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WASHINGTON AND LEE FORUM ORGANIZED

Civic Club Formed, Which Will Be Member of Intercollegiate Civic League

At a meeting in Newcomb Hall last Thursday night, a Civic club, to be known as the Washington and Lee Forum, was formed, with a membership of twenty-six men. The club is the result of careful thought and planning on the part of one or two students, with several of the professors. Ben D. Smith, who conceived the plan and conducted the correspondence necessary to carry it out, was elected president; W. T. Riviere, Vice president; W. H. Eager, corresponding secretary; and James Somerville, Jr., recording secretary and treasurer. Dr. G. D. Hancock, Dr. J. H. Latane and Dr. R. G. Campbell were chosen faculty advisers.

The first meeting of the promoters of the plan was held in Newcomb Hall on March 4th, in response to letters sent out, signed by Dr. Latane, Dr. Hancock and Mr. Smith. Twenty four men met on that night, and listened to discussions of the plan. B. D. Smith told of his recent conference with the secretary of the intercollegiate Civic League in New York city and of the work done in other colleges by the clubs; and Dr. Latane discussed the good to be accomplished by such a club at Washington and Lee University. The men present decided by unanimous vote to form a club at this institution, and appointed a committee, consisting of C. N. Hobson, W. T. Riviere and T. M. Glasgow, to draw up a constitution.

At the meeting last Thursday night, the committee on drawing up a constitution reported, and presented the result of its work. The constitution, which is printed below, was adopted with few changes in the original draft. The membership is limited to thirty men, and there are at present twenty six in the club. A committee was chosen to select new members. The members on the committee are: C. P. Heavener, T. M. Glasgow, W. W. Newsum, C. N. Hobson and S. P. Harman.

The purpose of the organization is to further "the study of public affairs and to promote an active and intelligent interest in the duties of citizenship." These studies will be conducted along economic, political, social, and commercial lines. Each member is required to file with the secretary one paper each year dealing with some such subject. The club will hold a meeting on every other Thursday, beginning with the first Thursday in April.

A great deal of interest was manifested at the meeting, and it is evident that the organization is to be "worth while" and will prove a positive benefit to the men who compose its membership. It will become a member of the International Civic League, which has clubs in some fifty of the leading colleges of the country, and which is doing a great work in investigating condi-

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CATALOGUE FOR PRES- ENT SESSION OUT

Shows Enrollment of 630— Increase in Degree Men

The catalogue for 1911-12 has made its appearance. It shows an enrollment of 630, against 616 of last year. Of this number, 346 are in the academic department, ninety-two in the engineering school, and 203 in the school of law (some men being registered in more than one department). Of the total number eighteen have entered the university since the Christmas holidays.

The percentage of increase over last year's enrollment is 2.4. In the law school there was a gain of 15.3 per cent, while the number of students in the academic school is exactly the same as last year and the engineering school shows a slight loss.

The enrollment is drawn from thirty states and five foreign countries. Virginia furnishes the largest number of students, 275, and West Virginia sends fifty nine. The representation from other states is as follows: North Carolina twenty-nine; Tennessee, twenty four; Texas, twenty-three; Kentucky, twenty-one; Arkansas, twenty-one; Alabama, nineteen; Florida, Georgia and Louisiana, seventeen each; Mississippi and the District of Columbia, sixteen each; Maryland and Pennsylvania, thirteen each; South Carolina eleven; New York, eight; Oklahoma, five; Ohio, four; Connecticut and Missouri, three each; Massachusetts, New Jersey and New Mexico, two each; California, Illinois, Kansas, Michigan, Montana and North Dakota, one each. One student is registered from each of the following countries: Brazil, Ecuador, Panama, Persia and Russia.

A very interesting fact in regard to post graduate or special work shows the increasing popularity of Washington and Lee as a place for pursuing such work. Last year there were twenty-nine men in the various departments who had already attained degrees; fourteen of these degrees had been gained here. This year there are forty-two degree men in the University, of whom only twelve got their degrees here.

Meeting of Chemical Society

At the regular meeting of the chemical society on the evening of March 8th two excellent papers were read by Mr. Moncure and Mr. Crist. Mr. Moncure discussed at some length the sources and methods of preparation of phosphatic and nitrogenous materials for fertilizers, while Mr. Crist gave an interesting sketch of the chemical processes involved in photography, showing how this art reached its present wonderful state of development through the joint labor of chemists and physicists.

F. P. Guthrie, B. A., '11, is Vanderbilt fellow in astronomy and an assistant in astronomy at the University of Virginia.

INTER-COLLEGIATE DEBAT- ING TEAM SELECTED

Converse, Delaplaine and Shaw to Match Wits With G. W. U. Debaters

Newcomb Hall on Friday night witnessed the inauguration of the year's debating interests, when in a preliminary for the intercollegiate team, P. D. Converse, '12, E. S. Delaplaine, '13, and R. C. Shaw, '15, were chosen to represent Washington and Lee in the coming contests with George Washington University.

The question debated in the preliminary, which was: "Resolved, That a general graduated Income tax should be made a permanent and essential part of our Federal fiscal system," will also form the question for the debate with George Washington. It was thought until recently that only one debate would be held this year, the triangular league with Johns Hopkins and Penn. State having been dissolved, but a few days ago Dr. Hancock, the chairman of the University Debating Council, received some belated correspondence from the district institution in which it was intimated that two debates would be acceptable. All arrangements for this plan have now been completed and Washington and Lee will have two teams in the field against George Washington, one defending the affirmative of the question in Lexington, the other invading the enemy's territory in Washington to establish the negative the proposition.

Now that another team is necessary a second preliminary has been arranged for on March 15th, to be under the same conditions as that of last Friday. Any student of the University is eligible to compete and it is expected that a large number of contestants will turn out, including those who failed to receive places in the first debate. At this debate it will be definitely decided who will go to Washington and who will compose the team to debate in Lexington.

The contestants in the debate Friday night were: A. J. Harbert, R. G. Hundley, P. P. Gibson, P. D. Converse and S. G. Keller on the affirmative, while J. A. Burke, E. S. McFarland, E. S. Delaplaine and R. C. Shaw defended the negative. C. P. Heavener presided and Doctors Farrar, Stevens and Hogue of the faculty constituted the board of judges. Each speaker was allowed ten minutes for his main speech and three minutes for rebuttal. The speeches in every case were well prepared and convincing and after long deliberation the judges decided upon the successful contestants in the following order: Shaw, Converse and Delaplaine.

It is expected that every man who is interested in debating will see Dr. Hancock in reference to the next preliminary, as Washington and Lee is anxious to turn out two winning teams.

Knox Smartt, B. A., '10, is with the Acme Kitchen Furniture company, Chattanooga, Tenn.



Address to Students

Tomorrow Night

Mr. J. W. Pontius whose picture is printed herewith, will speak tomorrow, (Wednesday,) night in the chapel. He is the Y. M. C. A. student secretary of the Eastern section of the United States. In that position he has charge of the Y. M. C. A. work for some of the greatest universities and colleges of the country. He is an A. B. of Ohio Wesleyan University. While in college he was president of his class, and was the varsity basketball center. Before taking his present position he was state student secretary for the state of Iowa.

There are some half dozen or so men in the university who have heard Mr. Pontius speak. They all agree that he is a very strong speaker and well worth hearing. He is brought here by the Y. M. C. A., at no little expense, in pursuance of its policy of getting men of exceptional merit to address the students. It is believed and hoped that Mr. Pontius will prove as profitable a speaker as did Dr. Wieland, though in a different way.

It is a testimonial of Mr. Pontius' merit that he would have been invited, by the University authorities, to address a regular University assembly during his time in Lexington had it not been that the assembly of today was appointed before they learned of his coming, and it is against their policy to call two assemblies within so short a period of time.

Election in Literary Societies

At the meetings of the Literary Societies last Saturday night, officers and orators were elected for the oratorical contest to be held during finale. The Washington society chose T. McP. Glasgow and J. A. McDonald as orators, and J. R. Kirby president of the celebration; Graham Lee chose Sommers and B. R. Lemon orators, R. R. Blake vice president and James Somerville, chief marshal.

Officers for next term were elected in the Wash. society. W. O. Sheppard was chosen president, C. L. Sager Secretary, J. R. Kirby, Critic, and S. McCartney, Censor.

GYM TEAM WINS FROM DAVIDSON

Gives Fine Exhibition in Danville Saturday Night

In a gymnasium meet with Davidson College, held in Greensboro last Friday night, the Washington and Lee team came off victors, to the score of 25 to 20. The exhibition was held in the local Y. M. C. A. gymnasium, and a large crowd witnessed it with a great deal of admiration. Davidson excelled the White and Blue men in the variety and daringness of the feats performed, but the Washington and Lee athletes outclassed them on form, which fact they attribute to Dr. Pollard's coaching. C. B. Bush was the individual star of meet, winning fourteen of the twenty-five points.

The program included five events, the horizontal bar, vaulting horse, parallel bars, flying rings and mat tumbling. The performances on a whole were good and the performers all displayed fine physique, active muscles and agile movement at all times. Some of the feats were really perilous but all were gone through with without a mishap. The contesting teams showed a fine sporting spirit, applauding their opponents when excellent feats were accomplished.

Each event counted for nine points, five to first place, three to second place, and one to third place. The results were as follows:

Horizontal bar: 1st, Curry, for Davidson; 2nd Mackey, for Davidson, 3rd, Larrick, for Washington and Lee.

Vaulting horse: 1st, Bush, for Washington and Lee; 2nd, Pritchett, for Washington and Lee; 3rd, Clary for Davidson.

Parallel bars: 1st, Bush, for Washington and Lee; 2nd, Larrick, for Washington and Lee; 3rd, Minter for Davidson.

Rings: 1st and 2nd places, tied for by Bush and Clary, for Washington and Lee and Davidson, respectively; 3rd, Wood, Washington and Lee.

Mats: 1st, Curry, of Davidson; 2nd, Wood of Washington and Lee; 3rd, Thacker of Davidson.

The members of the teams were the following:

Washington and Lee, Miller, captain; Wood, Bush, Ghiselin, Pritchett, Larrick.

Davidson, Mackey, captain; Boyd, Clary, Thacker, Minter, Curry.

The judges were R. D. Douglas, E. D. Kuykendall and A. G. Coffin.

On Saturday night the team gave an exhibition in the Danville Y. M. C. A. before a crowd that packed the gallery. The exhibition is described by a local paper as one of the best ever seen in that city.

The exhibition started off with the junior leaders performing on the horse and flying rings. The college boys followed with many difficult twists on the horse, by Bush, Ghiselin and Wood. On the horizontal bar the entire team did many thrilling tricks, the giant swing by Wood and Larrick were well applauded, the climax was reached when Wood did his fly away.

On the parallels the whole team went through various movements and kept the crowd guessing as to the amount and variety of the tricks. The team showed its best form on the flying rings with many tricks of strength, turns and up starts. The fly away by Wood was again the most startling stunt and brought the house down.

Tumbling and pyramids closed the program of one of the best exhibitions ever seen in that city.

Sophs Win From Juniors 16 to 13

In probably the roughest and most stubbornly fought basketball game ever played in the gymnasium, the Sophomores came out victors over the Juniors by the close score of 16 to 13 last Thursday night. A complete reversal of form over the Freshman game was showed by the Juniors, and their showing was very creditable. The Sophs had the best team, and should have won. But everything they made was fully earned.

The crowd equalled that of the game on Tuesday night—namely, two paid admissions. It is very evident that class games have gone their limit here, as the members of the student body seem to refuse to patronize them. Even the members of the class, outside of the players, refuse to support their men, and this fact is bound to discourage those who are doing their best to advance their class interests.

The game was brilliant from the point of no let up from start to finish, and the roughness which started it also ended the contest. With all the spirit shown, it was in good nature, and no ill feeling was exhibited.

Peeples opened the scoring with a goal from field, which Hanna balanced early in the game. Then the work started. Jalonick went out on account of a bad spill, and P. C. Rogers went in. His work was on the order of the spectacular, blocking and following the ball everywhere. Yonan's work at guard was brilliant, and O'Quin kept his man from scoring a point. Thom replaced Hanna after the latter got the worst of a collision, and was the star for the Sophs. He led his team in goals, although not in the game throughout. Donahue threw only one goal, but kept the "crowd" on edge by his long shots dancing on the rim. Peeples was, as usual, fast and did his part for his team mates. The individual star for the Juniors, however, was Jack Kirkpatrick. With only about five minutes to play, he replaced Hogue, and quickly made two spectacular shots, the best of the game. Had he been in the game all through, the showing of the Juniors would probably have been much better.

Prepare for Final Week Society Celebration

The Graham-Lee Literary society held an interesting session last Saturday night. The chief business was the election of orators and officers for the final celebration, which is reported elsewhere in the Ring-tum Phi.

More than usual interest has been manifested in the society recently. The meeting on Saturday night was largely attended, and the program was excellently rendered. Mr. G. W. Diehl delivered an oration on "War, Its Uselessness and Its Evil." Mr. B. R. Lemon gave an excellent oration on the "Real Defects of Our Democracy." Declarations were delivered by Mr. J. W. Heath and Mr. J. E. Wayland. The debate, Resolved, That the present system of immigration is detrimental to the United States, was upheld by Mr. R. R. Blake and Mr. H. L. Saville on the affirmative, while the negative side was upheld by Mr. H. B. Goodloe and Mr. H. B. Apperson. A decision was rendered in favor of the affirmative.

At the last meeting of the society the following officers were installed to serve out the year: R. M. DeShazo, president; Dan Hollis, vice president; C. P. Heavener, secretary and treasurer.

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tions and promoting a clearer understanding of modern problems. At the meetings of the club a regular program will be carried out, the nature of which has not as yet been determined.

The following men are the charter members of the club: J. A. Bowman, L. R. Craighil, P. D. Converse, E. S. Delaplaine, T. McP. Glasgow, C. C. Gray, C. P. Heaven-er, S. P. Harman, W. H. Mann, Jr., W. F. Milling, J. G. Herndon, K. S. Moore, T. D. Ranson, B. D. Smith, James Somerville, Jr., W. W. Newsom, P. P. Gibson, R. D. Ramsey, C. N. Hobson, J. P. Hobson, P. W. Murray, T. W. Fred, J. Morrison, W. T. Riviere, W. H. Eager, W. M. Millar.

The constitution of the club is printed below:

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of the organization shall be the Washington and Lee Forum.

ARTICLE II

The object of this organization shall be the study of public affairs and to promote an active and intelligent interest in the duties of citizenship.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

1. The active membership of this organization shall consist of students of Washington and Lee University. Members of the faculty of this institution and such other prominent men as shall be chosen by the society shall be honorary members.

2. The active membership shall be limited to thirty members.

3. A membership committee of five shall be elected by the society which shall choose the names of three men for each vacancy. These names shall be presented to the society and a two thirds vote of the members present shall be required to elect. All nominations shall come through the committee which may receive suggestions as to desirable members from the members of the Society or the Faculty.

4. Upon election to membership candidates shall sign the roll book and pay a fee of \$2.

5. Each member of the society shall be required to write and cause to be filed with the recording secretary, one paper each year on some topic relating to public affairs.

6. Upon the breach of the afore-said condition the penalty shall be the forfeiture of membership in the society, unless the member is excused by a two thirds vote of the Forum.

7. All active members shall pay dues of one dollar at the first regular meeting of the year.

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS

1. The officers of this society shall be President, Vice President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, who shall also act as Treasurer, and Faculty Advisors.

2. The duties of the officers shall be as defined in Roberts Rules of Order.

3. The officers shall constitute an executive committee to have charge of the program.

ARTICLE V. ELECTION

The officers shall be elected annually at the first regular meeting in May.

ARTICLE VI. MEETING

1. The Forum shall meet on every alternate Thursday evening of the school year and at such other times as a majority of a regular meeting shall determine.

2. Three absences in any one term unless explained by a satisfactory written excuse shall cause the absent member to forfeit his membership in the Forum. Sickness or absence from the city is the only excuse to be considered satisfactory.

Fifteen members shall constitute a quorum to transact business.

ARTICLE VII. AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended by a two thirds vote of the members present at any regular meeting after two weeks notice in writing has been given of the amendment.

ARTICLE VIII. DELEGATES

1. Delegates to the Inercollegiate Civic League convention shall be chosen by the Forum only on the basis of the following qualifications.

a. Each candidate shall have been a member of the Forum for at least one year.

b. Each candidate shall have been in attendance of at least two thirds of the meetings of the Forum held during the year for which he shall be a delegate.

c. Each candidate shall have prepared and submitted at least one paper.

2. Solicitation for support on the part of any member as candidate for the position of delegate shall be considered contrary to the policy of this society and to the spirit and purpose for which it is organized. Any member guilty of such solicitation shall be liable for expulsion from membership in the Forum upon a two third vote of the members.

Long Lost Watch Recovered

The bag of money and other valuables fished out of a dump on the east side of town Feb. 18 by Policeman James W. Walker and deposited in the keeping of County Clerk Shields has been inspected by more than one person who has had valuables in recent years or months purloined. The search has generally been without results. There is one noteworthy exception. This was the handsome watch of former Student Sorsby Jemison of Birmingham, Ala. It was taken from his room at the S. A. E. house opposite the Episcopal church on the night of final ball, in 1910. Walker, as a police officer, had a description of the watch, which he had unsuccessfully attempted at the time to find. When he looked over the watches in Charles Jones' bag, which he pulled out of the dump, he was inclined to think this watch might be one of them. The watches had been roughly handled and appeared cheap, and for a time he was misled. Later he made a careful examination and found on the inside the name of Jemison, with the fact engraved that it was a gift from his parents on his twenty-first birthday, Nov. 1, 1908.

Charles Jones claimed the watch as one stolen from him by Morgan, and said he bought it from Hugh Morgan for a few dollars. The inscription leaves no doubt as to the ownership of the watch, and it will be returned to Mr. Jemison by the court in the disposition of the property found. Former Mayor S. B. Walker, Jr., who was much interested in the recovery of this watch, has written Mr. Jemison about it and he has replied expressing his gratification.—County News.

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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.

DR. DENNY'S TESTIMONIAL.

Dr. Smith's acceptance of the Presidency of Washington and Lee has called forth a letter from our former president, Dr. Denny, which is so fine in its contents, and such a tribute to Dr. Smith and to Washington and Lee, that we are fortunate in being able to print it. This letter was not written for publication, nor was it given to the editor by Dr. Denny, who wrote it, nor by Dr. Smith, who received it. A mutual friend who happened to see it claimed it for the columns of the Ring-tum Phi, and we feel that we are deeply indebted to him for affording us the opportunity to print such a letter. We feel sure that every reader will welcome it as a splendid tribute to Washington and Lee University and a high compliment to Dr. Smith by one who did so much while president to start Washington and Lee upon its present career of usefulness and power. It is good to have such testimony from one who knows what the University is in itself, and what type of man it needs at its head to guide its life and lead it on to larger things in the educational

world. The letter is as follows:

Feb. 27, 1912.

Dr. Henry Louis Smith,
Davidson, N. C.,
My dear Dr. Smith:

Telegrams from Virginia bring the delightful announcement of your acceptance of the presidency of Washington and Lee. I need hardly say to you that am gratified that you have made this choice.

God being my witness, I have never had, and I never expect to have, any deeper or more lasting affection for any institution than I have for the great college over whose destiny you are to preside. I recognize the wrench and the sorrow that your action will cost you, but I believe that in the coming years you will never have reason to regret the choice you have made. Washington and Lee has a great and unique opportunity. It looms large in the imagination of the nation, and especially of the people of the entire South. I have been deeply gratified in my travels throughout the lower South to find that the institution appeals to the affection of the great mass of people of this section as no other American institution. It stands in a class by itself in its method of government and in its great historic setting.

Its picturesque location in the Virginia mountains is also a vital factor in the appeal that it makes to the people of this section of the South. The day will not come when young men of the best families of the lower South will not value an opportunity of spending four years in a college of such unique traditions, and with such a superb location. * * * *

You can take my word for it, that the situation at Washington and Lee is sound to the core, and that there is no human power that can impede the progress and the rapid growth of an institution that is in every way entitled to the respect and the affection of the American people, and which enjoys this respect and affection to a larger degree than you will be able to understand until you have become identified with it, and can learn or yourself what a host of friends Washington and Lee has in every section of the American Union.

Speaking for myself, I can say that no honor that has come to me, or that can come to me, will be more highly valued than the honor and the privilege of serving an institution that, in all the great essentials, stands second to none in the nation. * * * *

I want you to feel that no one in all the world will rejoice with you in its onward career more heartily than I. I stand ready to help you in every possible way. I want you to feel that you can command me at any crisis, and call on me to render any service that I can render. I wish for you the utmost happiness and prosperity in the great work, and I congratulate you upon the superb opportunity and the fine career that is now open to you.

Assuring you of my regard, believe me,

Most sincerely yours,
GEORGE H. DENNY.

Meanwhile, the North Carolina press is still lamenting the loss to that state of Dr. Smith. A church paper says:

"There is not the least reason to doubt that his administration at Washington and Lee will be as highly successful and as commanding in results as has been his eleven years in the presiden-

cy at Davidson, which he lays aside with the good wishes and benediction and prayers of friends uncounted in number on the campus and beyond it, in the town and away from it."

The student body of Washington and Lee has sometimes been accused of lacking unity of feeling and purpose; of not "pulling together" as it should. We do not believe that this is absolutely true, and it has been gratifying to notice recently the signs of a growing loyalty to and enthusiasm for the college as a whole. This feeling was certainly not manifested, however, by the attendance at the concert given by the musical clubs last Saturday night. There was a mere sprinkling of students present, and had it not been for the people of the town, the audience would have constituted hardly more than a corporal's guard. Such a state of affairs is hard to understand. The concert itself was good, and well worth the modest price of admission; furthermore, it was given for a good cause (the proceeds being intended to pay for the sweaters given to the football team); but neither the music nor the interest in football was sufficient to bring out a crowd.

The monotony of life here is frequently bewailed by a certain class of men; yet these men very seldom support any enterprise which tends to lend variety to existence. And, such is the perversity of human nature, these same individuals are quick to "knock" when an undertaking falls through for lack of support. Verily the man who can invent a form of amusement which will create a ripple of enthusiasm among these melancholy spirits will perform a lasting service to the college community.

This, the twenty-first number of the Ring-tum Phi, fifteenth volume, will be the last issue this term. It is planned to publish nine numbers next term, bringing the total to thirty, the number usually gotten out during a session.

During the past term, news

has often been scarce and on that account the paper has sometimes been uninteresting; but the editors have endeavored to print nothing which has not had at least a certain amount of relevancy to current college events and interests. With the opening baseball season and the coming of the last months of the college year, we confidently expect that each week will prove, in newspaper parlance, "fat", and that trivial matters will be crowded out of our teeming pages.

It will be a source of a great deal of satisfaction that Dr. J. H. Latane has definitely declined the offer of the presidency of the University of Montana and will remain at Washington and Lee. His loss would have been a great misfortune to us now, or at any time. We congratulate ourselves on being able to retain him.

Resolutions of Respect

The Senior Law class of Washington and Lee University adopted the following resolutions to be tendered the family and friends of Mr. C. A. Watson of Roanoke, deceased:

Whereas it has pleased God in His infinite wisdom to remove from this life Mr. C. A. Watson, the father of our esteemed classmate, Mr. O. Bruce Watson, we the Senior Law Class offer the following resolutions:

First: That we extend our sympathy to the family, relatives and friends in their sorrow and bereavement.

Second: That we assure them that we are sensitive to the affliction which has befallen them and hope for them the peace and comfort that comes with an understanding of the ways of the Almighty.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be tendered our classmate and other fitting publication be made of them.

Respectfully submitted,
HARRY J. HANNA,
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Committee.

Dr. H. Parker Willis, formerly professor of economics and politics at Washington and Lee, now dean of the school of commerce and finance at George Washington University, and former secretary of the National Monetary Commission, delivered a lecture on banking reform and currency problems before members of the general assembly and business men in Richmond last week.

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PERSONALS

Professor Burks was in Bedford City last week.

Coach Al Orth spent Sunday in Lynchburg with his family.

Miss Beckwith is the guest of Miss Jennie Hopkins.

R. Millar, B. W. Jennings, J. P. Richardson and E. C. Jalonie spent Sunday in Buena Vista.

A. S. McCown, B. A., '10, who is teaching at V. P. I., is visiting at his home in Lexington.

Miss Nell McCluer of Petersburg, Va., spent the weekend as the guest of Miss Nell Carrington.

Miss Nell Davidson of Washington, D. C., has returned to her home after a short visit to Miss Elizabeth Cross.

R. B. Stephenson, B. L., '09, has been elected mayor of Covington, Va., to fill the unexpired term of J. F. Rollins, deceased.

Miss Louise Robertson, who has been the guest of the Misses Patton, has returned to her home in Norfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Sawkins of Baltimore, visited their son, John H. Sawkins, last week at the Alpha Chi Rho house.

J. N. Montgomery, B. A., '10, one of the secretaries of the international student Y. M. C. A. work, associated with Dr. Weatherford, is in town for a few days.

D. S. and J. N. Kilmer, who graduated in law here in 1911, are associated with the law firm of Faulkner, Walker and Woods, room 6, Walker building, Martinsburg, W. Va.

D. H. Shultz has withdrawn from the law class to go into the real estate business in Washington, D. C., 1337 H St. N. W. He expects to return next session.

Contractors Ready to Force Work on the Postoffice

Leigh Brothers, contractors, have a small force of hands here at work preparing to begin the building of the Lexington postoffice. Piles of brick and of lumber take up about all the space on the lot not reserved for building site, and a tool house has been erected. The excavation is being finished off, and work of laying a foundation of concrete and brick will be under way as soon as the weather permits. The building is to be finished by Feb. 1st next, under penalty.

Preliminary Oratorical Contest

The preliminary contest for choosing an orator to represent Washington and Lee in the State Oratorical contest will be held on April 12th. These preliminaries are under the supervision of the debating council, and are open to all students. The state oratorical contest will be held at William and Mary college on the first Friday in May.

Dates for Dances

The dates for the spring dances have been set as follows: The "Thirteen Club" will give a dance on April 15th; the Cotillion club will give its dance on April 16th.

CONCERT ENJOYED BY SMALL AUDIENCE

Football Men Presented With Sweaters—Dr. Pollard Gets One

The musical clubs on Saturday night gave another of their enjoyable concerts, which was fully appreciated by those who heard it. The proceeds went toward paying for the sweaters for the football men, which were presented on this occasion.

As usual, the performance was of a high order. Each number was fully enjoyed, and encored. The especial hit of the evening was the singing and acting of the "Scrap Iron Quartet," suspected of being the product of Mr. E. P. Davis' inventiveness, which illustrated its song's "Roll 'Em Bones," and "We all Fall" with appropriate gestures. Carson's solos were again applauded, and Walter Steves violin playing excited much favorable comment. The mandolin sextette, and the glee club and the quartet were all in fine fettle, and showed to advantage.

Dr. A. T. Graham presented the sweaters to the football monogram men, including R. W. Pipes, manager; Dr. Pollard was also presented with a sweater, amid much applause. The sweaters are heavy, navy blue in color, with white monograms and are very handsome.

The following program was rendered:

PART I.

Navajo Rag	Williams
Mandolin Sextette	
Come Landlord Fill the Flowing Bowl	Rosey
Glee Club	
Down By the Old Mill Stream	Taylor
Quartet	
Obertass Mazurka	Wieniawski
Walter Steves	
Many the Wreck Below	Bishop
H. V. Carson	
Roll 'em Bones	
Scrap Iron Quartet	

PART II

W. and L. Swing	Shafe-Allen
Glee Club	
We All Fall	
Scrap Iron Quartet	
Tuscalosa	Bowmanky
Mandolin Club	
"Eyes"	Aide
H. V. Carson	
Dried Apple Pies	Beswick
Quartet	
College Rag	Porter
Quartet	

NOTICE

The athletic committees of each class are asked to meet at once and appoint managers for class track teams, who will confer with Mr. D. B. Owen, manager of the Varsity track team, in regard to holding an interclass handicap track meet. It is the purpose to hold this handicap just as soon as the track is in condition to be used, and the various class managers should be appointed at once, in order not to "gum" the proceedings.

The annual field day contests will be held soon after the inter class meet, and both promise to be interesting events.

Walter L. McCorkle, B. L., '78, was elected president of the Southern Society in New York at the society's twenty-seventh annual meeting.

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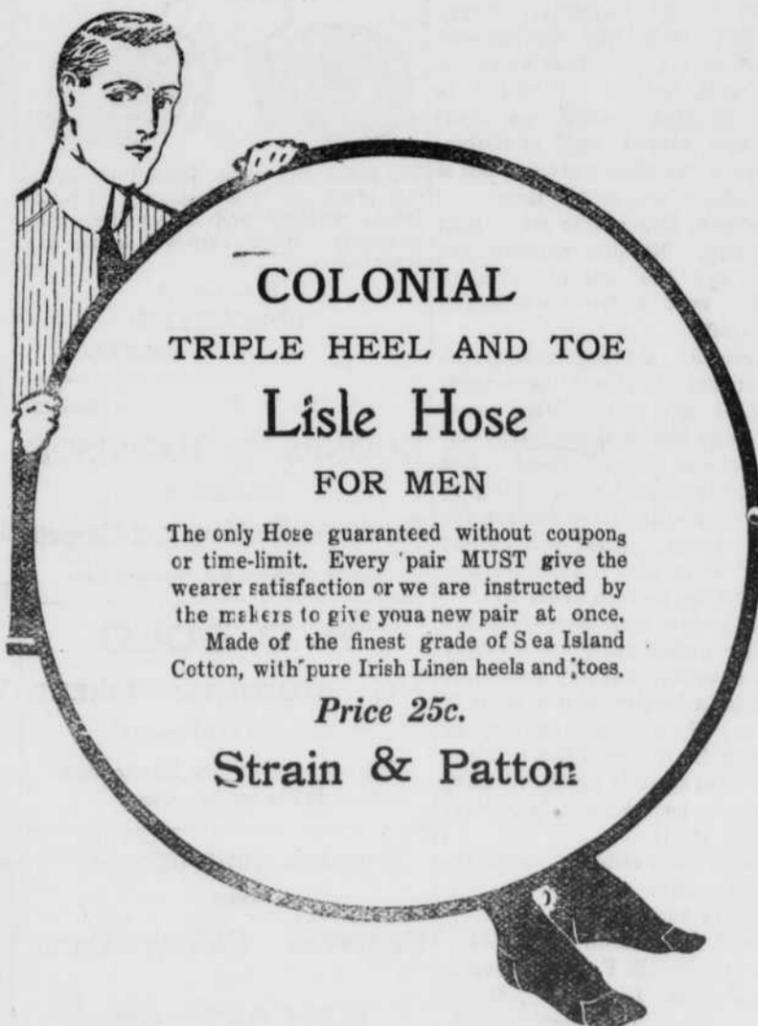
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FRESHMEN WIN FIRST INTER-CLASS GAME

A game, wonderful from several standpoints, opened the season of the Suicide League Tuesday night. The most wonderful feature was that the Freshmen had the audacity to win, and to completely outplay the Juniors. Another was the remarkable attendance of two paid admissions—which was probably caused by the fact that most of the student body attended the Y. M. C. A. meeting (?). The exorbitant price of ten cents may have prevented others, who had very important engagements at the picture show, pool room, etc.

Those who had the good fortune to witness the game, were well paid for coming. The score does not really indicate the fight and spirit shown by both teams. The Freshmen won, 35 to 17, and earned the victory by superior team work. But the Juniors showed the fight characteristic of the class. Five members of the class showed up at the gym, and played together for the first time this season. Of course their play was entirely individual, but as such it was good.

Evans, Drummond and Hobson were very noticeably on the floor. The first named had nine baskets to his credit, with Drummond caging six room the field, and three fouls. Hobson did not figure in the scoring, but his guarding was sensational, being in the way of nearly every pass, and dumping many Juniors as they dribbled. Without him, the Juniors would have had many more points to their credit.

Peoples and Elliott divided the field goals for their class, each getting four, while Jalonick added another point by throwing a foul. Foul throwing of the Juniors was off color, and several of the team tried their hand. Fouls, however, were not as frequent as one might expect them to be in such a game.

The play was fast, and the play was furious. At no time did the interest lag, and the men were in it for their class to win. Good points, and bad, were noted, with the former much in the majority. Drummond shot goals like the honored president of the class that he represented, and Hobson collided a la Burke. Peoples showed his usual speed, and played well at center. The others did their part and not a laggard player was on the floor.

As a referee, Roger Bear made good on the jump. Nothing escaped his notice, and the Suicide League would do well to keep him on the official staff.

The crowd, the big crowd, the enormous crowd—it was heartrending. With the two classes representing some 250 students, one Freshman was there with a friend. Not a Junior was present as spectator to help the team—that class famous for its class spirit. Have you a right to "sob" when your team loses, and you do nothing to help them win?

Get together and encourage the sport. The games are good and they help to develop Varsity material. Make class athletics the success it should be, by your attendance and financial aid. No man has a right to say a word against any University team, when he has not done what he could to aid it.

We thank the Freshman who attended the game.

The lineup and score:

Freshmen	Position	Juniors
Drummond	R. F.	Hogue
Yancey, Dunlap	L. F.	Elliott
Evans	C.	Peoples, capt.
Hobson	R. G.	Crist

Rogers, capt. L. G. Jalonick
Goals from field: Evans, 9; Drummond, 6; Yancey, 1; Peoples, 4; Elliott, 4. Fouls, Drummond, 3; Jalonick, 1. Referee, Roger Bear. Umpire, Leon O'Quin. Time-keeper, Thornton. Scorer, R. A. Smith. Time of halves, 20 and 15 minutes.

Junior Class Meeting

On Wednesday afternoon a few of the faithful of the Juniors answered the call for a meeting. The report of the finance committee of the Junior Prom was read by Chairman Thornton, and accepted by the class. The report showed a ten dollar deficit. Baseball was then the topic, and the meeting ended with S. B. Harper being elected manager of the class team for the coming season.

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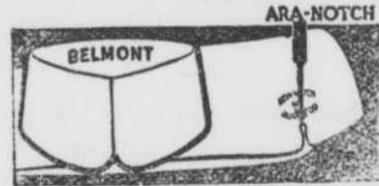
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White Bill Providing for Appropriation Passes Legislature

Though accused of leaving undone many things which it ought to have done, the session of the Virginia legislature recently ended provided for one thing which will bring satisfaction to the faculty and student body of Washington and Lee, and the people of Lexington—namely, the removal of the body of Light Horse Harry Lee to Virginia soil—probably to the Lee vault at Washington and Lee University. The bill providing for the appropriation was introduced into the House some weeks ago, but did not come up for final action until the last day of the session, when it was passed. It will now go to the governor for his approval.

This action is but a renewal of the movement inaugurated in 1860 by the general assembly looking to a similar end. The approach of the War between the states then prevented. Again, in 1875, the board of trustees of Washington and Lee university took the matter up, with a view to placing the remains in the vault dedicated to the family. Last year discussion was revived at the meeting of the Sons of the American Revolution, the idea then being for interment at Arlington. But it was found that his descendants preferred Lexington.

The island where the body has lain for more than a century is owned by Andrew Carnegie. The identity of the grave is well established, and it has been well cared for.

General Light Horse Harry Lee, one of the heroes of the Revolution, had a direct personal association with Rockbridge county, where his bones will finally lie. The Glenwood estate, on James river, was once his property, and he was one of the owners of the Arcadia iron property in Botetourt. He seems at one time to have had a home near the last named place. He was unfortunate in business and failed in his ventures. Stories are still told about his captivating manner and address.

Freshmen Lose Two Games

The Washington and Lee Freshmen basketball team lost two games last Thursday and Friday. One at Bedford City to Randolph Macon academy, and the other to Lynchburg High School. The first game was close and hard fought throughout, the academy boys winning 28 to 19. The game was prettily played, only one foul being called and that one on R. M. A. For R. M. A. Alton and Johnson starred; for W. and L. Freshmen, Evans and Rogers.

In the Lynchburg High School game the score went against the Freshmen from the start and they never caught up. They were in poor condition when they went into the game and this told against them. For L. H. S. Gamaway and Camm starred; for W. and L. Freshmen Drummond and Yancey.

O. H. Briedenbach, B. A., '11, is teaching at Belle Haven, Va.

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