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"DUTCH" ALDERSON, CAPT. OF '08

Chosen to Lead W. & L's. Gridironists for Next Year

At a meeting of the members of W. & L's. 07 football team, and Brown. Edwin LeRoy Alderson of Baltimore was chosen to lead the team for next session. That the selection was a wise one and met the approval of the entire student tive to the State Oratorical conbody is evidenced by the favorable comment on all sides.

"Dutch" has been in school here for three years, and has made his monogram each year. peculiar incident of his connection with the W. & L. football over, and "Dutch" answering team is, that he has played every the call, smashed the desperatly position on the team, except at stubborn line of Va. for the requarter. It was not until this quired gain. Again in the Buckyear that he was tried out at nell game, perhaps the hardest full-back. Coach Brown, who game we played, their beefy line had been using "Dutch" as a was unable to stop him under six general utility man, was experi- yards a single time. His splendid encing no little difficulty in work- physicial ing up a man for this important heighth of 5 feet 11 inches and position, when he decided to try weight of 170 pounds make him out "Dutch." His work was so an ideal full-back. He has good Streit running his interference. favorable the first evening, that headwork, plenty of nerve and he was made a fixture.

"Dutch's" best work has been at full, where he has the past season been a star. In the V. P. I. game Ed. Brown and Alderson were playing their first game has won the friendship of all the in W. & L's. back field, but regardless of this patched-up backfield, the strong V. P. I. line "Dekes." wanted someone to carry the ball election.

Washington Society

On last Saturday night a most interesting and instructive program was rendered. Both the orations and declaratons were very commendable. The orators were Messrs. Cather and Skaggs and the declaimer Mr. Gabriel. One orator and one declaimer were absent. Excellent impromptu speeches were made by Messrs. Dameron, W. E., and Turnbull, W. J.

One of the finest debates in weeks was attentively listened to, the question being, Resolved, That Wm. J. Bryan should be be the next presidential nominee of the Democratic party. thusiastic speeches with strong argument were presented by both Messrs. Hodges and Porter of the affirmative and Messrs. Kenny and O. W. Richardson of the negative. The negative was awarded the decison by the judges, Messrs. McCord, Lloyd

Mr. Caldwell and Mr. Ashley were admitted to membership and Mr. Kenny was elected to fill a vacancy in the contest with at W. & L. our sister society for a representa-

After a cordial invitation from Graham-Lee to attend their celebration, and a half hour discussion of Constitutional Revision, the society adjourned.

development, hits the line low, three of the main qualities of a good full-

"Dutch" is one of the most popular men in the university, and his good natured disposition students. He is a member of Theta Chi, a prominent local fraternity, and petitioner of the "Dutch" is emiwas unable to hold the "Flying nently fitted for the leadership Dutchman." It was against to which he has been elected, and Virginia when we were on their the outlook for a successful year,



BILL STREIT

We take great pleasure this week in presenting in our columns over the exercises with Mr. D a cut of Capt. Bill Streit of '07 P. Boyer as secretary. Mr. J. football team, the man whose work has been so prominent in

Captain Streit has been on the foot-ball and basket-ball teams for the last two seasons, being captain of both teams last season. Bill's best work, however, is on the gridiron. He is not a star at half-back in carrying the ball, but his defensive work is nothing less than great, and no half-back in the South can run a better interference. His stocky build and great strength enable him to carry the defense of the opposing team out of harm's way while his other half brushes through a hole for consistent gains. "Shack" Bagley is quoted as saying that any half-back could play good ball with Bill

Captain Streit is a scrappy player and always kept his men hustling. This was one of the things responsible for the team's good showing; they were always full of fight. Captain Streit says he is coming back next year and play tackle. It is certainly to be hoped that he does, for in this position his work as a defensive player will be of so much more 5 yard line that Captain Streit has been strengthened by his are, "Here's to your success Captain Streit.

GRAHAM-LEE CELEBRATION of

Somers and Scott Medal Winners

On last Monday evening the Graham-Lee Literary society held their annual celebration. The speakers were greeted by a much larger audience than usually attend such celebrations, and in consequence of the inspiration thereby afforded, acquitted themselves excellently. Music was furnished by the orchestra from the Virginia School for the blind at Staunton, with Professor Beardsworth, the leader of the famous Stonewall Band, as director. The playing of the blind boys brought down the house repeatedly and their songs were liberally applauded and encored.

Mr. R. C. Milling presided H. Price was chief marshal.

The orators of the evening were Messrs. Charles E. Burks of raising the standard of athletics Mississippi, whose subject was: "The Triumph of Industry Under the Banner of Freedom," and Mr. E. W. Somers of Virginia, who spoke on "Our Heritage as Southerners.

Messrs. W. G. Long of Virginia, and H. R. Maler of Virginia, upheld the affirmative of the question: Resolved, That local option is a better means of dealing with the liquor problem than state prohibition; against Messrs. A. L. Herold of West Virginia, and L. G. Scott of Virginia. The affirmative held that local option is preferable to state prohibition because local option expresses the real sentiment of the people without which no law can be enforced; that state prohibition is defective in that it attempts to coerce communities not really favoring it, and thereby fails in its purpose in those communities. The negative held that state prohibition has been more successful in its general workings than local option, that although not absolutely enforced, it must be judged by its purpose, not results; that the very fact that liquor dealers prefer local option, is convincing evidence that state prohibition is more damaging to their business.

The judges, Rev. W. S. Hammond, Professors W. S. Currell service. But in case he should and J. R. Long, awarded the fail to come back our sentiments orator's medal to Mr. Somers and the debater's medal to Mr. Scott.

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Rockbridge County News Print

The plan put forward by Coach Krebs for the organization of class basketball teams, and his very liberal offer to give his time to rounding these teams into shape, deserves the consideration of every student. Such games would, without doubt, materially help the varsity schedule, and would arouse almost as much interest as the inter-collegiate contests. They would serve to break the monotony of the winter period, and should be liberally patronized. There is still another advantage to be seen in interclass basketball; that is the larger number of men who would thereby be induced to take vigorous, healthful exercise, and the added possibility of discovering a star who would strengthen the varsity when needed.

EXCHANGES

The number of students regis tered at Cornell this year is 4640.

It has been announced that Dr. Henry Parker Willis wi!l deliver the Washington birthday address at Randolph-Macon, Ashland.

A monument to Washington Duke is being erected at Trinity College, N. C. The monument is [the work of Valentine, the Richmond sculptor.

The Mask and Wig club of the University of Pennsylvania will present a new play this year entitled "Uncle Sam's Ditch, or Panama to Date."

The Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Association, Eastern division, met in Richmond last week. The members of the Eastern division are William and Mary, Hampden-Sidney, Randolph-Macon and Richmond College.

UNIVERSITY ASSEMBLY

Dr. Vance Addresses Students

Dr. Jas. I. Vance of Newark, N. J., addressed the student body in the chapel Tuesday, Jan. 21st, at 12 o'clock, his subject being "A Man's Growth Toward God."

The opening prayer was made by the Rev. Mr. Hammond. Dr. Denny then announced that the athletic committee had decided that in the future all monograms would be awarded in chapel. He then awarded a monogram to Mr. J. F. Clark, winner in the singles during the tennis tourna-

In his address Dr. Vance said a man's failure to be what God wants him to be is not so much accidental as intentional. Nearly every man passes through a sceptical period in his life and in order to overcome or escape this scepticism the establishment of faith is necessary. Growth toward God is made possible only after faith has been established and as the growth progresses the faith is strengthened. This faith must be genuine and not like that of the followers of Dowie, or of the Christian Scientists, for their faith lacks the true spiritual element.

There are three modes of growth. First, growth by accretion, in which the soul still remains small. Second growth by inflation, which involves "Hot Air." and hypocrisy. Lastly. growth by evolution, which is the true mode of growth since it involves convictions and right principles. It is only through this true growth established and strengthened by a sincere faith that man can reach his greatest happiness.

The University of Pennsylvania baseball team will make a Southern trip in April. Among the games to be played are two with Virginia in Charlottesville, Navy at Annapolis, and Georgetown in Washington.

Harlan, the great drop-kicking half back of Princeton, may en-ter the University of Virginia next fall to study law. Harlan is also a baseball player of note and would strengthen Virginia athletics immensely.

ORAL DEBATES

Jan. 27, 1908

Resolved, That the present existing temperance legislation has been beneficial to the South and should meet with a wider accept-

SPEAKERS

Affirmative Negative Heard Hodges Watkins

BRIEF FOR AFFIRMATIVE

I. What the recent legislation has been. a. In Georgia. b. In Alabama. c. In Kentucky. d. In Tennessee. e. Affairs in Mississippi. f. In North Carolina. g. Summary of all the coun-

II. This legislation will check the use of liquor, a. For local option and prohibition both have this as their purpose. b. These laws will be enforced. 1, For strong public sentiment is behind

III. Recent legislation has been beneficial. a. For it encourages business. b. Helps solve the race problem. c. Purifies politics. d. Decreases crime.

IV. It should meet with a wider acceptance. a. For existing evil in large cities would be helped. a. For benefit should be received by all.

BRIEF FOR NEGATIVE

A. The temperance crusade in the South. I. Local option. 2. Prohibition.

B. Recent legislation in Southern states has been found deficient. 1. Does not check interstate liquor traffic. 2. Is infringement of human rights. a. Interferes with the liberties of American citizens. b. Drinking is question of individual conscience. 3. Stimulates the growth of underground dives. a. Sudden deprivation is impossible in ignorant community used to drink. 4. Diverts revenue into foreign channels. a. Under local option, or even state prohibition, liquor through one avenue or another will find its way in. 5. Does not reduce police expenditure nor prevent crime. a. Dissipation is not sole agency of crime. b. Ignorance, the mother of unlawfulness, is prevalent in South. 6. Statutory prohibition is violation of the right of self-government. a. Forces observation of law upon certain communities where statute is unnecessary.

C. Not liquor legislation but mental elevation of the inhabi-

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tants of the South necessary. 1. Ignorance fosters a mal-practice; which education destroys by exhibiting bad results. 2. Law forced by warrant not in accord-

ance with democracy.

D. Temperance legislation has not been beneficial to the South add should not meet with acceptance. 1. Has not reduced crime. 2. Has not advanced education. 3. Has not lowered public expenses. 4. Has not checked liquor drinking. 5. Has lowered public revenue. 6. Has transgressed the rights of individual citizens. 7. Has countenanced acts of extremists, and given support to fanaticism. 8. Has brought the saloon into politics. 9. Has exploited name of church. 10. Has ostracised itself from the support of the church, and statesmen.

MASS-MEETING FOR MEN

Addressed by Dr. JAMES I. VANCE

To-night, 8 o'clock, Presbyterian Church

Go early to get a seat

LEXINGTON, VA., JAN. 25, 1908

Personals

Mr. G. F. Effinger is in Staunton on business.

The many friends of Mr. G. T. Knote will be glad to learn that his condition is much improved.

Miss Mary McPheeters, of Columbia, S. C., is visiting at the home of her aunt, Mrs. F. T. Glasgow.

Albert Sidney Boat Club

was called to order by President a few days, and was considered Riser yesterday afternoon in Engineering Hall. Calyx reprepresentation was the first subject for discussion, and was put in the hands of a committee of Lexington, and the late Arcomposed of Messrs. Hobson, Hoge and Bledsoe, R. B.

The committee on new boats reported that another boat was needed, and recommended that it be purchased. They also reported that seats to replace those stolen from the boats during the summer had been ordered and will be here shortly.

The next matter to come up was the election of the crew committee, Messrs. Hoge and Riser being chosen with power to name a third man. After the enrollment of a large number of new members, the meeting adjourned.

Freshman Class Meeting

There was a meeting of the Freshman Class in the English Room Wednesday at 3:15 o'clock. President Henley called the meeting to order. Calvx representation was discussed and a committee appointed to make all necessary arrrangements for representation in that publication. The class then separated into two departments, academic and engineering, and the following officers were elected:

ACADEMIC DEPARTMENT

Waddill, president. Saunders, vice-president. Wysor, secretary and treasurer.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

Armentrout, president. Phillips, vice-president. Truslow, secretary and treasurer.

Maryland Club

The Maryland Club was entertained Thursday night by the Maryland boys who reside at Castle Hill. The inclement weather did not keep the boys from showing up and quite a large crowd were present. After business meeting a typical student's midnight supper was served.

M18, Emily Howell Campbell, wife of Mr. John L. Campbell, treasurer of Washington and Lee University, died suddenly at her home in Lexington Sunday morning shortly before nine o'clock, after an illness of ten days with cold and grip. Mrs. Campbell spent the first week in January in Richmond, and upon her return home contracted a cold which, although severe, was not considered especially alarming. The Albert Sidney Boat Club She was confined to her bed only no worse Sunday morning. Without warning she quietly passed away.

Mrs. Campbell was a daughter of Mrs. Anne Ruffner Howell, thur Howell, a former prominent business man of Philadelphia, whose death occurred many years ago in that city. was reared in Philadelphia. Her mother is a sister of Dr. W. H. Ruffner, who is spending the winter in Ashville, N. C. Mrs. Campbell was a woman of sympathetic disposition, and devoted much time to questions of civic improvement, with especial reference to the betterment of the public schools of Lexington and Rockbridge, and for several years was president of the Rockbridge School Improvement League. She was a communicant of the Episcopal church, and was interested in the various societies of the church. She was possessed of many graces of heart and mind, and was highly cultured. Mrs. Campbell is survived by her husband and an only son, Mr. John L. Campbell, Jr., who is a student at Washington & Lee; also by her aged mother and one sister, Miss Bertha Howell of Lexington.

The funeral took place Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock from R. E. Lee Memorial Episcopal church, conducted by the rector, Rev.W. Cosby Bell, and interment was made in the Lexington cemetery. Many beautiful floral tributes were sent by friends.

Notice---University Assembly

There will be a meeting of the University Assembly Thursday, January 30, at 9 a. m. The address will be delivered by Professor Cassius Jackson Keyser, of Columbia University, New York City.

Since there seems to be some doubt in the minds of a few students as to the regulation regarding attendance at the University Assembly, it is again announced that attendance is compulsory.

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Drives us to the work the soul
so warmly shirks.
But the Lady still enticing, holds
out her cheafest charms,
"A single little Piedmont cannot
do any harm."

I take the dope-stick gladly from 'miladi's little hand.
And inhaled its drowsy pleasures as a mystic sort of balm
To heal the wounded pride as from Lexington I slunk,
For the 'harmless' little Piedment' had just caused a 'little flunk.' H.

Reveries of Solomon

It is rumored that a paradox has been discovered at the dormitory. The hot water is cold.

In the Pool-House there is a sign. "Hard times are over." The young men play plentifully.

In the coming production, "The College Widow," who is going to be "it?"

. Let us give thanks for the many pompadours the good Lord has brought. Thankful they're not on us.

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The class in metallurgy reports a most successful trip to Buena Vista. They discovered why a soda fountain fizzes.

It has at last leaked out. The Lynchburg News is afraid that a professor will become president.

A scientific attainment of farreaching importance is said to have been reached here this week. Absolute zero was attained by four different members of the Senior Physics class.

Graham-Lee Society

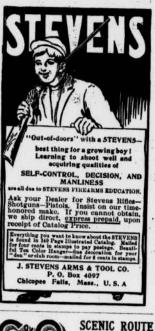
The society was called to order by president Mahler. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved, then the regular program was taken up. Both the orators and declaimers of the evening were absent. Mr. Leach favored the society with an excellent declamation. The question for debate, Resolved, that all college courses should be elective, was upheld on the affirmative by Messrs. Guthrie and Williams, and on the negative by Mr. Boyer. The judges, Messrs. McMullen, Herold and Milling decided in favor of the affirmative. Mr. Stlair of Virginia, was received as a member of the society.

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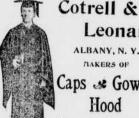
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