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DEATH OF CADET FEREBEE.

Injury Received in Football Game Takes Away His Life—Remains Taken to Norfolk.

Just after the game in Lynchburg Saturday, we heard the sad news of the death of Cadet George Cook Ferebee, of the Virginia Military Institute. Cadet Ferebee, who was one of the strongest men on the Institute football team and was playing a brilliant game at left half-back in the contest with Roanoke College, on the Parade Grounds, when he was injured. He was carried from the field to the hospital in an unconscious condition, and in a short while passed quietly away.

Cadet Ferebee's death was not due to an injury received in any mass play, or rush of like character, but while making a broken field run, he was tackled by an opposing player, in the ordinary manner, and thrown to the ground. It seemed that his head struck the earth with unusual force. From the circumstances, it appears that his death was due to one of those unfortunate accidents which are unavoidable.

Cadet Ferebee was the son of Mr. and Mrs. George B. Ferebee, of Norfolk, and was only nineteen years of age. His life both at home and at the Institute, among his companions and on the athletic field, in the class-room and on the Parade Grounds gave great promise of a very bright future. The cadet corps has indeed suffered a loss in the death of this young man, and the entire student body of Washington and Lee extends to them and to his bereaved family its heartfelt sympathy.

At 11 o'clock, Sunday morning the remains were taken by private conveyance to Buena Vista, where they were taken over the Norfolk and Western to Norfolk. A member from each of the four classes and several of Ferebee's team-mates accompanied his body to its last resting place. The battalion of cadets acted as an escort as far as East Lexington.

On Tuesday at 12 o'clock as a tribute to the memory of Cadet Ferebee, services were held in the Jackson Memorial Hall. Rev. W. Cosby Bell assisted by the Rev. Mr. Hammond, conducted the services. The corps was present and members of the faculty and the student body of Washington and Lee were in attendance.

Since the V. M. I.-Davidson game, for Thanksgiving, has been cancelled, it is hoped that Manager Lykes will be able to secure a game with the Presbyterians on Wilson Field, for November 20th, as neither team have a game between the 14th and Thanksgiving.

WE CAN'T FORGET—THAT GYM.

Remarks By a Man Who Has Frequent Opportunity to Know Whereof He Speaks.

Each day facts are borne to our minds that make it obvious that we cannot go much longer without a new gymnasium. Everybody seems to recognize the utter inadequacy of the old one save those who have the power to remedy it. And we can hardly believe that the Board of Trustees would allow such a disgrace to the University if they fully understood the extent of the defects. There has never come a time yet that in case of dire need, when it is fully recognized as such means of help were not forthcoming. All that is generally necessary is that the need be extreme. Such we believe to be the condition of our athletic equipment.

It does seem a pity that at the present day, when the world at large is beginning to recognize the progress of the Greater University, we should have one department where absolutely no improvement has been attempted for years. If this evil did not go beyond the bounds of Lexington it would be costly enough in the discontent created at home; but that is not all. What must the men of neighboring teams think when they are escorted to the ancient structure equipped like an Academy Gym. With lights so few and dim that they hardly disturb the darkness, in an atmosphere close and ill-smelling, all men have to gather every evening under a few small showers. Would it be strange if the visitors here, who remain such a short time, should judge the University by this harmful feature.

Five or ten years ago this gymnasium was insufficient. Think what it must be now. Surely the time has come when we have the right to demand a new one. It is labor now for the men to go there and take the exercise which is absolutely necessary. Shortly, and they must refuse to go. Will the Board wait until that last moment before taking action?

WHAT WILL THEY SAY?

The A. & M. College of North Carolina, is the first institution college of learning in the South has to our knowledge established a daily paper, and they are "right-up-to-now" with it. Although we have not seen it we understand that it gets Associated Press news, is something of a political sheet and that red headlines are conspicuous. Let's see what they have to say in such headlines after Saturday's game.

STUDENT BODY ATTENDS GAME WITH V. P. I.

A Special Train Takes Supporters of White and Blue to Lynchburg. Everyone Enjoyed Holiday.

The sun shone bright in old Virginia Saturday morning and at half-past eight three hundred and twenty-five enthusiastic supporters of the White and Blue boarded the special train which was to take the student body to Lynchburg to witness the game with V. P. I. Every one was in the spirit of the occasion, since it was a gala day, and the presence of a goodly number of the fair sex made the trip a most enjoyable one.

About one hundred of the students had accompanied the team down the night before and were present at the station in Lynchburg when the reinforcements arrived on the day of the game. Immediately all Lynchburg was notified of their arrival by the great volume of lusty cheers that went up from the throats of the four hundred and twenty five guests as they evinced their approval of the welcome that had been accorded them.

Immediately after their arrival the students of both institutions began to make themselves at home; for the keys of the Hill City had been given over to the college boys for the occasion. The Hotel Carrol was the joint headquarters for the day, and this hospitality was the scene of action both before and after the game.

The day was an ideal one for the game which was called at 3:30, and the field was in fairly good condition after the recent heavy rains. Lynchburg proved her appreciation of the occasion by her large attendance. Fully five thousand people witnessed the game. The Washington and Lee supporters occupied the west end of the grand stand, surrounding the band, which readily picked up the airs to the songs that had been made for the occasion and augmented the cheering considerably.

Although the fates were against us in the game, it was the consensus of opinion that the pleasures of the day had abundantly recompensed us for the loss, and regret at leaving was universal when the return trip was begun that night.

The lights in the Law Library are still in the same deplorable condition. A man has to sit at a table, working, with the bald, unshaded incandescent light shining squarely in his eyes. Wouldn't a few shades save oculist's bills, though?

G. W. TAKES W. & L. INTO CAMP, 38 TO 6.

Hatchetites Play Great Game of Ball—W. & L. Played Well But Were Outclassed.

By a whirlwind attack, guided by newest football methods the sterling football aggregation representing the George Washington University pushed a mountain of touchdowns onto Washington and Lee at American League Park Saturday afternoon, winning a brilliantly and stubbornly fought contest, 38 to 6.

The boys from the Sunny South fought to the last ditch, using every ounce of strength, but the issue depended not upon willingness. Team work was the deciding factor, and seldom were the visitors able to solve the plays that Coach Neilson had mapped out for his sturdy men. That the local team should defeat Washington and Lee by such an overwhelming score was more than the 4,000 spectators expected.

The Hatchetites' great scoring machine got the jump on their rivals from the very start and at no time during the 45 minutes of play was the contest in doubt. It was the new style of football developed to its fullest extent against the old, backed up by a powerful team.

BYRD THE STAR.

Quarterback Byrd, undoubtedly one of the greatest generals in the South today, ran his team in whirlwind fashion. He never let up on his men, and sent his light but speedy backs into the line and around the end for gains that carried the visitors off their feet.

He showed his antagonists nothing and reeled off trick after trick that simply baffled the plucky Southerners and brought the big crowd to its feet.

Washington and Lee fought hard, but to no avail. The line seemed unable to withstand the terrific line plunges and weakened to such an extent that the Hatchetites swept up the field with surprising regularity.

It was not only a great victory for the team, but for Coach Nielson as well. Nobody in the crowd expected the Buff and Blue to roll up such a tremendous total. The best that they could expect was a close score. It only goes to show what a great machine the Hatchetites have, and they will bear watching when they tackle V. P. I. and Bucknell.

Every man on the George Washington team was more than a match for his opponent, the ends, especially, being strong both on the offensive and defensive. On almost every occasion Byrd forced

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STICK TO IT—THE SEASON'S NOT OVER.

Washington and Lee was defeated Saturday by a team drawn from a University which has more than three times the number of students we have here. Our team had traveled all night before the game, which was played on George Washington's University home grounds. Several of the best men we have were injured and forced to retire from the game. Was it any wonder we were beaten? But you think the score was too large? Well, remember, it would not have been as big if those stout fellows had not been hurt.

Now, probably, this is to the knickers—we hope there are not many, but we have heard several open their pitiful mouths. What have you got to knock about? What have you done that entitles you to criticize? Have you worked as hard for this college as a single man that played in the game? They are not doing it merely and solely as a pastime. They are doing their best to help this college. Do you think you are doing as much by knocking? Just size yourself up and see if you are enough of a man to play the game better than those boys, and then, if you are, for the love of Heaven go and do it! If you are not enough of a man to do that, then, for the love of Heaven quit knocking.

The team has done the best they could. Now do your best and help win the A. & M. game.

COMMENTS.

Election day was rather quiet in college. A few of the men went home to vote—principally those who live in the doubtful States—while the rest of us stayed here and were more concerned with the fact that we did not live in doubtful States, than with the result of the election. What a pity the race wasn't closer, so more of us could have gone home.

Perhaps Mr. Pugsley, the Harvard student, who offers a prize of \$50.00 for the best essay on "International Arbitration," has had that subject assigned to him as a graduating thesis. If so, it looks as if he had more money than brains, which goes to prove the revised form of the old adage: "A fool student and his papa's money are soon parted."

Chairman Mack seems to have overlooked the fact that there are several thousand postmasters in the United States when he made up his estimates.

"Teddy" will doubtless get quite a reputation as a "slab artist" when it comes to shooting the "ins and outs" of advice from Oyster Bay down to William H., at the White House. The latter has already shown "class" at the receiving end.

Doesn't the improved appearance of this paper warrant your subscription?

G.W. Takes W. and L. Into Camp 38 to 6.

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his opponents' ends to come in, and then would carry the ball for long gains himself. He was easily the star of the team. Barnard made a short kick to right and McCord recovered ball on G. W. 20-yd line. From there, Armentrout and Alderson kicked goal. The opening period ended in 16 to 6 in favor of the local eleven.

Outside of Bryd it was a hard matter to pick an individual star on the Hatchetite team, for they all played a sterling game.

The line was a tower of strength, while the backs worked well at all times. Metzker broke up many plays coming around his side of the line, and on the defensive prevented the visitors making first down when dangerously near the locals' goal posts. Capt. Sommers bore the brunt of the work in line, Fuerstein directing most of his line plunges his way.

As has been said before Washington and Lee fought for every inch of ground, but they were outclassed. Fuerstein, the visitors' quarterback, much feared on account of his great drop kicking, made two attempts to boot the ball between the uprights, but both were blocked, the Hatchetites' forward breaking through. He ran his team well, however, but was unable to make gains around the ends. Alderson, the visitors' captain, was continually in the limelight, his line bucking being one of the features.

The game opened with Alderson kicking off to Eickhoff. The kick was poor and the Hatchetites' center was downed in his tracks. Thrall, on the first line-up, made ten yards around the end and Ellis added 8 more. Hart then put the ball on the 25-yard line, but a forward pass at this juncture failed, the ball going to Washington and Lee. Metzker broke up an end run, throwing his opponent for such a loss that Barnard was forced to punt.

THE FIRST TOUCHDOWN.

Crafts hit the left tackle for 8 eld left end for 10 yards, and Thrall made the same distance. Three other attempts at the line failed. Thrall punted to Fuerstein. A fumble occurred and Alston fell on the ball.

Crafts hit the latter tackle for 8 yards, and Sommers made it first down. Two line plunges by Ellis and Crafts put the latter over for the first touchdown of the game. Witten kicked goal. Score: Geo. Washington 6; Washington and Lee 0.

Alderson kicked off to Ellis and Thrall immediately returned the punt. Barnard and Alderson made 5 and 15 yards respectively. Fuerstein dropped for a try for a field goal, but Hart blocked the ball, and Sommers recovered it for his team. Thrall immediately punted the oval out of danger. George Washington immediately held for downs, and Barnard kicked to Crafts. A forward pass

to Hart netted the home eleven 15 yards. Then began a series of line plunges, the backs aided by Hart and Sommers, placing the ball on the 15-yard line.

Here is where Byrd used his head and worked a trick play successfully. He sent Thrall into the line on a fake buck, and, covering up the ball until the opposing players were well bunched, tore around right end for a touchdown. Witten missed goal. Score: George Washington, 11; Washington and Lee, 0.

Thrall ran the next kick-off back 15 yards. The ball changed hands several times, and twice the Hatchetites' had the pig skin on their rival's 5-yard line, but could not get it over, so stubbornly did Washington and Lee resist the attacks.

But a touchdown came at last, and it was again through the heady work of Bryd. Using Crafts, Ellis, and Thrall, and occasionally Hart and Sommers, the ball was carried from midfield to the opponents' 25-yard line.

WORK FAKE PLAY.

Once more the fake into the line worked successfully, the ends being drawn in, and Byrd scored the third touchdown of the game. Witten missed goal. Score: G. W. U, 16; W. and L., 0.

Three minutes after this the visitors made their only touchdown of the game. With 7 yards to go and third down Fuerstein made an onside kick, the ball being fumbled on the locals' 3-yard line. It was recovered by Alderson, and with but 15 seconds left to play the visitors' captain went in for a touchdown. Time was called immediately after this with the score of 16 to 6 in favor of the Hatchetites.

The second half was cut to 15 minutes, owing to darkness, and in this time the Buff and Blue made four touchdowns. Crafts played a brilliant game in this half, making runs from 20 to 65 yards through a broken field. On one occasion he was seen to emerge from a mass of players, and with Sommers to form interference, ran 65 yards before he was tackled. This put the ball on the 5-yard line, from where Thrall went over on the first attempt.

Shortly after this Crafts caught a forward pass on his opponents' 25-yard line, and running through a broken field put the ball behind the goal posts.

Washington and Lee used many substitutes in an attempt to keep the Hatchetites from scoring again, but to no avail, and shortly before time was called two more touchdowns were added to the list, one being made by Dougherty, and the other by Byrd on a trick play.

During the latter part of the second half Neilson sent in an entirely new set of backs, and their speed had a great deal to do with the other two touchdowns made in this period. Hamilton and Dougherty especially carrying the ball for consistent gains.

It was learned after the contest that Crafts, the speedy half-

FOOTBALL DOPE.

In speaking of the game with Richmond College, which Carolina won by the rather unusual score of 17 to 12. The Tarheel gives out the following "dope": "The score was disappointing from the Carolina point of view. Washington and Lee defeated Richmond College by a score of 13 to 5, and Lee." And yet they say the Tarheels outplayed us?

Do you—non-subscriber—feel proud of the fact that you read another man's *Ring-tum Phi*, while the management pays for it?

WORTHY OF EMULATION.

"The University Commons" at the University of Virginia has adopted a plan, the primary object of which seems to be to secure some place where the members can get their meals, at a low cost. However the organization seems to have a deeper purpose, which is to promote a spirit of true democracy in the student body. The originators also feel that it will be the means of drawing the men in college closer together.

Ask "Sis" Jemison what he thinks will be the financial situation under the Taft administration, four months after the President-elect is inaugurated.

Doesn't it take nerve to ask a man to let you read his paper when you don't subscribe yourself? Better spend a little of it on the football field or among the rooters.

Yes, the Business Manager is responsible if the paper goes in the hole—because he had the enterprise to improve it—and you who don't subscribe are to blame for his misfortune.

back had been painfully but not seriously injured. He will probably be out of practice for a few days at least. During the early part of the game Crafts sprained the ligaments in his back, but pluckily stuck to his task. In addition to this his shoulder was badly wrenched. The line up:

G. W. U.—Witten, Brooks, R. E., Sommers (Capt.) R. T., Sheridan, R. G., Eickhoff, Center, Alston, L. G., Hart, L. T., Metzker, L. E., Byrd, Q. B., Ellis, Dougherty, R. H., Crafts, Hamilton, L. H., Thrall, Hooten, F. B.

W. and L.—R. E. Blake, Smartt, R. T. Pipes Blackburn, R. G. Weeks, McCord, Center, Woodhouse, L. G. Morales, L. T. Osborne, L. E. Carey, Wilson, Q. B. Fuerstein, R. H. Erwood Barnard, L. H. Armentrout, Alderson, F. B. Derr (Capt.) Alderson.

Touchdowns—Bryd, (3), Thrall, (2), Crafts, Dougherty and Alderson. Goals from touchdowns—Witten, Ellis, Hart and Alderson. Referee—Mr. Jack Glass, Lehigh. Umpire—Mr. J. Coates, Yale. Head linesman—Mr. G. H. White, G. U. Linesmen—Messrs. Hogue and Gunning. Timers—Messrs. Baker and Izard. Times of halves, 30 and 15 minutes.

ALUMNI NOTES

Drew E. Pruitt, ex-'06, will be married to Miss Harriet Edna Mason, on Tuesday, the seventeenth of November, at Albia, Iowa, the home of the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Pruitt will be at home after December the fifteenth, at 607 North Kentucky Ave., Roswell, N. M., in which city Mr. Pruitt is associated with the firm of Joyce-Pruitt Co.

W. E. Lawson, ex-'09, is studying medicine at the University College of Medicine, at Richmond, Va. Wonder why he didn't study law, so he could come back to Washington and Lee?

C. T. Randolph, law, ex-'08, has taken the law with the Washington and Lee trade mark on it to the middle west, and not finding the trade mark wanting, has a very flourishing practice at Colgate, Indiana.

Dan E. Brown, who has likewise been guilty of robbing Lexington of one of its fairest daughters and of taking her to the far southwest, is making ample compensation to her by building his rooftop in the sunny plains of Texas. As a means towards the accomplishment of this he is engaged in representing the Southern Manufacturing Company in the State of Texas.

Albert Steves, Jr., '07, who paid a visit to Lexington with his bride last spring, has now returned to the worries and perplexities of the lumber business. All worries have their compensations, however, and "Kid" has found his by keeping house with his better half in what he has been known to designate as "the coziest cottage in all fair San Antonio."

Among the alumni who witnessed the V. P. I.-W. & L. game, were: W. K. Ramsey, '07; C. S. Carpenter, ex-'05; Preston Allen, '99; Basil Manly, '06; "Punk" Warren, ex-'10; "Monk" Moomaw, '07; H. J. Phlegar, '08; H. L. Kidd, '08; "Ben" Smith, ex-'08; "Boots" Fleming, ex-'08; "Bob" Glass, '08; T. J. Watkins, '08; F. M. Durrance, ex-'08; J. Graham Sale, '03; "Shock" Willis, ex-'10; Frank Flournoy, '05; Powell Glass, '07; W. T. McLeod, ex-'11; M. G. Perrow, '08; Hal Jones, ex-'07; Tackle on V. P. I.; "Smut" Smith, ex-'04, (the brilliant half-back on the team of '03 and the man who made the winning touch-down against V. P. I., that year); S. L. Showalter, '08; J. M. Nelson, ex-'10; W. M. Heatwole, ex-'09; A. P. Staples, Jr. '08; and Robert Withers, '05.

WANTED.

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EVERYMAN!

"The College Spirit Club" wants 560 members right now. It has some charter members. About thirty are playing football and the rest are trying to do their duty, too. Help them by "Everyman" becoming a member. Meetings held at *Rooting Practice* and the A. & M. Game for the present.

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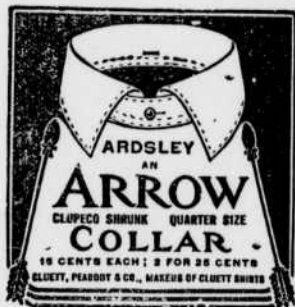
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The J. G. Bird Co., of Philadelphia, has offered prizes amounting to \$500, to be awarded students of the leading technology schools of this country. They will be given for the best articles on "The Design of an Electric Railway Car for City Service." All theses must be in by June 15, 1909. The judges will be prominent engineers of this country.

THE ATTITUDE OF THE TIMES-DISPATCH AND ONE WAY TO OVERCOME IT.

Differences of opinion always have and always will exist, we suppose. The first—or at any rate the most serious of the first lot—was vehemently expressed when our worthy fore-father, the bloody Cain, used "the big stick" with telling effect and deprived us of one who might have been a still worthier forefather—the lamented Abel. And as the world grew older and bigger opinions became more pronounced and differences of opinion more frequent. We wish also to remind you that "the big stick" is still in evidence, because one of our contemporaries has tried to use it on several notable occasions.

But today it is not with you that we intend to differ—we rather expect you will agree with us—for it is with the *Times-Dispatch*, of the city of Richmond, State of Virginia, that we wish to take issue. In fact practically every loyal son of Washington and Lee, has long since been sore on this sheet. We had almost forgotten the way that worthy, "The Sporting Editor," took us to task for being so presumptuous as to defeat the University of Virginia "on the eve of the championship (?)

game with Georgetown;" we had overlooked the fact that some things decidedly to the credit of W. & L. were missing from accounts of events in which she participated; and we had grown used to seeing "Washington and Lee", in small letters, tucked away in some obscure corner of that paper—when we read "Techs Play Rings Around W. & L.;" that the game ended in W. & L.'s territory; saw no mention of the fact that one of the Tech's touchdowns was made on a fluke; and noted that Billy Fuerstein's great playing went unnoticed. Then we said things that are not in The Hand-book. We didn't mean to attribute all these things to "The Sporting Editor"—no, no the head-lines are enough to lay at his door. We know the other "mistakes" were the fault of the reporter. But they appeared in *The Times-Dispatch* and for that reason we have made the foregoing remarks.

Now, about the mistakes: Did the "Techs play rings around W. & L.?" Well, they won for fifteen minutes and we won for forty! We don't mean to put up the tough luck tale, because it wasn't tough luck—it was football, and W. & L. was beaten at football. However, it was for forty minutes, the greatest exhibition of football we ever saw." After those fifteen points were rolled up on them, that old White and Blue team began to go after the Techs, and even then almost hopelessly beaten, they played FOOTBALL! Wasn't that great—to outplay the victors, to keep them from scoring and to score themselves! You know it takes a TEAM—a team of men to do that. So where were the rings?

As to that little error about the game ending with the ball in our territory we have only to say that after "Billy" made his pretty goal, the boys started right out for another score, and when the whistle blew, we had the ball on the Tech's thirty-five yard line!

And did Billy play? You know, you saw him—you saw that it often took three Techs to stop him; you saw the gains he made; you saw the interference he ran; and you saw the goal he kicked. Did "Dutch" play? The Tech line looked like it. Did Armentrout play? Did John Izard play? Did "Carey" play? Did Smartt play? Did "Pat" play? Did McCord play? Did Pelter play? Did Dick Morales play? Did Fort Pipes play? Well, we think they did. Ask the Techs!

And some of you are dissatisfied? We're not after the team showed what a game they can play. Maybe they ought to have won, but they didn't. So let's forget the V. P. I. game, get together and cheer the team on to victory for the remaining games. Don't go to "knocking." If you do your opinion is worth just about as much as that of "The Sporting Editor." The team is not a team that will let an opponent play rings around it, but if you get out there and root it will play rings around the A. & M. It is less than a week until that great game, and by your work in Lynchburg you men showed that you could root. Now

show it still more Saturday. If you are not going to stand for another such deal as *The Times-Dispatch* gave us, get out there and make Saturday's rooting the most inspiring ever given a football team, and those boys will play such a game that there will be chance for misplacing the "rings." We promise a square deal from the Lexington press correspondents.

THE FIRST MAN WHO "RAN WITH THE BALL."

Set in wall which encloses the huge playground at Rugby, where every lad must see it, is a tablet which bears the following inscription:

This Stone

Commemorates the exploit of
WILLIAM WEBB ELLIS,

Who with a fine disregard for the rules of football as played in His time,

First took the ball and ran with it, thus originating the distinctive feature of The Rugby Game.

A. D. 1823.

And a college professor remarks on it in this manner: "So progress gets her own, when one of her true sons breaks away from the bonds of tradition and inaugurates a new order. If any one asked, is it worth while to mark with a tablet the commonplace deed of a school boy running with a ball in his arms? I answer, it is either very much, or very little, all depending upon the point of view."

Men have gone out from Washington and Lee, who either made their mark here, or out in life, or maybe both. Men come here every year, who make their splendid influence felt, or do some deed or deeds which receive the plaudits of their fellows and which are also of material advantage to the University. It is very rare, however, that they are remembered many years after leaving college. Some of them never "run with the ball," but the work they do adds just as much to the glory of their Alma Mater, while students. Some, soon forgotten here, matriculate in the University of the World and their names are written near the head of its list of famous men, but few know them as sons of Washington and Lee. Some of them are men who are in a sense failures here, but who "make good" in the walk of life they enter. All three classes deserve some mark by which the work of their members may not be forgotten. It is hardly fair to the football star, or the crack pitcher, to let his deeds shine for a day only; the deeds of those who constitute that other class should also be recorded somewhere, that others might know of the value of their work for the past, the present and the future. Then, the alumni, who only make their influence felt after leaving these portals should be recognized here by some mark of tribute to their achievements.

Why, therefore, may not Washington and Lee set apart some wall, or room, or place for a row of panels, cherishing forever the strong, brave clean, manly lives of her sons, who come to her and then

pass on out to prove that it was worth their while to enter her that they might be trained for "tomorrow's" need!

A CORRECTION.

Our attention has just been called to a typographical error, which escaped the attention of the proof reader, and which is found in editorial on the "Action of The Cadets on October 17th," appearing in an issue of this paper for October 26th. A clause near the top of the second column, which reads, "members of the cadets, should have read 'numbers of the cadets'" as only about for were referred to in that sentence. For fear the statement might be misunderstood, we take this opportunity to correct the error.

The eternal question in the La School: "What did the co' say? And 'How?'"

THE ABSENT UMPIRE.

You'll have to excuse Jim Grady,
I don't think he'll be here today;

I guess he is sort of afraid he Might meet one of us on the way
He broke our game up in a riot,
'Cause when they were nine our eight,

Tom Gibbs tried to steal home at tie it,
And he called Tom out at tie plate.

I guess you will have to excuse him,

He dassent come out of his yard
He's scared some of us might miss use him,

And that's why he ran home hard.
He saw Tom steal home so's tie it,

He heard us all holler and shout
And started to run home the minute
He told Tommy Gibbs he was out.

It was the big game of the season
The biggest we had ever had;
We thought he's our friend—that the reason

The boys of our nine were mad.

We didn't care much about winning,

Both sides always cheer when ends,

But think, in the very last inning
To get it that way from your friends!

This morning Tom hollered at told him

He dassent come out on the wall
He said he won't fight him or see him,

But just have a nice, friendly talk.

But Jim didn't answer the greeting—

You see, when the score's nine eight,

You don't care so much about meeing

The man you called out at tie plate.

—J. W. Foley, in *Saturday Evening Post*

The Ring-tum Phi

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1908

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Miss Ashton Woodman of Charleston, W. Va., spent several days last week with Miss Louise Shields.

Mr. David Barclay, an alumnus, who has been the guest of his father, Mr. A. T. Barclay, for several weeks, left on the 31st for Harrisonburg, Pa.

Among the town people to attend the W. & L.-V. P. I. game in Lynchburg on October 31st were Miss Mary Barclay, Miss Helen Turner, Miss Howe, Miss Preston, Miss Caroline Preston, Miss Davidson, Miss Laird, Miss Agnes Patton, Miss Annie White, Mrs. F. T. Glasgow, Mrs. Dr. Glasgow, Miss Estill, Rev. and Mrs. Bell, Mr. Wm. Turner, Mr. Ran Bledsoe, Mr. T. McCrum and Mr. A. T. Barclay, Jr.

Miss Charlotte Laird, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Bell, at the Rectory for some time, left on October 31st, for her home in Philadelphia.

W. K. Ramsey, '07, who has a Government position in Washington, D. C., spent several days last week in college, the guest of the Delta Tau Delta House.

J. R. Caskie returned to College Thursday night, having been detained at home for several days on account of the death of a near relative.

Miss Carter, of Charlotte, N. C., is the guest of Prof. and Mrs. Hoge in University Place.

The marriage of Prof. L. W. Smith to Miss Fanny Gray Catlett, of Staunton, Va. will take place at the home of the bride on Wednesday, the eleventh of November, at six in the afternoon. After the wedding tour Prof. and Mrs. Smith will make their home with Dr. and Mrs. Reid White on Jackson Ave.

Miss Hope Stuart entertained charmingly last Wednesday afternoon in the honor of her house party. Many called during the afternoon.

The Baltimore Sun of October 31st, has the following item of interest to the many friends of Miss Brooke:

"One of the most attractive debutants to be introduced at the first Monday german of the Bachelor's Cotillion Club on December 7th, will be Miss Mary Urquhart Brooke, of Norfolk, Va. "Miss Brooke is a granddaughter of Hon. John Goode, 'Va.'s grand old man,' and has many admirers at Washington and Lee, where she attended several of our dances last season. There are several other young ladies who make their debut this winter who have many friends here. Among them are Misses Bessie Payne, of Norfolk, Va., Miss Annie Keith Royall, Miss

Edith Taylor and Miss Frances Myers, of Richmond, Va.

The lady President entertained at a very beautiful dinner party on Friday, October 30th. Covers were laid for eight and those present besides Mrs. Denny were Miss Haskins, Miss Howerton, Mr. Carey, Mr. Robert Denny, the Messrs. Gwathmey and Mr. John Lykes.

Miss Emma Staples, who has been ill for some time, is much better, and is the guest of her parents, Prof. and Mrs. Staples.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Boxley, Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Hobbie, Miss Alice Izard, Miss Nellie Hobart and Miss Corbin Hobbie, of Roanoke, and Miss Sallie B. Goodwin, of Clifton Forge, were at the V. P. I.-W. & L. game.

SOME MORE ROOTING PRACTICE.

The A. & M. game is only a few days off, and while the team is working hard for it, we must all get in some good, hard licks for our part of it—the rooting. It is up to the entire student-body to make this game count. Those members who are on the team will do their part, and the rest of us must make the rooting on the 14th something never to be forgotten. Two years ago the A. & M. team was equally as good as it is today, but right out there on Wilson Field the 'Varsity—not nearly so strong as it is today—played them 4 to 4. What will we do this year? That depends largely on you and the way you root.

Rooting Practice—Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, time and place to be announced, watch the posters and COME!!!

"When Washington and Lee's men fall in line,
We're going to win again another time."

L. C. WITEN,
Cheer Leader.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

The A. & M. used mostly "wing shifts" and tandem plays against Virginia, but with little effect. Their heavy line also seemed of little advantage in stopping plunges. Maybe the White and Blue backs can show them a few tricks too.

It is to be very much regretted that the injury sustained by John Izard in the Tech game, kept him out of the George Washington game. We hope very much John will be in shape by Saturday.

If the A. & M. team is composed of giants, we have some people of build of "Billy," "Johnny" and Carey, who ought to dodge them in fine style.

That crowd from Raleigh may be a hefty bunch, but "Buster" Brown has a few of the same caliber waiting for them.

Remember, the last time—A. & M., 4; W. & L., 4. We must do more than break even this time.

ALUMNI NOTES.

A. F. White, Ph. D., '06, has a position as chemist and assayer at Clairton, Pa., 'A. F.' is well remembered as one of the oldest of the old guard of a few years past.

W. K. Watkins, ex-'07, is in Washington, D. C., and has a position as private secretary to Congressman Watkins.

George H. Miles, ex-'08, has a position in Radford, Va., with the Virginia Coal, Coke and Iron Co.

W. F. Riser, B. S., '07, and well remembered as a great Albert Sydney crew promoter, is working with a coal company near Birmingham, Alabama.

Martin S. McDonough, law '07, is practicing law in Ion River, Michigan.

Ed. Steves, ex-'07, is engaged in the real estate business in San Antonio, Texas.

H. S. Gage, law '07, is engaged in the practice of his profession in Saginaw, Michigan.

"Bob" Arnold, law '08, has his shingle out at Waverley, W. Va.

C. R. Fiery, ex-'09, well remembered by those in the Commerce Department, as the "shark" of the department, has transferred his talents from searching out and compounding economic theories to the composition of imaginative fiction. As an outlet for which compositions he is contributing to the Illustrated Monthly West Virginian.

H. Anderson, '07, has a position with a bank in Franklin, W. Va.

L. S. Epes, law '08, is practicing law at Blackstone, Va.

Walter H. Dunlap, engineer, '05, is now Adjunct Professor of Engineering at Iowa State University, and is striving hard to teach the "young men" at Iowa State just the type of engineering which he himself imbibed at the feet of "Ole Davey." If he succeeds in so doing, none will deny that he has "done well."

Robert L. Browning, law '05, is general counsel for the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad in Kentucky. For one who has scarcely been in the practice of his profession for five years, this is rising by leaps and bounds, and is only one other proof added to the many columns of such which goes to show that remarkable excellence of the Law School on the hill.

W. V. Collins, '05, who was married to Miss Josepha Allen, of Lexington, last January, is now making his home in the newest of the States at Hugo, and is engaged in the hardware business in this thriving town of the new west. As to whether he deposits the money which he makes in the new Oklahoma banks has not been reported.

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TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY WORDS.

The cries of the oppressed have been heard; it is rumored that the conditions existing in the gymnasium are to be remedied. The complaints are praiseworthy, and while the vital importance of having sanitary conditions in the gymnasium is recognized, it will not be amiss to include in the wave of reform under condition which is also of much importance in that it concerns the welfare of practically the entire student body. The matter we refer to is the lack of an adequate supply of coat-racks in the several college buildings. In fact, the only attempt at supplying these necessities, worth mentioning has been made only in Reid and Newcomb Halls, and the accommodations there are far too inadequate. In the good old Main Building these necessities have been unheard of. There are some four hundred students attending lectures in this building alone every day and in inclement weather the process of nursing a rain drenched coat during an entire lecture hour is intolerable, if not detrimental to good health. The conditions now are even more discouraging than last year, for since the removal of the old high-back chairs there is nothing whatever on which to dispose of one's coat.

The writer made mention of this same condition of affairs to a member of the executive committee of the trustees last spring and was assured that the matter would be looked into, but to his knowledge it was never considered; certainly there are no outward signs of it. The condition is one that could be improved with only a small outlay and the comfort derived would be ten-fold.

Communicated.

Did you know that if every man in college reads *The Ring-tum Phi*, nearly 325 of them read some one else's paper. *Subscribe.*

LITERARY SOCIETIES POSTPONED MEETINGS.

Owing to the fact that nearly everybody took advantage of the holiday to enjoy the day in Lynchburg, and see the big game, neither the Washington nor the Graham-Lee Literary Societies held meetings Saturday night, October 31, but both postponed their programs until November 7th.

Nice feeling, isn't it, to be one of those who gets some pleasure without it costing a red cent?

Vanderbilt wants a post-season game—probably with Auburn—to decide the championship of the South. Since they come to include all teams south of Mason and Dixon's line, we would remind them of the fact that the managers of some of the teams nearer that line than they, might be consulted before the championship game is finally arranged.

\$1.50—that's the price! How many of you pay it?

Home, Sweet Home. — "Yes, suh," said Brother Dickey, "my race what wants to live in Illinois kin go dar, how an' we'en dey likes, but ez fur me, I'll stay whar I is—'mongst de folks I raise an' bo'n wid, an' ef I is lynched, please God, I'll be lynched by my fr'en's!" —*Atlanta Constitution.*

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