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## Fishburne Ties The 'Varsity

Low Pitches a Great Game—The Team Plays in Mid-Season Form.

The 'Varsity baseball team lined up for the first game of the season Monday afternoon against the fast Fishburne Military School team. The excellent showing made by W. & L. in this game was beyond the hopes of even the most optimistic. In the field the 'Varsity played an errorless game, but showed up a trifle weak at the bat. Low, last years' freshman pitcher, made his debut in the box, and he covered himself with glory. Not a single hit was made off of him, and when the game was called at the end of the tenth inning to allow the visitors to catch a train, he showed as much steam and control as in any part of the game.

Moran, who twirled for Fishburne, allowed the 'Varsity only three hits. He showed himself to be a classy pitcher, and W. & L. will not go up against many better ones this year. It is said that he has had several offers to join big league company. Fetzner, a Virginia league player, covered second for Fishburne.

Every position in W. & L.'s infield is covered by a new man, but each one handled himself like a veteran. Rectenwald's catching was of a high standard, and it is safe to say that a better catcher will not be seen on Wilson Field this spring.

Shuford, on second, played a strong game, and showed that he has a good knowledge of how the game ought to be played. Herring, Stras and Speed also showed up well. The outfielders are also a speedy lot. Captain Hood pulled off a brilliant play by gathering in after a long run what at first seemed to be a hit.

Fishburne had only one chance to score; this was in the second inning. Low walked Fetzner, who was sacrificed to second, and then stole third, but with only one out, Low braced up and easily retired the side. After this inning Fishburne never got a man to first.

W. & L. had several chances to score, probably the best of which happened in the sixth inning. With two men on bases and two out. Rectenwald picked out a good one, which seemed good for two bases, but a good catch by Brand saved the day for Fishburne.

The game by detail is as follows:

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## "THE BATTLE LOST."

### "Student Blake Passes Away After a Lingering Illness."

After a long and desperate battle for life, Colin M. Blake passed away at St. Andrew's Home, Lynchburg, Friday, at 2 o'clock.

From the very beginning of his illness it was continually a battle in which hope, unquenchable determination and science, were pitted against the indomitable forces of nature, with the result that the latter won. As the battle waged and the physical endure became less and less, hope died; his remarkable determination bowed to the greater powers, and a battle so fierce and relentless ended with a serene and perfect peace.

On February 21, after an illness of three days, Blake was removed to the Jackson Memorial Hospital, where an operation was performed by Dr. Lile, of Lynchburg, for "appendicitis." After the operation his life was despaired of, and no hope entertained for his recovery. However, he gradually rallied and became stronger, and his recovery seemed to be a matter of time. On Saturday, the 28th, a relapse took place, necessitating another operation. He continued to hover between life and death, and as a last resort was removed to St. Andrew's Home, Lynchburg. After another operation he seemed to gain in strength, but on Monday, the 29th, a gradual weakness became apparent. The only hope rested in another operation, which took place on Friday, April 2nd. After the operation he rallied once, and then sank rapidly until the end.

Blake was born in Tampa, Fla., in 1888. After attending the public schools, he entered Hillsboro High School, from which he graduated in 1906. In the fall of 1906 he entered W. & L. U., where he was appointed to the assistantship in Chemistry.

He was a member of the Delta Sigma Phi fraternity.

To his mother and father is extended the greatest sympathy by the student body of W. & L., and the people of the community.

The body was removed to his home in Tampa, where the funeral took place on Sunday. Besides being survived by his mother and father, he is also survived by a brother and two sisters.

## More Men Needed In Field Events

Only Three Weeks Until North Carolina Meet—The 'Varsity Team Is Now In Hard Training.

The bad weather of the past ten days has greatly interfered with the work of the track squad. With only three more weeks before the North Carolina meet, the squad shows a great lack of training. Not as many men are out as is desired by those at the head of the track department. Especially are men needed in the field events. The team, from present indications, will be weak in all the field events with the exception of the pole vault. In this the 'Varsity have two good men in Robbins and Hansel. Among the short distance men some of the most promising are Luker, McClure, and Maley. Luker is a good man at anything up to a quarter, while both McClure and Maley have shown up well in the hurdles, as well as in the sprints.

Boyd, Bejach and Spahr have shown up well in the half mile, while Anderton, Dew, Bootay, and Breidenbach are among the most promising material for the mile and two mile. Captain McCown bids fair to be even better than last year in the mile and the half-mile, while Rinehart promises to make a good man in the distance runs. The team is especially weak in the high jump. So far very little good material has shown up. In the short put, Mann, Maley, Hopkins, Blackburn, and Beddow are pushing each other close for first honors. The squad is greatly in need of a coach, and with the first meet only three weeks off, the prospects for a winning team are not as good as might be. There are plenty of men in college who would make good track men if they would come out. North Carolina has a good team, and it will take some hard training to win the meet. All men who are trying for the team are urged to report at the gymnasium every afternoon at 5 o'clock, otherwise they will be cut from the squad.

George Washington University is taking considerable interest in the work of their Rifle Team. In the indoor match recently held for the Intercollegiate Gallery Championship, indications show that the George Washington team will rank near the top. The average score, however, was not up to former records.

## THE CARLISLE FOOTBALL SCHEDULE.

September 18, East End A. C. Steelton, at Carlisle.

September 22, Lebanon Valley at Carlisle.

September 25, Vilanova at Carlisle.

October 2, Bucknell at Carlisle.

October 9, State College at Wilkesbarre or Altoona.

October 16, Syracuse at New York City.

October 23, University of Pitts-

burg at Pittsburg.

October 30, Pennsylvania at Philadelphia.

November 6, George Washington University at Washington.

November 13, Gettysburg at Carlisle.

November 30, Brown at New York City.

November 25, St. Louis University at St. Louis.

Annual gymnasium exhibition, Friday night, 8:30, in gymnasium. Everybody come.

**FISHBURNE TIES THE 'VARSITY.**

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1st Inning—Fishburne.—Smith grounded to Low, out at first. Moran grounded to Low, but was thrown out at first. Efrid struck out.

W. & L.—Moran walked Shuford. Hood attempted to bunt on the third strike and was called out. Herring grounded to first and was out. Shuford stole third. Stras flied to Talbot.

2nd Inning—Fishburne.—Low presented Petzer with a free pass to first. Talbot grounded to first. Petzer advanced to second, then stole third. Brand struck out. Cannon was walked. Kirk grounded to Stras, but was out, Stras to Shuford.

W & L.—Gannon grounded to second, thrown out at first. Reetenwald flied to first. Waddell struck out.

3rd Inning—Fishburne.—Page flied to center. Smith struck out. Moran was out, Shuford to Stras.

W. & L.—Speed flied to left. Low struck out. Shuford flied to right.

4th Inning—Fishburne.—Efrid was out, short to first. Petzer out at first. Talbot grounded to third, thrown out at first.

W. & L.—Hood struck out. Herring made a hit through second. Stras sacrificed Herring to second. Gannon struck out.

5th Inning—Fishburne.—Brand grounded to second, out at first. Cannon struck out. Kirk struck out.

W. & L.—Reetenwald singled. Waddell beat out a pretty bunt. Speed struck out. Low struck out. Shuford popped up a fly to Moran and was out.

6th Inning—Fishburne.—Page flied to second. Smith was out, short to first. Moran struck out.

W. & L.—Hood struck out. Herring struck out. Stras flied to left, but was safe on an error. Gannon grounded, but reached first on an error. "Reetie" flied to left.

7th Inning—Fishburne.—Efrid out, Low to first. Fetzer went out, second to first. Talbot struck out.

W. & L.—Waddell struck out. Speed went out, short to first. Low was out, Moran to first.

8th Inning—Fishburne.—Brand struck out. Cannon struck out. Kirk struck out.

W. & L.—Shuford, Hood, and Herring each struck out.

9th Inning—Fishburne.—Page grounded to Low, out at first. Smith out, second to first. Moran struck out.

W. & L.—Stras struck out. Gannon grounded to Petzer, thrown out at first. "Reetie" grounded to third, safe at first on an error. Waddell went out at first.

10th Inning—Fishburne.—Efrid went out at first. Petzer flied to Hood. Talbot struck out.

W. & L.—Anthony substituted for Speed, but was out, short to first. Hodgkin batted for Low and struck out. Shuford ended the game by striking out.

W. & L.	AB. R. H. O. A. E.
Shuford, 2b	4 0 0 3 4 0
Hood, lf	4 0 0 1 0 0
Herring, 3b	4 0 1 0 1 0

**SOME BASEBALL SCORES.**

At Chapel Hill, N. C.—Carolina, 6; Lafayette, 2.

At Norfolk—Yale, 4; Virginia, 2.

At Lexington—Hamptden-Sidney, 4; V. M. I., 1.

At Williamsburg—William and Mary, 11; Medical College of Virginia, 3.

At Columbia, S. C.—University of South Carolina, 2; Davidson, 3.

At Washington—Georgetown, 5; Cornell, 4.

At Atlanta—Vanderbilt, 2; Georgia Tech, 2. (Ten innings.)

At Bristol—King's College, 3; St. Albans, 2.

At Clemson College—Clemson, 2; University of Georgia, 0.

At Washington—Georgetown, 8; Pennsylvania State, 5.

At Raleigh, N. C.—A. & M., of N. C., 9; Richmond College, 0.

At Chapel Hill—Colgate, 4; North Carolina 1.

At Durham—Trinity, 3; Lafayette, 0.

At Harvard—Trinity, 2; Springfield Training School, 0.

At Annapolis—Amherst, 4; Midshipmen, 0.

At Princeton—Fordham, 2; Princeton, 0.

At Statesville—Davidson College, 4; Guilford, 1.

At Macon—Mercer, 9; Gordon, 2.

At Salem, Va.—Roanoke College, 15; Bellevue, 4.

At Carlisle—Carlisle, 9; Franklin and Marshall, 2.

At Elliott City, Md.—Rock Hill, 9; Western Maryland, 6.

At Annapolis—St. John's, 9; Catholic University, 4.

At Wake Forest, N. C.—Wake Forest, 6; Randolph-Macon, 7.

At Salisbury, N. C.—Richmond College, 6; Davidson, 3. (Eleven innings.)

Annual gymnasium exhibition, Friday night, 8:30, in gymnasium. Everybody come.

The students of Spokane College, Washington, are building a gymnasium through their own efforts. It is said that the college could not afford the building, and on account of this the students are working on it alone. There are four men working on it every day.

Stras, 1b	3	0	0	14	2	0
Gannon, rf	4	0	0	0	0	0
Reetenwald, c	4	0	1	11	1	0
Waddell, cf	4	0	1	1	0	0
Speed, s.a.	3	0	0	2	0	0
Low, p	3	0	0	4	0	0
*Anthony	1	0	0	0	0	0
**Hodgkin	1	0	0	0	0	0
Total	35	0	3	30	14	3

\*Batted for Speed in the tenth.  
\*\*Batted for Low in the tenth.

Fishburne	AB. R. H. O. A. E.
Smith, s.a.	4 0 0 0 2 0
Moran, p	4 0 0 1 1 1
Efrid, c	4 0 0 15 0 0
Petzer, 2b	3 0 0 0 2 0
Talbot, 1b	4 0 0 10 0 0
Brand, lf	3 0 0 2 0 1
Cannon, 3b	2 0 0 0 0 1
Kirk, rf	3 0 0 1 0 0
Page, cf	3 0 0 0 0 0
Total	30 0 0 29 5 3

\*Hood out, attempting to bunt on third strike.  
Summary—Stolen bases, Shuford and Petzer. Base on balls off Low, 2; off Moran, 1. Left on bases—W. & L., 7; Fishburne, 2. Struck out by Low, 11; by Moran, 14. Time of game, two hours and 15 minutes. Umpire, Mr. Scott, of V. M. I.

**THE FRENCHMAN'S VERSION.**

Le Monsieur Adam vake from hees nap une fine day,  
In ze beautiful gardaine and see  
Une belle damoiselle fast asleep,  
and he say,  
"Voila, la chance! here ees something zat may  
Be mooch interesting to me."

Ven he open hees eye to admire ze view,  
Viz her fan madame covaire her face;  
Zen monsieur to madame say:  
"Bon jour; voulez vous,  
Go for une promenade?" And zey  
walk out, ze two,  
In zat very mooch beautiful place.

Where Monsieur le Serpent he sit in ze tree,  
Zey come, and ze madame she ery—  
"Oh, Monsieur le Serpent, voulez vous not have ze  
Bonte for to peek some fine apple for me?"  
"Certainment!" ze Serpent reply.

"Hold, hold, mon ami!" zen Monsieur Adam speak,  
"Vat madness ees zis? Don't you know  
It ees wrong to eat from e tree vich you seek?"  
But ze snake in ze branches ees pretty and sleek,  
And he smile on ze madame below.

"Oh, Monsieur Adam! vat you say is not true,  
For do you know," say ze snake,  
"Dere ees notting vatevaire prohibited to  
Ze ladies? Madame, let me offaire to you  
Ze fruit." And ze madame she take.

Une courtesy she make; zen ze serpent he fill  
Her apron viz apples and say,  
"Monsieur Adam; eat of zis fruit, zin you vill  
Ve vise like un god; know ze good and ze ill;  
Ze tings of ze night and ze day,

"But as for ze lady she nevaire could  
Here ze snake make hees grandest salaam  
"More lak une vise, beautiful goddess," says he  
(And smiling and bowing his sweetest,) "zan she  
Ees now!" And zat fineesh madame.

—Town Topics.

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I thought I knew it all:  
But now I must confess  
The more I know I know I know I know I know the less.—Ex.

An Irish barrister seeing the judge shake his head, and fearful lest such an ominous protest might prejudice the jury, exclaimed: "Gentlemen of the jury, his lordship shakes his head, but I assure you there is nothing in it."—Ex.

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## A DENATURED AGE.

The horseless cart is everywhere  
And smokeless powder fills the air;  
And all the joyous world doth  
laugh

Because we've wireless telegraph.  
The noiseless gun is now the thing  
And voiceless tenors often sing;  
And politicians void of jobs  
Are filling all the world with sobs.

We've lots of cashless millionaires,  
And seedless apples, dates and  
pears;  
And there be those who say that  
kings  
Once fruitful now are fruitless  
things.

The world is full of angels high  
Who, wingless, yet can nobly fly,  
And here and there is one that says  
Somewhere are airless heiresses.

Perhaps some day, and maybe soon,  
They will invent a rayless moon  
In which fond swains may bask at  
night

Completely hid from mortal sight.  
A gasless gas-bill, too, they say,  
And poets, maybe, will rehearse  
Their measures in a verseless verse.

I've walked on many a footless  
quest  
And booted many a bootless guest.  
Our wits indulge in jokeless jokes  
Convulsing us with chokeless  
chokes;

And we are meeting all the while  
Folks brimming o'er with guile-  
less guile—  
But no one, to my great regret,  
Yet makes a smokeless cigarette.

A thornless cactus now is made.  
I've heard of an unjaded jade  
Who'd talk all night and seold all  
day,  
Yet nothing in the end would say.  
A speechless speaker is a sight  
That fills his hearers with delight,  
Especially when one we find  
Who's of the after-dinner kind.

We've painless dentists by the  
score,  
And Bernard is a shoreless Shaw.  
We've needless needs, and endless  
ends,  
And sometimes find we've friend-  
less friends.  
There's much that's artless in the  
arts,  
And maids there be with heartless  
hearts—  
And we shall have not far anon  
A Theodoreless Washington!

Now in the blessed name of Peace  
When will these strange inventions  
cease?  
—Carlyle Smith, in *Harper's*  
*Weekly*.

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Dr. James A. Harrison has re-  
signed as professor of Teutonic lan-  
guages at the University of Vir-  
ginia on account of the condition  
of his health. He was formerly  
professor of English in Washington  
and Lee, and was called to Vir-  
ginia in 1895.

## ANIMALS THAT DO NOT GROW THIRSTY.

There are many different kinds  
of animals in the world that never  
in all their lives sip so much as a  
drop of water. Among these are  
the llamas of Peru, and the gaz-  
elles of the Far East. A parrot  
lived for fifty-two years in the Zoo  
at London without drinking a drop  
of water, and many naturalists be-  
lieve the only moisture imbibed by  
wild rabbits is derived from green  
herbage laden with dew. Many  
reptiles—serpents, lizards and cer-  
tain batrachians—live and thrive in  
places entirely devoid of water,  
and sloths are also said never to  
drink. An arid district in France  
produces a race of non-drinking  
cows and sheep, and from the milk  
of the former Roquefort cheese is  
made. There is a species of mouse  
which has established itself on the  
waterless plains of western Ameri-  
ca, and which flourishes, notwith-  
standing the absence of moisture.  
—*The Herald and Presbyterian*.

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## COLIN MURCHISON BLAKE.

It is with deep regret that we receive the news of the death of Colin Murchison Blake. While in the hospital here, and since his removal from the Jackson Memorial Hospital to Lynchburg, the students have been very anxious concerning his welfare. For many long weeks was the struggle between life and death manly and nobly fought. At times it seemed as if life would be the conqueror. But such hopes were sadly put to flight when on Friday afternoon a telegram came from Lynchburg announcing that the worst had come.

The entire student body is filled with sadness at the loss of one of their number, and their sympathy goes out to the bereaved parents in thoughts and feelings that words cannot express. We commend to our fellow students his character as a gentleman, his faithfulness as a student, and his ever-devoted loyalty to duty and right. Although the will of Providence has seen fit to deprive us of our friend and comrade, the influence of these qualities are still with us and will continue to be a living factor in our lives.

The ties which three years of college friendship bind about the hearts of the young men at Washington and Lee are very strong, and when one of our number is called to the better world beyond it is only this thought of eternity that lessens our sorrow. In the best way words can speak we extend to the bereaved parents and relatives our most heartfelt sympathy.

## A REMINDER.

There is always a sentiment against the chronic kicker and the

chronic complainer. We don't like the idea of always criticising what the other fellow does and never seeing what you do yourself. In other words it is very hard "to see yourself as others see you." This is a statement that applies to practically every one, and for this reason we probably notice some things which others do not see.

This is not written in any spirit of antagonism, but more in the character of a gentle reminder. It is very frequently the case that students have considerable trouble in finding books in the economic library. We assume that the reason for this is because they are not returned to the proper shelf when the user has finished with it for the time being. Each book has its own number and shelf. How much time would be saved by all concerned if each book should be returned to its proper place when the reader leaves the library? Sometimes ten or fifteen minutes are lost in search of a book which contains a reference which can be read in five minutes. With several such references one can readily see how much time is lost in looking for the right books, and how little time spent in actual reading. We feel that this condition of affairs could be easily remedied, and satisfaction to all attained. If every one of us would use a little forethought and interest for the other fellow, we would save time in the end. Instead of leaving a book in some remote out-of-the-way place, why not simply return it to the place from which it came? The next person then knowing where it ought to be will have no trouble in locating it, and by this plan there will be a great deal of time saved.

Many times books are left piled on the table in a haphazard fashion. Perhaps at the bottom of the pile will be the book you are looking for. It is no pleasant task to look through several piles before the required reference is found.

We hope that we can all be a little more careful and thereby better the situation to a considerable extent.

## OUR EXCHANGES.

We acknowledge with thanks the following exchanges:

*The Kenyon Collegian.*  
*Ohio Wesleyan Transcript.*  
*The University Hatchet.*  
*The Trinity Chronicle.*  
*The Maverick.*  
*The Texan.*  
*The Cadet.*  
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## DOINGS AT OTHER COLLEGES

*The Cadet* is publishing a list of the Virginia Military Institute men in and around New York.

The New York Legislature has introduced a bill in order to establish a school of sanitary science and public health at Cornell University.

A movement is on foot at Michigan to form a club of class presidents which will assist the authorities in governing student affairs.

Carl Walker, of Virginia, in the game with Colgate, allowed but twenty-seven men to face him in nine innings. This feat has been accomplished only seven times in the history of baseball.

Pennsylvania is going to organize a faculty club which will also be open to members of the graduate school.

The Northwestern freshmen are having some difficulty in securing class caps because of lack of funds and unwillingness of the members of the class to pay up.

*The Trinity Chronicle* contains a good article on "College Conceit." It says in part, "If winning were all there could be found in athletics or debating, no sane man would ever try himself in either; and if winning holds any other than a subordinate place in the life of a college, that college has a false conception of what athletics and other college activities and interests should mean to it. There are better things than victory and worse things than defeat."

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"Never stood back for expense?"

"Never."

"You speak six languages?"

"Perfectly."

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From the *Tar Heel* of the University of North Carolina:

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## The Ring-tum Phi

MONDAY, APRIL 5, 1909.

## PERSONAL

"Red" Porter spent a few days in Lexington. He umpired the Hampden-Sidney-V. M. I. game Saturday.

William Paxton has accepted a position with W. J. Lauck.

"Tubby" Derr is getting along nicely with the use of crutches.

Edwin Charles Caffrey, of New Jersey, has returned to College for the final term. He is a member of the senior law class.

Who says "Red" Lowe can't pitch ball?

## CONCERT IN THE NEW LIBRARY.

The concert announced for Friday night had to be given on Thursday, owing to a conflict in dates. A very appreciative audience was present and seemed to enjoy every minute of the high class musical. Mrs. Jeanette Frost Harris, the concert soprano, of Indianapolis, easily measured up to the recommendations that had preceded her, and is quite deserving of the high words of praise she everywhere receives. She sang with remarkable ease, and was thoroughly appreciated. She is a very handsome woman, and made a fine appearance. Her voice is high soprano, clear, true, and flexible, and she sang several high class songs with unusual skill and dramatic insight. She also sang several lighter songs, and pleased the audience very much.

Mrs. Harris was accompanied by Miss Gertrude H. Spindle, who also played several piano solos. Miss Spindle is a musician of splendid training and much talent. Her playing showed fine technique and much artistic ability, and the applause thoroughly indicated how keenly the audience enjoyed it.

Mr. Parades, by special request, played two violin solos, accompanied by Mrs. Watts, and both showed themselves highly gifted musicians. Mr. Parades was loudly encored, called back several times, and it is needless to say much enjoyed every time he appeared.

The entire program was one of unusual merit, and every number was well rendered. It was indeed a rare musical treat, and Miss Annie White is to be congratulated on her good judgment and success in arranging it. Everybody knows, however, that when "Miss Annie" plans an entertainment it is always going to be high class, and an evening of much pleasure.

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The Virginia Tech refers to exams as "concentrated parallels of agony," and goes on to say that "they have their antidote" in burning the midnight oil.

## LYNCHBURG CLUB.

The regular monthly meeting of the Lynchburg Club for March was held at the room of Mr. Butler on Friday, the 19th. The Club felt honored at the presence of Dr. Latine, its honorary member, and his presence added much to the pleasure of the occasion. The business, though important, of course, was soon dispensed with and the time given up to discussion of Lynchburg and its affairs as they interested the Club—especially the anticipated outcome of the election contest between the "wets" and "drys," and the prospect for a new High School building, to be the best in the State.

At 10 o'clock the hosts of the occasion, Messrs. Butler, Glass and McCarron, invited the Club to adjourn to the "Dutch Tea Room." No one objected! Here the Club appeased their "hill climbing" appetites with a supper of oysters and pickles, green peas, potatoes, chicken salad and fruit salad, greatly to the detriment of the said eatables.

Supper over, Dr. Latine showed himself true blue and loyal by inviting the Club to hold the April meeting as his guests at Mulberry Hill, after which the meeting adjourned with the "High School" yell given in enthusiastic strain for the royal manner of entertainment. Those present were Dr. Latine, Butler, Glass, McCarron, Anderson, Noell, Burroughs, Dew, Williams, Harrison and Caskie.

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## FIELD DAY APRIL 17.

The annual Field Day program will be rendered on April 17th on Wilson Athletic Field. It promises to be one of unusual interest. The track squad is training hard every day, and there are quite a number of men out this year. The weather has been very favorable the past few days, and the men have had a chance to try their stunts and become more proficient. Manager Sullivan and Captain McCown require all entries to be in by April 12, in order that all preparations may be completed.

## FROM A LOYAL ALUMNUS.

A letter from D. S. MacDonald announces that E. Grey Moore, law '07, has been appointed as one of the law clerks of the Codifying Board of Commissioners to codify the laws of the State of Oklahoma. This board was provided for by the last State Legislature, and eight of the most prominent members of the legal profession have been appointed by the Governor, and these members have the appointment of a law clerk for each member of the board. The fellows that knew Moore at Washington and Lee know that he will "make good" in such a position.

We are always glad to hear from the old fellows, and wish they would notify us more frequently of the success they are having in life.

## ALUMNI NOTES.

P. H. Wisman, '06, is taking a course at Harvard.

"Burly" White is teaching at Staunton Military Academy.

Leo Weinberg is doing good business in the practice of law at Frederick, Md.

Grayson L. Thornton, law '97, is in the real estate business at Washington, D. C.

The Ring-Tum Phi has received the following clipping from *The Critic*, the monthly published by the Lynchburg High School:

"The pupils of the High School hail with delight the advent into this hard world of Mr. Mosby Garland 'Washington and Lee' Perrow, Jr., on March 5, 1909."

We endorse the sentiment of the Lynchburg pupils and wish "Washington and Lee" Perrow, Jr., much success, and hope that some day he, too, may be a loyal alumnus of his namesake.

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## BOAT CREWS ON THE RIVER

With the ending of exams, and the beginning of the final term, the boat crews are starting practice on the river. One who keeps an eye on the bulletin board will notice that there are a number of men trying their skill and strength as oarsmen. Several of the men of the crews of 1908 are back again this year, and with the new material there promises to be quite a contest for the positions on the two crews. As yet, however, practically nothing has been done other than getting in trim and beginning practice.

## GERMAN READING ROOM.

It may be interesting to many to know that Washington and Lee has a real German reading room in the Library. To be sure it is not very large, but it is there just the same. Its character can be assumed from the name, but the exact kind of reading material may be interesting to note. The most important fact from the student's point of view is that the reading matter is made up entirely of magazines, journals, and newspapers of various descriptions, all in the German language. The practical value of this kind of reading is unique in its superiority over text-book reading because of the use of every-day words and daily terms so often found in newspapers. By this method the student acquires a practical familiarity with the language, which is almost impossible to secure in any other way.

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It must be so—Plato, thou reason'st well—  
Else when this pleasing hope, this fond desire,  
This longing after immortality?  
Or whence this secret dread, and inward horror  
Of falling into naught? Why shrinks the Soul  
Back on herself, and startles at destruction?  
'Tis the Divinity, that stirs within us,  
'Tis Heav'n itself, that points out a hereafter,  
And intimates eternity to man.  
Eternity! thou pleasing, dreadful thought!  
Through what variety of untried being,  
Through what new scenes and changes must we pass!  
The wide, th' unbounded prospect lies before me;  
But shadows, clouds, and darkness rest upon it.  
Here will I hold. If there's a power above us,  
(And that there is, all Nature cries aloud  
Through all her works,) he must delight in virtue;  
And that which he delights in must be happy.  
But when or where?—This world was made for Caesar.  
I'm weary of conjectures—this must end 'em.  
(Laying his hand upon his sword.)  
Thus am I doubly arm'd—My death and life,  
My bane and antidote are both before me.  
This in a moment brings me to an end;  
But this informs me I shall never die,  
The Soul, secured in her existence, smiles  
At the drawn dagger, and defies its points,  
The stars shall fade away, the Sun himself  
Grow dim with age, and Nature sink in years;  
But thou shalt flourish in immortal youth,  
Unhurt amidst the war of elements,  
The wreck of matter and the crash of worlds.

**A FAR-REACHING MOVEMENT**

Parallel to the growing national appreciation of the importance of an intimate connection with the South American countries, started at the time of the Panama Canal affair some years ago, a sympathetic educational movement has been keeping pace, guided by the universities of this country. Five or six such institutions of learning have been competing to awaken both an interest among their own undergraduates in South American affairs and an interest among natives of South America in the respective North American universities. Yale has endeavored to maintain a leading position in this movement, whose purpose is to consummate the possibilities of mutual benefit to be derived from trade and closer international relations. The condition to which this nation suddenly awakened, an almost total monopoly of South American trade by European countries, found one of its remedies in our universities. At Yale, in particular, practical courses have been opened, covering geography, Latin-American history and

elementary and advanced Spanish with the purpose of arousing our future citizens to the possibilities of business connections with South American countries. This same scheme is the purpose of the Spanish Club. Last year, for the first time, it was possible for Sheff men to substitute Spanish for French or German, and many who are planning to go into mining or business in Spanish America have taken advantage of this opportunity. The library, too, in accordance with this agitation, has been equipped with excellent material for scholarly research. To the old-time materialist arguing the non-practical service of a university education, would not so far-reaching a movement plead powerfully, for, at least, this one phase of essential practicalness in university training?—*Yale News.*

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