginia. Nine good 'rahs for the entire team.

The next game on the schedule is with the Baltimore Y. M. C. A. team next Friday night. Let's put another victory to our credit.

The following is the lineup and summary:

W. & L.	U. of Va.
Boyd,	l. f. Cochran
Hannis,	r. f. Hensch
Osborn,	c. Sargeant
Glasgow,	l. g. Cecil
Smartt, Capt.	r. g. Ashby
	(Capt.) Williams.

Goals—W. & L.: Osborn (4); Boyd (4); Hannis (2); Glasgow (1); Smartt (1). U. of Va.: Hensch (1); Cecil (2); Ashby (1); Sargeant (2). Fouls thrown by Boyd (1); by Hannis (3); by Williams (2). Time of halves, 20 minutes each. Referee, Mr. Porter, of V. M. I. Umpire, Mr. McIntyre, of V. M. I. Time-keeper, Mr. R. R. Brown, of W. & L. Score keeper, Messrs. Lamar and Sullivan, of W. & L.

VIRGINIA'S BASEBALL SCHEDULE.

The University of Virginia's baseball schedule, which has just been published, has thirty-one games on it. Yale, Harvard, Princeton, Pennsylvania, and other strong Northern teams will be met, but Georgetown and Carolina are the only noteworthy Southern teams included. In fact, as has been the custom for some years, but two or three of the Virginia teams will be played, and these will be early season games with the smaller colleges.

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otic in spirit and gracefully rendered. His title was "The New Nation."

The debate was excellent. Old friends of the University have complimented the whole program in the strongest terms; but especially the debate was highly complimented. The affirmative of the question,

"Resolved, That the Congress of the United States should adopt President Roosevelt's Naval Policy," was argued by Messrs. D. W. Earman and J. W. Eggleston. Their opponents were Messrs. W. T. Delaplaine and S. F. Landreth. Each of the four speakers gave evidence of extensive research, had the arguments well arranged and set them forth in a clear, elegant manner. We take the liberty of repeating what Dr. W. S. Currell stated to his class, that the debate on Tuesday night, in his opinion, was the best he has heard here.

This we can say without in the least disparaging the rest of the program or any previous debate, for the increased interest in literary society work is beginning to bear fruit.

The program was well interspersed with delightful music by the Orchestra, "Dixie" exciting the heartiest cheers.

The committee of judges were Hon. Aubrey E. Strode, State Senator from Amherst county; Dr. E. H. Rowe, president of the Southern Seminary, Buena Vista, Va, and Rev. Charles Manly, D. D., Mr. Frank Moore, attorney-at-law, and Mr. Wm. B. Kennedy, editor of *The Lexington Gazette*, of this city.

Hon. A. E. Strode, an old alumnus of Graham-Lee, after a very interesting and fitting speech, delivered the medals. The orator's medal was awarded by the judges to Mr. Burks, and the debater's medal to Mr. Landreth. The contest was close, each debater closely approximating the high standard attained by the winner.

H. H. L.

DOINGS AT OTHER COLLEGES.

A school of journalism has been organized in the University of Missouri, with Professor Walter Williams as dean. As a laboratory feature it has the University Mis-sourian, a small but well-balanced daily newspaper, upon which the work will be done, under the direction of experienced newspaper men, by the students of the school. Courses will be given in the history and principles of journalism, in newspaper administration, in illustration, in the libel law, to news-gathering, in reporting, in editorial writing, in office equipment, and in other purely professional branches. In addition, courses will be given in English and other academic studies for preparation for journalism.

The establishment of a conference department at Lehigh University is quite an innovation in college methods. The idea is entirely original and Lehigh has just cause to be proud of it. This de-

partment is made up of instructors, selected with care by the different schools, who supply the place of the tutors formerly coaching conditioned students.

Thomas Weldon Stanford, of Australia, recently endowed Stanford University in his will with \$12,000,000, his plan being to send annually to Stanford University a number of Australians on the Rhodes scholarship scheme.

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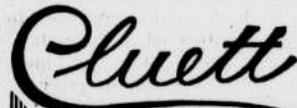
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The Ring-tum Phi staff and the management wish to apologize to subscribers for the tardiness in issuing the paper after the Christmas recess. One cause of the delay was the resignation of the editor-in-chief, his inability to secure an acting editor, and the consequent task of getting the paper out while attending to heavy college work. The paper would, however, have appeared earlier in the week; but for the delay of the printers in doing their work. We trust that no more such delays will be evidenced.

CLASS BASKETBALL.

Class basketball is now on. The first games on Thursday night were fast and exciting, and were enjoyed by all who witnessed them. A great deal of skill was manifested; some of the participants bid fair to make excellent Varsity material.

It is to be hoped that as many men as possible will come out for their respective class teams. Besides affording the personal benefit of the diversion and exercise, it will give an opportunity for the training of Varsity basketball players and for developing class spirit, an enthusiasm which is not as much in evidence at W. & L. as should be liked. Every man should endeavor to make his class honor itself with the strongest basketball team, either by trying for a place or by some vigorous rooting. The Junior Class, the Sophomore champions of last year, have again shown their ability. It will take a great deal of hard work and some lively class spirit to down their "five."

Every student who can possibly spare the time should patronize the class games. You will encourage your own class team by this

support, and at the same time help along the Varsity basketball management. The receipts from the class games are turned over to Varsity basketball, because the small sum allowed for basketball at Washington and Lee is scarcely enough to enable the management to run a schedule on the proper basis.

So let every man come out and give basketball a boost. Stir up your class spirit and see the result!

AN INSULT TO COLLEGE MEN.

Various reports have been circulated around college concerning the disgraceful and vulgar performance at that two by four edifice, opposite Sheridan's livery stable, dignified with the name of "Henry Street Opera House" last Wednesday night. Some so-called comedy company, composed of a class of individuals usually found in the lowest and most degraded sections of the cities, was on the boards. Some of the students of Washington and Lee, reinforced by a detachment of townspeople, made up the audience. Even a line descriptive of the character of the performance is not fit for publication. Suffice it to say that it was so disgusting and shameless that the crew were driven away from several places, and that the management of the Henry street affair refused to allow them to show again.

It is indeed hard to realize that a body of college men, drawn from representative Southern homes and surrounded by the best influences any institution or any college community offers, could sit through such an affair; harder still to realize that they should applaud the flaunting of such an insult in the face of decency; and hardest of all to realize that they should apparently take huge delight in it.

Frankly we are disappointed in the men who stayed through that indecent performance, and are surprised that they should countenance it by their presence. "Theatricals" of this character usually seek a show-house only in the most disreputable and forsaken parts of the large cities, and have for spectators the degraded characters who haunt those places. It is to be hoped that no more will become so vile there that they will be driven to seek refuge in a tour of college towns.

It should be clear to everyone that the size of the Henry Street place forbids a decent company from showing there, and that those that do appear are not worth the time thrown away in witnessing their performances. Everyone, and particularly college students, will, therefore, do better to stay away—especially in consideration of the fact that the management is liable to put such shows as the "comedy company" on the boards.

The University of Mississippi has adopted an honor system which prohibits cheating, stealing, gambling and drunkenness in public places. Punishment is inflicted by class representatives.

GRAHAM-LEE LITERARY SOCIETY.

The last regular meeting of the Graham-Lee Society was called to order at the usual hour on January 16, by President Ware. After the roll call, the minutes were read and accepted. Then the regular program was taken up. Both orators were absent. Mr. Savill delivered a declamation on General Robert E. Lee. The other declaimer was absent.

Instead of taking up the debate next, it was decided to adjourn to the Chapel to hear Dr. Ogden's lecture. After the lecture business was again resumed. Mr. Caldwell and Mr. Price both resigned from the preliminary contest with the Washington Society to select a delegate to the Virginia Inter-collegiate Oratorical Association. Their resignations were accepted, and Messrs. Leach and Worrell were elected to take their places.

The Society then sent a committee to the Washington Society to give them a special invitation to the Centennial Celebration on January 19th.

The rest of the time was taken up with discussions relating to the celebration on January 19th.

A committee from the Washington Society was then received, saying that they accepted our invitation, and were willing to help us in any way they could.

As there was no further business, the Society adjourned.

Special Meeting of G. L. S.

A special meeting of the Graham-Lee Society was called to order at 7:30 p. m. on January 18 by President Ware.

The Society first settled some business with reference to entertaining the Buena Vista girls on January 19th.

Mr. Price was then elected to take Mr. Watkins' place as President of the Centennial Celebration, on January 19, as Mr. Watkins was confined to his room by illness.

As there was no further business before the Society, the special meeting adjourned.

A NEW PLAYWRIGHT.

Below will be found a notice very gratifying to the many friends of one of our young alumni, who entered the field of journalism soon after leaving college in 1907, and has now become a playwright. The communication is taken from *The Show World*, Chicago:

NEW SKETCH IN REHEARSAL.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 12.
V. Gilmore Iden, the correspondent of *The Show World*, is putting into rehearsal his newest sketch, entitled *Mister Noah of Greenville*. Thomas Colmesnil, formerly with Klaw & Erlanger, is directing the company and taking the chief comedy part. The story deals with the struggles of a young college graduate in fighting against the prejudices of his home neighborhood. The act is being built for United and Orpheum time.

THE RECORD.

Redd: "What's the fastest Marathon that you ever heard of?"

Greene: "I can't give you the exact time, but I know it was made by my gas meter!"—*Yonkers Statesman*.

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MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 1909.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Brockenbrough has returned home after a visit of two months to friends in Suffolk, Va., and Governor's Island, New York.

Miss Loomis Logan, of Salem, Va., is the guest of the Misses Patton, on Lee Avenue.

Misses Anna and Josephine Howerton have returned home after a visit of some weeks in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Mrs. William Dickinson left on Thursday for Charleston, West Virginia, where she expects to visit relatives for several months.

Miss Caroline Preston left on Monday for Richmond, where she expects to spend a week, and to attend the coming-out reception which will be given her sister, Miss Elizabeth Preston, on Wednesday, the 27th.

Mrs. Archibald Lee, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Beverley Tucker, for some time, returned last week to her home in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Dean Campbell was absent from college a short time last week.

Mr. William Claudy and Mr. Devall Gwathmey spent a short time in Lynchburg last week on business relative to *The Calyx*. In the above said city the annual will be published this year.

Miss Brockenbrough charmingly entertained her Bridge Club on Wednesday last.

Dean and Mrs. Humphries entertained the Mary Custis Lee Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, at their handsome home on General Lee's Birthday. A very great many guests called thruout the afternoon.

Dr. and Mrs. Urdahl very delightfully entertained during the evening of General Lee's Birthday in honor of Professor and Mrs. Ray, of the Southern Seminary, of Buena Vista, and about fifty young ladies of the above said school. Mrs. Stevens gracefully presided in the dining room, and those helping Mrs. Urdahl receive and serve the guests were Miss Gwendolyn Howe, Miss Susan Cunell, Dr. Stevens, Dr. Currell, Mr. Alley, Mr. Osbourn, Mr. Izard, Mr. Webster, Mr. Clark, Mr. Hagan, and Mr. Devall Gwathmey.

Mr. Edwin Carter Landis, now of Detroit, Mich., who is at the head of one of System's Departments in the home office of the Burroughs Adding Machine Co., was in the city last week. Mr. Landis received his A. B. here in 1905, and was that year editor-in-chief of *The Calyx*.

The Fancy Dress Ball will take place 19th of February. As it is a very busy time of the year for costumers the order for costumes MUST BE sent to Van Horn IMMEDIATELY. Therefore all who desire to go must give their measures to Miss Annie White AT ONCE.

All students are cordially urged to lend their co-operation and make this year's Ball an even greater success than its brilliant predecessors.

DR. BLAYNEY COMING.

Prominent Educator Here Soon to Lecture on Gothic Art.

It is a source of great gratification to learn that Miss Annie White has been instrumental in securing Dr. T. Lindsey Blayney, of the Central University of Kentucky, to lecture on the Lee Memorial Chapel on February 8th. Dr. Blayney will take as his theme, the Gothic School of Art, and the lecture promises to be highly enjoyable and instructive, especially as it will be illustrated, with the assistance of Dr. Stevens and his wonderful lantern. The lecturer is an educator of prominence, is a ripe scholar, and a cultured speaker. No charges will be made for admittance, and it is hoped that Dr. Blayney will be greeted by a large and appreciative audience.

The Baltimore Sun has the following to say of Dr. Blayney:

"The essential difference between Dr. Blayney's lecture and the usual art lecture is his insistence on the high quality of the illustration used, as the Doctor said he believed the taste for art is to be awakened in America through the eye and not merely through the ear. The campaign he has undertaken in the cause of a more widespread knowledge of art principles has been made possible only by a series of art slides made on a new theory in his own laboratory. He spent nine years of study and travel in Europe, and took his degree of doctor of philosophy in Heidelberg, Germany."

And the Baltimore American quotes him thus:

"I think," said he, "that the long desired awakening of the American public as to the artistic side of education, is at hand. One good evidence of this is that our magazines and best newspapers are devoting columns to art where they formerly gave only the briefest mention. The great thing is to get the whole people interested, to have the children of the poor take the same pleasure in viewing pictures, statuary and architecture as the children of the rich. This is the case in Germany and other Old World countries. Over there almost any man you meet sees at a glance and can tell you the fine points of a painting, building or statue. The rich do not have a monopoly of art treasures abroad as they have had in this nation. From infancy Italians, Frenchmen and Germans grow up to know what is excellent in music, painting, poetry and all other forms of art. That is what we must come to in the United States if we expect to reach the highest standard."

ALUMNI NOTES.

The following dispatch was received from the Department of State at Suffolk, Va., on January 18, 1909:

"Information has been received at this Department from Mr. Geo. H. Piekerell, American Consul at Para, Brazil, of the death on the 6th of December, 1908, of James D. Causey, an American citizen."

Further information revealed the fact that Mr. Causey, who was in the employ of the Madura and Mamore Railroad Company as a civil engineer, died of yellow fever while on a voyage up the Amazon River en route to the interior of Brazil to do some engineering work.

Mr. Causey was an alumnus of Washington and Lee and a member of the class of '05, and is still fondly recalled by some of the older men in college, and we extend our deepest sympathy to his family and friends in their bereavement.

Mr. Charles C. McNeil, familiarly known as "Gubby," and well remembered as the State Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. in Virginia last year, was married to Miss Elisabeth Butler, of Savannah, Ga., on December 30, 1908, at the home of the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. McNeil will reside at Austin, Tex., where "Gubby" has a position as Y. M. C. A. Secretary for the University of Texas.

Mr. Robert W. Withers, law '99, was married to Miss Louise Brockenbrough McAdams, of Richmond, Va., on January 21, 1909. Mr. Withers is a prominent member of the Virginia State Legislature, as well as one of the leading members of the Suffolk bar.

M. P. Burks, Jr., law '05, has been in town the last few days visiting his mother and father.

Rufus Haygood, ex-'09, is studying medicine at Vanderbilt University.

The Hon. George E. Chamberlain, Governor of Oregon, quite recently was elected United States Senator from that State. Governor Chamberlain is one of our most prominent alumni, and we are indeed glad to note that he is rapidly becoming a man of recognized worth and ability in the nation.

It is quite probable that Hon. Wade Ellis, Assistant Attorney-General of the United States, will become chairman of the committee which has in charge the raising of the Robert E. Lee Memorial Fund. Since graduating from the law school some years ago Mr. Ellis has become quite prominent in State and national affairs, and with such a man in charge of the work, the success of the plan is almost assured.

Some things, they say, may be sent in letters, and some by word of mouth, but there is one that goes only from mouth to mouth.

—Philo.

CLASS TEAMS PLAY GOOD GAMES.

Seniors and Juniors and Sophs and Freshman Battle for Honors Thursday Night—Good Material on Hand.

The first games of the class basketball schedule were played Thursday night in the gymnasium. In the Senior-Junior game the Juniors were victorious by the score of 18 to 8. The showing made by the Seniors was rather a disappointment to their loyal following, but their poor showing was partly due to the presence of Varsity material on the Junior team. Hannis and Derr were by far the stars. They threw goals with ease, and nothing could stop them. For the Seniors, the stars were lacking, however each man played a good game. The line-up and summary: Seniors. Juniors. Wilson, l. f. Derr Champe, r. f. Hannis Lamar, c. Gassman C. Glasgow, r. g. Montgomery Coe, l. g. Robinson

Goals from field: Hannis (5); Derr (3). Fouls thrown by Hannis (2). Field goals, Lamar (2); Wilson (1); Champe (1). Referee, Boyd, of the Varsity. Time of halves, 15 minutes each.

SOPHOMORE-FRESHMAN GAME

And again the Sophomores were vanquished by the "verdant" Freshmen, for in a hard-fought basket-ball game the Freshmen lowered the colors of the "five" to the tune of 25 to 16.

The play was fast and some pretty work was done by both teams, but the Freshmen had the advantage of their opponents throughout. Stein and Phillips starred for the Soph. aggregation, and Holy, Graham and Maley did the best work for 1912.

Some good Varsity material was in evidence, and it is believed that class basket-ball will soon be fruitful of great results in this line. Let the good work go on, boys, and make the champions work to earn their title.

The line-up: Sophs. Holy, Stein, Sevier, Phillips, Rinehart, Randall, Hoffman. Fresh. Hannis, Weeks, Graham, Maley, Raine, Perkins.

NOTE.—We regret that circumstances prevent a fuller account of these class games, but the staff is at present somewhat disorganized. We want to give much better accounts of the games in the future, and trust that the brevity of this one will not tend to dampen the ardor of the class team men.

Everybody learn the basket-ball words, so as to have some good singing at the games. These words, can be just as easily learned as the football words, so get busy on them now. There was no singing at the Virginia game, because we had nothing appropriate to sing. Now we have it—learn it.

THE LEE MEMORIAL.

From the attitude adopted by President Roosevelt, as will be noted from the newspaper report below, it seems high time that something were done to carry out his plans. Of course, Governor Heyward's reason for giving up active work to raise the Lee Memorial fund was on account of the strained financial condition of the country, but this is hardly an impediment now. When a Northern man takes such an interest in a memorial to our chieftain and former President, we also should push the matter. The following is taken from *The Times-Dispatch*.

TO COMMEMORATE LEE.

President Roosevelt Writes Letter, Urging That Memorial Be Provided.

Washington, D. C., January 18. Tomorrow being the anniversary of the birth of General Robert E. Lee, the President will commemorate it by sending to D. C. Heyward, ex-Governor of South Carolina; Chas. Francis Adams, of Massachusetts, and Wade H. Ellis, assistant to the Attorney-General of the United States, a part of an advisory committee of the Robert E. Lee Memorial Association, a letter inquiring whether steps cannot be taken to provide a memorial as suggested by him two years ago, when the one-hundredth birthday anniversary was celebrated commemorating General Lee's life and deeds. He asks if the committee cannot arrange for a meeting to take definite steps toward having such a memorial.

The President's letter follows: "The White House, Washington, D. C., Jan. 19, 1909. Gentlemen,—On January 16, 1907, I wrote a letter in anticipation of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Robert E. Lee. At that time the suggestion was made that a fitting memorial commemorating General Lee's life and deeds should be erected by appealing to all of our people in every section of this country for the establishment of such a memorial in some educational institution in the South. This day being the anniversary of his birth I would like to ask whether steps cannot at once be taken to have such a memorial. I understand that it has been definitely concluded to place it at Washington and Lee University, a university endowed by Washington, and where General Lee passed in honorable service the closing years of his life, and where his body now lies. Could not your committee arrange for a meeting in Washington or elsewhere if your committee thinks it wiser, at which definite steps toward the desired end can be taken?"

"Sincerely yours,
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