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THE YEAR

President Henry Louis Smith whose retirement was to become effective July 1, 1929, was asked by the Board of Trustees to continue in office until Jan. 1, 1930. He accepted.

The Board also invited Dr. Smith to deliver the Commencement address to the 1929 graduates.

Unauthorized reports that Virginia Governor H. F. Byrd had been offered, and had refused, the presidency of Washington and Lee were published in Richmond, Va., newspapers.

The Generals' track-team won four out of five track meets, placed second in the State track meet, fourth in the Southern Conference meet; broke many local records; proved to be the most outstanding track and field aggregation produced by able Coach Fletcher in many a season.

Baseballers fared badly; dropped every Southern conference engagement, stood at the bottom in the Tri-State College League; suffered from a complete lack of material.

Alumni Secretary Verbon E. Kemp, accepted the Managing Directorship of the Charlottesville, Va., Chamber of Commerce, resigned as Executive and Alumni Secretary of Washington and Lee, effective August 1, 1929.

Southern Prep and High School publication editors, managers and advisers came to Lexington for a convention under the auspices of the Washington and Lee department of Journalism, were instructed, adjudged, banqueted.

Grim tragedy; the deaths of students W. A. Plummer and I. H. Elias, the serious injuries to students B. C. Eastwood and V. C. Jones in an automobile accident, cast a pall of gloom over the campus, brought the question of student ownership and operation of automobiles to clearer focus.

The name of Dr. W. M. Brown, professor of Education and Psychology, was prominently mentioned as a coalition Republican—anti-Smith Democrat candidate for the governorship of Virginia.

Examinations loomed; students surviving the mid year's examinations and the year's grind went into the home-stretch toward the glowingly golden goal of Finals.

Commencement 1929 included the four regular formal dances starting Friday, May 31, the annual boat crew races Saturday, June 4, instead of Monday as heretofore; a Baccalaureate sermon by Dr. George Stoves, Nashville, Tenn., Methodist, Sunday

morning in the Lee Chapel; a seated luncheon for visiting alumni in the Carnegie Library, Monday, June 3, the President's reception and Senior-Alumni Ball Monday night; Commencement exercises and address by retiring President Smith, Tuesday morning, the Final Ball Tuesday night.

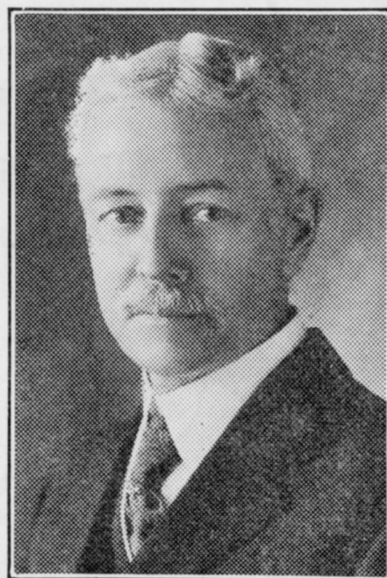
Presentation of a handsome silver service from alumni and faculty, of resolutions of the University Board of Trustees, to retiring President Henry Louis Smith featured Commencement.

John W. Davis, '92, expressed the most generally accepted view of Washington and Lee's future educational policy yet crystallized, at the annual but unusual alumni luncheon.

University trustees met, elected George L. Peery, '97, of Tazewell, Va.; made no definite selection of Dr. Smith's successor; viewed the problem of automobile ownership and operation by Washington and Lee students.

Plans for further campus improvements were announced; will be put in effect during the summer vacation months under the direction of tireless engineering Professor Hale Houston, '95.

Variable, elastic, staid and conservative Lexington, faced a heated municipal election, a cat scandal, a gorging influx of visitors for W. & L. and V. M. I. Finals, the hectic, colorful, riotous flow of youth which is Finals; an exodus and contraction to the quiet peace and charm of a lazy summer.



PRES. HENRY LOUIS SMITH
Silver Service for Services

ADMINISTRATION

PRESIDENT CONTINUES:

Failing to elect a new president the University Board of Trustees urgently requested President Henry Louis Smith to continue in that position until January 1, 1930. Dr. Smith graciously abandoned his personal plans for retirement on June 4th, and acceded to the Board's request.

MAN SEEKING:

An office continues to seek a man. Rumors abound. The well without water spouts "inside" information. But no official announcement of the election of the next president of Washington and Lee has yet been made. It is possible that the Board of Trustees will be ready to announce the election of Dr. Smith's successor in October. Otherwise, representatives of the Faculty and the Alumni Association, Incorporated will continue to assist the Board of Trustees in their untiring efforts to locate the "right man."

Byrd:

Richmond, Va., newspapers reported without authority that the presidency of Washington and Lee had been offered to popular, able Virginia Governor Harry Flood Byrd; that the position had been declined; commented upon the alleged move of Washington and Lee toward securing a business man and

executive rather than a college graduate and a scholar for the chair once held by West Pointer R. E. Lee.

If untrue, the Richmond newspapers indulged in a mere flight of fancy. If true, the Byrd rumor was but another break in the faulty W. & L. publicity.

SECRETARY'S RESIGNATION:

Tendered and accepting another position, Alumni Secretary Verbon E. Kemp presented his resignation, effective August 1st.

Withdrawing from college in 1920 because of illness, Mr. Kemp became a Field Secretary in the Endowment Fund campaign; later Director of the Journalism Fund campaign; Alumni Secretary in 1924; Executive Secretary to the President in 1926.

As a student he founded and organized the "Troubadours," started the famed "Honor System" store. As Alumni and Executive Secretary he founded and edited the ALUMNI MAGAZINE, compiled the Alumni Directory of 1926, secured the Alumni Club building, directed the initial Class Bridge Fund campaign, supervised collections on Endowment and Journalism Fund pledges, directed the appeal for the Burks Memorial Law Professorship. Betimes he directed the financing and construction of the Beta Theta Pi Fraternity house; now becomes Managing Director of the Charlottesville, Va., Chamber of Commerce.

NEW SECRETARY:

Awaiting the election of the next president of Washington and Lee, the Alumni Association trustees elected Stuart Moore, B.L., '21, of Lexington, to serve temporarily as Alumni Secretary; asked retiring Secretary Verbon E. Kemp to continue the editorship of the ALUMNI MAGAZINE until a permanent full-time Secretary is chosen.

Stuart Moore, Secretary pro tem, received his A.B. from Washington and Lee in 1915, served in the Engineer Corps during the War, returned to take Law and graduate in 1921. He has practised Law in Lexington since graduation; became Judge of the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court; is a member of the Lexington Town Council; a Director of the Rockbridge National Bank. He married Miss Hilah Pendleton, of Lexington, on November 9, 1927. They have one daughter.

BACK YARD:

Potentially equal to the spacious green of the front campus in beauty is the steep slope down to Wood's Creek and the railroad at the back. A



V. E. KEMP
Your Secretary Resigns

treatment relating trees and terraces to the flowing brook and a bowered island below would afford a unique park, is beyond the present means of the University treasury; should intrigue someone who wants to do something distinctive for Washington and Lee.

PURCHASE:

Students once went to the Henry Street "opera house" for such entertainment as was afforded, later paid nickels and dimes to see moving pictures in a new building on the same site, corner of Main and Henry Streets. During recent years the building has been used for a negro pool room and Odd Fellows hall. It was purchased last month by the University for \$12,000. This site completes University holdings on both sides of Henry Street from Main Street to Memorial Gate and the campus proper, adds to the developing "Fraternity Park."

CAMPUS IMPROVEMENTS:

The summer vacation affords opportunity for repair and improvements to the college buildings and grounds. Each summer for the past few years has brought about many praiseworthy improvements. Scheduled for the coming summer is the construction of curbs, sidewalks and parking grounds around the gymnasium, the construction of additional walks and driveways. The work will be under the supervision of Prof. Hale ("Uncle Bud") Houston, '95, able, tireless and efficient engineer.

THE HAPPY WARRIOR:

All that a modern university president has to do is to produce, every few months, a learned paper to dazzle the countryside, manage the intricate machinery of his several-million-dollar corporation, keep his army of temperamental, absent-minded, underpaid professors cheerful and alert, understand what the university's archaeological expedition is doing in southeastern Abyssinia and raise money for it, deliver occasional uplifting chapel talks to the student body, attend the ball games, lunch with the rich alumni, who might give new dormitories or laboratories in honor of their favorite maiden aunts, entertain the visiting English lecturers (and arrange for the deans to entertain the Americans), keep in touch with the members of the state legislatures who are making up the budget for next year, and with the bright new assemblymen who hope to make the headlines by denouncing frills in education, and lecture occasionally to the Norfolk County Cheese-Makers Co-Operative Association, the Suffolk County Grain Exchange, the Wessex Central

Trades and Labor Council, and the Essex W. C. T. U., as well as the State Chamber of Commerce, the Steuben Society, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, pointing out to each and all how the university serves every citizen of the state and notably assists them in their particular tasks and problems.—*New York Herald Tribune.*

PRESIDENT'S SUMMARY:

(From his Annual Report to the Board of Trustees)

I herewith submit my general report, with that of other officers of the university, for the scholastic year ending March 31st, 1929, reserving certain specific recommendations for a later supplementary report.

The Trustees and Faculty:

The lamentable losses of a year ago were continued by the death, on February 23, 1929, of our loyal and energetic trustee, Mr. John S. Munce, of Richmond, who for twenty-eight years had given his consecrated Christian energy, his remarkable business ability, and his long experience as an institutional trustee to the upbuilding and direction of Washington and Lee.

At the fall meeting of the Board on October 11th, Mr. Wm. McChesney Martin, of St. Louis, Missouri, was appointed trustee to fill the vacancy then existing.

At the regular meeting of the Board on October 11th, in accordance with an announcement made at a former meeting, I presented to the Board a communication requesting that I be allowed to retire when reaching the age of seventy next summer. This was granted by the Board with appropriate resolutions awarding me not only a very liberal retiring annuity but also a half-year of full salary after retirement.

Historical Summary:

1. The change in the daily scholastic routine, recitations beginning at 8:30 and continuing till 3:30, with 12:30-1:30 as the lunch hour.
2. The completion and formal opening of the first floor of the Lee Chapel as a Lee Museum and picture Gallery.
3. The furnishing and formal opening of the commodious Alumni Club Rooms on Washington Street.
4. The repairing and painting of Reid Hall and five residences on the campus, the furnishing of a sixth with radiators and a pipe-line and the construction of a new steam pipe-line to the Graham Dormitory.
5. A parking area, roadways, etc., have been constructed east of the Memorial Gateway, new cement roadways and sidewalks have been laid south of the Library, and the former hillside roadway from the Memorial Gate to the Library replaced by a cement footpath.

6. The very handsome memorial footbridge of re-inforced cement connecting the gymnasium plaza with the enlarged athletic field across Woods Creek gorge has been completed.

7. The sixth annual Interscholastic Basketball Tournament was held March 7-9, and the fourth annual Convention of the Interscholastic Press Association held May 10-11.

8. The psychological examination of all new students in addition to the usual medical and physical examinations, their orientation meetings thrice daily during the opening week and weekly during the fall term, and the vocational work of Dr. Brown were all continued this year with gratifying results.

9. The receipt during the summer and printing in pamphlet form of the reports of the three outside experts engaged by the University to examine its curriculum and requirements for degrees.

10. The authorization by the faculty of two Freshman courses recommended by the President, one a course in American Civilization, the other a Citizen's Course in elementary Science.

11. The formal action of the Board of Trustees on January 19th, approving and authorizing the establishment by the School of Journalism of a regular printing plant and the issuance of a regular weekly newspaper.

12. During the past year Mr. H. E. Litchford of Richmond has presented to the University and placed in the Lee Chapel a very handsome wrought-iron grille and gates for the statue chamber of the Lee Mausoleum, with the Lee coat-of-arms in bronze over the gates.

13. The past year has seen the enlargement and practical rebuilding of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity house on Lee Avenue, the financing and beginning of the new home of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity on their lot on Main Street, and the formal assignment by the Board of two lots in the park opposite the Memorial Gate to the Phi Delta Theta and Sigma Nu fraternities whose new clubhouses will be built during the coming summer.

Alumni Matters:

Our Alumni Secretary, Mr. Verbon Kemp, who is also Executive Secretary to the President, has recently changed his quarterly ALUMNI MAGAZINE to a monthly, and is to be heartily commended for the ably edited and interesting pamphlet which is enjoyed and appreciated each month by over a thousand regular subscribers. During the past year he has presided over the Alumni Club-rooms, attended many alumni gatherings, and helped organize the alumni as active helpers of the Trustees in the search for a new president.

His financial work will be taken up under the head of *Financial Matters*.

It is with a deep sense of personal, official, and institutional loss that I must record the resignation of Mr. Kemp on April 18th to enter into private business. As my right-hand man in our post-bellum endowment campaign and an active assistant more recently in raising funds for the School of Journalism, the Burks Chair, and the Memorial Bridge we have worked together in closest friendship and harmony for ten years and I sincerely hope my successor can find a helper equally loyal and efficient.

Financial Affairs:

During the past year, our endowment funds have been increased as shown in the treasurer's report by \$63,856 actually paid in, by \$15,572 in other gifts not meant for endowment, and by the completion of the Memorial Bridge representing an investment of \$38,016, thus adding, without including numerous campus and building improvements, smaller gifts, or the improvement of the athletic field, a total of over \$117,000 to the university's property.

It will interest the Board to know that our current income last year available for operating expenses was \$348,000 as compared with less than \$100,000 in 1911-12.

General Review:

As Mr. Kemp and I are closing our joint financial and administrative work at W. & L., I requested him to compile from his records the total amounts subscribed and paid in since 1912, omitting the still unpaid Doremus bequest.

His list dated April 1, 1929, including all new gifts, loan funds, endowed scholarships, etc., makes a total of \$1,906,132 subscribed since 1912, and \$1,367,685 actually paid in and added to the equipment or endowments of the institution, not including \$100,000 received from the Doremus bequest at the death of Mr. Doremus' father.

As the value of all university property and all endowments in 1912 was listed as totaling \$1,363,371, it will be seen that the additions made since 1912, excluding the Doremus bequest, practically equal all bequests and donations for buildings and endowments from its founding till 1912.

The total operating income of 1911-12 from all sources was less than \$100,000. It is this past year \$348,000, while the total invested endowment is now \$1,443,989, as compared with \$893,979 in 1912, an increase of over 50 per cent.

The teachers of faculty-rank in 1912 number 17, with 17 instructors who were not undergraduates, teaching a student-body of 630. The teachers of

faculty-rank today number 50, with 6 instructors, five of whom have post-graduate degrees, teaching a student-body of 929.

It is especially gratifying to add that the scholastic standing of the institution, condemned after official examination by the U. S. Government report in 1911-12, is now rated as first-class by every official educational organization North and South.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY LOUIS SMITH,
President.

TRUSTEES' RESOLUTION ON DR. SMITH'S RETIREMENT:

Following are the resolutions adopted by the board on the retirement of President Smith and delivered at Commencement by Trustee J. R. Caskie, '06:

The Board of Trustees of Washington and Lee University, having received with deep regret the resignation of Dr. Henry Louis Smith, as president of the University, and having accepted the same, effective as of January 1, 1930, in response to his wishes and desiring to give formal expression to their sentiments upon this important event in the history of the University, do now hereby resolve:

1. That the administration of Dr. Smith, from his installation in the office of president in 1912, has been marked by distinguished ability, progressiveness and efficiency, which have been reflected in the consistent growth and development of the University as a great educational institution, occupying a position of leadership among the colleges and universities of the country.

2. That his Christian character, his scholarly attainments, and his self-sacrificing services, have richly contributed to the religious and cultural atmosphere of the whole institution for which it has come to be increasingly esteemed.

3. That the never flagging zeal and the faithful, energetic and self-sacrificing devotion displayed by Dr. Smith, in all that most deeply concerned the University and its welfare, commands the admiration and has earned the appreciation of all who have its best interests at heart.

4. That the board acknowledges, with a keen sense of obligation, the guiding genius and effective work of Dr. Smith, which have specifically resulted in numerous constructive accomplishments, among which may be noted: the large increase in the student enrollment, coincident with the elevation of the entrance requirements, and of the standard of scholarship and of the character and moral tone of the student body; the increase in the effective personnel of the faculty,

both in number and in the number per student enrolled; the broadening and modernizing of the general courses of instruction; the establishment of the important departments of physical education, public speaking, auditing and accounting, education and psychology, the re-establishment of the Lee School of Journalism, the enlargement and improvement of the school of Engineering; the cataloguing and improvement of the library to comply with modern standards and making it available for practical and effective use; the erection of a modern gymnasium, a chemistry building and a dormitory; and a large and notable increase in the endowment and scholarship funds of the University.

5. That the board expresses its admiration and appreciation of the unremitting efforts of Dr. Smith in his courageous crusade against student evils, and against social perils of the young of our country, whether at Washington and Lee or elsewhere, and his unremitting fight by word and pen, in periodicals and by pamphlets for the moral uplift of the young people of our nation and for the production of a higher and better Christian citizenship for the future.

6. The board regrets the loss of Dr. Smith as the administrative head of our beloved University, the loss of an intellectual and moral crusader, the loss of a Christian idealist and enthusiastic worker for all that is high and best in the development of the University and its interests, and the loss of an untiring and effective leader whose efforts have been characterized by devoting and consecration, reinforced by ability and ripened experience, and for the future bespeaks for him an allowable satisfaction, born of a well deserved consciousness of duty so nobly and successfully performed as to command the admiration, respect and high appreciation of those interested in the University and in Christian character and accomplishment.

7. That the individual members of the board entertain for Dr. Smith a personal friendship and affection that has ripened and deepened through the years of their association with him, which associations they cherish among the rich experiences of their lives.

8. That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the board of trustees, a copy be engrossed and forwarded to Dr. Smith, and that copies be published in such suitable publications as the executive committee of the board may deem advisable.

W. McC. WHITE
JAS. R. CASKIE
WILLIAM A. ANDERSON
Committee.

FACULTY RESOLUTIONS ON THE RESIGNATION OF DR. HENRY LOUIS SMITH:

As Dr. Henry Louis Smith has resigned the office of president of Washington and Lee University to take effect at the end of the present session, the Faculty desires to express its appreciation of him as president and man.

President Smith has devoted his unusual enthusiasm and optimism to the development of the institution. He has labored untiringly for its financial and intellectual progress. As a consequence he has added greatly to the teaching staff of all departments and has insisted upon character and training as necessary qualifications for membership in the faculty. In his whole attitude he has consistently assumed the intellectual and moral freedom of the faculty.

We wish also to attest our deep appreciation of him as a man. In all official and unofficial relations he has proved himself sympathetic and kindly in spirit. To our individual problems he has given an attentive hearing and displayed a fellow feeling rarely equaled in an executive. At no time has he allowed personal differences of opinion to sway his judgment in considering the best interests of the institution. In approaching the severance of our official relations with him, therefore, we can but express our personal regrets, and wish for him happiness and contentment in the years that are to come.

These resolutions were unanimously adopted by the Faculty at its meeting Monday, November 5th, 1928, and ordered spread upon its minutes, a copy sent to President Henry Louis Smith, and a copy sent to the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees.

E. S. MATTINGLY, *Secretary.*

ON THE DEATH OF MR. JOHN S. MUNCE:

At a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Washington and Lee University, held at Lexington, Virginia, on the 3rd day of June, 1929, the following resolution was offered and adopted by a standing vote:

Desiring to perpetuate in the records of this institution the memory of JOHN S. MUNCE, one of the trustees of this University, whose continuous service to the corporation has endured since June 17, 1901, the date of his election, until the time of his death, which occurred at Richmond, Virginia, on the 23rd day of February, 1929, the following preamble and resolution is adopted:

After a useful, dignified and distinguished career made conspicuous by intelligent industry and honest administration, after years of honorable living and good citizenship, the patient, modest, faithful, earthly service of JOHN S. MUNCE is done. We, who are here assembled, knew him always as a loyal, temperate, trusting, sympathetic friend and adviser, ever

zealous in promoting the welfare of this institution and sincerely devoted to every interest he undertook to serve. We are conscious that this man knew no fear of death for he had lived and spoken always as became an upright Christian gentleman. His profound interest in the work of this University and his activity in its behalf was ceaseless. He was faithful to every obligation, conservative, patient and painstaking, at all times evincing towards his associates an unflinching courtesy and consideration which endeared him to them, and the memory of our association with him will ever live.

With deep sorrow we thus record his virtues and pay this tribute to the memory of our departed associate and friend.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution suitably engrossed, shall be sent to Mr. Munce's family.

BEQUEST:

Washington and Lee University has been notified that it is a beneficiary under the will of Thomas Hoge Patterson, of Philadelphia, who died April 25th.

The University received a specific bequest of half of Mr. Patterson's library and the sum of \$5,000, the income from which is to be used in purchasing books for the University library.

The University is also named as a residuary legatee in one-fourth, with the provision that the income from \$25,000 of the residuum be also used to purchase books for the library, and the balance to be held in trust and the income used for the establishment of scholarships.

The University was notified by the executor of Mr. Patterson. He was not an alumnus of the school and nothing is known about him here. It is also impossible to determine the amount that the University will receive under the will. The testator was survived by a widow and two brothers who received bequests. Three other institutions which participated in the residuary clause are Princeton University, Washington and Jefferson, and Western Theological Seminary.

LIBRARY BOOKS:

More books under the classification of literature were purchased by the library than books under any other, a recent estimate of the last six months shows. Fiction might be thought most popular but figures show fiction holds fourth place instead of first. History and biography together take second place, and philosophy third. After fiction, reference books and science books run about even.

Of the 1,432 books acquired by the library during the last year, 420 were gifts. The people giving books to the library this year gave more different editions of

Shakespeare than any other books. The next largest number of books given related to the civil war. A number of books about Virginia also formed a large portion.

Manning Simmons, '28, made a gift of \$100 to the library. The latest edition of the Encyclopedia Britannica is to be bought with this money. The addition of this encyclopedia will add greatly to the collection of general reference books in the library, and will form an excellent source for up-to-date material on a variety of subjects.

PEALE PORTRAIT:

One portrait painted by the elder Peale was given a permanent location in Virginia in 1897 when General Custis Lee presented it to Washington and Lee University.

This rare and valuable likeness of Washington ordinarily to be seen in Lee Memorial Chapel, makes him appear as a colonel of Virginia colonial troops, and gives a conception of the physical strength and power and the virile manhood of the great soldier and statesman such as no ordinary picture of Washington reveals. The portrait owned by Washington and Lee will have additional attractions to many Americans, because it was painted by Peale for Washington and was hung by the latter in his home at Mt. Vernon, where it remained throughout the remainder of his life. It passed to the ownership of the family of Mrs. Washington, that is the Custis family, and through that family came into the ownership of General Robert E. Lee, and hung in his home at Arlington before the Civil War and in his home at Lexington after the Civil War.

WITH THE PRESIDENT:

The son of Rev. Jacob H. Smith, Washington and Lee graduate and native of Rockbridge County, President Henry Louis Smith is completing nearly a half century of service in the field of education; eighteen years as president of Washington and Lee.

Dr. Smith was the guest of honor at the annual banquet of the Sphex Club, famed Lynchburg literary organization, on April 20, at which twenty deans and presidents of Virginia colleges and universities paid tribute to him by attendance and representation in addresses by President J. P. McConnell of the Radford Teachers College and President Julian H. Burruss, of V. P. I. To the Sphex Club Dr. Smith spoke on "General Lee, the Life-long Rebel."

Other addresses made by Dr. Smith were before the District Y. M. C. A. convention at Lynchburg on March 9th, an educational address in the interest of Flora McDonald College at Gibson, N. C., on

April 7; the Home-coming address at the Falling Spring Presbyterian Church, May 12; Commencement addresses at the Woodrow Wilson High School, Waynesboro, Va., May 31; the Troutville Virginia High School, June 10th; the John Handley High School, Winchester, Va., June 13th.

A CERTAIN RICH MAN:

Recipient of a sum of controversial money, a certain rich man announced his intention to donate the fund to some worthy cause. A certain Washington and Lee alumnus sat in a Chicago hotel lobby, read the announcement of the proposed bestowal in his evening paper, procured pen and paper, wrote to the rich man in artistically beautiful script as follows:



F. P. HAMILTON
A Certain Alumnus

Dear Sir:

Chicago, Ill.

Down in the Blue Ridge Mountains at Lexington, Virginia, is located Washington and Lee University. This institution was founded about two hundred years ago; was partly endowed by George Washington, and presided over by Robert E. Lee. Its traditions are splendid and its reputation enviable. It has never had a large student body but has graduated such men as Newton D. Baker; John W. Davis; Miles Poindexter of Washington; Senator Chamberlain of Oregon and many others. The institution is non-sectarian; is governed by a self-perpetuating Board of Trustees, and has no financial support from church or state. The student body is selected and many are turned away every year because the University isn't equipped to take care of more. Present income is not sufficient to take care of such an honorable institution of learning, as should be done.

About twenty years ago Mr. Robert P. Doremus and Mrs. Doremus of New York chanced to pass through Lexington and Mr. Doremus was deeply impressed with Washington and Lee. He made some quiet unnoticed inquiries and went home and bequeathed his estate to the University. Of course, the property would not pass to the University during the life of Mrs. Doremus. A few years later Mr. Doremus died and Mrs. Doremus had erected on the University campus a fine memorial gymnasium, but up to this time the estate is still hers.

The students at Washington and Lee come from

every state in the Union. About twenty thousand tourists pass through the little chapel every year and view Valentine's recumbent statue of Lee, a masterpiece. Abraham Lincoln and Robert E. Lee need no defense before the intelligent class of Americans today but if you have not read them already I am sure that you would enjoy "Lee the American" by Gamaliel Beadford, of Boston, and "Lincoln or Lee" by William E. Dodd, of the University of Chicago.

I thank you very kindly for reading this letter.

Yours very respectfully,

F. P. Hamilton, '99,
408 Walnut Street,
New Orleans, La.

He received a courteous, tho negative, reply which said in part, "I know universities are fine and that they do a lot of good but I feel that those who have been benefited from them should find methods of assisting them."

The certain alumnus, F. P. Hamilton, '99, of New Orleans, La., had been benefited, voluntarily sought assistance for Washington and Lee, could be well emulated by other alumni.

COMMENCEMENT 1929

Dances and dancers—the shag, an unusually forceful Baccalaureate sermon, a colorful Alumni luncheon with a timely address by John W. Davis, '92, an ovation to retiring President Henry Louis Smith following his Commencement address in the presentation of Trustees' resolutions upon his retirement and the presentation of a handsome silver service from alumni and faculty, featured the 1929 Commencement.

SOCIAL:

As usual the outstanding social features were the Final dances climaxed by the brilliant all-night Final Ball led by Finals President George F. Lanier and directed by C. E. L. Gill, '22. Syncopation was provided by Jan Garber and his orchestra, amusement by the "shag", new fangled contortionate dance movement. Various fraternity dances and morning dancers rounded out the heavy terpsichorean menu.

More attractive to many were the parties thoughtfully given in a few faculty homes to visiting parents and alumni, the colorful and tasty luncheon given by the University for alumni and served in the Carnegie Library by members of the Library staff, the reception to Seniors and visitors by President and Mrs. Henry Louis Smith at the President's mansion.

OFFICIAL:

First official convocation of graduating seniors was at the Baccalaureate service in the Lee Chapel Sunday morning, June 2. Gowns and tassels formed a lane for robes and hoods as the impressive processional marched sedately to assigned places. Dr. George Stoves, English-born Methodist of Nashville, Tenn., spare and tall, took "Godliness" as his text, held his hearers entranced for a solid hour as he spoke with humor, clarity and ringing penetration on the livableness of Christianity. Said he: "Christianity is not a creed, not a dogma; it is a life. It matters not what you believe until you live it. Jesus came primarily to teach men how to live, and not so much how to die. He put before men the glorious opportunity of living. His was the life of adventure, of the highest ideals, devoted to the welfare of man. Self denial and sacrifice he taught but nothing to sob over."

The formalities of graduation Tuesday, June 4, occasioned a varied ovation to retiring President Henry Louis Smith, Commencement speaker by Trustees' invitation. After Dr. Smith's brilliant address (see page 44) and the award of diplomas, resolutions of the Board of Trustees upon his distinguished service were read and presented by Trustee James R. Caskie, '06.

At this point the program was interrupted by the introduction of Richard C. Stokes, '05, of Covington who, after a brilliant eulogy, presented Dr. Smith with a handsome silver service in behalf of the alumni and faculty. Mr. Stokes referred to the achievements of the sons of the Rev. Jacob H. Smith, '47, particularly to the achievements of son Henry Louis in the fields of Science and Education, paid glowing tribute to his accomplishments at Washington and Lee.

One hundred thirty-three seniors were awarded degrees. Among them was the degree of Civil Engineering conferred upon L. L. Shirey, B.S., '16, of Richmond, Va., and of Bachelor of Science conferred upon B. C. Eastwood who was seriously injured in an automobile accident during the Final examinations.

General William H. Cocke, business man, soldier, lawyer, educator, retiring Superintendent of the Virginia Military Institute, who had successfully joined President Smith in bringing their two neighboring institutions into growing harmony and friendship, was honored by the conference of the degree of Doctor of Laws, as was Judge Henry W. Holt, B.L. '88, of Staunton, Va., now Judge in the Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals, and William R. Perkins, B.L. '97, distinguished lawyer and representative of the great Duke estates and benefactions, native of Lynchburg, Va., now of New York City.

Col. LeRoy Hodges, B.A. '10, one-time director of the Virginia budget, official representative of Virginia at home and abroad, holder of many foreign decorations of merit, at present Director of the State Chamber of Commerce, was the recipient of the degree of Doctor of Commercial Science.

Degrees of Doctor of Divinity were awarded to Rev. Oscar DeWolf Randolph, one-time rector of the Lexington Episcopal Church, now principal of the Virginia Episcopal School; to Rev. Herbert Sydenstricker, Methodist of Staunton, Va.; to Rev. Asa R. Larrick, B.A. '07, of Plant City, Fla.

During the Commencement exercises President Smith delivered to the University on behalf of Mrs. Cocke and family a bronze portrait bust of Lucien H. Cocke, '79, of Roanoke, former rector of the Washington and Lee Board of Trustees.

The Valedictory address was delivered by Irving T. Sanders, son of Rev. Robert S. Sanders, '07, of Sweetwater, Tenn.

INCIDENTAL:

Only remaining event from the traditional Commencement program of another day was the annual regatta on Maury River between the Harry Lee and Albert Sidney boat crews, won by Albert Sidney.

LUNCHEON:

Two hundred people were seated at tables in the reading room and on the balcony of the Carnegie Library. Flowers decorated tables and walls. Hand-tinted place cards were at every plate. University trustees, faculty and alumni lunched on Dan Owen's famous home cured ham and other refreshments prepared and served under the direction of the Librarian, Miss Blanche McCrum, and her assistants.

Dr. James Lewis Howe, alumnus of Amherst and for 23 years Professor of Chemistry, now Dean of Science, at Washington and Lee, spoke on Alumni-Faculty Relationships. Richard C. Ammerman, senior Law student, rendered selections on the violin; Col. LeRoy Hodges, B.A. '10, Director of the State Chamber of Commerce, about to become an honorary Doctor of Commercial Science, spoke upon Alumni-University Relationships; Roy Nichols, '27, baritone, now a member of the Boston Grand Opera Company, rendered several vocal selections, was appreciatively applauded.

A timely talk on his hopes for the future of Washington and Lee by Hon. John W. Davis was the feature of the luncheon. He quoted three outstanding motives for going to college as financial, social or cultural; declared his preference for the latter without disparagement to bread and butter or super-kindergarten education; favored an institution that taught

a few subjects—the liberal arts and the sciences, and would be the greatest institution in the country along those lines; prayed for neither riches nor poverty for Washington and Lee.

Continued and sustained applause voiced a general and hearty endorsement of Mr. Davis' views.

Judge E. C. Caffrey, B.L. '09, presided over the luncheon, expressed in behalf of the Alumni Association, Inc., appreciation to their University hosts, to Miss McCrum and the Library staff, to Miss Barclay for the artistic placecards and to Dan Owen, grower of cultured hogs.

The Swing in concert closed the luncheon.

MR. DAVIS:

Busy man of many large and important affairs, John W. Davis, B.A. '92, B.L. '95, one-time law school professor, gives much time and attention to matters pertaining to Washington and Lee. Preeminent among the nation's great lawyers, Mr. Davis is ever accessible in his Manhattan offices to representatives on Washington and Lee business. He is now president of



HON. J. W. DAVIS, '92

Crystallized

the active and efficient Manhattan Alumni chapter; as a trustee he has made it a policy to attend Board meetings at least once during each year. Betimes he serves on committees, gives time and money generously when needed, keeps in close touch with University affairs by conference and correspondence.

Mr. Davis has quietly and dispassionately discussed his conception of Washington and Lee's proper channel in the field of education before Manhattan alumni meetings and in private conversation as he did before the assembled alumni trustees and faculty at the Commencement alumni luncheon. His is the best expression of a composite alumni opinion on the future policy of Washington and Lee that has yet been made.

Alumni have definite hopes for Washington and Lee which extend beyond the gridiron. Many view present tendencies with incoherent alarm. Others rant and tear over trifling departures. All would heartily accept and advocate Mr. Davis' desire to have Washington and Lee confine her instruction to a few well chosen courses in the liberal arts and sciences and to make her the outstanding institution along

those lines, would make it the key note of an official definition of policy.

PERSONS:

Finals have given way to the Home-coming football game for official alumni reunions. But to many Commencement remains a happy convention time.

Among those present for the dances and festive fraternity frolics were Joe Lanier, '27, from West Point, Ga.; Eldred Cayce, '27, from Nashville, Tenn.; "Tobe" Hendrix, '26, from Frederick, Md.; Jim Brooke, '27, from Birmingham, Ala.; George F. Atwood, '27, from St. Louis; Howard Tayloe, '27, and Ed Woodson, '24, from Memphis, Tenn.; E. T. (Curley) Saunders, '26, from Duke University; Lewis Ridenour, '26, from Petersburg; Bruce Jackson, '27, and Howard Sutton, '28, from Richmond; J. P. Penn, '25, of Danville, Va.; Duncan C. Burch, '27, of White Plains, N. Y.; J. Warren Pierpont, '27, of Pensacola, Fla.; John and Harry Dawson, '25, from Rockville, Md., and many another former student whose graduation did not antedate the entrance of members of the present student body.

Dan Owen, '13, and his famous hams came; headquartered at the Alumni Building; were the centers

of frequent foregatherings. Ed Caffrey, '09, genial and gracious president of the Alumni Assn., Inc.; Ran and Connie Cabell, '20, of Covington; Eddie Davis, '15, John Campbell, '09; Jim Caskie, '06, Goodrich and Ann Sale, '24, of Welch, West Va., rallied around the ham; initiated Dozier DeVane, '08, stately lawyer, and Wilton W. Connor, '25, travelling salesman, of Washington, D. C., to the Society of the Ham.

Returning to the campus for the first time in many a day were John M. Robinson, C.E. '76, of Bayou La Chute, La., uncle of C. C. Hutcheson, '29, graduating editor of the 1929 Calyx, cotton planter and long a generous and loyal supporter of the Alumni Association, Inc.; J. William Anderson, C.E. '85, of New Orleans, La., brother of Dean Douglas Anderson, '90, of Tulane, engineer for many years in Mexico and Central America; Dr. Paul Mertins, '95, Physician, of Montgomery, Ala., father of Paul S. Mertins, '29, graduating senior; Dr. W. P. McCorkle, '76, Minister, of Burlington, N. C.; W. R. Perkins, '94, prominent Manhattan lawyer, to receive the degree of Doctor of Laws; Walter McElreath, '92, lawyer, of Atlanta, Ga.; John J. George, '20, of Newark, Ohio, and L. L. Shirey, B.S. '16, of Richmond, to receive his degree in Civil Engineering.

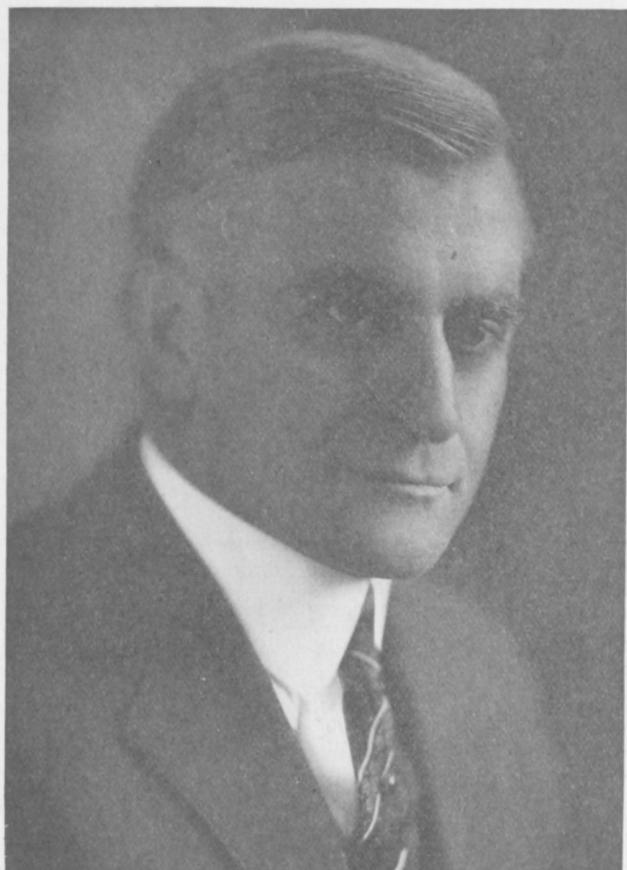
B. A. Judd, '93, astute lawyer of New York City, found many old and new friends; H. B. Tignor, '23, of Ashland, Va.; C. H. Gilkeson, '89, of Fairfield, Va., and W. H. Barrett, '22, of Cucoo, Va., registered at Alumni headquarters. Col. LeRoy Hodges, '10, dynamic and aggressive industrialist of Richmond, and Judge Henry W. Holt, '88, of Staunton, were present for the award of honorary degrees. Mr. and Mrs. W. G. ("Scram") Sale, '24, of Welch, and Mr. and Mrs. Homer A. ("Rocky") Holt, '22, of Fayetteville, West Va., returned for Alumni Day and the Final Ball. Dr. J. Morrison Hutcheson, '02, prominent Richmond medical specialist, came for a meeting of the Alumni, Inc., Board of Trustees.

TRUSTEES' MEETING:

Eleven trustees were present for deliberation on University matters. Outstanding problem for the Board's attention was the selection of a successor to retiring President Henry Louis Smith. No action was taken; the Board's nominating committee, Rector George W. St. Clair, '92, Hugh B. Sproul, '93, and John W. Davis, '92, was continued.

George C. Peery, B.L. '97, lawyer of Tazewell, Va., former Congressman, a Methodist, and a recent Phi Beta Kappa initiate, was elected to membership on the Board.

Dr. Reid White, Jr., '21, was elected associate University Physician to work in collaboration with his



GEORGE C. PEERY, '97
New Trustee

father, Dr. Reid White, '85. Paul M. Penick, '96, shrewd, dynamic and able financial preceptor, was re-elected as Treasurer for a four year term.

Resolutions upon the retirement of President Henry Louis Smith, upon the death of Trustee John S. Munce, upon the death of former Latin Professor James W. Kern, were drawn and adopted.

Trustees dared to approach the subject of student ownership of automobiles, requested the faculty to investigate and report on the subject.

Routine matters dealing with construction and campus improvement, the location of the Rockefeller purchased portrait of Washington by Peale at Washington and Lee, the appropriation for the maintenance of the Alumni secretaryship and the ALUMNI MAGAZINE were enacted.

Trustees George W. St. Clair, '92, rector, William A. Anderson, '61, Rev. W. McC. White, '74, Harrington Waddell, '96, W. A. McCorkle, '78, John W. Davis, '92, Hugh B. Sproul, '92, Charles J. McDermott, James R. Caskie, '06, George Bolling Lee, '98, and Rev. W. Lapsley Carson, '13, were present.

ALUMNI, INC., TRUSTEES' MEETING:

Trustees E. C. Caffrey, president, of Newark, N. J., Dr. J. Morrison Hutcheson, '02, of Richmond, Va., D. B. Owen, '13, of Doyleville, Va., and John L. Campbell, '09, of Lexington, met, elected Stuart Moore, '21, to serve as part-time Alumni Secretary, retiring Secretary Verbon E. Kemp, '20, to continue the editorship of the ALUMNI MAGAZINE temporarily.

Members present were appointed to compose a nominating committee for the purpose of selecting and recommending a permanent full-time secretary and to make nominations for successors to Alumni, Inc., trustees D. B. Owen and S. W. Frierson, resident Athletic councilmen C. S. Glasgow, '09, E. L. Graham, '11, non-resident Athletic councilmen Carter Glass, Jr., '13, Laurence Witten, '10, and Treasurer E. L. Graham, whose terms expire November 3, 1929.

The rental of living quarters in the Alumni Building to bachelor professors was authorized.

SILVER SERVICE:

Alumni and faculty quickly responded to a circular notice, over-subscribed a fund, procured a seven piece silver service for presentation to retiring President Henry Louis Smith at Commencement; procured with surplus funds additional pieces of flat silver and an oriental rug; further expressed their appreciation of the retiring president's service to Washington and Lee in letters which were loosely bound and presented with the long list of contributors in a hand-tooled leather folder.

Engraved on the silver serving tray was the Wash-

ington and Lee coat of arms; beneath it, the inscription "To Henry Louis Smith, President, Washington and Lee University 1912-1930. Presented in affectionate admiration by Alumni, Faculty and Friends." Presentation was made during the graduating exercises with an eloquent address by Richard C. Stokes, '05, of Covington, Va.

The gifts enter the home built by and for General Lee, are possessed by a family but distantly known to the general alumni and student body. It is no pedagogical home governed by rule and rote. It is the center of warmly pulsing family life, for the past eighteen years the nursery of seven children. Neither exclusive nor clannish the Smith family is sufficient in its wholesome simplicity, is informally, genuinely, sincerely hospitable, talks and understands the vernacular of every age of the youth within their fold.

Himself the son of an alumnus of Washington College, Dr. Smith has educated his four sons at Washington and Lee. The eldest died in an army training camp before his graduation; two others graduated with high distinction; the youngest is now a sophomore. Three daughters have completed their work at Hollins and Randolph-Macon, have adopted professions. With, for and by their children, Dr. and Mrs. Smith have created an outstanding example of ideal family life; have provided those students privileged to participate and observe with the most useful object lesson to be had at Washington and Lee.

STUDENT BODY

ELECTIONS:

Announcement cards, posters and handbills littered the campus; stump speeches were made at a student mass meeting; the machinery of campus politics ground furiously; students polled their votes, elected Louis F. Powell, unopposed, Phi Kappa Sigma of Richmond, Va., as their President; *William A. Plummer, Sigma Chi, of Portsmouth, Ohio, vice-President; Frank O. Evans, of Gordon, Ga., Secty-Treas.; Roby K. Sutherland, Phi Kappa Psi, of Pulaski, Va., President of Finals; W. Van Gilbert, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, of Athens, Ala., President of Fancy Dress; J. William Davis, Pi Kappa Alpha, of Bristol, Tenn., Editor, and W. C. Sugg, Phi Delta Theta, Manager of the Ring-tum Phi; G. A. Ashworth, Delta Tau Delta, of Kingston, Md., Editor, and R. H. Walker, Phi Kappa Sigma, of Norfolk, Va., Manager, the *Southern Collegian*; *Irving H. Elias, Zeta Beta Tau, of Rockville Center, N. Y., Editor, and R. D. Hamilton, Alpha Tau Omega, of Portsmouth, Va., Manager, the *Calyx*; Alfred S. Wagner, Jr., Sigma Chi, of Dallas, Tex., Cheer Leader.

*Killed in an automobile accident Saturday, May 18.

SCOTCH:

Students assembled, heard Dr. James Y. Simpson, of the University of Edinburgh, compare Scotch university life with that of the American college and university, touch briefly but instructively upon the subject of Science and Religion. A scientist and philosopher of international repute, Dr. Simpson was appreciatively received, was severely handicapped by the poor acoustics of the inadequate gym auditorium.

JUDAISM:

Appearing under the auspices of the W. & L. "Y", Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, of New York City, father of David J. Wise, freshman, spoke to students and townspeople in the Lee Chapel on "Free People", sketched the history of the Jewish race and its effect on the history of the human race.

FATHER AND SON:

Henry Venable competed in the second Virginia State Oratorical contest in 1892, won the medal. This spring he sat in the Phi Beta Kappa Memorial Hall at William and Mary, heard his son, W. W. Venable, freshman lawyer, W. & L. representative, compete in the 39th State Oratorical contest, heard him adjudged winner, saw him receive the diamond studded medal similar to the one won by himself in 1892; a duplicate of the medal won by H. M. Platt, W. & L. representative last year.

DEBATE:

Three Washington and Lee students upheld national advertising as now carried on as being socially and economically beneficial. Three Princeton students said that it was harmful. The audience, after hearing both arguments in the Lee Chapel, concluded that present national advertising was all right, said that the Washington and Lee debating team had defeated the Princeton debaters.

ALTERNATE:

Prizes and honors await the winner of the National Oratorical contest on the U. S. Constitution. In the Virginia State preliminaries, J. R. Moore, W. & L. freshman, won second place, might compete in the semi-finals should the State winner be unable to appear.

DRAMA:

As assistant professor of Public Speaking, Ulric Moore, M. A. in dramatics from Cornell, will come to Washington and Lee next fall, will direct the Troubadours, student dramatic and musical organization.

TROUBADOURS:

Students presented "The Haunted House" before various audiences in Southwest Virginia, at Lexington, paid off old debts, cleared a substantial sum, placed the Troubadours on sound and stable ground.

FANCY DRESS:

Other voices add to the plea for more and better publicity. Object of much interest throughout the South, an institution of great social distinction, the W. & L. Fancy Dress Ball has never been adequately publicized. Student managers and directors propose to utilize the movietone, rotogravure and the Associated Press next year in an effort to overcome the difficulty.

GRADUATE REPRESENTATION:

145 students representing 26 states applied for the award of degrees at the 1929 Commencement; Virginia led with 39 applicants; Alabama is second with 13, of which number 9 are from Mobile; Texas has 9 representatives.

BEST STUDENTS:

Washington and Lee does not seek students. She does seek the best students. To interest the best students from outstanding Virginia and neighboring preparatory and high schools, the best students of Washington and Lee, members of the local Circle of O. D. K., journeyed to and spoke before prep and high schools on the subject of "Going to College."

S. I. P. A.:

Editors, managers and advisers of preparatory and high school student publications came to Lexington for a Southern Interscholastic Press Association convention under the auspices of the Washington and Lee department of Journalism. 130 delegates from 13 Southern states were reported. They were entertained and instructed; their publications adjudged and awarded. Among instructors was Marion B. Alexander, '23, free lance writer now at Charleston, S. C., one time home and foreign Associated Press correspondent. A banquet featuring made-in-Dixie products and presided over by Trustee Hugh B. Sproul, '92, concluded the convention.

CALYX:

Visiting and local girls favored by the attention of Washington and Lee students were once called "calics", short for calico or for the outer leaves of a flower. Students published an annual in 1895, called it the *Calyx*. Except for 1896 it has been published each year since that date.

A. T. O. HOUSE:

Now a building is the new home of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity on its spacious lot at the corner of Main and Houston streets.

It will be Colonial with Mt. Vernon front, of brick over hollow tile, will contain 16 bedrooms, matron's apartment, living and dining rooms, lounge and chapter room, 3 baths; furnished throughout it will cost \$35,000. Foundation and brick work have been completed; occupancy by September 10th promised.

A. T. O. alumni in charge of construction are Dean H. D. Campbell, '82, C. C. Tutwiler, '96, C. E. L. Gill, '20, M. W. Paxton, Jr., '20, Victor H. Hanson, and M. W. Paxton, Sr., '80.

FRATERNITY PARK:

Set aside by the University for fraternity building sites the plots on Jefferson Street opposite the Memorial Gate have been enhanced by the construction of the Beta Theta Pi and Phi Kappa Sigma houses, will be rounded into a spacious residence park upon the completion of the Phi Delta Theta and Sigma Nu houses now under construction.

Under a revised location plan the Fraternity Park will match the campus in spacious open greenness, will be a beautiful setting for the four commodious and handsome houses, will provide at least two additional sites for future fraternity house builders.

UNFIT ATHLETES:**Critique:**

Editorially, the *Ring-tum Phi*, student semi-weekly, dared to criticize Washington and Lee athletes for constant breaches of training rules, attributed the poor baseball showing partly to such breaches; shocked and grieved many idealistic athletic supporters.

Facts:

The day of the training table and minute living regulations for American college athletes is no more. Coaches are strict on the subject of alcoholic indulgence but take it for granted that competition for positions, love of the game, desire to win, will cause the individual athlete to observe the minor fundamentals of training as may apply to him. Such confidence is sometimes mistaken for laxity; minor principles concerning eating, smoking and sleeping are overlooked, even the drinking rule broken for "special occasions". There is no way of checking up at Washington and Lee. Also every athlete who makes a poor showing is not necessarily a traitor to training.

Sad System:

More pernicious is the existing system of student living and thinking which has been allowed to establish itself; a system which expresses itself only in terms of ridicule; which admits no inspiring "love of the game" or "desire to win"; which restrains qualified athletes from "going out" for athletic team positions; which nullifies the best efforts of student cheer leaders; which sends only a sprinkling of student "fans" to the baseball and track meet stands; which honors no honor system and only accepts traditions of parasitical growth; which fawns upon a patronizing "well without water" and accepts his false outpourings as gospel truths.—In short, the lack of a discerning, inspiring, dynamically loyal, college spirit.

TRAGEDY:

An automobile accident between Natural Bridge and Lexington Saturday night, May 18th, resulted in the deaths of Junior students W. A. Plummer and I. H. Elias; serious injuries to students B. C. Eastwood and Virgil C. Jones; painful though minor injuries to students Roland Walker and M. G. Perrow, Jr.; cast a pall of gloom over the campus; stunned classmates and friends of the dead and injured.

Eastwood, owner of the car, had retired Saturday night, was awakened by a group of friends with the suggestion that they drive to Natural Bridge to "look in" at the opening dance at the Natural Bridge Hotel. He complied. The dance was soon over and the group piled into the high-powered Buick roadster, three in the rumble and three in the driver's seat, sped homeward over a wet road, took a curve sharply, hit a rock, crashed into a bank.

Plummer and Elias, occupants of the rumble seat, were killed almost instantly. Jones and Eastwood suffered serious internal injuries and fractured skulls.

W. A. ("Bill") Plummer was completing his fourth year at Washington and Lee, his second in the Law School. He had won distinction as an orator and debater, had been elected vice-president of the student body for next year. A member of Sigma Chi Fraternity his home was at Portsmouth, Ohio.

I. H. ("Gus") Elias, brother of H. L. Elias, '23, was a Junior student in Journalism, a frequent contributor to the *Southern Collegian*, editor-elect of the *Calyx*, a member of the Zeta Beta Tau Fraternity. His home was at Rockville Center, Long Island. Both Plummer and Elias were distinguished for high scholarship.

Funeral services were held in the Lee Chapel Sunday afternoon, May 19th; the remains sorrowfully escorted to the railroad station by the student body.

B. C. Eastwood, of New Orleans, La., and V. C.

Jones, of Gordonsville, Va., hovered between life and death at the Jackson Memorial Hospital. Eastwood is a Senior and graduated in June. Jones is a junior journalism student. Both are members of the Alpha Chi Rho Fraternity.

Injuries suffered by Roland Walker, manager-elect of the *Southern Collegian* and M. G. Perrow, Jr., son of Dr. M. G. Perrow, '97, of Lynchburg, Va., were painful but not serious.

BAR-COACHING:

Aspirants for admission to the Virginia Bar were examined at Roanoke; more than half failed to pass. Twelve Washington and Lee students aspired, after intensive tutoring by elongated, kinetic and able law professor Clayton E. Williams in a summer coaching class. Nine among the twelve reflected credit to Coach and school, passed the examination. Admitted to the Bar were Joseph M. Holt, of Lewisburg, West Va., W. J. Dorsey, of Philadelphia, Pa., M. H. MacBryde, Jr., Reedsville, N. C., T. D. Shumate, Glen Lyn, Va., M. E. Padgett, Jr., and J. B. Oliver, of Bedford, Va., H. B. Busold, Orange, N. J., and L. H. Davis, Portsmouth, Va.

ATHLETICS

SPRING SPORT SEASON:

An airplane view of Wilson Field on an early spring afternoon would show a beehive of activity. Freshman and Varsity ball tossers, trackmen and gridmen dotted the greens, flexed and limbered cramped winter muscles, prepared for spring and fall intercollegiate competition.

Outstanding during the spring season was the W. & L. Track team. As expected, the baseball team made a most mediocre showing. Stimulated and galvanized by the introduction of new ideas, new vigor and new leadership through the personality of dynamic new Coach Oberst, the football squad displayed much in spring training to augur well for the fall grid season.

TRACK:

Records:

There are many records. Primary but distinctive are the records established and held only at Washington and Lee by Washington and Lee athletes since 1912.

Premier record breaker was Captain Ed Backus, who thrice broke the record for the 880 (half-mile) established in 1916 by "Birdie" Robbins. Running his last race in Blue and White, Backus again broke his own record, twice circled the track in 1 min.

56 1/5 sec., established an extraordinary high mark for future half milers to overcome.

R. P. Grant covered 100 yards in 9 4/5 seconds, 220 yards in 21 4/5 seconds, equaled one and established another W. & L. record. Baily, a freshman, twirled and sent the discus 125 ft. 8 1/2 in., a new record. "Billy" Sandifer took a running jump, covered 22 ft. 8 1/2 in. before again touching ground, broke another local record. Gatewood Brock, two miler, circled the indoor track 16 times, set a new indoor record for the mile.

High Pointer:

Individual showings and shattered records are brilliant high lights, but track meets are won by total points scored. High point honors were earned by "Billy" Sandifer, Phi Delta Theta, of Lexington, Ky., who amassed a total of 75 points during the six meets of the 1929 season. Mr. Sandifer ran second to the record-breaking Grant in the 100 and 200 yd. dashes, took firsts and seconds in the high jump, firsts in the broad jump, averaged 12 1/2 points per meet.

Team:

With an outstanding complement of runners the Fletcher-men were weak in the weight events, generally lost all places in the discus and shot events. Redeeming was the work of Janney, Fangboner and Hawes with the javelin; of Pomeroy, Sanders and Maxey in the pole vault; Williams, Noyes and Dorman in the hurdles; Sheppard, Dickey and Williams in the quarter-mile; Brock in the two-mile; brilliant the efforts of Captain Backus in the mile without embarrassment to his success in his specialty, the half-mile.

Lost and Won:

The Generals entered five dual meets, were victorious in four, placed second in the State meet. In addition they were represented at the famed Penn games at Philadelphia, placed third there in the sprint medley relay, fifth in the 100 yd. dash, sixth in the mile relay.

Significant was the competition for second place in the Va. State meet between V. M. I. and W. & L., the first athletic competition between the two neighboring institutions for many a year. The meet was won by Virginia; W. & L. led V. M. I. by one point for second place; V. P. I. took fourth place.

Scores:

W. & L. 53 1/2—U. of N. C. 72 1/2
 W. & L. 65 1/2—N. C. State 60 1/2
 W. & L. 68 1/2—Maryland 57 1/2
 W. & L. 70 —U. of Richmond 36
 W. & L. 68—Duke 58

State Meet:

Virginia 50, W. & L. 45; V. M. I. 44, V. P. I. 26.

Southern Conference Meet:

Five trackmen went to Birmingham, Ala., represented Washington and Lee in the Southern Conference track meet, captured fourth place in a list of fifteen participating colleges and universities.

Leigh Williams, premier all-round athlete, handily won the 440 yard event; Ed Backus, record-breaking captain, captured the 880; Grant took third place in the 100 and 220 yard dashes. Williams, Dickey, Backus and Sheppard, ran smoothly to win the 1 mile relay from the famed Vanderbilt relay team, thus totalled 23 points for the Generals in the South's premier Track and Field event. A heavy rain soaked track prevented record-breaking performances.

Future:

With a fair freshman team coming up with outstanding strength in the weight events, and many sophomore stars on this year's Varsity, prospects for an even more successful season are bright for 1930.

BASEBALL:

Predicated upon a lack of pitching material Dick Smith's diamond aggregation entered their 1929 season with an inferiority complex. But the detracted pitchers allowed few more hits than were garnered by General batsmen against opposing pitchers and Generals' fielders made more errors than the pitchers allowed in hits. So went the season. White, Mount, Radford, Williams and Atwood shared the mound duties. The usual weakness in the infield was more apparent than ever before in W. & L. baseball history.

During the early season the Blue and White nine showed well against Princeton, Delaware and Catholic University. But except for wins over Lynchburg College and Guildford every other game was dropped, including every game in the tri-State College League.

Outfielders Lowden, Slanker, Hanna and Richardson did well in their positions and at bat. Between trips with the Track team and turns on the mound, Leigh Williams, looming four-letter, all-round athlete, played brilliantly at first base.

Erratic fielding accounted for the following results:

- W. & L. 9 —Lynchburg College 7
- W. & L. 6 —Catholic U. 4
- W. & L. 4 —Princeton 2
- W. & L. 14—N. C. State 21
- W. & L. 0 —Duke 13
- W. & L. 5 —U. of N. C. 7



COACH EUGENE OBERST
Galvanized

- W. & L. 9 —Delaware 5
- W. & L. 5 —Virginia 6
- W. & L. 4 —Davidson 10
- W. & L. 1 —William and Mary 2
- W. & L. 3 —V. P. I. 4
- W. & L. 5 —Maryland 6
- W. & L. 2 —Navy 11
- W. & L. 5 —Guildford 3
- W. & L. 3 —N. C. State 9
- W. & L. 5 —Maryland 10
- W. & L. 2 —V. P. I. 7
- W. & L. 5 —U. of Va. 12

COACHING SCHOOL:

Coaches or would-be coaches of football and basketball came to Lexington July 1-13, paid \$25.00, and were intensively instructed in the fine points of those sports by famed Notre Dame football mentor, Knute K. Rockne, and Wisconsin basketball mentor, Dr. Walter E. Meanwell; witnessed demonstrations of their teaching in the W. & L. gymnasium or on Wilson Athletic Field. Registration and accommodations were arranged through R. A. Smith, '15, Graduate Manager of Athletics, W. & L., Lexington, Va.

SPRING FOOTBALL PRACTICE:

A young host of football aspirants limbered up be-

neath spring's warming sun under the direction of Asst. Coach "Mike" Palmer in preparation for the fall gridiron assaults. When tall and rangy Coach Oberst appeared to personally direct activities there was a noticeable stepping up, a harder grind, more rigid training, closer attention to the fundamentals, more pep and stamina exhibited than has been seen on the local gridiron in many a day. As always, there is a noticeable lack of weight in the preliminary squad. But there is a world of speed and natural ability from which the new Coach may draw.

FOOTBALL:

The Generals will enter the 1929 Grid season without benefit or handicap of pre-season prophesies. Team and coaches are new and untried. The schedule is lighter without the usual engagements with Princeton and Maryland.

Spring practice indicated little except an unusual demonstration of pep and snap. Many veterans will be missing. The ability of the new material remains to be shown. Leigh Williams, half backs Thibideau and Jones, full back Barnett and Tackle Bill Hawkins (capt.) will form the nucleus for team building.

The outstanding feature of the season will be the Homecoming game with Virginia in Lexington, November 16th. A special two-day Homecoming program will be arranged, accommodations should be reserved in advance of the playing date, directly with Lexington hotels and rooming houses or through the Alumni Office.

Graduate Manager R. A. Smith has arranged to provide reserved tickets in Washington and Lee alumni sections for any game on the schedule upon remittance at least two weeks in advance.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE 1929.

With	At	Headquarters.
Sept. 28—Lynchburg	Lexington, Va.	Alumni Building
Oct. 4—N. C. State	Raleigh, N. C.	Sir Walter Hotel
Oct. 12—Kentucky	Lexington, Ky.	Lafayette Hotel
Oct. 19—West Va.	Charleston, W. Va.	Holly Hotel
Oct. 26—Tennessee	Roanoke, Va.	Patrick Henry Hotel
Nov. 2—V. P. I.	Blacksburg, Va.	None
Nov. 9—St. Johns	Lexington, Va.	Alumni Building
Nov. 16—Virginia	Lexington, Va.	Alumni Building
Nov. 28—Florida	Jacksonville, Fla.	Carling Hotel

Tickets can be secured for any game in the Alumni section by sending checks two weeks in advance of game to R. A. Smith, Box 891, Lexington, Va. Price of all games will be \$2.00 except the Florida game at Jacksonville on Thanksgiving which will be \$2.50.

AGAIN PUBLICITY:

Commencement 1929 included many outstanding

features of note such as the ovation to President Henry Louis Smith, the presentations to him, and his Commencement address; the alumni luncheon and the address of Hon. John W. Davis.

Press reports of these and other University affairs would be of keen interest to alumni throughout the country and to the public at large, would be of tremendous value to the University. But only the sheepest modicum of news of Commencement was published in the newspapers of the state and practically none in other Southern dailies.

Alumni create the outstanding consumer demand for University news, justify the maintenance of a Publicity Department. In response the Treasurer reports the expenditure of \$1,079.62 for publicity during the past fiscal year, in addition lists the expenditure of \$568.70 as traveling expenses for the Director of Publicity. These expenditures are *in addition* to the cost of sending out athletic publicity, which is defrayed and directed by the Athletic Association. They are also *in addition* to the salaries paid to the Director and assistant Director of Publicity which they receive as professors in the Department of Journalism. Yet inadequate, unbalanced, partial and insufficient news reports of Washington and Lee affairs continue to be the result under the present system.

SENIOR ATHLETIC AWARDS:

Seniors who were fortunate enough to win monograms two and three years in any one sport during their four years at Washington and Lee were duly rewarded at Commencement exercises.

The rule of the Athletic Association has been revised and now both a two and three year letter man is honored. In addition to a regular monogram sweater given to all men earning their insignia in any sport, a two year man receives a handsome monogram blanket. A three year man not only receives a blanket but gets his gold miniature charm emblematic of that sport. All men must be seniors before receiving these awards.

The following Seniors have been awarded gold miniature charms and monogram blankets emblematic of three year monogram service:

Football: E. A. Fitzpatrick (Capt.) Roanoke, Va.; E. H. White, Hageman, N. M.; H. T. Groop, Fitchburg, Mass.; G. H. Lanier, (Mgr.) West Point, Ga.

Basketball: J. P. Lowry (Capt.) Clinton, Okla.; A. B. Morgan (Mgr.) Memphis, Tenn.

Baseball: E. H. White (Capt.) Hageman, N. M.; T. B. Fitzhugh (Mgr.) Augusta, Ark.

Track: E. N. Backus (Capt.) Vernon, Texas; A. L. McCardell, Jr. (Mgr.) Frederick, Md.

The following have been awarded monogram blankets

only, which is emblematic of two years monogram service:

Football: J. B. Towill, Batesburg, S. C.; M. Seligman, Shaw, Miss.; W. B. Lott, Mobile, Ala.

Baseball: G. N. Lowdon, Washington, D. C.

Basketball: None.

Track: A. S. Simmons, Adams, Mass.; A. M. Janney, Lincoln, Va.

BASKETBALL CAPTAIN:

The 1928-29 cage team completed a most successful season, elected E. M. ("Ernie") Wood, flashing, fighting guard of Lynchburg, Va., as their captain for next season.

AGAIN WILLIAMS:

Completing his sophomore year at Washington and Lee, Leigh Williams, of Norfolk, Virginia, has acquired four major sport monograms, has made a distinct and outstanding showing in each sport. Regular football end until incapacitated by a painful foot injury, star pivot man of the history-making basketball quint, low hurdle and quarter-mile track winner and baseball first baseman—pitcher, he looms toward the exclusive firmament of all-time, all-round Washington and Lee stars.

ORTH:

In 1912 a famous big league star came to Washington and Lee, coached Blue and White diamond aspirants. The star became a big league umpire, carved his name high in professional baseball.

"Al" Orth is a familiar figure in Lexington today. For the past few years he has been the regular arbiter between Washington and Lee and her diamond foes, as well as at V. M. I. Only the uninitiated dare to question his decisions. He brings the dignity and the astuteness of the professional umpire to the college diamond, recalls the glory of old-time baseball when legends of his speed and control were handed down for small boy worship from the "Big Leagues."

"Al" Orth lives in quiet retirement in his attractive Lynchburg, Va., home, follows professional baseball closely, umpires college games because of his love for the sport.

BOXING INSTRUCTOR:

William E. Malone, of Lynchburg, Va., star in baseball and football at Lynchburg College during the past three years, has announced his appointment as boxing instructor at Washington and Lee. His work begins with the 1929-30 session, and he will, at the same time, be enrolled as a student in Law.



AL ORTH
Coach of Baseball, 1913

Malone was a student at Georgetown University four years ago and it was while there that he took up boxing. During that year he earned a prominent place on the Georgetown boxing squad.

"FIGGERS":

"Less than *one percent* of American men are college graduates. Yet out of this *one percent* have come:

55% of our Presidents; 36% of the Members of Congress; 47% of Speakers of the House; 56% of the vice-Presidents; 62% of the Secretaries of State; 50% of the Secretaries of the Treasury; 69% of the Justices of the Supreme Court."—*Selected.*

LEXINGTON

GOSHEN PASS:

Famed beauty spot, one-time stage route for incoming students, beloved of the great Matthew Fontaine Maury, proposed site for hydro-electric industrialization, Goshen Pass was, is and continues to be an object of controversy,—Beauty vs. Utility. The Virginia Corporation Commission, Louis S. Epes, '08, Chairman, doubts its authority to settle the question, rests the case on the question of jurisdiction.

TALKIES:

Filler of student idle hours the New Theater of

Lexington, Ralph I. Daves, '25, manager, recently installed a pipe organ, has just installed a photo sound reproducing device, will exhibit "talkies".

HEAVENLY RECOGNITION:

Air passengers may locate and recognize Lexington by the huge letters indicating the name of the town which have been painted in aluminum on the Court House Roof. This act of service to future sky riders brought recognition from the Guggenheim Aeronautical Foundation.

CATS:

Question: Why do cats whine so?

Answer: If you had as many violin strings in you as a cat's gut, you'd whine too! So goes the old stage pun.

Recent subject of local controversy, cats made college and town news. A local pet fancier viewed with alarm the disappearance of town Toms and Tabbies each spring when the Biological Laboratory becomes a cat mortuary and questing students investigate the sources of violin string supply.

Dr. W. D. Hoyt, Professor of Biology, denied; said that experimental cats came from country stores, that cat skins were saved as proof to accusing pet owners, that said skins had never been identified as the one-time epidermal home of the lost or strayed feline in question by those bereaved.

MAYOR PECK:

Long politically stagnant, Lexington participated in a hotly contested municipal election, elected H. Crim Peck, B.L., '07, astute business man, lawyer and golfer, to succeed Gilbert A. Rhodes, incumbent, as Mayor. Mayor Rhodes had held office since his appointment to succeed the late Otho Jackson, '11.

Elected as members of the Town Council were Dr. James Lewis Howe professor of Chemistry and Dean of Science, and E. E. Deaver, local merchant; re-elected were John L. Campbell, '09, lawyer, banker and trustee of the Alumni Assn., Inc., Dr. Reid White, '85, College physician; Stuart Moore, '22, lawyer and newly elected Alumni Secretary pro tem, and F. A. Dunn, plumbing contractor.

LEE BUST:

An Italian sculptor, Signor Ferrari, was selected to create a bronze bust of General Robert E. Lee for the benefit of visitors to Lexington, Washington and Lee alumni and friends, desiring some new attractive and appropriate memento from the shrine of the Great Southern General. The sculptor used as his model the most favored of Lee's portraits, "Lee, the Soldier," by Pine. Unbiased in feeling but intent on

creating in bronze the identical expression which the artist brought out on canvass, Signor Ferrari has been most painstaking in his efforts. Several models were made before he was satisfied that he had reproduced a likeness to the artist's oil painting.

Finally, the sculptor was satisfied. He submitted his model to the Gift and Art Shop, in the Robert E. Lee Hotel, Lexington, Virginia. It was approved and accepted, and this shop has the exclusive sale of the little bronze bust of Lee.

The bust is three inches high, and can be used as an attractive ornament or a paper weight. It makes a most acceptable gift and comes wrapped in a gift box.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

PROFESSOR A. L. NELSON HONORED:

(From Lexington Gazette, June 15, 1904.)

Tuesday was Alumni Day at Washington and Lee. The annual meeting of the association was held in the afternoon. Rev. Dr. James R. Winchester of St. Louis, Mo., delivered the annual address in the chapel at 9 o'clock in the evening before a crowded house, and the following exercises in connection with the fifty years of service of Professor A. L. Nelson as professor of mathematics took place.

Mr. J. D. M. Armstead of Lynchburg, vice-president of the Alumni Association, presided. A beautiful silver service from Tiffany, the gift of the alumni, was presented to Professor Nelson in a happy speech by Mr. F. Sydnor Kirkpatrick of Lynchburg. Professor Nelson responded feelingly for the honor done him, briefly reviewing his connection with the institution for half a century. About three thousand students have received instruction in his department, of whom fully one thousand were graduated.

At the conclusion of the exercises at the chapel a reception in honor of Professor Nelson and Mrs. Nelson was held by Mr. and Mrs. George Denny at their hospitable home on the campus. The entire lower floor of the spacious house was thrown open and an immense throng was present to honor Professor and Mrs. Nelson and to enjoy the hospitality of President and Mrs. George Denny. Five hundred invitations had been issued. The decorations were palms, roses, sweet peas, and peonies, and the refreshments were ices, cream, cake and apollinaris punch.

Those receiving were President and Mrs. Denny, Professor and Mrs. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Barclay, Mrs. W. F. Junkin, Miss Florence Werner, Miss Mattie Denny and Dr. J. H. Latané. Mrs. Reid White and Mrs. W. LeConte Stevens presided in the dining room and Mrs. J. H. Kern served punch. Music for the occasion was furnished by Smith's orchestra from Washington, D. C.

FACULTY

FRUITS:

Because of the demand for their services, because of the appeal of their particular subjects to the general public, or because of professional or other organized association connection, the activities of many able Washington and Lee professors are often in the public eye.

Others, no less able, no less active, stay at home and teach, deal with internal affairs. Known by many a student for their unselfish labor in their behalf are:

Dr. T. J. Farrar, '95, professor of German, long and active director of, and councillor to, the Alumni Assn., Inc., now and for some time past councillor and guide to the Inter-fraternity Council.

Dr. L. J. Desha, '06, professor of Chemistry, building supervisor for the Phi Kappa Sigma house corporation, popular and able chairman of the Faculty social functions committee.

Dr. James L. Howe, professor of Chemistry, Dean of Applied Science, for many a year teacher of the students' Bible class, advisor to many a fraternity, councillor to the Y. M. C. A.

Prof. Rupert N. Latture, '17, Sunday School teacher, member of the Y. M. C. A. advisory committee, whose sociological interest extends from students needing opportunities for self help to the local jail and the under-privileged youth of the town and county.

Prof. Clayton E. Williams, '07, Men's Bible class teacher, long voluntary coach of Tennis, Alumni adviser to the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity.

Prof. John Graham, '12, director of many a student dramatic and musical venture, one time adviser to the Troubadours, efficient Faculty public functions committee chairman.

Dr. E. F. Shannon, chairman of the Faculty committee on the Library and Art Gallery.

Prof. C. E. L. Gill, '21, tireless director of the famed Fancy Dress Ball, one time dramatic coach, compiler and editor of the annual University Catalogue.

Dr. R. G. Campbell, '99, long famed for his devotion to Athletics, member of the Athletic Council, adviser to the Alumni Assn.

Dr. Wm. M. Brown, '14, Y. M. C. A. advisor, vocational guide, director of appointments and self help.

Prof. Hale Houston, '95, superintendent of grounds, director of many campus improvements; construction and building adviser to the Athletic and Alumni Assns.

Dr. R. W. Dickey, '10, superintendent of buildings,



DR. W. M. BROWN, '14
Virginia Governor?

sponsor of modern and new equipment, additions, buildings, etc.

Dr. Robert H. Tucker, hard working committeeman on curricular changes, freshman matters, publicity and many other special faculty responsibilities.

VIRGINIA GOVERNOR:

During the Fall presidential campaign Dr. W. M. Brown, '14, professor of Education and Psychology, made a speech in the interest of the Hoover candidacy at Keswick, Albemarle County. Political leaders were impressed, made mental notations, awaited the Virginia gubernatorial campaign to bring forward the able orator of Keswick as a candidate.

It happened that Dr. Brown was first presented as an "anti-Smith" candidate because his nomination was advocated by many of the independent Democrats who had opposed the nomination and election of Democratic presidential candidate, Alfred E. Smith. Accordingly, Dr. Brown was nominated for governor of Virginia by the so-called "anti-Smith convention" in Roanoke early in June. Dr. Brown wired his resignation to the Washington and Lee authorities, accepted the nomination. One week later he was nominated by the State Republican convention.

A three-cornered race is being waged for the nomination in the Democratic Primary between John Garland Pollard, professor of Business Administration of William and Mary, and one-time Attorney General of Virginia; G. Walter Mapp, State Senator; and Roswell Page, farmer and author. The winner will oppose Dr. Brown in the Fall election.

Quickly intimating that the "Anti" feature would

be dropped from this campaign vocabulary, Dr. Brown has quietly but vigorously set out to win the State's highest office by appeal to the independent voter, by subjugation of partisanship to principle. Whatever the result, Virginia enters a two party competition for the control of State affairs.

William Brown entered Washington and Lee in 1911, from Danville, Va., won many scholastic distinctions, was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, organized Omicron Delta Kappa which has since become national, won the debaters medal, received his A.B. degree in 1914, M.A. in 1915, served as Y. M. C. A. Secretary and instructor in German until 1917, donned kakai as a buck private, progressed to second-lieutenanthship in the Air Service, returned to become principal of the Danville, Va., High School. He entered the Washington and Lee faculty in 1920, became professor of Education and Psychology.

Prominent fraternally, in demand as a speaker, ever active in the affairs of education, Dr. Brown has had many tempting opportunities offered him. It was felt by many that he might succeed retiring President Henry Louis Smith. His venture into politics is but an unexpected step which may not go beyond the trial stage or may achieve for him a new vocation.

Because of its ghost-like echo of the decadent 1928 presidential campaign, Dr. Brown's nomination was given national prominence, was reported at length in the *New York Times*, *Baltimore Sun*, *Literary Di-*

gest, *Time* and numerous other dailies and periodicals. Politically minded alumni questioned the implied and indirect connection of Washington and Lee with State politics, could not deny him the right to pursue a personal path toward political preferment after severing his University connection.

VA. ACADEMY OF SCIENCE:

Meeting at Staunton, the Va. Academy of Science held its seventh annual meeting. President W. M. Brown presided, Dean H. D. Campbell, '82, delivered an address on "The Structure of Eagle Mountain, Virginia"; Prof. M. E. Stowe on "Sedimentary Petrography"; G. W. Dunnington, '28, gave "An Historical Sketch of the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey."

SOCIAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION:

Presided over by Dr. Robert A. Tucker, professor of Economics and Business Administration, the Virginia Social Science Association met in Lynchburg, heard, among others, several Washington and Lee speakers. Major LeRoy Hodges, '10, Managing Director of the State Chamber of Commerce, spoke upon Industrialization in Virginia. Robert D. Ramsey, '12, Managing Director of the Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce, spoke upon another phase of the same subject. Dr. G. D. Hancock, Dean of the School of Commerce, presided over a discussion section. Prof. C. E. L. Gill led a discussion group. Dr. Tucker delivered, as his president's address, "Our Unstable Standard of Value", a paper which has recently won him national fame.

"Y" SECRETARY:

Able "Y" Secretary C. Houston Patterson, '19, returns to his mission post in China in August. To succeed him the student Christian Association has chosen Munsey Gleaton of Philadelphia, graduate of Wofford College, S. C. and the Yale Divinity School, at present "Y" Secretary at Temple University and Drexel Institute.

FARM BOY:

The *Southside Virginia News* of Petersburg, Va. recently featured the career of Robert H. Tucker in its columns, traced his steady rise from boyhood on a southside Virginia farm to his present eminence in the field of Education and of Applied Economics. Later, other papers announced that Dr. Tucker would address the all-Virginia conference at Virginia Beach on "Next Steps in Taxation and Governmental Reorganization in Virginia". No papers have yet measured Dr. Tucker's influence upon



DR. ROBERT H. TUCKER
From a Virginia Farm

progressive legislation in Virginia, and other Southern states, upon the thought of state and national political and economic leaders.

Indicative of his effectiveness and national prominence is the wish expressed by Dr. Willford J. King, famous statistician and economist, that Dr. Tucker's treatise on "Our Unstable Standard of Value," published in the *United States Banker*, "could be read several times over by every citizen of the United States;" the fact that the Stable Money Association and the American Association for Labor Legislation have respectively ordered several thousand reprints of Dr. Tucker's articles on "Our Unstable Standard of Value" for general distribution; the pronouncement by Dr. John B. Andrews, editor of the *American Labor Legislation Review* that Dr. Tucker's article on "Workmen's Compensation and the Employer" was "the best concise statement from that angle that I have seen in twenty years;" the fact that Dr. Tucker was called into consultation preliminary to the drafting of North Carolina's Workmen's Compensation Law last spring.

FACULTY EXODUS:

Members of the Washington and Lee faculty are located in widely scattered portions of the United States during the summer.

Prof. Ollinger Crenshaw is at Johns Hopkins, pursuing work in the graduate school toward the doctor's degree. Professor Ellard and Mr. Mapel are teaching at the University of Missouri.

Dr. Walter A. Flick is lecturing during the summer at Emory University. W. B. Lott is studying in the graduate school of Ohio State university. Prof. Latture is doing graduate work at the University of Chicago, and Professors Earle K. Paxton and H. Gray Funkhouser are at Columbia.

Dr. Henry V. Shelley motored to California with his family and will spend the summer there. Dr. Shannon is lecturing at the University of Virginia. Dr. Hoyt and Dr. Howe are, as usual, spending the summer in Massachusetts. Coach Archie E. Mathis is at the University of Illinois, his alma mater.

ERRATA:

Pronounced as unjust, the language requirements for graduation were mildly flayed under the heading of "Sliding Scale" in the April ALUMNI MAGAZINE. Investigation, without critical stimulation, showed that requirements had been modified, that students without preliminary language preparation were not required to take the same courses as better prepared students. Conditions referred to dated back several years; the criticism was groundless, your editor in error.

Entitled—"Where General Lee Worshipped" the frontispiece of the April ALUMNI MAGAZINE was a photograph of the Episcopal Church at the campus walkway entrance. The building depicted was completed in 1882, twelve years after General Lee's death, on the same site as the old Episcopal Church in which General Lee did worship. A small plate in the present edifice marks the site of General Lee's pew in the old building. Correction was kindly made by Hunter McDonald, '79, alert and accurate engineer, of Nashville, Tenn.

CURRICULAR CHANGES:

Radical changes in requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree at Washington and Lee were adopted at a special meeting of the faculty Monday, May 6.

They will become effective with the opening of college in September and will affect all classes now in the University except the Senior class.

New requirements:

(1) That two years of language be required instead of four, for students entering with four years of high or preparatory units in language.

(2) That in the requirements for the A. B. degree the word "major" be used in lieu of the present word "certificate".

(3) That the present three-group system be replaced by a four-group system.

(4) That 126 hours be required for graduation instead of 124.

(5) That so far as practicable the semester be made the basis of courses and credits instead of the term or two semesters.

HENRY FORD:

Dr. Robert E. Dickey, '10, head of the Physics department at W. & L., has received several communications from Henry Ford relative to purchasing some old physical laboratory equipment. Ford is interested in equipping a museum to show the progress of science and it is said that he will probably send an engineer here this summer. There is much interesting old equipment in the possession of the physics department. The first generating unit ever installed in the South belongs to the University. It is a small generator run by a five horse power steam engine, and was originally used for illuminating the old gymnasium during dances. It is thirty-five years old. There are also old types of other electrical equipment.

CALYX DEDICATION:

The 1929 *Calyx*, modernistic in design and unique in arrangement, said by campus leaders to be the best and most unusual year-book ever published at the University, was dedicated to Prof. Carl Gill, '22.

The futuristic design of the book is carried from the dark brown cover through each division plate of the volume. Colors are freely used. Grouping, especially in the athletic and feature sections, carries out the general theme in a unique manner.

FACULTY INTRODUCTIONS:**Professor Ramon T. Johnson, A.B., J.D.**

Our Law School alumni take particular pride in the Law School, wish to see the professorial traditions of John Randolph Tucker, "Sunny Jim" Staples, and "Daddy" Burks maintained, look hopefully to the present teaching staff, find satisfaction.

Not satisfactory was the departure of able, dynamic Professor Lewis Tyree, '15, to bigger fields. He left big shoes to be filled. Good fortune and Dean Moreland brought Dr. Ramon T. Johnson from the University of Chicago to try them on in 1925 while Prof. Tyree was away on a year's leave of absence.

Dr. Johnson returned to his native state of Kentucky to practice his profession. Prof. Tyree finally

yielded to the persistently tempting offers from the New Jersey Law School, left a gaping vacancy. Lawyer Johnson was recalled to fill the fitting shoes, and so returned, became professor of Law, a qualified complement in a growingly famous triumverate of Law professors, now known as Moreland, Williams and Johnson.

Kentucky bred, vintage of '97, A. B. University of Kentucky, '22; J. D. University of Chicago, '25; assistant Professor in the W. & L. Law School 1925-26; Law practitioner at Louisville, Ky., 1926-27. Professor of Law 1927, married in 1928, Dr. Johnson makes his home in Monroe Park at Lexington. He retains a truly Kentucky interest in horse racing; plays golf; studies the problems of Constitutional Law; confesses to poor judgment as to the first; poor form as to the second; and an inferiority complex as for the third.

ALUMNI

WHITHER BOUND?

Presidents Neilson of Smith College; Little of Michigan; Jessup of Iowa; Chase of North Carolina; President Keppel of the Carnegie Corporation; and Mr. Cartwright of the American Association for Adult Education, met with members of the American Alumni Council's Aims and Policies Committee, Levering H. Tyson, Columbia, Chairman. Object: To define the relationships between alumni and their alma maters, to discover ways and means for proper and acceptable continuation of educational interest in alumni by the colleges and universities and in the colleges and universities by the alumni.

The following excerpts from the Alumni Committee's statement on the subject are pointedly indicative of the American alumni situation today, might well refer specifically to the Washington and Lee Alumni Association:

"Prior to 1913 practically all alumni activity consisted solely in the development of social contact between sections of the alumni themselves and the institutions or representatives thereof. There were isolated instances indicating a deeper purpose but these were hardly numerous enough to attract general attention. Sporadic attempts by organized alumni to be helpful educationally were generally spoiled by representatives who were more vocal than sane and most of these proved abortive so that either rightly or wrongly a traditional feud between the organized alumni and the institution existed.

"For nearly a dozen years after 1913 the chief consideration was 'alumni technique.' It was becoming more and more apparent that the alumni were a potential force, but there were so many elements in the



RAMON T. JOHNSON
Filled Big Shoes

situation that required foundation-laying from a purely organization standpoint that the alumni themselves were prone to miss the woods for the trees. For this reason and because of the intervention of the war with its concomitants this purely organization period has been unduly prolonged. Today, however, we feel very strongly that even though purely organization problems will always present themselves in alumni affairs, basic organization questions have been reasonably well solved. The alumni themselves realize and feel strongly the futility of organizing solely for the sake of organization. To use a worn out phrase they feel they are all dressed up with no place to go. They believe there are several invitations pending but feel sure that the alumni prefer not to crash the gate until they are certain of the welcome to be accorded them by their host or hostess. They admit frankly that on occasion they have violated social proprieties in this regard, and individually having learned their lesson, prefer to make sure of their reception although they feel certain they can contribute considerable to the party's entertainment.

"The most valuable evidence proving that the alumni themselves recognize the end of this period of organization has come is the character of the programs and discussions demanded for each national (Association of Alumni Secretaries) conference. The very fact that such programs over the last three years have all concluded with a question, in effect, 'Where are we going ultimately?' is firm indication that our clientele is giving serious thought to the goal, which they recognize very clearly has been indistinct.

"Other evidence is the recent wholesale departure from the alumni field of men and women who entered it with enthusiasm and who have devoted to it a considerable and notable degree of energy. These individuals, after recording genuine success in their jobs from a mere organization standpoint, see their work accomplished and no next step. Some move directly into the field of university administration which holds out security of tenure. Others desert education entirely for business. In practically every case the cause of education has lost a firm support and lost him only because he regarded his work as done. He saw nothing in the alumni field to do next.

"As further evidence we present the additional modern phenomenon of the alumnus who no longer loudly proclaims his loyalty to alma mater but who is inclined to demand a quid pro quo. Throughout the entire alumni field we gather this changed sentiment. From the standpoint of organization solely this presents acute problems to the alumni executive officer who must have members as his clay to work with and a reasonably sympathetic constituency from which to garner that membership. But from the standpoint of this particular study even more difficult elements

are injected into the situation which flare back into the student life of these same alumni. For we alumni find that there are being graduated into the alumni ranks each year men and women who not only seriously question the value of joining an alumni organization from any standpoint other than a quid pro quo basis, but who, after being exposed to college education for from one to five years, not only question the value of their experience but the value of higher education, as at present conducted, at all. It may very easily come about that one of the most valuable findings of this conference will be the selection of some means to clarify in the minds of alumni while they are yet students, not what the alumni association will give him for his three or five dollars but what he's in college for, what his college or university exists for, and what it has done and is doing to justify its existence. It is even possible that if we get this far, a great many institutions which have not done so as yet will find it for their best interests to get a bit introspective themselves and look to where they are going and what kind of education they are providing the citizenry storming their citadels.

"From the standpoint of this study that alumnus is least valuable whose blind loyalty carries him no further than a deep belief that his recollection of things as they were during four impressionable years of his youth are best. We readily admit that this type of alumnus has been vocal above all others during this organization period, but he is losing ground, just as in our undergraduate ranks the 'collegiate' youth is almost passé. The underlying cause for all this is changing educational conditions. The alumnus of the nineties or pre-war days cannot understand and does not understand these modern conditions and for that reason, generally speaking, the alumni are least competent at present to advise in strictly educational matters. We admit this frankly, and we don't presume to suggest that we alumni take a hand there. It is in this growing realization in modern life that graduation from college is indeed a Commencement that we think we can be of service to educational institutions, bringing to bear the full force of our ability and experience in organization.

"But here we must stop. The administrations and faculties must recognize the demand of the adult public for the intellectual food which they look to the colleges and universities to supply. The alumni, in addition to supplying a public to create it, can and we believe will, if properly directed, throw the weight of their organizing experience and ability in the alumni and other fields back of any well-devised attempt to meet it. If we as a national organization single-handed attempted to recommend an educational program of adult education involving our institutions with the alumni public without the help of our respective edu-

cational officials, we, although at this time our suggestions would be entirely sound from every standpoint, would nevertheless lay ourselves open to the same accusations, thoroughly justified on former occasions of interfering sentimentally in things which are not our business.

"Although for many years the alumni, open to criticism as we confess ourselves in some particulars, have listened with approval and sympathy to demands from our institutions, there are indications already that these same alumni are ready to about face and solicit from the colleges and universities a corresponding attention to their intellectual life, even though it may mean challenging some of the established and ingrained attitudes toward education which have obtained in this country up to the present time."

WILLIAM R. PERKINS, '96:

William Robertson Perkins of New York City, on whom Washington and Lee the past June conferred L.L.D., was born on a farm at Elmington, Nelson County, Virginia, Nov. 3rd, 1875, the son of Thomas Benjamin Moore Perkins, and Judith Clough Perkins, both natives of Nelson County. The family moved to Lynchburg, Virginia, early in 1890 and there young Perkins attended the public schools, graduating from the Lynchburg High School at the head of his class in June, 1895. Mr. Perkins enjoyed the dis-

tingtion of having been on the Roll of Honor during his entire attendance on the public schools of Lynchburg.

After reading law a few months in the office of Burroughs and Noell, he borrowed money and entered the Washington and Lee Law School the fall of 1896, completing the course in one year and winning the law prize then awarded to the student who made the highest average grade in Senior Law throughout the session.

The law faculty at that time consisted of John Randolph Tucker, Charles A. Graves and John W. Davis and no abler faculty ever assembled at any American law school. Many students since highly distinguished in their profession were members of the class, but Perkins soon became recognized as an unmistakable leader. He was remarkably concise in all his expressions both written and oral, a characteristic which has followed him throughout life. He would always finish his examination by one o'clock, being the first man to get through, and his pages were invariably the fewest in number. Others would continue to write until nine or ten o'clock at night, handing in at least twice as much manuscript. On one occasion Professor Graves remarked concerning an examination paper, that Mr. Perkins had not used one word too many or one word too few.

After taking the Virginia Bar examination Mr. Perkins entered upon the practice of law in August, 1897, at Lynchburg as a partner of Judge J. Singleton Diggs. This partnership continued until May, 1901, when Mr. Perkins went to Newport News, Virginia. There he practiced until October, 1906.

In October, 1906, he went to New York as one of the counsels of The American Tobacco Co. Upon the disintegration of The American Tobacco Co. under the decree of the Federal Court in 1911, he became counsel for P. Lorillard Company, one of the four large tobacco concerns created by this disintegration. In November, 1913, Mr. Perkins became personal counsel for Messrs. James B. and Benjamin N. Duke and their extensive interests, which position he retained until the death of these gentlemen. In this capacity he drew their wills and voluntary trusts, among the latter being the trust created by James B. Duke, known as The Duke Endowment, which is one of the largest beneficences of this country. Mr. Perkins is one of the executors of the estate of James B. Duke, and also one of the executors of the Estate of Benjamin N. Duke. He is a Trustee and Vice-Chairman of The Duke Endowment; a Trustee of Duke University; a Director and Vice-President of Duke Power Co., and in addition, counsel for the foregoing and P. Lorillard Co., American Cyanamid Co., American counsel for the British-American Tobacco Co., Ltd., and other large corporations. The opinion on



W. R. PERKINS
Not One Word Too Many

corporation law of no counsellor is more highly valued than that of Mr. Perkins.

On November 5th, 1902, he married Miss Mary S. Bell, of Lynchburg. By this marriage he has three children, William R. Perkins, Jr., Thomas L. Perkins and Mary C. Perkins.

Mr. Perkins is a Methodist and has been active in church, Sunday School and Y. M. C. A. work wherever he has lived. He forms a striking exception to the observation that the wild boy makes good in after life and the man who stands at the head of his class is never heard of when commencement is over. He is a man of singular modesty and has always shunned publicity. One would never suspect from his unobtrusive bearing a giant of the American bar.

BORDEN BURR, '98:

Law, investments, insurance, Y. M. C. A. service in America and in France, politics, and fraternity activity are some of the interests establishing the worthwhile career of Borden Burr, LL.B., 1898. Born in Alabama in 1876, Mr. Burr had achieved an A.B. degree from the University of Alabama and a law degree from Washington and Lee by the age of twenty-two. He was a member of both the varsity football and baseball teams while at the University.

Mr. Burr practiced law in Talladega, Alabama, from 1898 to 1909, and then moved to Birmingham where he has since been a member of the firm of Percy, Benners and Burr. His legal interests have extended far beyond the scope of his private practice: he was chairman of the Alabama State Bar Association in 1908, and was largely responsible for the legislative act of 1923, incorporating and creating a self-governing Bar; he is the author of the present Alabama election laws and compensation act and co-author of the workman's act. His business operations include the presidency of the Burr Investment Company, the Rockhouse Land Company and the Walsh Insurance Agency, as well as directorships in several corporations.

Mr. Burr has rendered distinctive service to the Y. M. C. A. He was state chairman for Alabama from 1914 to 1918, and has been a member of the International Committee of the Y. M. C. A. During 1918 he served as a "Y" worker with the Rainbow Division in France.

In politics Mr. Burr is an active and prominently known Democrat. He was a delegate to the Democratic National Conventions of 1904, 1912 and 1924 and has been chairman of the Alabama State Democratic Campaign Committee. He is a past regent of Sigma Nu and a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

Mr. Burr has been twice married, first to Miss Mamie Camp in 1898, and after her death to Miss



BORDEN BURR, '98
Varsity Footballer, Baseballer

Nell Forman in 1907. He has two children. His office is in the Brown-Marx Building and his home at 1969 South 33rd Street, Birmingham.

HUGH MERCER BLAIN, '95:

Hugh Mercer Blain, M.A., '95, of New Orleans, has been honored by the National Electric Light Association with membership on two of its important committees—the Educational Committee, which promotes employee education in electric companies throughout the nation; and the Committee on Cooperation with Higher Educational Institutions. These honors are in recognition of Dr. Blain's outstanding work in industrial education in the Southwest, where he has placed the Southwestern Division of the N. E. L. A. at the top of all the 13 Divisions in employee educational progress, and has built up a cooperative spirit between the power companies and the universities of his section to their mutual advantage.

As a result of this work, he was honored with a place on the program of the Southwestern Division N. E. L. A. annual convention held in Hot Springs, Ark., April 30 to May 3. The subject of his address, which was pronounced by high executives as the best talk on that subject they had ever heard, was "The Possibilities of Educational Work."

Dr. Blain's career has well fitted him for this important work in the business world. After leaving



DR. HUGH MERCER BLAIN, '95
—Honored by Nela

W. & L. he was Instructor in English at the University of Virginia, assisting the distinguished Prof. James A. Harrison, under whom he had studied here. At the same time he pursued graduate work in English and Modern Languages and took his Ph.D. in 1901.

During 13 years as Professor of English at Louisiana State University, he became interested in Journalism and built up a course there which became known throughout the educational world as the pioneer in the combination of theory and practice. Dr. Blain served as managing editor of the *Baton Rouge State-Times* (daily) and used his students in every capacity on the paper. This department has recently developed into a four-year School of Journalism.

Dr. Blain later headed the Journalism Department of Tulane University, New Orleans, for two years. When the Information Bureau work of the public utilities was organized in 1923, he accepted the directorship of the Louisiana-Mississippi Bureau and still holds that position.

He is the author of a recent historical study of the old New Orleans, "A Near Century of Public Service in New Orleans", (a copy of which has been contributed to the Alumni Club Room). This has given him recognition among the distinguished literati of

the Crescent City. He also holds the Governor's appointment as a member of the Louisiana Library Commission, which is outstanding in the Southern States for its promotion of county and community libraries, with the aim of placing worthwhile books within reach of every person in Louisiana.

In acknowledgment of his successful career as an educator, his Alma Mater selected Dr. Blain as one of a small number of her sons to become charter members of the W. & L. chapter of Phi Beta Kappa in 1911. In return, he has proved a loyal son, directing many choice youths to the old college and gathering around him for organization the alumni of his city and state. He is now serving his fourth year as president of the Louisiana Alumni Association, which under his guidance has become one of the most active of our alumni bodies.

HOSPITAL SUPERINTENDENT:

Dr. Edwin P. Bledsoe, '00, medical officer in charge of the Veterans Bureau Hospital at North Chicago, Ill., has been appointed to succeed Dr. J. Clement Clark, superintendent of the Springfield State Hospital for thirty years. The committee appointed to select Dr. Clark's successor reported that they considered Dr. Bledsoe thoroughly qualified in experience, knowledge and executive ability for the position at Springfield and feel that the institution and the State are most fortunate in securing him. Dr. Bledsoe went to Baltimore to assume his new duties in May.

Dr. Bledsoe is a Virginian. He received his medical education at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, graduating in 1905. After serving two years as an interne at Mercy Hospital he became assistant physician at the Central State Hospital in Virginia, and then nine years as superintendent of the Arkansas State Hospital.

He served overseas during the World War as a medical officer in the army. Since his return he has been first clinical director and afterward medical officer in charge in a number of United States Veterans' Bureau hospitals. His son E. P. Bledsoe, Jr., is now a student at Washington and Lee.

STEEL SUPERINTENDENT:

After serving for several years as Assistant Superintendent of the Donora Steel Works and Furnaces, of Donora, Penn., A. Frederic White, '01, was on May 1st made Superintendent of that corporation.

Graduating from Washington and Lee with an A.B. in 1901, a B.S. in Chemistry and M.A. in 1904, a M.S. in 1905, and a Ph.D. in 1906, Mr. White went to Donora where he was occupied as

Chemist. It was not long afterwards that he became associated with his present corporation.

Mr. White has been a resident of Donora for so long that he might be well classed as a native son. There is none in the community held in wider respect nor higher esteem and the honor which has become his will be a source of much gratification to all.

PHI BETA KAPPA INITIATION:

Judge Henry W. Holt, '87, successor to the late Judge Martin P. Burks, '70, on the Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals, George C. Peery, '97, lawyer and former Congressman, and C. H. Morrissett, '15, State Tax Commissioner, came to Lexington, were initiated as members of the local chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, received the famed "key", symbol of high scholastic attainment, banquetted at the Dutch Inn, heard a prepared address by R. M. Hughes, of Norfolk in company with thirteen undergraduate initiates.

The unusually comprehensive initiation program was arranged by Dr. G. D. Hancock, Dean of the Commerce School and Dr. L. W. Smith, '96, Professor of Mathematics.

RICHARD C. STOKES, '05:

Alumni who trekked enthusiastically to the Home Coming game with V. P. I. last fall and who wiped out the sting of the afternoon's defeat by attendance at the alumni supper that followed will recall delightfully the sparkling tonic of the main speech of the evening, which was the splendid costumed characterization of Dr. Durnburgh, eminent professor of the University of Pittsburgh by Richard C. Stokes, LL.B., '05, of Covington, Va.

Members of the Smith Gift Committee, scanning the list of alumni for an alumnus to give fitting voice to alumni sentiment in presenting President Smith with a silver service at Commencement, happily recalled Mr. Stokes' talented Home-coming Day presentation and grasped success by securing his acceptance of their invitation to represent the alumni in that presentation.

An ability to give fluent and dramatic expression to the fruit of vigorous and intelligent thinking has blazed the trail of "Dick" Stokes' successful career. Graduated from Hampden-Sydney in 1902, he won the Senior Oratorical medal there, and during his stay at Washington and Lee he was awarded the coveted inter-society Orator's Medal. He was active socially at the University, and his dramatic talents drove through to success numerous theatrical ventures.

Mr. Stokes has practiced law in Covington since 1915. For the past fifteen years he has been the city



RICHARD C. STOKES, '05
Characterized Dr. Durnburgh

attorney and represents, among other corporations, the Industrial Rayon Corporation of Cleveland. His successful blending of executive leadership with oratorical talent has achieved for him the presidency of the Covington-Hot Springs Rotary Club and the Covington Chamber of Commerce. As a graceful and stimulating speaker he responds to frequent requests for addresses throughout Virginia and other states. Mr. Stokes is a Mason, a Knight Templar, and is a deacon in the Presbyterian Church.

ROOM AND BOARD IN 1793:

Meals served to the 25 students of Washington and Lee University in 1793 may be compared in many ways to those served at some fraternity houses today, with the exception of \$245.67 annual difference in price.

Living expense at this early date was very cheap. In 1793 a steward in the dormitory served meals, made the beds, and cleaned the room twice a week for the meager sum of \$23.33 a year. The meals consisted of: Breakfast—Bread and butter, with tea, coffee or chocolate; Dinner—Bread, vegetables, and either beef or pork; Supper—Bread, butter, and milk.

A room in the academy building cost fifty cents a session, and if more than four lived in one room it was \$2 for all. Tuition for the year not more than \$50.

—From *The Ring-Tum Phi*.



DOZIER DEVANE, '08
"Awarded the Imperial Hambone"

DOZIER A. DEVANE, '08:

When alumni gather together Dozier DeVane will be on hand if his business permits, whether it be for the Home-coming game or Commencement. Charter alumni members of the Ham Society gathered at the Alumni Building after the witching hour during the Final Ball, solemnly initiated stately lawyer DeVane into the mystic rites adopted by that constant and consistent coterie of current Commencement commuters. He achieved a high rating for consumption and was awarded the imperial hambone.

During business hours Dozier DeVane serves as General Counsel for the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company with headquarters at Washington, D. C., where he settled after practicing law in his native State of Florida.

His first work after graduation with an L.L.B. in 1908, was at Tampa, near his native city of Lakeland. There he became Commonwealth's Attorney of Hillsborough County. He became counsel for the Railroad Commission of Florida in 1918 and continued in that office until 1920 when he was appointed Rate Attorney for the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, with headquarters in New York City. He was appointed to his present position in 1922 and has made his home with his wife and two children at 3422 36th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

His has been a steady rise in his profession, from

the ranks of the local practitioner and the legal staff of large corporations to the headship and direction of such corporation work.

Mr. DeVane is a member of the Presbyterian Church, a member of the Masonic Fraternal Order and a member of the Phi Kappa Sigma National college fraternity. Locally he belongs to the Cosmos Club, the Columbia and Congressional Country Clubs and the Southern Society.

SUMMER VISITORS:

Registering at the Alumni Building since Commencement were E. A. C. Hoge, '07, construction engineer of Cincinnati, Ohio; A. B. McMullen, '08, lawyer of Tampa, Fla., and Ralph D. Hummel, '20, chemist of Detroit, Mich., where he is assistant production manager of the Parke-Davis Chemical Company.

A welcome and frequent visitor has been Judge William A. Bell, '95, one-time trustee of Washington and Lee and prominent attorney and jurist of New Orleans, who is spending the summer in Lexington after a long and serious illness which has confined him to a hospital for the past year.

Lewis Tyree, '15, one-time professor in the Washington and Lee Law school, now professor of Law at the New Jersey Law School, at Newark, N. J., has been a frequent visitor to Lexington where his family is spending the summer. Prof. Tyree is conducting special summer law classes at the New Jersey school.

GIFT:

For the further protection of the Lee Chapel the International Fire Equipment Corporation has contributed an ample supply of their Shur-Stop fire extinguishers. This gift was generously made by the company through the attention of active and attentive trustee, Judge Charles J. McDermott, of New York City.

BOOK DONATIONS:

Upon request, Dr. Thomas Jesse Jones, '92, Educational Director of the Phelps-Stokes Fund, presented the Alumni Assn. with an autographed copy of his latest work "The Essentials of Civilization" and of his "Essentials of Education" for the Alumni Club room.

In his gracious presentation, Dr. Jones inscribed the following on the flyleaf of one volume, "To the Alumni Club Room of Washington and Lee University, where Southern Chivalry and Statesmanship have been realized in Word and Deed. Sincerely, Thomas Jesse Jones."

POPULAR PROFESSOR:

Students at the University of North Dakota selected their ten most representative professors in popular poll conducted by the "Dakota Student", campus newspaper. Of the ten chosen only three had been at the institution less than ten years. Among the three was Solly A. Hartzo, '19, head of their Political Science department, one time Assistant Political Scientist at Washington and Lee; Washington and Lee Commerce School graduate of 1919. Popular politics professor Hartzo's photograph was published among the other nine in the Grand Forks (N. D.) *Herald* under the caption "Outstanding Faculty Members at State U."

POLITICS:

George C. Peery, '97, twice Democratic Congressman from the Republican Seventh District of Virginia, 1929 Phi Beta Kappa initiate, father of Junior Student A. G. Peery, lawyer and business man of Tazewell, Va., declined to enter the race for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination "in hope of promoting harmony in the party."

Virginia Lieutenant-Governor Junius E. West, '87, of Suffolk, first to announce his candidacy for the governorship of Virginia, withdrew from the race "in the interest of party harmony," left the field to Candidates J. G. Pollard, Dean of the William and Mary School of Business Administration, one time Attorney-General of Virginia, and G. Walter Mapp, one time State Senator.

Virginia Republicans and independent Democrats contemplated the possible victory of Dr. Pollard in the Democratic primary, the nomination of Dr. Wm. M. Brown, '14, Washington and Lee professor of Education and Psychology, for governor on a coalition ticket, the possible gubernatorial election campaign between the two eminent professors.

Others envisioned the possibility of present Governor H. F. Byrd becoming President of Washington and Lee and of Dr. Brown, Washington and Lee professor and presidential prospect, becoming Governor.

Oft mentioned as a candidate for Governor was James H. Price, '09, of Richmond. Instead, he became candidate for Lieutenant-Governor. His declared opponent for the post withdrew; no other has been announced.

BUST:

Washington, D. C., newspapers recently carried photographs of Joseph A. Atcheson, Washington sculptor, and his bust of Wade H. Ellis, B.L. '89, prominent Washington attorney, formerly Attorney-

General of Ohio and assistant U. S. Attorney-General during the Roosevelt administration. The bust was placed on exhibition at the National Museum.

ENFORCEMENT PLAN:

Calling for a "fair and square show down" with a view to more effective prohibition enforcement, Wade H. Ellis, '89, assistant to the Attorney General during the Taft administration, has advanced the proposal that Federal government funds for this purpose be withheld from states which are not cooperating in upholding the dry laws.

His plan, he believes, would inspire "a greater sense of personal and local responsibility" under the concurrent power for enforcement granted in the 18th amendment and would "have an immediate and electrical effect all over the country."

"It means," he explained in a radio address broadcast under the auspices of the District of Columbia Sons of the American Revolution, "merely that where the people of any one of the States show, by their legislation and administration, that they want the bootlegger or the saloon, the United States Government will let them enjoy the company of their choice."

TWO AMONG ELEVEN:

Key to President Hoover's administration program, bed rock of his pre and post edition pronouncements is the matter of Law Enforcement.

To study the question and make recommendations he formally created a Law Enforcement Commission May 20th, invited eleven men of outstanding ability and national prominence to serve as members. Two are alumni of Washington and Lee.

Sitting as ranking member at the right hand of the chairman will be Newton D. Baker, B.L. '94, War Secretary under President Wilson, member of the International Court of Arbitration, Trustee of Washington and Lee, whom political pundit, Frank R. Kent pronounced as the only Wilsonian Democrat to consistently maintain the Woodrow Wilson political idealism.

Among the four lawyers of national prominence appointed to serve on the commission is Henry W. Anderson, B.L. '98, of Richmond, Va., outstanding Virginia Republican leader, one-time counsel for C. & O. R. R. minority stockholders against the Van Swearingen Brothers (merger proposal) who were represented by counsel Newton D. Baker, (above). All of the eleven appointees are college graduates. Washington and Lee is the only University to be represented on the commission by two alumni.

SUED:

Basil M. Manly, '06, son of Dr. Charles M. Manly, long the beloved Lexington pastor for whom the present Manly Memorial Baptist Church is named, has become famed as a Washington Newspaper correspondent. He was publicity director for the LaFollette Independents in the 1924 presidential campaign, a partizan writer in the Smith-Hoover campaign.

Correspondent Manly recently "covered" the government investigation of the International Paper Company's newspaper purchases, referred to the Bryan-Thomason Newspapers, Inc., syndicated his articles to the Richmond, Va., *Times Dispatch*, among others.

Publisher John Stewart Bryan, alumnus of the U. of Va., recipient of an honorary degree (Litt. D. 1911) from, and benefactor of Washington and Lee, publisher of the rival *Richmond News Leader* co-owner of the discussed Bryan-Thomason newspapers, filed suit for libel against the *Times Dispatch*, named correspondent Manly a defendant in the suit.

TEAM OF '07:

"Pat" Krebs and "Buster" Brown coached the Generals' football team of '07. C. W. ("Bill")

Streit was captain and halfback. It boasted of famous W. & L. stars "Dutch" Alderson, Full; "Ed" Brown, Half; "Johnny" Izard, and Larry Wilson, Quarters; "Hi" Dow and "Rube" Waddill, Ends; "Pat" Osborne and H. M. White, Tackles; "Dick" Morales and Fort Pipes, Guards; Clyde Hoge and J. H. Larrick, Centers. Roscoe Stephenson was manager.

The season was featured by victory over the U. of Va., a tie with the U. of N. C. and a loss to V. P. I.

A master clarion call might again summon this galaxy to Wilson Field. Twenty-two years have not thinned the ranks, have not dimmed the luster of their football glories.

"Bill" Streit is salesmanager of the Southern Cement Co. at Birmingham, Ala. E. L. ("Dutch") Alderson, a travelling salesman with headquarters at Houston, Texas; "Ed" Brown, General Agent for the Penn Mutual Life Ins. Co., Chattanooga, Tenn. John Izard General Attorney for the Conn. Life Ins. Co., Hartford, Conn.; Larry Wilson an engineer and orchardist at Woodstock, Va.; H. M. ("Hi") Dow, a lawyer, Roswell, New Mexico; R. A. ("Rube") Waddill a Washington, D. C., realtor; C. S. ("Pat") Osborne, coach and athletic director at Yale; Henry M. White, president of the Seaboard Mortgage Co., Baltimore, Md.; Fort Pipes, a real estate and insurance man at New Orleans; "Dick" Morales, Tampa, Fla., lawyer; Clyde Hoge, a construction engineer at Cincinnati, Ohio; J. H. Larrick, manager of the Parrish Ranch, Bristol, Colo.

STREIT:

Each of the 1907 gridmen have retained a vicarious interest in athletics. Most of them have returned for the annual W. & L.-Va. grid classic at one time or another. But "Bill" Streit has been in closer contact with Southern Intercollegiate Athletics than any of his former team mates, perhaps more so than any other one living man.

After leaving Washington and Lee in 1908 he became a salesman for the Southern Cement Co., joined the Birmingham Athletic Club, played basketball and ran on their track team for six years. He studied the changing football rules closely, became an outstanding-football referee, has officiated in over 500 football games, is an executive of the Southern Football Conference Officials Association.

Indicatory of his reputation as a referee is the fact that for sixteen consecutive years he has officiated in the annual Sewanee-Vanderbilt Thanksgiving classic, for eighteen consecutive years refereed the annual Birmingham-Southern Howard College



C. W. STREIT, JR., '08
A Decisive Gridiron Factor

grid scrap in Birmingham. He was selected to officiate in the Ga. Tech.-California New Year's game at Pasadena.

In addition he has been president of the Birmingham Athletic Club, a manager of the American Olympic Team at Paris and Amsterdam in 1924 and 1928 and is president of the Southeastern Amateur Athletic Union. Withal, he has become sales-manager of his firm.

Well qualified to write a needed history of Southern Intercollegiate Athletics, Bill Streit is an outstanding representative of the team of '07 who has trailed the glories of college sports across a near quarter century of progress.

AT GENEVA—JOHN HERNDON, '11:

John Herndon studied economics and business administration at Washington and Lee, graduated in 1911, specialized in those subjects at the University of Wisconsin, became an income tax expert with headquarters at Philadelphia, retired, spent last fall and winter abroad.

At Geneva Mr. Herndon acted as Secretary to the American delegation at the general meeting of government experts for the prevention of international double taxation and fiscal evasion, studied the workings and ramifications of the League of Nations, under whose auspices the meeting was held, visited with Francis P. Miller, '14, newly appointed General Secretary of the World Student Christian Federation with headquarters at Geneva, attended the famed summer school of Dr. Zimmern, delivered a lecture on International Law.

Back home after Christmas Mr. Herndon became lecturer in Economics and Political Science at Haverford College, Pa., came to Lexington for a visit during a short holiday, brought refreshing ideas on proposed changes in the Calendar, upon the teaching of conversational languages in the Foreign Language departments of American Universities, and upon the work of the League of Nations.

Before students in the School of Commerce Mr. Herndon instructively and interestingly outlined these ideas, sought to induce discussion among attentively listening students, was nonplused by a seeming lack of intellectual curiosity.

As a lecturer at Haverford, Mr. Herndon encouraged research work by the abolition of classes and final examinations for ranking seniors. At the close of the session he was elected as professor of Economics and Political Science at Haverford. In that capacity he will create a new department at the institution.

A frequent and welcome visitor to Lexington and the campus, John Herndon manifests a wholesome



J. G. HERNDON, '11
At Geneva

and constructive educational interest in Washington and Lee, a generous and active interest in the Alumni Association, Inc.

FRANCIS P. MILLER, '14:

In Francis P. Miller, Washington and Lee claims the leader of the largest and in many respects the most important student Christian organization in the world, the World Student Christian Federation. At the January meeting of the Executive Committee of the Federation, held in India, Mr. Miller was elected to succeed John R. Mott. Elected at thirty-three to follow in office probably the foremost Christian statesman of America, Mr. Miller brings to his task a leadership of recognized ability in national and inter-national Christian activity.

The World Student Christian Federation, of which he assumes the General Secretaryship, has over 300,000 student members, drawn from the student Christian movements organized in twenty-four countries and existing in a lesser organized degree in twenty-one other countries, making a total of forty-five countries represented. Probably no other movement today has so truly a world character as this movement. The contribution of the Federation in material aid to European students during the reconstruction period in Europe, following the World War, was marked by successful achievement and today the achievement of its aim "to exalt Christ in the student world" is widespread and startlingly effective.



FRANCIS P. MILLER, '14
Succeeded John R. Mott

Francis Miller entered Washington and Lee when he was fifteen years old, never having been to school except to his mother. He completed the A.B. work in three years and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He was president of the Harry Lee crew while in college and was active in Christian and forensic work. He was a member of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. Following his graduation he was connected for some years with the United States headquarters of the Y. M. C. A., achieving a position as one of the best known student leaders in this country. He served in Europe as an officer during the World War and following that was appointed a Rhodes Scholar from the State of New York at Oxford. For the past several years he has been Administrative Secretary of the W. S. C. F. with offices at Geneva.

LINDBERGH'S GHOST:

The literary ghost of Col. Charles A. Lindbergh revealed himself at the annual meeting of the American Society of Newspaper Editors, held in Washington, D. C., April 19th.

Frankly appearing as the actual writer of many newspaper articles labelled in large, black type, "by Col. Charles A. Lindbergh", I. K. Shuman, '17, now executive editor of the *Brooklyn Standard Union*,

read the editors a paper on the subject of "ghost writing."

As a reporter for the *New York Times*, Shuman accompanied Lindbergh on his flights through Mexico, Central America and the West Indies, writing under Lindbergh's signature first personal accounts of the trip.

"Lindbergh has had as many as seven ghosts at one time," Shuman told the editors, many of whom have published articles bearing the aviation idol's signature. "I am only one of them."

BACK TO CHINA:

Rev. C. Houston Patterson, '19, for the past two years secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Washington and Lee, will sail for China from San Francisco on Aug. 16 to resume his missionary work. Mr. Patterson was forced to leave China during the unrest of the revolution in 1927 and while in this country has been occupied with the Y. M. C. A. at Washington and Lee. He resigned this position early in the spring announcing that he would return to China this summer, but no definite date was given for his sailing until last week. Mr. Patterson will return to his station at Sutsien about 300 miles north of Shanghai, an interior station of the Southern Presbyterian Mission.

Mr. Patterson is a son of Rev. B. Craig Patterson, '87, Missionary to China. He attended Washington and Lee University and Union Theological seminary and in 1923 went to China. He married in the summer of 1923 Miss Frances Glasgow of Lexington. Mrs. Patterson and their children will accompany him to China.

OPERATIC DEBUT:

On May 9th, Roy Nichols made his operatic debut in a major baritone role, in "Carmen" with the Boston Opera Company. This is the event of the two "introductory" performances of the opera company. The opening of a complete season is deferred until next fall and critics, who witnessed the rehearsals and expressed their praise of the excellence of voices and acting, predict a most brilliant debut for Mr. Nichols.

Through the ability he has shown in "Carmen" he has been engaged for leading roles in "Rigoletto", "Bagliacci", "Faust", "Aida", "Il Travatore", the only male role in "Hansel and Gretchel", and will be booked for other operas which will be included in the repertoire for next season.

Mr. Nichols, who is a native of Norfolk, Va., began his musical career in the boy choir of Christ Church in that city, later singing there as baritone soloist.



ROY G. NICHOLS, '27
Glee Club, Musical Comedy, Opera

Entering Washington and Lee in the fall of 1921, Mr. Nichols became associated with the Glee Club of which he later became president; vice-president of the Troubadours, as well as affiliated with a number of fraternal organizations. After his second year at the University he remained out of college for two years, studying voice during that time with an assistant from Author J. Hubbard's studios and showing such excellent possibilities that many southern critics prevailed on him to study for a musical career. However, he decided to complete his college course, and returned to Washington and Lee in 1926 graduating in June, 1927, with the degree of B.S. After his graduation he made his headquarters in Boston, studying with Jessie Fleming Vose.

On April 14th, Mr. Nichols was engaged as guest soloist for the morning and evening services at the Penney Memorial Church, Augusta, Me., where he was heard in several sacred numbers. His voice was described as a "powerful baritone of lovely quality and wide range."

One of the famous critics says of Roy Nichols: "The quality of his voice is exceptionally rich—his style of singing is most artistic—his personality is excellent." Another, in writing of his eight week engagement as leading man in one of the season's Broadway musical successes, said: "Roy Nichols brought the house down with his wonderful rich bari-

tone voice. The audience was held spellbound through the rendition of his vocal numbers."

Just prior to the rehearsals in May, Mr. Nichols wrote the Alumni, Inc., office: "Have a very busy week ahead of me so am trying to get all correspondence, etc., complete to date so that I may use every spare moment to rest my 'nerves' for naturally this is a very exciting time for me and I want to give my best."

As an added attraction during Commencement Mr. Nichols rendered several selections following the Baccalaureate sermon, Sunday, June 2nd, and during the Alumni Luncheon, Monday, June 3rd.

EXAMINATIONS FOR MERCHANTS:

Lawyers, physicians and other professional men must pass rigid examinations before being allowed to practice their professions in any state. Retail and wholesale merchants and other small business men may set up in business at will, may succeed or fail.

Paul D. Converse, '16, professor of Marketing at the University of Illinois, speaking before a prominent Trade Association suggested that regulations be legislated for entry into business similar to those for the professions, that merchants be licensed by the states on the basis of demonstrated ability, that such a course would mean less business failures, would bring about higher business standards.

FANFARE:

Richard Halliday, '24, of New York City, a former student at Washington and Lee and member of



PAUL D. CONVERSE, '16
Would Examine Merchants

the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, has written his first book, a novel, *Fanfare*, which G. P. Putnam's Sons will publish in the early fall. In his dedication, Mr. Halliday mentions John A. Graham, Professor of Foreign Languages at the University.

Mr. Halliday is a former resident of Huntington, West Va., and closely related to the Harvey family of that city. The late Judge Thomas H. Harvey, '68, was a grand-uncle.

While at college Mr. Halliday took a prominent part in the theatrical activities, and he, together with John T. Martin, '26, of Charleston, West Va., wrote and produced a musical comedy, "Eyes Up", which had huge success.



SOME MEMORIES OF MY COLLEGE DAYS

(BISHOP JAMES R. WINCHESTER, '74)

The ALUMNI MAGAZINE of W. & L. University stirs up memories of happy days. The dark background with notices of so many deaths of beloved friends brings tears that blur my vision; but each name has a radiance of immortality which assures me of a meeting again beyond "the vale of tears." Professor Humphreys taught me Latin in my Junior year and saw fit to give me "a distinction." He was a wonder-



BISHOP JAS. R. WINCHESTER, '74
Turns Memory's Pages

ful scholar and modest Christian gentleman—I loved him and got inspiration from his life and example.

Professor Charles Graves, Sub-Professor in the School of Modern Languages, taught me French. He advanced me from the Junior class, after a few months, into the Senior, under Professor Joynes. At the end of the session I received my Graduation Certificate. He took a pride in my work. He married Miss Lizzie Kirkpatrick, who was to my mind one of the ideal women of those days. Professor Humphreys married the daughter of Chancellor Garland of Vanderbilt, who became one of my warm and helpful friends. These two names are enshrined in my heart, along with the other Professors. No student ever had more devoted teachers than those of W. & L. U. in my day.

As I read the April number of THE MAGAZINE I stopped with reverence at the death notice of my dear classmate J. Munroe Banister. We received our B.A. degree on the same day. Outside of the class room we had other associations through family and church. Another beloved classmate and fraternity chum of those days, who kept me informed of passing events in our Alma Mater, was Frank T. Glasgow, also in our A.B. class of 1874.

Last month William F. Green of Little Rock, after long illness, entered upon his peaceful rest among the great company of God's redeemed children. He was devoted to W. & L. and told me some time before his death that he had one desire, above all other things, to visit Lexington before he was called away from earth. "Dod" Green as we called him, was one of the boys who loved "Calathumps" and College stories; and he retained humorous memories of the days in Lexington, with fondness for his Professors and fellow students.

When a boy at the Episcopal High School in Virginia, General Lee rode by one day in 1868, and seemed to leave behind him a magnetic influence, for the next year John Lloyd matriculated at Washington College. He was followed in 1869 by four of our boys — Lawrence Rust, Lewis Berkeley, Kennedy Owen and me, and the next year William Walker, Ned Lee and Tom Purdie. Since that time many Episcopal High boys have entered W. & L. and brought honor to their school and to the University, as the son of my close and congenial friend, John L. Campbell, can bear witness. Lawrence Rust reached Lexington a few days before me, and introduced me to General Lee, who advised and guided me from that moment until the day of his death. Rust was an "all round" student. His home runs in baseball, his debaters medal in the Washington Literary Society, and his M.A. in graduation, as well as his distinction in "the Calico ticket" placed him on the honor roll of student life. Owen took delight in baseball and declamation

and stood as one of the popular fellows. Berkeley stands out as "the humorist and wag" of college. His cartoons gave promise of a great future on those lines. But death cut short his life. He went to Mississippi for health, and there fell a victim to Yellow fever. I had a beautiful letter from him, written at Holly Springs just before his death. Ned Lee, my room-mate one year, became a noted physician in Philadelphia, and wrote "The Lees of Virginia" which is the authority on the Lee genealogy. It was in his home in Virginia that I met his first cousin, Miss Eliza Atkinson Lee, who became my wife. "Ned" and I kept up a most cordial association until the day of his death, and that was a sad day to me. I have had few better friends. William Walker became my classmate at the Virginia Theological Seminary, made a brilliant ministry of short duration. Tom Purdie adorned the Legal profession; John Lloyd, after a limited Law career, entered the ministry and was one of the most popular clergymen in Virginia. How fondly I dwell upon all of those dear fellows, who were with me at the Episcopal High School and in College.

It was in my second year that General Lee died and the name Washington College was changed to Washington and Lee University, a name suggestive of honor and refinement all over the country. General Custis Lee became a real father to me. As I had presented a letter of commendation from my Uncle to General Robert E. Lee, which put me on his catalogue of boys, I passed into General Custis' favor. I love to think of his kind words to me on all occasions. Graduation from Washington and Lee gave me a pass-port everywhere in the United States as well as in England. Therefore, I feel a just pride in mentioning my Alma Mater and getting in touch with her sons whenever possible.

I read with deepest interest the letter of my comrade "Soc" Stephens. It was through him that I was much helped in English. For I took the Senior course, which was really too advanced for me, and when I lost myself in Whately's Rhetoric, it was "Old Soc" who unravelled the perplexities and enabled me to pass the examination which otherwise I should have missed. His patience, as we took our long walks, in explaining "The *A Priori* and *A Posteriori*" discussions of Whately have lived as an evergreen shrub. We had a delightful day together in Dallas a few years ago and went over the splendid times we had in Lexington. I recalled so well his story of trying to get into the Senior class in Math. He failed on a catch question of Preparatory Math. Professor Nelson however realized his ability and proficiency and placed him in the Intermediate, where he came through with distinction. The year of his graduation with B.A. debaters medal not having paid

any attention to "the fair sex" he appeared in his new dress suit on the fashionable walk, from the College campus to the Institute parade grounds. Socrates of olden days had not under Xanthippe a redder face than our friend Stephens as he passed the students on that promenade. He blushes about it to the present time.

A year and a half ago, I went to "The Mayo Clinic" for a most serious operation on my throat. My special physician was Dr. P. P. Vinson, whom I found to be the son of William D. Vinson, one of the most distinguished students of my day at College. He and I had sat on the campus and talked as chums. When Dr. Vinson found out this fact, he became more than physician. His father died when this son was a small boy. How eagerly he listened to my account of his father's scholarship and wonderful career at W. & L. It was reported in our day that Vinson had worked a problem in Mathematics, which Professor Nelson pronounced unsolvable. It was also said that Vinson had a hundred mark all through his senior year and on examination. Along with Vinson we had Talbot I. Bartlett of Louisiana, who got the degree of M.A. in two years. He was the only student I have known who could prepare two lessons at a time. "Dick" Allen, his close friend, told me that Bartlett could take three studies at one time, having someone read History while he worked Math and some other topic. I told Bartlett in New Orleans of the traditions we had carried down, and he did not deny the charge. He set a standard that has never been surpassed by any student at our Alma Mater. On the day of Commencement, as he tottered to the platform to receive his degree, amid a tremendous applause, he seemed a ghost emerging from seclusion. But he lives now in robust health, ready to give an old time greeting to his friends. His was the only M.A. given that year.

Ernest B. Kruttschnitt was another prodigy as a student. When a distinguished visitor came to Lexington, and was entertained by Dr. Randolph Tucker, he visited the class-room of Dr. Tucker to see the kind of instruction the students were receiving for their Legal calling. The subject was a difficult one and abstruse. Dr. Tucker had carefully lectured on it the day before. Wishing to make the best impression, he called upon Ernest Kruttschnitt to recite. The recitation aroused the attention of the visitor, as most extraordinary. Dr. Tucker then dismissed the class, and the visitor went away with an impression of the Law Department of W. & L. that gratified Dr. Tucker who recognized the genius of Judah P. Benjamin in his nephew, with gigantic mind.

Who can ever forget William H. Tayloe of Alabama? He had Astigmatism of the eyes and would place his forehead on the table when writing, with his

examination paper immediately under his nose, or with his book almost against his eyes. But he took the honor of his classes.

Time would fail me to speak of "Billy" Edmunds, "Mike" Warren, "Pie-eater" McPheeters, and "Bones" Johnson, plotting on the campus some escapade — the decoration of "The Father of his Country" on the Main Building, or preparing the story of "The Burning of the Natural Bridge" for *The Southern Collegian*, or else planning an unprecedented midnight surprise in the quiet town of Lexington. These men were the embodiment of fun and yet had high standing with professors and students. Edmunds and Johnson, graduating with degree of M.A.; Warren with Bachelor of Philosophy, and McPheeters, looked up to as one of the finest men in college. Few alumni have left behind a more beautiful record than Tom McPheeters. Through his efforts the Y. M. C. A. of St. Louis was built, and his Bible Class was a wonder to all the city.

What shall I say about "Tom" (Nelson) Page? I was the first student he met when on his way to Lexington. It was our first year at Washington College. We spent three years in Greek, preparing for our final in the Senior class. He wrote for *The Southern Collegian* and his composition attracted admiration in those days. He also took an active part in the Washington Literary Society. Until the day of his death he was my warm friend, never missing an opportunity to say a word to help me. I once told him I had read everything he had published. He replied, "It is more than I have done." I was with him when he was writing *The Life of General Robert E. Lee*. Little did we think, however, that Nelson Page would have national reputation as a writer, and those distinguished scholars with us would be unknown. The students one night had a "calathump." My room-mate, Harry Bedinger Lee, and I heard that our room was to be a mark of their fun. We went to Tom Page's room, at General Pendleton's, and studied; then got in his bed. About one o'clock Tom came back, tired and sleepy, with his friend Tom McFadden for his needed rest. He found his door locked. In due time we let him in, and gave him the key to our room at the Blue Hotel, a mile from Gen. Pendleton's. For three years I saw much of Tom Page at York Harbor, where I held special services. At a literary entertainment, where Tom read several of his Dialect stories, the Governor of Maine introduced him as the most popular man on the New England coast. His beautiful residence at York Harbor stood for Virginia hospitality. In it one breathed the air of Washington and Lee.

Among my very happiest days were those with "The Dekes." It was a matter of deep sorrow to me that the year after my college course ended the

D. K. E. charter had to be returned because the few members could not keep it going. We left only three members behind, and the diminished ranks in college gave a poor outlook for recruits in 1875. Rev. William McPheeters, Irby Boyd, Rev. R. F. Campbell and James Hay are the survivors of my day in Eta Alpha. The splendid rivalry of the fraternities made better students of many boys. I recall how John C. Calhoun would urge us to keep up with the other fellows, and would point to Col. William Preston Johnston as a model Deke for us to follow.

I wish some one could write fully a sketch of the baseball team of my days at W. & L. Ed Kirtland was the wizard of the nine. As captain, his equal is rarely seen on professional grounds.

Perhaps the most profitable Christmas I had at college was in 1873 when it fell to my lot to keep watch at General Lee's tomb. The ground was covered with snow, and the small grate in the room next to the office, where I had first met the General for my matriculation, was bleak beyond words to describe. What sacred memories filled my mind; and how deeply I dwelt upon his beautiful life and influence upon my course of preparation for the Ministry. Several of my chums called to cheer the loneliness; but no student dared to shirk his duty at that post of honor. And so I stayed to the setting of the sun. At the funeral of the great President, a father to us, I had the honor of being appointed a marshal. How vividly I recall the scene. The hearse, the casket rested on the spot where I had at the end of my first session stood with my hat off, receiving the benediction of General Lee, who knew of my work and gave me his congratulations, with the hope of "finding my mother well." The sentiment of that talk with me, he wrote in a letter to my mother, a letter I treasure most highly.

I can wish for the undergraduates of my Alma Mater nothing better than the blessings which came to me in the friendships of my fellow students and classmates, the sympathetic help of my professors, the cordial associations with the Christian people of Lexington, and then, above all else, the preparation the University gave me for the duties of life. The Gospel message of the Ministers of the different churches seems to ring in my ear. The Rev. William N. Pendleton, D.D., whom we called "General" rather than Doctor, for he had been Brigadier General and on General Lee's staff. Then came Dr. J. William Jones, the Baptist Minister, a special pastor to all the boys and a devoted friend also of General Lee, whose life of Lee is a valued book in my library. Then the Rev. "Jack" Pratt, D.D., one of the most eloquent preachers of his day. Those men delivered a wonderful message week after week,

and joined us in Chapel services leaving an influence upon every boy. It is no wonder that the funeral hymn of General Lee was a fitting memory of the religious atmosphere of Lexington,

"How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord
Is laid for your faith in His excellent word"—!

THEY WANTED A HOLIDAY

In 1866 holidays were few and far between. Students at Washington College desired a week's holiday, passed resolutions to that effect, posted them for signature under date of Oct. 15, 1866. The holiday was not granted, the petition became the property of Jo Lane Stern, '67, of Richmond, Va. General Stern has generously donated the signed copy to the Lee Museum. It read as follows:

WHEREAS, during the present session the regular exercises of the College are carried on every Saturday and thereby we are deprived of the weekly leisure usually granted students, and

WHEREAS, we believe that a week of recreation will have a beneficial effect upon us, and that nothing will be lost by omitting the recitations for one week, and whereas it is customary for institutions to suspend regular exercises during the Christmas Holidays, therefore

RESOLVED, 1st, That we the undersigned, students of Washington College, do most respectfully request the President and Faculty to suspend the regular exercises of the College during the ensuing Holidays, and

RESOLVED, 2nd, That, should the President and Faculty see fit to grant this our request, we will be guilty of no impropriety during said Holidays, and at their expiration, we will return with alacrity and renewed diligence to our accustomed duties.

We would put in the plea that the speakers of the Societies chosen to appear at the anniversaries need the week for the preparation of their speeches.

Jno. M. Graham, W. W. Traylor, J. L. Barrow, Wm. H. Washington, E. H. Wyville, Joe White, B. V. Mullikin, Chas. E. Mayer, John W. Baugh, Thos. H. Bevan, Thos. C. Hanna, R. W. McCreery, T. L. Walpol, G. D. Wright, E. P. Dold, John Bowyer, E. P. McAdams, W. E. Smith, Wm. McD. Bowyer, J. V. Johnston, S. B. Lashbrooke, I. S. Thomas, W. M. Burns, R. Stanard, E. L. Carson, I. P. Rhodes, F. T. Anderson, Jr., J. B. Kent, J. D. Lacy, M. D. Hawkins, E. A. Cheek, Willie Viley, J. S. Clark, G. H. Glendye, Harry P. McDonald, William McCue, S. D. Tonge, Jr., Alex. White, H. H. Whitmore, E. L. Dancy, Geo. T. Lee, E. G. Dumble, R. C. Spitler,

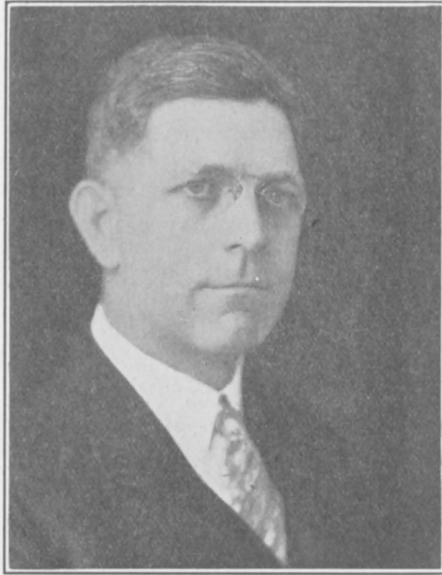
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LETTERS

April 8, 1929.

Dear Mr. Kemp:

One of the most essential items on the agenda of my last day in Washington (March 23) was to call round to the Hamilton Hotel to shake hands with Eddie Parks Davis; and this letter—to enclose my check for the ALUMNI MAGAZINE—is one of the



JAMES SOMERVILLE
Back to London Town

first I am writing on my return to London. So you can see that I am not quite as much of a backslider as you may have thought from my delay in returning the renewal blank.

I am back in London for two or three years, as Trade Commissioner with special responsibility for promoting trade in American agricultural products. I will devote some time also to gathering information on Russian trade developments, London being one of the best places outside of Russia itself for this purpose.

With kindest regards and wishing you continued success in your work, I am

Faithfully yours,
JAMES SOMERVILLE, JR., '14.

April 6, 1929.

Dear Mr. Kemp:

Have just received your letter in which you call my attention to the fact that I have not renewed my subscription to the ALUMNI MAGAZINE. I enclose herewith my check payable to you for \$2.50 for one year's subscription.

I think the ALUMNI MAGAZINE is one of the finest things that the Alumni Association has ever accomplished and I look forward each month to receiving my copy of it, as it is always sure to contain some information about someone I was in school with, and therefore I enjoy reading it. I am sorry I haven't any information to give you to put in the MAGAZINE. Give my regards to Forest Fletcher and take good care of yourself.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours very truly,
HENRY K. HILL, JR., '25.

April 20, 1929.

Dear Mr. Kemp:

Your letter of April 13th is another reminder of a matter that I've neglected for all too long a time. I feel that I must owe one year's subscription for a number of ALUMNI MAGAZINE copies occasionally sent me. Considering my enjoyment derived from them, I know of no valid reason why I should accept these copies as a gratuity. For that matter, my remissness in this regard has been so inexcusable that I must tender apologies instead of asking pardon. I enclose check in sum of \$6.50. Will you please apply \$2.50 of this as a year's past due payment and for the remaining \$4.00 enter my subscription for the next two years?

You request an accounting of activities on my part since leaving college in 1916. Unfortunately, I fear there is no tale of high, distinctive achievement to unfold in this connection. In brief, I have served as instructor at Shattuck School, Faribault, Minnesota, Hill School, Pottstown, Penna., Boys Latin (Dunhams) in Baltimore, and at Millersburg (Ky.) Military Institute. For an interval of several years, I conducted as manager my father's general insurance agency, at the same time serving as Town Treasurer and Recorder in Woodstock, Va., my home address.

While in Baltimore I studied pipe organ at Peabody Institute and in addition to class room duties here I am acting as school organist, accompanying the chapel services. I am continuing organ study with the organist of Washington Cathedral which is on the school premises. Berkeley Cox, by the way, taught here at St. Albans some years ago as did also Wiley Forbus. Since leaving W. & L. I have done some graduate work at Johns Hopkins. And in sketching my "career" perhaps I should include mention of a year in army service in Machine Gun Company, 84th Infantry. Several months I spent in hospitals following an attack of pneumonia contracted at Camp Beauregard, (La.), in 1918.

With apologies again for my failure both to subscribe before and to congratulate you on the news interest of the MAGAZINE, believe me with best wishes for your continued success,

Sincerely yours,
HARRISON P. MAGRUDER, '16.

April 30, 1929.

My dear Mr. Kemp:

Your letter of the 24th instant has been received. I regret very much that I was unable to see you when I was in Lexington last Friday and hope to have better luck the next time I come. The Washington and Lee Club of the City of Richmond greatly appreciates the publicity which you have

given it in the ALUMNI MAGAZINE. We are now engaged in a campaign for new members.

Wishing you continued success, I am

Sincerely yours,

C. H. MORRISSETT, '14.

April 22, 1929.

Dear Mr. Kemp:

I have your letter of the 20th instant enclosing subscription blank for the ALUMNI MAGAZINE, which I have signed and return with my check for \$2.50.

I am pleased to tell you that we have many alumni in Charleston and an enthusiastic Alumni Association here. Most of our activities are in the fall, about the time of the W. & L.-West Va. football game here. About once a year the Association entertains its members with a banquet, and these are most enjoyable occasions. Last year we were privileged to have with us Dean Moreland, who made a most interesting talk. I am told that the percentage of lawyers in Charleston who attended W. & L. University is greater than the percentage of W. & L. men at any other bar in the country.

Yours very truly,

HARRY V. CAMPBELL, '17.

May 8, 1929.

Dr. Henry Louis Smith, Pres.,
Washington & Lee University,
Lexington, Va.

Dear Sir:

As your delegate I paraded in cap and gown with other delegates and attended the ceremonies at the inauguration of President Day of Union College.

Under separate cover is a program of exercises together with newspaper clipping giving the addresses made. Dr. Angell of Yale put his audience in good humor at the Phi Beta Kappa and Sigma Chi dinner before reading his address by jokes such as:

"Martin Luther did not die a natural death. He was excommunicated by a Bull."

Hoping you will enjoy your well earned retirement, I am

Cordially yours,

E. R. CARICHOFF, '85.

IMPRESSIVE INCIDENT:

Notice of the death of Henry H. McCorkle, '96, of New York City, brought the following letter, reminiscent of the charm and courtesy of another

day, slight but poignant pointer of the heritage that is Washington and Lee's, from Mrs. Mary Quarles Turpin, wife of Rees Turpin, '92, and daughter of the late great Dr. James H. Quarles, long professor of Philosophy, sister of E. A. Quarles, '97, and of James H. Quarles, '89, to a member of the McCorkle family.

April 8, 1929.

My dear Dr. McCorkle:

It will be somewhat of a surprise to you when you look at the signature of this letter. Of course, I am presuming that you still bear my identity in mind; and you will no doubt wonder what the occasion for a letter can be.

The occasion, I am grieved to say, is the news that reached me through the *Rockbridge County News* of the death of your brother, Henry.

As I read of his successful life so early brought to a close, I recalled such a pleasant little incident that has come to mind more than once since its happening—now many, many years ago.

One fall afternoon Miss Mildred Lee and I were out for a ride in my two-wheeled cart. We often rode together, but usually we would drive out Main Street, or go up into the Brushy Hills, by Col. Alto, and then evidently took the road leading to your old home. Just as we made a turn in the road there appeared before us such a fine looking young man on horse-back, to this day I remember vividly the handsome picture he made as he sat erect but easy in his saddle. As he came near I recognized who he was, though I had never met Henry, at the same time he recognized my distinguished companion and no cavalier of ante-bellum days could have given a more courteous and appreciative salute than he as he doffed his hat and held it against his heart. It all came so naturally and unmistakably from the heart that Miss Mildred was visibly impressed and said to me, "Why, Mary, who is your handsome beau?" I told her who Henry was, then added the wholly unnecessary information that she was the inspiration of his gallantry.

This was the one time so far as I know that our paths ever crossed, but a light flashed from his soul into mine at that crossing that has never dimmed. I thought you might be interested to have me tell you of this little incident of his early years that showed the manhood within him.

Ever keeping in mind the friendship that has existed between our families for so many years and with kindest regards to Mrs. McCorkle and yourself, I am

Most sincerely,

MARY QUARLES TURPIN.

AMERICA'S CALL FOR LEADERSHIP

Commencement Address by President Henry Louis Smith.

From yonder cupola on the Washington building the benignant figure of the glorious Rebel of '76 looks down upon the sacred tomb of his adored kinsman, the later Rebel of '61, and guarding the entrance to this most hallowed shrine are bronze figures of these immortal founders of Washington and Lee.

In the normal development of a virile nation's life every student of history notes long periods of stability, of crystallized traditions, of dominant conservatism. Then usually following the heat and strain of warfare, the solid crust is rent as by a volcanic outburst. The ancient landmarks disappear. Long-established creeds, customs, social usages, moral standards are swiftly fused into a fluid magma to re-crystallize into the changed forms and new standards of a new era.

Such periods of swift transition, my fellow-Americans, are the turning points in a nation's history, when every passing hour is big with fate, and the eternal future is moulded on the clanging anvil of the passing present.

Such a momentous period of post war reconstruction faced the re-builders of the desolated South when General Lee began his immortal work at Lexington.

Since that tragic era of man-made destruction and heaven-sent heroism two generations were laid to rest from their labors when once more in our own day another hellish outburst of war hatreds and organized murder has wrecked the peace and unity and moral sanity of modern Christendom. And now today our whole nation, North, South, East and West, is passing through another fateful period of post-war disintegration and possible reconstruction. Twentieth century science is destroying many of our treasured old-time beliefs, post-war vices are undermining our hallowed moral standards, hysteric crime-waves are overwhelming our ancient legal barriers, intoxicating liberty is dissolving our former self-restraint, and an epidemic of revolt is assailing every bulwark of organized authority in every state of the union.

What then is your life-long task, your imperative duty, as the educated leaders of American life and thought? It is to saturate and control our modern science and modern industry with Lee idealism. My final message to the sons of Washington and Lee is to make this your life-work, your supreme effort, your steadfast purpose.

Let me, therefore, as we meet for the last time in this sacred shrine, imprint on your mind and heart vivid reminders of Robert E. Lee as the practical re-

builder of a disintegrated civilization in an age of post-war perplexity like ours of today, as the one American leader who planned an industrial South of the future based on the moral standards of the past.

1. Our first flashlight picture is of his non-sectional character, an amazing all-American combination of the rigid morals of the Northern Puritan with the chivalric courtesy of the Southern Cavalier. In him were distilled and concentrated all the ideal virtues of the Old South without its weaknesses. Its unusual combination of manly courage and womanly tenderness. Its habitual gentleness toward the weak and helpless, its passionate love of home and children, its chivalrous exaltation of womanhood, its lofty sense of personal honor and personal integrity, its deep and fervid religious piety—all these seemed to burst into full flower and perfect fruitage in the character of the South's ideal hero just before the tree of sectional civilization which culminated in such an all-American character was uprooted and destroyed by the tempest of fratricidal war.

Let me urge every member of the class of '29, and every representative of General Lee's institution, in this age of prevalent moral disintegration, to follow the Lee ideal by adding to the graces of Southern chivalry the sterner and diviner asset of spotless purity and moral self-control, thus building, each for himself, an all-American character, for every leader's life-work springs from his inner character.

2. My second plea is to follow the marvelous example of practical all-American Christian living which he exhibited during an age of creeds and creedalism and of universal religious partisanship.

Thrice fortunate is the South and through her the nation and the world that whenever and wherever in the long ages of the future she turns her eyes toward the stately figure of her ideal hero on the pedestal of his ever-growing fame, she sees floating over his head, as the one and only flag of his unchanging and eternal loyalty, not the stars and stripes which he so sorrowfully furled and laid for a time aside, nor the stars and bars which disappeared forever amid the smoke and thunder of the battlefield, but the sacred banner of the cross that starlit battle flag that knows no North nor South, no surrender nor defeat, no Gettysburg or Appomattox, that some day, in God's good time, shall float in universal triumph over land and sea.

My fellow-Americans, in these troubled times of waning faith and restless uncertainty and perplexed bewilderment my urgent plea is that from General Lee's inspiring example every American leader now before me may realize this awakening truth; that living, loving, personal faith in a living, loving, personal God is at once the source, the inspiration, aye! and the most accurate measure of all true human greatness.

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3. Our third picture is of Lee the all-American progressive, the daring independent, a half-century ahead not only of his age but of his family traditions and of the very South he fought for.

You and I live in an age of American science and inventive genius and ever-growing business enterprise. Yet the hands and hearts of our generation are still held fast in hampering bondage to empty names and ancient fetters and outgrown battle-cries. Let the vision of Lee the Progressive inspire every one of you to break every fettering chain whose only warrant is the sanctity of age and unbroken usage.

In that far-off time when the solid South almost deified chattel slavery Lee was an open abolitionist and freed his personal slaves long before 1861. In an age of religious sectarianism he was always in heart and mind and loyalty an inter-church Christian. In an age of increasing sectionalism and final secession he was an open and ardent advocate of an undivided union. Although a life-long military leader he openly rejected military discipline in our American colleges and universities. Although he fought four years amid the devilish horrors and hatreds of murderous civil war, he never once yielded to war hatreds or sectional bitterness, but loved the whole union even amid the tragedies of utter desolation and defeat. In an age when King Alcohol reigned supreme, when legal prohibition was hardly dreamed of, when soldiers and sailors were regularly dosed with liquor to increase their battle-ardor—under these circumstances this regular army officer was always and everywhere an absolute teetotaler and condemned alcohol in every form and degree as the deadliest enemy of human welfare.

Surely, of all his marvelous attributes this daring progressiveness was the most amazing.

4. And this brings me to my final picture of this forward-looking leader. I urge every one of you to duplicate, each in his own environment, General Lee's ready and far-visioned response to the call of a new age, a triple combination of keenest insight, prophetic foresight, and executive ability.

He was a military son of the old South, with its ancient system of slave-labor, its cultured and masterful oligarchy, its lack of popular education, its exclusive devotion to agriculture, all fatally unfitting it for modern industry. Yet when his starved and ragged heroes were disbanded at Appomattox, this greatest soldier of the old South became not only an educational statesman, but the creative engineer of a new industrial era. In five post-bellum years of poverty and wreckage he transformed and developed an ancient classical college into a center of scientific, vocational, and practical training for a new industrial South. He spent his time and energy as an educator

not on the ancient abstract classical curriculum of his day, but in training engineers, legislators, journalists, and business experts for new industries and a new era never even imagined by his Southern associates.

I urge you as twentieth century Americans to follow his progressive leadership by catching the spirit, attacking the problems, combating the dangers, and thrilling to the possibilities of this twentieth century age of transition in whose whirlwind activities, on whose far-flung battlefields, your life-conflict is to be won or lost. Recognize with open eyes and open mind and an open heart that this is an age of applied science and organized industry yoked in irresistible team-work. Scientific research and its application to human problems and human activities are transforming our civilization. Let them release your minds from fettering traditions and outgrown ideals and inherited prejudices and hopeless provincialism. This is the age of the highly-trained thinker, of the ardent specialist, of the clear-visioned warm-hearted expert who can transform pure science and abstract research into human effectiveness and human brotherhood and human welfare.

You face today a South and a nation sorely in need of active and effective leadership inspired by Lee progressiveness and consecrated by Lee idealism.

Ours is an age not only of organized coöperation and vast business enterprises, but of over-crowded schools and colleges. Never have Americans been so expensively, so thoroughly, so universally "educated" as they are today. Yet, alas! never has our blessed land been so filled with highly-trained and daring criminals as it is today. Our courts and jails are as overcrowded as our colleges. Our police are defied, our laws openly scorned, our whole land over-ridden with murder and highway robbery.

What comforting truth in such an era can we learn from General Lee's swift transition from utter defeat to the leadership of a new age? Surely this—the essential and eternal supremacy of the things of the spirit over those of time and sense; that real greatness cannot be determined or measured by the accident of success or failure, but by the indwelling purpose and spirit with which they are borne; that God-like character may rise triumphant over environment however difficult or adverse; that our houses and lands, our railways and factories, our visible possessions are not the underlying essentials of American civilization but only its tools and trappings already on their way to the scrapheap.

In concluding my plea for Lee idealism in modern America let me not be misunderstood. I have no quarrel with national industry or national wealth or national prosperity. Far from it. Let the utilization of our marvelous resources continue and increase. Let vast industrial enterprises bear witness to the

business ability of our energetic leaders. Let the land echo with the throb of engines and the busy whirl of machinery. Let the marvels of modern invention transform our daily living. Let every leaping mountain cataract be yoked to the service of man. Let our wide fields grow whiter with fleecy cotton, more golden with ripening grain, more stately with waving corn, smiling back in still more fruitful beauty to the sunny skies above us. Let the wealth of the world continue to flow in ten thousand channels among our people till ease and culture and leisure and material comfort have lifted the heavy burden of hopeless toil from every American heart and every American home.

But—let the lofty sense of personal honor and personal dignity and personal integrity that distinguished the fathers remain the heritage of their busier sons. Let the old-time courtesy and chivalry and hospitality hold their place in spite of business cares and sordid haste to be rich. Let the scorn of the old-time gentleman of the Lee type for trickery and the dishonest dollar protect this younger generation from the many perils of the modern market place. Let the moral and ethical standards of the past prove an effective bulwark against this muddy flood of luxury, frivolity, and shallow mamon-worship. And above all, let the deep and fervid piety of Lee and his associates consecrate our growing wealth and national power to the service of God and man, purify our business, our politics, our homes, and our ideals, sweeten into loving fraternity the relationship of American rich and poor, and make our growing wealth and national power not the admiration only but the blessing of the whole world.

Thus and thus only shall we be enabled to yoke the car of our material prosperity to the onrushing chariot wheels of the divine and invisible purpose, and win for ourselves active partnership with the divine.

"Build thee more stately mansions, oh, my soul,
As the swift seasons roll;
Leave thy low-vaulted past.
Let each new temple, nobler than the last,
Shut thee from heaven with a dome more vast,
Till thou at length art free,
Leaving thine outgrown shell by life's unresting sea!"

PERSONALS

At the fifty-sixth annual Commencement of McDonogh School near Baltimore, DR. DUNCAN C. LYLE, '69, was honored by having the cornerstone of a new building named after him. Dr. Lyle received his M.A. diploma from Washington College and the hands of General Robert E. Lee in 1869, having been assistant professor of mathematics during his college course.

He has devoted his life to teaching, becoming a member of the McDonogh School Faculty when it was opened in 1873 and continuing in that capacity and as principal until his retirement in 1919. His Alma Mater Washington and Lee, conferred upon him the degree of Litt.D. in 1913. Dr. Lyle is now living quietly in Baltimore.

JOSEPH JOHN ALLEN, '70, is recuperating after nine weeks' illness at the Park View Hospital, Rocky Mount, N. C. He writes: "I am up again and eating three square meals per day. I am the only Confederate Veteran in North Carolina who was a student under General Lee. Regards to the boys who study Latin and Greek. I can still knock 'em cold."

DR. J. H. DILLARD, '77, of Charlottesville, a former dean of Tulane University and now president of the Slater fund and the Jeanes fund, and one of the directors of the General Education Board of the Rockefeller foundation, is to be honored by having a new educational institution named in his honor.

The merger of Streight College, New Orleans University, and the Flint-Goodrich Hospital and Training School into a huge educational and training institution for Negroes has been practically completed and a charter for the new institution, to be known as Dillard University, has been drawn up. There is a probability that Leland College, a Baptist school near Baton Rouge, will also be included in the merger.

CONSTITUTIONAL LAWYER: Congressman Harry St. George Tucker, '77, spoke with authority in the House of Representatives on the National Origins feature of the reapportionment bill, made a profound impression with his interpretation of the language of the Constitution on the subject; was freely quoted in the Senate, was referred to by Senator Tyson as the most outstanding constitutional lawyer in the House, was consulted by Senator Moses.

DR. WILLIAM SPENCER CURRELL, '78, dean of the graduate school of the University of South Carolina, completed fifty years of distinguished service in the field of education in June. And after this half century of teaching and administering, during which he has come into contact with thousands of young lives at their most impressionable age period, Dr. Currell today, at seventy-two, is alert, active and in step with the times, his faculties unimpaired but rather quickened, his scholarship ripened and mellowed with the experiences that the years have brought.

JUDGE W. H. TAYLOE, '78, of Uniontown, Ala., says his most recent activities include "nothing but flu and loafing."

REV. ROBERT F. CAMPBELL, D. D., '79,

has been pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Asheville, N. C., for thirty-seven years. He was appointed to the James Sprunt Lectureship, Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va., for 1930. His lecture on "Christian Liberty" will be published in book form, according to conditions of the Lectureship.

MR. HUNTER McDONALD, '79, chief engineer of the N., C. & St. L. Railroad Co., accompanied by his wife and other members of his family, spent April 22 and 23 in Lexington. Mr. McDonald spent his boyhood in Lexington and this visit was the first he had made in many years.

J. W. ANDERSON, '85, is engineer for the Railway and Highway Construction in Latin America. In 1900 he was assistant engineer for the Nicaraguan Canal Survey, the Mexican Central Railroad; General Roadmaster for the Pacific Division of the International Railway. Mr. Anderson spent several days in Lexington during W. & L. Commencement.

E. R. CARICHOFF, '85, was selected as delegate to represent Washington and Lee University at the inauguration of Frank Parker Day as President of Union College, Schenectady, N. Y., on May 4th.

HON. MILES POINDEXTER, '91, of Washington, D. C., visited his old home near Natural Bridge in April. While in the county he came to Lexington and was greeted by a number of his friends.

REV. ASHBY JONES, '91, prominent Baptist minister of St. Louis, Mo., delivered the baccalaureate sermon to the V. M. I. graduates this Commencement.

At its meeting on February 20th, the board of directors of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company elected JOHN W. DAVIS, '92, a director to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Charles E. Hubbard. Mr. Davis, who was Democratic nominee for President in 1924, is a member of the law firm of Davis, Polk, Wardwell, Gardiner and Reed, of New York City. He is also a director of the National Bank of Commerce and a trustee of the Mutual Life Insurance Company.

DON P. HALSEY, '93, practising law in Lynchburg, Va., is Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit of Virginia.

HERBERT FITZPATRICK, B.L., '94, LL.D., '28, vice-President and General Counsel of the C. & O. Rwy., a Director of the Burks Memorial Fund, was elected to the Board of Directors of the Pere Marquette Railroad at the annual stockholders meeting, May 21st.

W. D. McSWEEN, '95, is practicing law at Newport, Tenn.

COL. THOMAS W. SHELTON, B.L., '96, of Norfolk, Va., appeared before President Hoover's Inter-departmental Airways Commission, May 22nd, in the interest of the establishment of a mail and commercial air route from Norfolk to Pittsburgh and the extension of the proposed route through the South-eastern seaports to Jacksonville, Fla.

DR. THOMAS J. FARRAR, '96, head of the department of German at W. & L., was a delegate to the convention of Virginia Rotarians meeting in Lynchburg, Va., on May 2nd.

E. H. SMITH, '96, grain and fruit broker in Colusa, Calif., writes us: "Please remember me to Capt. Ben Harlow and Col. Claude Feamster, both of whom I understand now reside in Lexington; also Dr. Livingston W. Smith and Dr. Howe. Although it has been more than thirty years since I left Lexington, many of my friends and classmates are still there, and I hope to have the pleasure of paying them a visit some day. I have gotten a great deal of pleasure out of your MAGAZINE, and I trust the alumni will continue to give it the support it deserves."

BRADEN VANDEVENTER, '97, of Norfolk, Va., is special counsel for the State in the matter of Fire Insurance investigation as to reasonableness of fire insurance rates in the state, pending before State Corporation Commission, involving a difference of \$1,500,000 per year.

H. St. G. T. CARMICHAEL, '99, vice-president of the Kentucky Rock Asphalt Co., of Kyrock, Ky., writes us that he just moved into his new home in April, his former home having been completely destroyed by fire last December. Mr. Carmichael was recently put on the Board of Managers, Ky. S. A. R., also Board of Directors of the Ky. Society for Crippled Children.

J. W. GARROW, '00, president of Garrow, MacClain & Garrow, cotton factors, was last month elected president of the Houston Cotton Exchange and Board of Trade. Mr. Garrow is well known in cotton circles throughout Texas. Following his graduation from W. & L. he became a member of his father's firm, H. W. Garrow & Co., cotton exporters, continuing as such until 1924. In 1918 he helped to organize the firm of Garrow, MacClain & Garrow, becoming in the meantime active in the affairs of the Texas Cotton Association. He was elected vice president of the Houston Cotton Exchange in 1928, and was advanced from that office to the presidency.

DR. JOSEPH DORSEY COLLINS, '02, of Portsmouth, Va., is surgeon-in-chief of the Seaboard Air Line Railway System, succeeding the late Dr. Joseph M. Burke. Dr. Collins graduated from the University College of Medicine, Richmond, Virginia, in the class of 1905.

REV. THOMAS F. OPIE, D.D., '04, of Burlington, N. C., was recently granted a six months' leave by Holy Comforter Episcopal Church, of Burlington, N. C., to head up an endowment campaign for \$500,000 for *The Churchman*, the oldest religious journal in the English language. *The Churchman* was born in January, 1804, and is this year celebrating its 125th anniversary. Dr. Opie is temporarily stationed in New York and is now directing the endowment campaign.

MR. LENOX B. TURNBULL, '04, of Hazard, Ky., was a visitor at the home of his sister, Mrs. Harvey C. Wise in Lexington, the second week in May.

RICHARD W. HYNSON, '06, is District Sales Manager for The National City Company, Washington, D. C. His recent activities include the participation as a vice chairman of Special Gifts Unit, Washington Community Chest (1st) which was very successfully put over, ably assisted by his associate in The National City Company, Mr. Charles Porterfield Light, Sr., father of W. & L. Law Professor, C. P. Light, Jr.

W. K. RAMSEY, '08, realtor in El Paso, Texas, writes us: "The ALUMNI MAGAZINE suits me fine. I consider it rather unique in its class and very interesting. Best wishes for its continued growth and prosperity."

E. CLYDE HOGE, '08, writes: "Have arranged to place both my sons in Old Dominion Camp near Lexington this summer, thus getting them acclimatized for the future. Expect to visit Lexington twice while they are there. Visited Melvin Kurth and his charming family in their Houston home recently. Also saw 'Dutch' Alderson there. Spent a pleasant evening with Dr. Deeny at Tuscaloosa and dined with Walter Hood, '10, in Birmingham."

LOUIS S. EPES, B.L., '08, Chairman of the Virginia Corporation Commission, delivered the annual Commencement address at another alma mater, Hampden-Sydney, June 12th, pled for the development of character as the fundamental requisite for a successful career.

C. T. DAWKINS, '09, of Tampa, Fla., writes: "Plugging along at an even keel and hoping some

day W. & L. will beat Florida at football. I find ALUMNI MAGAZINE a live, interesting and vital link between me and the good old days at Lexington. It is splendidly edited."

LAURENCE WITTEN, '10, is General Agent for the Massachusetts Mutual Life Ins. Co. in Cincinnati, Ohio. In 1918 this agency ranked 39th among 72 agencies. It is now 8th, although the company's annual business is five times what it was ten years ago. Mr. Witten is also president of the Cincinnati Association, which has been a mighty factor in making Cincinnati the best governed city in the U. S.

The firm of Alley and Geer (RAYFORD W. ALLEY, '10) has been dissolved by mutual consent, and a new firm has been formed for the general practice of law under the name of Glenn, Alley and Geer, with offices at 111 Broadway, New York City.

W. R. L. TAYLOR, '11, writes: "About the only piece of news that I have to offer is that my former firm of Garrett, Taylor & Edwards was dissolved by the retirement of its senior member and since January 1st Taylor & Edwards have been wooing the fickle public for its patronage. The change has necessitated considerable revampment, and if you have never had the experience of going

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through a dissolution and attempting to eliminate from your files and records the accumulation of thirty years or more which you have inherited from predecessors, my advice to you is do not seek it."

W. L. FREELAND, '11, of Miami, Fla., writes under date of March 20: "We of the Greater Miami District have been fortunate in having with us this winter an unprecedented number of celebrities, as well as celebrations. Al Smith sojourned awhile with us and President Hoover spent his vacation here. Lindbergh was here for the inauguration of the Pan-American Airways Airline to the Canal Zone, and I had the good fortune to be among those who went up with him. We also had as our guest for several days the Executive Committee of the American Bar Association.

NASH LeGRAND, '11, practising attorney at Hamlet, N. C., made a brief visit to Lexington in August, 1928, for the first time since leaving W. & L. He writes us that he enjoyed his chats with Dr. Easter and Dick Smith, lunch at Dutch Inn and short visit to Gift Shop and his chat with "Miss Annie" at Herring Hall.

ROSSER J. COKE, '11, was elected to represent Washington and Lee at the inauguration of King Vivion as the President of Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas.

WILBUR C. HALL, '14, was nominated without opposition for delegate in the General Assembly from Loudoun County, at a meeting of the Loudoun County Democratic Committee at Leesburg, Va. Mr. Hall has served for six consecutive terms in the General Assembly and is chairman of the Finance Committee. He is author of the Virginia Fire Insurance Law under which a reduction in rates is now being asked and under which hearing is pending before the States Corporation Commission. Mr. Hall has been prominently mentioned as a candidate for Congress to succeed the Honorable R. Walton Moore upon his retirement. Mr. Hall is recognized as an authority on taxation and has taken active part in the adoption of Virginia's tax system under which Virginia is fast becoming a leader in industry in the South.

ROGER BEAR, '14, is a ranking engineer with the Cincinnati Union Terminals.

FRED DAVIS, '14, is in the insurance business in Lynchburg, Va., with Davis, Childs and Company. He is also Secretary-Treasurer of the Lions Club of Lynchburg; Service Officer of the American Legion, Lynchburg Post; National Treasurer of *Square and Compass*.

MR. and MRS. ARTHUR W. McCAIN, '14, of

Scarsdale, N. Y., were visitors to Lexington during the week of May 6th.

DR. EDWARD LYONS, '15, has been elected president of the Detroit section of the American Chemical Society.

CHARLES R. STRIBLING, '17, is Commandant of Cadets at the Missouri Military Academy, Mexico, Mo. For the past four years he has owned and operated Camp Mismilaca, a summer school and camp for boys on Lake Taneycomo in the Ozark Mountains of Missouri. He has a two year old son, Charles R. Stribling, III.

MR. and MRS. HOMER HOLT, '18, and '25, of Fayetteville, West Va., were among the visitors to W. & L. for Finals. Their brother, Mr. Joseph Holt was a graduate in the Law school.

L. A. McMURRAY, '18, paid a short visit to Lexington in the early spring, the first time he has returned since his graduation.

DR. ARCHIBALD B. SHEPPERSON, '18, has been made assistant professor of English at the University of Virginia.

ALEX M. WALKER, '19, secretary to Senator Simmons, has just entered the insurance business, representing The Mutual Life Insurance Co. of New York. Alex has his office in the Southern Building, Washington, D. C.

MR. and MRS. EDMUND D. CAMPBELL, '20, of Washington, D. C., were guests of Dr. and Mrs. Harry D. Campbell on College Hill during the first week in May.

CHESTER S. SHADE, '20, of Beverly Hills, Calif., writes us: "My most recent activities include Miss Lindsay Pendleton Shade, born May 21, 1928, but no other event of really cosmic importance. My belated congratulations on the ALUMNI MAGAZINE, a truly worth-while publication. Please do not let me miss any issue. Hope to see Lexington again about October next and wish you could arrange to play the U. Va. game then as a mark of special consideration."

DR. DANIEL BLAIN, '21, graduating in Medicine from Vanderbilt University in June, is serving as "camp doctor" at Camp Andrews, Birmingham, Ala., which opened on June 5th. "Dan" received the offer of this position while interned at the Peter Brent Bingham Hospital in Boston, Mass. Formerly an Eagle Scout with experience as scoutmaster, he is particularly suited to the role he is now assuming. Dan was born in Hangchow, China, receiving his education at Washington and Lee University, where he was an outstanding football player.

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Wm. J. RUSHTON, JR., '21, has been elected president of the Alabama Ice Manufacturers Association, Birmingham, Ala. His election was symbolized by a three-column cartoon in the February 8th issue of the Birmingham *Age-Herald*.

WILLIAM F. McCANN, '21, is a member of St. Mary's Church Choir, New Castle, Pa. This choir broadcast over Station WJAS Pittsburgh, Pa. on Feb. 28th.

M. I. DUNN, JR., '23, located for the past four years at Huntington, West Va., was on April 15th promoted to Division Engineer, M. of W. Department, C. & O. Rwy., in charge of maintenance and construction work on Huntington and Logan Divisions of the C. & O. Rwy. He was formerly Asst. Division Engineer for the same territory and company.

FRANK RUSHTON, '23, and his wife were visitors to Lexington for a few days last month.

RICHARD BEARD, '24, of Albany, Ga., represents the Cherokee Mills in the Georgia District. He writes us that he is the proud father of a ten months old baby boy, Richard III.

MARVIN F. HUMMER, '24, has been admitted into his father's firm of W. F. Hummer and Company, Washington, D. C. The new firm name is W. F. Hummer and Son.

PROF. WALTER A. FLICK, '24, is teaching in the Graduate School, Emory University, Georgia, during the summer quarter of 1929.

RAYMOND M. FLESHMAN, '24, has practised Law for the past four years at Williamson, West Va.

J. N. THOMAS, '24, was elected president of the student body at Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va.

J. C. DUNN, '25, located at Baltimore, Md., is in experimental work for the General Electric Company.

G. D. MAYOR, '25, is draftsman in the office of the Division Engineer of the C. & O. Rwy., Huntington, West Va.

J. R. SEEHORN, JR., '25, is in the hardware business in Newport, Tenn.

A. R. (RED) HAWKINS, '25, is doing splendid work with the Kentucky Rock Asphalt Co. of Kyrock, Ky. He was recently promoted in the Cost and Accounting Department.

JOHN MINOR WISDOM, '26, is winner of the

Tulane faculty gold medal for having attained the highest scholastic average over the entire three-year period of the law course. A graduate of the 1929 Law class, Mr. Wisdom is a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, Phi Alpha Delta, legal fraternity, the Jambalaya board and other University organizations. Mr. Wisdom entered the Tulane Law school in 1926, following his graduation with a B.A. degree from W. & L. and a post-graduate course at Harvard.

FRANK D. CHARLTON, '27, is completing his second year in the Divinity School of Yale University. He receives his Bachelor of Divinity degree in June, 1930. On April 20th he joined the New York East Annual Conference and at the same time became pastor of the First Methodist Church of Wallingford, Conn.

BORN: To Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Curtis, '16, Roanoke, Va. on April 1, 1929, a daughter, Nancy.

BORN: To Mr. and Mrs. Wentworth F. Myers, of New York City, a son, Wentworth F. Myers, Jr., on March 23rd.

RENOMINATED, CHARLES J. McDERMOTT, Trustee of W. & L., as president of the Alumni Association of the Law School of Columbia University, where he graduated in 1889. Judge McDermott is a member of the Board of Higher Education of the City of New York, and of Adelphi Academy.

NEPHEW: H. G. Jahncke, Sophomore in the Commerce School, from New Orleans, has been in good repute as a student, has some distinction on his own account. Additional distinction came with the appointment of uncle E. L. Jahncke to the Assistant Secretaryship of the Navy, long a Roosevelt province, by President Hoover.

OBITUARY

DIED: Judge Thomas H. Harvey, '68, of Huntington, West Va., on May 7th at his home. He attended Washington and Lee during the presidency of General Robert E. Lee and had in his possession his diploma signed by General Lee.

DIED: Thomas Chipman McRae, '72, former governor of Arkansas, on June 3rd. In a glowing tribute to the memory of Governor McRae, Bishop James R. Winchester, '74, of the Episcopal Diocese of Arkansas, said: "In my judgment Thomas Chipman McRae was one of the finest characters in our public life, an outstanding figure as Congressman, Governor and chairman of the Democratic party in Arkansas. It was my privilege to know him as a law student in

Washington and Lee University, where he won the esteem of students and professors."

DIED: Walter C. Guthrie, '73, of Port Gibson, Miss., on March 4th. Receiving his B.A. in 1873 from W. & L., he embarked upon his chosen career of teaching in which profession he was employed for 35 years. During this period many hundreds of young men were helped and guided by him, and he is affectionately remembered by them not only as an inspiring teacher, but also as a sympathetic friend and counsellor. Gifted with a rare understanding of boys and their problems, his success as a disciplinarian was remarkable. After his retirement in 1907, he was active in various business enterprises, served for some time as a member of the town council at Port Gibson, and at the time of his death was vice-president of the Port Gibson Bank, a position he had held for many years.

DIED: William C. Hattan, '98, at his home in Erwin, Tenn., on March 25th. He was a native of Rockbridge County, Va., and his body was brought to Lexington for burial.

DIED: Robert Glasgow, Jr., '00, at his home in Charlotte, N. C., May 10th, after a lingering illness. He was the only son of the late Dr. Robert Glasgow, '75.

DIED: Robert H. Crews, '07, practicing attorney of El Paso, Texas, on June 6th. Graduating in Law from W. & L., he became engaged in this law practice at Albuquerque, New Mexico, where in 1914 at the age of 27, he also became one of the youngest assistant attorney generals of New Mexico. He resigned that position sometime ago and came to El Paso to practice law.

DIED: T. A. Thixton, '08, of Louisville, Ky., instantly on May 4th when the speeding motor in which he drove crashed into the B. & O. passenger train about two miles west of Jeffersonville, Ky.

DIED: Noble D. Smithson, '11, for eight years registrar at Washington and Lee, suddenly at Asheville, N. C., April 26, of heart disease. He was about 40 years old. Mr. Smithson entered W. & L. in 1905, graduating in Law in 1911. He served as registrar from 1912 to 1920. After leaving Lexington he married Miss Sarah V. Alley, who survives him with one daughter. Mr. Smithson was assistant trust officer of the Wachovia Bank and Trust Company of Asheville, N. C., where he had been since 1923.

DIED: Charles Schloss, '26, of Bristol, Va., April 1st, after an illness of nine weeks with influenza. Mr. Schloss was in New York City at

the time of his death, where he had accepted a position with Sartorius and Smith, brokers.

DIED: William Arnold, '28, instantly, the latter part of March, when the car in which he and his companion, James Henry, were driving, overturned near Fordyce, Ark.

DIED: Mrs. Helen Cassell Webster, suddenly of heart disease at Sunnyside, the family home near Lexington, on Monday, May 27th. She is survived by a son, Frank P. Webster, an alumnus of W. & L. who is now living in San Francisco; and three daughters, Mrs. Isabel D. Anderson, wife of Colonel James A. Anderson of V. M. I., and Misses Helen E. and Ella G. Webster, both of whom are employed at Washington and Lee University.

DIED: Dr. James W. Kern, associate professor of Latin at Washington and Lee from 1902 to 1924, when he retired, unexpectedly from a heart attack on Monday, June 3rd, at his home near the University. Dr. Kern was educated at the University of Virginia and Johns Hopkins University; the latter in 1899 conferred upon him the degree of Ph.D. He is survived by Mrs. Kern and a son, James W. Kern, Jr., of Clinton, Ill. A second son, Dabney Kern, was among the first young American soldiers killed in action in France. He also left a sister and brother. Dr. Robert Kern, of Richmond, and Mrs. Paul, of Gastonia, N. C.

MARRIAGES

HONORABLE HARRY ST. G. TUCKER MARRIES: Culminating a friendship of over twenty years, Honorable Harry St. G. Tucker, '77, and Miss Mary Williams, of Washington, D. C., were quietly married on June 26th, at the "Redwood," the bride's old home in Culpeper, Va. The wedding unites two of the best known families of the Old Dominion, linked prominently with its social and civil history since Colonial days.

MARRIED: Mr. William G. Saville, '18, of Murat, Va., and Miss Bernadine Hughes, of Frankfort, Ky., on April 17th.

MARRIED: Louis McMurray, '19, and Miss Jean Harlan, of Hedgeville, West Va., on May 15th. Mr. McMurray's father performed the ceremony, S. A. Anderson, '19, was best man.

MARRIED: John L. Patterson, '21, of St. Louis, Mo., and Miss Mildred Meadors, of Memphis, Tenn., on March 31st.

MARRIED: Joseph Vaughn Penn, '24, of Dan-

ville, and Miss Virginia Belvin, of Richmond, Virginia, June 22nd.

MARRIED: Hugh David Ebert, '27, of Lexington and Miss Emily Katherine Smith, of Roanoke, early in June. Mr. Ebert is a part owner and Manager of The Corner, Inc., of Lexington.

MARRIED: Christopher B. Edwards, '28, and Miss Gertrude Hardesty of Fort Thomas, Ky., on March 15th.

MARRIED: Hollis R. ("Babe") Spotts, '28, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Miss Aylwin Houghson of Roanoke, Va., in the Lee Chapel, Lexington, Saturday, June 1st. Mr. and Mrs. Spotts will make their home at Waynesboro, Va., where Mr. Spotts is employed as Athletic Coach and Instructor at Fishburn Military Academy.

MARRIED: E. A. Fitzpatrick, '29, football captain last season, and Miss Mary Lynn Petty of Roanoke, Va., Tuesday, June 4th, in Roanoke.

MARRIED: Campbell Cummings Hutcheson, '29, of Shreveport, La., editor of the 1929 *Calyx*, and Miss Mary Frances Marshall, of Marshall, Texas, in the Beta Theta Pi House, Lexington, June 6th.

MARRIED: Charles L. Abry, Jr., '31, W. & L. sophomore, and Miss Kress, daughter of Rush H. Kress, wealthy chain store owner, of Osining, N. Y., on May 13th.

BARROOM:

(From Ring-tum Phi, May 2nd). "Name your poison, gents!" In these days when the old salutation of a kindly barkeeper has become the death cry of the modern bootlegger, it seems out of place. But in East Lexington's one saloon, it seems to echo around the walls. For East Lexington has a saloon,—that is, every requisite of a saloon except the staple commodities, beer and whisky, which are lacking. Untouched for nearly thirty years, the visitor may see, in an old building on Main Street, the last word in the old-time saloon. He may go through swinging doors, up to the oak and walnut bar, put his foot on the brass rail, and let his eye roam at will over the glasses, whisky containers, flavor containers, beer kegs and malloets, cocktail shakers, measuring cups, flasks, labels and all the accessories of the bigger and better barroom. Distillers and brewers have their gaudy advertisements on the wall, one from Staunton, one from Baltimore and the rest from Northern firms. Peculiarly shaped chairs, their rear legs shorter than

the front ones, are scattered about the room. The "hind legs" are sawed off to give the patrons their desired tilt without encouraging them to put their feet on the walls. In the time of his house's heyday, some could be found in there every night. "None of them ever got drunk though," he said.

A MUCH USED SONG:

(Columnist in Miss. A. & M. Reflector)

The "W. & L. Swing" has been since its composition quite a while ago, a boon to cheerleaders as a "pep" rouser. There's no way of telling just how many times it is played to the day, but judging from the number of times we hear it here at "Ole Agri-meck," it must be in the grillions. It is the first piece of music that the amateur musician learns. During every college year, it is caterwauled across the quadrangle by trumpets, French horns, bass horns, clarinets, oboes, saxophones, flutes, picolos, violins, and faith-and-be-jabbers by lads blowing into jugs. Old Sock does believe the "Swing" is a song like "Old Black Joe" and "Just Before the Battle Mother," it has stood the test of time.

CHAPEL VISITORS:

There was an increase of almost a thousand visitors to the Lee Memorial chapel for the month of March, 1929, over the same month in 1928. 2,647 visitors from 38 states and eight foreign countries registered at the chapel last month. There were visitors from Australia, France, Japan, Canada, England, Korea, Mexico and Central America. Rear-Admiral Washington and Lee Capps of the U. S. Navy, U. S. Senator George H. Moses, from New Hampshire and Secretary of Labor James J. Davis were among the most prominent visitors.



FIFTY YEARS AGO

(From April, 1879, issue of Lexington Gazette):
 "April Fools—The young gentlemen of the University celebrated the advent of 'All Fools' Day' by a nocturnal parade and commotion. We are glad to notice that no damage was occasioned to property by King Rex and his mob. We could advise everybody on these annual occasions to keep temper. Young men will have fun, and to get mad and worried at a 'mob' is madness sure enough."