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VARSIITY'S PROSPECTS LOOK GOOD

Several New Men Show Up Well in Preliminary Work—1908 Men Back Will Make Good Nucelous.

The student body is glad to welcome Coach Pfeiffer and it is believed that under his able tutelage Washington and Lee will be able to turn out a winning team this fall. Mr. Pfeiffer has taken a most active interest in the work and has already succeeded in instilling a spirit of enthusiasm in the team.

The squad for the past week has numbered about forty-five men, who have been put through the preliminary work and are now ready for hard practice.

Many of the old men are to be seen in their places, but there are numerous vacancies to be filled, chief among which are a tackle, end, center and full-back.

Among the old men, Smart is to be seen at right end and gives promise of being faster than last year. Blackburn will be a most aggressive line man this year, and Morales can be counted on to play his usual steady game. Osborne has not yet appeared in the regular line-up, but is assisting the second team materially. In the back field there are indications that we shall possess two fast and speedy set of backs. Barnard and Earwood, of last year's team make a good pair, and the ability of Wilson and Brown is well known. Both are most welcome in the game and should add lots of ginger to the line-up. Captain Izard is back at his old place at quarter and Ordeman, of last year's squad, is doing well in the same position.

Among the new men there should be plenty of material to fill the vacancies. It is too early to foretell, but several of the new men have shown considerable ability in the preliminary work, which should be maintained in the harder practice. O'Quinn, of Louisiana Industrial school, is showing up well at full, and is rapidly becoming accustomed to the back field; Bruce, late of Johns-Hopkins, is being worked at tackle, and in addition shows great promise as a punter. Hoyle, of Cleveland, Tenn., has the making of a good tackle, and Engleby, who is out for guard, was a strong man on the Roanoke College team two years ago. Kinear, of last year's squad, will also be a likely candidate for the line. At and Dow is doing splendid work and should make a good partner for Smart. Other likely candidates are Hopkins, Smith and Eferd. The latter two are Fishburne men, who have just entered College.

The scrimmages last week were full of life, and being continued for the next fortnight or so, will allow Coach Pfeiffer to get a good line on the men before a big game. In the game yesterday the work of Hyde and Burke was especially noticeable and the first team had its hands full. This is the spirit we want, and which will lead to frequent changes in the line-up.

COLLEGE NIGHT GREAT SUCCESS

Large Crowd of Men Turn Out to Hear Addresses by Prominent Members of Student Body.

An unusually large number of students assembled in the University chapel Friday night, September 17, to listen to the brilliant speeches of welcome from the old men to the new. The exercises opened with the "Washington and Lee Swing."

The speaking then began with an address of welcome on the part of the faculty by Dr. Farrar, which was greatly enjoyed by all. A brief, but forcible talk on athletics was given by John Izard, captain of the football team. Coach Pfeiffer was next introduced, who gave an excellent talk along the line of football.

Welcome to the Literary Societies was given by Mr. Kaylor, president of one of the societies. He made a strong appeal for men to take active interest in Literary Society work, and early learn the art of public speaking.

J. R. Saunders made fitting remarks on the College publications, showing that their success depends upon the willing support of the student body.

"Tommy" Glasgow in an excellent way spoke on social life in college. His speech was great in every particular, and every phase of social life and the good times in college was touched upon.

The last talk was made by J. N. Montgomery on the Y. M. C. A. at Washington and Lee. He indicated the great progress of the Y. M. C. A. within recent years, especially, and made a strong appeal for the College man to take undying interest in the religious exercises of the students, and to live a truly manly life.

R. A. Waddill, president of the Y. M. C. A., was in charge of the exercises; and by his suitable introduction of the speakers, kept things interesting from start to finish.

All of the speeches were followed by yells, led by Larry Wilson in his characteristic way.

As soon as the speaking was over the whole crowd marched to the Library to the music of the W. L. swing and the well known football song.

Refreshments were served in the basement of the Library, after which the boys passed up stairs, and were delightfully entertained by the charming piano music of W. N. Bootay, and also by numerous songs in the beautifully decorated Y. M. C. A. room.

The new men were made to feel perfectly at home and to mix around among the old students, and everyone seemed to enjoy the whole program thoroughly.

FRESHMEN WIN THE SCRAP

1913 Gets Busy in First Half and Makes Goal. Sophs Game, But Unable to Overcome Lead.

Friday afternoon, September 23d, witnessed an event which is always pulled off on Wilson field, about this time every year, for the amusement of the upper-classmen, as an annual event in the lives of the natives, to the huge delight of the village small boys, and as a tame substitute for the nocturnal painting of the dignified statue of the Father of His Country, and the brick-bat-club-tooth-and-toe-nail-eye-blackening-nose-smashing-contingent-fee-destroying fight which said paint daubing effort of Freshmen to assert their supremacy always provoked. An ever dwindling, old-looking crowd of the young men who were on the campus back in the early naughties, and who still manage to hang around college, look upon this hair-pulling-shirt-tearing-pushing-shoving-ball-fight with the same air of that new Americanized German doctor, who says we are losing the sturdiness and scarpiness which characterized our fore-fathers.

Nevertheless, the Push Ball Fight is here, and it looks as if it were here to stay—let Old George rest in peace, and scrap not down before his painted image, said the Mikado some years ago, and, as is always the case, the young men obeyed the Mikado's mandate.

So in the autumn of 1908, as the legend hath it, the Push Ball was imported along with the other untaxed imports of that season—though the Push Ball did tax somebody's pocket for a nice little nest egg. The leather, with its rubber inside was inflated—you may not, friend, believe that it is always inflated just in front of Newcombe Hall, and the thing always has a nice warm feeling when it is quite full of ozone—and ever since the huge sphere, six feet from pole to pole, for thirty Sophs and forty Fresh to shove around over Wilson field. Of course, it doesn't stay inflated—the air gets cold and stale and thing collapses, but just about the time the young men begin to get back on "the dear old campus," leather begins to rise, and when the Freshmen come,—good Lord deliver us—and that heated ozone around the southeast corner of Newcombe becomes so unbearable, that bloomin' ball begins to reel, and soon she's good and boozy. Of course, friend, that ball isn't really drunk,—no such thing ever happens in Lexington—but we are taking this abbreviated fashion to tell you how it is that by being in the close proximity of the southeast corner of Newcombe it gets cubic inches of a certain sort of air, which emanates from the second story

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FORMAL OPENING OF UNIVERSITY

Indications Show That the Number of Students Will Go Beyond All Former Records of Attendance.

The University session was formally opened at 9 a. m. Thursday, September 16th, in the Lee Memorial chapel. After the singing of the doxology a prayer was offered by Dr. Howerton. President Denny proceeded at once to business with the usual welcoming exhortation to the new men and the usual warning to the old students. After the several announcements the secretary's books were opened for matriculation of students. The second week closed with the number of students above five hundred and forty, with indications for another record breaker before the session closes. Both the senior and junior law classes are the largest in the history of the law school, there being already more than one hundred and thirty students enrolled.

ATHLETIC SEASON TICKETS OUT

Every Student Should have one, as it Means Money to You and the Association.

The attention of the students is called to the fact that only about two-thirds of the men enrolled have signed up for athletic season tickets. This is deplorable, for it means that only about two-thirds of the students will turn out to the games, and that the Athletic Association will have only two-thirds enough to meet expenses.

Have you ever thought what athletics cost, and what the buying of a season ticket means to you?

In the first place the total disbursements of the Athletic Association will reach between \$3,000 and \$3,500 for the year, which must be met almost entirely by the student body. If every student in college gets a ticket at \$5.00 each, the association can readily come out, with what it derives from contingent fees, and the outside gate receipts; but it is absolutely necessary to equip our teams in first-class style and to insure good schedules that the association can have this to count on. If you are going to see the games, and every loyal student ought to be right there every time, you will save yourself considerable expense. The cost of most games is 50c, and including football, basket ball, and baseball, all of which are covered by season ticket—about 20 games will be played on the home grounds—a saving of least \$5.00.

Let every man, then, who has not already done so, sign up at once for a season ticket, and enable himself to go to all the games and cheer the old White and Blue to victory. We should make this our banner year, in athletics, for our prospects were never brighter, and all that is needed is the financial support and moral backing of every man in the University. See McCown or Smart, in Newcombe hall—get your tickets and be ready to give long and

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W. & L. Foot-Ball Schedule

- October 9—Hapden-Sidney College, at Lexington.
- October 16—Wake Forest College, at Lexington.
- October 22—Davidson College, at Roanoke.
- October 30—V. P. I., at Lynchburg.
- November 6—A. and M. of N. C., at Lexington.
- November 13—University of N. C., at Newport News.
- November 25—Georgetown, at Washington.

FRESHMAN WIN THE SCRAP

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of Newcombe, in its insides. Now that's really the truth, reader, believe it or not, as it pleases you,—just so you don't sentence us to the Anninias Club. Speaking of Anninias and the second story of Newcombe, we might say something further of the Stories of Newcombe, but they are not countless as the stars of the heavens, and we can not go into the subject.

Pardon us for this long-winded prelude, but we feel it necessary to an intelligent recital of the origin of the Push Ball's condition on the day of the scrap to make mention of the southeast corner of Newcombe, and its many stories.

Anyway, last Friday afternoon, the now ex-champions of the Push Ball Fight, our friends, the Sophs, hid themselves to Wilson field ready for the scrap. As is always the case, the Freshies tarried a little by the way and arrived late. Not remembering that they were already an unknown quantity, they labelled themselves "X," just above their head-lights, with two strips of white and black court plaster. This was a neat little piece of strategy on the part of 1913, as the wary Sophs remembering their tactics of the year before, evidently thought the Freshies would do likewise and come out with black faces. So the ruse of '12 in blacking their forwards did not have the effect of getting the Freshies mixed as the Sophs had anticipated.

The Class of 1912 was marshalled by President Lebus, and Tom Glasgow, its leader as Freshmen, was again field-captain. A two-headed scrappy Fresh, named Hook, led his class in the fight and did it well, too.

Having made them count off, each team,—the Sophs, with their quota of thirty, and the Freshman, with the odds in their favor, being allowed two-score, were lined up facing each other, with the ball in midfield, and five yards in front of each team. From the ball to both forty-yard lines was neutral territory, making it necessary for either class to carry the ball fifteen yards before it could score, each yard gained beyond that distance being counted one point for the class carrying the ball into the enemy's territory. It thus counts forty points for the class carrying the ball over the goal line, the field being lined off for football.

At 3:55 Referee Jackson called the fight, with the Sophs at the west end of the field, while 1913 had the east goal to defend. Referee Jackson's pistol announced that the fight was on at 3:57, and the Freshies immediately got a hustle on themselves, shoving the ball five yards by main strength and awkwardness, but the Sophs took a brace and quickly offset this by bringing the ball back to midfield. Time was called for an injured '13 warrior to recover, and at 4:06½ the scrap began with renewed vigor. The Freshmen began a strenuous rush for the Soph goal, and after a short intermission for several badly minded scrappers to be replaced by fresh men, '13 continued its steady gain into Soph territory, reeling off yard after yard while '12 seemed utterly unable to stop the rush. With the ball on the Soph's five-yard line, the latter held for a few seconds, and then managed to raise the ball, with the view of running it back up the field, but they were beaten at their own game, '13 carrying it around the Soph's right end and over the line at 4:13½, thus scoring a total of forty points.

With forty-five seconds left to play in the first half, the Sophs, already feeling the sting of defeat, made a grand rally, raised the ball in the air, and by a spectacular rush carried it twenty-seven yards into Freshman territory and scored twelve points.

Second Half.

After a ten-minute intermission, the second half began at 4:49, and the Sophs immediately tried to raise the ball, but 1913 resorted to the good tactics of putting some of their warriors on top as ballast. Several of them were very proficient in this line, and triumphantly occupied the pinnacle, noddily waving their arms until a couple of Sophs would drag them down into the thick of the fight again.

The Sophs finally succeeded in raising the sphere, but their end run was blocked and the ball was run over the side line, after two minutes fierce scrapping.

Time was recalled at 4:53, with the ball brought back to the middle of the field, where the two teams see-sawed it across the centre line for a minute, when '12 again got it into the air. The Freshies, however, blocked the attempted end play and the ball was quickly run outside.

Time was again called at 4:54½, with the ball eight yards in Freshman territory. Finding themselves unable to raise it to advantage, the Sophs desperately began a struggle to shove it down the field, and when time was called at 5:06½, the ball was 15¼ yards inside Freshman territory.

Although no scoring was done in the second half, the Sophs had decidedly the best of the scrap, and are to be commended for their pretty, though belated rally.

The fight was undoubtedly the prettiest and cleanest we have ever had, and there seemed to be no stiff personal encounters. Both classes fought hard, and it would doubtless have been a tie, or a possible victory for the Sophs had there been the same number on each side.

Minus a few "X's," some shoes, and more shirts, the happy Freshmen carried their valiant leader, the hard-fighting Hook, off the field on their shoulders, while the defeated Sophs got together in a rousing good yell for their victors.

This was the sixth annual fight,—leaving those, over the color of Old George's new fall suit, out of count, and the class of 1908 is the only one having the honor of winning two scraps, while 1911 had the misfortune to win neither.

Score: Freshmen, 40; Sophomores, 12. Referee, Mr. Jackson; timer, Dr. Howe; linesman, Mr. Hood. Time of halves, 10 and 7 minutes.

GRAHAM SOCIETY ELECTS OFFICERS

The following officers were elected by the Graham Literary Society at its last meeting.

President, J. W. Eggleston; Vice-President, G. C. Worrell; Secretary and Treasurer, G. H. Anderson; Ring-tum Phi reporter, W. L. Reid.

The meeting was especially spirited. Mr. Reid delivered an excellent oration on "Purpose," and Mr. Blake's declamation was good.

The question for debate was, "Resolved, That Congress should pass a law laying a tax on all incomes over \$5,000, and was hotly contested. Messrs. Lanshell and Worrell upheld the affirmative against Messrs Spindle and Eggleston. The judges decided in favor of the negative.

ATHLETIC SEASON TICKETS OUT

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lusty cheers for Captain Izard and his sturdy fellows next Saturday, when we meet Hampden-Sidney College for the second game of the season.

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THE Y. M. C. A. ITS AIMS AND OBJECTS

The Young Men's Christian Association, of Washington and Lee, is only a part of the great world-wide brotherhood that stands for the all-round man. It believes in the development of a man's physical and mental attributes as well as his spiritual faculties. On the other hand it urges that, along with the student's athletics, his social pleasures, he will not neglect to train and develop his spiritual life. It is by this development that character is formed; and character is what makes the useful man.

A man's college course is his preparation for life. It is the critical time of his growth into manhood. While he grows in mind and body, he must grow in spirit. If he does not, his spiritual life will lose ground and grow cold. This threefold growth can only be obtained by exercising his spiritual faculties. The way to exercise them is to take active part in religious work. This opportunity is furnished by the Young Men's Christian Association, which is the organized religious work of the student body. It cordially invites every student to take as active part in its activities as he possibly can.

The growing man must continue to study the Bible systematically, and he is earnestly invited to join one of the Student Bible classes in any one of the Sunday-schools of the town. They meet on Sunday morning before church, with the exception of the Episcopal student class, which meets Sunday afternoon. You will find an excellent and experienced teacher in any of the classes.

The earnest man will be glad to engage regularly in public worship; and the pastors of the town urge that you attend their Sabbath morning and evening services. You will always get some help, if you go in the right spirit.

The unselfish and loving man delights to work with his fellow men for their mutual help. The weekly devotional meetings of the association gives a splendid chance. You will be heartily welcomed at these meetings every Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Everyone should take time to come. You will be well repaid. Come and help improve them.

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THE LITERARY SOCIETIES

Need Men the Intercollegiate Teams.

"Join one of the literary societies." No better advice than this can be given to the young man entering college, or for that matter to the older men who have failed to do so. Too frequently this phase of college life is overlooked by the new students. They seem to think that the literary society is for the other fellow and not for themselves; that it is something the benefits of which they may never need and it could only assist them anyway in the future which seems so far distant now, but which is very near and they will meet the emergency when they reach it.

Athletics have their place in the development of the physical man and have an essential part to play in every man's college career. He must have a strong physical constitution if he would aspire to a broad mental attainment. But it is not enough that the young man upon leaving college be physically developed and mentally equipped. He will find it of infinite value to be able to stand upon his feet before an assembly and think and express those thoughts in the most pleasing, appropriate and effective manner. Where else can this faculty be attained in the college but in the literary society.

Do you expect to become a lawyer? Then you will need experience in public speaking for how do you expect to face juries lacking this ability.

Perhaps you don't, but you do expect to be a good citizen of your state, and in being such you must do your part in all that pertains to the public welfare. In doing this you may find it necessary upon more than one occasion to address your fellow citizens. It is then that you will begin to realize what you missed by not joining the literary society in your college days.

The average student says he lacks previous training and has not done any work of a similar nature. He is the very one who should join, for whom could it benefit more? If all men were naturally public speakers we would have no need of literary societies at all, but they are not.

As a new man, great things are not expected.

Very often this excuse is offered, "I can not find time for it out side of my regular course."

Stop for a moment and think how much time you really waste! Investigate how much time the literary society would require and see if you have not had an erroneous idea.

Five or six men will be needed for the intercollegiate debating teams. Every place on these teams is open. We must win. Why not join one of the societies and try for a place on one of the teams, for who knows what talent ability you may possess? This is almost the only way this university has of coming into contact intellectually with other institutions of learning and if we would win success we must have the best men for the teams.

Beecher says, "man is greater than his own institutions. And this living force is worthy of all culture—of all culture in the power of beauty; of all culture in the direction of persuasion; of all culture in the art of reasoning."

During the past few years there has developed a marked increase of interest in public speaking. Educators have come to realize that training along this

line is not only practical but highly educational and there is an undoubted advantage to the one who can express himself forcibly in public.

The literary societies meet every Saturday evening at 8 o'clock on the third floor, main building. Every one is invited to attend these meetings.

MERELY A HINT.

A chocolate darky and his "yaller" girl were walking along together.

"I 'se skeered mos' to def, Rastus."

"What am yo' skeered ob, woman?"

"I 'se skeered yo 'se gwine to kiss me."

"How kin I kiss yo' when I 'se got a bucket on ma 'baid, a wash pot in one han' an' a turkey gobbler in de udder!"

"Oh, well, yo' fool, I wuz thinkin' yo' could set de bucket ob watah on de groun', put de turkey down an' turn de wash pot ovah him, den set me on de wash pot, frow yo' ahms around me an' des hep yo' sef."—Everybody's.

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We are always glad to publish any communication that may be handed to us, but we desire to state that we will not be responsible for sentiment expressed.

We also desire to call attention to the fact that unsigned correspondence will not be published. Those who do not desire their names published should add a pen name and their wishes will be complied with.

Well, it looks as if we are again back at the old stand—at least some of us. To those who have passed from our midst to fill more useful stations in life, the Ring-tum Phi bids God-speed. To the old students we would give the glad hand and say that we are glad to see you with us again; to the new fellows, "we're glad to meet you."

We need hardly call the attention to the fact that indications point to the most prosperous year in the history of Washington and Lee. This may mean prosperity for you, prosperity for us. Yet we can not make the most of it by merely congratulating ourselves. Let's get to work and make things "hum" on the athletic field, in the class room, and in every phase of college life. It's up to us! Everybody together—"Push."

MAKE THE RING-TUM PHI A SUCCESS

A student's publication must of necessity look to the student body for its existence. The management can't finance it, the editor, assisted by an able board, can't write it all.

If possible, the management is going to make this the best volume of the Ring-tum Phi, and you must help.

First, subscribe and help it financially. Second, hand in contributions weekly.

A great many things of interest go on around college and yet escape the notice of the board. Write them up, and leave the article at the Co-operative Book store, or hand the same to any member of the board, or the editor at room 220 at the Lee's dormitory.

Articles must be signed, but the names will not be published, unless you so desire.

SOME IMPROVEMENTS.

Washington and Lee throws wide its doors once more and enters upon a session which will doubtless be the most prosperous in its history. Already the number of students has passed five hundred and forty, with assuring prospects that the six hundred mark will be passed before the session closes.

Its improvements lie not wholly in increase of students and larger enrollments of classes. The work on Newcombe's hall is progressing rapidly and that building will soon be able to boast of four large columns and other improvements. The library terrace is no

longer "a scar on the face of nature," and woe be unto any who may be so thoughtless, late or lazy as to stroll across the sward! New granolithic walks have been laid leading from the back of Newcombe hall toward the gym and others going from the main college walk and street to the president's house. The "cut off" leading around the bluff in front of dormitory, thence to the railroad and over to the athletic field, is a great labor-saving device, to say the least. Then the new baths and lockers in the basement of the library are an excellent indication of great things that are sure to come to meet the growing needs.

THE SOUTHERN COLLEGIAN

Forty years have elapsed since the Southern Collegian made its initial appearance in the college life and activities of Washington and Lee. Since then, such names as Dr. S. Z. Ammen, first editor of the Collegian, and now editorial writer on the staff of the Baltimore Sun. Dr. C. A. Graves, of the law school of the University of Virginia. Judge N. B. Feagin, of the Criminal Court of Birmingham, Ala.; W. F. Tayloe and T. J. Kernan (both of Natural Bridge Hoax fame) lawyers in Alabama and Louisiana; Judge Horace L. Datur, of the Court of Appeals of New Orleans; Prof. Lancelot M. Harris of the College of Charleston, S. C.; William Hill Field, editor Courier Journal—Prof. W. R. Vance, dean of George Washington University's law school; Prof. S. Colville Lind, of the University of Michigan. Dr. W. S. Currell of Washington and Lee; Thomas Nelson Page, the well-known novelist, and a score of other prominent names have all served on the staff of the Southern College in its younger days.

At first the Collegian appeared as a weekly, differing only from the Ring-tum Phi in that it published essays and stories, besides news items. But soon the form was changed and it became a monthly magazine, of which Dr. W. S. Currell was the first editor.

During that period of forty years the light of the Collegian has flickered and shown, now faintly, now brightly; like the delicate flame of a candle before a stiff breeze; and the years have passed slowly, till at last the Collegian has come down to our hands somewhat weather-beaten, and bearing the wide marks of struggle.

The present board of editors are to shape its destiny through this year.

The outlook is a very bright one, despite the fact that the management has been hampered a great deal in its plans on account of the resignation of several of the staff. Yet plans are rapidly rounding into shape whereby a fine Collegian will be submitted to the students. The editor is planning a series of articles—some reminiscence from old editors of the Collegian; among whom are some of the above-named men. These articles promise to give our readers delightful entertainment, for all the authors are experienced writers. Dr. S. Z. Ammen, of the Baltimore Sun, has already submitted his article to the first issue. Everybody should make it a point to read it.

Aside from this series of articles there will be an abundance of stories, essays and poetry. Several new features have been added, and some old ones destroyed. The staff particularly intends to enlarge the editorial department. In so doing, they are attempting to make the Collegian strictly a literary publication, and anything of an "un-literary" or extraneous nature will not appear in its pages. It is probable that

the magazine will number from eighty to ninety pages.

Now, in order, for the board of editors to carry out all their plans successfully they must have assistance, both financially and by subscriptions, from the student body. No editor under the sun ever writes a magazine by himself; if he did it was a one-sided publication, and soon became uninteresting. We would get tired of that editor's individualistic ideas. Let everybody contribute, and make the Collegian an all round college magazine. Give your literary endeavors to either H. C. McGavock, B. C. Moomaw or Robt. P. Ashley.

TO THE NEW MEN.

This first issue of the Ring-tum Phi presents opportunities alluring, however averse the publication may be to sermons and didactics. But it might not be amiss to jog the new men along, lest they think they are forgotten in the whirl.

We would call their attention to the "Freshmen Rules," which have been prescribed for them by the executive committee of the student body. All Freshmen are expected and urged, for their own welfare, to conform to them; as everyone knows there is, nor has been, any system of hazing at Washington and Lee, and these rules are not meant to impose on or make fun of the new men. They are for class distinction, in order that the Freshman may show his colors and not be ashamed of the fact. Every one admires the Freshman for "sticking up" for his class, and has contempt for the one who does not. Attend your class meetings, go to your class games: football, basketball, and baseball. If you don't make the team help along the fellows who represent you.

Then, too, no one will think it presumptuous if you try for the varsity.

Never has a year passed yet that every student in college hasn't been proud of some freshman, who battled for the White and Blue on the grid-iron or diamond. If you find football too exciting for you, make a place on the basket ball or baseball team. "Man can not live by bread alone," nor "loving" either, and as you must have your exercise why not make it count? Get a tennis racket and go to work on the courts. It may mean a monogram for you there.

If you are in earnest you can find plenty of work, and work that is attractive, too, in the literary societies. The members aren't "fogies" and book-worms. Go once and see who's there!

In short, "get in the game" somewhere, somehow. There is a great deal going on around you, and as our president once said, "Don't let the play go off without you!" Get the signal!

NO HAZING FOR WASHINGTON AND LEE

Evidently there are some, however small the number may be, who think that Washington and Lee University is a preparatory school; a place frequented by youngsters who have not long since turned loose the apron strings of their maternal parents, rolled up their trousers and have set out to "do" the world. We would ask these thoughtless ones to open the catalogue and take a look at the name by which this institution is known to the world. It takes but a moment's reflection to make the most frivolous of us realize that these "***** hazing 'stunts'" which were going on around the University during the opening days are far beneath the dignity of any university, and surely ours.

It is mortifying for any student, who has reached the age of discretion, to see such pranks, even where there is nothing demeaning in them. But some of the impositions have passed all reason. Any one who witnessed the performance to which certain sophomores treated themselves in the dormitory one night during the opening week, was satisfied, and wished that the abused and insulted freshman should have cracked somebody's "cocoa-nut."

It is needless to say that there never has been any hazing at Washington and Lee, with the exception possibly of a few pranks, now and then class fights have been a time-honored tradition here, and these have taken the place of hazing, as is evidenced by similar customs at some of the larger universities—Cornell, Pennsylvania, Columbia and others. These are felt to be more becoming of institutions where older men attend. At Washington and Lee the Freshmen and Soph's are given an annual opportunity of settling their supposed grievances in the ball fight. This comes off as soon as the classes are organized. It is to be hoped that it will do away with all other scraps and especially these boyish attacks and abuses which so characterize every "one-horse" public school in the country.

SENIOR LAW CLASS ELECTS OFFICERS

At a meeting of the Senior Law Class, held Friday, September 24, the election of officers took place; the following men being chosen:

- H. R. Hawthorne, president.
- H. P. Wall, vice-president.
- R. L. Frink, secretary and treasurer.
- P. B. Lamberton, representative on the Student Executive Committee.
- J. W. Eggleston, representative on Calyx Board.
- M. B. Winters, representative on Ring-tum Phi Board.
- J. L. Sumerall, Class Historian.

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FRATERNITY NEWS.

The Phi Delta Theta's have gone into their house occupied last year by Captain Marshall, near the Institute grounds.

The Sigma Chi's are comfortably lodged at the "Country Club" presided over by Miss Maggie Graham.

The S. A. E.'s are in their old quarters near the campus entrance.

The Delta Tau's have their same house, opposite Miss Graham's.

D. R. Hooper, J. A. Young, G. W. P. Whip, John Coates, and R. J. Denny, of the Senior Law class are recent "goats" in the legal fraternity of Phi Delta Phi. The fraternity confines its membership exclusively to law students, and initiates no first year men until after the Xmas examinations. Its public initiation ceremonies last Spring were among the most unique and interesting events of the Easter festivities.

DECISION MEETING OF Y. M. C. A.

First Gathering of the Year Well Attended.

The Y. M. C. A. held its first meeting on the night of Tuesday the 21st and as is the usual custom this opening gathering was the "Decision Meeting," when all students have the privilege of determining and resolving to live lives of consecration and devotion.

The meeting was well attended, and a spirit manifested which was indeed gratifying to those who have the interest of the Y. M. C. A. at heart.

Addresses were made by prominent students and a song service held.

R. A. Waddill, president of the association, showed how the Y. M. C. A. has come to be a prominent department of the college life at Washington and Lee, and pointed out the benefits to all students taking active part. O. C. Jackson told how the association had developed during the five years he has been connected with the university.

Coach Pfeifer's talk on the student Y. M. C. A. and "Clean Living" was excellent.

Joe Blackburne spoke in behalf of Bible study, showing how that developed the spiritual, as well as the intellectual man. J. N. Montgomery took for his subject, "The Christian and Gentleman," and made it evident that the true type of gentleman was the God-fearing christian man.

"Pat" Osborne, the general secretary, who has done more for the association than any man at Washington and Lee, spoke on etoinetaoinetaoinetaoin when it first comes, and exhorted all students to Christian activity.

GRAHAM LEE SOCIETY

Opens With a Good Attendance.

The Graham Lee Society held its first meeting in its hall Saturday evening, September 18, with a very large attendance. The meeting was presided over by president, Mr. Burks, who welcomed the members present and extended to the new men a cordial invitation to join the society.

This program was immediately taken up. The first speaker being Mr. Klutz, from North Carolina, who delivered a very good oration on "Perseverance." The second orator being absent, Mr. Sommerville delivered the only declamation. The subject for debate, Resolved "That the present system of

University examinations should be abolished" was ably discussed by Messrs Moomaw and Scott of the affirmative, while Messrs. Worrell and Watkins represented the negative. The committee rendered the decision in favor of the affirmative.

At this stage of the program a recess of five minutes was given by the president, during which time the members and visitors were served with "punch," which had been obtained for the occasion. The house was then called to order, and Washington society was invited to meet in joint session, to elect an editor-in-chief of the Southern Collegian in the place of Mr. Pifer, who on obtaining the appointment of assistant superintendent of schools of his county was unable to return to college.

Mr. Robert Ashby, of Baltimore, was elected to fill the position by the unanimous vote of the two societies.

CONCERT IN LIBRARY THURSDAY, SEPT. 23

The concert given by the Schehlmann Concert Company, assisted by Mrs. Hill and Mr. Paredes, though poorly attended, was thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated by all present. The opening number was a violin solo by Mr. Paredes, a student of the University, and as usual he rendered the selection with true artistic skill. Mrs. Mary N. Pattie, of the company, possessing a beautiful dramatic soprano voice, rendered such a variety of the highest class songs, and in such manner that no one could help being pleased with her singing. Mrs. Pattie and Mr. Paredes were accompanied by Mrs. Hill, a local piano instructor. Mrs. Hill revealed in her accompanying a true sympathetic touch, which is the essential requisite of a good accompanist, and hence added not only beauty to the selections but ease to the performance. Miss Annie May Moorman, the reader of the company likewise displayed a wide variety in her heading, which together with her highly developed power of expression, held the interest of the audience throughout. As to the small audience, it can be applied only to the aphorism of Liszt. "True art deals only with the educated and select few and would perish without their support."

SOPHS RAID THE FRESHMAN CAMP

The opening skirmish of the Sophomore-Freshman fight came off Tuesday night.

Doubtless the Freshmen thought that the dance would prove sufficiently entertaining for the Soph's so the word was passed around that there would be a class meeting on the Athletic field that night. Somehow the thing leaked out, and the leader of the husky bunch of youngsters had hardly gotten through the opening remarks of his oration when an avalanche of Sopho's struck the meeting. The battle was thick—in spots—for a few minutes, and when the din died away "Captain" Tommy cast his eye over the field, he found a score or more Freshmen squirming in the clutches of his crew, and they were marched back to town by the triumphant Sophs, whose leader lectured them for their presumption and prescribed the "gauntlet" as the penalty.

WASHINGTON LITERARY SOCIETY

Hold First Meeting.

The first meeting of the Washington Literary Society, for the year, was a most enthusiastic one. An excellent program was rendered to a large and

appreciative body of young men. The proper spirit was in evidence, and we hope it may continue throughout the year.

Messrs. Adams and McGavock gave most excellent orations. Mr. Breidenback, a most interesting declamation. The debate: Resolved, That the system of direct nomination should be more generally adopted throughout the United States was exceptionally interesting and instructive, and was ably discussed on the affirmative by Messrs. Carter and Bowman, the negative being upheld by Messrs. Izard and Frink. The judges decided in favor of the affirmative. Very appropriate impromptu speeches were made by several members of the society. Mr. C. C. Boyer was selected to the position of secretary of society to fill the vacancy made by the absence of Mr. J. S. Jones, who will not return to college this year. The "Wash" and Graham Lee convened in joint session and elected Mr. R. P. Ashley editor-in-chief of the Southern Collegian to succeed Mr. J. E. Pifer.

SENIOR CLASS MEETING.

A meeting of the senior academic class was held in the Economics room on Tuesday, September 21, 1909, with Mr. Burks in the chair. Mr. Krug was appointed secretary pro tem.

The business before the meeting was the election of a representative to the Executive Committee and a Ring-tum Phi representative.

Messrs. Montgomery and Potter were nominated and seconded. Mr. Montgomery was elected.

Messrs. Alley and Muncie were nominated and seconded for the Ring-tum Phi representative. Mr. Muncie was elected.

Mr. Muncie moved that an election be held on Tuesday, September 23, 1909, and that a committee be appointed to post a notice and see that all seniors were notified. This was carried. Committee Muncie, Montgomery, Watkins. Meeting adjourned.

OPENING HOPS.

As a fitting close to a pleasant summer, and as a last bit of enjoyment before the starting of a full season's work, the opening hops come as a most delightful pleasure to all. They are always an incentive for the old men to return around about opening of school, and should be among the most popular of the year. A large crowd attended those last week and everybody had a good time. Among the young ladies present were: Miss Agnes Patton, Miss Bessie Catlett, Miss Elizabeth Preston, Miss Virginia Barelay, Miss Kitty Rogers and Miss Sarah Carrell, Lexington; Miss Maury, Norfolk; Miss Urquhart, New Orleans; Miss Dalton, Richmond; Miss Davis, Lynchburg; Miss Thomas, Denver; Miss Craghill and Miss Terry, Lynchburg; Miss Walters, Staunton.

BASEBALL MANAGER CHOSEN

At the first meeting of the athletic committee W. A. McDonald was chosen manager of the baseball team of 1910 to fill the place of J. W. Lykes, who failed to return to college.

Mr. McDonald will undoubtedly fill this important place most creditably, as he was assistant manager to Mr. Bootay in 1908.

The average man thinks his bump of generosity is at least three times as large as it actually is.

ALUMNI.

Among the "old boys" who came back to the opening were:

J. R. Caskie, law '09, who is practicing law in Lynchburg; "Jimmy" O'Brien, law '08, who is located at Roswell, New Mexico; W. W. Hampton, Jr., law '08, who has taken his father into partnership at Gainesville, Fla.; B. W. Manly, '06, who has been associated with the bureau of commerce and labor, will attend the University of Chicago; A. M. Withers, '06, who is teaching at A. M. A.; Duval Gwathmey, '09, who expects to take architecture at Boston Tech.; Joe Lykes, '09, who is at Poughkeepsie taking a university course in Eastern College; E. W. G. Booker, M. A., '04, who is professor of English at Georgia Tech.; Powell Glass, '07, who is working for the Lynchburg News; Chas. F. Spencer, '05, who is teaching at Woodberry Forest; H. C. Alexander, ex. '10, who will take a law course at Chicago; L. J. Boxley, '09, who will open a law office at Roanoke, W. R. McMurrin, '08, who is traveling salesman for the Remington typewriter, with headquarters at Richmond; "Monk" Moomaw, law '07, who is associated with his father at Roanoke, is assisting in coaching the varsity; C. H. Moore, '09, who will take a medical course at Johns Hopkins; Biene Stedman, law '09, who is employed by the Michie Publishing Co., at Charlottesville; Mr. A. E. Quarles, son of the late Dr. Quarles, secretary of the employer's association at Louisville, Ky.

Among the old students who couldn't keep away any longer, and who, following the natural course of things, drifted into the law school, are: C. N. Hobson, '06; C. P. Light, Forney, Ran Bledsoe, '06; Scott, '08; N. D. Smithson, '07.

R. F. Hutcheson, special law '09, is practicing the profession at Charlotte C. H., Va.

T. J. Watkins, law '08, alias "Flea," has been appointed one of the receivers for the Charlotte Banking and Insurance Co., at Charlotte C. H., Va.

The following Washington and Lee men are at present special agents for the Immigration Commission, under former professor W. J. Lauck; J. W. Addison, '05; Raymond Kenny, '09; Leroy Hodges, '09; G. McP. Minitree, '08; D. W. Alexander, '06; W. K. Ramsey, Jr., '08. All send best wishes for a good live paper, and a prosperous year.

Mr. Lamdreth, who took the special course in law at Washington and Lee last year, and lacked only three points of his graduation, was appointed supervisor of the taking of the census for the Fifth District of Virginia, and will be unable to return to college to take his degree this year.

Mr. S. F. Lamdreth, who took the special the Washington and Lee holding his position.

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Decision.

The local option contest case came up for hearing before Judge Holt, of Staunton, on September 22d, and was fully argued by both sides, the argument taking up the entire day. At the conclusion of the argument Judge Holt announced his decision to the effect that not being on the treasurer's list was not conclusive as to the right of one to vote who had paid his poll taxes elsewhere, but that he might vote if he produced evidence of such payment, even though his name did not appear on the treasurer's list; and also, that a receipt from the treasurer was sufficient evidence of payment—thus deciding against the wets on both points.

Upon petition of the wets, the judge then directed that the ballots cast on July 22 should be inspected and recounted, and the ballots were brought into court.

The recount resulted in showing no error. Counsel for the wets then announced that they would dismiss their petition contesting the validity of the election.

The election was held on the 22d of July last, and the city was carried against license by a majority of 23 in a vote of nearly 1,400. Staunton will, therefore, be without licensed saloons for the first time, after the 22d of October.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS..

From Chicago News.

Don't abuse the rich; we can't all be paupers.

Some people assume that hearing is just as good as seeing.

The silent man is more to be feared than the garrulous chap.

In after years a man wishes he was half as smart as he used to think he was.

Don't be afraid of criticism. We all need calling down as well as boosting up.

A woman first sheds a few tears—and then proceeds to open the telegram with a hairpin.

Young man, beware of the peach who is the apple of your eye. She may prove to be a lemon.

A girl never feels more important than when she is getting married, and a man never looks more inconspicuous.

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