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GROWTH OF THE UNIVERSITY

The general air of prosperity which the students of the University found on their return to Lexington this year gives cause for no surprise, when one considers the amount of improvement that has taken place during the short vacation period. With two handsome new buildings and various other conveniences obtained at no small expense, marked progress is seen on all sides, and under the present energetic and able management great things may be safely predicted for Washington and Lee.

Except for the installment of the new heating apparatus the Engineering Hall is now complete. Erected and equipped at a cost of \$36,600 this building is not only a great addition to the general machinery of the University, but is a splendid ornament and improvement to the appearance of the whole institution. Situated, as it is, the first prominent feature one sees on entering the town, it gives that good first impression which means so much to the visitor.

The new dormitory building is another important addition to University's equipment, being just what has been sadly needed for many years. The building is conveniently situated and both exterior and interior are pleasing to the new student as well as the old. The entire structure adequately supplies a long felt want.

The engineering hall and the dormitory together go to make up an improvement that might well be considered enough for one year's work, but those who have engineered the scheme of new development have not stopped at this point. The installment of an expensive heating apparatus in every building of the University is no small undertaking in itself and within a few weeks the new plant will be supplying another need, of which the student body has long been conscious. The lecture rooms of the University will be far more comfortable in the future than it was possible to make them by the previous method of heating.

In regard to the new heating plant it may be said here that the work has gone forward with surprising rapidity, considering the unforeseen circumstances that have arisen since the first pipes were laid. Many things have occurred to delay the work which it was thought would be finished when the Uni-

versity opened this year, and all the old heating arrangements have been left in place to guard against an unexpected cold wave.

Besides the improvements mentioned above, the gymnasium has also come in for a share of new apparatus. New mats and new lathing facilities have been purchased and the gymnasium will be more popular than ever this winter.

Dr. Denny has received many congratulations upon the great progress accomplished by Washington and Lee in so short a time. Among the letters received was one from Mr. W. H. Reid of Chicago, donor of the Engineering hall, expressing his high appreciation of the use to which his gift has been put and of the treatment he received during his recent visit to Lexington.

Several members of the faculty have expressed their appreciation of the behavior of the students under the inconveniences they have suffered, owing to the delayed work in the dormitories and other buildings. In not a single instance did any unpleasantness arise. The splendid spirit shown by the student body in this connection only demonstrates the fact that the young men at Washington and Lee in this generation are fully maintaining the well deserved reputation of the institution for courtesy and a chivalrous regard for the feelings of others.

Rowing

The prospects of rowing opened up well this week. Already about 40 men have given in their names as desiring to try for one or the other of the crews. This list does not include any of the men who are taking football practice. Each afternoon about 12 men are given a chance to learn to row, and if any one who has given in his name is not posted more than once or twice a week he must remember that there are others to be trained and that each man is to have an equal chance with each of the other men.

All men who wish to try for either of the crews will please give in their names at once so that they may get all the training possible this fall. Next spring the football men will need to be taught rowing, i. e., those who wish to try for the crews, and that will take considerable time.

Rowing practice will continue daily until the weather is too severe. Then gymnasium work is needed until the weather opens in the spring.

VIRGINIA WINS

In the game Wednesday with Virginia Washington and Lee was defeated by the score of 17 to 0. The game was much closer and more interesting than is indicated by the score, the second half being a splendid exhibition of football, in which W. L. U. outplayed her opponents. All three touchdowns were made during the first half, Virginia being aided by rather questionable tactics. During the second half W. L. U. showed her true form and clearly outclassed Virginia, at one time working the ball to within 10 yards of the latter's goal. Much credit is due the team for the pluck displayed in holding down a team so much superior in weight. Particular mention should be made of Stone, Pryor, Bagley, Anderson and Alexander. In kicking W. L. U. greatly excelled U. Va., Alexander's punting contributing greatly to the splendid showing made in the second half.

Time of halves, 20 and 15 minutes.

Referee, Williams; umpire, Daniel.

The line-up:

W. L. U.	Positions	U. VA.
Bagley	left end	Springer
Chilton	left tackle	Cook
Rankin	left guard	Kite
Stone	center	Pinkers
Briggs	right guard	Hull
Hoge	right tackle	Johnson
Pryor	right end	Williams
Alexander	quarterback	Randolph
Campbell	left half back	Blake, Hall
Anderson	right half back	Crawford
Moomow	} full back	Lankford
Quisenberry		

Hop

An "impromptu hop" was danced at the Gym. last Monday evening. It was gotten up on the spur of the moment, as it had been rumored that several visiting "calio" were in town, but when the time came there were several illnesses.

The following were the couples present:

Miss Gadsden with Mr. Caperton.
Miss Tucker with Mr. Barclay.
Miss Brockenbrough with Mr. Ross.

Miss Staples with Mr. Dunlap.
Miss Williams with Mr. Steves.
Miss A. Gadsden with Mr. Barclay.

Miss Haskins with Mr. Dunn.
Miss Paxton with Mr. McBryde.
Stags—Browning, Wolff, Burks, Thomas, Pryor, Littlepage, Chilton and Campbell.

Phillips is a Sigma Nu.

Y. M. C. A.

The meeting Sunday afternoon, Sept. 25, was one of unusual interest. Mr. James P. Smith of the University of Virginia, spoke of the great need of workers in heathen countries, dwelling at length on the need of Latin America. Having spent the greater part of his life in Brazil Mr. Smith spoke out of a rich experience of the facts which confront missionaries to the "neglected continent." He also spoke of the open doors to missionaries in all countries, the last barrier being broken down by the recent successful expedition of the British army into the heart of Thibet.

Following Mr. Smith Mr. W. B. Pettus, the secretary of the Student Volunteer Movement, made an earnest and scholarly address on "Missions as a Life Work." He showed that only college men as a rule are called to the work, that only about 1 per cent. of our young men go to college; that therefore in view of our Savior's great commission to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature and in view of the great need of workers the burden of the proof was on every Christian college man to show why he was not called to go.

As a result of the visit of these men the Volunteer Band has increased from four to eight and a general missionary interest has been aroused.

The Glee Club

It is the hope of the student body that a Glee club will be organized again this year. Of last year's club Wiseman, Lapsley, Tillman, Webb, Stephenson, Anders and LeGore have returned to college, and with this number as a foundation, a splendid club should be formed. The club last year was good and the matter should not be allowed to drop. Any new men who can sing would do well to see Mr. Webb at the Hotel Lexington.

Maryland Club

On Tuesday afternoon, the Maryland club met in the law building and elected officers for the year.

The next meeting of the club will be held in the room of Mr. P. J. Phillips on Oct. 7th at 9 P. M. It is hoped that every man from Maryland will be present.

Long and Minatree are Phi D. Thetas.

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EDITORIAL

Don't fail to subscribe to the RING-TUM Phi at once and so lose no numbers. To the old men it needs no advertising for they have nearly all shown their appreciation by subscribing. Now let the new men who have not subscribed do so at once and so insure us a circulation which will enable us to run the paper in the present enlarged form this year and encourage a still further enlargement in the future.

We regret to hear that some of the University of Virginia players used rather questionable tactics against us in the football game last Wednesday. In some schools this would be pardonable, but in a school of the standing of the University of Virginia it is very culpable. No school in America has had a more enviable reputation or a higher standard of honor but such occurrences as those of Wednesday only tend to injure a great institution in the eyes of those who know the facts.

The RING-TUM PHI is to be a larger and more complete paper this year than heretofore and we urgently request the support and co-operation of the student body. Subscribe for the paper and do not read your roommate's. He may have to leave during the year and you will be without one. The price is only \$1.50 per year. If you want the paper hand your name to Desha, Dunlap or Duncan.

All college men should subscribe for the Southern Collegian, the University magazine. This publication more than any other in the University represents the thought, ideas and ideals of the student body. Its past has been a worthy one and it is to be hoped that the students will aid with both pen and coin this year.

Oral Debate—Oct. 3

Resolved, That an eight hour working day should be established within the United States by law.

<i>Affirmative</i>	<i>Negative</i>
Mr. Semple.	Mr. Thackston
Mr. MacDonald.	Mr. Smith
Mr. Crawford.	Mr. Phillips

I. Economic Aspect; A. Efficiency increased. (1) Men fresh; (2) competition more intense; B. Number of unemployed reduced; C. New wants developed; D. Better results in using machinery. (1) Less occasion for breakage; (2) More intelligent management; E. Hence increase of output.

II. Social Aspect; a. Physical effect beneficial; (1) Greater amount of time for recuperation. (2) Change of occupation productive of physical good; B. Intellectual effect beneficial; (1) Increased physical well-being gives mental improvement; (2) More time to come in contact with intellectual interests; C. Men better morally; (1) Men in physical health more inclined to morality of conduct; (2) Wider information elevates ideals.

III. System Practicable; A. Geographical Review; (1) In Europe; (2) In United States; (3) Elsewhere; B. Trade Review.

BRIEF FOR NEGATIVE

I. Political. A. special labor legislation by Congress unwise; 1. Constitutionality doubtful; 2. Unjust not to other classes; B. Labor contract should be free; 1. More beneficial to labor; 2. More in accord with democratic ideas; C. Labor fully able to protect itself; 1. This proved by experience; 2. Existing conditions all that could be asked.

II. Legal. A. National legislation barred by constitutional provisions; B. Plan not feasible; 1. In conflict with provisions of bill of rights; 2. If limited to certain occupations is class legislation; C. Police power does not include such legislation; 1. Minors already safeguarded.

III. Economic. A. Eight hour day less productive; 1. As shown by theory and experience; 2. As demonstrated by increasing use of machinery; B. Lower production means less wealth and less capital; C. Present wealth production barely sufficient; D. Hence further decrease means suffering.

Walter L. Main's circus will be in town Friday Oct. 14, to give two performances, afternoon and night, with a street parade in the morning. Main's show has been here before, having shown at this place about a year ago, and is one of the best on the road. They claim to have many additional features this year to interest the public. A large menagerie is included in the show.

University Directory

Washington and Lee University: President, George H. Denny, Secretary and Treasurer, John L. Campbell.

General Athletic Association: T. G. Stone, president; M. D. Camp-vice-president; D. W. Pipes, Jr., secretary; Frank Moore, treasurer.

Athletic Committee: Dr. Jas. L. Howe, chairman; T. G. Stone, M. D. Campbell, Dr. Bitzer, Frank Moore.

Football Team: T. G. Stone, captain; A. Steves, Jr., manager; D. W. Balliett (Princeton '93), coach.

Baseball Team: J. R. H. Alexander, captain; E. W. Kelly, manager.

Gymnasium Team: T. G. Stone, captain; E. C. Boice, manager; Dr. Bitzer (Virginia), physical director.

Track Team: J. W. Conover, captain; C. C. Thomas, manager; Dr. Bitzer (Virginia) coach.

Tennis Club: C. C. Thomas, president.

Albert Sidney Boat Club (Blue): T. G. Stone, president.

Harry Lee Boat Club (Red): C. S. McNulty, president.

Cotillion Club: T. A. Bledsoe, president; G. H. Caperton, secretary and treasurer.

Washington Literary Society: O. V. Armstrong, president; F. A. Magruder, secretary.

Graham-Lee Literary Society: D. H. Bradham, president; L. M. Moffett, secretary.

Y. M. C. A.: T. D. Sloan, president; R. A. Lapsley, Jr., secretary.

Glee Club: Directors, M. J. Anders and W. A. Webb; Manager, G. C. LeGore.

Fraternities: Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Gamma Delta, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Chi, Phi Delta Theta, Kappa Alpha, Sigma Nu, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Kappa Sigma, Pi Kappa Alpha, Kappa Sigma, Theta Nu Epsilon.

STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

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Southern Collegian, published monthly by the students. E. W. Kelly, business manager; H. C. Tillman, editor-in chief.

The Calyx, published annually by the student. E. C. Lendis, editor-in-chief; C. C. Thomas, business manager.

The Bowl fight is something for unophisticated Freshmen to look forward too.

Banana throwing is at present the accepted fall practice for the baseball team.

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Personals

"Flap" Pancke was in town the first of the week.

E. M. Millen is out after a few days sickness.

A. F. White was in Staunton Monday and Tuesday.

Dr. G. B. Strickler, rector of the University, is ill at the home of President Denny.

S. B. Thomas, who attended W. & L. several years ago, has entered the law school.

Miss Evelyn Williams, who has been visiting Miss Rust, has returned to her home in Washington.

Cotillion Club

There will be a meeting of Cotillion Club next Wednesday night at John LaRowe's at 8 o'clock. There are nine vacancies and any one wishing to join the club must have in his application Tuesday night in order that it may be voted on Wednesday night.

Five Dollars Reward

The owner of the hobby-horses on Main street, offers a reward of five dollars for the name of the freshman, who while attempting to curry a "favorite" "hobby" first dislocated, then, through fear of arrest, purloined the tail of the above mentioned "hobby."

Tennis

The lovers of tennis are taking advantage of the long, sunny afternoons to engage in their favorite sport. The courts are in splendid condition and are in almost constant use in the afternoons. Doubtless there will be a lively contest in the tournament.

New Football Rules

It has been the general tendency of late among football authorities to conform the rules to an open system. The new changes this year prove no exception. However the style of play this year is much that of last, a style that tends toward open light formations rather than heavy mass plays.

But one step has been taken in a new direction. Heretofore there has been no ruling against tricking a man to make him play offside but the new rules state that if the quarterback makes a fake motion as if to call for the ball an opposing player shall not be called offside in case he gets off.

Other than this the departure from last years regulations do not amount to much, a few changes in the positions of the men for certain plays being the chief difference. —Ex.

What Does it Mean?

The three weeks of the session of 1904-'05, which has passed into history, is extraordinary in many respects. The peaceful conditions which have marked the opening of this collegiate year have attracted the notice of upper classmen and faculty. The Sophomore crams his hands in his pockets and says, "Boys it's not like it was when we were freshmen." The Junior as he scratches his head in deep meditation remarks with judicial air, the Sophs. are not showing the Freshmen the time we did." And even the exalted Senior, as one of the faculty asks his opinion, carefully removes his monocle and proceeds to administer wisdom after this fashion, "Say Doctor, By Jove, did you ever see it quite so dull? I have wintered at several cowledges and really it is oppressive here, don't cher know." And now the Freshman "pipes" up and says: "I went to X— roads academy and we even bucked." Some one dares to interrupt him with cries of "Down with the Freshman."

Perhaps we are doing the Rip Van-Winkle "stunt" or possibly we have reached that Utopian state reached by a very few of our esteemed contemporaries, when we have no superiors and few equals. Let us hope the latter state is not ours.

But perhaps you stop our harangue and ask for the wonders at Washington & Lee of which we speak. For answer we point you to old George, as he stands bedecked in a suit of gauze of faulntonian purity.

We point you to you mass of freshmen with whole heads and tongues, we point you to the classroom and ask you to account for the deficiency in jokes and absences. We accompany you to the senior law class and ask where are those volumes of Howellian eloquence. Finally we ask you "pint" blank to account for the present "dry" condition of the city of Lexington and ask by whose authority the town council prohibits a student from taking a bath?

We cannot explain these wonders. It may be because this is a presidential year and that this is a calm that precedes the storm. It may be because it is leap year. Who knows? Ask Hutton, or Handy, or Ralston.

But whatever the cause we are thankful for the effect which proves that "peace hath her victories no less renowned than war."

Owing to the increased matriculation in the department of mathematics Prof. Nelson has been forced to secure the service of Dr. Kern of the Latin department in the first division of the senior class. Prof. son's entire time is taken up in his higher mathematics.

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Wash. Society

The Wash. Literary Society met Saturday, Sept. 24, in the Society hall. Messrs. Semple and Kelley were appointed extempore speakers. They both spoke on interesting subjects, which were received with enthusiasm. The question for debate was: "Resolved, That co-education in College is desirable." The affirmative was ably discussed by Mr. McGruder and the negative by Mr. Hawkins. The delimiters being absent the President called on volunteers. Messrs. Grubb and Hawkins responded to the call. They both rendered prose selections, which were greatly appreciated by the society.

A motion was made to make Drs. Latane and Willis honorary members of the Wash. Society, this was unanimously carried and a committee was appointed to notify them of the same.

The new members received into the Society were as follows. Messrs. Ritenour, Firebaugh, Maxwell, Hynson, Davis, Larrick, Will, Triplet, Wilten and Cather, after which the Critic made a few remarks about the merits and demerits of the speakers.

Law Notes

There has been very little of any interest going on in Tucker Hall this week. Everyone seems to be working hard and most of the extra time is spent in discussing Pleading and the other subjects.

The course has been somewhat changed this year, as the Senior's have Torts and Partnership entries, while the Junior's have Torts. Pleading has been made a six months' course.

We are very much gratified that a former dean of this department should have been elected President of the American Bar association. We congratulate Professor Tucker upon his election. Professor Tucker was connected with the Law Department for years and was very popular while here. He is now dean of the George Washington University School of Law.

Hon. H. St. G. Tucker Honored

Hon. H. St. Geo. Tucker of Lexington, ex-dean of the Washington and Lee law school, was on Wednesday, Sept. 28, elected president of the American Bar Association, the highest honor which can be conferred upon a lawyer by his fellow lawyers in this country. Mr. Tucker is at present dean of the law school of Columbian University of Washington City. Before accepting this position he was dean of the Washington and Lee law school, which position was also held by his distinguished father, Hon. John

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