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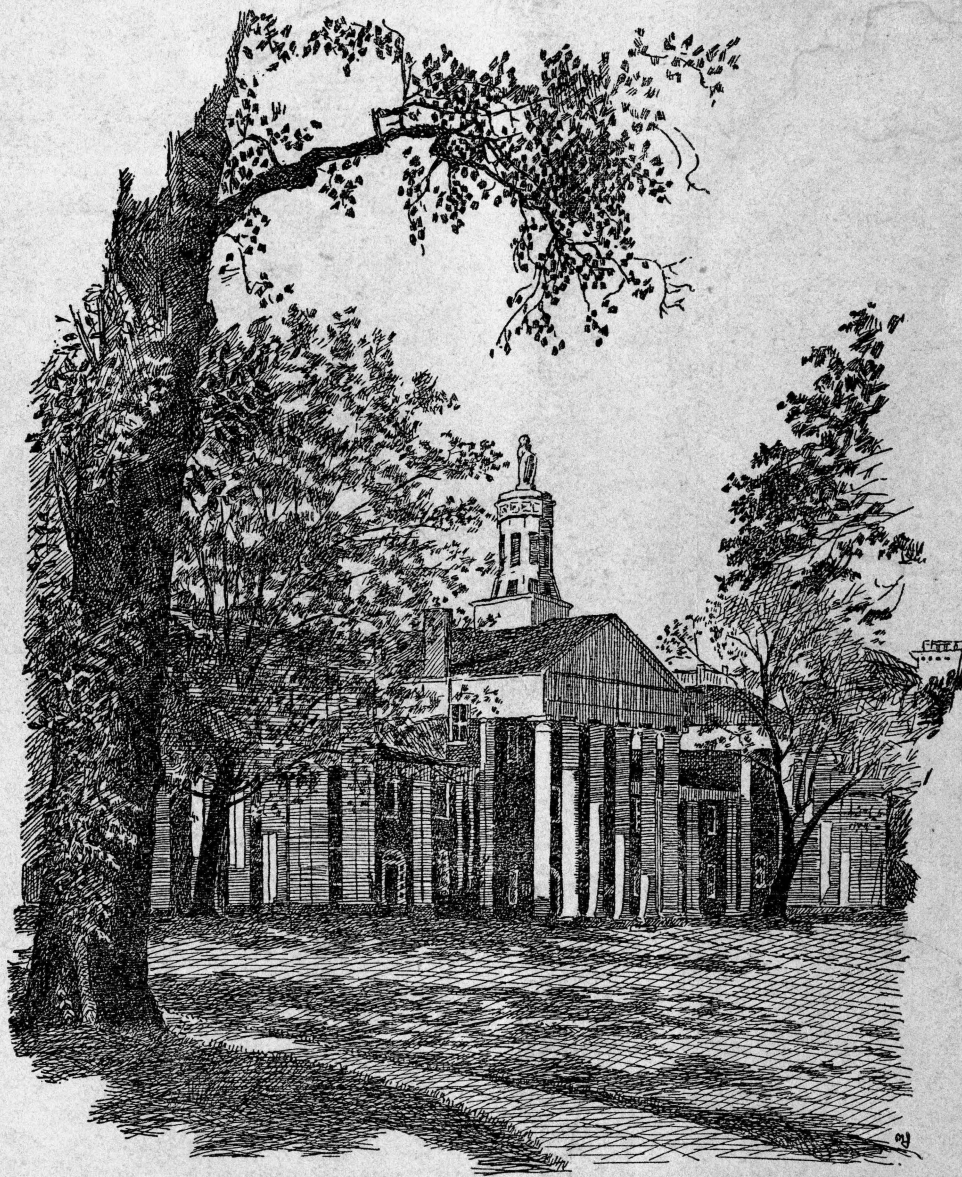
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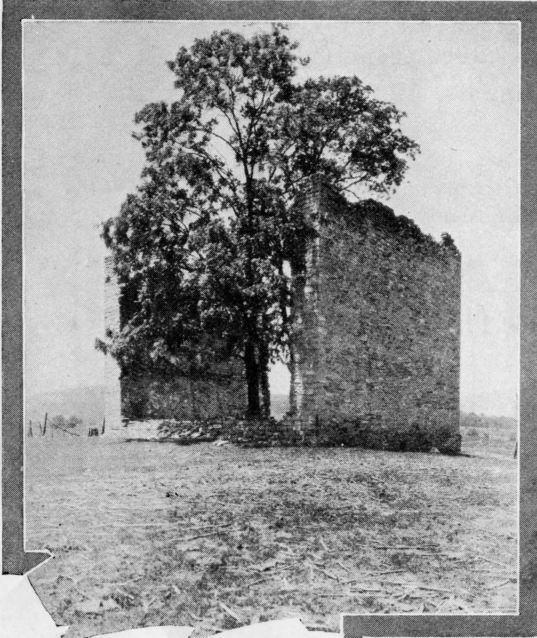
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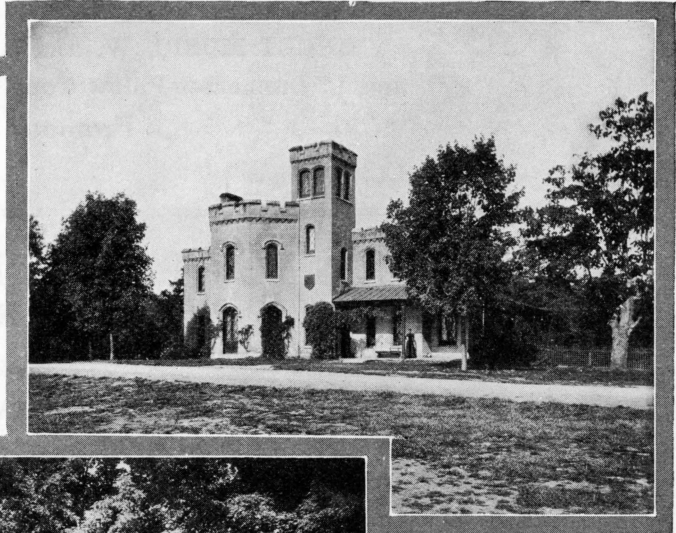
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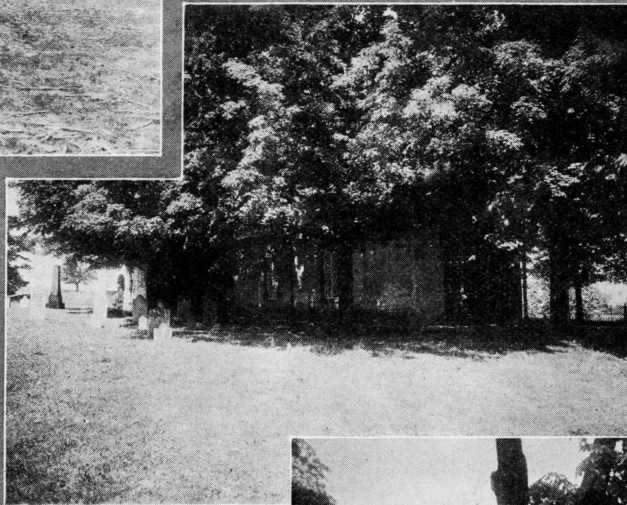
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The Year

Students assembled, heard student speakers propose that the student body finance the construction of a foot-bridge from the gym to the athletic field, heard faculty speakers outline the need for such a bridge, agreed to finance the project, pledged \$25,000 toward it, paid \$5,000 of the amount in cash.

Reality stared at students sternly; forced them to the mid-night oil; took toll of dissipation, of inattentiveness, of skipping and skimming. Examinations were on. Students studied.

Examinations were over. The tension from two weeks' "cramming" was ended. Many students packed, hurried home to summer jobs, vacation trips, camps, etc. Others remained for Commencement.

The moaning wail of a saxophone, the blare from Jan Garber's expensive fifteen piece dance orchestra, echoed over the campus Friday night, June 3rd, announced that Finals had begun. Remaining students, visiting girls and friends responded to the clarion call, assembled in joyful, colorful convocation.

Darkly solemn in cap and gown one hundred and thirty-four successful candidates for graduation faced the impressive recumbent statute in the chapel Sunday morning, heard Dr. W. W. Memminger, rector of All Saints Church, Atlanta, Ga., preach from the text, "Behold the Man."

A few students, many visitors and friends gathered at dusk on the velvet green campus lawn, sang hymns, heard Dr. Churchill Gibson talk on prayer at the "Y" vesper service Sunday evening.

Returned alumni, few in number, gathered at the library for the annual meeting of the Alumni, Inc. Judge E. C. Caffrey presided. Various reports were made. The secretary's proposal for the use of the old McLaughlin house as an alumni building was referred to a special committee. President Smith spoke. Judge Charles J. McDermott, University trustee, delivered the speech of the day, was accorded an enthusiastic ovation, responded with an eloquent address of unusual merit and charm, was openly complimented from the floor by members present.

Able trustees met, composed the supreme governing body of the University, voted to charge an admission of twenty-five cents to the Lee chapel, voted a salary raise to many professors, increased the present tuition fee by twenty-five dollars, regretfully accepted the resignation of trustee F. T. Glasgow, acted on many administrative matters of minor importance.

Alumni and faculty teams met on the North River "island", played for six innings to a 6-6 deadlock baseball score, called the game for the boat-race, watched the Harry Lee crew outdistance the Albert Sidney crew by a boat length at the finish line.

Alumni, old and young, marched in line for the alumni figure at the Senior-Alumni Ball on Monday night. Led by alumni president E. C. Caffrey with Mrs. L. J. Desha, two long columns marched down the floor formed the figure U., broke into a waltz.

Again graduates assembled, followed the trustees and faculty in impressively robed procession into the chapel; heard President Henry Louis Smith review the year; heard Hon. Martin W. Littleton, famed lawyer, talk with forceful simplicity on the ways and means of life; applauded; heard their valedictorian; received individually from the hands of the president at the recommendation of the various deans, an engraved parchment signifying the degree of their graduation; received a prayerful benediction. Thus the 178th session of Washington and Lee was officially closed.

Again the saxophone wailed. Dancers assembled in a transformed gymnasium for the Final Ball, danced until dawn. Accompanied by a lone violin graduating seniors gathered in the center of the dance floor, sang "College Friendships", dissembled with many a tearful farewell.

Outgoing buses, trains and private cars cleared the way for the V. M. I. Finals; then another influx and exodus, and Lexington settled down to ten weeks of restful normality. The year was closed.

The Baccalaureate Sermon

At the baccalaureate service held in Lee Memorial Chapel Sunday morning, June 5th, the preacher was Rev. W. W. Memminger, rector of All Saints Church, Atlanta, Ga. The theme from which he drew, as he specifically stated, lessons for the graduating class, lay in the words of Pilate, the Roman governor, "Ecce Homo"—Behold the Man.

The sermon was impressively introduced by the reading of the story of the Day of Pentecost, as found in Acts, second chapter, by the Rev. Churchill Gibson, followed by the singing of "How Firm a Foundation," recognized by some present as General Robert E. Lee's favorite hymn. The speaker invited his hearers to go back in imagination almost 2,000 years to a scene he recalled. Before a courthouse there appeared a mob crying, "Crucify Him." At the head of the steps of the building appeared a Roman governor looking perplexed and dubious; on the stairway was the victim, wearing a scarlet robe, a crown of thorns, a blood-stained brow. Finally Pilate exclaimed, "Behold the Man." Not only Christian people, but the intelligent heathen world now echo the words, "Behold the Man."

The preacher talked to the graduates of the characteristics which this Christ-man stood for, which have secured him such recognition, and drew from those characteristics practical lessons for the graduates in life.

Outstanding among them was to be seen his courage. Not simply physical courage, noble as that is, but the moral courage which stood out for truth, did not fear to lash hypocrites in high places, did not yield to demands to insure popularity. Youth should be wary against yielding their fine instincts of manhood, that they might receive the appreciation of the thoughtless and wayward among their fellows.

Again, Christ illustrated that sense of responsibility which answered affirmatively the question of Cain, "Am I my brother's keeper?" He recognized the fullest responsibility and obligation of man to his fellows. He felt responsible for the standards of life of his fellowmen. The Scripture quotation found back in the Old Testament, and often repeated, "Be sure your sins will find you out" had an origin often forgotten. It was a prophetic utterance to the two tribes beyond Jordan, of what would overtake them if they failed to recognize their obligations to the ten tribes advancing over Jordan to secure their homes.

The preacher recalled his preaching at an insane asylum in Georgia to hundreds of inmates, and being told by the superintendent afterwards that four-fifths of them owed their condition to early habits of vice. He recalled preaching at a state penitentiary in Georgia to many hundreds, then returning to preach to his

fashionable city congregation, there came to his mind that the wealth and luxury and power they had all won and were enjoying were the things sought after by the men who in seeking it had found their way to prison cells. The lesson to youth was the responsibility of setting a standard of right living to their associates and other classes.

Thirdly, Jesus from his youth up had pursued a search to find out the will of God, to know, by communion with Him God's will and God's law. In so doing he formed that character which elevated man and brought his fellowmen under the rule of divine will. Jesus, too, exemplified sympathy, and compassion for the less fortunate.

These qualities called for coöperative service by men in the service which Jesus rendered. Jesus came not to be ministered unto but to minister. These qualities are the sign and symbol of the Cross and of the Son of God.

Invocation at the opening of the service was offered by Rev. W. W. Morton. Congregational singing was led by the choir of Lee Memorial Church.

(From the *Rockbridge County News*.)

INITIATES TO DAN OWEN'S HAM

Dan Owen's ('12) ham has become an established institution at Finals. (ALUMNI MAGAZINE, June, 1927). This year's initiates to the Order of the Ham were "Randy" Cabell, '17, Dr. Carl White, '17, and J. R. Caskie, '06.

A new feature during the ceremonial rites observed this year was the formation of a ladies auxiliary. Mrs. Owen, Mrs. White and Mrs. Cabell were made charter members. "Jimmie" Caskie was not represented in the organization of "ribs" for obvious reasons.

For the benefit of the uninitiated it must be explained that Dan Owen is in the ham and apple business. He has made a habit of bringing samples with him to Finals every year—and he doesn't miss a Finals. While the effervescent undergrad is lifting ankles to the dying strains of a closing waltz a few chosen alumni slip from the scene of light and gaiety to a secluded spot in or about Lexington and partake of the ham. This process is repeated nightly until both dances and ham have gone the way of all flesh.

In honor of the "ribs" organization this year Mrs. Owen presided with the carving knife. Dan officiated with pickles, cheese and crackers. From the size and number of the slices consumed one would judge that the genial Dan had discovered a ham curing process of peculiar magic.

It appears that the Order of the Ham will be a permanent institution—but few are chosen for the honor of membership.

Commencement---Mr. Littleton's Address

DIPLOMAS TO 134 GRADUATES AWARDED AT 178TH
COMMENCEMENT AT WASHINGTON AND LEE.

Diplomas were awarded June 7th at the 178th Commencement to 134 graduates. Of these, twenty-five were law degrees, fifty-six were bachelor of arts, two master of arts and fifty-one bachelor of science. The auditorium was crowded with graduates, parents and friends of graduates for the exercises.

Hon. Martin W. Littleton, a leader of the New York bar, addressed the graduates as the orator of the occasion in a finely tempered, practical and inspiring speech. In an unassuming and yet forceful manner, this tried advocate of many important legal battles poured forth practical truths that he had evidently learned in his useful and notable career. At the conclusion of his address, he was made the recipient of the degree of LL.D. from the board of trustees of the University.

Mr. Littleton's address dealt primarily with the selection of life's work and the pursuit of it in attaining happiness. He pictured the world into which the graduates were entering, reviewing the marvelous achievements of the past thirty years since he began the practice of law and the things to which these young men were born which were then unknown. There is no formula, he said, for success and happiness. It all depends upon the individual.

Touching upon some of the elemental forces which go to make up success, he first mentioned ambition as the dynamic force in men's character. It is, however, he said, a dangerous weapon and must be curbed and guided. There is nothing so tragic as uncontrolled ambition. The first principle of success, then, said Mr. Littleton, is to "know thyself." Find out your own limitations and then you can choose the battle where you will meet the world and not have your enemy choose it. He then made an interesting reference to the choice of his own life work.

After choosing a vocation with a view to one's own limitations, atuning one's self to the world without the surrender of ideals and fundamentals, Mr. Littleton then emphasized the importance of intellectual honesty. He illustrated the importance of this virtue in connection particularly with the law, politics and the editorial profession. The question, he said, had often been raised as to whether a lawyer could defend a man he knew was guilty. With intellectual honesty, there is no conflict between such a situation and duty to one's state.

As another element to success, he stressed courage as absolutely essential, and with ambition, honesty, courage and careful selection of a life work, he called upon the young men before him to go to work. Work, under these circumstances is not a idiocy but

a pleasure said Mr. Littleton. A titter ran through the audience as the speaker said "You have been educated here; you will now be called upon to be intelligent." With all seriousness he explained that the training would be worthless unless harnessed and made to serve them. Work, said the speaker, with these elements as a background, comes as easy as heat comes from the sun and water from the heavens. This word work is a beautiful word.

Asking the question what would secure happiness, he said it would not be found in thrills and in frills, not along the rollicking boulevards, in foreign capitals, nor in the quiet countryside, but in a man's relation to other men and his God. It comes in no freak way. The nearest thing to happiness, he said, is in the home, not its architecture nor its form, but the home that is a soul.

Mr. Littleton, in opening his remarks, recalled a summer at Washington and Lee studying under John Randolph Tucker where he got in this short time practically all of his legal education. He recalled these months with pleasure and fancied that he retained inspirational forces that he had never been able to lose. Paying a fine tribute to his old teacher he said, "What a glory and privilege it is to be a Tucker of Virginia."

The exercises of the morning were opened at 11 A. M. with prayer by Rev. Lapsley Carson, of Richmond, member of the board of trustees. Preceding the address of the morning, President Henry Louis Smith announced the winners of scholarships. Following the address, the diplomas were presented, and as explained by Dean Harry D. Campbell they were delivered for the first time during this century with honors. President Smith then delivered the honorary degrees conferred by the board, of which in addition to the degree conferred upon Mr. Littleton, there were only two. These were the degree of doctor of divinity conferred upon Rev. W. W. Memminger, of Atlanta, the baccalaureate preacher, and the degree of doctor of divinity to Rev. James J. Murray, of Lexington Presbyterian Church.

President Smith delivered the diplomas to the student graduates in groups and with appropriate remarks, and generous applause from the audience followed each presentation.

A short but appropriate valedictory address was delivered by Samuel Adams McCain.

President Smith announced the awarding of two special prizes. The first was the prize (given by Paul D. Converse, '15), awarded by vote of the student body to the best all-round man, considering model character, social qualities, intellectual attain-

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Actions of Washington and Lee Board of Trustees

The board of trustees of Washington and Lee University at its semi-annual meeting Monday, June 6th, in Lexington, passed a resolution charging an admission of twenty-five cents to visitors to Lee chapel. The fund thus derived will go toward maintaining the custodian and for maintenance of the chapel and grounds. The resolution was strongly advocated by Dr. Bolling Lee of New York, member of the board and grandson of General Lee. The executive committee was authorized to make such exceptions as to the charge as it should deem proper.

The board also authorized the purchase of display cases and the fitting up of a room in the basement of the chapel for the display of Lee relics as soon as sufficient funds were derived from the admission fee. The appropriation of \$100.00 for further purchase of relics of General Robert E. Lee was continued, and the committee on Lee relics was directed to have printed folders, cards and photographs for sale to visitors, and profits from such sales to go to the chapel fund.

Upon recommendation of a special committee appointed for the purpose, professors' salaries were raised substantially by the board at its Monday meeting. The general scheme of the increase was as follows: Full professors ranging between \$3,500 and \$4,500; associate professors between \$2,600 and \$3,400; assistant professors between \$2,000 and \$2,600; instructors between \$1,500 and \$2,000. The maximum salary now paid is \$3,900, making an increase of \$600 in the maximum.

The increase is to be taken care of by an advance in student tuition fees of \$25.00, making the tuition \$250.00 a year, and with the registration fee, \$260.00. This is made payable as follows: Registration fee, \$10.00; \$125.00 in September and \$125.00 in January. The total increase in salaries will mean an addition of about \$14,000.00 to the pay roll, while the estimated tuition increase will add about \$22,000 to the treasury. A reservation, however, is made from the increase to take care of certain other contingencies.

The resolution also changes the basis of paying salaries, making the salary dependent upon merit rather than entirely upon length of service in determining the amount within its limits given above. The board also in this connection raised the rents on the professors' houses.

The resignation of Trustee Frank T. Glasgow on account of illness was accepted and a committee appointed to convey the regret of the board upon his resignation.

The treasurer of the university was authorized to install a second floor in the front room of the old chemical laboratory in Washington building, and the space thus divided to be occupied by the departments of biology and journalism.

The president was authorized to secure the services of experts in higher education to make a thorough study of the present degrees and degree requirements, submitting a report of conclusions and recommendations.

The matter of dealing with the department of Biblical studies and moral philosophy was referred to a committee and Rev. William W. Morton continued as assistant professor.

An appropriation of \$500.00 was ordered for the law library.

The resignation of Professor Lewis Tyree of the law school faculty was accepted with due appreciation of his faithful services to the University.

The board authorized the granting of a right of way to the town for a sewer line along Woods creek and a right of way to the state of Virginia through a narrow strip west of Lexington on state road No. 14.

Due to the absence of Rector L. H. Cocke on account of illness, Judge C. J. McDermott presided. The following trustees were present: William A. Anderson, G. W. St. Clair, Harrington Waddell, J. S. Munce, W. D. Lewis, S. McC. White, W. A. MacCorkle, J. W. Davis, H. B. Sproul, C. J. McDermott, J. R. Caskie, George Bolling Lee and W. L. Carson. The board adjourned until a called meeting October 11th.

COMMENCEMENT

(Continued from preceding page.)

ments and campus citizenship, which was awarded to Robert Maynard Holt of Tennessee. The other, awarded for the first time in the history of the institution, to the graduate with the most outstanding character and qualities as exemplified in everyday life, went to Robert Wilbur Simmons, of West Vir-

ginia. This prize was awarded through the courtesy of the Southern society of New York City.

In a few well chosen remarks, Dr. Smith bade farewell to the graduates, congratulating them upon their success, the school upon its new representatives in the world, and with an expression of warm hope for their success in life. The exercises were closed with the benediction by Dr. Memminger.—*Rockbridge County News.*

ALUMNI-FACULTY TIE IN BASEBALL GAME

An interesting feature at Commencement was the Faculty-Alumni baseball game on the island preceding the boat race Monday afternoon. Elderly and dignified gentlemen braved sore muscles and ridiculous performance to afford a merry afternoon for the spectators, and all entered into the spirit of the occasion. The game looked like a goner for the faculty until Clayton Williams, pitcher and all-round star of the faculty aggregation, knocked a home run with the bases full to tie the score, 6 to 6. This broke up the game, and it was a good hit, though scarcely a home run in any other league. Eddie Davis and Will McElwee showed good form for the alumni. The line-ups were as follows: Alumni—Fred Deaver, catcher; Eddie Davis, first base; Dick Smith, second base; Leggitt, shortstop; Barker, third base; Bruce Morrison, Verbon Kemp, Malcolm Campbell and Will McElwee, outfielders; and Slack, pitcher. Faculty—Harrison, catcher; Williams, pitcher; Dominick, first base; Hancock, second base; Paxton, shortstop; Dickey, third base; Wooten, Moffatt, and Funkhouser, fielders.

THEY CAME BACK!

"Very few alumni back this year" was the disappointed plaint of some at Finals. The attendance at the annual alumni meeting was poor. But when alumni lined up for the alumni figure at the Senior ball they formed a column twice the length of the gymnasium. W. T. Armstrong, '87, of Galveston, Texas, and J. B. McCartney of Fort Worth, travelled the greatest distance. However, Mr. Albert Steves, '74, arrived from San Antonio a few days after Finals. B. A. Judd, '96, of New York, returned after a long absence. Many were here to exchange greetings at the annual alumni luncheon.

Those registering at alumni headquarters were: J. H. T. Sutherland, '21; Darby H. Brown, Jr., '25; Roy C. Slack, '25; Charles Barrett, '24; Byron Hayes, '22; Francis Rector, '23; G. D. Davidson, '13; John C. Hoover, '22; W. T. Thom, Jr., '13; Charles A. Tutwiler, '24; Robert P. Cooke, '92; Paul M. Penick, '96; J. S. Edmondson, '19; D. B. Owen, '12; Edwin H. Howard, '24; Ralph L. Scott, '25; Claude P. Light, '11; Rayford W. Alley, '10; E. C. Caffrey, '09; Eddie Davis, '15; Monte Ray, —; W. O. Burtner, '21; Jas. R. Caskie, '09; Gordon Wilson, '23; S. M. Harrison, '00; H. Austin Spang, Jr., '25; W. T. Ellis, '02; C. W. White, '21; Emmett W. McCorkle, '75; J. S. Hansel, '17; A. G. Robinson, '70; W. Reid Steele, '26; F. M. Thompson, '21; Stuart Moore, '21; J. Shirley Riley, '16; J. Morrison Hut-

cheson, '02; John C. Moomaw, '11; John N. Thomas, '24; J. G. Johnston, '11; Geo. W. Chaney, '11; R. E. Witt, '06; Earle K. Paxton, '08; Jas. S. Smith, Jr., '25; Edward L. Junkin, '15; Charles H. Patterson, '26; J. W. Callison, '20; L. A. Dunlap, '22; John F. Hopher, '14; H. Bryson Glass, '26; W. O. Burtner, '21; S. M. Glasgow, '03; C. S. Glasgow, '09; Fred McWane, '13; Gip Woodson, '17; J. V. Coe; J. R. Hendrix; R. Smith; C. Owen; J. R. Leggate, Jr.; C. L. Allen; C. Heilig; J. Rountree; A. Lambert; S. Smith; H. B. Sproul, Jr.; H. E. Henderson; J. B. McCartney; T. X. Parsons; Geo. Chaney, and Otis Howe.

HARRY LEE WINS ANNUAL CREW RACE

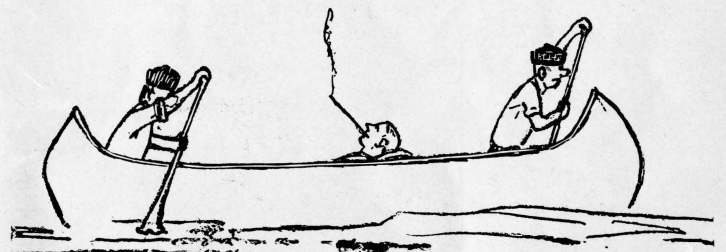
Before a record crowd, the Red Harry Lee crew, captained by George Varney, led its ancient rival, the Blue Albert Sidney, under the tape for victory once more.

Pulled over the mile and one-quarter course on North River the race was one of the closest in years with the time being well under five minutes. The Red oarsmen used their heavier weight to advantage on the home stretch, pulling away from the Albert Sidney four to win by one-half boat length.

The race started shortly after six o'clock with Coach Fletcher firing the gun and Coach Smith and Mercer Graham officiating at the finish line. Letcher stroked the Harry Lee with Holt at 3, Varney at 2, and A. Pierpont at 1.

The Blue of Albert Sidney was carried by Rector, stroke, Garvin 3, James 2 and Junkin 1. Wither- spoon coxswained the Albert Sidney club, while Reed handled the rudder for the Harry Lee boat.

New shells graced the water when the two rivals opposed each other. The new boats were much alike, both being finished in natural color. They received their initial competition when the second and third crews of both clubs raced Saturday.



"HARRY LEE WON"

STUDENTS FINANCE ATHLETIC FIELD BRIDGE

A handsome steel or concrete footbridge will span the railroad cut from the Gymnasium to Wilson field in the near future! The Washington and Lee student body pledged \$25,000 toward this project at a student assembly held just before Commencement. \$5,000 of this amount was paid in cash and a like amount is to be paid in September. This enables the Athletic Association to start construction this summer. The bridge should be ready for use at the annual W. & L.-Va. game on November 5th.

This project was presented to the student body upon recommendation of the graduating class and approval by the student Executive Committee. Student body president, R. Maynard Holt, was in charge of the assembly. Various phases of the project were discussed by J. L. Lanier, '27, and L. S. Stemmons, '27, of the student body and by Dean W. H. Moreland and Dr. R. G. Campbell of the Faculty. It met with a unanimous endorsement. The gift will be known as the "Class Bridge" in honor of the classes of '27, '28, '29 and '30.

Always handicapped by inconvenient approaches, the athletic field will now be directly linked with the gymnasium and the campus. The proposed bridge will start just below the gymnasium, span the railroad, Woods Creek and the tennis courts and end at the football field. It will become the main gateway to Wilson field since automobiles can be better parked around the gymnasium than at the former driveway entrance.

It is estimated that the bridge will cost around \$35,000. Thus \$10,000 remains to be raised. The fund will be in charge of graduate manager R. A. ("Dick") Smith. Several estimates on the construction have already been received. If contracts are let before August 15th, it is felt that the bridge will be ready by November 5th for the accommodation of the crowds attending the General-Cavalier football classic.

This generous action of the 1927 student body will provide the first individual memorial structure on the campus, with the exception of the alumni Memorial Gateway. The absence of such distinctive marks of loyalty has been deplored by alumni and visitors in the past. All credit to the 1927 student officers, the Ring-tum Phi and the Senior Class presidents.

WILSON FIELD

When September rolls around again and the football aspirants take to the gridiron, few will recognize Wilson Field. Just one year ago work began on the field, and when one sees it in September it will have an entirely different appearance.

Much time has been spent in sowing grass on the field and along the north bank where the planting of roses, giving the east its first rose bank, was once considered. Besides planting the field in grass, a new wire fence has been constructed, which during the summer will be kept locked to prevent trespassers on the field.

Proposed plans had been drawn up to complete the west sector of the grandstand with the addition of three tiers of seats, but with the bridge project underway the Athletic Association has found it impossible to continue the grandstand. However, as soon as all financial arrangements for the bridge have been completed, work will be started on the addition to the stadium.

VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE FOR 1927

- September 24—Lynchburg (here).
- October 1—West Virginia (Charleston).
- “ 8—Duke (here).
- “ 15—Princeton (there).
- “ 22—Kentucky (there).
- “ 29—Maryland (here).
- November 5—Virginia (here).
- “ 12—V. P. I. (there).
- “ 24—Florida (Jacksonville).



"ACTION"—A FEAST FOR FOOTBALL FANS, LEXINGTON, NOV. 5TH

A FOOTBALL DOUBLE-HEADER, NOVEMBER 5th

Saturday, Nov 5th, will be a gala day in Lexington. It will be a double home-coming occasion for the V. M. I. and W. & L. alumni. At 11 A. M. the annual V. M. I.-Carolina game will be played at the V. M. I. stadium. At 3 P. M. Washington and Lee will meet Virginia on the new Wilson field. Football will be king for the day.

A conflict in schedule brings about this unusual spectacle of a football double-header. The V. M. I. athletic association graciously agreed to play their game in the morning in order that visitors may have an opportunity to witness both battles. Thus the alumni program will be:

Registration at Alumni Headquarters.

11 A. M.—V. M. I.-Carolina game, V. M. I. Stadium;

1 P. M.—W. & L. Alumni luncheon, Alumni Building;

3 P. M.—W. & L.-Virginia game, Wilson field.

All roads will lead to Lexington, but they are good roads. Visitors driving from the South will find excellent roads by way of Chattanooga, Knoxville, Bristol and Roanoke (Lee Highway route) or by Charlotte, Winston-Salem and Roanoke; from the East by way of Richmond, Charlottesville, and Staunton or by way of Petersburg, Farmville and Lynchburg; from the West by way of Charleston, White Sulphur Springs and Clifton Forge (The Midland trail now under construction from Clifton Forge to Lexington); from the North down the Valley Pike by way of Winchester and Staunton.

Bus line connections are made with the incoming trains at Staunton, Lynchburg, and Roanoke.

Hotel reservations should be made in advance at the Dutch Inn or the Robert E. Lee Hotel in Lexington or at hotels in Lynchburg, Staunton or Roanoke. Since the dormitories will be occupied by students such accommodation as they afford at Finals will not be available on this occasion. Your Alumni Secretary will make advance reservation in the private homes of Lexington, upon notification, for alumni failing to secure hotel accommodations.

Tickets should be secured in advance for the Washington and Lee-Virginia classic by writing to graduate manager R. A. Smith, Lexington, with remittance of \$2.00 each. Tickets for the V. M. I.-Carolina game can be secured in advance upon remittance of \$2.00 each to Major Blandy Clarkson, V. M. I. graduate manager, Lexington.

It will be a football carnival, a feast for the football fan.

FOOTBALL PROSPECTS

By R. A. SMITH, *Graduate Manager of Athletics*



"BABE" SPOTTS, *Star End*

In looking over the squad that Coach J. P. Herron has picked to report on Wilson field the first Monday in September, we find such stars as "Ty" Rauber, "all Southern" full back; Maynard Holt, South Atlantic tackle; Mike Palmer and Bunny Whitlock, fleet half backs, missing from the regulars of the Washington and Lee football squad. It is not known definitely whether Rector (center) who hails from Ravenwood, West Va., will return, although he will probably be missed as much as any of the above. Rector played every minute of last season and is one of the most dependable passers the squad has ever had. Rector's return will go a long ways to boost the generals' prospects

this fall. The other monogram men returning are Capt. Tips (guard), Group (guard), Fitzpatrick (tackle), Spotts (end), Bailey (end), Dorsey (end), Fisher (tackle), Stearns (full back), White (half back), Howe (half back), Towill (end). Other promising scrubs are Barclay (half back), Bear (guard), Hostetter (tackle), Moffett (end), Morgan (tackle), Seligman (guard), "Ed" Smith (half back), Spencer (center), Spencer (end), Sproul (end), Streit (tackle), Taylor (half back), Egleback (end).

The most promising men coming up from the freshman squad are: Barnett (half), Eberhart (half), Bledsoe (end), Hawkins (tackle), Schmitt (end), Snodgrass (center), Spivey (guard), Hayes (quarter back), Wood (quarter back), Holstein (center), Kasson (full back).

Much is expected of Billy Lott (quarter back) who was out of games last season with a bad ankle. Lott is a product of Greenbriar Military School and starred on the football team there. His home is in Mobile, Ala. Hughes, a big linesman from Cushing, Okla., is expected to bolster up the Generals' line. He was not eligible last season. Wagoner, a tackle under Jimmy DeHart, is also expected to return.

The squad will report first Monday in September and will be given two drills per day in order to get them in shape for a hard schedule.

Coach Herron will be assisted by E. P. Davis and Mike Palmer. Davis will have charge of freshmen.

Tri-State College Ball League Formed

A collegiate baseball league, calling itself the "Southern Conference Tri-State Baseball League" and having as members seven schools in Virginia, North Carolina and Maryland which belong to the Southern Intercollegiate Conference, was organized at the Virginia Hotel, Lynchburg, when graduate athletic managers of six of the number were present. A baseball schedule, calling for two games between each two teams, except between Washington and Lee and Virginia Military Institute was arranged for the spring of 1928.

Members of the league are University of Virginia, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Virginia Military Institute, Washington and Lee University, University of North Carolina, North Carolina State College and University of Maryland. No officers were elected at the meeting. The managers will assemble in Lynchburg again next spring to arrange the schedule for 1929.

Nothing definite regarding an award for the league championship was demanded, except that there will be a trophy to become the permanent possession of the member which first wins it for the third year. The prize will belong to the champion each year until a new champion is enthroned.

With the exception already mentioned, each team has a home-and-home arrangement with each of the other seven each year. The games, however, are not required to be played on the home grounds of the other

team. The schedule arranged does not include Maryland's foreign games, since it was not known when the Old Liner management was planning its Southern trip. Those six games will soon be given dates.

Since a custom exists by which Virginia and North Carolina play three games a season, the third on a neutral field, May 12th was set for the extra game, to be played at Greensboro. The result of the contest will not be counted in determining the standing of the teams in the league.

The schedule is subject to the approval of the faculty committees of the seven institutions. Following out a tradition set some years back, Washington and Lee and V. M. I. will not meet. Hence, each of these will have ten games as opposed to twelve by the other six.

Robert C. Harper, sports editor of the *Richmond Times-Dispatch*, was appointed stacionian of the league. The schedule follows:

April	6—W. & L. at N. C. State
"	7—W. & L. at N. C.
"	10—N. C. at V. P. I.
"	11—N. C. at V. M. I.
"	12—N. C. at W. & L.
"	13—N. C. at Md.
"	13—V. M. I. at Va.
"	14—N. C. at Va.
"	16—W. & L. at V. P. I.
"	20—V. M. I. at N. C. State.
"	20—V. P. I. at Va.
"	21—V. P. I. at Md.
"	21—V. M. I. at N. C.
"	21—Va. at W. & L.
"	23—N. C. at N. C. State.
"	23—Va. at V. P. I.
"	27—V. P. I. at N. C.
"	28—V. P. I. at N. C. State.
"	28—W. & L. at Md.
"	28—Va. at V. M. I.
"	30—N. C. State at Md.
May	1—N. C. at Va.
"	2—N. C. State at V. M. I.
"	3—N. C. State at W. & L.
"	4—N. C. State at V. P. I.
"	4—Va. at Md.
"	5—V. M. I. at V. P. I.
"	10—Va. at N. C. State.
"	11—Va. at N. C.
"	11—V. P. I. at W. & L.
"	12—V. P. I. at V. M. I.
"	15—V. M. I. at Md.
"	19—W. & L. at Va.
"	21—N. C. State at N. C.

BASEBALL SCORES FOR PAST SEASON

W. & L., 1; Springfield, 4.
 W. & L., 2; Ga. Tech, 0.
 W. & L.—South Carolina, rain.
 W. & L., 6; Duke, 4.
 W. & L.—Cornell, rain.
 W. & L.—Pennsylvania, rain.
 W. & L.—Richmond, rain.
 W. & L., 1; Richmond, 8.
 W. & L., 4; St. Johns, 2.
 W. & L., 8; Richmond Med. Col., 0.
 W. & L., 0; V. P. I., 4.
 W. & L., 3; Ga. Tech., 6.
 W. & L.—South Carolina, rain.
 W. & L., 9; Duke, 6.
 W. & L., 6; Cornell, 1.
 W. & L.—Pennsylvania, rain.
 W. & L., 6; Syracuse, 5 (11 innings).
 W. & L., 8; Virginia, 0.
 W. & L., 1; V. P. I., 2.
 W. & L., 3; Quantico Marines, 6.
 W. & L., 8; Virginia, 9.

NETMEN LOSE FIVE MATCHES

The Washington and Lee tennis team played five matches on their northern trip with the following teams: Swarthmore, Haverford, Rutgers, Lafayette, and Lehigh. Although the team did not win any of the meets, they showed up well against some of the finest netmen in the north, each man winning at least one match. The Washington and Lee men were hampered by lack of practice, due to the consistent rain during the past number of weeks, and did not play consistently, while the northern combinations showed their superiority throughout the matches, playing an excellent brand of tennis. Cassell and Dodds played with some exceptionally fine doubles teams, nevertheless winning two of their matches.

The team first met Swarthmore, May 2, losing 5-2. They next played with Haverford, May 3; again losing 5-2. At Rutgers on the 4th the meet was called off while Rutgers was ahead 4-2, though at the time Washington and Lee was winning the remaining two matches. Lafayette won 6-1 on the 5th. The last meet, on the 6th was won by Lehigh, considered one of the best collegiate teams in the country, the score being 6-1.

The following men went on the trip: J. Cassell Dobbs, Homer, Pitts, M. Turk, and A. C. Smeltzer, Assistant Manager.

ATHLETIC DIRECTORY

Football: Captain, B. B. Tips; Manager, W. A. Ward, Jr.; Jr. Manager, G. H. Lanier; Coach, P. R. Herron.

Cross-Country: Captain, J. A. Pilley; Manager, P. R. Harrison, Jr.; Jr. Manager, A. L. McCardell; Coach, F. Fletcher.

Basketball: Captain, H. S. Spotts; Manager, J. W. Alderson; Jr. Manager, A. B. Morgan; Coach, R. A. Smith.

Track: Captain, W. H. Reardon; Manager, P. R. Harrison, Jr.; Jr. Manager, A. L. McCardell; Coach, F. Fletcher.

Baseball: Captain, J. P. Folliard; Manager, W. D. Bach; Jr. Manager, A. Boyd, Jr.; Coach, R. A. Smith.

Boxing: Captain, W. S. Price; Manager, C. F. Reynolds; Jr. Manager, H. E. Godwin; Coach (not elected).

Wrestling: Captain, M. Seligman; Manager, C. F. Reynolds; Jr. Manager, H. E. Godwin; Coach, A. E. Mathis.

Swimming: Captain, J. R. Moffett; Manager, O. N. Smith; Coach, E. P. Twombly.

Golf: Captain, G. H. Lanier; Manager, G. H. Lanier; Coach (not elected).

Tennis: Captain (not elected); Manager (not elected); Coach, C. E. Williams.

PICK YOUR ALL-TIME W. & L. ELEVEN

Who were the eleven greatest gridiron performers to play on W. & L. teams during the past thirty years?

We have all-Southern, all-American and all-this and all-that choices for mythical super-combinations. Now we have the suggestion that alumni pick an all-time W. & L. football team. The result should be interesting.

Your choice should be limited to the modern game as played with eleven men. Thus, you should not go back more than thirty years. Pick from the W. & L. teams that you have seen play, either while in college or in more recent years—the best all-round performer in each of the eleven positions—and send your list to the Alumni Secretary.

Dr. R. G. Campbell, '95, and Coach Forest Fletcher of Lexington, and C. W. ("Bill") Streit, '05, of Birmingham, Ala., have been asked to act as judges. Each "pick" will be recorded and the total votes for each individual in his position tabulated and sent to the judges. The judges have been asked to pick the "All-Time Generals," first, second and third teams from the lists submitted. Your "pick" should be sent to the Alumni Secretary before October 1st.

DRASTIC RULE IS RESCINDED

The recent action of the joint basketball rules committee limiting use of the dribble, has been rescinded and the dribble will remain in status quo for the 1927-28 season.

This announcement was made by John Brown, Jr., a member of the committee, after a mail vote among the twenty members of the committee.

The committee adopted the dribble rule, generally recognized as one of the most drastic bits of basketball legislation in the game's history, on April 9. Announcement of the rule was followed by a nation-wide controversy among coaches, players, officials and others. The rule would have limited the dribble to a single bound, whereas the number of bounds previously was unlimited.

The committee has decided to defer the change until its meeting in April, 1928, and urged players, coaches, officials and others associated with the game to make a thorough study in the meantime in order that suggestions might be brought before the meeting next year.

FOLLIARD BASEBALL CAPTAIN

John Paul Folliard was elected to lead the 1928 Generals by his team-mates as a fitting tribute for his great diamond services to the Blue and White for the past two seasons. "Arc" is the second pitcher to be given this honor in the past four years, Gus Lindberg being the other.

STUDENT BODY LOST 137 MEN THIS YEAR

The mills of the gods grind slowly but surely. They ground 137 men from the University, and these have passed through channels other than the usual one of graduation.

At the beginning of the year the enrollment was the largest in the history of Washington and Lee, with a total of 932 men registered. The report from the Registrar's office shows that the number has been reduced to 795.

The records show that these 137 left the school for various reasons. While accurate figures are unavailable, the new automatic scholarship rule is known to have taken the heaviest toll. The new cut system came next. Students found that the faculty rulings on cuts were being more stringently enforced than in previous years and over-cutting was attended with dire results.

A smaller number were lost to the school because of sundry infractions of other faculty and student rules, while sickness and family troubles took their usual number.

TWO INITIATED IN DELTA SIGMA RHO

William A. Plummer and Bernard J. Wagner were initiated in Delta Sigma Rho, national forensic fraternity. After their initiation, Wagner was elected president of the chapter, and Plummer elected secretary-treasurer. Both Wagner and Plummer were also chosen as members of the Washington and Lee Debating Council. Wagner is a member of the Zeta Beta Tau social fraternity, and Plummer is a member of the Sigma Chi fraternity. Both have been on the University debating team for two years.

DEBATERS WIN LAST CONTEST

The last forensic meet of the year, a dual debate with Johns Hopkins on the question of a national marriage and divorce law, was won by Washington and Lee on May 13th.

Washington and Lee sent an invading team to Baltimore and met a team from Hopkins in Lexington at the Lee Chapel. The team in Lexington, composed of R. A. Merrett and H. M. Platt, won a unanimous judges' decision, while the team that went to Baltimore, composed of B. J. Wagner and W. M. Maynard, lost by a two to one decision. The motion was worded, "Resolved: that a uniform marriage and divorce law should be passed by the national government." The visiting teams upheld the affirmative.

OVER ONE MILLION WORDS SENT OUT

More than one million, three hundred thousand words were sent out by the Washington and Lee University news service, working under the direction of the Lee School of Journalism this year.

Nearly a million words of this total were sent out in connection with the recent Southern Inter-scholastic Press Association, and the remainder was sent out during the entire year on news of the University, and what its faculty and students were doing. These figures are exclusive of athletic news, which was sent out under the supervision of the athletic department.

The news work was under the direction of Howard M. Thompson, acting director of the Lee School of Journalism, and his assistants, Guinden C. Olson, of Chicago, and William Hill, of Washington, D. C., both students.

It was the hope of the department to have more than a million and a half words distributed to the press of the Southern states before the closing of school in June.

COLEMAN BREAKS JAVELIN RECORD

A. R. Coleman, javelin thrower de luxe of the Generals' track team, shattered the South Atlantic record in his event at Richmond to win first place over the best field in the annual South Atlantic invitation meet. Coleman hurled the spear 167 feet, 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches. Other placers were Anderson, Richmond; Justice, W. & M.; and Young, N. C. State.

Captain Milbank qualified in the trial heats for the finals of the 100-yard dash, which was run for first place, and Sproul, another Blue and White entry, qualified for the finals in the high hurdles.

HIGH SCHOOLS CONTEST IN LEXINGTON

An annual Virginia State High School Literary and Athletic League contest was held in Lexington under the auspices of the State of Virginia. Washington and Lee was chosen to supervise the annual district championships of this contest. Prof. F. Flournoy was in charge of the Forensic contest and Coach Forest Fletcher supervised the athletic events.

Every year the high schools pick their representatives to each district championship, and the winners of these contestants go to Charlottesville, where under the auspices of the University of Virginia, the championship of the state will be run off. Washington and Lee is the district center for Pittsylvania, Bath and Amherst high schools.

“Who’s on Your Campus”

(Address delivered by Judge Charles J. McDermott
at the Annual Meeting of the Washington and
Lee Alumni Association, Inc., Monday,
June 6th.)

My reason for the selection of the title by which these remarks may be dignified, is to draw to your attention once again, the romance and enchantment of this historic place, the dignity of our surroundings, the advantages of our possession and the necessity for eternal vigilance, that the high ideals of our predecessors may be ever maintained, not only upon your campus, but upon the field of present World action and performance, in which as Americans, all of us are vitally interested.

We are living in a wonderful age of scientific progress, marvelous invention and superb achievement. From the air that we breathe are extracted speech, melody and song. Through that air and contrary to the principles of gravity, men are propelled across the seas from continent to continent. The transmission of a message from England to America by word of mouth is an accomplished achievement; the television is an assured success.

These wonderful accomplishments which are now treated as everyday occurrences, have been the result, partly of accident, to some extent the product of imagination, but particularly have these successes been achieved by reason of the systematic development of the human mind. It is in the latter of these pursuits that this institution is engaged.

Our school is unique. It was founded by the generosity of a soldier, rejuvenated by the effort of the South’s greatest military commander. Did either dream (for neither knew) of that which this wonderful era was to witness?

Without answering this question, we are certain that each believed in Almighty God and in America, and that each *knew* that discipline, self-denial and conscientious effort were necessary for success. We are certain too that each of these great leaders of men was aware that eternal diligence, constancy and faithful effort were the only foundations upon which Life’s enduring structure could be built and maintained. These fundamental principles so well exemplified by them are *not* new; they have not been altered by man’s contrivance and invention. There *can* be no improvement in fundamental truths, by reason of effort, education, imagination or accident.

Rare and precious sentiment, honest, faithful and unflinching endeavor, which constitute the underlying basis of our continued success as an educational factor in America, pervade your *campus*; the at-



JUDGE CHARLES J. McDERMOTT
“On Our Campus”

mosphere of this place is alive with tradition, romance and enchantment. The wealth of our possession is boundless, because of the principles ingratiated into the masonry of our creation. The honk of the motor horn, the droning of the engine of the air, cannot drive from your *campus* the spirit and memory of Washington or Lee. The example of their lives, ever stimulates the purpose of this institution and its alumni. It arouses too, the admiration and interest of all true Americans.

That this is so; that there is truth in these statements, is not to be regarded as my prophecy. Nor is it any idle fancy. It is a faith founded upon actual circumstance.

About twenty years ago a stranger* came to this place, unheralded and unannounced, but attracted by our wealth of tradition and the names of the founder and preserver of the good reputation which this college enjoyed. His visit was not recorded. His presence was not known, but after his death this University and its Alumni, became aware that this visitor had found upon this *campus*, a living spirit of proud Americanism, well worthy and de-

*ROBERT P. DOREMUS

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WHO'S ON YOUR CAMPUS (Continued)

serving of his substantial contribution. Our visitor made this contribution. By his will he provided for a substantial gift. Thus was the diligence and sacrifice of the illustrious Americans who founded and who have sustained this college partly rewarded.

Who may be on your campus today? Who has visited your *campus* since then? Is it worth while to constitute and preserve a vigil? Some day another visitor may come. That visitor may be another Doremus, but he may be of quite another pattern. The object of his visit may be far different. His purpose may be of quite another kind.

The questions I have propounded are for you to answer. If you believe in the preservation of this institution and its traditions, if you believe in Washington and Lee, if you believe in preserving for posterity, the kind of doctrine they taught, your answer will be, "Yes." "Let that Vigil be maintained."

What has become of the tradition of the Vigil of the Tomb?

Shortly after the death of General Lee, as I have lately learned from a College publication, each student watched for one day, the tomb of the South's greatest hero and leader. By this watch the sanctity of the tomb, the loftiness of character of General Lee, who gave the last and best years of his life to this University, became potentially realized by the student watcher. He absorbed the heritage of all the noble tradition surrounding the South's most hallowed spot, and the impression obtained could never be eradicated from his mind.

Turn away from *your campus* for a moment and consider what is taking place upon the field of action of this World at the present time.

For generations, not only here but throughout the World, vast sums of money have been spent in education, and the development and systematic training of the human mind; this in order that civilization might become perfected. To some of the accomplishments of men I have already referred. In 1913 the great nations of the earth believed themselves to be civilized communities, and considered that they were guided by civilized forms of government. Yet, in a moment, the whole world became inflamed; common sense and good judgment were debauched; the acts of the savage and the practices of the barbarian were far exceeded by the use man made of that education and development which years of effort had brought about. Such acts of cruelty, barbarity and savagery as civilized man practiced in this great conflict led thoughtful men to pause—to wonder at our so-called progression. Sometimes too, when we consider the revelations disclosed

by the recent discoveries in the tombs of the Egyptians, when we think of the wonderful engineering problems which the ancients overcame, the evidences of which are the mighty pyramids and monuments which they built, are we so sure that we have surpassed those who lived before? Has our education led us to progress? Are the conditions of the World's campus today any better than they were a thousand years ago? Is the improvement real or imaginary? Notwithstanding our teachings, notwithstanding our belief in the humanity of today, have we yet learned the lessons of good government, tranquility and peace. Are men looking forward to a progress of which the sole reward is to be virtuous accomplishment and nothing more?

We read today in the public press, that Mussolini in the Chamber of Deputies, in Rome, lately predicted a greater Italy; that by 1935, Italy would have a population of sixty million of people and an army of five million men, a strong navy and a huge air force. Germany is boasting that she will soon re-establish her industrial prestige and have the greatest army and navy in the world. "Red" Russia is buying arms in Ireland. England has terminated trade with the Soviet. Rear Admiral Kittelle reports from Manilla that the agents of the Soviet have attempted to blow up the Phillipine Arsenal. China is at war, and within the southern part of our continent internal dissension and strife are going on. Endeavor is and has been constantly made, to foment labor disturbance everywhere.

It was not many years ago, that in a criminal trial in New York City, there was taken from the possession of a man convicted for inciting riot, a little booklet which I have in my possession. I wish to read a few excerpts. This book is described as "Official Membership Book, Industrial Workers of the World."

In the preamble these open statements are made: "The working class and the employing class have nothing in common. . . . Between these two classes a struggle must go on until the workers of the world organize as a class, take possession of the earth and the machinery of production and abolish the wage system." The motto inscribed opposite the certificate of initiation is "Labor is entitled to *all* it produces."

While, of course, well aware that it is within the great Metropolitan centers that the "Red" and criminal agencies are mostly at work, while, you *believe*, that you *know*, who is on *your campus*, while you and I are confident that the spirit of Washington and the spirit of Lee are there, while we know that the tomb of the sainted hero of the South occupies its place in our little chapel, while we are certain in our belief that no visitor leaves our campus without a feeling of reverential awe, because of the very sacredness of the place, be not lulled into absolute security, even at this

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Lexington

By M. W. PAXTON, JR., '21



Lexington has been since its infancy, essentially an educational center. With its interests bound up in two great factories of knowledge, more material enterprises on a large scale have never been encouraged to locate in the town. Each spring for over 100 years, this community has bid good-bye to a group of young men homeward bound,

and each fall it has opened its doors and its hospitality to a new group coming in.

Throughout these many decades it is an entirely reasonable supposition that the community of Lexington has contributed something to, meant something to and endeared itself to a great number of young men, many of whom have now passed on as have their local acquaintances of years ago. This was perhaps especially true in years past when the college was smaller and the majority of the students boarded among its residents, but it is true also today. There were then fewer dormitories and no fraternity houses and less communications with the outside world, and the student really lived nine months of the year among the people of Lexington. "Paradise," "Cat Tail" and "Purgatory" had their inmates on the campus, but many made their homes and boarded at Waddell's Castle, Mrs. John Anderson's, Tutwiler's, Dr. Graham's, Northern's, Lindsay's hotel and the "Holy League Boarding House." This is looking backward a long time, and these havens, so well remembered by some, are all gone.

While all of these are no more, graduates old and young like to come back to Lexington not only to Washington and Lee but to renew old friendships among the townspeople. Although Lexington's growth is not so rapid as to make it appear new or strange to returning alumni, its growth is steadily along with other sections of the Valley of Virginia, and there have been a number of steps forward which would interest alumni. The town's civic improvements are advanced for a town of 3500 permanent inhabitants. With all paved streets, splendid sanitary conditions, a mountain water supply of freestone water and excellent lighting system, it is attracting home seekers. During the past year, \$1,000,000 worth of local contracts have been completed. These included the new Robert E. Lee hotel, new Harrington Waddell high school building and colored school, substantial additions to the Rockbridge National Bank, new Methodist

and A. R. P. churches and a number of nice residences. The opening of a number of new streets in the recent past reveals its steady material growth.

To break the news to an alumnus of even fifteen years ago that Natural Bridge is only half an hour away, Staunton an hour, Roanoke an hour and a half and Lynchburg and Hot Springs nearly as close, is perhaps too great a shock. The town is the converging point of two great trans-continental highways fast nearing completion. There will doubtless be those who will recall with a glimmer of sadness the pleasures of an all-day trip to the Natural Bridge (which by the way is now resplendent at night in the display of artificial light) behind John Sheridan's horses with some fair Lexingtonian or visitor to make the trip seem short and sweet.

Following the trend of the times, the historic past of Lexington and Rockbridge county is being told the public, and thousands of tourists each year pour in and through the town. There are probably many graduates of Washington and Lee who left Lexington ignorant of the fact that here was born Matthew Fontaine Maury, pathfinder of the seas, in whose memory a tablet has been placed in Goshen Pass; that six miles from Lexington General Sam Houston was born on a knoll now marked with a tablet; that close by Cyrus McCormick invented the reaper, James E. A. Gibbs perfected the sewing machine, and Ephriam McDowell, father of abdominal surgery, was born. Interesting relics of Lee and Jackson have been gathered at Washington and Lee and Virginia Military Institute, which however, go practically unnoticed by the students.

The bright stars of Lee and Jackson, whose tombs and homes are at Lexington have cast a shadow over these interesting facts. True to human nature, few students while in college have ever visited any of these scenes or taken note of them. Interest in such things must await more mature years, but those returning to their alma mater would find an interesting and profitable week in making the beautiful drives from Lexington through the county with its many historic points and splendid scenery. Lexington will welcome its old friends on their return.

FOURTH GENERATION ENTERS W. & L.

When Martin Burks, III, of Roanoke, registered at Washington and Lee this week for the fall term, the interesting fact came to light that he is the fourth in direct line to come to the University. Judge Edward C. Burks, his great-grandfather, was graduated in 1841; Judge Martin P. Burks, his grandfather, in 1870; Mr. Martin P. Burks, Jr., his father, of Roanoke, in 1905.

Minutes of Alumni, Inc., Meeting

JUNE 6, 1927.

Minutes of the annual meeting of the Washington and Lee Alumni Association, Inc., held at Lexington in the Carnegie Library, Monday, June 6, 1927:

The meeting was called to order at 10:45 A. M. by president E. C. Caffrey, '00. About fifty alumni were present.

Minutes of the last annual meeting were read by the secretary, Verbon E. Kemp, and approved.

Mr. John L. Campbell, '11, chairman of the committee on the Houdon statue of Washington reported that after due consideration his committee had decided that the acquisition of the unauthenticated Houdon bust by the association was unadvisable. There was no further old business.

In the absence of the treasurer the secretary rendered a detailed financial report showing a balance of \$92.23 in the treasury.

C. S. Glasgow, resident alumni member of the Athletic Council made a report on the Athletic Association. He called attention to the football record of last fall and to the schedule to be played next fall, told of the work done on the new athletic field and called attention to the steel fence that had been placed around it. He reported the agreement of the student body to finance the erection of a steel bridge from the gymnasium to the field.

The nominating committee, E. P. Davis, acting chairman, reported that D. B. Owen, '12, and Samuel Frierson, '00, had been nominated for membership on the board of trustees of the association to succeed Dr. Wm. Taylor Thom, '70, and Samuel Frierson, '00, whose terms had expired; that C. S. Glasgow and E. L. Graham, resident alumni members of the Athletic Council and J. Shirley Riley and Samuel Laughlin, non-resident alumni members of the Athletic Council were recommended for re-election to their respective offices. The recommendations of the committee were unanimously approved and their nominees declared elected.

Your secretary reported that the association was in a healthy condition, that the Alumni Directory had been practically paid for, that the ALUMNI MAGAZINE had been most favorably received and was self-supporting and that fifteen local associations had been organized and were now active. He called attention to the continued failure of the association to draw alumni back for an annual homecoming celebration and asked that a committee of alumni be appointed to study the situation and to make recommendations for its relief. In conclusion he outlined the offer by the University of the old McLaughlin house across from the Episcopal Church to the association for use as an

alumni building and asked for the appointment of a committee to investigate the matter and to make recommendations.

It was moved and ordered that the president appoint a committee with power to act for the association in the matter of acquirement and occupation of the proposed Alumni Building. Mr. Hale Houston, '92, chairman; Mr. Maurice Moore, '94; E. P. Davis, '15, were appointed with president E. C. Caffrey and secretary Verbon E. Kemp as ex-officio members.

Rev. Dr. Emmett MacCorkle, '77, called attention to the organization of local associations and graciously commended the alumni secretary for his effective work.

Mr. Frank Gilliam was appointed to wait upon President Henry Louis Smith and Hon. Charles J. McDermott, speakers of the day.

Dr. Smith welcomed the returned alumni, outlined the progress of the University during the year, called attention to her growing needs and to the antiquated curriculum requirements now in vogue.

President Caffrey presented Judge Charles J. McDermott, who delivered a penetrating and moving address on his chosen subject, "Who's on Your Campus." His speech was followed by a rousing and sustained ovation which bore tribute to his masterly presentation. W. J. Armstrong immediately moved that a verbatim report of the address be made a part of the minutes of the meeting and that a copy be published and as widely distributed as possible, and so ordered.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

YOUR FRIENDS

Alumni having friends who plan to visit Lexington or young friends who plan to enter Washington and Lee are urged to call upon Alumni Secretary, Verbon E. Kemp, for any attention that he can show them while they are to be in Lexington.

Lexington is a point of historic interest for a host of vacation auto travelers. Perhaps some of your friends will be among our visitors. It will be a pleasure to show them particular attention and courtesy if you will have them call at the Alumni Building or give them a letter to your Alumni Secretary. The Alumni Building and the facilities of your Alumni Association will be open to them upon a word from you.

The same is true of your younger friends who come to Lexington as strangers to enter Washington and Lee in the fall.

Faculty Changes for Next Year

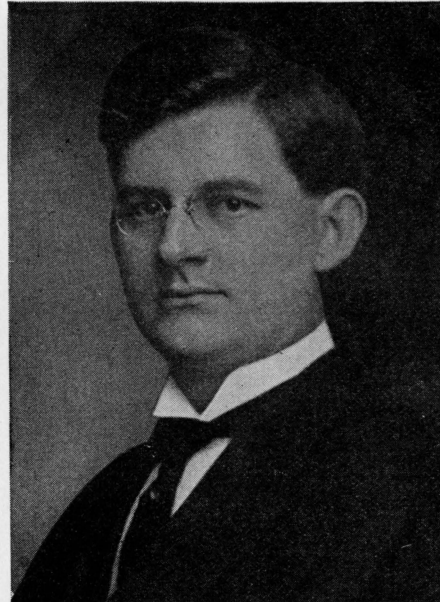
Changes made in the personnel of the Washington and Lee faculty for next year indicate that some new teachers will be seen on the campus and that several of the professors here last session will go to other institutions. Among the new members of the faculty for the ensuing year are the following:

Henry V. Shelley, A.B., A.M., Ph.D., who will succeed Dr. J. O. Lofberg as head of the department of classical languages. Dr. Shelley is now engaged in teaching at Lafayette College in Easton, Penn.

Raymon T. Johnson, A.B., J.D., who is to succeed Dr. Albert Levitt as professor of law. Dr. Johnson was an assistant professor in the Washington and Lee law school in 1925-26 and has been practicing law since that time.

Charles R. McDowell, A.B., A.M., LL.D., who is to take Mr. Lewis Tyree's place as professor of law. Mr. McDowell formerly taught at Centre College in Kentucky, but is now a practicing lawyer.

Edwin H. Howard, B.S., who is to become assistant professor of accounting, taking the place of Mr. William E. Dunkman. Mr. Howard obtained his B.S. in Commerce at Washington and Lee in 1925 and served as an instructor in the accounting department in 1925-26. During the present scho-



DR. J. O. LOFBERG—"Loss"

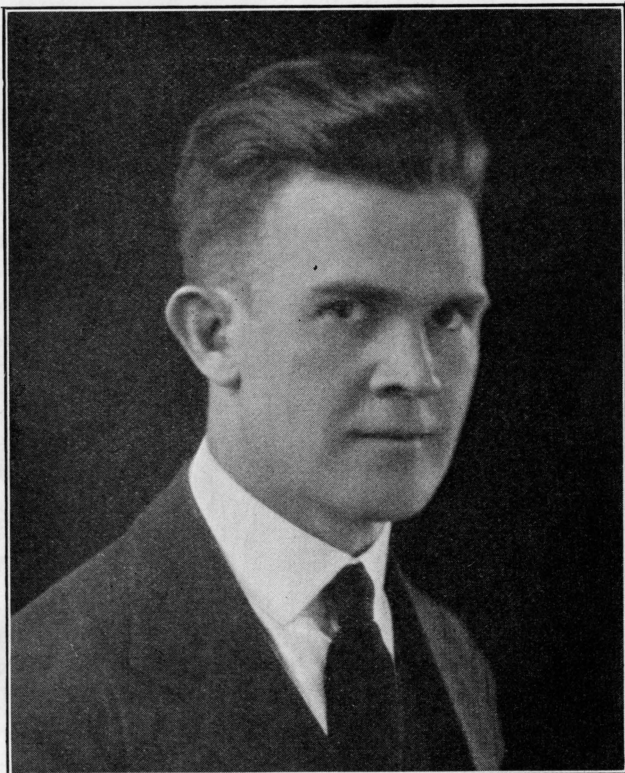
lastic year, he has been engaged in graduate work at Columbia University.

Marvin G. Bauer, M.A., who is to become assistant professor of public speaking in the English department, takes the place of Dr. Malcolm L. Wilder who resigned because of ill health at about the middle of the session last year. Mr. Bauer is now a member of the faculty at the University of Iowa. He will be the first professor to offer instruction in public speaking here since the resignation of Mr. A. B. Fullbright in 1925.

Marcellus H. Stow, A.B., who will succeed Mr. J. D. Burfoot, Jr., as assistant professor of geology, was an instructor in geology at Cornell University. He is completing the work for his M. A. at Cornell this year.

B. R. Ewing, Jr., A.B., A.M., will become an instructor in the department of romance languages. Although Mr. Ewing received his master's degree from Princeton quite recently, he has had previous teaching experience as a student assistant. Mr. Ewing will take the place of several men who are now acting as instructors or student assistants in French and Spanish.

Mr. Zerfoss will be succeeded as "Y" Secretary for the coming year by Rev. C. H. Patterson, formerly of Suitsen, China. "Pat", as he will be remembered by his classmates of 1915-19, received his degree at Washington and Lee in 1919 upon his return from the Marine Air Service in which he served during the World War. He graduated at



PROF. LEWIS TYREE, '15—"Loss"

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WITH THE FACULTY

President Smith made the commencement address at Darlington School for Boys, Rome, Georgia, on May 27th. Dr. Smith's youngest son, Frank, was a student at the Georgia school last session.

Prof. Fitzgerald Flournoy delivered an address at Sewanee, Tenn., before the Tennessee division meeting of the United Daughters of the Confederacy recently. This was one of several similar addresses which Prof. Flournoy delivered last winter before Confederate organizations.

Dr. De la War B. Easter is spending the summer months in France.

Dr. Harry D. Campbell recently visited his son, Edmund D. Campbell, '18, in Washington, D. C.

Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Lyle and daughter are spending the summer in Denver.

Prof. and Mrs. C. E. Williams and son are spending their vacation at Woodstock.

Registrar Earl S. Mattingly recently attended a meeting of university registrars in Atlanta, Ga.

Dr. William M. Brown, left the latter part of June for Washington, D. C., where he will conduct courses in education and psychology during the summer session of George Washington University. He is accompanied by his family.

Prof. Earle K. Paxton of the mathematics department is pursuing graduate courses at Columbia University, preparatory to receiving the doctor of philosophy degree.

JOURNALISM SCHOOL WILL MOVE QUARTERS TO CAMPUS LOCATION

After consultation with the acting head of the School of Journalism, Mr. Howard M. Thompson and Prof. Roscoe B. Ellard, and in accordance with their desire, Dr. Henry Louis Smith, president of the University, and Mr. Paul M. Penick, superintendent of grounds and buildings, have decided to move the School of Journalism into the more spacious quarters of Washington College. This change of location will place the journalism students within one minute's walk of Carnegie, commerce and chemistry libraries and in close proximity to the classrooms in history, political science, and other subjects required of students specializing in journalism.

"This movement," Dr. Smith asserts, "is a distinct promotion for the Journalism School, for it is being transferred into broader, roomier, and more central headquarters." When the change of headquarters takes place, the books, typewriters and other equipment now in the present Journalism building will be moved into the new location. President Smith has expressed the hope that a special new building for the exclusive use of the faculty and students of the School of Journalism will be constructed in the near future.

TWO PROFESSORS APPEAR IN PLAY

Washington and Lee was represented by four potential John Barrymores in "Fanny and the Servant Problem," the home talent play staged at the New Theatre by the Lexington Woman's Club.

Prof. Clayton Williams of the law school played the part of Lord Bantock, at whose home in England the scenes of the play took place. Prof. Carl Gill discarded his academic degree for a medical one and was cast in the roll of Dr. Freewater. Joe Edmondson carried the abbreviated title of Ernest and E. D. Fossett, had the role of Mr. George Newt.

The play was a comedy, based on the perplexities of the modern day servant problem.

In the booklet issued by the American Society of Civil Engineers, recognition is given to Washington and Lee University as an outcome of the recent adoption of the Custis Lee Engineering Society as a student Chapter by the American Society of Civil Engineers. This classes the Civil Engineering Department as a "recognized engineering school."

A number of Lexingtonians have reported at Columbia for study this summer. They include Prof. Earle K. Paxton, Prof. Frank Gilliam. Miss Ellinor Gadsden and Miss Helen Rockwell of the W. & L. library staff are also at Columbia doing library work.

FACULTY CHANGES

(Continued)

the Union Theological Seminary and entered the Foreign Missionary Service in China, being stationed in his native province from which he came to Washington and Lee.

Various positions have been obtained by the different members of the faculty who are now severing their connections with Washington and Lee. Dr. J. O. Lofberg has resigned from his present position in order to become the head of the department of classical languages at Oberlin College in Oberlin, Ohio. Mr. Lewis Tyree has accepted a position as professor of law at the New Jersey College of Law in Newark, N. J. Mr. J. D. Burfoot, Jr., assistant professor of geology, and Mr. W. E. Dunkman, instructor of accounting, are leaving in order to carry on graduate work. Mr. Karl P. Zerfoss, secretary of the Y. M. C. A. has received a scholarship from Yale, where he expects to spend the next two years working on his Ph.D. Mr. L. M. Harrison, instructor in geology, has accepted a position as instructor in chemistry at Woodlawn High School in Birmingham, Ala. Mr. F. P. Shull, instructor in the department of romance languages, is to become instructor in French at Emory University.

W. & L. Faculty Introductions

PRESIDENT HENRY LOUIS SMITH, Ph.D., LL.D.

Dr. Henry Louis Smith, president of Washington and Lee since 1912, is one of America's few prominent educators and administrators. He has had an unusually wide and varied experience and has made a notable success in every position that he has been called upon to fill. He is a native of Greensboro, N. C., and is a son of the Rev. Dr. J. Henry Smith, '47, a brilliant Presbyterian minister and pulpit orator and native of Lexington, whose five sons constitute a unique group of Southern leaders.

President Smith received his early elementary and secondary school training in the Greensboro public schools and later attended Davidson College, N. C., from which institution he received the degrees of A.B. and M.A. He earned his Ph.D. degree at the University of Virginia and received the honorary degree of LL.D. from the University of North Carolina.

Shortly after his graduation from college he accepted the principalship of Selma Academy, N. C., and served in that capacity from 1881 to 1886. He was appointed to a professorship in physics at Davidson College, his Alma Mater, in 1887, became vice-president of that institution in 1898, and served as president from 1901 to 1912. During his term as president of Davidson College the institution grew rapidly, the endowment was doubled, and the income, buildings, equipment, and student enrollment was trebled.

Since he assumed the presidency, Washington and Lee also has enjoyed great prosperity. Under his leadership the teaching force of this institution has been doubled. Since the World War a system of retiring allowances has been introduced, the income of the university has been almost doubled, and the permanent endowment fund has been increased to nearly one and a half million dollars. It has been found necessary to limit the student enrolment.

Dr. Smith, in addition to his work as a teacher and administrator, is widely and favorably known as an author, lecturer, scientist, and public speaker. He is the author of "Your Biggest Job," "Virginia's Message to Great Britain," and "The Older Boy and His New Day." He has lectured extensively on scientific, educational, and civic topics.

Few college presidents have been as deeply interested in the study, teaching, and applications of science as has Dr. Smith. He was the first scientist in the South to take an X-Ray photograph and the first in the United States to utilize the newly discovered Roentgen Rays in medical cases.

During the World War Dr. Smith presented to the War College a detailed system of utilizing the



PRESIDENT HENRY LOUIS SMITH
"Fearless, Tolerant, Firm, Kind—"

north-temperate air-draft across the French-Italian battle line to shower Germany and Austria with innumerable oiled-paper balloons carrying desired messages to the German people, and was awarded the American Security League prize for this plan.

In 1921 Dr. Smith was chairman and spokesman of the Virginia delegation which, on June 30th, in Trafalgar Square, presented to the government and people of Great Britain a bronze replica of the Houdon statue of Washington, as a token of Virginia's friendship and in celebration of a century of unbroken peace between our country and her motherland.

At Lexington, Dr. Smith occupies the former home of General Lee. He has been called the greatest living authority on the life and character of General Lee and the greatest public exponent of his principles. Like General Lee Dr. Smith is far in advance of his time, particularly in the field of education.

Fearless, firm, conscientious, tolerant, kind and forbearing, Dr. Smith gracefully combines the energy of a "high pressure" executive with the gracious ease of family paternalism in his administration of Washington and Lee.

A Message from the President to the Alumni---by *President Smith*

The session of 1926-7, which closed with the formal graduation of 134 men on June 7th, has been marked by many evidences of growth and prosperity.

The urgent applications for admission from almost every state in the union far in excess of our predetermined enrollment, the continued increase of our teaching force, the unusual improvement of our equipment, the exceptional health of the student body, the receipt of many important gifts toward equipment and endowment, the harmony and success of the past year's intra-collegiate and inter-collegiate athletics, debating contests, etc., all these justify, to those who desire to boost their beloved university, a heartfelt pride and joyful optimism.

This self-satisfaction and self-congratulation may be increased by the recent statistical report of the special traveling agent of the canvass for additional endowment and equipment, Mr. Verbon E. Kemp. This report reveals that the total assets of the university have been practically doubled since 1913, that its total invested endowment has been increased by fifty per cent, and that more money has been collected from living donors since 1913 than during the whole life of the university from 1749 to 1913.

Yet the net addition to our resources actually paid in since 1913 by living donors is less than one and one-quarter millions. The total endowment, although 50% larger than before, hardly equals fifteen hundred dollars per enrolled student, instead of the accepted minimum of \$5,000 per student fixed for the "Effective College" by the national rating agencies. Everyone, therefore, who desires to enable General Lee's institution to propagate his ideals and carry on his life-work should recognize that grinding *poverty*, inadequacy of endowment and income, inability to hold its star teachers against the salaries offered by rival institutions, is the blighting handicap of Washington and Lee. This financial disability is made more severe and harmful by the national position and national competition of this independent institution, although palliated in the South by the similar lack of income and the hope-

less overcrowding of the Southern state and church institutions.

In addition to this hampering lack of income and largely occasioned by it are two other disabilities which the friends of the Lee ideal should enable his university to remove.

The first is that the university is in sore need of four or five new buildings which would prove wonderful personal or family memorials in this "second Mt. Vernon" of the nation.

1. The first is a Lee Memorial Auditorium and Picture Gallery.

2. The second is a fully equipped Journalism Building for the Lee School of Journalism.

3. The third is a well-equipped and commodious Students' Building.

4. The fourth is an Administration Building, that the financial, administrative, recording, and publicity agents and activities of the university may be combined and more closely inter-related.

In addition to these two handicaps due entirely to poverty is a third caused and retained in part by the expense of its removal but mainly by an inherited reverence for nineteenth century ideals which have been outgrown and rendered harmful by twentieth century American conditions.

I refer to the present enforced curriculum for the A. B. degree which sacrifices twentieth century higher education, civic and political training, and the practical needs of English-speaking American citizenship to an ancient over-valuation of the syntax of foreign languages and the mental discipline of abstract higher mathematics: an educational ideal which openly declares that the controlling method and over-ruling purpose of the American undergraduate training of today is to prepare its swarming thousands of young Americans for *graduate study* and *further research*, not for active, intelligent, far-visioned, broad-based *American Citizenship*. This, in my judgment, is the underlying cause of the ghastly waste-heap of annual "college failures" which our college boosters proudly point to as a proof of their "high standards."

A REVIEW OF W. H. MASON'S ('94) INVENTION

Under the heading of Science and Invention, the Literary Digest of July 10th carried a complete report of the process invented by W. H. Mason, '94, of Laurel, Miss., for converting scrap lumber chips, etc., into "Presdwood" and "Masonite", a patented insulating board. A review of this invention was also published in the ALUMNI MAGAZINE (June, 1927).

SIX JOURNALISM COURSES OFFERED

Six courses in journalism will be offered at the Lee School of Journalism for the 1927-28 session, according to an announcement made by Howard M. Thompson, acting director of the school.

Professor Roscoe B. Ellard, head of the Lee School of Journalism, is expected to return to college work in the fall, taking over his classes. He will be assisted by Mr. Thompson.

NEARLY \$2,000 DONATED FOR ALUMNI BUILDING

Forty interested alumni and two generous friends (not alumni) have contributed nearly two thousand dollars toward a three thousand dollar fund for remodelling and furnishing the old McLaughlin house as an alumnus building.

An appeal for this amount was authorized by a special alumni committee: Prof. Hale Houston, '92, chairman; Maurice Moore, '96; E. P. Davis, '15; E. C. Caffrey, '09 and Verbon E. Kemp, '20, which was appointed at the annual meeting of the Alumni Association, Inc., on June 6th. After investigation the committee recommended that an amount not exceeding \$1500 be raised and expended for repair and remodelling and not over \$1500 for furnishing. With nearly two-thirds of the required amount in hand repair work has been started under the supervision of the local committee members.

Alumni interested in completing the work on the alumni building are urged to send voluntary contributions for any convenient amount. Checks should be made payable to the Alumni Building Fund and sent to Verbon E. Kemp, Alumni Secretary, at Lexington.

Generous gifts to this fund have been received to date from Col. F. T. A. Junkin and H. R. Fitzgerald, patrons, and from the following alumni: W. T. Armstrong, L. J. Boxley, Helm Bruce, A. H. Burroughs, James R. Caskie, C. T. Chenery, Edward Colston, T. Walter Fred, S. W. Frierson, Frank Gilliam, Wm. A. Glasgow, Jr., F. P. Guthrie, Waller C. Hardy, H. R. Hawthorne, John G. Herndon, Jr., E. C. Hoge, Dr. J. Morrison Hutcheson, Wm. A. Hyman, Wm. F. Kurtz, Samuel O. Laughlin, Jr., J. T. Lykes, Wm. McC. Martin, Donald W. M. MacCluer, W. A. MacCorkle, Wm. B. McCluer, Walter A. McDonald, K. I. McKay, Maurice Moore, Phillip P. Page, W. R. Perkins, Dr. Mosby G. Perrow, Horace W. Phillips, Harrison B. Smith, Fred M. Valz, G. B. Wall, A. Fred White, John M. Robinson, John M. Glenn, Dr. Wm. Allan, Rayford W. Alley, S. P. Figgat, Col. Leroy Hodges, R. R. Kane, H. H. Larimore, Claude P. Light, J. L. Patterson, E. C. Caffrey and Verbon Kemp.

The gifts have ranged from \$10 to \$500.00 in amount with many generous checks for \$50.00 and \$100.00. The average gift has been between thirty and forty dollars each. One thousand dollars more are needed!

Wm. McC. Martin, '95, attended the 100th Anniversary of Lindenwood College at St. Charles, Missouri, as official representative of Washington and Lee.

ALUMNI BUILDING SECURED

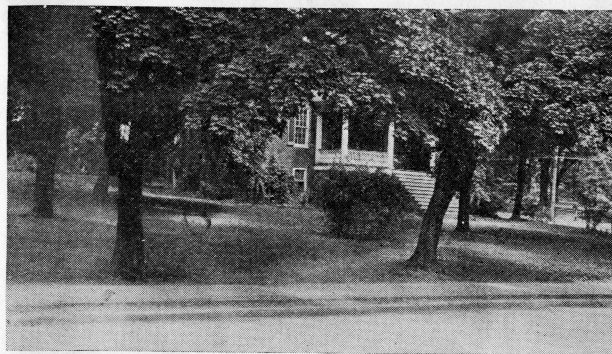
The University has granted the use of the old McLaughlin house to the Alumni Association, Inc., as an alumni building. This house, one of the oldest buildings in Lexington, stands on the corner opposite the Episcopal Church at the campus gate. It has also been known as the "Bocock home" and the "old Phi Kappa Sigma House." For the past two years it has been occupied by the Lee Memorial School of Journalism.

On the first floor the building affords a spacious alumni club and lounge room, two office rooms, a den and a wash room. The second floor contains a family living apartment which will be rented for an amount sufficient to cover cost of upkeep and maintenance.

A few interested alumni have contributed to a fund for remodelling and furnishing the building for alumni use. Convenient to the campus and the athletic field the building is admirably located for an alumni center. Your Alumni Association has long been in need of an accessible place at which visiting alumni could gather at Finals, for the homecoming game or at any time during the year.

While the new arrangement does not provide lodging accommodations it will become a center for alumni activity. There a visiting alumnus can feel at home, meet alumni and faculty friends, be greeted, comfortably entertained, and view something of the operations of the Alumni Association.

The building will be formally opened on November 5th, for the annual W. & L.-Virginia football classic. On that day all visiting alumni will be entertained at a buffet luncheon on the lawn in front of the building. Due to the V. M. I.-Carolina game which is to be played in Lexington in the morning, the semi-annual meeting of the Alumni Association will not be held. Alumni arriving in the morning and departing after the game will find the alumni building a particularly convenient headquarters for their brief stay.



THE ALUMNI BUILDING

THE WASHINGTON AND LEE STUDENT BODY

Four figures, all clad in yellow slickers, typical of the rainy day garb of the average Washington and Lee student, walked down the rain-drenched street.

The figures were similar—at a glance they might have been taken to be life-long companions. Yet one is from China, having come thousands of miles in quest of an education, another is from Brazil, a third from California, and the fourth from Maine.

Of such is the Washington and Lee student body composed. The University is given the untrained mind, and with it endeavors to construct citizens who are mentally equipped to meet the issues of life in an intelligent manner. These untrained minds come from various sources. Thirty-three states are represented in the student body here, as well as Brazil, China, Italy, Mexico and Panama. Rhode Island and Vermont are the only eastern states that are not represented in the cosmopolitan student body of 900 men. All the other states that are not represented here are in the large northwestern portion of the United States.

According to members of the faculty, it is the purpose of the school to make a student more than a mere cog in a wheel—he must be an individual, and his individuality must be retained. His conduct is left to his judgment, always with the fact in mind that a typical Washington and Lee man is a gentleman.

And so students come from all corners of the earth, but to remain and gather the knowledge that they seek they must bring with them intelligent ideals, on which may be moulded an education that will enable them to meet the needs of life, whether it be in China, Brazil or New York.—(From *Ring-tum Phi.*)

FORMER GOVERNOR NELLIE TAYLOR ROSS VISITS LEXINGTON

Mrs. Nellie Taylor Ross, late governor of Wyoming, was recently in Lexington on her way to the Jefferson celebration at Monticello. She was accompanied by a friend, Mrs. Seddon Taliaferro.

President and Mrs. Henry Louis Smith, have more than a friendly interest in Mrs. Taliaferro. When Dr. Smith was rendered unconscious while on an auto trip in the Rocky mountains near Rock Springs, Wyoming, in the summer of 1925, the accident occurred near the home of Mr. Seddon Taliaferro. Mr. and Mrs. Taliaferro quickly came to the relief of the party. Under their direction Dr. Smith was removed to a hospital for treatment and his two sons were taken to the Taliaferro home until Dr. Smith recovered sufficiently to travel.

AN INVITATION OF 1857

The following formal invitation to attend the Commencement exercises on July 2nd, 1857, was sent to all alumni of Washington College according to a copy which has been sent in to Dr. Wm. Brown's committee on memorabilia:

“Lexington, June 1st, 1857.

“Dear Sir:

“The Commencement exercises of Washington College will be celebrated on the morning of the 2nd of July.

“The Alumni will hold their regular Annual Meeting at 9 A. M., in the College Chapel.

“At 8 o'clock, P. M., a Poem will be delivered before the Literary Societies, by St. George Tucker, Esq., of Richmond, after which our Association will be addressed by Wm. S. H. Baylor, Esq., of Staunton, the Orator selected at our last Meeting.

“At the conclusion of the Address it is determined to have a sumptuous Supper, in which, it is desired, that all the Alumni shall participate. It is time that the many Alumni of Washington College should enjoy a hearty, free interchange of thought and feeling, as Sons of a common Mother, and every effort will be made to render our approaching meeting memorable above all such occasions.

“Yours respectfully,

GREENLEE DAVIDSON
WM. McLAUGHLIN
JOHN W. BARCLAY
WM. H. BARCLAY
T. BENTON TAYLOR

Committee.

AN ALUMNI GUARD AT LEE'S TOMB—?

In his eloquent address before the Alumni Association Judge McDermott referred to the student movement for re-establishing the custom of posting two students each day as a guard of honor at the tomb of General Lee in the chapel.

Just prior to Judge McDermott's address this proposal had been voted upon in a student referendum. Although 472 votes were cast in favor of re-establishing this custom the necessary two-thirds majority was not obtained.

Realizing that further student action could not be taken until next spring Fred W. McWane, '14, has suggested that an alumni guard be established. He suggests that local alumni and alumni from nearby towns come to Lexington and stand guard for one or two days at the chapel. He feels that alumni from greater distances would gladly fulfill appointments for taking their turn at this post of honor and thus combine a visit to the old campus with the performance of a privileged duty.

What do you think of it?

WANTED: COX'S "CRIMINAL CASES"

Elsewhere on this page is reported the generous gift of Mr. Herbert Fitzpatrick to the law library. He has set a good example.

Dean Moreland is particularly anxious to secure for the law library a set of Cox's "Criminal Cases," an English publication of twenty-seven volumes. This work is out of print and only a few sets are available. However, he has been quoted a price of \$450.00 on one set now in the hands of Canadian publishers.

An alumnus of the law school who wishes to make a distinctly individual gift to the department of the University in which he received his professional training will find this an excellent opportunity. Arrangements for purchasing the set can be made through Dean W. H. Moreland or your Alumni Secretary by writing to them at Lexington.

It has been stated that no other Southern law school is in possession of this rare set of reference books. The library at Tucker Hall has become one of the best in the country through patient acquisition and wise selection. It is particularly desirable to add Cox's "Criminal Cases" to its shelves.

THE ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION AND WASHINGTON AND LEE

Since the inception of the endowment campaign in 1919, Washington and Lee has had a standing "offer" from the General Education (Rockefeller) Board. As it stands today this "offer" is a promise to give an equivalent of one-half of the total paid in to the University for new endowment. Thus Washington and Lee gets fifty cents from the Board on every new endowment dollar paid in on alumni pledges.

The Rockefeller offer expired on January 1st, 1927, but was generously renewed until July 1, 1928. Thus it is up to us to pay in the full amount of our alumni endowment pledges before that time. Delinquent donors are being sent more pressing notices for payment as the allotted period draws to a close.

Less than a year remains. It is up to us to "pay up" while this contingent offer is in force. Over one thousand alumni donors have paid up their generous pledges in full. Others are liquidating their pledges in monthly, quarterly or semi-annual instalments. But many remain with the full pledged amount unpaid.

In view of the benefits which the University has already derived from the gifts to the endowment fund, in view of her ever increasing needs and in view of the General Education Board gift, every delinquent donor should make the payment of his pledge before July 1, 1928, a matter of strict concern.

MR. HERBERT FITZPATRICK, '94, GIVES VALUABLE LAW BOOKS

Dean W. H. Moreland, '06, of the law school has received a handsome edition of Halsbury's "Laws of England" as the gift of Mr. Herbert Fitzpatrick, '94, to the law school library. The law school has long been in need of this set for reference work, but has been unable to secure it because of the limited law library appropriation.

When the matter was presented to Mr. Fitzpatrick he immediately volunteered to purchase the set as his personal contribution. It was ordered from publishers in Canada and imported. The set contains twenty-seven volumes and is said to be the most complete historical digest of English law.

Mr. Fitzpatrick, the donor, has a record of distinguished achievement. He was for a long time successfully engaged in the practice of law at Huntington and Charleston, West Va. In 1922 he was elected vice-president and general counsel for the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad. He had served as counsel of that road for some time previous to his election. His offices are now in Richmond, Va., where he makes his home.

ATTENTION ALUMNI AUTHORS, MANUFACTURERS AND RETAILERS!

On the book shelves of the club room in the Alumni Building (to be occupied this fall) we would like to have an autographed copy of every book written by a Washington and Lee alumnus.

In the house we would like to have a sample of any article that is manufactured by an alumnus and can be used in or about a house, or a sample of merchandise distributed by an alumnus or his firm.

Thus the individual alumnus can help to furnish the new club house in an individual way, can have his business or vocation represented at the gathering place of his former classmates and can make the Alumni Building more interesting.

Your Alumni Secretary would like to hear from alumni authors, artists, manufacturers, wholesalers, retailers, etc.

WANTED: YOUR STATE CODE

It is the purpose of Dean Moreland to have a copy of the code or statutes of every state in the Tucker Hall library. At present only a few states are represented.

Therefore, this opportunity is presented for the consideration of every law alumnus or for any local group of law alumni. Communicate your intention to Dean W. H. Moreland at Lexington. No state should be exempt, since some of the few codes now in our possession are out of date.

Letters

June 28, 1927.

Dear Mr. Kemp:

Your letter of June 18th arrived at Hot Springs while I was absent attending the annual meeting of the trustees at Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio, so I did not receive it until my return two days ago.

I think the opportunity of using the old McLaughlin house as an Alumni Building most fortunate. It gives me great pleasure to enclose you my check as my contribution to the fund of \$3,000 which must be raised for rehabilitation, furniture, etc.

I should like very much to know whether the necessary amount is promptly subscribed.

With warmest regards,

Sincerely yours,

FRANCIS T. A. JUNKIN.

June 22, 1927

My dear Mr. Kemp:

Your favor of the 18th duly received, and it gives me pleasure to enclose herewith check toward the enterprise that you mention.

With every good wish for your continued growth and success, and with kindest personal regards.

Yours very truly,

H. R. FITZGERALD

July 9, 1927

My dear Kemp:

In compliance with your suggestion, I herewith enclose my check towards the fund for re-furnishing of the McLaughlin Building.

I trust that you will be able to raise the necessary amount without trouble but should you fall down, kindly advise and I will try to assist you further.

Yours very truly,

L. J. BOXLEY, '09

July 5, 1927

Dear Verbon:

Your letter of the 17th, which crossed mine in the mail, came duly to hand. I have been away from the office a good deal since that time, hence my delay in acknowledging it.

I take great pleasure in enclosing herewith my check for the Alumni Building Fund. If you do not get in enough money from these calls, let me know and I may be able to help a little more later on.

Faithfully yours,

RAYFORD W. ALLEY, '10

June 21, 1927

Dear Kemp:

The pleasure is had of acknowledging your letter of June 20th. I remember the McLaughlin house mighty well inasmuch as my examination for the Bar was held within its portals by Judge McLaughlin. I think he asked me whose son I was and if I had a diploma from the Law School of Washington and Lee.

It would not be convenient for me now, or probably for sixty days, to make any cash advance of any kind on account of heavy commitments at this time. My best wishes and deepest interest are with you, not only in acquiring this historic old house but in establishing a convenient headquarters for visiting alumni. Just as soon as things work around and turn themselves into the form of money this will be the first thing remembered.

With best wishes, I am

Yours sincerely,

THOMAS W. SHELTON, '93

July 5, 1927

Dear Mr. Kemp:

I have your recent letter with reference to property which has been offered for use as an Alumni Building and, as requested, take pleasure in enclosing herewith check as my contribution towards the cost of rehabilitating and furnishing the building.

With kind personal regards, I am

Faithfully yours,

G. B. WALL, '88

July 4, 1927

Dear Mr. Kemp:

I have been out of town for several weeks and on my return found your letter of the 18th awaiting me.

I am enclosing you a check as a small contribution towards the Alumni Building Fund. I believe a comfortable club room where the alumni can forgather will do more than anything else to bring the old W. & L. men back to Lexington. The presentation of the plan in your letter covers the subject completely, and, I trust, will meet with a general response.

With kind regards, I am

Very truly yours,

MAURICE MOORE, '94

July 6, 1927

Dear Mr. Kemp:

In reply to your letter of June 18th, concerning the use of the old McLaughlin house for an Alumni Club, I take pleasure in forwarding to you a check as my contribution to the cause.

Yours sincerely,

WM. A. HYMAN, '12

A Gracious Letter, Charmingly Reminiscent

June 11, 1927.

My dear Mr. Kemp:

You receive many letters commending your work on the ALUMNI MAGAZINE, I dare say, but I doubt that you grow weary of such approval—and so I come to pay my tribute.

I have just received and read the June, 1927, number, and compliment you upon the pictures, paper, type, and printed matter. Above all, the last named, for to the man of sentiment much pleasure is afforded by hearing of old college friends. This makes the publication truly valuable. Take, for example, the letter of Mr. Robert Ewing, '68, in this number. How it would delight all the alumni of his period at the University, could they read his words!

The Commencement Message from the President is most interesting, and in the main encouraging to those who love the Old School. It is certain that Dr. Smith has had many discouragements, as has every college president, but he has conducted the Institution through a long period of its most notable successes, and may well feel pride in his administration.

In the March number of the MAGAZINE, you named George Sykes, '78-'79, of Louisville, who startled the Washington and Lee men of his day by demonstrating his ability to "curve" in pitching baseball. In the June number you write more fully about the W. and L.-University of Virginia game in 1877. I was present at that notable meeting (it could not be called a contest), when Sykes dumfounded the Virginia men by "skunking" them. I remember the umpire was James Bayard, son of Senator Thomas Bayard of Delaware. Later, his description of the game was truly racy and graphic. For the men on both sides, there was one very amusing feature. It loses much in the telling. The Washington and Lee men had brought (to carry the impedimenta of the Club) one Solomon—a very black, very tall and very deep-voiced Senegambian, who, when the game ended, commenced collecting not only the bats, bases, etc., belonging to Washington and Lee, but everything in sight—connected with the game. This being noticed, someone shouted, "Hey there, Solomon, those are not our things!" Whereupon the colored gentleman from the Valley propounded, in thunder-like tones, the deepest ever heard in Lexington, the pertinent query, "We won 'em, didn't we?"

Ask Col. John Letcher or the Hon. Matthew White Paxton, or Will McElwee if they remember the basso of Solomon the Senegambian.

Now a word about the New York Alumni of Washington and Lee. In such a city as this, one is



DR. WM. E. DOLD, '76, *Remembers Solomon*

kept pretty fully engaged—especially young men opening their career here. You are not likely to have frequent communications from them, but the University has a representation of which it may feel proud, and I can bear testimony to this because "with the acumen of years and wisdom," I can guage them.

Finally—let me speak of what has been a source of satisfaction to me and to some of my old friends, in hope that others may be stimulated. When I have found in the pages of the Alumni Directory the name of a once dear comrade, not marked by a star, I have often written, and it has given me gratification to note the spirit evoked by such letters. It is well worth while to re-kindle the fires of youth that have smouldered for years. It may be asked, how can one open the Directory pages without being too saddened to write? I grant that to look over the list of so many who died too young, is full of heart-break, but it should make even stronger the tie binding surviving friends. I leave this thought with you for the men of the Alumni—no matter how ancient or how young—Keep in touch with Alma Mater and those you loved in college days, for only too soon must you say in the pathetic words of Charles Lamb, "Gone, all gone, the old familiar faces."

Truly yours,

WM. E. DOLD, '76.

OPPOSE CHAPEL ADMISSION CHARGE

The Lee chapel is again the subject of controversy. The act of the W. & L. board of trustees at their June meeting authorizing a charge of twenty-five cents for admission to the chapel and mausoleum has been severely criticized by Southern newspapers, the Lynchburg alumni chapter and various individual alumni and U. D. C. members.

The proposal was made by Dr. George Bolling Lee, '90, grandson of General Lee and a trustee of W. & L., in view of the heavy expense incurred by the University for repair, fireproofing and upkeep of the chapel. Dr. Lee reasoned that admission was charged to Mt. Vernon, Monticello and various other shrines in this country and abroad. His proposal was more a logical approval of the admission charge than an advocacy of it. It passed the board of trustees by a close vote.

Various views, all con, have been expressed editorially. One significant editorial contained the significant thought that it was a reproach, not upon the University but upon the entire South that such an institution as Washington and Lee had to resort to such financing perforce of poverty.

The action of the board has not been put into operation.

A GIFT AND A GREETING

July 9, 1927.

Dear Mr. Kemp:

I am sending you check as a contribution to assist in repairing and furnishing the Alumni Building. I hope that some time in the future, I may have the opportunity and pleasure of paying a visit to Lexington and renewing old Memories connected with my college days at W. & L. U.

Please remember me kindly to any of my old college associates who may still be located around Lexington, and especially to Harry Campbell, Frank and Bob Glasgow, Mat Paxton and Harry Tucker and my wish to them of prosperity and happiness for many more years.

Very sincerely,

J. M. ROBINSON (1872-'76.)

June 22, 1927

Dear Mr. Kemp:

In response to your letter of June 20th, I am enclosing herewith check to the order of the Washington and Lee Alumni Fund.

I trust that you will be successful in raising sufficient funds for the project mentioned. I also hope that the building will prove to be of much service to the Alumni Association.

Yours very truly,

PHILIP P. PAGE, '08

FAMOUS PETS OF FAMOUS PEOPLE— TRAVELLER

BY PRESTON WRIGHT IN THE *New York World*

After the Civil War, when Gen. Robert E. Lee and his celebrated horse, Traveller, were moving with dignity through the evening glow of a beloved and honored retirement from public service, they are said to have been approached by a lady who sought a memento by plucking a hair from Traveller's mane.

"Madame", Gen. Lee is reported to have said, as he removed his hat and bowed his head, "take one of mine."

To impute purely ironical intent to this remark is to misunderstand the great soldier. I prefer to believe his sole thought was that the noble Traveller should no more be subjected to such familiarity than himself.

After he had laid aside his uniform and gone to Lexington, Va., to assume the Presidency of Washington College, the General wrote:

"Traveller is my only companion; I may also say, my only pleasure. He and I, whenever practicable, wander out in the mountains and enjoy sweet confidence."

Once when he had to be away from home, the General wrote to his secretary: "How is Traveller? Tell him I miss him dreadfully, and have repented of our separation but once—that is, the whole time since we parted."

Again he wrote to his daughter, Agnes: "You must know what a comfort Traveller is to me in my retirement."

When Gen. Lee was in his last illness, Dr. R. L. Madison said to him: "You must make haste to get well. Traveller has been standing in the stable so long that he needs exercise." But the General said nothing. He merely shook his head and closed his eyes. He knew he should never mount his favorite again.

Traveller had been born in the neighborhood of Blue Sulphur Springs, W. Va., in April of 1857. As a colt he won a prize at the Greenbrier fair, under the name of Jeff Davis. Captain James W. Johnston, son of the man who reared him, rode the young horse into the war, but later sold him to Major Thomas L. Broun. Gen. Lee saw the animal first in West Virginia. He was greatly pleased with his appearance. He was sixteen hands high, powerfully built, iron-gray in color, with black points, and a dark mane and tail.

When Major Broun heard that Gen. Lee liked the horse he offered him as a gift. But the General insisted that he could take the animal only through purchase. The deal was put through in February 1862. The gray's name was changed to Traveller.

Traveller was superb under fire. Only once did he cause his master any trouble. During the summer of 1862 Gen. Lee had dismounted and sat down on a log,

“Promote the Magazine,” Says Walter Fred, '11

Back for Finals this year, T. Walter Fred, '11, threw a bouquet or two and gave some good advice. “Every alumnus that I know is crazy about the ALUMNI MAGAZINE,” he said. “Why don't you promote it—let the alumni know about it and they will all subscribe.”

Now Walter is an expert at promotion. He has promoted the Davenport Hosiery Mills of which he is president. He successfully manufactures and promotes a nationally advertised product. His advice carries the weight of experience as well as conviction.

We have long wanted to “promote” the ALUMNI MAGAZINE. We know that it is interesting to alumni from the many generous expressions of commendation received. During three years of publication it has “paid for itself,” but we want its merit and influence to grow. Therefore, its circulation must be increased. Walter Fred is right.

This issue of the MAGAZINE is combined with the University Summer Bulletin and published jointly by the University and the Alumni, Inc. Four other regular issues are published during the year, and sent to all members of the Alumni Association, Inc., whose dues are paid. The dues are \$2.50 per year or \$4.00 for two years in advance.

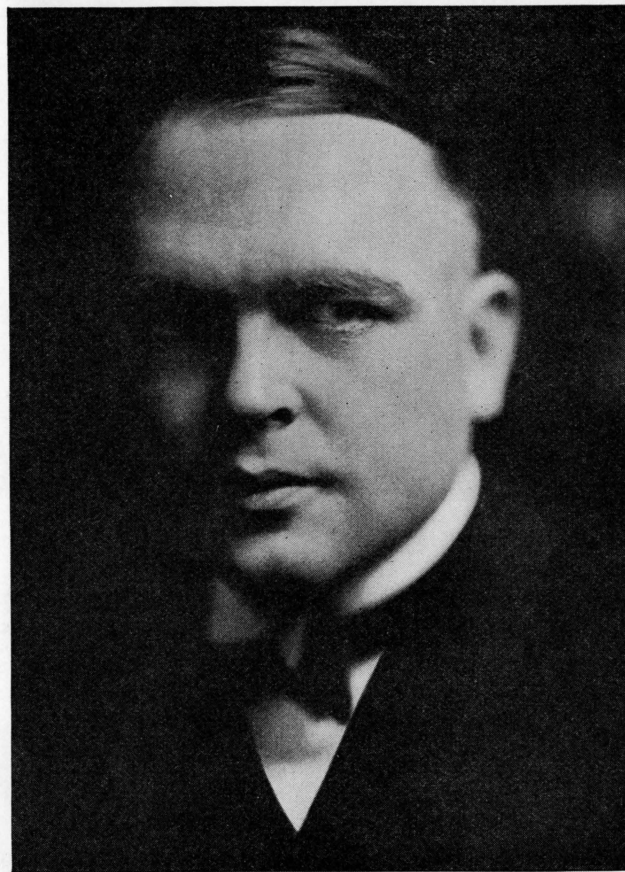
Formerly the annual alumni membership dues were \$5.00 each and, if collected, paid the Alumni Secretary's salary. Now your Secretary is paid by the University and the sum obtained from “dues” is used for compilation, publication and distribution of the ALUMNI MAGAZINE. So every cent paid goes into the MAGAZINE.

Due to being a highly specialized publication with a limited circulation, publication costs are high. For the same reason advertising revenues are small. The MAGAZINE is dependent upon the payment of dues (subscription) for support. It is also dependent upon a wide alumni circulation for its usefulness.

Washington and Lee has six thousand alumni

with one arm through the reins. Traveller became frightened and bolted. Gen. Lee instinctively held the reins and both hands were so badly strained he could not ride horseback for six weeks.

The obedience Traveller yielded to the Commander is shown by a post-war incident. The General had escorted a young lady who had been visiting his daughters to the canal boat landing, and while he was taking her aboard the boat, tied Traveller to a post. The horse evidently thinking his master had gone home without him broke loose and started off on a trot. “Traveller's loose,” some one shouted to General Lee. “Keep still, everybody,” the latter requested. Then



T. WALTER FRED, '11

—“An expert at promotion”

listed. Let us have the ALUMNI MAGAZINE in the hands of one-half of this number every other month! This issue will serve as a sample copy. Do you like it? If so, fill in the subscription blank which is loosely inserted in this issue and send it with your check for \$2.50 (1 year) or \$4.00 (2 years) to Verbon E. Kemp, Alumni Secretary, Drawer 897, Lexington, Va.

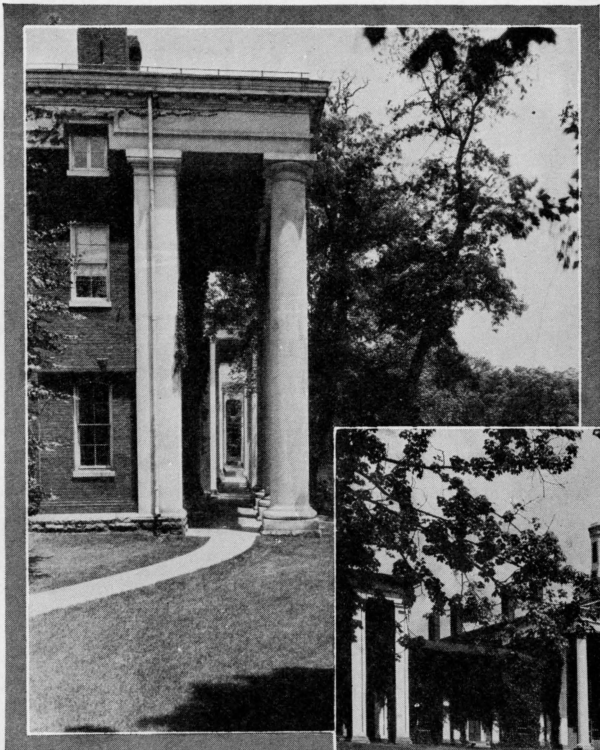
Subscribers are urged to help us carry out Walter Fred's advice and PROMOTE THE MAGAZINE!

he gave a low, peculiar whistle. Traveller stopped and pricked his ears. When the call was repeated, he came trotting back, to be petted and tied again.

For the five years after the war the pair were inseparable companions in the hours when the General was free. But, as the autumn of 1870 progressed, the General ceased to come to Traveller's stall. When next the old horse and his master were together, General Lee was being borne to his grave.

Traveller, his saddle and accoutrements draped in black, was led behind the dead commander by two old soldiers.

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THE COLONNADE AT NEW-COMB HALL



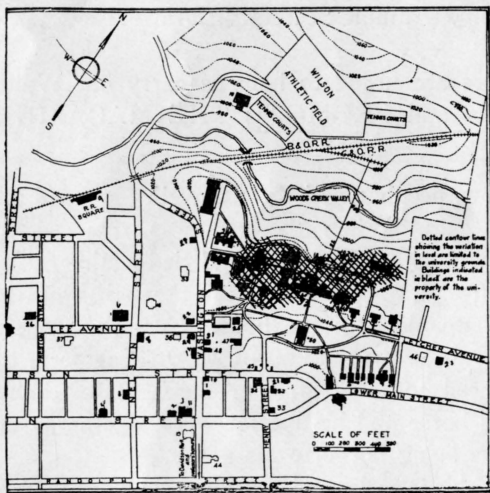
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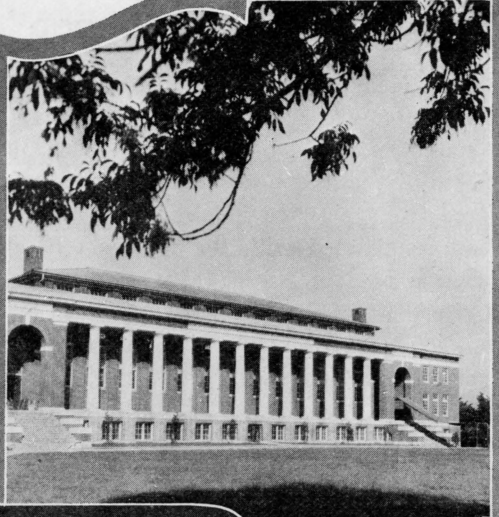
MAP OF THE CAMPUS AND VICINITY

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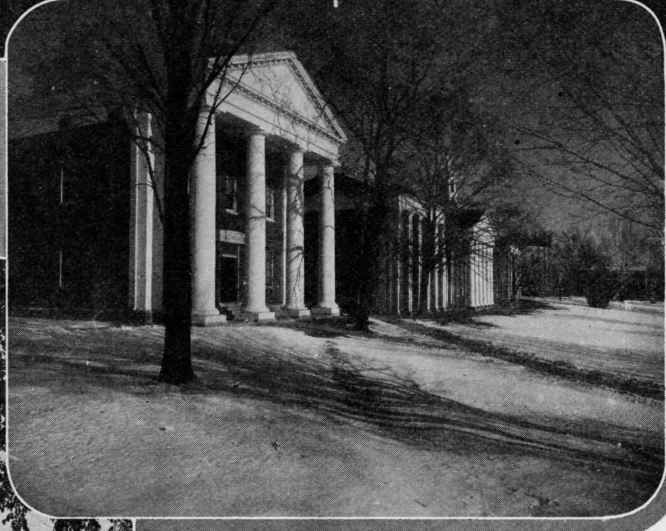
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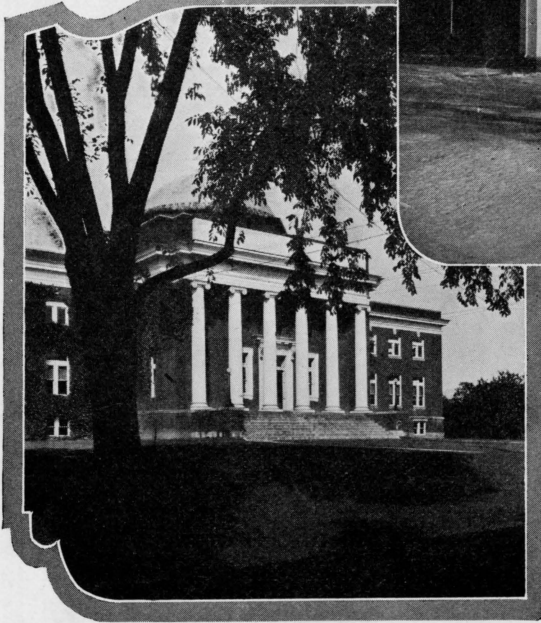
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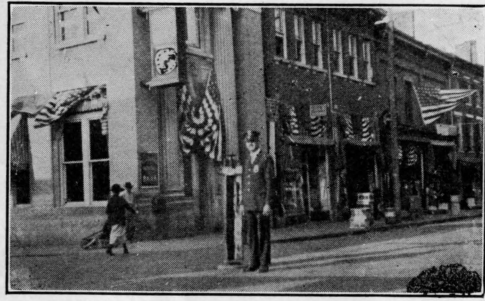
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THE CAMPUS IN WINTER



THE CARNEGIE LIBRARY BUILDING



ON MAIN ST. LEXINGTON
"A Study in Still Life"

FAMILIAR SCENES

THE MISSISSIPPI FLOOD

Dear Mr. Kemp:

July 14, 1927

Your letter was received only last evening, in which you state you would like to have some news from members of the alumni association, in the district that suffered from the great flood.

I am acquainted with the members of the alumni association at New Orleans, who sustained no loss, owing to the fact that the officials of that city received permission to cut the levee about 14 miles south, from the State and Federal governments; after removing all the people residing in this area, to New Orleans, they used dynamite, which caused a crevasse or break in the levee approximately 3,000 feet wide, and relieved New Orleans, its docks, levees, etc., from further rise of the great Mississippi river there.

I regret that I do not know members of the alumni who live in other parts of Louisiana but I sincerely hope that most of them were on "higher ground."

The breaks in the Atchofalaya river—about 50 miles west—brought water within a few inches of my lowest land, but four miles south the cane, rice, truck, etc., were inundated and lost.

As you have read of this great disaster, it is useless for me to write you of the thousands of refugees who lost not only their crops but also their stock and belongings, in this inland sea of water, extending from Arkansas to the Gulf of Mexico.

Secretary Hoover, who was in the flooded districts the greater part of the time, did most heroic work, as did Jardine, who was here also, as well as Mayor Thompson of Chicago, the various governors, members of the U. S. Senate and House, and hundreds of others.

After spending millions of dollars derived from heavy taxation, the various levee boards find their coffers empty, and unable to continue their good work.

The Mississippi river drains about 31 states, and all believe the Federal government will take entire charge of it and its problems.

Yours truly,
GEORGE HILL, '77

Dear Mr. Kemp:

July 13th, 1927

Don't know exactly what to tell you about the flood. It's somewhat like war. We all hope the nation is sufficiently aroused to guarantee full responsibility in the future. There was no loss of life in this district, altho considerable loss of property.

Elliott Jones, as you perhaps know, is associated with me here. We lost approximately 10% of our crop.

With regards,

Yours very truly,
D. W. PIPES, JR., '06

L. C. SPEERS, '94, WRITES ON FLOOD SITUATION

A valuable and penetrating survey of the conditions now prevailing in the Mississippi delta has been contributed by L. C. Speers, '94, of the *New York Times* staff and published in that metropolitan daily. Credit has been given to Mr. Speers for his clear, dispassionate insight into the actual economic effects of the flood. Mr. Speers has spent considerable time in the flood region studying the situation. His reports are said to provide the most comprehensive information on the subject yet compiled.

ALUMNI NEWS

"A word of greeting to my former classmates, just a line or two about my work and interests for publication in the *Alumni Magazine*"—this is the request contained in our formal news blank. The *Magazine* is dependent upon such personal news for its greatest appeal. It is a modest request directed to every individual alumnus. Let us hear from you.

And speaking of modesty—we often ask an alumnus for material to use in a "feature article"—"a sketch of your activities since leaving college and a photograph of yourself for use in the *Alumni Magazine*. Invariably the response is, "I have done nothing worth writing up"—a creditable modesty, but hard on the *Magazine*.

Alumni want to hear about their college friends. News and photographs of them in the *Magazine* are of wide interest to every alumnus. Therefore, please don't hold back when we write for this material. It is not the purpose of the *Magazine* to boost or eulogize, but to give a news account of the other fellow.

PREPARING ROOM FOR MUSEUM IN CHAPEL

Workmen have begun the transformation of most of the basement of Lee chapel into a room to receive relics associated with the Lee family. The change will include a concrete floor and metal ceiling. The outside woodwork of the chapel has also been painted.

Among the visitors registered at Lee chapel last month was William Gibbs McAdoo, former secretary of the treasury and candidate for president. He was on his way to White Sulphur and was accompanied by Mrs. McAdoo.

On the Negative

(Being a pert and caustic editorial comment on a national and local situation.)

Obeying a well directed injunction we pause to scrutinize: who (and what) is on our campus?

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Some nine hundred students occupy the most space (not necessarily the most attention). They are our raw material.

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This clay is "hand picked, carefully winnowed and selected," we are truthfully told. Last session one hundred thirty-seven students dropped by the wayside ere the year had closed.

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Most of the dropped were rejected by the potter.

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This does not account for those who did not get caught. They are even greater in number.

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Commercially speaking, it looks like inefficient production; ethically, self confessed defeat of purpose.

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Our campus is not alone in fostering this condition.

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It is a prevailing situation in American colleges: witness authors Upton Sinclair, Palmer Gavvett, Percy Marks and Glenn Frank—all college men. Judging from Mr. Thackeray's "Pendennis," it is an old situation.

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The prevailing wind is the line of least resistance, but bucking the headwind does not necessarily lead backward.

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On our campus is a record of progress, an inspirational spirit, fairly adequate physical equipment, experienced leadership, able trusteeship.

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Also on our campus are trysting places with vaunting ambition, grindstones and political buttonholes. Concretely there are polished stumbling blocks and pseudo barricades.

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A few stumbling blocks maledict, discredit, backbite, quibble and heckle.

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A few barricades point out detours, saying "Unto me let all power be," or—"Turn backward in thy flight."

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On our campus is an atmosphere of leisure and luxury—Three hours a day in class between 9 A. M. and 2 P. M.

Translated into student living it becomes license and extravagance.

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But students *are* required to take prescribed courses, attend classes and to make certain grades (unless reinstated).

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The required courses must be taken for the required degree, will, interest, desire, need, or no.

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Disinterest and boredom often result.

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A progressive move was made over fifty years ago. It has lasted, is now outgrown, must be succeeded.

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But voices from the trysting places arise in disjointed chorus: "The high schools are to blame"—"The student mind is inadequate"—"Prohibition."

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Back to the commonplace; education (machinery and method), is called upon by new and different demands.

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Washington and Lee must meet these demands, must keep the pace—if possible, set it.

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Given: The definite problem, the will, machinery and energy to solve it; it will be solved!

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The will and energy are not lacking, but dissipated.

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Loyalty, coöperation and unified attention are hackneyed terms, the mere suggestion of them trite.

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Yet, generally speaking, Diogenes might exhaust his available lamp oil looking for them on our campus.

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Business organization, as well as Plato, contemplates the cobbler sticking to his last.

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Let professors teach, executives administer, students study, and trustees go unmolested by axe grinders.

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Then the "system" might be changed to meet conditions; the atmosphere of energy and endeavor be created; requirements expanded; living regulations made and enforced—might be less dropping and rejection.

Local Alumni and Lexington

This issue of the ALUMNI MAGAZINE might well be termed the "Lexington Number." In it will be found an article on the town by M. W. Paxton, Jr., publicity director of the local Chamber of Commerce, an interesting survey of Rockbridge County history by Dr. E. P. Tompkins, '88, and some reminiscences by Mr. Hunter McDonald, '78, of Nashville, Tenn.

Lexington is, and will likely remain, a small "College town." It has been described as "a most delightful place to live." Without manufacturers or main line railroad transportation it has little industrial possibility. Yet its people are cosmopolitan, its outlook broad, its atmosphere cultural. The cool mountain climate and restful quiet attracts many summer visitors. The intersection of two main highways, one north-south (the Lee Highway) and the other east-west (the Midland Trail) makes it a tourist center. Yet it remains a charming place in which to live—to live in quiet peace, with the spice of gaiety and sport furnished by the two educational institutions.

No story on Lexington of interest to alumni would be complete without an account of local alumni. Many students have attended Washington and Lee from Lexington and Rockbridge County and have gone out to attain success in other parts of the country. Dr. Wm. Allan, '02, Charlotte, N. C.; Douglas S. Anderson, '90, New Orleans, La.; Col. W. D. A. Anderson, '02, Ft. Humphreys, Va.; D. M. Barclay, '99, Lynchburg, Va.; J. P. Barclay, '07, Minneapolis, Minn.; Dr. M. R. Barclay, '81, Chicago, Ill.; Wm. H. Barclay, '14, Wichita, Kan.; E. P. Bledsoe, '00, Little Rock, Ark.; E. W. G. Boogher, '02, Merchantville, N. J.; M. P. Burks, Jr., '05, Roanoke, Va.; E. D. Campbell, '21, Washington, D. C.; Rev. Robt. F. Campbell, '78, Asheville, N. C.; H. St. G. Carmichael, '99, Kyrock, Ky.; Jack Carmichael, '91, Hagerstown, Md.; L. Berkeley Cox, '14, Hartford, Conn.; Wm. J. Cox, '18, Leesburg, Va.; Dr. William E. Dold, '77, New York City; Robert Glasgow, '00 and Tom Glasgow, '15, both of Charlotte, N. C.; W. A. Glasgow, '86, Philadelphia, Penn.; Rev. Sam Glasgow, '04, Knoxville, Tenn.; Dr. J. H. Gorrell, '88, Wake Forrest, N. C.; Jno. K. Graves, '01, New York City; Lancelot M. Harris, '88, Charleston, S. C.; L. R. Holmes, '04, Philadelphia, Pa.; W. W. Houston, '96, New York City; J. L. Howe, Jr., '18, Shanghai, China; the Howertons—Lawrence, '16, Anniston, Ala., Perry, '20, Knoxville, Tenn., Bob, '22, and Phil, '24, both of Charlotte, N. C.; Dr. J. Morrison Hutcheson, '02, Richmond, Va.; Ewing Humphreys, '15, Atlanta, Ga.; J. P. Irwin, '09, Cleveland, Ohio; Rev. L. W. Irwin, '87, Williams-

burg, Va.; L. L. Irwin, '89, Charlottesville, Va.; Robert E. Jordan, '93, New York City; Hugh Lee, '02, and John Lee, '01, Pittsburgh, Penn.; Dr. Edward Lyons, '15, Detroit, Mich.; R. J. McBryde, '95, Louisville, Ky.; Dr. C. McBryde, '06, Richmond, Va.; Dr. Stuart McBryde, '95, Manassas, Va.; W. W. McBryde, '06, Washington, D. C.; W. B. ("Pansy") McClure, '80, Chicago, Ill.; Walter, '77, and Henry MacCorkle, '96, New York City; Gov. W. A. MacCorkle, '77, Charleston, West Va.; J. T. and C. Mercer McCrum, '07, Birmingham, Ala.; Dr. Albert McCown, '10, Seattle, Wash.; Robert W. McCrum, '03, Gainesville, Cal.; Bishop Wm. L. McDowell, '02, Birmingham, Ala.; Allen McDowell, '12, Kent, Conn.; Frank A. Nelson, '96, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Dr. W. P. Ott, '01, University, Ala.; H. R. Preston, '88, Baltimore, Md.; Rev. Harry Pratt, '93, Columbia, S. C.; J. P. Preston, '02, Charlotte, N. C.; J. G. Paxton, '67, Independence, Mo.; Dr. D. A. Penick, '89, Nicholasville, Ky.; Col. Robt. G. Paxton, '83, Buena Vista, Va.; E. A. Quarrels, '97, Plainfield, N. J.; Judge James Quarrels, '89, Milwaukee, Wis.; Elwood H. Seal, '14, Washington, D. C.; Col. Arthur Shipp, '98, Columbus, Ohio; R. H. Sellars, '76, Montclair, N. J.; E. S. Shields, '05, Farmville, Va.; D. W. Shanks, '85, San Francisco, Cal.; Lewis N. Shanks, '78, Myton, Utah; A. McDowell Smith, '03, Bramwell, W. Va.; C. Cabell Tutwiler, '02, Conshohocken, Pa.; W. J. Turner, '03, Rancuga, Chile; J. R. Tucker, '00, Richmond, Va.; Rev. M. Ryerson Turnbull, '08, Richmond, Va.; L. B. Turnbull, '04, Hazard, Ky.; Stockton Turnbull, '05, Arlington, N. J.; Dr. Hugh White, '92, El Paso, Tex.; J. Walz, '03, Louisville, Ky.; Dr. L. K. Walz, '93, Richmond, Va.; W. F. Walz, '90, Lexington, Ky.; Dr. Preston White, '18, Charlotte, N. C.; Dr. Reid White, Jr., '20, Philadelphia, Pa.; R. R. Witt, '13, San Antonio, Tex.; D. E. Witt, '02, Lynchburg, Va.; Hugh Witt, '08, Richmond, Va.; Rev. Raymond Womeldorf, '17, China; Rev. C. R. Womeldorf, '91, Houston, Tex.; Wm. E. Waddell, '94, Covington, Va.; J. G. Waddell, '97, Cape Charles, Va.; Frank P. Webster, '13, San Francisco, Cal., are but a few from a long list of distinguished Lexington alumni who have settled elsewhere.

Among the "ninety and nine" to remain to try their fortunes in this sheltered valley visiting alumni lawyers will always find a common tie with Wm. A. Anderson, '61; "Bill" Ackerly, '12; "Ben" Ainsworth, '11; "Daddy" Burks, '70; John L. Campbell, '09; F. D. Coe, Jr., '14; Fred Deaver, '21; C. S. Glasgow, '09; F. T. Glasgow, '74; G. D. Letcher, '88; D. W. McNeil, '12; Stuart Moore, '15; Frank Moore,

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Hunter McDonald, '80, on General Lee

In an article entitled "General Robert E. Lee After Appomattox" published in the *Tennessee Historical Magazine*, Mr. Hunter McDonald, '80, of Nashville, Tenn., has added some interesting anecdotes and reminiscences to the public record of General Lee.

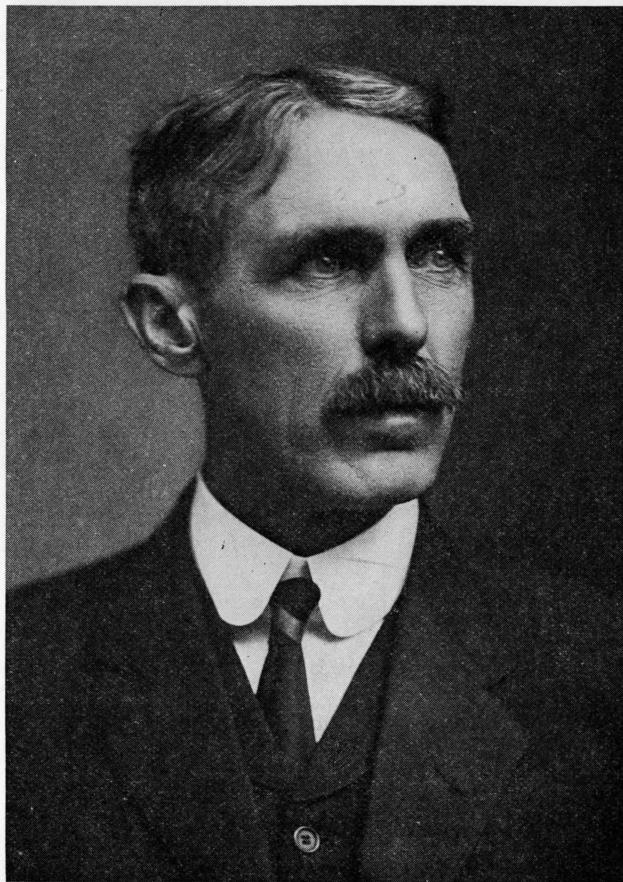
After describing the close of the war and the flight of his own family down the Shenandoah Valley before the army of General Hunter to Lexington where they found refuge, Mr. McDonald quotes from the reminiscences of his mother:

"General Lee, having been invited to take the presidency of Washington College, and having accepted it, was daily expected to come to Lexington. One afternoon Allan (her second son) came into my room in an excited manner and announced his arrival. I went to the window and saw riding by on his old warhorse, Traveller, the great old soldier, the beloved of the whole country and the admired of the world. Slowly he passed, raising his brown slouch hat to those on the pavement who recognized him and not appearing conscious that he more than anybody else was the object of attention.

"He wore his military coat divested of all marks of rank; even the military buttons had been removed. He doubtless would have laid it aside altogether but it was the only one he had and he was too poor to buy another. The people loved and admired him more than ever when they heard that he had refused the gift of a fortune from some of the Southern people who were still wealthy and requested the generous persons who offered it to give what they could spare to the families of the dead soldiers. Allan flew upstairs and made himself presentable and betook himself up to the hotel to be present when General Lee dismounted. When he returned he had a lock of horsehair in his hand which he said he had pulled out of Traveller's tail and announced his intention of preserving it for his wife to wear in her breastpin.

"General Lee always took a great deal of notice of my little boys and Nelly, and once I remember his telling me of Roy's persistent obedience to a command of mine in opposition to one of his. He had some fine tomato plants, and when they were setting them out he thought of sending me some; so when passing our house on Traveller he stopped at the fence and called to Roy who was playing in my yard, to come over to his house and get some of them for me. 'No,' said Roy, 'General Lee, Mother told me not to leave the yard till she came back.' The General told him I would not mind his going only that far and for such a purpose, but he resolutely declined."

General Lee one morning noticed a countryman unloading a load of cordwood, and since it was being added to his woodpile he inquired about it. When told that the countryman had brought it just because he



HUNTER McDONALD
"—A Toothpick"

wanted General Lee to have it, the General, with the beautiful courtesy that was his, thanked him and said: "I would like to know the name of the person who has brought me such an acceptable gift." The man gathered the reins in his hands and signalled to the horses to start, and answered, "Never mind my name—if I should tell it, it would be in that damned old *Lexington Gazette* tomorrow morning."

"He often came in late in the evening to see Donald when he was confined with his broken leg, and would sit and talk in the twilight. Once, I remember he sat still for sometime by the window and his face looked so sad. He spoke of the Southern people, of their losses, privations, and sufferings, and also of our vain struggle. 'I cannot sleep,' he said, 'for thinking of it, and often I feel so weighted down with sorrow that I have to get up in the night and go out and walk till I thoroughly weary myself before I can sleep.' That was the only melancholy sentence I ever heard him utter, and the only time I ever saw that heartbroken look on his face."

After describing General Lee's death and its effect on the people, Mr. McDonald takes up his own recollections:

"When General Lee reached Lexington, I was too

young to appreciate the opportunities which his presence afforded to those who were fortunate enough to be brought within the sphere of his influence. My mother and the Lee family became fast friends.

"The students who came to Lexington to attend the college were largely matured men, a considerable portion after leaving the army deciding to complete their education, which had been interrupted by the war, before taking up the work which would afford them their livelihood in the future. Many of them wore beards. Those who had not been soldiers were dubbed 'yearlings'.

"Among the students from Nashville I recall the names of Thomas Weaver, John Carter, Thomas Tomlinson, Wm. H. Washington, and last, but by no means least, our distinguished head of the Watkins Institute and writer of no mean ability, Judge Robert Ewing.

"The boys in the town were known by the students and cadets as 'toothpicks' and were rigidly excluded from the campus and parade ground unless accompanied by an able protector. The penalty of trespassing was a bath under a hydrant.

"Lexington was the mecca for distinguished men who came, attracted principally by the fact that in its cemetery the remains of Stonewall Jackson reposed, and that General Lee was a living resident.

"Among them that I recall were Jefferson Davis, General Joseph E. Johnston, Col. Wm. Preston Johnston, son of General Albert Sidney Johnston and Private Secretary to President Davis during the war, Matthew F. Maury, Professor at the V. M. I., Admiral Semmes of the Confederate Navy, General Mahone, General Early and many others.

"General Lee's advice to all of his old officers and men was always that they should submit to the authority of the land, stay at home, put themselves in position to take part in government and not be deterred by obstacles in their way. He deprecated all projects of emigration to other countries or continuation of warfare in any manner. Toward these wise precepts he set a conspicuous example. On June 13, 1865, he made application to be included in the amnesty proclamation and be allowed to become once more a citizen of the United States. The amnesty which he sought was never granted, and he died without having been repatriated.

"Like Joan of Arc, the character of Lee was not fully understood until many years after his death, owing to the implacable hatred of the enemies of the cause which he served. He had many biographers in the earlier days but their readers were principally confined to the South. Among the first to call the world's attention to his outstanding qualities was Prof. George Long of London, England, at one time a professor at the University of Virginia. He placed

a memorable note on the flyleaf of his second edition of 'The Thoughts of the Emperor Marcus Aurelius Antoninus,' which he had translated from the original. He had been informed that an American publisher had pirated his first edition and dedicated it to Emerson. A portion of the note follows:

"I have never dedicated a book to any man, and if I dedicated this, I should choose the man whose name seemed to me most worthy to be joined to that of the Roman soldier and philosopher. I might dedicate the book to the successful general who is now the President of the United States (General Grant) with the hope that his integrity and justice will restore peace and happiness so far as he can, to those unhappy States which have suffered so much from war and the unrelenting hostility of wicked men. But as the Roman poet said, 'Victrix causa Deia placuit, sed victa catoni' (which translated is: The cause of the victor was pleasing to the gods, but that of the vanquished to Cato) and if I dedicated this little book to any man, I would dedicate it to him who led the Confederate armies against the powerful invader, and retired from an unequal contest defeated, but not dishonoured; to the noble Virginian soldier, whose talents and virtues place him by the side of the best and wisest man who sat on the throne of the Imperial Caesars.'

"The next notable sign of the awakening of his enemies was the publication by Gamaliel Bradford, a citizen of Massachusetts, of his notable book, 'Lee, the American.' But the most recent and notable appreciation of the military career of Lee is the book by Major General Sir Robert Maurice of the British Army, entitled 'Robert E. Lee, the Soldier.'

"A beautiful description of General Lee's last illness and death, his funeral and final resting place, written for the faculty of Washington College by Colonel Wm. Preston Johnston, son of General Albert Sidney Johnston, Private Secretary to President Davis during the war and Professor of History at Washington College, is reproduced in a book edited by Franklin L. Riley, entitled, 'General Robert E. Lee After Appomattox.'

"General Lee died October 12, 1870. No character in history has been subjected to more searching scrutiny than has that of Robert E. Lee, his systematic habits and records making such scrutiny possible. But no matter how hostile the purpose or talented the traducer who undertakes it, no Meade Minnegarode or Rupert Hughes will ever find a skeleton in his closet."

Mr. McDonald is chief engineer of the N. C. & St. L. Railway with offices at Nashville, Tenn. He has interested himself in Civil War history and particularly in the activities of the Federal General Hunter in and about Lexington.

J. W. Garrow, '99

After graduating with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1899, J. W. Garrow's first business employment was in Houston, Texas, with the old firm of H. W. Garrow and Company, Cotton Exporters, which was established by his father. He became a partner in the firm in 1914 and after his father's death in 1916 the business was conducted by his brother, H. W. Garrow, '97 and himself. In 1918 Mr. Garrow and several others bought the business of Hogg, Dickson & Hogg, Cotton Factors, the Hogg's being sons of the distinguished ex-Governor of Texas. The business was re-organized under the name of Garrow, MacClain & Garrow, Mr. Garrow being elected president of the new organization and he has remained as such since that time.

While the cotton business has occupied most of his time, Mr. Garrow has been actively interested in real estate development, and with various associates he has subdivided, improved and sold four or five residential areas in the rapidly developing city of Houston where he has his home. By reason of his real estate activity he is president of The Woodleigh Company, and of the Houston Homesite Company; vice-president of the Home Mortgage Company, secretary-treasurer of The John T. Brady Corporation and a member of the Executive Committee of The American General Fire Insurance Company.

Mr. Garrow's activities have been confined entirely to business, having neither sought nor held any public office since he left college.

He writes us that he thinks back, somehow, with more pleasure on his college honors than on those received since leaving college. Particularly is he proud of having been one of the founders of Ring-tum Phi—he was its first managing editor and later business



J. W. GARROW, '99
 "—In Cotton, Real Estate and Insurance"

manager—and of the honor of being Final Ball president in 1899.

He was married in 1908 to Miss Etta Brady. In addition to his wife and himself his family consists of three children, two girls and a boy.

LOCAL ALUMNI (Continued)

'96; "Mat" Paxton, Jr., '18; Crim Peck, '07; Hon. H. St. G. Tucker, '75, and E. L. Valentine, '26, Lexington alumni lawyers. Alumni practitioners in the medical profession would find much of mutual interest with Dr. James Adair, '13; Dr. C. H. Davidson, '92; Dr. R. C. Engleman, '16; Dr. Robert Glasgow, '75; Dr. F. M. Leech, '16; Dr. J. E. Seebert, '12; Dr. E. P. Tompkins, '88, and Dr. Reid White, '87. Sales costs and market prices could be discussed with the following alumni merchants and dealers—Malcolm Campbell, '05; Mason C. Deaver, '12; S. M. Dunlap, '99; Ned and Mercer Graham, '11 and '17; Curtis C. Humphries, '17 and Burton Deaver, '11. The profession of journalism is represented by local alumni B. F. Harlow, '00; M. W. Paxton, Sr., '75;

Col. C. N. Feamster, '96, and Col. W. F. Forrester, '80.

These are only a few of the many familiar names among Lexington alumni. Other businesses are represented by Norman Burgess, '11, real estate; F. D. Coe, '88, Leckie M. Kinnear, '11, W. H. and H. J. Womeldorf, '13 and '25, farming; Eddie Davis, '15 and Bill Raftery, '14, coaching; Wm. L. McElwee, '79, banker; Bruce Morrison, '17, sheriff; Robert L. Owen, '93, town treasurer; Harrington Waddell, '93, superintendent of schools, and R. E. Witt, civil engineer. In addition there are many alumni members of the W. and L. faculty.

Lexington and the Lexington alumnus is ever at home to visiting alumni, is ever responsive to the needs of Washington and Lee, is ever proud of the "University" and the "Institute."

Some Rockbridge History

(From a Talk by Dr. E. P. Tompkins, '88, Before the Lexington Kiwanis Club)

Rockbridge County is the only county of that name in the United States, and perhaps in the world. Much of its territory is embraced in Borden's Grant. This grant was from George II of England; it is couched in high-sounding phraseology, it recites that the land is to be held "not in capite or by knight's service, but for every fifty acres a free rent of one shilling is to be paid yearly upon the feast of St. Michael, the archangel." The oft-told story of the buffalo calf presented to Governor Gooch by Borden in return for the grant has been largely discredited, but Mrs. Lewis' diary says her son captured the calf and gave it to Borden.

Augusta county, and after its division, Botetourt county extended indefinitely west. Several years ago in the clerk's office in Fincastle, said to be the oldest town west of the Blue Ridge, I saw a petition from certain citizens of Botetourt county, asking the judge to excuse them from jury duty, on the grounds of their great distance from the courthouse; they lived where Memphis, Tenn., now stands.

The county was an almost unbroken wilderness. People made their way from point to point by trails, and transportation, up till the time of the Revolution, was almost entirely by pack horses.

In time came transportation by water courses. First by batteaux—long, narrow boats loaded and floated down stream by the current, aided by poles, to Richmond. The crew was unprotected from weather; on one end was built a "hearth"—a large, shallow box filled with sand, on which a fire might be built for cooking. They were sometimes poled back with a return load, but frequently abandoned after reaching Richmond, the crew walking back overland. Cedar Grove was at this time the head of navigation on North river and was the "metropolis of Rockbridge." Balcony Falls was the nightmare of these boatmen because of the dangerous rapids, and many boats and numbers of lives were lost here. There is beside the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad track at the present time, a marble monument erected to a negro slave who lost his life rescuing a boat's crew. It is surrounded by an enclosure, and is maintained in good order by the railway company.

Later on came the James river and Kanawha canal. This project had its inception during the lifetime of George Washington, who died in 1799, but the first packet boat only reached Lexington Nov. 15, 1860. Of course the greater portion of the canal was in use long before this. But it was frequently badly damaged by freshets, notably by that of 1870, and it was practically ruined by that of 1877. The boats were drawn

by three horses, hitched "tandem", the driver riding the rear horse; he carried a bugle with which to announce the approach of the boat, especially to the lock-keepers. The canal was built on one or the other side of the river, as expediency compelled, and when the boat must cross over the horses were taken on board and the "sweeps" gotten out, by which it was rowed over. This was sometimes a little dangerous, when near a dam, and the water high, as it was at other times when the tow-line would break, under similar conditions. Three days were consumed in a journey to Richmond, the law forbade a speed of more than four miles per hour, to prevent washing down the banks. The captains were intimately known to the traveling public, and from my earliest years the names of Captain Wilkerson, and the two Captains Wooling with one other whose name has slipped my memory, were frequently mentioned in our household. One of the captains, Wooling, I think is living now. Social life on these boats was most enjoyable. The ladies would sit on deck in pleasant weather and sew or gossip, the men would occasionally jump off and walk or run alongside "to stretch their legs." For sleeping quarters one-half of the boat was given to ladies, the other to the men. Berths were in three tiers, folded up by day, and suspended by leather straps when in use. The last one of these boats was in existence to within a few years ago, used as a domicile, just out of Lynchburg, by a family of negroes, but finally has disappeared.

The first public conveyances, overland, were the stage coaches. A book might be written on the romance of both stage and packet boat. They were in existence for many decades, and up to within my recollection. The huge body of the vehicle, carrying nine passengers inside, and as many more on top, was swung on great leather straps, with a "boot" at the back for trunks, covered and held secure by a leathern curtain. In addition to the driver's seat, with room for two passengers beside him, was another slightly higher for three passengers, and a mattress on the roof in good weather gave seating space for others. Many of the drivers were "local characters," with a shrewd wit, as were likewise the "wagoners" who drove the teams of four or six horses, hauling the immense freight wagons. Freight was brought up on the canal to its terminus, eventually as far as Buchanan, then loaded on covered wagons, and taken west into Southwest Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee. The wagons usually traveled in groups, "fleets" they might be called, for companionship, and in order to "double teams" if need be, over the worst places in the roads.

The "way-bill box" of the stage coaches carried important papers, entrusted to the drivers. At the out-

C. T. Chenery, '09

Christopher T. Chenery, President of the Federal Water Service Company, is one of those Virginians whose "R's" are still a source of wonder to every telephone operator born north of the Mason and Dixon line.

Mr. Chenery learned what he knows of engineering at Washington and Lee, and he has practiced it on most of the frontiers of America, ranging from Alaska to Wall Street.

In his younger days he had rare encounters with black bears and brown bears and other denizens of the wild lands invaded by reconnoitering railroad engineers. More recently his adventures have been with the even wilder inhabitants of the financial markets.

During the war he was Major Chenery, teaching engineers to ride horse and build pontoons when what he wanted was to display his fighting prowess on the French front. His hardest battle was his attempt to learn the bugle calls. In that effort he was ingloriously defeated.

Besides being the chief executive of a large public utility, Mr. Chenery is the amiable parent of three husky children. He is an admirable horseman and a wretched golfer, although he still thinks he wields a wicked tennis racket.

He is very fond of hot bread, being an unreconstructed Southerner, but his waist line is still five inches smaller than his chest and so the dieticians haven't a chance.

He lives in Pelham Manor, New York, in a Tudor House and loathes antique furniture. This also shows the effect of his college training.

A more detailed survey of Mr. Chenery's activities shows that he received his B. S. at Washington and Lee in 1909. Inspired by "Davy" Humphreys of immortal fame he dared to plunge into the engineering profession. The inspiration was lasting and the daring justified.

Going west, according to the poet's injunction, he



C. T. CHENERY, '09

"—Had Encounters with Bears"

started as a construction engineer at Portland, Oregon. Success brought him to important work at Chicago. In Washington, D. C., he became Secretary of the National Public Works Department; then the War. After eighteen months army service he opened his office as consulting engineer in New York. He was later elected to his present position as President of the Federal Water Service Corporation, with head offices in New York.

SOME ROCKBRIDGE HISTORY

(Continued)

break of the war in 1860, my father was operating the hotel. One day he found in the way-bill box a telegram addressed to Major T. J. Jackson, it having been sent in this way from Staunton, the nearest telegraph office. Stonewall Jackson lived only a block away, in his house which is now the Jackson Memorial Hospital, so my father took the dispatch in person to him.

When he entered the house General Jackson, then a major, was in the literal act of buckling on his sword to go to Harper's Ferry to take charge. My father, then less than thirty years old, thinking as he used to say, that the disturbance would be a sort of John Brown raid, six weeks frolic sort of affair, said cheerfully "Major Jackson, I would like quite well to go with you to Harper's Ferry." Jackson looked at him very gravely, as he replied: "Never fear, Mr. Tompkins, you will be there—we will all be there before this matter is ended."

AN INTERESTING HISTORY

(A Review of Dr. H. M. Blain's Book by the *New Orleans "Daily States."*)

"A Near Century of Public Service in New Orleans" by Hugh Mercer Blain, '94, just from the press, presents an interesting story of the origins and progress of the gas, street railway and electric services, a story, Mr. Blain says, "so interwoven with the story of the city itself from early days that it constitutes an essential part of its romantic history."

Until 1830 the city's transportation consisted of occasional omnibuses connecting outlying sections and its street lighting came from dim kerosene lights. James H. Caldwell, actor, having successfully illuminated his American theater in Camp Street with gas, it occurred to him to seek governmental authority for the establishment of a gas plant for street and house lighting. In 1834 the first gas lights appeared. In 1833 the New Orleans and Carrollton Railroad started its first cars drawn by dummies.

Gas historians credit New Orleans with being the fourth city in the United States to introduce gas for street lighting. Baltimore introduced it in 1816 and New York and Boston some time later.

Until the 90's the humble mule supplied the motive power of our city transportation lines. With the advent of electricity experiments with storage batteries were made but did not prove satisfactory. Then the city turned to the trolley. On February 1, 1893, the first electric cars were run on the New Orleans and Carrollton line, creating, of course, a wild sensation. By 1897 the mules had disappeared and electrification became complete.

The first electric light display in New Orleans was on top of the old Shot Tower, located near the present States building. It showed Orleanians the possibilities of the new lights and stimulated the desire for development. It was not long after that, but only after a battle with the gas company, that New Orleans turned to electric lighting in streets, commercial houses and residences.

From these early beginnings in gas lighting, transportation and electricity the present Public Service Corporation, the city's largest corporation, with a capitalization of more than \$60,000,000 was evolved.

We have given here only some of the high lights of Mr. Blain's interesting historical volume. It is well worth reading. Moreover it is well worth preserving in both home and public libraries as an invaluable work of reference.

Wilfred P. Irwin, '06, formerly of Lexington, died on May 16, in Williamantic, Connecticut, as a result of bullet wounds received the day previous.

THE SAVANNAH NEWS ON MR. TUCKER'S ADDRESS TO GEORGIA BAR ASSOCIATION

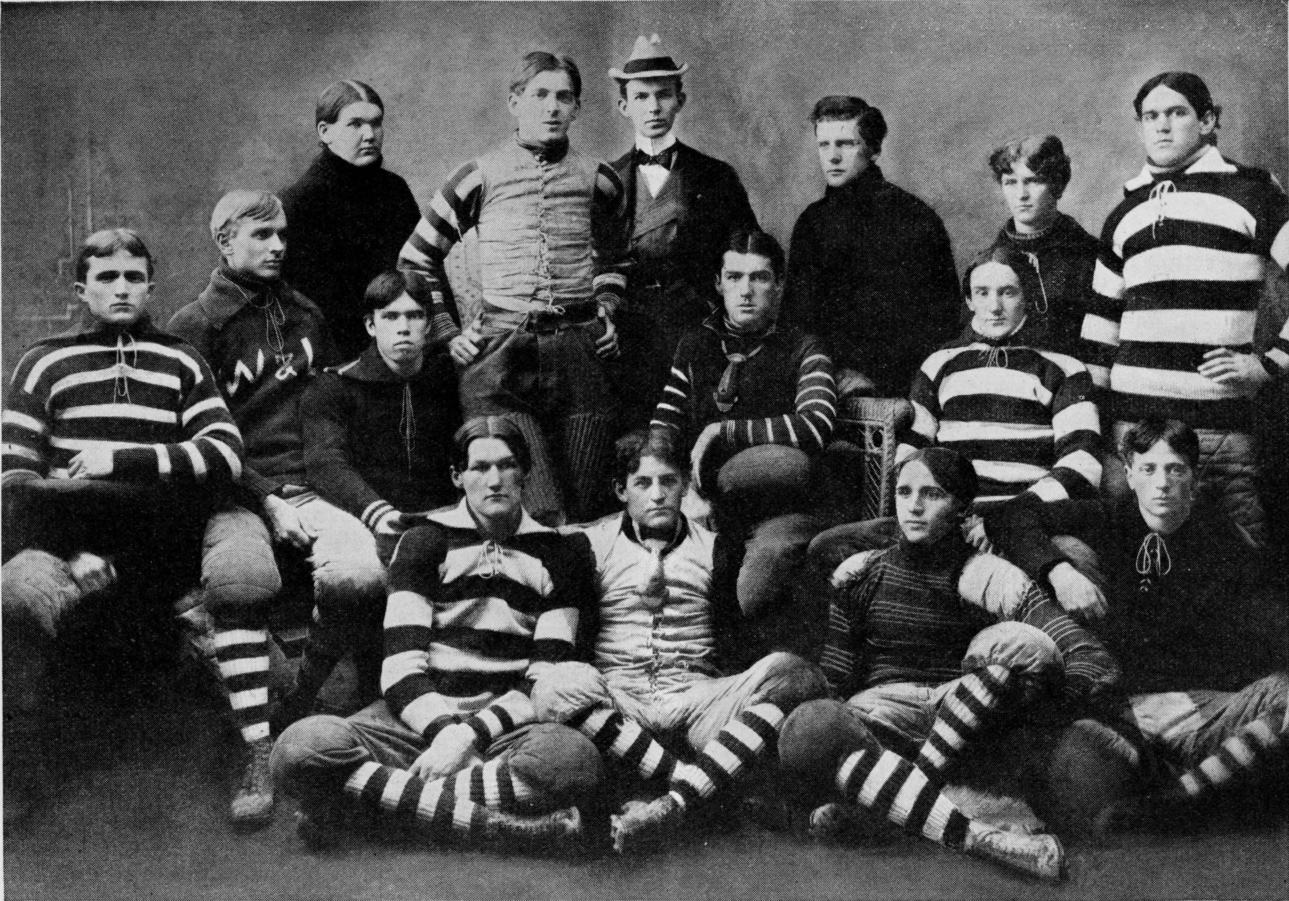
The *Savannah Morning News* of June 3rd, in publishing Hon. Harry St. G. Tucker's address to the Georgia Bar Association on the general welfare clause at Savannah early last month intertwined with the reports some pleasing notes about Mr. Tucker, which are published below:

"The principal address of the 1927 meeting of the Georgia Bar Association was delivered yesterday at Tybee by Hon. Harry St. George Tucker of Virginia, one of the most scholarly members of the Virginia delegation in the congress, distinguished for his legal attainments, prominent in the councils of the American Bar Association, and nationally known for the persuasive powers of his discourses."

"His address to the Georgia Bar Association dwelt upon the general welfare clause of the federal constitution, particularly appertaining to Justice Story's position. It was a carefully thought out and prepared paper, exhaustive in its treatment, replete with sound argument, convincing in its conclusions. The address is too lengthy to print in full, and while absorbing the attention of the members of the Georgia bar, it is permissible to print only some abstracts from it. These, to the lawyer, may not be the most vital portions of the able address, but to the layman and lawyer alike the passages selected appeal to the imagination, even though the date of their delivery be far distant from the actual events described by Mr. Tucker."

"Beginning with the program as unfolded yesterday, Harry St. G. Tucker, scheduled to make the annual address, began his paper upon constitutional law promptly at 11 o'clock, being briefly introduced by President Grice. The address was profoundly learned, indicating careful preparation and the speaker was accorded the closest attention throughout the two hours he consumed. The pavilion resembled more of a classroom than a convention, in that a huge blackboard upon which the speaker chalked the more important divisions of his subject was frequently used, constantly suggestive of a university lecture."

"The Virginian is easily one of the most distinguished authorities on constitutional law in the United States. According to Congressman Edwards, a place was made for him on the judiciary committee, although the quota had been filled. He is the author of various constitutional treatises, was dean of the law department of Washington and Lee University and is a former president, as is Judge Meldrim, of the American Bar Association. His address yesterday according to trained legal minds, was a classic of its kind."



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Middle row: L. WITHERSPOON, J. S. McCLUER, R. T. SHIELDS, DAVE BARCLAY (Capt.), A. G. SNYDER
Bottom row: G. W. MUIR, R. G. CAMPBELL, S. E. ALFORD, B. H. BURR

Football Thirty Years Ago---The Team of '97

The big Blue Team of thirty years ago took their colors seriously, in stripes. Their jerseys looked like an army tank after the camouflage artist got through with it. But they evidently played football with the powerful drive of that modern fighting machine. Abundant hair parted in line with the nose cushioned a battering ram.

There was no coach nor trainer, no stadium nor modern gymnasium at Washington and Lee in '97. The first regular college eleven had appeared here in 1887. The influence of Walter Camp on the Rugby game as then played began to be felt in the early 90's. By '97 football was a popular sport, though it was a game of the survival of the fittest.

The team manager had a job on his hands. Money for uniforms, travelling expenses and playing equipment had to be raised mostly by popular subscription. Often the players had to make up the balance.

Four intercollegiate games were played by the team of '97. The Generals emerged victorious in three of the four encounters, piling up a total of 64 points for the year to 16 points scored by their opponents. A trip to Lexington, Ky., was taken to meet Central University (now Centre College), result was W. & L 22, Central 0. On the return trip the team met the University of West Virginia, at Charleston, West Va., and were defeated 14 to 0.

The remaining games were played at home against Columbian and Alleghany Colleges. The scores were 12 to

2 and 30 to 0, respectively, in favor of the Blue and White.

Halley Lysle managed the team of '97. We last heard of him at Versailles, Ky., but he is now "unlocated" on our files. "Dave" Barclay, right tackle, was captain, coach and trainer combined. He is now vice-president of the Title and Bond Corporation of Lynchburg, Va.; J. S. McCluer, left guard, is a successful lawyer at Parkersburg, West Va.; J. J. Oberlin, left tackle, is principal examiner in the U. S. Patent Office at Washington, D. C.; J. P. Michler, left end, is unlocated; Borden Burr is a prominent lawyer in Birmingham, Ala.; Wallace Muir, half back, is District Attorney at Louisville, Ky.; "Ran" Shields, right end, is president of the Shantung Christian University, Tsinan, Shantung, China; A. G. Snyder, center, is American Consul-General at Christiana, Norway; Smith Alford, half-back, is a contractor at Flushing, Long Island; and "Gran" Campbell, full-back, is professor of Political Science at Washington and Lee. Among the substitutes were H. L. Dixon, unlocated; W. McBrayer Moore, now a prosperous farmer at Danville, Ky.; and N. S. Fitzhugh, now a public accountant at Charleston, West Virginia.

Death has taken its toll from the group pictured above. "Lister" Witherspoon, Jr., died in '99; A. W. Webb, right guard, who became a successful lawyer at Dallas, Texas, has passed on; and C. R. Robinson and J. M. Mason, substitutes, are dead.

ROBERT McELWEE, LUMBERMAN AND BANKER, DEAD

Robert H. McElwee, a director of the Continental and Commercial National Bank and for years identified with lumber interests, died June 26th at his home in Lake Forest, Chicago, following a lingering illness of heart disease. He was 69 years of age.

A short time before his death Mr. McElwee gave a loan fund to Washington and Lee University, amounting to \$67,500.

Mr. McElwee was born in Lexington. He has since 1875 been identified with Chicago banking and business, beginning his career with the banking house of Hunt & Co. and later being clerk in the Merchants' National Bank. He was president of the Mehominee River Lumber company and treasurer of the Spaulding Lumber Co.

He leaves surviving him his widow, a brother, Mr. Wm. M. McElwee, '78, of Lexington, and two sisters.

GENERAL EDWARD W. NICHOLS, SUPER-INTENDENT EMERITUS OF THE VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE, DIES

General Edward W. Nichols, superintendent emeritus of the Virginia Military Institute, and an active member of the faculty as professor of higher mathematics, died Friday night, July 1st, in Jackson Memorial Hospital, Lexington.

The end of this distinguished citizen of Virginia, and honored and beloved resident of the community, came with tragic suddenness. It was the result of a blow on the head inflicted by a stone from a blast along Woods creek, something over 200 yards below General Nichols' lawn, where he was seated under a tree. The stone apparently was driven over the wooded hillside back of General Nichols' quarters, crashing against the side of his residence and dividing, a smaller part of it striking the head of the former superintendent. The stone is estimated to have been about 3 inches in diameter.

General Nichols, stunned and unconscious from the blow was rushed to the hospital where it was found that his skull was fractured and he was suffering from hemorrhage of the brain. An operation performed failed to give any relief and within a few hours he had passed away.

REARDON, 1928 CAPTAIN OF TRACK TEAM

William R. Reardon, high hurdler de luxe of the Generals' track team, was elected captain of the 1928 combine at a meeting of the monogram men. Reardon, who is from Jacksonburg, West Va., succeeded Captain Davis of the 1926 team as the local mainstay in the 120-yard high hurdles event last year.

MARRIAGES

Matthew G. Henderson, '21, was married on June 11th to Miss Sallie Rawlings of Norfolk, Va.

Dr. Houston St. Clair, '22, was married on July 1st to Miss Janet Hardie of Wilmington, Delaware. Dr. and Mrs. St. Clair will make their home at 1910 Ringold Place, Philadelphia, after October 1st.

William A. McRitchie, '25, married Miss Emma A. Popham of Miami Beach, Florida, on May 28th.

L. Vaughan Grady, a graduate of the class of 1917, was married on June 9th to Miss Virginia Whitmore of Lexington. The bride and groom left immediately after the ceremony for an automobile trip to their home in Jonesboro, Ark.

Dr. William G. Bean, of the history department, was married on May 28th to Miss Lucy Burns Marsteller of Pittsburgh. They will make their home in Lexington after September 1st.

RICHMOND ALUMNI MEETING

The Washington and Lee Club of the City of Richmond, Va., met in quarterly session on June 28th at the University Club. The president, C. H. Morrissett, presided. Supper was served and delightful music furnished. The president delivered what he called his inaugural address, after which every member present spoke a few words of enthusiasm.

The membership of the club now number forty-six. It is expected that by September the membership will be greatly increased. Among the existing membership are some of the most distinguished citizens of Richmond. The names on the honor roll are as follows:

Anderson, Henry W., '98; Antrim, Charles B., '77; Beveridge, Stephen T., '76; Beverly, W. W., '10; Caldwell, L. C., '09; Cole, Robert W., '20; Davis, James T., '24; Davis, Dr. T. Dewey, '17; Finlayson, Henry L., '11; Forrer, John J., '09; Fowlkes, Dr. Richard W., '15; Fulton, Minetree J., '91; Goode, Kennety A., '25; Harris, A. M., '12; Harrison, Fred N., '06; Harris, D. B., '16; Harrison, John L., '16; Haw, George E., '04; Hodges, Col. LeRoy, '10; Hooker, Henry L., '09; Houser, Dr. A. A., '07; Hutcheson, Dr. J. Morrison, '02; Hutcheson, Robert M., '20; Jewett, Carleton E., '21; Leake, David H., '94; Liebert, H. S., '23; Morrissett, C. H., '14; Phillips, Chas. H., '22; Price, James H., '09; Richardson, F. B., '11; Shepherd, Dr. W. A., '97; Shirey, Lacy L., '16; Simpson, Dr. R. L., '92; Stern, Col. Jo Lane, '70; Stoneburner, Dr. L. T., '07; Stumpf, Otto M., '18; Tucker, John R., '00; Vertner, T. K., '04; Wall, Garrett B., '88; Wash, Dr. Atwood M., '15; Wickham, H. T., '68; Williams, Wm. Albert, '22; Williams, James N., '26; Wilson, Wm. Owen, '04; Wiltshire, Matt, '22 and Younge, Samuel H., '68.

Letters of Kiffin Rockwell, '11 (Conclusion)

Dear Paul:

Jan. 11, 1915.

Haven't heard from you for a long while; will not mail this letter tomorrow, in hopes of having your address. If I don't hear, will send this, and forward other mail. Have been unable to write myself, owing to what I have been going through. There were six days and five nights that I practically didn't sleep. Four days and nights of it was on petit poste at different sides of the town that our first trenches faced. The first night, I was on guard at a wall surrounding a chateau. We were right on the German trenches, and they were higher than we were, so had the advantage. At about ten-thirty o'clock, I was watching at a place along the wall where a shell had blown a hole through it. There was a door propped up by a ladder against it, leaving a small opening at the side out of which I watched, once in a while crawling up the ladder to look over. The petit poste was about fifty yards along the wall from me, on the other side it was about two hundred yards to the next sentinel. Seeger was the communication sentinel. It was a case of three men watching a position, where there should have been twenty.

About ten-thirty, Seeger had just come up to me, when something fell at my feet and sputtered a little, then went out. I picked it up. It was a hand grenade. Seeger ran for Corporal Wiedeman; as they came rushing back up, Weideman yelled, "Garde a vous, Rockwell," and I heard something fall beside me. I jumped over the ladder towards the Corporal. As I reached his side, the grenade exploded. We both yelled, "Aux arms." At the same time the door came in, and we caught the flash of rifle fire. Seeger had jumped to the woods. Weideman and I were exposed and taken by surprise. We jumped towards cover, went about ten feet, and I saw the rifles flash again. I dropped to the ground; as I did so, Weideman fell beside me, and I knew by his fall that he was dead. I arose crouching and ran, three bullets whizzing by me before I reached the woods. When all this happened the five fellows at the poste jumped up on a platform by the wall. The Germans at the doorway, the Germans in the trenches and other Germans who had slipped over the wall at some unprotected point all opened fire on them. A bullet clipped "Cap's" ear, another went between Zinn's fingers, skinning each of them, another shattered Buchanan's rifle. They all fell off the platform and lay flat in the mud afraid to fire for fear of hitting some of us.

I lay in the woods, covering the path to the poste, but afraid to move or be seen. My rifle had jammed, and I could not fire. While we were in this position

the disgraceful thing to the Ninth Squad happened; without our firing a shot the Germans passed through the doorway, knocked the top of Weideman's head off with the butt of a rifle, took his gun, coat and equipment, and all got away.

Soon, Teresien came running through the woods with two men. Seeger had joined me, and we halted them; then we five advanced to the doorway and closed it up. The rest of that night and the next three days and nights I spent on guard, and so did everyone except the ones out prowling in search of Germans. The whole town was demolished; everywhere were barricades and dead bodies. It was a hell of a time, and everyone's nerves were shattered when we came back here for a rest. I would like to write you a good description of it all but am not in condition to do so. Probably go back some place tomorrow night.

Love,

Kiffin.

January 15, 1915.

Dear Paul:

Haven't heard from you for a long while but hope you are in Paris. Just got back from eight days in the place where Weideman was killed. We were not allowed to send any mail and they are putting a strong censorship on all our letters; have threatened to cut off all our correspondence if we are not careful about what we write. Have written you all along, and forwarded a lot of mail. I have not received any packages, except the ones sent around Xmas for the Am. Vol., therefore have been short this month. We have had little chance to spend money. The English leave to-morrow, but I will not go with them; will stick it out in the Legion.

Love,

Kiffin.

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Early History of Washington College (Continued)

(From the record by Rev. Henry Ruffner, B.D., L.L.D.,
Volume I, Washington and Lee Historical Papers.)

CHAPTER IV.

The first meeting of the trustees, under the charter, was held on the 30th of January, 1783. Seven members would constitute a quorum for business. Eleven were present at this meeting. So full an attendance indicates considerable interest in the members for the revival of the academy.

Of the trustees formerly appointed by the Presbytery, a quorum could never be gotten together. Allowance must be made, however, for the fact that the new trustees had corporate powers and the complete control of the academy; but the first board acted only as agents of the Presbytery, and had not the power of appointing teachers.

By the act of incorporation, the Presbytery lost their control over the academy which they had founded. After the first year or two, they appear to have exercised little or no care over it. During the three following years of suspension they made no effort to revive it, because the times were evil, and also, we presume, because the clergy as well as the laity had, amidst the turmoils of war, almost forgotten the institutions of peace. Pastors, churches, and individuals seem to have become alike indifferent to the fate of the school; and it was only through the persevering attention and efforts of a few families of Timber Ridge that it had not perished almost immediately after its birth. In fact, religion and morals had sadly declined during the struggle for independence. To this we must ascribe the indifference with which the Presbytery and the churches gave up the control and the property of their academy to an independent board. The act of incorporation transferred the lands, buildings, library, and apparatus—worth at least \$2,000—to the new board.

When this board met, as before mentioned, their first act was to adopt a system of rules for themselves and for the academy.

Of the four rules of order which they adopted for themselves the only one which differs from the common custom of such bodies is, that their meetings were to be always opened and closed with prayer.

The rules adopted for the government of the students were very similar to those of common schools. Few others could be necessary while the students boarded and lodged in private houses, in the neighborhood, and during the business of the day all met in the single room of the little house in which the school was first kept on its new site.

In the morning the school was opened with prayer at eight or nine o'clock, after which every student was to apply himself silently to his task, and never to go out without permission until dismissed with prayer in the evening. Before dismissal two students in turn were to declaim. A monitor was appointed weekly, to note down and report all violations of the rules. This monitorial office was continued until the year 1837, when it was abolished, because it had gradually and long before degenerated into a mere calling of the roll, with defective returns of the absentees. Students in public schools have for many years been resisting all efforts on the part of their teachers to make use of their agency and informa-

tion in any way to detect offences against the rules. Now it is an established principle of honor among them, that instead of informing upon one another, they shall use every exertion to screen the disorderly among them from detection and punishment. Thieves and banditti act upon the same principle; but we presume that the students of this age of improvement did not learn it of them.

Two other of these academical laws have become antiquated, namely: that which required the students "to rise and make a decent bow when the rector, tutor, or any gentlemen should come in or go out," and that which forbade the students to call each other by nicknames.

Such formal marks of respect for their teachers and for one another, would appear very degrading and absurd to a young gentleman of 14 years or upwards in this refined age. Some of them will respond to a "decent bow" from their teachers; but many will not bow in advance, nor will they bow by rule or on compulsion.

We suspect that the rule against nicknames was not well observed, even in the early days of Liberty Hall. The enactment of the rule proves the existence of the immemorial custom of nicknaming among the boys of Rockbridge 62 years ago. Boys are exceedingly tenacious of boyish customs, and this one of nicknaming has been a second nature to them, because it springs from their first nature. The love of distinction and superiority is inherent in man. The imposition of a nickname in token of derision gratifies this feeling. He that can deride another thinks himself so far his superior. Christian benevolence and gentlemanly politeness repudiate such an unbecoming affectation of superiority. But what is a poor boy to do who has neither the one nor the other, nor yet any other quality that gives him a real superiority over his fellows? He must resort to nicknames. And above all how is he to indemnify himself for being subject to the instruction and government of his teachers? Must he submit unavenged to such a mortifying state of inferiority? He can not. He may indeed do himself great credit by a cheerful submission to proper authority and by manifesting a desire for good instruction. But that is not the point; the sense of inferiority in many boys disdains such consolation. What are the remedies: Nicknames and dirty mischievous pranks. Among discreet people such things are considered degrading to the author. But among boys who have not arrived at discretion, among low-bred men, who never will arrive at it, they are deemed evidences of superior genius. But there are some young gentlemen whose natural good temper or excellent home education dispose them to abstain from all such ebullitions of boyish pride and resentment.

Not long after the school was opened on its new site, the little house in which it was kept was destroyed by fire, kindled, as circumstances led many to suspect, by incendiary.

The people of Lexington now made an attempt to get the academy located in or by the village. Its new site was three-fourths of a mile distant. Some conveniences could be obtained by the removal, yet the trustees wisely resolved to retain its beautiful and retired situation. The board took immediate measures to erect a new and better building. At first they resolved that it should be

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PERSONALS

Judge Samuel J. Graham, '81, accompanied by Mrs. Graham were recent visitors to Lexington.

George K. McLendon, '86, represented Washington and Lee University at the exercises on May 31st and June 1st, celebrating Dr. S. P. Brooks,' of Baylor University, twenty-five years service to that institution. Mr. McLendon is with the McLendon Hardware Company of Waco, Texas.

Dr. Reid White, '87, accompanied by Mrs. White, sailed for England in June, and will be absent from their home until about August 20th. Most of their stay abroad will be spent in Great Britain.

The supreme court of Virginia, sitting at Wytheville, named Judge Henry W. Holt, '88, of the eighteenth judicial circuit, a member of the special court of appeals authorized at the recent session of the legislature.

Hon. Frank Nighswonger, '88, is Mayor of the city of Wichita, Kansas.

Dr. Harry W. Pratt, '93, of the faculty of the Presbyterian Woman's College, of Columbia, S. C., was a visitor to Lexington recently. He was on his way North, expecting to enter Columbia University for special study this summer.

Prof. William B. Morrison, '97, of the history department at the Teachers' College at Durant, Okla., recently contributed a most interesting story relative to General Sam Dale, a hero of the frontier. Prof. Morrison has made a special study of the early development of the great Southwest.

Major W. D. A. Anderson, '00, U. S. engineers, was grand marshal at the parade at the reunion of the Grand Camp of Virginia Confederates held recently in Alexandria, Va.

Samuel W. Frierson, '00, of Florence, Ala., was the guest of Col. Charles W. Watts on the Institute Hill during the W. & L. and V. M. I. Commencements.

Dr. S. W. Schaefer, '04, of Colorado Springs, Colo., writes us: "Things going ahead as usual—internal medicine and pulmonary tuberculosis my specialities—doing some Boy Scout work on the side being president of the Pikes Peak council, B. S. A., this year. How about a twenty-fifth reunion for the class of 1904!"

Capt. William W. Ackerly, '12, has resigned his position as judge advocate of the Virginia department, American Legion, a position that he held for three terms. In accepting his withdrawal with regret, the department notified him that he will receive a certificate of meritorious service.

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thirty feet long by twenty wide. But, comparing the cost with their scanty funds, they were constrained to reduce the dimensions to twenty-four feet by sixteen. Therefore, this second temple of the muses, like the second temple in Jerusalem, was inferior to the first, the one at Timber Ridge.

Mention has been made of an effort, in the year 1778, to raise funds. Subscription papers were circulated and the presbytery were requested to send one of their members to the north to collect donations. We have no means of ascertaining whether or not it was by order of presbytery that Mr. Graham, not long afterwards, made a northern tour as far as Boston. We infer from the records that he collected on this tour the seemingly large sum of 776 pounds 18 shillings, besides his travelling expenses. The academy being soon afterwards suspended this money remained in Mr. Graham's hands as a loan on interest. The board now appointed a committee to settle the accounts of Mr. Graham and of Mr. Lyle, the treasurer.

On reducing the paper currency collected by Mr. Graham, by the scale of depreciation (compared with specie) at the date of its collection, the 776 pounds 18 shillings shrunk to the paltry sum of 23 pounds 18 shillings, which is less than one-thirtieth part of the nominal value.

The treasurer had also retained on loan the sum of 151 pounds 18 shillings, the unexpended proceeds, we may presume, of the subscriptions of 1778. This, being reduced by the scale, was found to be worth 18 pounds 9 shillings, about one-eighth of the nominal sum, indicating an earlier date of collection than Mr. Graham's; yet it could not have been much more than a year earlier. The paper currency was therefore falling rapidly at this time, and its depreciation must have produced great distress throughout the country.

There are no documents to show when or on what terms the land and buildings at Timber Ridge were sold. As yet the board appear to have derived little aid from this source; and we infer from incidental notices in the record of subsequent years, that this property did not produce much more than 200 pounds.

The trustees resorted to a new subscription for the academy to defray the cost of the new house. But the people were slow to subscribe, and slow to pay their subscriptions. So little was thus obtained, and so little else was on hand, that the trustees experienced the utmost difficulty in providing the school with any tolerable accommodations.

When the school was first opened under the charter, Mr. Graham declined to take charge of its instruction. The number of students was too small to remunerate him for the labor; and their general character was too bad to induce him to sacrifice his time, labor and comfort for their instruction. He chose rather to cultivate his farm and to commit the labor and vexation of teaching to tutors under his general superintendence.

The first tutor employed was James Priestly, a young man whom Mr. Graham had taught gratuitously, out of regard for his indigent circumstances and his zeal for learning. Priestly was an indefatigable student, and became afterward distinguished for classical learning and ability as a teacher of youth. After teaching with dis-

tingtion at Georgetown and Annapolis, he finally settled at Nashville and became the first president of Cumberland College at that place. His eccentricities unfitted him to be the conductor of a college, though he was an excellent classical teacher and could manage a private school.

The board of trustees employed him as tutor at the rate of 80 pounds (specie currency) per annum. He resigned the tutorship in the fall of 1784. Then the board employed Mr. Archibald Roan, perhaps a son of the pastor Roan of Pennsylvania, at an assured salary of 70 pounds, with the contingent addition of 20 pounds more if the tuition fees should be sufficient. The next spring the board allowed him all the fees that might accrue up to 115 pounds per annum; but he could not be induced to continue beyond the next October. Anticipating his resignation, the board authorized Mr. Graham to employ another tutor at the salary first allowed to Mr. Roan. But none could be obtained. As the salary was a good one for a young man in those times of specie currency and cheap living, the history of this tutorship proves that the office was a very disagreeable one, and it must have been such from the bad character of the students.

Since the first establishment of the academy, a number of meritorious young men had completed the course of studies, and might now under the charter receive the degree of Bachelor of Arts. The board therefore resolved, in April 1785, that they would on the second Wednesday of next September hold a public commencement to confer degrees upon those who had merited them. On this occasion the bachelor's degree was conferred upon twelve young gentlemen, to-wit: Samuel Blackburn, Moses Hoge, Samuel Houston, John McCue, James Priestly, Adam Rankin, Archibald Roan, William Willson, Samuel Carrick, William McClung, Andrew McClure, and Terah Templin.

We may conjecture that others had completed the course of studies in former years, but were not present to receive the same honor.

Several of these graduates became afterwards well known and useful men in the country.

Gen. Blackburn, of Bath County, lived to a good old age. He was lawyer and several times a delegate to the General Assembly of the State. He was distinguished for his eloquence. His wit and his powers of ridicule and sarcasm have seldom been surpassed.

The Rev. Dr. Hoge was distinguished for his learning and his piety, and for the apostolic simplicity of his character and his preaching, which was the product of a lucid understanding and the outpouring of a good heart, and not the less persuasive because it was attended with a natural awkwardness of gesture. He was for many years president of Hampden-Sidney College.

The Rev. Samuel Houston was in his early manhood taken to the wars as a drafter militiaman. In the battle of Guilford he carefully loaded his rifle fourteen times, and as often took deliberate aim at the enemy when he fired. He was for many years afterwards pastor of the Falling Spring Church, in Rockbridge.

The Rev. John McCue was pastor of the Tinkling Spring Church in Augusta County. He was a good man. When he chose—which was not often—he could tell comic stories in a manner irresistibly ludicrous. Once, in a fit of excitement, he suffered the irascibility of his constitution to get the mastery, for a moment,

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PERSONALS

Mr. C. Mercer McCrum, '07, of Birmingham, Ala., was called to Lexington by the death of his aunt, Mrs. J. William Gilmore. He spent several weeks at his old home.

Mr. L. Berkeley Cox, '14, and wife, of Hartford, Conn., were recent visitors at the home of General and Mrs. Edward W. Nichols on the V. M. I. parade ground.

The Washington *Evening Star* of July 1st, stated that Elwood H. Seal, '14, was one of the newly appointed assistant corporation counsels in Washington, D. C. He has been assigned to duty at Police Court, succeeding Frank Madison. Mr. Seal, accompanied by his wife and little son, was a recent visitor to his old home in Lexington.

Jackson R. Collins, '17, who has been associated with the law firm of Miles, Edgett and Collins of Baltimore, Md., has moved to New York City.

Dr. Glenn R. Craig, '17, is resident gynecologist at Johns Hopkins University.

Francis Holmes Styles, '18, has been American consul at Durban, Natal, South Africa, since June, 1926. His little son Michael Hogan Styles, was born February 7, 1927.

Dr. Sam A. Anderson, '19, resident pediatrician at the childrens hospital in Philadelphia, returned to Richmond, Va., on July 1st for private practice in pediatrics.

Dr. Wiley D. Forbus, '19, is resident pathologist at Johns Hopkins University.

Harry E. Handley, '19, M. D., resigned his position as resident surgeon in the Canal Zone, and became an interne in pediatrics at Johns Hopkins. On July 1st he went from there to Philadelphia where he will be located at the University of Pennsylvania Hospital as resident pediatrician.

D. G. Humphreys, '22, is interned at Bayview City Hospital, Baltimore, Md.

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over his Christian equanimity. He and a certain gentleman fell into a dispute which rose to a quarrel, at least on the part of the gentleman, who used provoking language, and at last said, "Sir, if it were not for your parson's coat, I would give you a drubbing." Mr. McCue put his hands down before him, stooped a little, snuffed in a way peculiar to him, and sidling up to the gentleman said, "Never mind the coat, sir; never mind the coat."

Of the other graduates on this list, Messrs. Priestly and Willson have been previously mentioned. We have no certain knowledge of the rest.

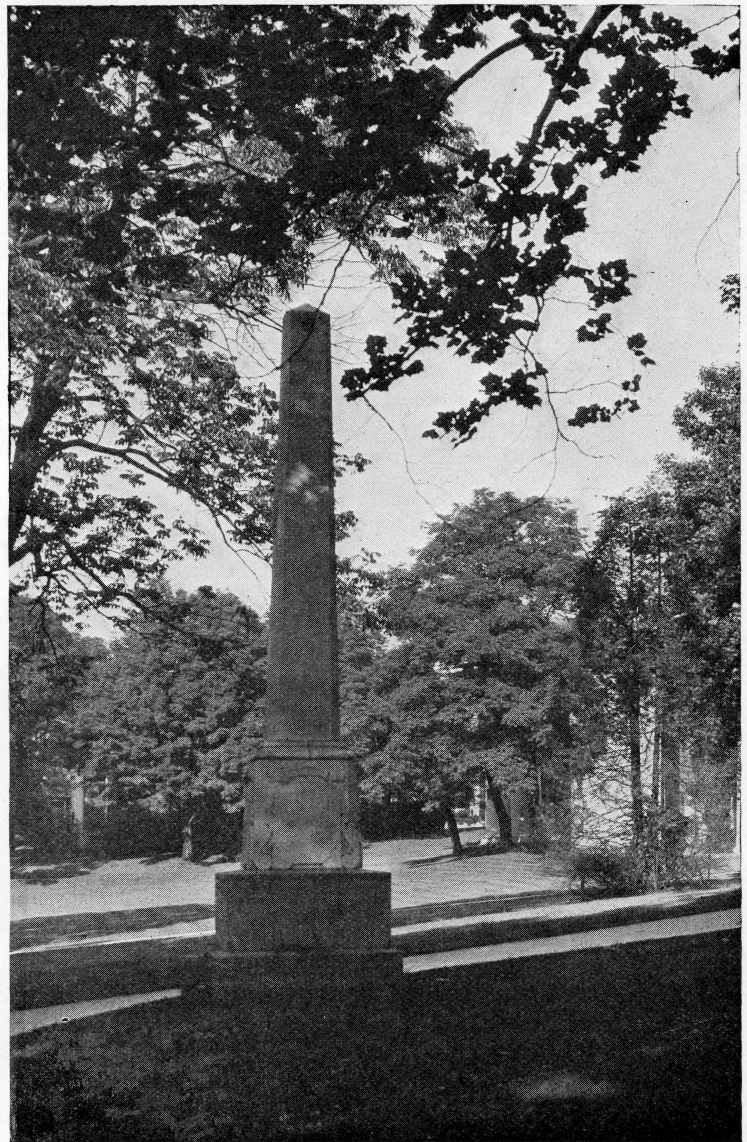
For want of a tutor, the academy was now put under the immediate government and instruction of the rector, "with full powers to enact such laws as he might find necessary for the better regulation and morals of the boys, and to provide tutors, as he might find convenient,"—all subject, however, to the revision of the Board.

There were, as before and afterwards, two annual sessions, which were now to terminate regularly on the third Wednesdays of April and October. The vacations were lengthened from three weeks to a month.

As to the number of pupils who attended the academy in these times, we have no record, and can only infer, from the amount of salary which the fees produced for the tutors, that the number was as often under as over twenty-five. The tuition fee was still 4 pounds per annum.

Most of the students were "mere boys," as the trustees called them, and some would appear to have come to the academy with a very defective stock of common school requirements, if we may judge from the fact that the Board at this time received from a Mr. Todd a donation of 10 pounds "for the purpose of providing desks and other things necessary, to have writing taught in the academy."

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over his Christian equanimity. He and a certain gentleman fell into a dispute which rose to a quarrel, at least on the part of the gentleman, who used provoking language, and at last said, "Sir, if it were not for your parson's coat, I would give you a drubbing." Mr. McCue put his hands down before him, stooped a little, snuffed in a way peculiar to him, and sidling up to the gentleman said, "Never mind the coat, sir; never mind the coat."

Of the other graduates on this list, Messrs. Priestly and Willson have been previously mentioned. We have no certain knowledge of the rest.

For want of a tutor, the academy was now put under the immediate government and instruction of the rector, "with full powers to enact such laws as he might find necessary for the better regulation and morals of the boys, and to provide tutors, as he might find convenient,"—all subject, however, to the revision of the Board.

There were, as before and afterwards, two annual sessions, which were now to terminate regularly on the third Wednesdays of April and October. The vacations were lengthened from three weeks to a month.

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THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Alumni Association is the oldest subsidiary organization in the history of Washington and Lee. It was organized (as appears from the old minutes) June 25, 1840. Meetings were held annually until Commencement, 1859. There were no further meetings until 1866, when the association was re-organized.

The activities of the "Society of the Alumni," "The Alumni Association" and "The Alumni, Incorporated" have been varied and many. We read in the minutes of the June, 1854, meeting: "Besides other important business the Executive Committee reported at their last meeting that they had succeeded in furnishing an elegant block to the Washington National Monument at Washington, D. C., with the inscription 'From the Alumni of Washington College (at Lexington, Virginia), the Only College Endowed by The Father of His Country'". Later, various local alumni associations were given the privilege of awarding scholarships to deserving students. In 1890 a movement to build an Alumni Hall was set on foot. Subsequently the Alumni Association undertook a nation-wide drive for a Lee Memorial Foundation. With the birth of the Alumni, Incorporated, which succeeded the general Alumni Association three years later, independent funds were secured for providing the student body with periodic lectures on current events and world problems; also a substantial sum was turned over to the Treasurer from that source for the endowment.

From the chronicles of its eighty-five years of service one soon realizes that the Alumni Association is a vital and necessary organization, both to Alma Mater and to the alumnus. The University authorities and the individual alumni are waking up to its importance. With such a manifestation of interest the Association approaches new and greater fields of service.—(From the Alumni Directory.)

PERSONALS

Dr. Reid White, Jr., '19, of Philadelphia, spent several days in Lexington the first part of July, on his way to Charlotte, N. C., to visit his brother, Dr. T. Preston White.

Mr. Lawrence P. Haynes, '25, of the faculty of Lawrenceville school, New Jersey, and his bride, were recent visitors to Lexington. They also spent a week at Natural Bridge.

Dr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Long of Boulder, Col., formerly of Lexington, spent several days during the latter part of June in their old home town. Dr. Long was formerly dean of the Washington and Lee law school.

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Mrs. Eleanor Lansing Quarles, widow of Dr. James A. Quarles for more than twenty years professor of moral philosophy at Washington and Lee University, died April 23rd at her home in Washington. Among those present at the funeral was Judge James Quarles, '96, of Milwaukee a former member of the law faculty of Washington and Lee.

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DEATHS

W. A. Ross, '84, died at Moore Haven, Florida, on April 22. He had been working in the field and when he failed to return at the usual time to his home, Mrs. Ross with some of her neighbors went out to look for him. They found his body, lying prone on the ground, life having passed before they found him.

Edwin C. Laird, '88, of Richmond, Va., was fatally injured July 6th, when the small sedan which he was driving crashed with a street car. He was pinned in a mass of wreckage. When he was finally extricated and rushed to the hospital it was discovered that he suffered a fractured arm and leg and a probable fracture of the skull. He died within a few hours.

MR. FRANK T. GLASGOW, '74, DEAD

Mr. Frank T. Glasgow died July 28th in the Jackson Memorial Hospital. For several years he had suffered ill health. On the evening of July 12th he fell on the lawn at the home of a neighbor and sustained injuries which caused his removal to the hospital, where he died of pneumonia which developed a few hours before his death.

Mr. Glasgow came to Rockbridge a mature lawyer and soon established a large practice in Lexington where he made his home. Receiving his A. B. degree from Washington and Lee in 1874, he studied law at the University of Virginia. He started his law practice in Fincastle where he lived for eight years prior to his removal to Lexington. He was particularly gifted and qualified as an advocate at the bar and his position as one of its leaders was soon assured and securely held until some ten years ago, having his interest attracted to other business, he gradually withdrew from active practice and has since rarely appeared in court. Actively interested in public affairs, particularly in those relating to the community, he became a member of the town council and in association with the mayor in that capacity gave much time to the public welfare during a series of years as a member of "Old Huck's Council" and administration which inaugurated an era of improvement in Lexington. His retirement from the council was marked by his taking up duties of the Lexington school board, of which up to a few weeks before his death, when he retired by resignation, he was the president.

Mr. Glasgow kept in close contact with his alma mater, Washington and Lee University. While a student there he was a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity and a foundation member of the Phi Beta Kappa fraternity when organized at the University fifteen years ago. He was elected in 1907 a member of the board of trustees of the University, an office which he resigned last June on account of failing health.

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