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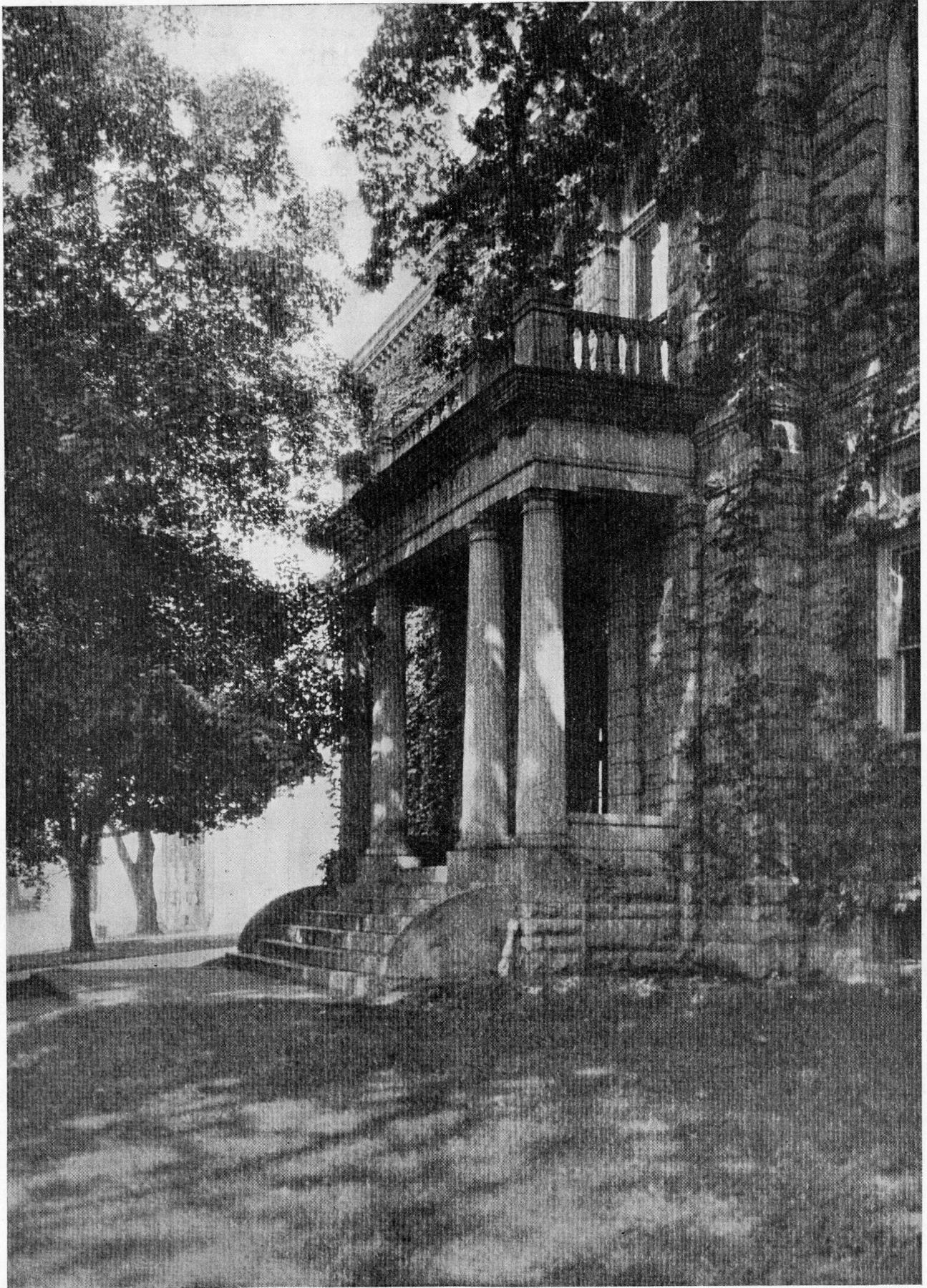
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The Year

One hundred thirty-eight students applied for degrees to be awarded at Commencement; fifty-eight for B. A., forty-three for B. S., in Commerce twenty-seven for B. L. and eight for B. S.

Students assembled to hear Dr. Irving Fisher, famed economist of Yale University, talk on "Prohibition at its Worst." They were impressed by his keen analysis, his calm dispassionate attitude, his lucid presentation.

Again students assembled to hear Dr. Gordon J. Laing, Dean of the graduate school of the University of Chicago, talk on "Literature and Leisure." A dry lecture on the classics was anticipated. A deft, amusing, instructive and highly entertaining commentary on present day tendencies was heard. The speaker received the heartiest ovation of the year.

The Generals' baseball nine played fifteen games, won eight. Their season was featured by hard hitting, erratic fielding, good pitching, excellent coaching and dispirited play. Wins over George Tech. and Virginia were outstanding.

President Henry Louise Smith addressed the V. M. I. cadets at their chapel, the annual convention of District D. Virginia Education Association at Hopewell, Va., The Teachers Institute at Danville, Va., The Southern Interscholastic Press Association, at Lexington, the Omicron Delta Kappa National Honorary fraternity at Davidson, N. C. At his office, wrote bulletins, squarely met some issues of student discipline.

Dean Campbell suffered from a serious eye trouble, returned from a hospital in Washington, D. C., resumed his duties, handled delayed matters of student discipline.

Judge E. C. Caffrey, '09, president of the Alumni Association, Inc., was elected to the Phi Beta Kappa society (W. & L. chapter). Concurrently he was promoted to the Circuit bench of New Jersey.

Judge Charles J. McDermott, trustee, accepted the invitation to address the Alumni Association, Inc., at its annual meeting, Monday, June 6th. Subject "Who's on Your Campus."

Rumors abounded that able Prof. John O. Lofberg (Ancient Languages) and able Prof. Lewis Tyree,



ALUMNI REUNION 1926

'15 (Law) would be missing next year. Dr. Lofberg is to be at Oberlin College, Ohio; "Lew" Tyree at the New Jersey Law School (Newark).

Karf Zerfoss, campus Y. M. C. A. Secretary for the past three years, granted leave of absence for one year, will study at Columbia University.

Student body elections were held. All the machinery of a professional political campaign was in use. Victors were celebrated and losers consoled according to accepted formulas.

It was announced that the Faculty would meet the alumni in a baseball game on "the Island" at 4:30 P. M. Monday, June 6th (preceding the annual Boat Race).

The student body assembled to consider a proposal that they provide funds for the erection of a steel bridge from the gymnasium to the athletic field. If built it would be known as the "Class '27-'31 Bridge."

Your secretary offered a copy of the Alumni Directory and Service Record in combination with a year's subscription to the Alumni Magazine for \$4.50, sold several; compiled and presented a report on the University's financial campaigns; planned for Finals.

The 177th session approached its close.

Know Your College

Being some questions evolved according to the present mode of self interrogation, the winner to award himself a visit to Lexington for Finals. Answers are printed on page 8 of this issue.

1. What two prominent alumni are opposed as legal counsels in the much discussed C. & O.—Van Swearingen R. R. merger?
2. What alumnus was with Capt. DeLong's Arctic expedition to the Lena River? (There is a tablet to his memory in the Lee Chapel.)
3. What alumnus pitched the first curved ball in collegiate athletics (baseball)?
4. What alumnus was a judge on the United States Supreme Court until 1916.
5. What is the largest single gift or bequest ever received by Washington and Lee? (Actually received—not in trust).
6. Was Robert Parker Doremus an alumnus of W. & L.?
7. Who are the present trustees of W. & L.?
8. Who is the oldest (in period of service) professor on the present faculty?
9. What alumnus won fame as an explorer of the Pacific North-west, was Secretary to Thomas Jefferson, was Governor of the Louisiana territory?

10. What alumnus was Governor of Arkansas in 1920?
11. For whom is the present athletic field named?
12. Under what condition did General Robert E. Lee accept the proffer of the presidency of Washington College?
13. What is the oldest Greek letter social fraternity represented at Washington and Lee (from time of establishment here)?
14. Name the presidents of Washington and Lee since General Robert E. Lee.
15. When was the present site of Washington and Lee first occupied (the Washington College building)?
16. What is the oldest organization subsidiary and pertaining to the University (still active)?
17. What alumnus was largely responsible for the framing of the Federal Reserve Banking Act?
18. In what way was General George Washington connected with the school which became Washington and Lee University?
19. Who caused the first school of journalism to be established in an American college?
20. Have you bought your copy of the Alumni Directory and Service Record?

W. & L. PROMINENT AT CHEMICAL SOCIETY MEETING

Washington and Lee was well represented at the annual meeting of the American Chemical Society held in Richmond, Va., April 12-14. Drs. James L. Howe and L. J. Desha, '06, and Prof. Bailey of the Chemistry Department attended from Lexington; also present were Dr. Edward Lyons, '15, of Detroit; Bryson Glass, '26, now attending Johns Hopkins University; Clyde Whetzel, '14, of Pittsburgh; S. C. Lind, '98, head of the Department of Chemistry, University of Minnesota; Thomas McCorkle, '14, head of the Department of Chemistry and Physics, State Teachers School, Farmville, Va.; L. L. Shirey, '16, of Richmond, Va.; G. Robert Shaw, '15, of Cleveland, Ohio; Walter Preston, '15, from Cincinnati, Ohio, and James A. Lee, '17, of New York City.

Organized by the energetic and loyal Jimmy Lee, the W. & L. men attending got together for a luncheon at the Jefferson Hotel in Richmond Thursday, April 14th. Dr. Howe and Dr. Desha talked in-

formally on the progress the Chemistry Department is making at W. & L.

LAW CLASS OF '11 PUBLISHES ANNUAL

The '11 lawyers are closely bound by an active class organization. Each year since their graduation an annual has been published. They meet at finals every five years for the election of officers.

The 16th edition of the Class Annual has just been published by J. Nevin Kilmer, '11 Secretary, of Martinsburg, West Va. The annual is dedicated to the memory of Dennis S. Kilmer, who died November 4, 1926.

Interesting contributions to this edition were made by Judge M. P. ("Daddy") Burks, '72; and by Joseph R. Long, now professor in the University of Colorado Law School; O. T. Kaylor of Hagerstown, Md., president of the class; George Chaney, Robert A. Russell, Reginald Page, Bill Engleby, H. B. Gregory, J. N. Harman, Jr., J. T. Watson, C. O. Dunn, H. S. Reid, N. D. Smithson, W. D. Rucker, Claude P. Light, Jno. F. Brown, Luther G. Scott, W. R. Taylor, W. L. Freeland, and S. B. Schein.

Finals 1927—Alumni Day

Finals is the accepted time for the annual alumni reunion. The preponderance of under-graduate activity makes this period unattractive to some, yet returned prodigals find the campus in full dress, are recognized by genial "Dean Harry," meet more of their former classmates than at any other time.

June 3rd to 7th is the date this year. Alumni Day is Monday, June 6th. On Alumni Day the Alumni, Inc., meets in business session at 10:30 A. M. at the Carnegie Library. Every former student is a member of the incorporation and is entitled to vote upon business matters. At 11:30 A. M., Judge Charles J. McDermott, able lawyer of New York City and trustee of Washington and Lee, will deliver an address, "Who's on Your Campus?" At 1 P. M. all visiting alumni are to be the guests of the University for a buffet luncheon on the Dining Hall lawn. At 3 P. M. the faculty meets the alumni in a baseball game on Wilson Field. The annual Harry Lee-Albert Sidney boat race will be staged at 6 P. M. President and Mrs. Henry Louis Smith give their annual reception to alumni, graduates and visitors at 9 P. M., then comes the Senior-Alumni ball at the gymnasium. A full day for you; no less full of genial warmth, of pleasant association and of genuine welcome.

The Baccalaureate sermon will be delivered in the Lee Chapel, Sunday, June 5th, at 11 A. M., by Rev. W. W. Memminger; the Commencement address in the Chapel by Hon. Martin W. Littleton on Tuesday, June 7th at 11 A. M. Mr. Littleton is almost an alumnus, having attended a summer session of the Law School under Professors John R. Tucker and Charles A. Graves. He is widely known as a lawyer, a speaker and a public servant. The Final Ball, Tuesday night, June 7th, rings down the curtain, closes a busy, successful year.

According to the adopted schedule, Finals 1927 is the special time for the reunion of the classes of '13, '14, '15, and '16; of '94, '95, '96 and '97, and of '75, '76, '77 and '78. It has been suggested that "The great War Class of '17" celebrate its 10th anniversary at this time.

CALENDAR

Friday, June 3rd

9:00 P. M.—Interfraternity dance.

Saturday, June 4th

11:00 A. M.—Pan-White Friar dansant.

4:00 P. M.—Informal reception at Alumni headquarters, Lee's Dormitory.

6:00 P. M.—Second and Third Crew boat races.

9:00 P. M.—Sigma German.

Sunday, June 5th

11:00 A. M.—Baccalaureate Sermon by Rev. W. W. Memminger, D.D.

6:00 P. M.—Vesper services on the campus.

ALUMNI DAY

Monday, June 6th

10:30 A. M.—Business meeting of Alumni, Inc., Carnegie Library.

11:30 A. M.—Address, "Who's on Your Campus," Judge Chas. J. McDermott, Trustee.

12:00 M.—Roll call and reports of local associations.

1:00 P. M.—Buffet luncheon to alumni on lawn.

2:00 P. M.—Alumni class reunions, classes of '13, '14, '15 and '16; of '94, '95, '96 and '97; and of '75, '76, '77 and '78, Carnegie Library.

3:00 P. M.—Faculty-Alumni baseball game, Wilson Field.

6:00 P. M.—First Crew boat race, North River.

9:00 P. M.—President's reception to graduates, trustees, faculty, alumni and visitors.

10:00 P. M.—Senior-Alumni ball, led by Judge E. C. Caffrey, President of Alumni, Inc.

Tuesday, June 7th

10:45 A. M.—Procession of trustees, faculty and graduates.

11:00 A. M.—Commencement exercises, Lee Chapel; Address, Honorable Martin W. Littleton.

10:00 P. M.—Final ball.

FACULTY vs. ALUMNI

A Faculty—Alumni baseball game will be an institution at Finals this year. The contest will precede the annual boat race at "the Island" on Monday, June 6th. One admission will cover both events. Temporary bleachers will be erected facing the river for the game in order that the finish of the Albert Sidney—Harry Lee classic may be seen advantageously.

Prof. C. E. Williams, of Real Property fame, will captain the Faculty nine. Eddie Parks Davis, '15, in his usual red flannel uniform, will captain the assembled alumni diamond stars. A line up has not been worked out, but the Alumni Magazine suggests the following arrangement.

Faculty: "Skinny" Williams, pitcher; "Abie" Wooten and Carl Gill, catchers; "Liv" Smith and G. D. Hancock, 1st base; Gray Funkhouser and George Irwin, 2nd base; W. G. Bean and "Gran" Campbell 3rd base; "Lew" Tyree and "Duke" Desha, S. S.; R. W. Dickey, R. N. Latture, "Willie" Brown, J. O. Lofberg, W. B. Dominick, Howard Thompson and Frank Gilliam, outfielders. The *Alumni* team depends upon the men returning for Finals. If you plan to return communicate with Eddie Davis and then borrow a glove and ball and limber up for the coming classic.

"Boss" Moreland, Dean "Harry," "Howdy" Howe and "Prexy" Smith will be on hand to coach from the side lines or umpire. Forest Fletcher and Captain Dick Smith will coach the Faculty and Alumni teams respectively.

The game will be called at 4.30 P. M. and will be played on the Island so that fans may see the Harry Lee—Albert Sidney boat races. The usual boat race admission will be charged.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE APPOINTED

According to the provision of the new Alumni, Inc. Constitution the following members of the Board of Trustees have been appointed to make nominations for elections to be held at the Finals Alumni meeting, June 6th, Paul C. Buford, '10, Chairman; Dr. William Allan, '02, and E. P. Davis.

Nominations are to be made for two places on the Board of Trustees of the Alumni, Inc., two resident alumni memberships and two non-resident alumni memberships on the Athletic Council and recommendations are to be made to the University Board of Trustees of Alumni deemed qualified for filling vacancies in that body. The committee is required to submit at least two nominations for each vacancy. Members having suggestions to make are asked to communicate with Paul C. Buford, 811 Boxley Building, Roanoke, Va.

ANSWERS TO "KNOW YOUR COLLEGE"

1. Newton D. Baker, '94, of Cleveland, Ohio, and Henry W. Anderson, '98, of Richmond, Virginia.

2. Dr. James Markham Marshall Ambler, '67, Passed Assistant Surgeon U. S. Navy on duty with arctic steamer Jeanette. Perished near the mouth of the Lena River, 1881.

3. George A. Sykes, in 1879, now of Atlanta, Ga.

4. Joseph Rucker Lamar, '78, of Augusta, Ga.

5. The George Peabody gift, now valued at \$250,000.00.

6. No.

7. Hon. Wm. A. Anderson, '61; Hon. Lucian H. Cocke, '74; Mr. Frank Glasgow, '76; Mr. Harrington Waddell, '92; Dr. W. McC. White, '87; Hon. W. A. MacCorkle, '77; Judge Charles J. McDermott; Hon. John W. Davis, '92; Dr. Geo. Bolling Lee, '96; J. R. Caskie, '06; Rev. W. L. Carson, '13; Hugh B. Sproul, '92; W. D. Lewis, '77; Paul M. Penick, '96, and John S. Munce.

8. Dean H. D. Campbell, '82, Professor of Geology and Dean of the University.

9. Merriwether Lewis.

10. Thomas C. McRae, '72, of Prescott, Ark.

11. Wilson Field in honor of William L. Wilson, President of Washington and Lee 1897-1900.

12. His acceptance was conditioned upon an agreement by the board that his exclusion from the general amnesty proclaimed at the close of the war would not react to the detriment of the college.

13. Phi Kappa Psi, established at W. & L. in 1855.

14. General Custis Lee, 1870-1897; Honorable Wm. L. Wilson, 1897-1900; Henry St. George Tucker (acting) 1900-1901; George H. Denny, 1901-1911; J. L. & H. D. Campbell (acting 1911-12); Henry Louis Smith, 1912—.

15. In 1805.

16. The Alumni Association, organized June 25, 1840.

17. Senator Robert L. Owen, '77, of Oklahoma.

18. By assigning a gift of \$50,000 to him from the State of Virginia to Liberty Hall Academy and by giving permission for the academy to bear his name.

19. General Robert E. Lee as President of Washington College instituted courses in practical printing and journalism in 1868.

Edwin H. Howard, '24, is in the employ of Lybrand, Ross Bros. & Montgomery, Accountant and Auditors, New York City.

Judge McDermott, Trustee, to Speak at Finals Alumni Meeting

Judge Charles J. McDermott, trustee and ardent supporter of Washington and Lee, has accepted the invitation of the Alumni, Inc., to speak at its annual Commencement meeting in the Carnegie Library, Monday, June 6th at 11:30 A. M. He will talk upon the subject "Who's on Your Campus". He is well qualified to talk upon this subject, due to the intimate and active connection which he has maintained with the W. & L. Alumni, Inc., and to his connection with the Alumni Association of the Columbia University Law School, of which he is first vice-President.

Since his election to the Board of Trustees of Washington and Lee in 1920, Judge McDermott has given much time and attention to the affairs of the University. He is an alumnus of Adelphi Academy, Brooklyn, and of the Columbia University Law School, receiving his LL.B. in 1889.

After graduation Judge McDermott continued the practice of law in New York City. He was appointed Judge of the Kings County N. Y. Court by Governor Whitman in 1917 and elected to that position in 1918. He resigned and reentered the practice of law in January, 1921.

At present Judge McDermott is president of the Brooklyn Law Library, a member of the Board of Trustees of Washington and Lee, of Adelphi Academy, of the College of the City of New York, a member of the Board of Higher Education of New York City and first vice-President of the Columbia Law School Alumni Association. He has many important business connections in and about New York, including the Doremus Estate. He is an executive committeeman of the Phi Delta Phi (Legal fraternity) Association in New York, a trustee of the Good Samaritan Dispensary, a member of the Finance Committee of the Brooklyn Home for Consumptives, of the Court's Committee of the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities, and of various bar and lawyers associations.

Athletics, hunting and fishing are his recreative interests. He was for many years Governor of the Crescent Athletic Club, then president and then vice-president. He is a member of the Narrow Bay Gun Club, the Long Island Country Club and of the Cherry Valley Club.

In April, 1924, Judge McDermott was appointed Deputy Attorney-General for the prosecution of cases in Nassau County, New York. During the War he was a member of the Legal Advisory Board in charge of the work of that Board at its headquarters in the Borough of Brooklyn.

A man of wide experience, of varied interests and of deep affection for Washington and Lee, Judge McDermott will attract many visiting alumni to hear him on Alumni Day at Lexington and prove an added



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incentive for many "undecided" alumni to return for the annual alumni reunion.

DAN OWEN'S HAM

You have not received the highest degree of attention to which prodigals are entitled unless you have partaken of the ham, "the" ham being the annual sacrifice made by porkers on Dan Owen's farm for the gastronomic delight of returning alumni at Finals. Of course there is cheese and crackers, pickles and apples, but the "piece de resistance" is the ham.

Midnight is the accepted time for performance of the ritual. A foreign element in the shape of Lexington baked bread is introduced, then someone produces a rusty pocket knife with which the ham is gracefully carved. A pencil serves as a pickle fork. Cheese and crackers are easily managed. After the apple course, reminiscences begin. Dan is good for several yarns, then "Ed" Caffrey will thrill you with murder cases which he has tried; other yarns from varied fields will mingle with the mellow smoke of glowing pipes as the night wanes into dawn.

So come back Finals if you want to know Dan. May be, if the signs are right, you will be introduced to the order of the ham. Three Finals are required before permanent initiation will be granted. '27 is a good time to start.

Marse Robert's Hoss

A recent issue of Colliers Weekly contains an interesting account of Traveler, General Robert E. Lee's famous horse. The account is written by James C. Young and contains the recollections of an old negro named William Mack Lee who was an attendant of General Lee during the war. The following is what William has to say about "Marse Robert's" horse:

"Marse Robert paid a thousand dollars fo' Traveler in Yellow Brier County," said William. "That hoss knew more than I did. He sure was a beauty. Yes, sir; his tail swept the ground. He was an iron gray with a black mane and tail. He had a little head, a big chest and flat legs, a regular racer. Run? He used to run like a streak, Marse Robert risin' and fallin' with him over the hills. He was a snortin' hoss, too, specially when he smelled powder. Didn't care for it at all when Marse Robert bought him. I've seen Traveler raise right up on his hind legs at the first shot and snort terrible when he smelled the powder. Kind of wild-eyed and wantin' to get away from here. But he learned to know the smell, a war horse for fair. H'd walk across the battle fields, steppin' light as a lady so he wouldn't paw none of the men. Sometimes he'd lick their faces when Marse Robert let the reins fall. 'Peared to know they was hurt and needed somebody to care fo' them.

A great hoss, Traveler was. Three years old when we got him and proud as a Lee. You couldn't treat

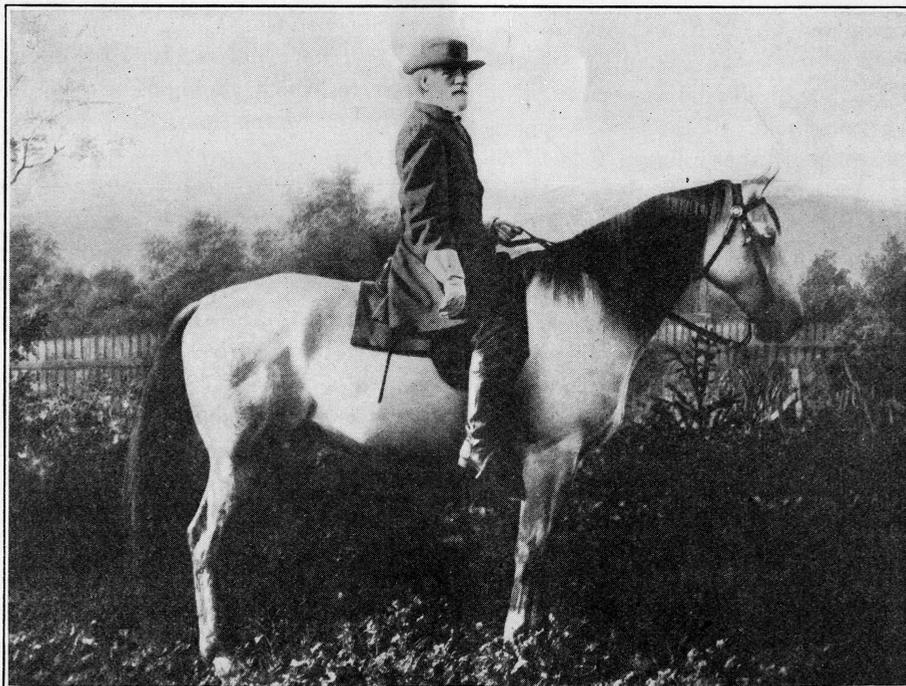
him like an ordinary hoss. He had to have fresh oats, or none. Wouldn't drink out of a dirty trough neither. Particular as his master. They sure kept me busy them two, tryin' to provide fo' their wants when we didn't have nothin' to provide sometimes. But let Marse Robert come out of his tent and there was Traveler, whinnyin' and ready to start. Rode him all through the war and neither one got a hair singed. He lived long after Marse Robert; got to be twenty-five years old, I guess."

WHERE TO STAY

Alumni headquarters will be in the central wing of Lee's Dormitory for Finals. Rooms will be provided in the Dormitory for unaccompanied alumni. Those returning with their wives and families are urged to make reservations at the Robert E. Lee, Dutch Inn or at private homes at an early date.

The Alumni Secretary will be at Alumni headquarters in Lee's Dormitory at all hours during Finals. Every visiting alumnus is asked to register there. Information and every possible assistance will be given by the Secretary.

John W. Leigh, '21, of Memphis, Tenn., has been promoted to manager of the Meridian branch of the J. E. Dilworth Company, machines and mill supplies.



TRAVELER

"Used to run like a streak"

BASEBALL

At the first call for diamond candidates, Captain Dick Smith found few new faces. Except at short stop and left field the positions were occupied as at the close of last season. "Ty" Rauber, football ace, was moulded into the short stop position, "Apie" Lowden from last year's freshman team was given the out field post and Ginsburg and Eaglebach, veterans, alternated with White, a newcomer, at third. In the box the veterans Folliard and Maben were assisted by Osterman and White, Tipps and Jones behind the plate, Spotts at first, Captain Mike Palmer at second, Sterns in right field and the old timer, "Tips" Gwaltney, in center, completed the line-up.

The high spots of the season were seen in a 2-0 defeat of Georgia Tech. at Atlanta when "Snake" Maben let the golden tornado nine down with three hits, and the crushing defeat handed Virginia 8-0, by Paul Folliard in the first classic encounter of the season. Hard hitting and erratic fielding characterized the Generals' play throughout the year. Important games were lost to Georgia Tech., Virginia, V. P. I., and Richmond College.

The results for the season were:

Pitcher

Folliard—W. & L., 1; Springfield, 4

Folliard—W. & L., 3; Ga. Tech., 6

Maben—W. & L., 2; Ga. Tech., 0

White } W. & L., 9; Duke, 6
Folliard }

Maben—W. & L., 6; Duke, 4

Folliard—W. & L., 3; Cornell, 2

Maben } W. & L., 6; Syracuse, 5
Folliard }

Maben—W. & L., 1; Richmond College, 8

Folliard—W. L., 8; Virginia, 0

Folliard—W. & L., 1; V. P. I., 2

Folliard } W. & L., 6; St. Johns, 3
Maben }

Folliard } W. & L., 3; U. S. Marines, 6
Maben }

Osterman—W. & L., 8; Richmond Med., 0

Maben } W. & L., 8; Virginia, 9
Folliard }

Maben } W. & L., 0; V. P. I., 4.
Folliard }

S. C. Shaw, '24, is with Shaw and Company, Inc., Insurance, of Mayfield, Kentucky.

HERRON SAYS NEW GRID CHANGES WILL NOT AFFECT GENERALS

"The new changes recently effected in the football rules will not change the play of the Generals," stated Coach Pat Herron when interviewed recently.

One of the changes made by the rules committee of American football affected the shift play, making it necessary for a team to halt two seconds after a shift has been made. The lateral pass in football will undergo a change under the ruling by the committee so that in case of a fumble behind the line of scrimmage the ball will not be lost except on the fourth down.

Goal posts will no longer be on the goal line, but ten yards behind it. This ruling will make the point after touchdown harder to secure for teams using the drop-kick method of securing the extra point. Also a fumble may no longer be scooped up and taken for a touchdown, however, the ball will go to the team recovering the fumble.

Coach Herron, mentor of the Generals says, "The new ruling in regard to the shift play will help the defense of the teams not in the habit of using the shift play as part of their offense. Washington and Lee grid teams will profit by this change, as we do not use the shift play."

In regard to the ruling on the lateral pass, Coach Herron stated, "Unquestionably it will make the lateral pass more popular among teams. The risk which has heretofore been attached to the use of this play has been removed and more coaches will undoubtedly use it in their style of game."

"We met with the lateral pass in only one instance last season, and that was at Princeton. The Tigers only used it once, however," Coach Herron added.

"The ruling about the point after touchdown will make the extra point more difficult to make and will of course cause more tie games," it is thought by Coach Herron. He also said that a fumbled punt and running for a touchdown merely eliminates one more break of the game and will have no effect on gridiron strategy whatever.

WRESTLERS CHOSEN

At the close of the wrestling season three W. & L. grapplers were chosen for places on the All-South-Atlantic Wrestling team. Those chosen were Captain Rule, "Mike" Seligman and Wilkes. Two men from V. M. I., one from V. P. I. and one from Virginia were chosen on this mythical eleven.

Kappa Sigma won the interfraternity basketball tournament by defeating the Phi Epsilon Pi quint 23 to 8. The game was marked by the close guarding of both teams and the sensational shooting of the winners.

CINDER TRACK IS COMPLETED

The cinder track is at last a reality. Work on it which extended over a period of seven months was finally culminated. Washington and Lee now has one of the finest outdoor tracks in the South. This was the opinion voiced by several of the athletic authorities in the University.

The jumping pits which will be a part of the track, have not yet been completed, but they will be directly in front of the stadium and will be three in number: broad jump pit, pole vault pit, and high jump pit. The permanent pits are not being constructed now because of the desire to finish the sodding of the field. The temporary pits for this season will be placed at the north end of the gridiron.

The cinder path has been built according to regulations a quarter of a mile in length. The longest stretch of straight-a-way will be 150 yards in length. The track is wide enough for six lanes of hurdles, ample enough to take care of any meets held here.

The starting point will be at the north end, while all finishes will be directly in front of the stadium. When final completion is made the project will be one of the finest of its kind in the Southern Conference.

"CY" TWOMBLY HURLING WELL

E. P. Twombly, the Generals' own, was crashing through in masterful style in his pre-season workouts with the Newara Bears, according to the sports dope emanating from the New Jersey metropolis. From all accounts "Cy" surprised Manager Egan's outfit with his condition, which he got as a result of working out with the Generals almost daily for several weeks.

The part of the sophomore gym and suicide classes in preparing Twombly for his summer mound duties with the International League club has not been overlooked by the scribes of Newark. They speak highly of the physical condition of their right-handed ace in every story, and attribute a large part of it to his work in the local physical education department.

AN ALL-TIME W. & L. FOOTBALL TEAM

We have All-American, All-Southern, All-South Atlantic teams. Why not have an All-Time W. & L. football team, suggests an interested alumnus. It's a good suggestion.

The ALUMNI MAGAZINE would like to receive nominations from alumni. Nominations should be limited to players of the modern football game—(not the Rugby game in vogue in the '80's). Any W. & L. varsity player should be eligible. His full name, year and position should be stated.

If this effort is approved by magazine readers the plan will be republished in the summer issue of the

ALUMNI MAGAZINE, which goes to all alumni, a set of judges appointed and rules of entry defined. Let the alumni secretary hear from you. Should we propose an All-Time baseball team, too?

ATHLETIC FIELD FENCED IN STEEL WIRE

A new steel fence, of the same type as that which surrounds the athletic field at the University of Virginia and supported by steel posts set in concrete, now encloses the entire athletic field, taking in the baseball diamond, gridiron and stadium. It was bought at a cost of \$3,500.

There are six small gates at the regular entrance on the south side of the field, and also several entrance gates from the railroad side of the field.

No provision, however, has been made for parking purposes on the field. Autoists will in the future be compelled to park their machines in front of the gym or on the streets of Lexington. The reason given is that after the athletic field will have been completed and sodded the destruction that autos would cause to the field in wet weather would cause much damage.

It is the plan of the athletic association to eventually construct a concrete foot bridge across the railroad gap that separates the athletic field from the gymnasium. This improvement would greatly relieve the crowded conditions that now exist when games are played on Wilson field and the cars could then be parked in front of the gymnasium with no inconvenience to the visitors.

GENERALS BEAT W. & M. RUNNERS

Washington and Lee's trackmen scored their first victory of the spring season over the harriers from William and Mary College by a 12 point margin, the final score being 69-57. The Indians came from behind in the last few events to seriously threaten a seemingly safe lead which the Generals had accumulated early in the match. The afternoon was replete with spectacular individual performances.

The best individual performance of the day was turned by Coleman of the Generals, who threw the javelin 171 feet, eight inches. This mark came within one inch of the old school record which was made by J. O. Lewis in 1925. While failing to establish a new school record at this time, Coleman bids fair to become successful in breaking this and other records before the year is over.

Duke University's flimsily garbed gladiators raced through the field events to a hard-earned victory over the Washington and Lee spikers by a score of 75 to 51. The Generals about held their own in the running events, but were unable to give the skilful Carolinians much competition in the jumping and weight events.

"Suicide" Has Not Changed

The football tactics of "Suicide" as played in Washington and Lee have not been lessened in sixteen years of playing. Those who participate in this rigorous sport in the gym today, feel the same as the student who wrote an article concerning it in the Ring-tum Phi of March 12, 1914. After writing a long description of the manner in which the game was played, he reports, "As a visiting alumnus said last week, 'Talk about the violence of football, the bloodiness of German duels, the wildness of Mexican revolutions, . . . Great Scott, man! Go out to the gym and see a game of W. & L. suicide.'"

The writer summed up his article with the following paragraph:

"I'll shoot Niagara's highest fall, but I won't play suicide basketball; I've been about a bit in my time, when things were rough and wild, and I'd had my share of dangers when I was but a child; I've been pursued by Indians over many a trackless plain, and I've seen some heavy firing in the memorable war with Spain; I've broncho busted in the woolly West, and I've sailed uncharted seas, I've withstood attacks from bandits in the Spanish Pyrenees; I've been captured by cannibals in a far off South Isle, and I've

used the back of a crocodile to ferry across the Nile; I've been in the revolutions of southern Argentine, and I've been to the depths of the ocean in a punctured submarine. These are a few of my numerous deeds—I can't recall them all; but there's just one thing I will not do—play suicide basketball."

"Suicide" has taken its toll at Washington and Lee. Strange to say, no death notice concerning any student at the University can be found in the newspaper. No one is dead. But "suicide" has taken its toll. In collegiate circles "suicide" is not necessarily limited to death imposed by one's own hand, but it is a term more generally applied to a modified form of basketball, in which kicking, gouging, punching and fighting are all allowable, and even to be desired.

As a result of one of these games, one student suffered from a broken arm, another had two front teeth knocked out, two more had broken noses, while cuts, bruises and sprains are numerous.

Modern reformers are demanding that a stop be put to the "suicide" wave among students, but they admit that they would have a real job on their hands to convince a typical Washington and Lee man that "suicide" isn't a great game.

ANOTHER W. & L. WORLD'S RECORD

Dr. Matthew Page Andrews, '01, of Baltimore, Md., author, historian and baseball fan, has called our attention to an article published in a New York paper several years ago by Ernest J. Lannagan, which stated that the World's record for the highest shut out score was made by Washington and Lee in a game with William and Mary. The score was 40-0. This article was written ten years after the game was played. The author had evidently been digging up baseball statistics for publication and had gone through college records as well as other amateur and professional records, so it can really be considered a world's record and regarded as official.

Another record of which W. & L. may be proud is that of Mr. Andrews pitching in 1901, which was hung up at Sharpsburg, Md., against the Washington, (D. C.) Y. M. C. A. team. In this game Mr. Andrews struck out 24 of the 27 men to face him during the nine innings of play. This record has since been equalled in an amateur game in Texas which is quoted as a world's record.

Representative H. St. George Tucker, '75, of the Tenth Virginia district has accepted an invitation to make the principal address before the State Bar Association of Georgia, at Savannah, June 2.

FORMER GENERALS IN PROFESSIONAL BASEBALL

Tommy Seehorn, '26, former Generals' baseball star, signed up with the New Orleans "Pelicans" in the Southern League for the 1927 baseball season. After the training season he went to the Tampa, Florida Association. There he is leading his club in batting and is rapidly proving to be the outstanding star of the League.

Seehorn played third base and short stop for Washington and Lee, being captain of his team last year. He was noted for his heavy hitting. After graduating from W. & L. he played in the Tri-state League, then returned to Memphis, Tennessee, to play with the Chrysler Baseball Club.

Gus Lindburg, General pitching ace and captain of the 1925 team, signed up with the Winston-Salem, N. C., Baseball Club at the beginning of the season. He had previously had a try-out with the New York Giants.

Rev. Donald W. M. MacCluer, '07, pastor of the Rose City Community Church in Portland, Oregon, writes us: "For the second year we have the largest Sunday School in the state. But I have had nothing to do with it. Our officers and teachers are responsible."

"RED" GILLIAM HAS VARIED ATHLETIC EXPERIENCE

(From *Ring-tum Phi*)

There are many interesting persons and characters connected with Washington and Lee. But how many ever directed the life of a Harvard crew, managed and played on a professional baseball team, and played in an orchestra? Very few.

Yet "Red" Gilliam, local athletic trainer, has done them all.

"Red" was trainer at Harvard from 1899 to 1901. His work was directed especially to the crew. During his time at this historic institution "Red" became acquainted with all the outstanding athletics of the "Big Three". When Bill Roper, a Princeton star, came to V. M. I. to coach in 1902 he induced "Red" to come with him. The former Harvard Trainer resumed his duties at V. M. I. for two years. However, he felt the call of his old ambition, so in 1904 he signed to play baseball with the Royal Giants of New York. He was an outstanding catcher for this team until 1907 when Dr. "Lib" Smith persuaded him to come back to Lexington as trainer at W. & L.

During his twenty-four years of service "Red" has served many Blue and White teams. When he came to W. & L. a generation ago, the gym was where the chemistry building is now. From the burning of that gym to the reserved place under the Carnegie Library, from that to the field house and from the field house to the present Doremus gym, "Red" has attended the men who have been responsible for the athletic recognition which Washington and Lee receives today.

During the summers for ten years after "Red" came to Washington and Lee he continued to play ball. When his day of baseball reached its climax "Red" devoted his time to other things. For the past few summers he has managed the base-ball team at White Sulphur Springs, West Va., and along with his managership has played the banjo in the orchestra of this well known resort.

FIFTY YEARS AGO THE SAME THING HAPPENED!

W. & L. baseball players celebrated the golden anniversary of historic event this spring, when they beat the University of Virginia by a score of 8 to 0. Fifty years ago the score was 12 to 0 in favor of W. & L.

It was another spring day in April, 1877, when the Blue and White "nine" took the all-day trip to Staunton, then by train to Charlottesville to cross bats with the University of Virginia "nine" that had an idea that W. & L. was pie. But there was a boy here—Sykes by name—who came from old Rugby School in Louisville along with McElwee; and Sykes had an

assortment of "curves" in which the baseball fundamentalists didn't take any more stock than some folks do these days in Evolution.

Washington and Lee watched and prayed; all Lexington held its breath; then came the message ticking over the wire that "we" had shut 'em out by a score of 12 to 0! The rest of the story was one of riotous rejoicing and bon fires and when the boys got back, so hoarse from shouting that they could not talk, how they were feted and feasted!

SPOTTS ELECTED QUINT CAPTAIN

H. S. Spotts, of Brooklyn, N. Y. was elected captain of the 1928 basketball team at a banquet held at the Dutch Inn for the basketball monogram men. "Babe" is a member of the Phi Kappa Psi social fraternity, "13" Club, O. D. K., Cotillion Club, and Pi Alpha Nu.

Since entering the University in the fall of 1924 Spotts has made his monogram in football twice, basketball twice and boxing once. Last season he was one of the leading hitters on the baseball team, hitting around the 320 mark. "Babe" was the first all-tournament center at the first annual prep basketball tournament held under the auspices of Washington and Lee. Before entering the University here he attended Fishburne Military School.

PHI BETA KAPPA INITIATES RECEIVE HONORS

Washington and Lee Phi Beta Kappa initiates received their keys on Thursday evening, May 12th, at the annual meeting and banquet at the Dutch Inn. Two alumni and fifteen students were recipients of the highest scholarship award in the University. Among the students are two Lexington boys.

The alumni elected to Phi Beta Kappa are William Taylor Thom, Jr. '13, geologist and now a member of the Princeton University faculty, and E. C. Caffrey, '09.

The list of students is as follows: J. Preston Moore, Lexington; Pendleton S. Tompkins, Lexington; Neill B. McKinney, Van Alstyne, Tex.; Clay B Carr, Boyce, Va.; Robert W. Simmons, Ravenwood, West Va.; David W. Wice, Petersburg, Va.; Samuel A. McCain, Little Rock, Ark.; Handson C. Harrell, Live Oak, Fla., candidates for B. A. degrees; Lee M. Harrison, Blufton, Ga., candidate for the M. A. degree; Russell G. Miller, Williamport, Md.; William M. Pope, Fort Seybert, West Va., candidates for degrees in the school of commerce; George D. Varney, South Berwick, Me.; William G. Sale, Richmond; Alfred F. Taylor, Staunton, and Marion Moise, Sumter, S. C., candidates for the degree of LL.B.

A Commencement Message from the President

To Our Most Loyal Alumni:

Were I to list only the gratifying items of our recent history you might well infer that your Alma Mater's progress was a triumphal procession, without handicaps, problems, deficits, or uncertainties.

Our alumni are in my judgment more united, more interested, better informed, and more loyally cooperative with the trustees and faculty than I have ever known them.

Your institution seems to be more widely esteemed, more highly rated by official accrediting authorities, and given wider and more favorable publicity by more newspapers and telegraphic agencies than ever before.

Its patronage today is more national, more insistent, and more regularly in excess of the pre-determined limit of enrollment than ever in its history.

Its teaching force is much larger in number compared with the enrollment, and is on the average better trained and more highly educated than at any time in recent years.

Recent notable additions, such as the chemical laboratory, the new athletic field, the electrical engineering laboratory, etc., have very much improved its equipment.

Its library has been largely increased by notable gifts, is much better catalogued than ever before, and is utilized by three or four times as many students every day.

The entering students of the University are selected from a larger list of applicants by a far more rigid investigation than ever before, are now put through a course of special assimilative training, and are placed under expert psychological and vocational advisers during their undergraduate course.

These are a selected group of the very favorable items in our recent history.

A few outstanding doubts, deficits, and handicaps may be mentioned as follows:

The annual number of students thus carefully selected by the University which she fails to awaken, assimilate, or successfully train, constituting the annual ghastly scrap-heap of "college failures," seems to grow larger each year rather than smaller.

The absorption of the average student in outside "student activities," and his lack of zeal for or diligence in or approval of the enforced curriculum of "studies," such study not being now classed by the American campus as a "student activity," seems to grow with each passing year in spite of "automatic" rules and more rigid grading.

The tolerance of student opinion and of the aver-



PRESIDENT SMITH

"Favorable items.....doubts.....deficits"

age student attitude toward what used to be called "dissipation" and "immorality."

The growing financial dependence of your Alma Mater on tuition fees, the almost ludicrous inadequacy of our invested endowment funds which, although largely increased in the last five years, amount to less than \$1500 per student in place of the \$5,000 regarded as a necessary minimum by our rating agencies, the fact that a single year of "hard times" might diminish our enrollment and make the institution insolvent . . . all these doubts and deficits should temper our pride, awaken our alarm, and inflame beyond measure our loyal zeal and helpful activity.

Now is the time for all our alumni to work for their glorious Alma Mater, happily, zealously, liberally, successfully.

Most cordially your Fellow-Workman,

HENRY LOUIS SMITH.

Raleigh Jenkins, '24, in the lumber business with his father in Birmingham, is the proud father of a year-old daughter.

DR. LAING IS SPEAKER AT ASSEMBLY

Dr. Gordon J. Laing, Dean of the graduate school at the University of Chicago, was the principal speaker at the University assembly held recently in the gym. His subject, "Literature and Leisure", proved most interesting and was well flavored with fine wit and catching humor. Dr. Laing brought out in a forceful manner that men should devote their leisure time to accomplishing something which is not gained by attending the movies and cheap shows. He said that the forms of amusement now were just as detrimental as the saloons had been.

The editor of the University of Chicago "Press" discussed the study and writing of literature in our leisure hours and showed that something beneficial could be gained along this line. At the end of his address, the student body gave Dr. Laing a great ovation, expressing their true delight and enjoyment of such an accomplished character.

Dr. Henry Louis Smith then requested each member of the student body to write down, on blanks provided for the purpose, the names of the four most typical Washington and Lee men. The purpose of this was to have all the students select the best example of Washington and Lee man to whom a loving cup will be presented, the plan for this being originated by a Washington and Lee alumnus. The award will be made at Finals.

CLASSICAL ASSOCIATION CONVENES IN LEXINGTON

DR. J. O. LOFBERG, *President.*

The sixth annual meeting of the southern section of Mid-west and Southern Classical Association was held in Lexington April 28-30. Dr. J. O. Lofberg, Professor of Ancient Languages at Washington and Lee is president of the association. It was largely through his efforts that the convention was held on the W. & L. campus.

Over fifty delegates, including Dr. E. L. Greene, '92, Professor of Ancient Languages at the University of South Carolina, attended the convention. Of particular interest was the presence of Dr. Gordon J. Laing, Dean of the graduate school at the University of Chicago, who was the chief speaker at the closing banquet of the convention and who spoke before a student body assembly.

At south Pasadena, Cal., recently Mr. and Mrs. Ernest C. Moore, formerly of Lexington, entertained at Bridge and Mr. Leigh Riley, '24, another Lexingtonian, carried off the men's prize. Watch these Lexington folk!

DR. FISHER OF YALE UNIVERSITY ADDRESSES STUDENT ASSEMBLY

"A drunkard commits suicide morally if not physically," Dr. Irving Fisher, head of the Department of Economics at Yale University, declared before an assembly of the entire Washington and Lee University student body here.

Dr. Fisher, who is known throughout the country as an author, hygienist, and economist, spoke on the subject: "The Liquor Question as an American Problem."

"There are three classes of people as regards prohibition," Dr. Fisher pointed out. "First, there are the fanatical dries who believe in prohibition on principle whether it works or not; second, the fanatical wets who are against prohibition on principle; and third, the pragmatists who are in favor of any successful plan for the good of the nation.

It is the latter class which is only able to solve this problem for in such a crisis a scientific or unbiased mind is invaluable.

Dr. Fisher went on to show that prohibition to a certain extent is a failure, in that it has caused disrespect for law and has brought about corruption in some places where it had not existed. "The wets have been prone to exaggerate this failure," he said, "forgetting the corruption of the saloon with its far greater evil influence.

"The disrespect for the law has shifted from the poor to the rich, who in many instances openly defy the law. It is only so-called 'smart' sets that drink now who did not before prohibition.

"Eighty-five percent of drinking has been abolished by prohibition however, but this is yet a failing percentage.

"There is no economic argument against prohibition as figures conclusively show that \$6,000,000,000 has been saved annually by the Volstead Act.

"It is the duty of the coming generation to solve this unsettled question of prohibition with the knowledge which the present generation can impart."

JOURNALISM SCHOOL LIBRARY GETS FOUR NEW TRADE BOOKS

The library of the Lee School of Journalism has been increased by the addition of four new books on journalism. These books are the gift of James Melville Lee, head of the department of journalism at New York University.

Mr. Lee has donated a number of books to the journalism library which has now reached nearly three hundred volumes. The library is located in the journalism building and contains most of the important books that have been written on journalism within the last 20 years.

Judge Caffrey, '09, Promoted

As a result of the creation of two additional Circuit Court Judges, Governor Moore of New Jersey named Judge Edwin C. Caffrey, '09, of the Court of Common Pleas, Newark, N. J., to fill one of the positions. His appointment was immediately confirmed by the State Senate.

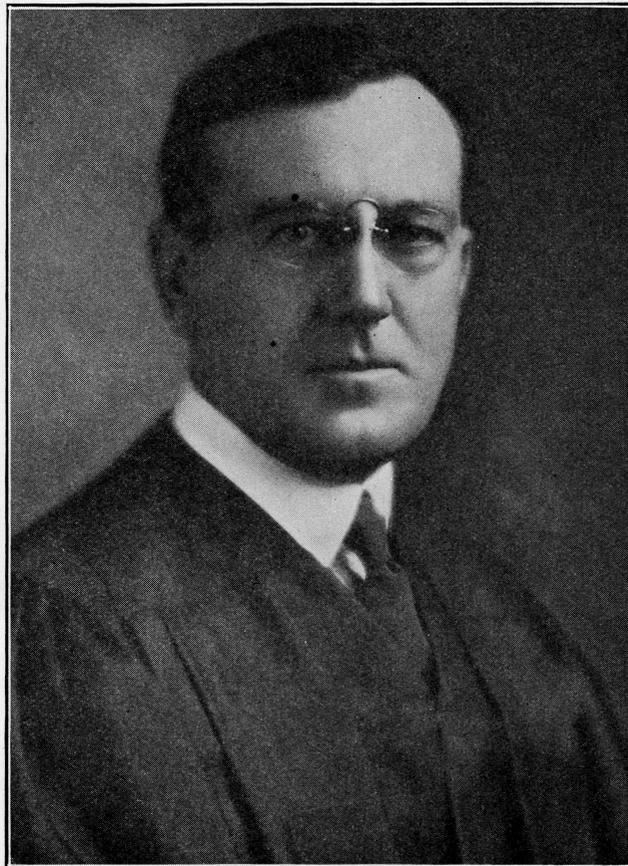
Judge Caffrey was appointed to the Common Pleas bench by Governor Edwards in 1921. It has often been noted that two of the three judges of this court were Washington and Lee alumni, the other being Judge Dallas Flannagan, '88, of Montclair, N. J. In May of last year Judge Caffrey was named by Governor Moore as one of the commission to study crime conditions in the state and make recommendations.

As national president of the Washington and Lee Alumni, Inc., Judge Caffrey is well known to every Washington and Lee alumnus. He never misses a Virginia game nor a Finals alumni reunion. Few can match his actively loyal and liberal interest in his alma mater. He has placed Washington and Lee on the map in New Jersey, as was proven by the attendance of twenty-four of his business friends at the Virginia-W. & L. gridiron catastrophe in Charlottesville last fall. Though none were alumni they chartered a private pullman and came down to root for the Generals en masse.

In behalf of the entire alumni body the ALUMNI MAGAZINE congratulates Judge Caffrey upon his well deserved promotion to this field for greater public service, upon this recognition of his professional ability, and upon the added glory he reflects to Washington and Lee.

"GUS" BRYAN, '23

A. C. ("Gus") Bryan, '23, associated with the Westwood Development Company of West Palm Beach, Florida, writes: "We have just been through the hardest times we have had since coming here, with the possible exception of a few hurricanes and a few other bank failures. I am determined to stay with them, however, because I have implicit faith in the future development of this country. I have charge of the above company in trying to keep the outstanding contracts up to date and have a good mortgage connection aside from my real estate and insurance. That ought to keep me from starving till things get better which I believe they will do this summer. Things will be mighty cheap this summer and fall and it will be a buyers' market. I hate to think of the poor devils who will have to sacrifice their stuff to get eating money but that will be exactly what will happen just as sure as there is a crash to any boom."



E. C. CAFFREY, '09

"Concurrently.....Phi Beta Kappa.....Circuit Judge"

JUDGE CAFFREY IS GIVEN DINNER

Judge E. C. Caffrey, recently advanced from the Essex Court of Common Pleas to one of the two new Circuit Court judgeships, was tendered a dinner by the directors of the Lincoln National Bank and the Lincoln Mortgage & Title Guaranty Company. Judge Caffrey is vice president of the title company and a director in each financial institution.

The dinner was held at the Newark Athletic Club. The thirty-five diners sat at an oval table. In the center was a fountain and in a pool were goldfish and ducks. The walls were decorated with silk hangings.

The guests were Senator Edwards, who first named Judge Caffrey to the bench; Vice Chancellor Berry, District Court Judge Dillon, James Baker, president of the State Board of Taxes and Assessment, and Circuit Court Judge Nelson Y. Dungan. Mr. Baker presented Judge Caffrey a silver tea service.

Senator Edwards declared that "Judge Caffrey's success on the Common Pleas bench entitled him to his new position and unless I am mistaken he will eventually go to the Supreme Court and then on to the United States Supreme Court."

WITH THE FACULTY

Karl Zerfoss, Y. M. C. A. secretary at W. & L., will go next fall to Yale for a Ph. D.

Dr. J. O. Lofberg was in Ann Arbor last week, where he read a paper before the Classical Association meeting at the University of Michigan.

Prof. Walter A. Flick will pursue doctorate work at Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio, this summer.

Dr. William G. Bean, of the history department, will conduct courses in medieval and modern European history, and in English history at the University of Alabama this summer. The courses will be offered to undergraduates and post-graduates.

DR. RILEY TO TEACH AT JOHNS HOPKINS THIS SUMMER

Dr. F. L. Riley, head of the history department, will conduct several courses at Johns Hopkins University for the first six weeks term of the summer session. He will have two post-graduate classes one in American history from the administration of Andrew Jackson to that of Abraham Lincoln, and the other in the reconstruction period following the Civil War.

The latter course will meet twice a week for a two hour lecture on the days designated and the class will meet in a seminar for the remainder of the week.

A seminar is a round table discussion upon subjects of the course. At each seminar one class member will be required to make research study to lead the discussion at the next class meeting.

Dr. Riley will also hold a course in English history which will be open to post-graduates and undergraduates.

DR. ROBERT H. TUCKER, SPEAKER AT LYNCHBURG

The Sphex Club, prominent literary and professional organization of Lynchburg, Va., had Dr. Robert H. Tucker, Professor of Economics at Washington and Lee, as the chief speaker at their annual banquet on April 1. At this meeting Dr. Tucker spoke on the impending changes in the Virginia State government.

In commenting on the invitation extended to Dr. Tucker by the Sphex Club a Rockbridge County paper said: "Dr. Robert H. Tucker of W. & L. is a distinctive asset, not only to the institution that he represents, but to the community. His leadership in the campaign for simplification and economy in state government has brought him and all connected with him into wholesome and worth-while public notice.

FITZGERALD FLOURNOY, '12, MAKES MEMORIAL DAY ADDRESS IN MACON

Fitzgerald Flournoy, '21, a graduate of Oxford College, England, made the address of the day, Memorial Day, April 26th, at the amphitheatre in Rose Hill Cemetery in Macon, Ga.

Flournoy was born in Richmond, Va., and in 1922 was given the Rhodes scholarship from this state. He spent three years at Oxford and during that time was on the boat crew, was in the famous Oxford union training for debating, specialized in English literature, and won a first place in the college on the subject, being the first American to win such a distinction in fifteen years.

When he returned to America in 1925 he taught English at Leland-Stanford University, in California. He is now associate professor of English in Washington and Lee University.

He held the United Daughters of Confederacy scholarship here for four years. He was elected member of the Phi Beta Kappa fraternity in his senior year and won the state oratorical medal offered by the Society of Cincinnati in Virginia. He was invited by the United Daughters of the Confederacy chapter in New York City to address a gathering of Southerners at the Hotel Astor recently, and made the opening address at the general convention of the U. D. C. during the past year.

LOCAL PROFESSOR WINS ESSAY PRIZE

Dr. Albert Levitt of the Law school was awarded the prize of \$500 offered by Boni and Liveright, publishers of "The American Tragedy" by Theodore Dreiser, for the best essay on the subject: "Was Clyde guilty of murder in the first degree?" The trial and conviction of Griffith in "The American Tragedy" raised much controversy throughout the country.

The judges of the contest were thoroughly representative. They were Arthur G. Hays, noted lawyer, Bishop William Brown, and Heyward Broun, the famous author and newspaper columnist.

Dr. Levitt approached the subject from these angles: the law, Christian ethics, and society. He finally came to the conclusion that from the point of view of criminal law, Griffith was not guilty of first degree murder, but that the jury was justified in giving their decision from the facts presented by the prosecuting attorney. According to Christian ethics Dr. Levitt held that Griffith was guilty. Dr. Levitt considered society altogether culpable for the crime, in that neither Griffith nor his victim had received the proper education to prevent the wrongs they committed. He stated that such crimes were due to the failure of society to educate youth concerning sex-relationship.

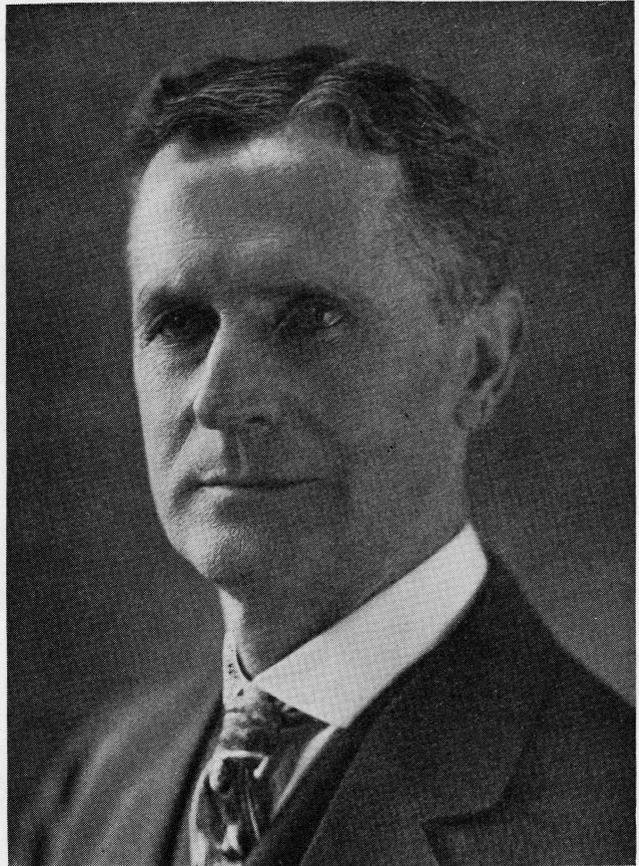
Faculty Introductions

DR FRANKLIN L. RILEY.

Dr. Franklin Lafayette Riley, head of the History Department, came to Washington and Lee from the University of Mississippi in 1914. His Bachelors and Masters degrees were received at Mississippi College and his Ph.D. degree at Johns Hopkins. After he left the University of Mississippi that institution made him Doctor of Laws in 1916. He was elected to Phi Beta Kappa at Johns Hopkins in 1896.

In the field of history and education he has made a notable record. He was President of Hillman College for Young Women 1895-6 and in 1896 assumed the professorship in history at the University of Mississippi which office he held until his acceptance as Head of the History Department at W. & L. He was the originator and trustee of the Mississippi State Department Archives and History, 1902-14; reorganized the Mississippi Historical Society in 1898; a member of the American Historical Association; Jury of Awards, Jamestown Exposition. He is the author of numerous books among which are the following: Colonial Origins of New England Senates; Spanish Policy in Miss., after the Treaty of San Lorenzo; School History of Mississippi; Extinct Towns and Villages of Miss.; The Miss. River as a Political Factor in American History; Our Republic; A Grammar School History of the U. S. He edited fourteen volumes of publications of the Mississippi Historical Society and "A Political History of the South"; and "General Robert E. Lee After Appomattox." He is a contributor to various revues, magazines and encyclopedias.

After removal here from Mississippi the first copy of the annual of that university, "Ole Miss" was dedicated to him in the following words: "This volume of 'Ole Miss' is dedicated to him who gave seventeen of the best years of his life to the University of Mississippi—to him who never gave 'Ole Miss' a favor but that came from a heart of love—to him who never spoke but to inspire—to him whose name will never be mentioned by an officer, student or friend of the



DR. F. L. RILEY—PROF. OF HISTORY
"Ole Miss" dedicated to him

University of Mississippi without a deep sense of pride and gratitude for what he did for Mississippi."

Since the beginning of his professorship in History at W. & L. in 1914, the enrollment of students in his department has increased from 115 to over 500.

Dr. Riley's hobby is cross country auto travel. He has made three round trips to the Pacific coast. He became so fond of the West that he remained there for a year (1925-26) to teach at the University of Southern California. His ambition is to be a deep water fisherman.

PROFESSOR THOMPSON VISITS MR. ELLARD

Howard M. Thompson, acting director of the Journalism School, has just returned from a visit to the sanitarium where Mr. R. B. Ellard, journalism professor, is convalescing. Mr. Thompson reports that Mr. Ellard's progress is very satisfactory and that he is expected to return to Lexington about July 1. From all indications it is expected that Mr. Ellard will be able to take up his activities as journalism head next fall.

STUDENTS VISIT N. AND W. SHOPS

The Industrial Management class, under Mr. Dominick, recently spent a day on an inspection tour in Roanoke. The class visited the shops of the Norfolk and Western railroad, where it was given a talk by Dr. Gibbony, head of the N. and W. chemical department. After the talk the class was shown through the various departments of the shops. The students then had lunch at the Virginia Bridge and Iron Company, and later in the afternoon went through the Carolina Cotton and Woolen Mills.

AN ALL-SOUTHERN JOURNALISM ACTIVITY

The Lee Memorial School of Journalism, though established only two years ago, is the leader of journalistic education in the South. During its first year, able Journalism Professor R. B. Ellard formed the Southern Interscholastic Press Association for the encouragement of high and preparatory school journalistic activity. A successful convention of this newly formed association was held under Prof. Ellard's direction.

Crippled by Mr. Ellard's serious illness and consequent absence this year, the S. I. P. A. convention was again held by the Lee School. One hundred delegates and faculty advisers representing ten Southern states attended the meetings April 21, 22 and 23rd. They came from Florida, Texas, Maryland, Kentucky, etc. to submit their high school papers and annuals in competition, to be criticised and judged. Forum discussions, lectures and a final banquet with prize awards to highest grade entries made up the program.

To active, energetic, capable Howard M. Thompson, assistant professor of Journalism, and his assistants goes the praise for this year's success. A former student under Mr. Ellard at Beloit College, Mr. Thompson came to Washington and Lee after two years' practical experience, as teaching assistant in the rapidly expanding School of Journalism. Due to Mr. Ellard's sudden illness he shouldered the entire responsibility of instruction and publicity for the year. In addition, he promoted and conducted the annual high and preparatory school convention with remarkable skill and success. Delegates were prompt to express their appreciation for his work. We add our full praise.

Prize awards for the convention were generously donated as follows:

Two sets of Books, by Boley's Book Store.

The ten-page convention programs by the Mergenthaler Linotype Co. of Brooklyn, N. J.

Two silver loving cups, by the White Studio of New York.

Two silver loving cups, by the Lynchburg Va. News.

One silver loving cup, by the Phi Delta Epsilon Fraternity and the W. & L. (student) Publication Board.

One silver loving cup, by the Southern Newspaper Publishers Assn.

One silver loving cup, by the Staunton Va. "News Leader".

One silver loving cup, by the S. N. P. A. Lee Memorial School of Journalism.

Jack Thomas, '24, returned home from Scotland about the first of April.

PRIVATE RESIDENCE POPULAR ROOMING PLACE FOR STUDENTS

FROM THE RING-TUM PHI.

"Be it ever so humble there's no place like home."

Even to the bell-bottomed collegiate, the place where he is to lay his head, weary from study, perhaps of books or perhaps of femininity, is one of the most important things in life.

A recent survey of student living quarters at Washington and Lee University reveals that of the 927 men enrolled in the entire school, 305 prefer rooms in private residences.

After questioning the students divulge that in private residences it is more quiet and hence more conducive to study. A few will even admit the truth—that the private residence is more like the real home—back in Podunk or maybe in New York.

Fraternity houses are next in popularity, offering shelter to 285 students.

And the dormitory the scene of all college life according to the movies, rates only a third place with a sum total of 238 students, 236 of whom, according to the other two, either play the saxophone or the banjo.

Yes, "Home is where the heart is," even to a diligent Washington and Lee student.

A SUCCESSFUL TROUBADOUR TRIP

The "Troubadours", Washington and Lee student dramatic and musical organization, this spring undertook and successfully completed the most extensive tour yet undertaken by that club. Their musical comedy, "Stolen Sweets", written, acted and directed solely by W. & L. students was presented in six southern cities during the Easter season.

The cities covered were Lynchburg, Va.; Greenville, S. C.; Spartanburg, S. C.; Charlotte, N. C.; Johnson City, Tenn. and Bristol, Va.-Tenn. Alumni in these cities cooperated with the organization managers in making local arrangements. Newspaper reports indicated an enthusiastic reception from audiences at every presentation.

While at Bristol, the organization broadcasted several selections over the radio, accompanied by their own ten piece orchestra, "The Southern Collegians".

CORRECTING AN ERROR

- A write-up in the last issue of the MAGAZINE incorrectly stated that W. Ross McCain, '98, was Vice-president and Secretary of the Aetna Casualty and Surety Company, of Hartford, Conn. He has no connection whatever with this company, but is Vice-president and Secretary of the Aetna Insurance Company, which is a fire company, writing fire insurance and kindred lines only.

The Washington and Lee Swing

(By J. R. CASKIE '06.)

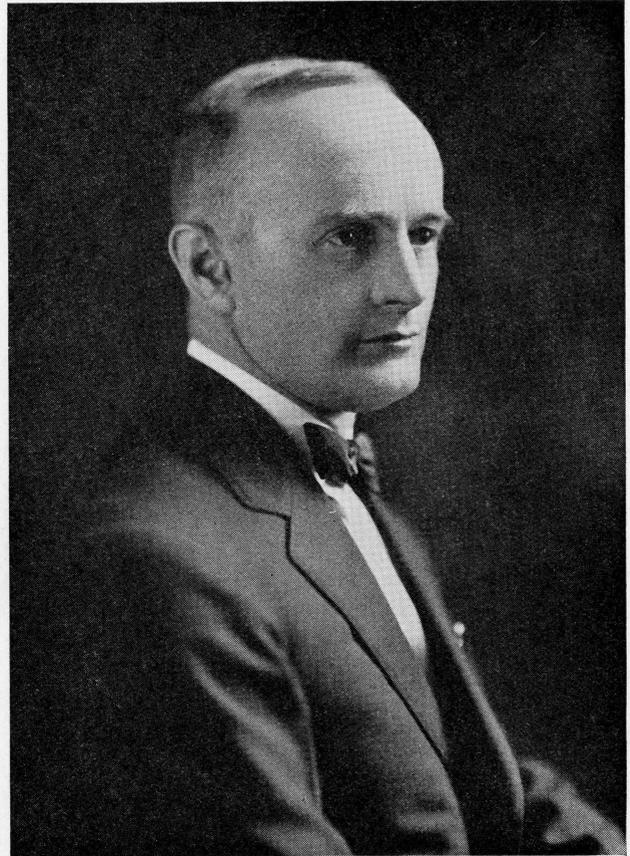
Last November, at a meeting of the Lynchburg Alumni Association I gave a brief history of the Washington & Lee Swing, which has probably become the most popular college song in America, and I have been asked by the editor of the Alumni Magazine to write it out for use in the Magazine.

As the talk was entirely *ex tempore*, it is, of course, impossible for me to give anything like the identical history which was given at that time.

The Swing is the product of three Washington and Lee students, attending the University at different times. The air of the chorus originated with Mark W. Sheaf, who was a law student from Watertown, South Dakota. Mark was a natural born musician, and is the only man I ever saw who could play a mandolin solo and make you like it. He sang in the Glee Club and was director of what was then known as the Mandolin and Guitar Club. He was also a splendid man, personally, and a high type student.

I think it was during the session of 1905-06 that he picked out on his mandolin the air of "The Swing", and taught it to the men of the Guitar Club, which used it as an encore in their program. He called it simply, "The Swing", and as we all know, it has a veritable *swing*. It has swept the country. I think Mark graduated that year, and left for his home in South Dakota, where he is now practicing law, or was according to my last information.

In the fall of 1907, a committee was appointed to get up songs for the annual V. P. I. Football game. As it happened, I was song leader at the athletic contests at that time. I do not recall now the other members of the committee, with the exception of Ran Bledsoe, now deceased, and who was not a musician himself but had a retentive mind for tunes. Incidentally he had one of the brightest minds with which I came in contact while in college. The committee posted a notice on the bulletin board, asking that the student-body submit any songs which they thought proper. Then we had a meeting and from the various suggestions we culled probably four or five for use. At that meeting, Ran Bledsoe suggested that it would be well if we could get someone to put words to "The Swing". It had been over a year since Sheaf had left college, and I remember that when Ran made the suggestion, though I had been in the Glee Club and had heard all the mandolin and guitar music, as the two generally went together, I had no recollection whatever of "The Swing" and did not know what the tune was. Ran hummed it over, and I immediately recognized it. We looked around for someone to write the words, and finally hit on C. A. Robbins, from Brooklyn, N. Y., generally known as



J. R. CASKIE, '06
First to sing "The Swing"

"Tod". He was quite a character, and one who did not feel impelled to do a great amount of study, and yet who had an unusually bright mind, and a literary turn. Tod, though a small man, had the best developed shoulders and arms I have ever seen. He was a member of the track team and specialized in the pole vault. Tod composed the words for the chorus, as they exist to day, with the exception of the somewhat profane interpolation which we often hear and which in my opinion, puts a discordant and improper note in the song. "Tod" Robbins is now known for his writings and scenarios. Probably his best known scenario is "The Unholy Three". I have heard that he is now a producer of moving pictures, being head of the "Tod Browning" Production Company. Doubtless Tod Browning is his "stage name", though I cannot vouch for the fact.

After we had collected the songs, including "The Swing", we had the words for the various songs printed on a little folder for distribution among the students, and held several rehearsals at which the songs could be learned by the student-body. "The Swing" immediately became immensely popular, and has remained so to this day. A curious coincidence is

that a short time thereafter I sent one of these folders to Mark Sheaf, telling him that he would be pleased to know that his song was being perpetuated. He wrote back, thanking me for it, but stating that he had not thought of "The Swing" since he left college, and could not remember how it went.

What now came to be known as Washington & Lee swing was adopted as the official athletic song of the University, merely the chorus part. Being a lively air, it spread rapidly and was used by numerous preparatory schools and colleges.

About 1906, I think it was, Thornton W. Allen of Newark, New Jersey, entered the University. He was a musical genius, directed the band, the orchestra and was a member of the Glee Club. He was also a composer. During his stay in the University, (he graduated in 1910) he took hold of "The Swing" and wrote both the words and music for the verses, fitting them into the original and established chorus. I did not know Allen personally, but I have often been told that he could play any instrument in either the band or orchestra better than the regular man on the instrument, and that in fact he could pick up any musical instrument and play it. Allen then had the complete "Washington & Lee Swing" copyrighted for the benefit of the University. I understand he is now the managing editor of "The Musical Courier", New York City, and has composed and issued numerous songs. Music is his profession.

From that time to this, "The Washington & Lee Swing" has been the official student song, and has indeed gripped the student-body from the time it was first tried out in the fall of 1907 at the football games. Since I was song-leader at that time, I had the pleasure of leading the chorus part the first time it was ever tried out. I am frank to say I do not think I was a very efficient leader, and when I go back to college now, and see how they do these things, I can appreciate how wonderfully inefficient I was.

As stated in the beginning. "The Washington & Lee Swing" is probably the most popular college song in America and, therefore, in the world. It has swept the country and is used by orchestras everywhere. It is sung by boys and girls over the country and in traveling around, I hear it in the most unexpected places. The air has been adopted by any number of preparatory schools and colleges, which at times has caused some complications since the song is copyrighted. Some controversy was had with Tulane University and the University of Alabama, who put words of their own to the music and called it respectively "The Tulane Swing" and "The Alabama Swing." Our understanding is that neither Allen, who copyrighted the song, nor the University has ever objected to any other college or school using it, except they do specify and require that the name shall not be changed

and that wherever used, it must be known and designated as "The Washington & Lee Swing". For a while, I understand, both Tulane and Alabama claimed that the song was originated with them, and I know of one instance where a preparatory school claimed that it was originated with them. After some correspondence and trouble, both Tulane and Alabama were finally convinced that they were infringing on a copyright song, and when this was realized, they both cheerfully admitted their error and ceased to use the song under any other name than its correct name. Various orchestras throughout the country likewise use it under its proper name. During the war, it was used as the official marching song of Camp Sherman, much to the delight of Bob McDougale and the other Washington & Lee men, who were at that camp. It was used in France and, in fact, wherever you go and hear much lively music the program is seldom completed without playing "The Washington & Lee Swing."

Being entirely the product of the Washington & Lee students, and of unprecedented popularity as a college song, the Alumni and students of Washington & Lee have a right to be proud of it and to guard it jealously in its integrity as a Washington & Lee song, while at the same time being generous in allowing others to use it.

It is a wonderful air and one that stirs the blood, and so is an ideal athletic song. Personally, I have never felt that it is proper to use it as the official song on the playing of which the audience rises and heads are uncovered. The whole spirit of the song is athletic, and, therefore, not dignified and not intended as such. The idea of reverence and dignity is incongruous in connection with this song. It is wonderful for the purpose for which it was intended, and will probably go down through the years as a heritage and tradition of the school; at the same time, it would seem that there should be a more dignified and more solemn song or hymn to call forth the rising of the student-body and the baring of heads.

I trust that the future will bring about this condition. Several attempts have been made but so far, apparently nothing has been found to answer the purpose to the satisfaction of the successive student-bodies.

PROPERTY ON MAIN STREET BOUGHT BY A. T. O. FRATERNITY

The "S. O. Campbell" home and the greater part of the expansive lot on the northeast corner of Main and Houston Streets has been sold by Charles R. Deaver, its present owner, to the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, Virginia Beta Chapter, Inc. The price was \$14,000.

C. H. Morrissett, '14

The Richmond Alumni of Washington and Lee University, at their meeting of February 26, 1927, organized the Washington and Lee Club of the City of Richmond. The former association of the Alumni was discontinued. The meeting was largely attended.

C. H. Morrissett, '14, was elected president of the club; C. H. Moss, '18, vice-president, and O. M. Stumpf, '16, secretary. It is the purpose of the first president of the club to exert his best efforts to make the first year of its life healthy and strong. Within a short while the first meeting of the club since its organization will be held, and thereafter quarterly meetings. It is the purpose of the president to make these meetings interesting and attractive enough to draw large and enthusiastic attendance.

C. H. Morrissett has been State Tax Commissioner for the past year. Graduating in law at Washington and Lee in 1914, he was a substitute teacher in the law school in 1915, and a teacher in the summer law school in 1916. He revised the notes of the official Code of Virginia of 1919 (1914-1919); edited the Second Edition of Burks Pleading and Practice in Actions at Common Law (1921), and edited General Laws of Virginia (1923). He is the author of "Notes on Statutes Subsequent to the Code of 1919" (1921); the draftsman of approximately 4,200 legislative bills, a majority of which have been enacted into law, and the author of several published addresses before bar associations. From June, 1919 to April, 1926, he was Director of the State Legislative Reference Bureau. He has practised in both trial and appellate courts. He was a member and secretary of the Children's Code Commission of Virginia, (1921-1922); served as Re-



C. H. MORRISSETT, '14
"Drafted 4200 legislative bills"

search Advisor, Virginia Commission on Simplification and Economy of State and Local Government, 1922-1924, and was formerly a member of the State Council of Defense. He drafted Governor Byrd's administrative reorganization bill of 1927 to carry out the Reed report. He is a member of various organizations.

A native of Richmond, Virginia, Mr. Morrissett is now in his thirty-sixth year.

RECUMBENT STATUE OF LEE CONSIDERED THE MOST BEAUTIFUL THING IN VIRGINIA

What is the most beautiful thing in Virginia? Some will say the lawn at the University of Virginia by moonlight. Others will say Goshen Pass when the laurel is in bloom. Others, the valley from Afton mountain. Others, the sight of Balcony Falls from the mountain heights. Others—there are hundreds of possible answers. But few who know will deny that among the most beautiful things in Virginia is—the recumbent Lee at Washington and Lee University. Stately in its white calm, majestic in its eternal peace, almost holy in its everlasting rest, the Valentine statue of Lee is so nearly sublime that the first sight of it catches at the throat and causes the eyes to smart.

Above the body of Lee it lies—in the little chapel built when Lee was president of Washington College.

In that chapel, too, is the office of Lee. There those who see where he worked in peace during the last days of his exalted life, those who reverently look upon the chamber where his body is entombed, and those who stand before the wondrous marble of Lee in lasting sleep—all these must sense, as nowhere else on earth, the very spirit of Lee.

NEW YORK CITY ALUMNI LUNCHEON

The usual monthly luncheon of Washington and Lee men in New York City was held on April 6th at the Fraternities Club, Madison Avenue and 38th Street, with the following present: Dr. Wm. E. Dold, '76, E. B. Vinson, '23, Wm. Farrar, Jr., '16, Wm. R. Burton, '17, Edward W. Lee, '13, C. F. Carlson, '22, Roy Bryant, '15, E. W. Poindexter, '23, George S. Mueller, '18, Roy Grimley, '18, and James A. Lee, '17.

DR. ROBERT P. COOKE, '92, HEALTH OFFICER, LAUDED IN CONGRESS AS YELLOW FEVER HERO

R. M. Lynn, a well known correspondent, writes as follows from Washington, Feb. 23rd, to Virginia papers:

In favorably reporting the bill of Representative Harrison granting an annuity of \$100 a month to Dr. Robert P. Cooke, '92 of Virginia, for disabilities contracted by him while assisting in Dr. Walter Reed's yellow fever experiments, the military affairs committee caused to be printed a twenty-four page report.

It is the record of the heroism of the physicians and others who risked their lives to conquer "Yellow Jack," with passages of thrilling interest.

Dr. Cooke, who is a son of the late John Esten Cooke, '67 Virginia historian and writer of novels of the Civil war period, volunteered in 1900 to assist Dr. Reed in his experiments in Cuba.

Two buildings were built, one for experiments with infected bedding and clothing and one for infected mosquitoes. Dr. Cooke was one of several volunteers who agreed to enter the first building containing bedding and clothing from the yellow fever wards of Les Animas hospital, Havana. This house was constructed with a minimum of ventilation and kept at a maximum temperature to duplicate as far as possible the conditions under which the disease was most apt to occur. It was very carefully screened against mosquitoes.

Dr. Cooke and the other volunteers, during a period of three weeks, were required to enter this building shortly after dark each evening and remain until morning, to unpack large boxes of soiled bedding and clothing sent from the yellow fever wards of the hospital, to hand them around the room and place them on the beds. Later on some slept in the pajamas soiled with black vomit of persons who had died of the disease in Havana. None suffered any ill effects at the time.

Concurrent with this experiment, other men were being bitten by infected mosquitoes in the other building, which was especially constructed for that purpose and clean and well ventilated and located at a distance from any other known source of infection. Here it was conclusively demonstrated that the bite of the mosquito was the cause of yellow fever.

In recommending the bill granting Dr. Cooke an annuity, the report says:

"In our judgment, these heroes of the fight against yellow fever are entitled to the everlasting gratitude of the people of this republic and that gratitude should be shown not only by honoring their memories in print and the spoken words, but by a substantial recognition of our obligation to assist in the support of their dependent loved ones, and, for that reason, we

respectfully urge the passage of the pending bill in favor of Dr. Robert P. Cooke."

W. H. WINFREE, '90

There is stored away today in a fireproof, moth-proof, waterproof vault of steel and concrete a motion picture-filmed record of every instrument filed with the auditor of King County, Seattle, Washington. It is the first film-preserved record of its kind in the world, and a revolutionary move in the economy of space, patience and time when one goes about establishing chain of title to any property he may wish to acquire.

The King County Title Company, of which W. H. Winfree, '90, is president, has made this film record. Formerly head of the North-western Title Insurance Company, of Spokane, Washington, Mr. Winfree is now a resident of Seattle, where work of the King County Title Company was begun May, 24, 1926. The history of this move and of the new way of doing things in the matter of tracing title was given the other day by Mr. Winfree in an address before the King County Bar Association.

In any system theretofore used for compiling records for the purpose of indexing property in pursuance of tracing title, it would have required three and a half years for completing the books of the newcomer company to King County. Under the current system the records would have to be taken off on slips. There would have been 3,000,000 slips necessary in this instance. Each is handled about nine times, an aggregate handling 27,000,000 times. The motion picture plan has never been tried before. It is now an accomplished fact. The work of photographing the record books and of indexing from the projected films has been in charge of an associate of Mr. Winfree for a number of years.

In tracing title to property under this Made-in-Seattle system, which is expected to revolutionize title company indexing is found, first, through the tract runs until the desired reels are spotted, when they are taken to the projection room and a picture of the entire title is thrown on the screen. One turn of the ratchet on the projecting machine flashes off thirteen pages. An expert can arrive at the desired page of the filmed record in a little less than nothing flat.

"Now that the work is done," said Mr. Winfree yesterday, "Carl Lundberg and I feel like tackling a similar undertaking somewhere else. It has been a most fascinating work and Carl has discovered several improvements to his system which he would like to try elsewhere."

Jonah Larrick, '14, is Secretary of the Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, Va.

O. H. Breidenbach, '11

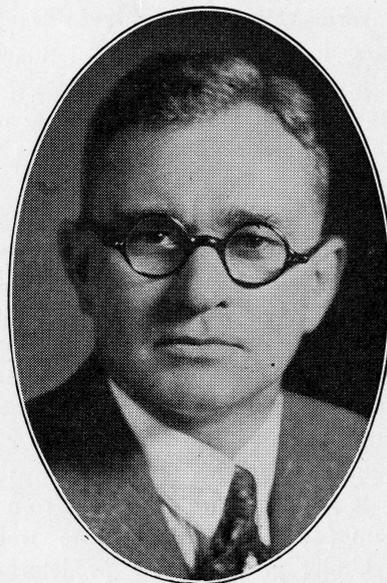
O. H. Breidenbach, '11, has recently been promoted to the position of Vice President and Bond Officer of the Palm Beach Guaranty Company, of West Palm Beach, Florida.

This company, a very strong and prominent mortgage bank-institution in Florida, with a capital of \$1,500,000, is engaged in making mortgage loans secured by improved city property of all types. Mr. Breidenbach first became associated with the Palm Beach Guaranty Company two years ago as Treasurer and Bond Officer in charge of advertising and sales organization, which organization he will continue to direct. He is also Treasurer of the Mortgage Investment Company, another company of the Palm Beaches.

After leaving W. & L. Mr. Breidenbach was for several years in public school work as city superintendent of various school organizations. Later he studied and practiced public accounting and for a while was financial secretary to Tulane University. He then became associated with a prominent mortgage banking institution of New Orleans in charge of advertising and selling organizations.

He is a graduate of the American Institute of Banking. Several articles on financial subjects written by him have been published by the Southern Banker.

While at Washington and Lee Mr. Breidenbach, as a student, won several scholarships. He was a cross-



O. H. BREIDENBACH, '11

"Won scholarships,.....orator, gymnast"

country runner, track man, intercollegiate debater, president of Washington Literary Society, Washington's Birthday orator for the same society, gymnast and physical instructor in charge of the gymnasium.

All who knew him will congratulate Mr. Breidenbach upon his success in his chosen field and upon his recent promotion.

PAYING UP—A NON-ALUMNUS

December 11, 1926.

Dear Mr. Penick:

I enclose herewith check for \$250.00 which, according to my records, pays the balance in full of my subscription of \$1,000.00 to Washington and Lee University.

It has been a pleasure to make this little contribution to so fine an institution representing, as it does, two of the greatest characters in American history.

Whenever I think of Washington and Lee University, I am reminded that George Washington served his country through the long periods of the Revolutionary War, absolutely without compensation and, in fact, advanced all of his own expenses through the period of the War with the understanding that he would be reimbursed when our independence was fully established and the Nation should become able to reimburse him for his outlay.

I am reminded also that at the close of the Civil War General Lee declined numerous offers which carried handsome remunerations which would have made him comfortable and independent for life, with

the simple statement that he did not feel that he could render any service commensurate with the compensation offered but when the Presidency of Washington College was offered him, he accepted it because, as he stated, he felt that in that position he could render some service to the young men of the South. His constructive work and noble example has borne an abundant harvest, and I am quite sure that those who are following in his foot-steps now at Washington and Lee will continue the great work which he carried on so successfully there.

With kindest regards and best wishes for the continued success of Washington and Lee University, I am

Yours very truly,

T. B. Gay.

Sidney T. Moreland, '76, has recently retired after teaching for fifty years. He was instructor in McDonough School, Maryland, from 1876 to 1880; Professor of Physics at W. and L. from 1880 to 1898; Principal of McDonough School from 1898 to 1914; Professor of Physics at University of Tennessee from 1914 to 1926.

W. H. MASON, '96, INVENTS WOOD FIBRE PROCESS

Recent advertisements appearing in leading magazines announced the invention and marketing of "Masonite," a new wood fibre insulating board. Investigation proved that W. H. Mason, '96 was the inventor of this new manufacturing process which utilizes waste lumber, chips, scraps, etc., by converting them into a hard "presdwood" or a smooth surface insulating building material. Mr. Mason is vice-president and general manager of the company which is now engaged in manufacturing and marketing the products of his process.

In an interesting paper presented at the annual convention of the Technical Association of the pulp and paper industry in New York, February 22-24, Mr. Mason explained his method. Wood chips and other saw mill waste materials are exploded from steel guns by high steam pressure. A long fibre wood pulp is the result. Under pressure at a predetermined temperature the fibres are rewelded to form a hard thin pressed wood. A variation of temperature and pressure produces "Masonite," a thicker board with a hard compact surface, but high insulating qualities preserved in the central mass.

William Horatio Mason came to W. & L. from Lewisburg, West Va. in 1895. He then attended Cornell University, became Superintendent of the Edison Cement Works, Stuartsville, N. J., entered the Spanish-American War as an ensign in the U. S. Navy, went into the Naval Stores Manufacturing business in the South. During the World War he was General Superintendent of the Merchant Shipbuilding Corporation. His home is at Laurel, Miss., where his new plant is located.

W. A. MACCORKLE, '78

Former Governor W. A. MacCorkle '78, ninth Chief Executive of West Virginia, celebrated his seventieth birthday on May 8th. He is regarded as the most distinguished looking man in the state.

He was Governor of West Virginia at the age of thirty-six, and although it has been thirty years since he retired from office he still takes an interest in politics. His chief delight, however, is his collection of art objects and curios. This collection, gathered in all parts of the globe, is housed in his handsome home, Sunrise. The mansion is situated on one of the hills on the south side of the Kanawha river and overlooks the business section of Charleston. The walls of the stairway and upper hall and one room are devoted to a collection of prints of Lafayette, the largest of its kind in the world. It contains more than 600 prints, but still lacks about 100 of being complete.

AMOS L. HEROLD, '09, '12, WRITES BOOK*

The Columbia University Press has just published a biography on James Kirke Paulding, by Amos L. Herold, B.A. '09, M.A. '12, Head of the English Department of the University of Tulsa, Tulsa, Oklahoma. The book is listed as the critical biography of the versatile American who was the chief Dutch interpreter of the New York Dutch and who became Secretary of the Navy in President Van Buren's cabinet. A background view is presented of the political, social and literary world of early New York. This background is so deftly sketched as to make the book an outstanding piece of literature aside from the genesis, character and doings of Mr. Paulding.

The author, Mr. Herold, entered Washington and Lee from West Virginia in 1905, joined the Alpha Chi Rho fraternity and received his B.A. in '09. He returned in 1911-12 to take work for his master's degree. In the interim he taught at various prep schools and took graduate work in English at Columbia University. He became English instructor at the University of Cincinnati and Prof. of English at Bucknell University. During the World War he was Lieutenant and Personnel Adjutant in the U. S. Army.

PROFESSOR E. L. GREEN, '92, ELECTED

At the annual convention of the Southern Section of the American Classic Association, held in Lexington April 27-30, Dr. E. L. Green, '92, Head of the Department of Ancient Languages at the University of South Carolina was elected president, succeeding Dr. J. O. Lofberg, Professor of Latin and Greek at Washington and Lee, in that office.

Dr. Green received his B. A. at W. & L. in 1892. He was a scholarship and medal winner. At Johns Hopkins University he received his Ph. D. and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. Most of his professional career has been spent at the University of South Carolina.

GEOLOGIST FINDS NATURAL BRIDGE 500,000,000 YEARS OLD

Dr. Chester A. Reed, famous geologist and head of the department of paleontology of the American Museum of Natural History has made public the statement that the Bridge is five hundred million years old. Dr. Reed made an investigation of the Bridge recently in a basket let down over the top of the Bridge. Moving pictures made while he was making the examination have been released in New York, according to newspaper dispatches.

*James Kirke Paulding, by Amos L. Herold, illustrated, Columbia University Press. \$2.50.

A. G. PAXTON, '17, IN CHARGE OF FLOOD RELIEF

Recent dispatches announced that the flood relief and rescue work in and about the inundated city of Greenville, Miss., had been placed in charge of Major A. Gallatin Paxton of that city. In this capacity he will work directly under Secretary Herbert Hoover and in cooperation with the Red Cross, since the Greenville district is one of the most seriously hit sections in the Delta region.

During the World War "Galla" was a Major in the 178th Field Artillery. Since that time he has been engaged in the cotton business at Greenville, Miss.

MR. FRANK NIGHSWONGER, B.L., '89, ELECTED

In the municipal elections at Wichita, Kansas, April 5th, Mayor Frank Nighswonger led a field of six candidates for the City Commission. Three commissioners were elected. Mr. Nighswonger was re-elected to the office which he had held for six years.

Mr. Nighswonger practiced law in the Kansas metropolis for a number of years. He served as County Auditor and as State Senator prior to his entry into municipal politics. His office is at 306 Schweiter Building, Wichita, Kansas.

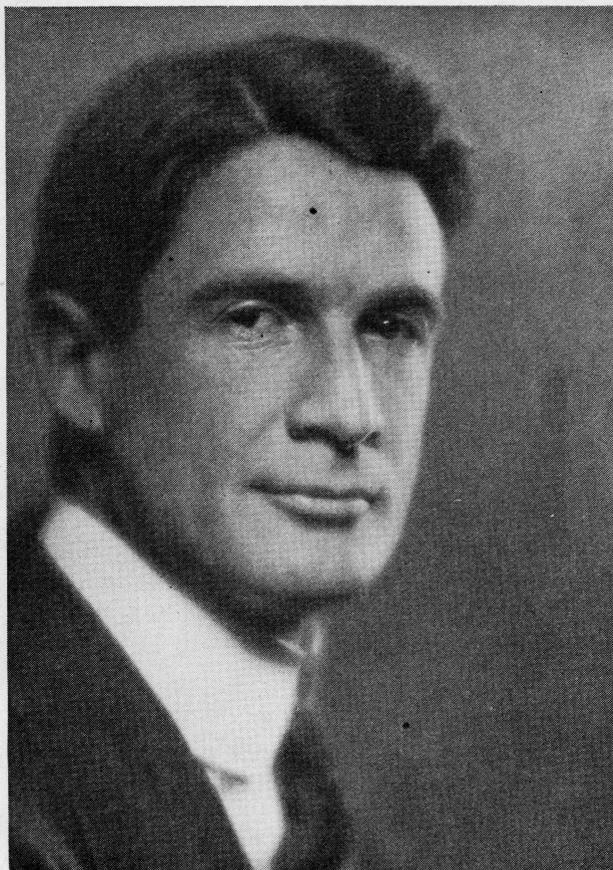
"JAY" HOWE, '21

Our last report from "Jay" Howe, '21, was written from Shanghai, China, February 10th. He had just returned there from a visit to Suiza, and found things very unsettled. The presence of many British troops helped to calm the fears of foreign population, he wrote, but excited the animosity of the Chinese. While writing to us he was interrupted by one of the Army planes flying overhead, very low. Both contending parties he said have a number of planes and they fly over Shanghai incessantly. "I hope", writes Jay, "that none of them take it into their heads to do any bombing. The two armies are not very far away and they are expected to come into conflict at any time."

FREEMAN H. HART, '12

In the May issue of the American Legion Monthly, appeared a well written article by Freeman H. Hart, '12, entitled "Spruce Knob and Thereabouts". In 1919 Professor and ex-sergeant Hart was chairman of a mass meeting of newly demobilized veterans in Lexington, Virginia, assembled to consider their collective futures. They became the Rockbridge Post of The American Legion. Mr. Hart is now a member of Jack Garland Post of Farmville, Virginia, a town on the Appomattox River.

W. H. Winfree, '90, is now President of the Puget Sound Title Insurance Company, Seattle, Washington.



"BOB" KANE, '17

"Achieved great success"

"BOB" KANE, '17, HOPES FOR '17 REUNION

Robert R. Kane, '17, is coming back for Finals. He is coming to meet other members of the "great Law War class of '17" on the campus. 1927 is the tenth anniversary of this class. "Bob" writes, "I expect to be back for this anniversary and I hope every man in our class will return this once, if no more."

Why not have a reunion of the W. & L. Ambulance Unit this year? And of the other '17 classes? One is carried back ten years to the time when the campus looked like an army camp and the athletic field a parade ground. Captain Manning, '92, drilled student battalions, a special ambulance unit was formed, cap and gown were discarded for the army blouse, Clovis Moomaw went, Dave Noble went, every student over age joined the exodus. Some returned. "Bob" Kane sounds a call to men of '17 to reunite on the campus once more.

Incidentally "Bob" Kane is General Counsel for the Fleischmann Yeast Company with head offices in New York City, has already achieved great success in his profession.

Vivian L. Page, '16

Since his graduation from Washington and Lee in 1916, Mr. Page has been practicing law in Norfolk, Virginia, with the firm of Page, Page & Page, which consists of his father, Ivor A. Page, Sr., who was president of the Norfolk & Portsmouth Bar Association last year; his brother, Reginald J. B. Page, of the Class of 1911, who is Associate Justice of the Civil Court of the City of Norfolk, and another brother, Ivor A. Page, Jr., of the Class of 1910, who is a former member of the State Legislature, having served in the House in the session of 1922.

Mr. Page has served in the House of Delegates for three sessions; we will not attempt to enumerate the happenings in the Legislature during his time in office as our readers are possibly familiar with those things of interest which he has taken part in, having gotten same through the press. "It is my intention," he writes, "to stand for re-nomination in the coming primary."



V. L. PAGE, '16

FROM THE FACULTY TO STUDENTS AND ALUMNI

Drinking, as every one knows, constitutes one of the serious problems in the United States today. A college community, which is only a cross-section of our national life, furnishes no exception. The problem exists always in an intensified form at Commencement, and the authorities of an institution are constantly confronted with the difficulty of coping with it at such a time.

Washington and Lee, as she is facing such an occasion in the near future, appeals to her alumni and to her students on the campus to exercise that self-restraint which is the marked characteristic of a gentleman, so that our Commencement season may be a dignified and enjoyable one, worthy of the traditions of her founders. General Robert E. Lee said, "My experience through life has convinced me that while moderation and temperance in all things are commendable and beneficial, abstinence from spirituous liquors is the best safeguard to morals and health."

The alumni especially wield a powerful influence over undergraduates, both in precept and example, and we request that they recognize their responsibility in this matter and the distinct service they can thus render their Alma Mater.

Before an audience of 500 people the Washington and Lee debating team, composed of H. M. Platt, C. B. Carr and W. A. Plumer, lost a hard-fought debate to Georgetown University in Washington, D. C., by a judge's decision of four to one.

WALTER EDWARD HARRIS, '92

Dr. E. Pendleton Topkins, '88, entertained his boyhood friend Walter Edward Harris, '92, and Mrs. Harris, who motored up to Lexington from Petersburg to see their brother Mr. William O. Harris, who has been in the Jackson Hospital for some time.

Walter Edward Harris, who is a veteran Washington newspaper correspondent, and now the brilliant editor of the afternoon and Sunday Progress-Index of Petersburg, was graduated in law at Washington and Lee about twenty-five years ago, with the highest mark in constitutional law ever made in this school. Harris also won the Santini medal. Mr. and Mrs. Harris left on Wednesday morning for a trip down the Valley to visit New Market and other points of interest.

FROM PITTSBURGH

April 12, 1927.

Dear Kemp:

Thanks for your note and the prompt delivery of the Alumni Directory which is excellent. I have been at the Pittsburgh Station of the U. S. Bureau of Mines four years engaged in research work, upon coal and coke for the most part. I have continued my studies in chemistry at Pitt and Carnegie Tech. Married Miss Mable Abbott of this city about a year ago. Our home is open to any W. & L. travelers who happen this way, much more open than were the doors of "ye ole kemikal stockroom" when I was custodian.

Yours for W. & L.

D. A. REYNOLDS, '22.

FROM ROBERT EWING, '68

Nashville, Tenn., March 28, 1927.

Dear Mr. Kemp:

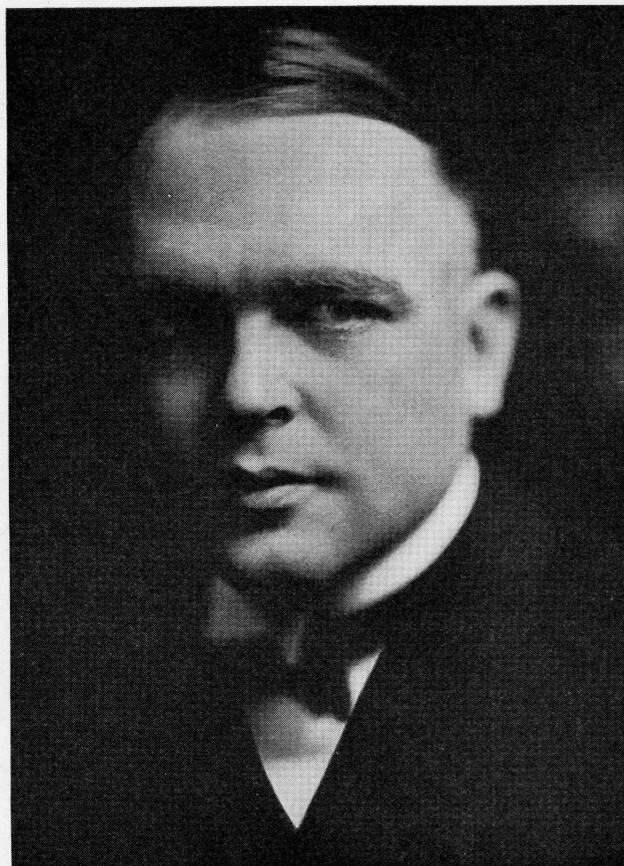
Your kind note of the 26th requesting my permission to publish in the next issue of the Alumni Magazine a recent letter of mine to President Smith, has just been received. Replying I say "Yes, of course," if you deem it of interest. My letter to him was one of transmission of an article on the South's production of cold steel. I kept no copy and cannot recall what I said outside of this but, ten to one, it overflowed with some emotional things which I never can repress when writing about that dear town wherein I spent so many happy days. If you are a student I just must ask you one question. Are the girls there now as charming as those who were there a *short while* ago in '67 and '68? May be so, if they are their *daughters*, though you may remember that Milton describes Eve as being fairer than her daughters, and Milton "was an honorable man." My companion and I had our room over a lawyer's office in the Court House yard, though we stayed so long after meals at Dr. Waddell's that we may be said to have lived at his home. You may guess that it was because Misses Martha, Maria, Edmonia, and Nettie Waddell lived there also. Well you have my room-mates number but not mine. He had, I admit, abundant cause, but my duty of keeping the students of Washington and Lee and the cadets of the V. M. I. on friendly terms, rendered my presence *near the dividing line* necessary in the evenings and my love for *music* carried me there in the mornings and so I had no time to stay at home. Besides Prof. Carter J. Harris, of blessed memory, was always so inquisitive—I had to pass by his home in going to the V. M. I. and he always wanted to know why I couldn't gratify my musical love with the sweet notes of Cicero's ringing voice when he spoke for the past archives. He tried to point these out to me, but his points posted on those big columns in front were not exactly what "the old folks at home" wanted. I'm coming back some of these days and will leave at home my copy of Holmes' poem, "The Last Leaf." It's a sad kind of thing and I don't want to find it true in my case.

Sincerely,

ROBERT EWING, '68.

ARCHIVES

For many years the University has been carefully collecting, labeling and storing for reference every kind of historical relic, memento, etc. Recently the Commencement Address of June 22, 1871, by Hon. Joseph W. Taylor was received and has been stored in the historic archives of the University Library for all time to come.



WALTER FRED, '11, "In Hosiery"

WALTER FRED, '11

Since leaving Washington and Lee in 1911, Walter Fred has been unusually successful, having built up a thriving business known as the Davenport Hosiery Mills, manufacturers of women's silk hose. Mr. Fred is president of this concern and recently sold the business for \$2,000,000, but will continue on as president of the mills. He has associated with him Mr. R. B. Davenport, Mr. Joe Davenport and Mr. E. E. Pickard.

Mr. Fred is happily married and has two little girls.

KIND PRAISE

Washington, D. C., April 13, 1927.

Dear Sirs:

I am enclosing my check for \$2.50 for one year's subscription to the ALUMNI MAGAZINE.

I have been intending to write you to tell you that I think your magazine is one of the best, if not the best, of its character that I have ever seen, and I wish you very great success with it. You are bound to have it if you continue its publication at the present high grade.

Very sincerely yours,

H. ST. G. TUCKER, '75.

OBITUARY

Judge Waller Redd Staples, a prominent member of the Roanoke bar, died in April at his home near Hollins. Having been in bad health for some months, he finally succumbed to an attack of influenza and pneumonia. Judge Staples was educated at Washington and Lee and Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and was a brother of the late Abram P. Staples of the University faculty. He always kept up a pleasant association with Lexington where his death is learned with sorrow by friends.

Israel Moore, '64, died on March 28th at his home in Lynchburg, Virginia, at the age of eighty years. He attended Washington and Lee for the session of 1863-64. When southern boys from seventeen to eighteen years old were called to the Confederate army, Mr. Moore enlisted and saw active service around High Bridge. In 1865 he secured a transfer to Jackson's horse artillery, but the surrender prevented him from seeing service with this regiment. After the war he returned to Washington College, where he received his degree, being a student for two years while General Lee was president.

Joseph E. Cockrell, '82, who was a classmate of Dean Campbell, died in Dallas, Texas on April 3th, after a surgical operation.

Thomas Campbell Wilson, '03, died on May 4th at Salem, Virginia, with tuberculosis. He was a student at Washington and Lee for seven years, receiving his A. B. in 1903 and thereafter studying for three years in the Law School. Particularly gifted in oratory, he won the Society Orator's Medal in 1902, and the Cincinnati Orator's Medal in 1903. For the past fifteen years Mr. Wilson has been engaged in the practice of law in Oklahoma, where he became a recognized authority on Indian land titles.

JOHN L. CAMPBELL, '11, MAKES GOLF HOLE IN ONE

The unusual and rare feat of making a hole in one stroke was accomplished recently on the Lexington golf course by John L. Campbell, one of the directors of the club. The ball driven from the third tee on a hole about 175 yards long, trickled up to the hole and lay against the flag staff when Mr. Campbell and his associates came to the green. The hole is a blind one.

Players, it has been said, usually give up the game when they have made a perfect score, for there is nothing more to be accomplished. Mr. Campbell, however, intends to keep on until he has made the nine hole course in nine strokes, which will give him probably several more years on the links.

WEDDING BELLS

Dr. Samuel Brown McPheeters, '00, of Charlotte, N. C., was recently married in Columbia, S. C., to Miss Virginia Gibbes of that city. Their residence is in Charlotte where Dr. McPheeters is active in real estate with the Abbot Realty Company.

Evan Sidebottom McCord, '17, of Fort Worth, Texas, was married on April 6th to Miss Katherine Rout of Versailles, Kentucky. Mr. McCord holds two degrees from W. & L., having obtained his A.B. in 1915 and his law degree in 1917.

Lieut. Albert C. Murdaugh, ex '19, U. S. N. and Miss Irene Shellberg were married in San Francisco March 1st. Lieut. and Mrs. Murdaugh will be at the Bremmerton Navy Yard in Washington State for several months.

Carlus Howard Griffin, '20-'23, was married March 26th to Miss Katherine Wainwright, Cambridge, Mass.

Announcement of the engagement and approaching marriage of Oscar Forrest McGill, '23, to Miss Gladys Autrey of Orlando, Florida. "Mack" was well liked at W. & L. and he has a host of friends who will be interested in his coming marriage. He completed the four year course at W. & L. in three years, after serving sixteen months in the army during the war, yet participated in many activities. He was president of his class, on the wrestling team two years and was head of his fraternity.

The engagement of Miss Helen Bryant to Murrell Yankee, '26, was recently announced, the wedding to take place June 1, after which they will visit Lexington sometime during Finals.

A REAL SUPPORTER

Portland, Oregon,
April 21, 1927.

My dear Mr. Kemp:

Enclosed you will please find my check for \$4.00 for my subscription to the Washington and Lee Alumni Magazine for two years.

I believe that your magazine is one of the finest pieces of publicity in the country. It certainly does bring back old memories, and stirs up not only loyalty but enthusiasm for the university.

Everything is moving along nicely in the Northwest, and any time you are out this way would like to have you look us up. I remember with great pleasure the privilege I had of meeting you when I was back at Commencement last spring.

With best wishes, I remain,

Most cordially yours,
DONALD W. M. MACCLUER, '07.

Recent Books Worth Owning

(Grateful acknowledgment to Miss Blanche McCrum, Librarian.)

During the year 1926, the publishing companies of the United States produced 9,925 bound volumes. Of these 7,549 were by American authors and the remainder by British and other foreign writers. When these books came from the press they were launched on the market by the most skilful of advertising; for publishers along with other mortals must earn money in order to live. Not only were these books written up by specialists paid to do such work, but they were also treated as news items by various newspapers which were not at all concerned with their intrinsic value as literature. It therefore becomes a very hard problem for any reader, however intelligent, to weed out from such a mass of publicity the notices of the relatively few books that belong to him as an individual by divine right. As an answer to what may be a need felt by some old Washington and Lee men, their college library has compiled from its accessories of the past twelve months the following list of books recommended for reading or purchase. No claim of inclusiveness is made for this list; nor will the critic necessarily find there his favorite volume. But it does represent a balanced ration selected at first hand and indorsed by readers who have found rather unusual stimulation and pleasure in the titles that appear here. Inquiries about these books and requests to borrow them will be welcomed.

BEACH, JOSEPH W. *Outlook for American Prose, University of Chicago Press, 1926, \$2.50.*

A vivid collection of essays on controversial points in contemporary American literature by a man who has not allowed his enthusiasm to submerge his critical faculty. Excellent for discriminating appraisal of such men as Theodore Dreiser and Sherwood Anderson.

BIRKENHEAD, FREDERICK, 1st. earl. *Famous Trials of History, Doran, 1926.*

Eugene Aram, Crippen and the like live again in these pages from the pen of one of the most distinguished criminal lawyers of England. Notable alike for literary style and for content.

BOWERS, CLAUDE G. *Jefferson and Hamilton, Houghton, 1925, \$5.*

Called by one of our History faculty "The outstanding historical work of the year," but dear to many laymen for its lively delineations of men and manners in the spacious days of the early Republic, as well as for the best discussion they have ever found of the foundation on which American democracy rests.

BRADFORD, GAMALIEL. *Darwin, Houghton, 1926, \$3.50.*

This does not supplant the two volume *Life and Letters of Charles Darwin*, edited by his son Francis, which remains the classic for the student. But it does give with much insight and sympathy Darwin's true place in the history of the theory of evolution, and it is written with the felicity and charm that one expects of the author of *Lee and American*.

BROMFIELD, LOUIS. *Early Autumn, Stokes, 1926, \$2.*

William Dean Howells is reported to have said something to the effect that certain kinds of fiction are written for us only "when we are sick or when we are silly." *Early Autumn* can stand the test of our best moments and then lead us back with eagerness to the other volumes by this gifted young American.

BROWN, ROLLO W. *Dean Briggs, Harper, 1926, \$3.50.*

Too fine an appreciation of a fine man to be adequately criticized in a few lines. Humor, sympathy and good writing make this tribute of an old Harvard man to his Dean one of the best biographies of recent years.

DORSEY, GEORGE A. *Why we Behave Like Beings, Harper, 1925, \$3.50.*

The author has selected certain vital points in such sciences as anthropology, biology and psychology and with amazing success has used them to explain man to himself.

DREISER, THEODORE. *An American Tragedy, Boni and Liveright, 1926, \$5.*

The Yeas and Nays continue to struggle to have it where these two large volumes are concerned. To one type of mind it is a penetrating analysis of certain underlying evils in our American life to-day, so epic in its scope as to rank with the great tragedies of this and other ages. An equally right-minded section of the reading public considers it a wordy and sordid example of the unnecessary in fiction, written in awkward English and without distinction to redeem it. Because of these diverse opinions the person with a literary curiosity can hardly afford to ignore it.

DRINKWATER, JOHN. *Pilgrim of Eternity, Byron, a Conflict, Doran, 1925, \$5.*

Byron emerges from this new study neither glorified nor damned, but more than ever the eternally romantic idol-breaker, whose ageless charm has never been portrayed better than in these pages.

DURANT, WILL. *The Story of Philosophy*, Simon, 1926, \$5.

A successful attempt to present in language intelligible to the average reader the principal contributions to thought made by the great philosophers from Plato to John Dewey. The book escapes the profound and dull as successfully as it does the slight and superficial; and it links the ancient origins of ideas to their present manifestations in a truly exciting way.

GLASGOW, ELLEN. *Romantic Comedians*, Doubleday 1926, \$2.50.

For a sophisticated sense of humor and for the reader who cares more for types than for individuals, this book showing the Old South at grips with the New will be a genuine joy.

JONES, RUFUS M. *The Church's Debt to Heretics*, Doran, 1924, \$2.

Presents the idea that the heretic of to-day is often the hero and reformer of to-morrow, using as illustrations such names as Origen and Martin Luther. An interesting book for the student of Modernism and Fundamentalism.

DE KRUIF, PAUL. *Microbe Hunters*, Harcourt, 1926, \$3.50.

Adventures on the frontiers of science where such men as Pasteur, Metchnikoff, Bruce and Koch have met the invisible enemies of man and have defeated them.

LEGOUIS, EMILE. *History of English Literature*, Macmillan, 1926, \$3.75.

Does for its own field what Reinch's *Apollo* does for the field of Art,—provides a handbook in which brevity and scholarship are very fortunately combined. The author shows the pageant of English literature seen through the eyes of a student and written with the taste and discrimination of a man of letters. The first volume is now in print and volume two, soon to appear, will complete the survey which is to cover a period beginning with the year 650 and ending with modern times. Excellent bibliographical notes are included.

MEAD, MARCIA. *Homes of Character*, Dodd, 1926 \$3.50.

A successful effort to link the small house, its setting and its furnishing into a harmonious whole worthy of the best American tradition in architecture. A valuable book for prospective builders, containing a few good plans and illustrations.

LUDWIG, EMIL. *William Hohenzollern*, Putnam, 1927, \$5.

By the author of "Napoleon," which was a recent

Book of the Month. Our professor of European history considers this a brilliant book, of particular value in that it gives much new light on one of the most important figures in a momentous scene of world history.

MIMS, EDWIN. *The Advancing South*, Doubleday, 1926, \$3.

While one regrets the Rotarian character of the determined enthusiasm with which this book is written, it nevertheless remains the only effort so far made to assemble and discuss the most illuminating facts in Southern life to-day. One reviewer says: "To paraphrase John Sharp William's reflection, it invites everybody to curse less and think more."

POTEAT, WILLIAM L. *Can a Man Be a Christian Today?* University of North Carolina Press, 1925, \$1.50.

By the President of Wake Forest College, and originally delivered as lectures at the University of North Carolina on the John Calvin McNair foundation. The dedication of the book shows its temper: "To my children . . . and all who share youth and intelligence." One of the best recent discussions of the conflict between the material and the spiritual in the universe.

RUSSELL, BERTRAND. *Education and the Good Life*, Boni and Liveright, 1926, \$2.50.

Not only an important document for parents with young children to bring up but also the presentation of a philosophy of life based on courage, vigor and co-operation as opposed to fear, denial and competition. The radical social theories which it advances may detract from it for some people, but it remains one of the most thought-provoking books of the year.

SULLIVAN, MARK. *Our Times*, Scribner, 1926, \$5.

The author shall speak for himself: "The purpose of the narrative is to follow an average American thru this quarter-century of his country's history, to recreate the flow of the days as he saw them, to picture events in terms of their influence on him, his daily life and ultimate destiny. The aim is to appraise the actors of history and their activities according to the way they affected the average man." Always out or reserved at the library.

WEBB, BEATRICE. *My apprenticeship*, Longmans, 1926, \$6.

Social and family life, high society and religion as observed by the brilliant wife of Sidney Webb the social statician. A fascination record of the evolution of a Victorian into a modern.

CECIL DE MILLE PICTURES CORPORATION

De Mille Studio,
Culver City, California.
March 4, 1927.

Dear Mr. Kemp:

A few more days and the Ides of March will be upon us and even at this date a President or two have made their march down Pennsylvania Avenue to say the ever procrastinating "I will". (That phrase has to do with another dread event as well, hasn't it?) You see I have a sense of drama.

I regret to think that it has been some time since I have had the pleasure of reading the ever happy Alumni Magazine—but I still hold the hope that I will view the copy and revel in the memories recalled at each page.

When you last heard from me I was, I believe, a habitant of that beautiful paradise as often eulogized in the columns of Arthur Brisbane, San Francisco. But alas or alack or what have you, I did roam to this fair city of angles and angels and did enter ye gay moving picture business. What a business!—I love it, and all the other little things—I love them, too.

Anyway here I am after a long hard pull, the assistant director for Mr. de Mille. We have just finished a picture with Vera Reynolds, Bob Ober, Phyllis Haver, Victor Varconi, Theodore Kosloff, and Fred Walton, called "The Little Adventuress." You might enjoy the production when and if staged at I. Weinberg's Palace of Fine Arts and Expression.

Mr. Cecil de Mille has just finished the greatest picture ever made in this industry—a story of the Christ, entitled "The King of Kings." You and everyone else whose good fortune it will be to witness this triumph, will see a production of such beauty and magnitude—yet of such sweetness and simplicity—that you will leave the theatre, I am certain, a better piece of clay than when you entered. This man de Mille is a genius and regardless of his idiosyncrasies you would go through Hell and high water for him.

When you answer this, if you do, tell me something about the Troubadours and what they are doing. To be a member of that organization is an honor and I say, sincerely, that the experience obtained there has been of great benefit to me.

Please remember me most kindly to everyone of my dear friends on the campus and tell John Graham that he owes me a letter.

Truly yours,
LIDELL PECK, '23

William Gilmer Long, '08, was elected District Judge of the 14th Judicial District of Oklahoma and assumed duties of office January 10, 1927—a four year term.

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Personals

Among the announcements of resignations of five of the University of Virginia faculty appears the name of Dr. Charles A. Graves, '69, professor of Law. Professor Graves spent fifty-four years as professor of law. He served Washington and Lee, his alma mater, as law professor from 1873 to 1899, following which he took up the work of professor of law at the University of Virginia, where he has served to this day. He is made professor emeritus.

Roger W. Harrison, '99, president of the Greensboro, N. C., Chapter has been appointed to represent the Alumni Association to attend the home-coming dedication of North Carolina College for Women.

Rev. Samuel McP. Glasgow, '03, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Knoxville, Tennessee, writes us: "Have recently delivered a series of eight lectures on 'The Spiritual Life' at Union Theological Seminary at Richmond, Va. Also held a special meeting for The Church-By-The-Side-Of-The-Road in Greensboro, N. C., where I saw Dr. Chas. F. Myers, an old Washington-Lee alumnus, now pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Greensboro. Dr. Myers is planning to build a new \$750,000.00 church."

C. R. Pilkington, '03, is associated with the American Fruit Growers, Inc., of Orlando, Florida.

Wm. T. Delaplaine, '09, of Frederick, Md., writes us: "One of the most enjoyable events on my winter's vacation spent in California was to visit on the return trip at Marietta, Ohio, 'Tubby' Derr, ('10) who is doing fine as plant manager of the Marietta Paint and Color Company. He has an attractive wife and two real kiddies. The boy is slated for Washington and Lee. My bet is 'Tubby', Jr., will try for the football team."

C. M. Mason, '11, was elected Vice Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Oklahoma on January 10, 1927, which term expires January, 1930.

Claude Smith, '13, has removed his law office from 84 W. Pennington Street to the United Bank Building, in Tucson, Arizona.

Horace E. Mayhew, '14, was elected Sergeant of the City of Roanoke January 1, 1918, which position he still holds, having been elected three times.

Mr. Francis Miller, graduate of W. & L., '14, and of Oxford, who has for the past few years been associate secretary in the national student office with Mr. Dave Porter, recently sailed for Geneva where he takes up his new duties as Administrative Secretary of the World's Student Christian Federation. Mr. Miller has for many years been identified with the student movement, dating that interest from Dr. Mott's visits to Washington and Lee.

J. Carl Fisher, '15, is Director of the Illuminating

Engineering Society, Baltimore, Md. He tells us that his most recent achievement is "a second daughter born February 28, 1927.

Loring C. Kackley, '15, practicing law in Pineville, Kentucky, is Police Judge of that city.

David A. Falk, '17, who practised law until he went into the service, is now in the Department Store business. He is still unmarried.

Charles R. Stribling, '17, who is commandant at the Missouri Military Academy of Mexico, Mo., writes us: "There are not many alumni in this section of the country so I am raising one myself—Charles R. Stribling, III, being born on March 29th, 1927. My work here throws me into more or less contact with the large educational factories of Missouri, Illinois and Kansas. I firmly believe that the future of Washington and Lee depends upon its firm restrictions as to size of enrollment."

Dr. S. Oscar Fry, '18, announces the opening of an office at 40 East 41st Street, New York City, for the practice of General and Orthopedic surgery. He will be associated with Dr. Fred H. Albee.

Harry E. Snyder, '18, attorney at law in Hagerstown, Md., was this spring appointed by Governor Ritchie as Judge of the Juvenile Court for Hagerstown and Washington County.

Charles Kupfer, '19, has recently moved to New York City where he is associated with the Law firm of Nadal, Jones and Mowton, 92 Liberty Street.

Dr. Robert Glasgow has received news that his daughter, Mrs. C. H. Patterson, ('19), is safe in Kobe, Japan. The Pattersons were stationed at Sutsien, China.

Eddie L. Westbrook, Jr., '21, is associated with the Law Department of the St. Louis-San Francisco Railway Company, Jonesboro, Ark., of which his father is District Attorney. He writes: "A young lawyer on his own has to work a while before he accumulates extras. But luck is favoring me at present and I am beginning to get enthusiastic over prospects."

Bob Campbell, '24, writes us: "For the last three years prep school teaching has been my past-time, and now I expect to enter the University of Chicago this summer for further study in Romance Languages. The Episcopal High School of Alexandria is a great school for boys. A few, I am glad to say, afterwards go to Washington and Lee. I hope the number will increase.

Marshall A. Mott, '24, writes us: "The latest issue of the magazine has just reached me and is very fine as usual. Impartially, it is one of the best organs of its kind that I see anywhere. May it continue. This is the first real day of spring in this

part of the country and it is more than welcome, you can be sure. Perhaps the start of Baseball had something to do with it, but my main interest is the coal bin."

Allen Penick, '24, has returned to Lexington from Florida where he has been in the hardware business. He expects to continue his business in the vicinity of Lexington.

Bob Smith, '24, who was married June 30th last year, is now attending the University of Chicago Commerce School.

John H. Williams, '24, says: "I have been in Ceylon now for nearly two and one-half years and have enjoyed living here very much. I think the ALUMNI MAGAZINE very interesting and I look forward to the arrival of each copy. I think that the Alumni Association is doing a great work, and I congratulate you and extend to you my best wishes for continued success." Mr. Williams is American Vice Consul at Colombo, Ceylon.

Harry Dawson, '25, has returned to Washington from Laona, Wis. and is engaged in the real estate business there.

James E. Humphreys, '25, writes us that he is "still trying to get dollars out of pine boards," being associated with the Jackson Brothers Company of Fayetteville, N. C.

John Philips, of Clarksburg, W. Va., who was a freshman at W. & L. during the year 1924-25, but who has been attending West Virginia University at Morgantown for the past two years, was recently voted the first of three best dressed men on the Mountaineer campus. Philips won his honor in an election participated in by the entire West Virginia student body as part of a campaign put on by the Monticola, the university's annual.

Lewis Ridenour, '26, is with the British-American Tobacco Company in Petersburg, Va. He wishes to enter the foreign service of this firm.

James Otis ("Jot") Trulove, '20, who is associated with the Oklahoma and New Mexico Northern Assurance Co., of Oklahoma City, was in Lexington the week-end of May 7th. He was accompanied by Ira M. Quillem, '17-'24, who is at present engaged in the practice of law at Lebanon, Va.

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