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The 'Varsity Has An Off Day

Charleston Collegians Defeated in a Ragged Game—The Score Was 7 to 6—Many Errors and Bad Plays on Both Sides.

Characterized by dumb playing and many errors, Washington and Lee defeated the Charleston Collegians Monday afternoon, April 19, in an uninteresting baseball game, which was more of a farce than anything else.

Sam Chilton, an old W. & L. star, was in the box for the visitors, and allowed the 'Varsity boys but three hits. However, at times he was unable to locate the plate, walking ten men. The Collegians made four runs in the first inning, due chiefly to bone-headed playing on the part of the 'Varsity, and nothing more. But after this inning the 'Varsity settled down and displayed some of its old-time play. In the first inning for W. & L., the first three men up were walked, but poor base-running enabled W. & L. to score but one run.

Low started the twirling for the 'Varsity, but was soon relieved by Gwathmey, who yielded the Collegians but two hits for the remainder of the game.

Rectenwald got back into the game, but was still handicapped by his injuries. The whole team had an off day, but that happens to all good teams occasionally.

W. & L. scored three more runs in the second inning. Knoté, the first man up, was walked. Gannon singled. Knoté was out at the plate. Speed was walked. Gwathmey was safe on a fielder's choice, and Gannon scored. Anthony flied out. Hood singled, scoring Speed and Gwathmey. Herring struck out. Again in the sixth the 'Varsity made two more runs. Webster was safe on an error. Gannon flied out. Speed was safe on a fielder's choice, Webster going to second on an error. Gwathmey was out, second to first. Anthony was safe on third's error, Webster scoring. Hood was safe on first's error, and Speed scored. Herring was hit, but with the bases full, Stras grounded to

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NORTH CAROLINA LOSES TO WASHINGTON AND LEE

In the Dual Track Meet Held Saturday, April 24, the White and Blue Were Victorious by the Very Close Score of 58 to 50 Points

Carolina Showed Up Well With Only Ten Men—Several Records Were Broken—220 Hurdles a Tie.

In the dual track meet held on Wilson field Saturday, April 24, the 'Varsity team won by the very close margin of 58 to 50 points. Although the track was very muddy on Friday as a result of the heavy rains, the good weather Saturday had dried it to a considerable extent, so that the field was in fair condition.

North Carolina was represented by ten men, and they showed up well, as indicated by the score. They won six first places and tied one, while Washington and Lee won five first places and tied one.

The most interesting event of the meet was the 220 yard hurdles. Searing, for Washington and Lee, and Wood, for North Carolina, tied in the two heats for first place. The score was divided by giving each four points.

Several Washington and Lee records were broken. Tom Glasgow broke the record in the 120 yard hurdle by making it in 18 seconds. Searing broke the record in the 220 yard hurdles. His time was 28 2-5 seconds. In the broad jump Sullivan broke the record by four inches. His distance was 20 feet even. "Red" Hall broke his own record of a week ago, clearing 19 feet 10 1-4 inches.

The Wilson field records broken by the North Carolina men were as follows: Ruffin made the 120 yard hurdles in 17 3-5 seconds, Williams won the broad jump by clearing 20 feet 3 1-4 inches, and Winston made the 100 yard dash in 10 1-5 seconds.

On the whole the meet was very successful. Several of Washington and Lee men were handicap-

ped by sickness. The work of Manager Sullivan, who entered at the last moment, is especially praiseworthy.

The events, entries, distances, and time are given below.

Shot Put—Boyd, Washington and Lee, first, distance, 31 feet 8 1-4 inches; Ruffin, North Carolina, second, distance, 29 feet 6 1-2 inches; Williams, North Carolina, third, distance, 29 feet 4 1-2 inches.

100 Yards—Winston, North Carolina, first, time, 10 1-5 seconds; Searing, Washington and Lee, second; Rutzler, North Carolina, third.

Pole Vault—Robbins, Washington and Lee, first, height, 10 feet 11-2 inches; Hansel, Washington and Lee, second, height, 9 feet 11-2 inches; Eames, North Carolina, third, height, 8 feet 7 1-2 inches.

One Mile—McCown, Washington and Lee, first, time, 5 minutes 7 1-5 seconds; Everett, North Carolina, second; Anderton, Washington and Lee, third.

Hammer Throw—Davis, Washington and Lee, first, distance, 85 feet one-half inch; Ruffin, North Carolina, second, distance, 74 feet 3 1-2 inches; Williams, North Carolina, third, distance, 66 feet.

220 Yards—Winston, North Carolina, first, time, 24 1-5 seconds; Maley, Washington and Lee, second; Luker, Washington and Lee, third.

High Jump—Williams, North Carolina, first, height, 5 feet five inches; Ryan, Washington and Lee, second, height, 5 feet two inches; Williams, Washington and Lee, third, height, 5 feet.

440 Yards—Teague, North Carolina, first, time, 55 seconds; Luker, Washington and Lee, second;

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Johns Hopkins Wins Debate

Washington and Lee Makes a Plucky Fight, and Loses Only by the Very Close Margin of One Vote—Large Crowd Present.

On the night of April 23rd the White and Blue debating team went up against the strong debating team of Johns Hopkins University of Baltimore. The debate took place in McCoy Hall of that city, and was witnessed by a large and appreciative audience. Although Washington and Lee went down in defeat before the Baltimoreans, it was no dishonor to the speakers representing W. & L., but rather it is an honor to them to have made such a good showing. The decision of the judges was close, giving the debate to Johns Hopkins by the vote of two to one. The following letter received from an alumnus of Washington and Lee, who is well remembered here, gives an account of how well our team did their work:

Johns Hopkins University,
Baltimore, Apr. 23, 1909

Dear Editor:—

Tonight it was my pleasure and privilege to be present at the W. & L. U.—J. H. U. debate. That it was distinctly a pleasure I can truly say, regardless of the decision of the question. Technically we lost—but the game fight which our men put up made me prouder than ever (if that be possible) to claim their college as my alma mater.

To lose by one vote, and to receive the gratuitous acknowledgement from the judges that the best individual effort was made by a Washington and Lee man—that is not bad. To it I must add the statement that many in the audience, less prejudiced than I, were surprised at the decision; while on all sides I heard the most favorable comments upon "The Southerners." I can bring no higher praise than to say that the affirmative argument as a whole, and the efforts of all the individuals were well worthy of the institution which they represented.

Congratulating the student body upon tonight's work, I would ask

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second and was out at first. The Varsity scored again in the seventh as a result of a base on balls, a stolen base and a wild throw. The game was practically featureless, save for Chilton's corking three-bagger in the second inning. He was, however, thrown out at the plate when he tried to stretch it into a home run. The Varsity put up a ragged game, but it was just an "off day," and not liable to happen again soon.

The following is the line-up and summary.

WASHINGTON AND LEE.

Players.	A.	B.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Hodgkin, rf.	0	0	0	1	0	1	
Anthony, 2b rf.	3	0	0	1	1	0	
Hood, lf.	3	1	1	0	0	0	
Herring, 3b.	3	0	0	1	0	0	
Stras, 1b.	3	0	1	6	2	0	
Rectenwald, c.	3	0	0	10	1	0	
Knute, 2b.	0	0	0	0	0	2	
Watts, 2b.	1	0	0	1	0	1	
Webster, 2b.	2	1	0	2	0	0	
Gannon, cf.	3	2	1	4	1	0	
Speed, s.s.	2	2	0	0	5	3	
Low, p.	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Gwathmey, p.	4	1	0	1	2	0	
Total	27	7	3	27	12	7	

CHARLESTON.

Players.	A.	B.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Newcomer, 3b.	3	2	0	2	1	2	
Miller, 1b.	5	0	0	7	0	1	
McWhorter, 2b.	4	1	2	1	3	0	
Orcutt, cf.	4	2	1	0	0	0	
Gardner, s.s.	3	1	0	2	2	1	
Maxwell, rf.	3	0	0	0	0	1	
Simms, lf.	3	0	0	1	0	1	
Allebach, c.	3	0	0	10	3	2	
Chilton, p.	3	0	1	1	3	1	

Total.....31 6 4 24 12 9

Summary: Three-base hit, Chilton. Passed ball, Rectenwald. Base on balls off Chilton, 10; off Gwathmey, 5. Struck out by Chilton, 7; by Gwathmey, 9. Hit by pitcher, Maxwell, Herring. Left on bases, W. & L., 8; Charleston, 5. Umpire, Mr. Scott, of V. M. I.

TENNIS MEET WITH V. P. I. WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY.

The annual tennis match with V. P. I. will be played on the home courts Wednesday and Thursday, 5th and 6th. Doubles will be played on Wednesday, singles on Thursday. This is the third annual meet, and as each team has won one match, this event will be unusually interesting. As the athletic ticket admits students, it is hoped that the fellows will turn out and help W. & L. win the tournament.

The games with Central University were called off on account of rain.

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Maley, Washington and Lee, third.

120 Yard Hurdles—Ruffin, North Carolina, first, time, 17 3-5 sec.; Glasgow, Washington and Lee, second, time, 18 seconds; Wood, North Carolina, third.

880 Yards—Anderton, Washington and Lee, first, time, two minutes 10 1-5 seconds; McCown, Washington and Lee, second; Everett, North Carolina, third.

220 Yard Hurdles—Searing, Washington and Lee, and Wood, North Carolina, tied for first place, time, 28 2-5 seconds; Ruffin, North Carolina, third, time, 29 seconds.

Broad Jump—Williams, North Carolina, first, distance, 20 feet 3 1-4 inches; Sullivan, Washington and Lee, second, 20 feet even; Hall, Washington and Lee, third, 19 feet 10 1-4 inches.

The officials were as follows: Announcer—H. W. Ordeman. Starter—"Pat" Krebs.

Time keepers—Dr. J. H. Latane, Dr. James L. Howe, and R. R. Brown.

Judges—W. N. Bootay, C. S. Glasgow, and Sorsby Jemison. Score-keeper—E. K. Paxton.

JOHNS HOPKINS**WINS DEBATE.**

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them not to forget that it must take a third debate to settle the series just begun. So "lay on MacDuff."

Very sincerely yours,
L. JUNIUS DESHA,
'06.

The Washington and Lee debating team consisted of Messrs. Adkins, Kaylor and Moomaw. Mr. R. H. Spahr accompanied them to Baltimore in the capacity of manager.

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Abe Staples, who went out from the protection of the Varsity last year, and who is practicing law in Roanoke, recently received a fee for \$1,300. We understand that 'Abe' immediately closed up his office and took an extended international trip, leaving instructions that he would return when the \$1,300 was no more.

H. S. Osborne, '04, well remembered as "Goat," and who was Final Ball president in the year '04, is now studying for the ministry at the Theological Seminary at Alexandria. How are the mighty fallen.

PRIZE ESSAYS FOR 1910.

The committee on the prize essays offered by Hart, Schaffner & Marx to encourage economic study and investigation, has suggested the following subjects for 1910:

1. The effect of labor unions on international trade.
2. The best means of raising the wages of the unskilled.
3. A comparison between the theory and the actual practice of protectionism in the United States.
4. A scheme for an ideal monetary system for the United States.
5. The true relation of the central government to trusts.
6. How much of J. S. Mills' economic system survives?
7. A central bank as a factor in a financial crisis.

The contestants are divided into two classes. Class A includes any American without restriction. Class B includes only those who, at the time of competing, are undergraduates of any American college. A first prize of \$600 and a second prize of \$400 are offered for the best studies presented by Class A; a first prize of \$300 and a second prize of \$200 are offered for the best studies presented by Class B. Any member of class B, however, may compete for the prizes of Class A.

Men or women who have not had a college training are eligible to compete under Class C, to which a prize of \$500 is offered for the best essay, and for which the following subjects are suggested:

1. The most practicable scheme for beginning a reduction of the tariff.
2. The value of government statistics of wages in the last ten or fifteen years.
3. Opportunities for expanding our trade with South America.
4. The organization of the statistical work of the United States.
5. Publicity and form of trust accounts.

The committee is composed of Prof. J. L. Laughlin, of the University of Chicago; Professor J. B. Clark, Columbia University; Professor Henry C. Adams, University of Michigan; Horace Wright, Esq., New York city, and Edwin F. Gay, Harvard University.

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PHI DELTA PHI INITIATION.

Eleven Members Initiated Into Legal Fraternity—Initiates Present a Play at "The Majestic."

The Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity had its first annual initiation on Saturday, April 24th. The public ceremony was somewhat of an innovation in the usual practice of initiations, the eleven neophytes and the old members appearing before the public gaze at the track meet with the University of North Carolina, mounted on mules and horses, and in picturesque costume. The initiates were attired somewhat after the Mexican fashion, in white duck, red scarfs and a blue waistband. The old members were robed in imposing gowns of scarlet and fezes of the same color.

At night the preliminary initiation was continued in the theatre, when, after a very creditable specialty act, in which Messrs. Saunders and Coke were the comedians, the company of initiates presented their play, "A Breach of Promise Suit." The conduct of the trial was carried on with great dignity. Mr. C. I. Carey was judge, with A. Barrow, clerk. Mr. W. K. Lemley, as Miss Araminta Clovertop, brought action against Mr. Harry J. Lemley as Barry de Brown Smythe for damages for an alleged breach of promise. Mrs. Busby and her husband, J. C. Busby, witnesses for the plaintiff, were impersonated by Messrs. Hood and Lambertson.

Mr. Williams, as attorney for the defendant, was assisted by Messrs. McDonald and Saunders, while the plaintiff was represented by Messrs. Izard and Coke. Judge Carey, whose decision was to be final in the matter, rendered an opinion couched in language calculated to conceal the real intent of his verdict. He found for the plaintiff, and fixed the damages at one cent, stating in his opinion that he found the defendant guilty of arson, he having kindled the flame of love in the heart of the susceptible Miss Clovertop.

The play was witnessed by a large and appreciative audience, and every available seat was taken long before the curtain rose.

Later in the evening the fraternity repaired to their apartments, where the final rites of the initiation were administered, and then all went to the banquet laid in honor of the occasion.

GRAHAM-LEE LITERARY SOCIETY.

Last Saturday night being the regular time for electing the officers of the Collegian for the succeeding year, joint session was convened in Graham-Lee hall for that purpose. The offices to be filled were those of editor-in-chief,

business manager, assistant editor, and exchange editor. According to the custom of alternating the positions of editor-in-chief and business manager between the two societies, this year the editorship falls to the "Wash." and business manager to Graham-Lee. For editor-in-chief were nominated Mr. R. P. Ashley, and Mr. J. E. Pifer. Mr. Pifer was elected by a close vote. For business manager, the nomination of Mr. Jas. H. Bunch met with hearty approval, and he was declared elected by acclamation. Mr. Ashley was then unanimously elected assistant editor, and for exchange editor, Mr. H. C. McGavock narrowly defeated Mr. Moomaw.

Individually and collectively these officers constitute a staff of exceptional ability, which bids fair to fully measure up to the high standard attained by the present Collegian staff.

As soon as the election was finished and joint session adjourned, Graham-Lee was called to order by its president, Mr. Burks and Mr. Bunch, president and secretary-elect for the important term which extends through the first weeks of next session, were then inaugurated, and at once entered on their official duties. After making a brief but appropriate speech of acceptance, President Burks appointed Mr. Spindle Entee and Mr. Worrell censors, and also the question and program committees. In view of the lateness of the hour the rest of the program was postponed and the society adjourned.

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OUR DEBATING TEAMS.

It is with pride that we welcome the return of our debating team from Johns Hopkins. They put up a manly fight and deserve the congratulations of the student body. Although defeated in that the debate was lost, their work as a team and the individual efforts were worthy of the highest praise. Those who heard the debate have nothing but praise to bestow upon the White and Blue trio.

One thing should be remembered in this connection, and that is, it is not all gain in victory nor all loss in defeat. It frequently happens that the vanquished gain more than the victors. At least in this case we have tackled a hard proposition, and came within a close margin of winning. Did we lose anything? No. Did we gain anything? Yes. We have established a reputation of having a debating team of high standard. Turning to the Tennessee debaters, we feel sure that we have another team that will maintain this high standard. Of course we all like to win, but as said above, there is something to be gained besides victory. The Johns Hopkins team have done their best, and we congratulate them upon their good work. The Tennessee team are doing their best, and we feel ready to congratulate them whether the result be victory or defeat. Hopes for the former, however, are well founded, as they were in the Johns Hopkins debate.

Another thing to be noticed is that the men composing our teams this year are hard-working liter-

ary society men. They have secured their positions by hard work. Their work in the societies has been steady and consistent. We hope that in the future as good debaters will be chosen, this goes to show the value of a literary society training.

We are proud of our teams. One lost to Johns Hopkins, but we find no fault. Our respect is not lessened, the other has its work yet to do. We wish it success, and hope we can say as we do say in the former case, "Well done."

UMPIRING.

Why is it that we cannot secure some one besides our own students to umpire our intercollegiate baseball games? This question is asked not because we think the ones who have acted in this capacity have been guilty of any prejudicial decisions. Far from it. We do not intend to criticize them. We know that they have done the best they could. But we ask is it not putting them in a very embarrassing position? In their efforts to give the visitors a square deal (which they should by all means do) will the result not be in case of doubt a loss to the home team, and rightly so; for we would rather give than take where there is the least doubt. This is the position we feel that the student umpires have been placed. We find no fault with them, nor are we attempting to criticize the management. Everyone knows that baseball requires some close decisions, put yourself in the umpire's place and you will see how hard a position you have to fill. But one might say that a student umpire can see the plays and decide as fairly as anyone else. Grant this, yet would not the student body as a whole feel better satisfied if one not so intimately connected with them were in charge of the decisions? Our own opinion gives an affirmative answer, but if we are wrong we are willing to be convinced, and no personal criticism is intended by this article.

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Are we going to let the business manager pay for a paper and we get the good of it? To one knowing the students of Washington and Lee the answer comes "No." We feel that it is only a matter of neglect, but see what it has resulted in. We appeal to you to stand by your paper and allow neglect or any other cause to delay no longer this important matter. We appeal to you to support your college paper. Is this not a just appeal?

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RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas God in His wisdom has taken to a higher life the mother of our esteemed classmate, Reuben Ragland. Be it resolved by the Senior law class of Washington and Lee University:

1. That as a class we take this opportunity to express to our bereaved classmate our deepest sympathy, and furthermore,
2. That a copy of these resolutions be delivered to Mr. Ragland and a copy be published in the college weekly paper.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Miss Stark and Miss Thomas are the guests of Professor and Mrs. Joseph Long.

Miss Polk, of Tennessee, is visiting Miss Frances Dillon on Washington St., East.

Miss Louise Haskins is spending some time with Miss Helen Turner at "Brushwood."

Miss Mary Belle Hobson has returned to her home in Kentucky, after wintering in Lexington. While here she was the guest of Miss Bessie Catlett.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Withers spent several days last week with Dean and Mrs. Burks.

Miss Elizabeth Brown, who was the guest last week of Miss Lucy Patton and Miss Elizabeth Preston, returned on Saturday to her home near Effington, Va.

Miss Elizabeth Bruce, who has been the guest of her uncle, Dr. Reid White, during the winter months, expects to return to her home in Louisville, Ky., on Friday.

Miss Frances Brown, of Brownsville, Va., spent several days last week with Miss Lucy Patton, on Lee Avenue.

Mrs. George T. Cross and Miss Elizabeth Cross left Lexington on Monday for Staunton and Washington before going to New York, from which port they will sail on the 8th for Naples, and after an automobile tour, will spend the summer in Germany.

Professor and Mrs. Long entertained charmingly on Friday evening in honor of their house guests, Miss Stark and Miss Thomas.

"Southern Cross," Foxhall Dainergfield's latest play, scored a triumph the first night of its production, on April 13th, in Lexington, Ky. The press notices and critics have been most flattering, and everything points to a bright future for the rising young dramatist, who will be remembered in college circles as one of the stars in the Dramatic Club of 1906 and 1907.

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ALUMNI NOTES.

Archie C. Lee, ex-'04, is Southern representative of the John R. Roebing & Son wire rope concern, largest wire rope manufacturers in the United States, and has his headquarters at Charlotte, N. C.

Billy McLeod, ex-'12, has a position in a bank in Lynchburg, Va.

Fred Dulaney, ex-'08, is in the real estate business with his father in Bristol, Tenn.

Bob Glass, '08, has a position on the staff of the Advance, in Lynchburg, Va.

Sam Eggleston, ex-'09, is in the agricultural business with his father near Charlotte C. H., Va.

"Big Bill" Ackerly, of last season's football squad, was operated on for appendicitis last Wednesday by Dr. Lile, of Lynchburg.

J. H. U. vs. W. L. U.

Our debating team lost to Johns Hopkins by a vote of two to one at McCoy Hall April 23rd, or to show the closeness of the contest it might be well to state that judging by points, J. H. U. had 354 to W. & L. 341. Although losing the debate it remained for one of the Washington and Lee boys to carry off the honors of the evening, or as one of the Baltimore papers stated it, "Mr. O. T. Kaylor, of W. & L., was easily the star speaker of the evening."

Our boys left here on Thursday morning, and after calling on President Taft at the White House Thursday afternoon, arrived at Baltimore on Thursday evening, where they were met at the station by the reception committee.

Friday they were shown through the University and around town, followed by a genuine feast Friday night after the speaking.

Saturday afternoon they witnessed a very interesting lacrosse game between J. H. U. and Lehigh, Johns Hopkins winning by the score of 6 to 2.

Two of them were entertained at the home of Dr. Jno. C. French, instructor in English, and the others at the homes of students, and too much cannot be said in praise of the entertainment.

The entertainment committee gave their whole time towards seeing that the W. & L. boys should have a royal good time, and it is needless to say that they succeeded admirably.

This occasion will never be forgotten by the members of the team, and especially the hospitality with which they were received.

Now it is up to us next year when they come here to show them an equally as good a time, if it is possible, and show them that the hospitality of the "Old Dominion" is not a myth.

DR. DENNY AT SELMA.

From the Selma Journal, Selma, Ala.

DR. DENNY TO STUDENTS.

President of Washington and Lee University Speaks to S. M. I. Students—Others to Speak.

Dr. George H. Denny, President of Washington and Lee University, of Lexington, Va., is in the city today to deliver a lecture to the students of the Selma Military Institute. The lecture of Dr. Denny began at three o'clock this afternoon and was pronounced by the students and professors of the institution to be one of the very best lectures ever delivered at the school. Dr. Denny spoke along general educational lines, and the ability of the speaker and the greatness of the theme which he was handling combined to make his visit to the Central City one long to be remembered. Among the many distinguished speakers that have been heard at the S. M. I., perhaps none have been more enjoyed than the speech of this afternoon.

The Selma Military Institute has been visited recently by several speakers, and no doubt before the summer is over they will have the pleasure of hearing many other distinguished men.

Dr. Denny is the guest of the school during his visit to the city.

THE SECOND DEBATE.

Washington and Lee Meets Tennessee on the Rostrum in Bristol May 7th.

The last of the series of debates which were contracted between Washington and Lee and Tennessee three years ago, will be held in Bristol on the night of May 7th. Considerable interest is taken in this, because it is the third of the series. The other two resulted in one victory for each institution, so that this one decides their relative merits. The question is "Resolved: That the present distribution of power between the Federal and State government is not adapted to modern conditions, and calls for readjustment in the direction of further extension of Federal power." Washington and Lee has the negative side, and is represented by Messrs. W. E. Dameron and W. T. Delaplaine.

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Saturday night, April 17th, the two literary societies of this University suspended with their regular meetings on account of the preliminary oratorical contest held in Newcomb Hall. The object of this contest was to select the orator who should represent Washington and Lee University in the Virginia State Oratorical Contest to be held May 7, 1909, at Charlottesville, Va.

The occasion verified the fact that old W. & L. is no farther behind in point of oratory than in other college activities. The seven orators of the evening laden the air with the fragrance of flowery oratory, and recalled to one the pleasant moments he once spent translating the famous orations of Cicero and other Roman orators.

The orators of the evening were H. H. Leach, subject: "Launched but Whither Bound;" E. L. Potter: "The Transition of Civilization;" F. R. Ruff: "Temperance of the Twentieth Century;" G. C. Worrell: "The Meeting of the Orient and the Occident;" L. S. Adams: "Future Democracy;" C. E. Burks: "The Supremacy of the Law;" E. W. Somers: "America's World Politics."

The judges, Professors Stevens, Smith, Campbell, Long and Howe rendered a decision in favor of L. S. Adams as first orator, and C. E. Burks as alternate.

UNIVERSITY ASSEMBLY.

Efforts Made to Secure Mr. Os-
bourn Again as Secretary of
the Y. M. C. A.

A meeting of the University Assembly was called Wednesday at 11:30 a. m. Dr. Howe announced that the purpose of the Assembly was to consider whether or not we would call Mr. Osbourn as secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association for next session. While this call technically comes from the advisory board, it actually comes from the students. They have to promise and pledge their support in order to make the call a reality.

Dr. Howe then made a few remarks, commending the work that Mr. Osbourn has done during the past year. The ground he covered has been entirely new here, and the success with which his work has been characterized show that he is the man for the place. Y. M. C. A. work is not within the official duties of the faculty. The support received from this

source, however, shows how great they feel the good of this work. A student must get something from his college career besides the benefits of class-room work, if he is to be really educated. No better environment can be found than that which is associated with the Y. M. C. A. Here is the opportunity for men to grasp a glimpse of a greater life.

The meeting was turned over to the president of the student body who gave a short talk on the work of the Y. M. C. A. He was followed by Messrs. Mason, Deaver, J. H. Price, and C. J. Carey. Subscription blanks were passed around, signed and collected at the door.

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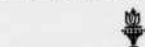
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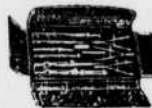
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