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MASS MEETING WEDNESDAY W. & L. Wins Tennis Meet With

Several Important Reforms Adopted

The comparatively small attendance at the mass meeting of Wednesday afternoon was entirely out of proportion to the importance of the matters there under consideration. Seemingly the inauguration of a plan having for its purpose the establishmeni of all college enterprises controlled by the student body upon a more substantial and uniform basis should have engaged the interested consideration of every student in the University.

We are sorry that space will not permit us to give a detailed statement of the plan adopted. The main provisions of the plan, however, relate to athletics, the Calyx, and the RING TUM PHI. Provito have general supervision of all athletic interests in the University, including the collection and apportionment of all funds for athletics, the selection of managers for the various teams, and the awarding of monograms. The Calyx and the RING TUN PHI are placed on much the same basis. Hereafter the Editor-in-Chief and Business Manager of the RING Tum Phi will, as has been done with the Calyx, be elected directly by the student body, the associate editors in each case to be chosen by designated classes in Mr. Crockett Elected Valedicthe different departments of the University.

It is further provided that all managers of student enterprises shall at stated times submit decommittee to be appointed by the Student Executive Committee, which committee, after auditing said accounts, shall publish a report in regard to the same. The general elections for all offices to be filled by the vote of the student body shall be held on the third Friday in May of each year at three o'clock p. m. It is made the duty of the Student Executive Committee to see that the Sccretary of the student body posts the names of at least two capable men as candidates for each position to be filled at least one week before the time for the election.

After the adoption of the foregoing regulations, a resolution meetings.

V. P. I.

W. & L. opened their tennis season for 1907 by defeating V. P. I. in Blacksburg on Friday, May 3, the score deing 6 to 1 and the student body at the chapel 6 to 3. Owing to the wet courts the match was postponed so late in the day that the singles could not be played.

Campbell and Harris represented the cadets, Pipes and Eggleston playing for Washington and Lee. Owing to the fact that the courts were very wet and both sides showed lack of practice, the game was devoid of any spectacular features. For the cadets, Campbell perhaps played the better game, his placing being good. At the start Pipes and Eggleston showed both lack of practice and team work, but both picked up as the game progressed and before the close "Daye" had 'em streaksion is made for a General Athletic ing over in good style. The Committee; which committee is placing and lobbing of the Varsity lads were good considering the lack of preliminary training, while they did not show up so strongly in smashes and drives.

Too much cannot be said in appreciation of the kindness and courtesy shown the Washington and Lee boys on the base-ball field, courts and campus. During the whole stay at V. P. I. the boys were treated royally, and no pains spared on the part of the Blacksburg fellows to make the trip a most pleasant and enjoyable one.

torian

At a recent meeting of the Senior class, the resignation of Mr. Jones as Valedictorian was accepted with regret. Mr. Crocktailed accounts to an auditing ett, of Kentucky, was unanimously elected to represent the senior class on commencement day. We feel confident that as Valedictor ian Mr. Crockett will reflect great honor upon his class as he says farewell to Washington and Lee and to the people of Lexington.

> was adopted making it the duty of the secretary of the student body to post conspicuous notices of the time and place of all mass meetings, and providing further that after the publication of such due notice, the required majorities for action in any case should be deemed to mean such majorities of the number assembled at such

BAGLEY WINS

Suit Case Contest a Lively One

A very interesting contest closed Saturday, April 27th, when Mr. T. O. Bagley won the handsome dress suit case offered by the Mc-Crum Drug Company to the student receiving the greatest number of votes in their soda water contest, one vote being given with each glass of soda purchased at the fountain. The contest opened early in March, and for some weeks the vote went to show that a goodly number of men are popular. By a process of dropping the lowest men on successive Saturday nights, the number was reduced to three, viz. Messrs. T. O. Bagley, H. D. Porter, and D. W. Pipes, Jr. "Happy" led at the start and quarter, but before the half was reached, "Red" had pulled up along side and passed him. Up until the last day it was anybody's race, or rather suit case. Hundreds of votes which had been hoarded up, were plumped in that day, and neither prophet nor prophet's son could have picked the winner. When the smoke had cleared away, however, it was seen that "Shack" had gotten clear around the end and scored a touchdown. The final result as posted by Mr. 'W. C. Firebaugh, the superintendent of election, was as follows:

T. O. Bagley 4003.

H. D. Porter, 3167.

D. W. Pipes, Jr. 3051.

Thus ended a struggle which for interest and enthusiasm has seldom been surpassed at Washington and Lee. The V. M. I contest for a nobby English handbag, under the same conditions, is now at its height and will continue until June 1st.

A Card of Appreciation

As the next issue of the RING. TUM PHI will be final, with the exception of commencement number, I want to take this opportunity to express my deep appreciation of the co-operation of the students and advertisers who have supported our college weekly. Without their aid and assistance its publication would be an impossibility. By way of digression there are several subscriptions as yet unpaid. The manager's report must be submitted to the Auditing committee in a very short time, so kindly pay your subscription at once.

Francis G. Jones, Manager

Resolutions by Colored People

At a mass meeting held by the. colored citizens of Lexington. relative to a most atrocious act. committed by one of the BAD element of their race, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, there has always existed a feeling of friendship between the students of Washington and Lee University and the colored people of Lexington, and

"Whereas, there was a most dastardly assault made upon a young man of said institution by a Negro of this place without provocation, therefore

"Resolved, that we, the colored citizens in mass meeting assembled, do hereby denounce and condemn the act as such as only the most lawless and vicious of our race would be guilty of committing; and be it further,

Resolved, that we will in the future make an organized effort to restrain the vicious and lawless element of our race in this community, and we hope the better element of our people in every locality will likewise show their disapproval of such crimes and assist the law in bringing the culprits to justice.

M. H. MIDDLETON, Chr'm. Hugh A. Williams, Sec'v

A further resolution was adopted that a copy of these resolutions be furnished the County News, the Lexington Gazette and the RING-TUM PHI for publication.

A motion prevailed to make the organization permanent, and the following committee on permanent organization was appointed by the chair: J. W. Brooks, J. A. Pettigrew, M. W. Osborne, W. L. Price and Charles Jones.

Maryland Club

The Maryland Club held its last meeting for this scholastic year Thursday night at the room of President H. W. Miller. The most important item of business transacted was the election of officers for next session, which resulted as follows: President, E. H. Deets; secretary and treasurer, G. C. Gabriel; Ring-tum Phi Reporter, W. T. Delaplane. A large number of members attended and a very enjoyable evening was

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Communications

lditor of the RING-TUM PHI:

A very one sided article appeard in the last issue of this periodial, which was supposed by some be a report of the last prize all game played between the unior and Senior Law classes.

The article was evidently writn by a senior classman, as it wors of seniorious conceit, and esides being a crooked report it ras absolutely devoid of authenicity.

A member of the Scotland 'ards force has been employed to un down the culprit who took pon himself the perpetration of his little trick, and he has at last ound a clue. Action upon this nformation Captain Jackson of he Junior Law Baseball team has aused a warrant to be issued ; is hoped that speedy justice will dress on "The Landing at Jamese done An example should town." e made of him, if he should be ound to be the guilty party so as o warn other young men of that alibre, that they should not err n that manner and thereby place hemselves in this unenviable redicament.

In truth the game in question ras very one sided,-going to the uniors,-not by a close score, as he former article put it, but by a core of 12 to 3 in favor of the uniors. The Seniors were outdayed at every stage of the game.

The former report asserts that with the exception of the first nning the Seniors had the best of Well, we will leave that to ed the audience no little. ome one who knows better, but ven were you to eliminate the even scores made by the Juniors n that inning the score would be to 3 in favor of the Juniors.

But laying all jokes aside, it is ust a case of being outplayed by tion by Mr. Beddow. he Juniors. Its not hard luck-10, 'no.

The game was won by the reglar Junior Law class team, not y ringers, but owing to the suerior ball played by them the ery amateurist efforts of the Senors were shown up.

Cheer up, Seniors, don't be ighing, for there is a rainbow in he sky. There is another game ill let you have a small portion f the prize that is sure to be won y the Juniors, because we are not A JUNIOR selfish set.

The class in Senior Economics rishes to thank Prof. Lauck for is kindness in presenting to the nembers neatly typewritten copes of his notes on the subject of exation.

"Old Wash." Society

The Washington Literary Society convened in regular session on Candidates for Student Offices Saturday, May 4th.

Immediately afterwards the Graham-Lee Society met with us in joint session. We were addressed by Mr. Grubb, an alumnus of Washington and Lee and an old member of the Wash., which was enjoyed immensely by all who were fortunate enough to hear him.

Mr. Spahr, the first orator of the evening, took for his theme the "Negro Question," which he handled in an able manner.

Mr. Gabriel followed with an oration on "One of America's Heroes," which was exceedingly good.

Mr. McCown, the third orator, had for his subject "Politics, which he handled in a masterly For President of Student Body: and creditable manner.

Mr. Johnson rendered an excellent declaration.

Mr.Landon gave an extemporaneous address with "Journalism" as his subject. Mr. Eldred folgainst one, Boot L. Benson, and lowed him with a very good ad-

> The debate came next with Messrs. Johnson and Batton on the affirmative, and Mr.Raymond For Ch'man Athletic Committe: Kenny championed the negative single handed.

The decision was rendered in favor of the affirmative.

Graham-Lee Society

The society met in regular session at 8,20 p. m. Saturday, May 4, President Keebler in the chair. The program was taken up but both orators were absent. Mr. Burks delivered an oration from "Leopard Spots" which interest-

The program was temporarily suspended for a joint meeting with the Washington Society on important business.

This was followed by a declama-

The debate was then taken up on the subject that "the so-called unwritten law governing crime. justified under plea of 'dementia americana' shall be embodied in and wholly regulated by statute." The affirmative was supported by Messrs, Beale and Birret, the negative by Messrs. et to be played, then perhaps we Milling and Bayer. The negative

> Under the head of business the society voted that the Calyx representative be paid an extra assess ment of the membership was made to meet the necessary ex-

After discussion of other business the society adjourned.

Official Ballot

ELECTION FRIDAY, MAY 17th

For Editor of Ring-tum Phi:

EPES SMITHSON BURTON

For Bus, Manager Ring-tum Phi:

ANTHONY HOUSER

For Editor of Calyx:

KEEBLER RAMSEY

For Business Manager of Calyx:

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CLAUDY J. L.CAMPBELL, Jr.

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LAWYERS PLAY RUBBER

By numerous mishaps and misplays the Seniors lost though by an even closer score than that of the former game. The juniors claim it as their victory but in fact it was a Senior's defeat.

The famous star twirler of the junior's was hit freely, but poor base running of the 07's prevent-ed scoring. It may be well also to add something of the luck which favored the juniors. In one inning with the bases full a long fly was hit between center and left and Kidd and Beard ran together. The ball landed on Kidd's head and made a bound into Beard's hands, who retained it in a spectacular manner. This ended the side and prevented three men from seoring. The junior's played as though they already scented the fumes of glory of the much coveted prize, and allowed themselves to become intoxicated with confidence of victory. this game also they had a bad first inning, but after that settled down on occasions and played great ball.

Those in the grandstand were delighted with the unique costume wore by Whittington.

There was not much betting on the game. This is attributed to the fact that the juniors didn't have their nerve with them; though they made an extrane effort in the shape of Mr. Burton to show that they were game and raised thirty-five cents. The war is now over .. Lets imbide the teachings of the dose of peace tonight, while embracing alike both friend and foe.

Two More Games

Contrary to expectations, the baseball team will play two mar-games. The circumstances are as follows; Manager Toms schooluled two games With Central University of Kentucky, for Thursday and Friday, May 16th and 17th. Later he was com-pelled to concel these. But the Bluegrass ball-tossers kicked and even went so far as to telegraph to President Denny in order to force our management to keep their contract. Now in order to meet the guarantee it will be necessary to charge a quarter admission to each of these games. This admission applies to students as well as to others.

Johnnie and his boys des ry-well of the student body. Come out and show your appreciation of the Columbia, Georgia and A. & M., victories by a whole souled support in this final round. Come out! Come out! Come out! And this means you.

Mr. W. E. Jones, who has been confined to his room for some time, is out again.

Miss Sallie Addison of Norfolk, sister of Prof.John West Addison, is the guest of the Misses Irwin on White street.

Mrs. Jas. I. Vance of Newark, N. J., was the guest of her brother, Dr.W. S. Currell, on the campus this week.

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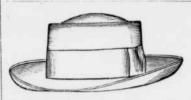
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· For a brief period the entrance requirements appeared to diminish the number of students, but this effect was only temporary. The history of the institution since has been one of steady growth in the number of students and the practical result of the change seems to have been to increase the numbers. The proposed elevation of entrance requirements will possibly check the rapid increase observed in late years, but shon'd it do so it can hardly be regarded as a disadvantage, for the institution is doing about all the work it can do with the present endowment.

The standard of entrance requirements has been a very moderate one. For those who take elective courses o ly it amounts to about two years study in a high school; two studies having been made mandatory, English and mathematics. For those who take the regular A. B. course the proficiency acquired by about three years study in the high school completes the entrance re

The new entrance requirements will not go into effect until the session of 1908-1909, when the requirements now in force for entrance as students in the A. B. course will apply to all students. In other words no one can become a student unless he shall have done three years high school work.

More than that the faculty determined that an as early a date as it high school work shall be made the condition of admission. In making this rule they are conforming to that set by the best colleges of the North such as Yale, Harvard and Prince-

In conforming to this standard of entrance they are meeting too the conditions under which professors in institutions are made, under the terms of the Carnegie foundation, entitled to the benefits of annuities from that fund, after a stated period of service.

The new fence which encloses the campus on Washington street will soon be completed. This is quite an improvement over the old wooden 'structure and the turnstile, which was quite a menace to students endeavoring to pass the stile and in going in opposite directions at the same time.

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