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## GRAND OLD PARTY SHOWS ITS COLORS

### Republicans Organize Club—Don't Say Whether They Want Taft or Teddy However

In spite of the fact that Virginia is a very Democratic state and that Washington and Lee university is a very very Democratic institution a Republican band wagon of no small dimensions was set in motion here Saturday afternoon by enthusiastic G. O. P. men. At 3:30 o'clock, in response to a call which for several days had been posted on the bulletin boards about college and had received notorious attention from adherents of Champ Clark, Woodrow Wilson and the other Democratic aspirants for the presidency, a right goodly crowd assembled at Tucker Hall and proceeded to perfect an organization to be hereafter known in the course of human events as the Republican club of Washington and Lee University.

If the thought existed in the minds of a large majority of the "other side," that Republicanism in this institution was too luke warm to assert itself in any marked degree, these deluded souls have come face to face with the hard, cold reality that there is no luke warmth nor "cold feet" in true Republicanism.

The meeting was called to order by "Brooks" Harman of Tazewell, who graphically stated the purpose of the proposed organization to be "to uphold Republican principles, preach the gospel to the heathen and fight the common enemy;" after which the following officers were elected:

J. N. Harman, Jr., president.

H. B. Goodloe, vice president.

J. I. Curry, secretary and treasurer.

W. W. Ackerly, Ring-tum Phi reporter.

An enrollment of members was ordered by the president, and the names of thirty-two appeared upon the list, of whom twenty nine were present in person.

Speakers for the occasion were not wanting and many phases of the club's future work were discussed at length. It was strongly decided that for the purpose of maintaining peace and harmony among its members, the club, as such, would declare neither for Colonel Roosevelt nor President Taft, but would leave to each individual his freedom of choice. "A Republican President" is the cry; so there may be expected a "warm time in the old town" from this on.

Prior to adjournment the following appointments were made by the president:

Committee on Resolutions: Messrs. Craft, Goodloe, Morrow and Rodgers, with the president an ex-officio member.

Sergeant at Arms: Joe Arker.

The club will meet again Thursday afternoon at 3:15 in the English Room. Every Republican in College is urgently requested to be present at this meeting, the way has been blazed, and no man should now hesitate to show his colors!

## WOODROW WILSON BOOSTERS ORGANIZE

### Large Number Pledges Support to College Men's Candidate—Dr. Latane Speaks

About eighty enthusiastic Democrats met in the Economics room last Friday night, in response to notices which had been conspicuously posted for some days, and organized themselves into a Woodrow Wilson Club, pledging their best efforts to secure the Democratic presidential nomination to the "college men's candidate."

Mr. R. C. Dow was made president, and in a few words spoke of the opportunity of the Democrats at present, and Wilson's qualifications as a leader.

Mr. T. W. Fred was chosen vice-president and spoke of Wilson, the college man.

Mr. C. B. Fetner was elected secretary and treasurer. Mr. Fred moved that an executive committee be appointed by the president: The following men compose the committee:

R. C. Dow, T. W. Fred, C. B. Fetner, S. P. Harman, W. H. Eager, R. R. Witt, James Somerville, Jr., T. McP. Glasgow, Lloyd Craighill, P. W. Murray, Simeon Hyde, William M. Miller, F. L. Bonzer, Walter Hood.

Dr. Latane was called on, and after stating that his "stump speaking," would be postponed until Wilson was nominated, gave an interesting talk on Wilson and the coming campaign. He said that he was glad to see college men interested in civic problems, for the tendency is for college students not to be influenced by outside matters, but to become self centered with the studies and affairs of student life, and while a college should make better citizens, it often fails in this line.

The Democratic party for some years past has been divided and weakened, but now with many good leaders it should be reunited. A common fault is that the people of a party take but little interest in the nominations and are then dissatisfied with the candidates. The speaker urged that all Democrats vote in the primaries, and for Wilson. Wilson is the strongest of the Democratic leaders, for he will unify the party and will draw the independent vote, so important in determining elections, as neither party by itself can elect its men. For sixteen years past the independents have been allied with the Republican party and the Democrats to win must nominate a man to draw their votes.

In discussing Harmon as a probability Dr. Latane stated that while he would carry the solid Democrats he would not gain the support of the independents, for he is too conservative and is almost reactionary.

Roosevelt will probably be nominated by the Republicans, he said, as many of them will desert their leaders and flock to him, and to oppose progressive Roosevelt the Democrats should not nominate a conservative. The age is progressive and a negative issue is not to be desired. Woodrow Wilson is the only man in

the Democratic party who can compete with Roosevelt, and it will be no tame fight should these two oppose each other, for Wilson will never yield without a fight. He has better mental powers and as much shrewdness as Roosevelt, even if lacking in the tricks of politics. He has one of the keenest intellects and marvelous reasoning and analytic power, which he showed as a professor, and the students under him at Johns Hopkins expressed the hope that some day Wilson would go into politics, for he seemed pre-eminently cut out for the life of the statesman. He is a profound student of political science, and originated a new study in administrative law, said Dr. Latane. There are three main issues in the campaign—he continued.

First. The tariff; on which Wilson is sound.

Second. The trusts; Wilson advocates regulation by publicity rather than by compulsion.

Third. Popular rule. Under this head Dr. Latane spoke of the initiative and referendum, and the mistaken idea held in the too conservative South about it. The initiative and referendum should not be, and are not substitutes for representative government, but are a check upon it. Because he learned the true meaning of these measures, Wilson charged his opinion upon them and broke with several prominent Democratic editors. But this question can hardly be an issue in the campaign, for Roosevelt is openly in favor of initiative and referendum and even believes in overriding a judicial decision by vote of the people. Bryan will have an important influence on the campaign for he has many supporters, but it appears he opposes Harmon and favors Wilson. To win the election the Democratic party must not only nominate a man to carry the "Solid South," but the progressives of the West and the independents of the East, and a man who is an aggressive fighter capable of downing Roosevelt. This man is Wilson. Dr. Latane concluded by saying "This is an age when it is a joy to live, and be a Democrat." A long yell was given and the meeting was adjourned amid much enthusiasm.

Since the meeting many new members have been received, and all those desiring membership should turn in their names to the secretary or to a member of the executive committee.

Dr. Craighill has announced that Dr. George H. Denny will be the visiting orator for Founders' Day and he will deliver the principle address on that occasion. Dr. Denny is one of the most widely known educators in the South, having been president of Washington and Lee University for a number of years, and having left that position to accept the presidency of the University of Alabama.—Tulane Weekly.

## MUSICAL CLUBS

### WARMLY RECEIVED

### Harrisonburg People Appreciate Concert—Give Dance for W. & L. Boys

The concert given by the Washington and Lee musical clubs in Harrisonburg last Friday night was enthusiastically received by the people of that town, who vied with one another in showing hospitality to the members of the clubs. The entertainment was given in the assembly hall, under the auspices of the Turner Ashby Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, and was heard by a large audience, which was frequent and insistent in its applause. The singing of the quartet, and H. V. Carson's solos, met with an especially enthusiastic reception. The quartet number "Roll Them Bones," proved to be a winner with the audience, which also enjoyed the mandolin sextette selections, and Walter Steves' violin playing. Carson's solo, "Shadows," and the quartet, "Down by the Old Mill Stream," were keenly appreciated.

From the students' point of view, the most pleasing feature of the occasion was the cordial reception tendered by the people of Harrisonburg. The musicians were entertained at lunch at the home of H. D. and G. A. Newman, and it is understood that several smaller parties were held during the evening. After the concert a dance was given in the Daily News hall by the German club, assisted by the "Bachelor Maids," in honor of the Washington and Lee boys. The hall was decorated with white and blue streamers, and Washington and Lee pennants. Music was furnished by an orchestra of eight pieces. About thirty-five couples took part in the dancing, which continued to a late hour. The program rendered at the concert was:

Mysterious Rag	Berlin Snyder
Mandolin Sextette	
Huskin Bee	Henry
	Glee Club
Somewhere	Harris
	Quartette
Menuet A L'Antique	Paderewski
	Water Steves
Down in the Depths	Kreusch
	H. V. Carson
Stars of the Summer Night	Woodbury
	Quartette
Pickaninny's Lullaby	Gage
	H. D. Newman
Come, Landlord, Fill the Flowing Bowl	Rosey
	Glee Club
Honey Man	McCarthy
	Mandolin Sextette
Story of a Tack	Parks
	Glee Club
Down by the Old Mill Stream	Taylor
	Quartette
Obertas Mazurka	Wieniawski
	Walter Steves
Shadows	Carrie Jacobs Bond
	H. V. Carson
I Want a Girl	Berlin Snyder
	Glee Club
College Days	Mell
	Quartette
W. and L. Swing	Sheafe-Allen
	Glee Club

### DR. VENABLE ADDRESSES CHEMICAL SOCIETY

#### Makes Plea for Original Work by Instructor and Student

Dr. F. P. Venable, president of the University of North Carolina, delivered a special lecture before the Chemical society last Friday night. His subject was The Importance of Investigation.

He deplored the lack of investigative spirit in Southern institutions of learning. While admitting that our lack of funds handicaps us he urges us to make the best of the means at hand. The classical work of Wohler was cited as an example of what may be done with poor equipment but with perseverance, which must characterize every true seeker after truth.

The importance of original work on the part of both instructors and students was emphasized. The former will derive self confidence and will add to the prestige of his college while the later will acquire a grasp on the subject that he can never get by memorizing the works of others. The speaker refuted the argument against undergraduate research which is based on the fact that much such work is barren of material results. He believes that the experience and skill acquired by the student while feeling his way in unexplored realms more than compensate him for the expenditure of time and energy.

Dr. Venable is a believer in the open library and laboratory. He thinks there is not as much danger to be feared from too free thinking us from the passive acceptance of dogma.

The address was followed by short talks from Major Pendleton of V. M. I. Dr. H. D. Campbell and Dr. W. Le C. Stevens; after which the members of the chemical society enjoyed an informal reception at the home of Dr. Howe where stories of German University days told by the speaker and the host enlivened the remainder of the most delightful evening.

#### A Correction

The account of the Richmond indoor track meet, printed last week, contained several erroneous statements, according to members of the team. Anderton instead of Taylor Thom, ran in the relay race against Richmond College. The only Washington and Lee runner who failed to gain was Hayne, who lost the lead gained by Groover in the first quarter; Anderton made up most of this loss in his quarter, and Carter Glass started out just behind his man, outstripping him at the finish. Taylor Thom won second place in the mile race, over Cooke of Virginia.

#### Alabamians for Oscar

At a meeting of the Alabama Club last week, the doughty members of that organization boldly renewed their allegiance to Oscar W. Underwood in spite of the threatening political sky. The immediate purpose of the meeting was the election of club officers. The following were chosen: Walter Browder of Montgomery, president; Warren Brown of Montgomery, vice president; L. R. Hanna of Birmingham, secretary and treasurer. The club has nineteen members.

P. A. Herscher, B. A., '10, is a bank teller in Charleston, W. Va.

### DR. H. D. CAMPBELL HONORED

#### University of Pittsburgh Confers Degree of Doctor of Science Upon Him

Dr. H. D. Campbell was a delegate representing Washington and Lee University at the celebration of the one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the University of Pittsburgh, held in Pittsburgh on Feb. 27th, 28th and 29th. On Charter day, Feb. 28th, the degree of Doctor of Science was conferred upon Dr. Campbell, who was among the representatives of institutions, the founding of which antedated that of the University of Pittsburgh. A large number of distinguished delegates were honored with the doctorate of laws, science or letters, among the number being the German ambassador and the minister from Argentina. One hundred and eighty-five universities and educational and scientific societies, both American and foreign, were represented. Among the American institutions Washington and Lee stood seventh in order of establishment, Harvard, of course, heading the list, being founded in 1636. The University of St. Andrews, founded in 1411, was the oldest institution represented.

A number of discussions of educational problems were held, and the occasion was enlivened by entertainments given by the dramatic and musical clubs of Pittsburgh University.

#### To Open Another Avenue Between the University and Institute

The old proposition to open another avenue between Washington and Lee grounds and those of the Virginia Military Institute has been revived. The avenue would leave the University grounds back of the buildings and run parallel to Lee avenue, back of the residences upon it, and enter the Institute grounds back of the Samuel McD. Moore property, into what is now the camping ground adjoining the parade ground. Building sites along Lee avenue have been so popular that it is felt that sites on the new avenue would be much in demand. The outlook from it would be considered by many better than from Lee avenue, affording a beautiful view of Rockbridge, and its skirt of mountains to the west of Lexington. It is understood that the proposition is generally so agreeable to the property holders that they will supply the land for the avenue without cost.

If you find the local news scarce in this paper this week, it is because nothing is happening. If all of you persist in sitting by the fire, refusing to go anywhere or to let anything happen to you, why, you can expect the paper to have nothing in it. If somebody don't get in a fight with his wife, have a quarrel with his neighbor, fall down and break a leg, or do something to cause a little excitement, your home paper will have to begin to fill its columns with political dope. You'd better get busy and cause something to happen.—Ex.

The Y. M. C. A. meeting tonight is to be addressed by William McE. Miller, T. McP. Glasgow and Wm. J. Wilcox.

J. W. Selig, ex '14, is studying at Columbia University this year.

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The annual gymnasium exhibition, given last night in the gym., proved to be a very interesting athletic event. Some of the "stunts" were bewildering in their complexity and hair raising in their apparent dangerousness. The team as a whole showed the effects of hard, consistent practice, and gives promise of even better things when Washington and Lee gets a new gymnasium, which Dr. H. D. Campbell prophesied would be in the not far distant future. In his speech at the delivery of the medals and cup, Dr. Campbell referred to the excellent work done by Dr. Pollard in training the men, and expressed the hope that Washington and Lee will be able to retain Dr. Pollard next year. The remark was greeted with prolonged applause.

The different events consisted of work on the mats, the horizontal bars, the horse, rings and parallel bars. F. P. Webster gave an exhibition of bag punching, and a wrestling match was staged between G. D. Davidson and P. C. Rogers, in which neither secured a fall, though both were on the verge of success several times. Davidson showed skill and headwork, but could not overcome Rogers' greater size. The exhibition closed with a series of pyramids, in which the whole team participated.

The work on the apparatus was, as a whole, excellent. Five medals were awarded as follows: Mats, W. H. Abramovitz; horizontal bar, Jonah Larrick; horse, Charles Ghieslin; rings, William Miller; parallel bars, Jonah Larrick. The cup for the all around championhip, donated by Mr. A. Bassist, was presented to C. B. Bush, who gave some remarkable exhibitions of strength and skill on all the pieces of apparatus. W. G. Wood, who also did excellent work, was not a contestant for the prizes, having won the all around championhip last year.

The judges were Dr. A. T. Graham, Captain Brummage of V. M. I., Dr. R. G. Campbell and Dr. J. L. Howe. Dr. H. D. Campbell presented the prizes. The medals were purchased with funds contributed by Lexington business men and members of the faculty. Music was furnished by the University band.

J. R. Da e, Jr., B. A., '10, M. H. Payne, B. A. '11, and F. L. Wysor, B. A., '11, are students of medicine at the University of Virginia.

W. D. Hereford, B. A., '05, is a lawyer and prosecuting attorney in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. After leaving Washington and Lee he took a course in law at the University of Virginia.

William R. Vance, professor of Law at Yale University, has been elected Dean of the University of Minnesota Law School. Mr. Vance will not assume in full the duties of his new position until the fall of 1912. In the meanwhile he will continue to teach at the Yale Law School. Professor James Paige has been appointed by the board of Regents of the University of Minnesota as acting Dean of the Law School during the absence of Mr. Vance.

**CLASS TEAMS AT WORK**

**Freshmen Will Play R. M. A. Next  
Friday**

Since the close of the basketball season, the afternoons have been devoted at the gymnasium to class basketball practice. Many candidates are out, and a good deal of interest has been shown.

Some of the more promising candidates for the Freshman team are Evans, Hobson, Drummond, Haney, Yancey, Pettus and Williams. H. W. Rogers is Captain and R. W. Fowlkes manager.

The Sophomores should have a strong quint, with such men as O'Quinn, Thornton, Fiery, Donahue, Thom, Yonan, Wiltshire, Hayne and Dexter in the field. The Juniors are represented by Hogue, Peoples, Jalonick, Irwin, Davidson, Crist and P. C. Rogers. The Seniors are the only delinquents, having taken no steps so far to organize a team.

The Freshmen team will go to Bedford City to play Randolph Macon academy next Friday.

**ALUMNI NOTES**

W. F. McGill, B. A., '11, is secretary of the Camden Hardware and Mill Supply company, Camden, Ark.

H. W. Withers, B. S., '06, is in the lumber business in Abingdon, Va.

P. P. Page, B. S., '08, is an engineer with the Mobile Gas Works, Mobile, Ala.

John Pilkington, Jr., B. A., '06, is in the wholesale fruit business, Tallahassee, Florida.

J. O. Faulkner, B. A., '07, is superintendent of the High School, Amarillo, Tex.

D. W. M. MacCluer, B. A., '07, is a Presbyterian minister at Niagara Falls, New York. His address is 315 Royal avenue.

D. P. Boyer, B. A., '08, and G. W. Morris, B. A., '05, are teaching in the John Marshall High School, Richmond, Va.

D. C. Miller, B. S., '05, C. E., '08, is instructor in Descriptive Geometry and Drawing at the University of Michigan.

L. M. Collins, B. S., '10, is a chemist with the Carnegie steel works, Youngstown, O. Address 313 Arlington street.

W. N. Doub, B. A., '07, has entered into a general brokerage and investment business in Tacoma, Washington.

The students of Georgia Tech have put the ban on the "turkey trot" and all similar dances, declaring they must not be seen at the Tech hops.

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We also desire to call attention to the fact that unsigned correspondence will not be published. Those who do not desire their names published should add a pen name and their wishes will be complied with.

Let's have the convention. Everybody's talking politics. The bulletin boards are full of signs telling of the merits of various aspirants for presidential honors and the newspapers are full of talk about candidates and policies and how states are lining up.

Buttons are much in evidence on the campus and even some of the members of the faculty are wearing them. What is the reason then for a failure to hold this convention?

Four years ago we had the most interesting and instructive assembly which ever chose a man to run for president of the United States. As a large majority of the students here are Democrats by inheritance at least there should be a DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION held some time next term, as there was then. For several days classes suffered and the columns of the Daily Democrat told of the merits of the aspirants and the conduct of the various delegates. Not only was the convention good experience but it showed the real convention in Denver what to do. For the Denver gathering put up the same man. Professor Lauck of the Politics Department was the inspiration for our gathering then, and the scheme will require some man to take his place and

elect the delegates and frame the platforms.

The Ring-tum Phi believes that it is just as possible for the students at Washington and Lee to hold this convention now as it was four years ago. And for that reason we are urging that the talk be matured into a conclave where we can find out just who the talkers of the University are.

The matter is particularly up to the students of the Department of Commerce and the first move ought to come from them, and to them we first appeal. Also among the students of the Law there are some who in secret aspire to be moguls in directing the affairs of the country. Attorneys, where are you?

With a Wilson Club, a Harmon Club, an Underwood Club, a Republican Club already formed and more in process of formation, the times are ripe.

Who will help us start a convention about the first of May?

## TENNIS.

Now that the sun is beginning to show signs, however sporadic, of renewed life, and baseball talk is beginning to circulate, the tennis enthusiast gets out his racquet to finger the stringing and wonder how long it will be before the courts will be in shape. It is, of course, too soon to do any work on the courts as yet, but each spring there is a good deal of delay in getting them ready, apparently for lack of an organized demand that the work be done. We are told that the University officials, when recently approached on the subject, stated that if those interested in tennis will form a club and appoint someone to look after the matter, there will be no trouble in securing workmen to put the courts in shape promptly. We suggest that the tennis players get together and act on this suggestion, and avoid the loss of the early spring days by having the courts in readiness as soon as the weather permits.

Tennis is a popular game at Washington and Lee; a large number of men take part in it who are debarred, for various reasons, from other sports. We have a number of good players, and there is no excuse for the disorganization and decay into which the game has been allowed to fall of late. Why not arrange for tournaments, among the students here and with other colleges, on a definite plan? We have had occasional contests with representatives of other schools, but these have usually been arranged, we believe, by individual players, and are rather accidental than premeditated. Let the tennis men get together and do something to put the sport on a systematic basis.

## DR. SMITH'S DECISION

As was stated briefly in the Ring-tum Phi last week, Dr. Henry Louis Smith on last Monday evening telegraphed his acceptance of the presidency of Washington and Lee University to Dr. G. B. Strickler, rector of the board of trustees. The news reached Lexington so late that it was possible to insert only a bare statement of the fact in the paper; but since that time little has occurred which could be added to the statement. It is understood that Dr. Smith will not enter upon his duties here until after the close of the present session.

Dr. Smith's decision is, of course, a source of immense gratification, not only to the authorities, but to the students of Washington and Lee. We believe that we have found a true leader, and that he will enter upon an office which is worthy of his best efforts. His record for constructive work at Davidson is a strong testimonial; his scholarship gives him high rank among the men in his profession; and his admirable personal qualities are attested by the spontaneous and genuine outbursts of protest which occurred, not only among the people of North Carolina, but in the Davidson student body—the latter surely an indisputable proof of the high esteem in which he is held.

Under Dr. Smith's leadership, we believe that Washington and Lee will go forward with rapid strides along all desirable and legitimate lines, and we congratulate ourselves upon our gain while deploring the fact that this is necessarily Davidson's loss.

The American Law School Review prints the following in regard to W. Goodwin Williams, '93-'94:

"W. Goodwin Williams has been elected to succeed R. L. Henry as professor of law in the Louisiana State University. Mr. Williams is a native of Richmond, Va. He received his preliminary education in the celebrated University School conducted by Colonel W. Gordon McCabe. He afterwards attended Richmond College, from which institution he graduated with the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts. He studied law for one year at Washington and Lee University under John Randolph Tucker, and later attended the Law School of the University of Virginia, where he completed the course leading to the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Since then he has done one year of post graduate work at the University of Wisconsin, has studied one summer at the University of Marburg, Germany, and has devoted one year to the study of Jurisprudence at the University of Berlin. During the past three years he has taken graduate courses in Jurisprudence, Political Science, and Constitutional History at the University of California, and expects soon to receive the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from that institution."

## DR. WEILAND AT THE AUDITORIUM

Delivers Striking Address on "College Men and Social Evils"

Dr. Frank Wieland of Chicago, delivered his address "College Men and Social Evils" at the High School auditorium last Saturday night to a large audience of men, the hall being almost completely filled with students and townspeople. The meeting was held under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. Dr. T. J. Farrar, whose friendship for Dr. Wieland has extended over a period of fifteen years, and who was instrumental in bringing him to Lexington, introduced the speaker. Dr. Wieland is a young man, and his manner at once captured the attention of the audience. His address was plain and simple throughout and "straight from the shoulder." He stated that he did not approach the subject from the moral standpoint, leaving that to teachers of ethic, but dealt with it purely from the physiological point of view. He apologized for any sensationalism of which he might be accused, by saying that he was "from Chicago." His talk was marked throughout by a tolerant spirit, his wide acquaintance with young men having given him a deep insight into youthful character. While he made no moral appeal, as such, the striking manner in which he presented facts was even more powerful than such an appeal could have been, and the address made a deep impression.

After the lecture a series of lantern slides were shown, illustrating the facts which he had just described.

## Dulaney is Wireless Operator

The following clipping from the Louisville Courier Journal tells of the experiments of Fred Dulaney, '04 to '06, with wireless telegraphy:

Bristol, Tenn., Feb. 15.—Perhaps the most successful amateur wireless telegraph station in the country is that in Bristol, the property of Fred Dulaney, a young electrician, and son of B. L. Dulaney, a local millionaire. Mr. Dulaney has equipped the plant through his personal efforts, and it is now working so perfectly that he is able to receive messages from points far out at sea, and is in a position to communicate with people in the large cities, having repeatedly used his instrument in talking to New York and to points along the coast.

An interesting occurrence this week was when Mr. Dulaney's young brother, Landen Dulaney, who was leaving the Charleston port for New York, wired to Charleston after the vessel on which he was making the voyage was fifty miles at sea. This message was received by the Western Union company at Charleston for transmission to Bristol, but an hour before it was received here by wire Mr. Dulaney had read it word for word direct from the ocean through his wireless station.

Many interesting conversations are daily heard through the Bristol station, including much that has to be kept in confidence.

An investigation recently conducted at the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn., gives the A. T. O. fraternity the highest scholastic standing among those in the university. W. L. Stagers, a Kappa Sigma, has the highest individual record, his average being 92 1-2.

# The Ring-tum Phi

Tuesday, March 5, 1912

## Al Orth Begins Work With Squad

Al Orth breezed into Lexington last Friday morning, somewhat in advance of the spring time; but nothing daunted, he took hold of the baseball men who presented themselves and had them hustling around Wilson field that afternoon, and again of Saturday. Running around the track, with some hitting and throwing, were the forms of exercise indulged in. Owing to the shortness of the time which remains before the first game, the practice will be as strenuous from now on as the weather conditions will permit. Mr. Orth is said to set little store by indoor exercise, but if it is impossible to appear on Wilson field, the men will be given a workout in the gymnasium in the afternoon.

Mr. Orth is a big, capable looking man, with the clear eye and decisive manner of the trained athlete. He is reputed to have plenty of "pep," and is already popular with his men. The papers state that he has been in hard training himself for several weeks, and comes to Lexington prepared to give the varsity squad a rough and tumble fight to round it into form quickly.

Any baseball man who wants a job had better put in his application quick, in the shape of a personal appearance on the field, ready for practice. A goodly number have reported so far, but there are a number of men who have not yet turned out. Better do so now.

## Tie Will Not Be Played Off

In order to set at rest all claims regarding the state championship in basketball, manager Null wrote to the manager of basketball at the University of Virginia on the day after our last game with them, setting forth the grounds on which Washington and Lee based its claim to the title, and asking that a third game be played on a neutral floor, suggesting the Arcade Rink in Washington. In reply to this letter, he received a communication, giving no definite reply to the challenge, but suggesting Lynchburg instead of Washington, "if we play at all." The writer, E. Rixey, states that in his opinion games played in the Washington and Lee gymnasium should not count materially toward the championship, as visiting teams, he thought, were severely handicapped here.

Later on, on Feb. 28th, the Virginia manager wrote that a game would not be possible, owing to the fact that the team had already played for a number of months, and several of the men were to go out for baseball practice. He suggested that next year a date for playing off a tie could be fixed in advance, in case each team won and lost a game; or suggested that only one game be played and that on a neutral floor.

The McCrum Drug company is offering a handsome suit case as a prize in a voting contest, to be given to the student who receives the greatest number of votes. The contest closes on April 6th.

Professor W. S. Currell has accepted an invitation to lecture next summer on literature at the New York University in the city of New York.

## WASHINGTON SOCIETY HEARS FROM ALUMNI

### Louisiana Men Send Greetings on Occasion of Centennial

The loyalty felt for the "old Wash." society by alumni who, as students, belonged to that organization, is exemplified in a set of resolutions forwarded to the society by the Louisiana alumni on the occasion of the Centennial celebration on Feb. 22nd. The resolutions, which are framed and will be placed on the walls of the society hall, are as follows:

"Resolutions by the Louisiana Alumni of Washington Literary society.

"Whereas, This 22nd day of February, 1912, marks the one hundredth anniversary of the foundation of the Washington Literary Society, and Whereas, This centennial vividly recalls to our minds the sacred and tender memories of the many happy hours spent in the halls of our dear old society;

"Be it Resolved, That the Louisiana members send greetings and congratulations to the 'old Wash.' society, with expressions of their best wishes for its welfare and continued success.

"Be it also Resolved, That these resolutions be forwarded to the officers of the society, at Lexington, Va."

The document bears the following signatures: Thomas S. Wilkinson, '70; Horace L. Dufour, '75; M. N. Wisdom, '73; Wm. A. Bell, '95; Wm. F. Pickard, '66; C. P. Wilkinson, '71; Leland H. Moss, '87; Norman Walker, '70; Walter H. Hoffman, '74; Samson Levy, '74; Lazu Bock, '72; Floyd Farrar, '72-'73; B. J. Mayer, '06.

### Kelly—Watkins

A wedding of a great deal of local interest was that of Miss Trula Watkins of Lynchburg, to Mr. J. J. Kelly, which took place at the home of the bride on Rivermont avenue, Lynchburg, on Feb. 24th. The officiating minister was the Rev. H. George McFaden, pastor of the Rivermont avenue Methodist church. The maid of honor was Miss Marie Watkins. Mr. Walter Meacham of Fort Mill, S. C., acted as groomsmen and Mr. John Martin of Waverly, as best man. Both are Washington and Lee men, and fraternity brothers of Mr. Kelly.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Watkins. Mr. Kelly completed his work at Washington and Lee last term, and will receive his B. A. degree next commencement. Mr. and Mrs. Kelly will make their home at Oak Hill, W. Va.

### Gym Team Has Two Meets

Manager William McE. Miller of the gymnasium team, has completed arrangements for meets with Carolina and Davidson. The team will meet Carolina at Chapel Hill on March the 7th, and on the following night will meet Davidson in Greensboro. This is the first time in a number of years that the Washington and Lee "gym" team has met an outside team and unusual interest is being taken in the approaching events.

E. A. Salomonsky, B. S., '11, is a student in the school of architecture at Columbia University, New York.

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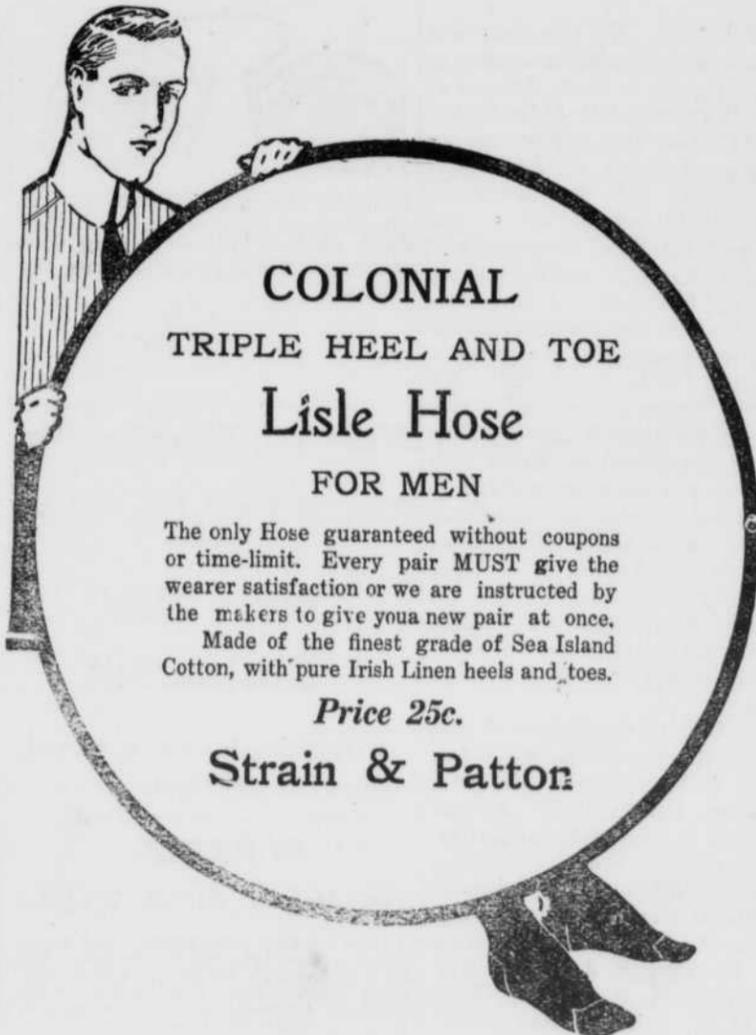
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## MR. CAMPBELL VISITS SOUTHERN ALUMNI

Attends Meeting in Texas and is  
Guest at Banquet in  
New Orleans

Mr. John L. Campbell returned last week from a trip through the South, which included visits to Texas and Louisiana cities. At San Antonio there was a meeting of the Texas alumni on Washington's birthday, for the purpose of forming an alumni association. Men from all over the state who had attended Washington and Lee were present, and an enthusiastic meeting was held. Albert Steves, Jr., '06, was chosen president of the association, and D. O. Huff, secretary and treasurer.

After the organization meeting Mr. Campbell and other out of town guests were taken on an automobile sight seeing tour. In the evening a banquet was held at the St. Anthony hotel, at which Washington and Lee spirit and enthusiasm ran high. The menu was a work of art, calculated to tickle the palate and induce fond recollections of the old Varsity. Among other delicacies there were "North River" Crabflake Cocktail, "Hog Back" Celery, "House Mountain" pecans, "Natural Bridge" olives, "Lover's Leap" grapefruit salad, and Roquefort "au East Lexington," while afterwards "H. O." cigarettes and "Pettigrew" cigars were enjoyed.

Those who attended the meeting were:

John L. Campbell, Lexington, Va.; F. F. Downs, Temple; B. W. Klipstein, Beeville; W. V. Collins, Corpus Christi; James M. Corbett, Bay City; Thomas West, Fort Worth; B. W. Coulter, Dallas; Dan E. Brown, San Marco; W. F. Hays Boerne, and A. W. Houston, Erhardt Guenther, Ernest Steves, Albert Steves, Sr., Albert Steves, Jr., J. P. Withers, F. J. Bosshardt, D. O. Huff and W. F. Miller of San Antonio.

On Feb. 24th, Mr. Campbell was the guest of the Louisiana alumni at a banquet given in New Orleans at Antoine's restaurant to Judge Luther E. Hall, '86-88, Democratic nominee for the governorship of Louisiana.

The banquet hall was decorated in the college colors, white and blue, and the floral decorations of the table were in similar colors, violets and hyacinths. Judge Horace L. Dufour, the president of the association, presided as toastmaster. Dr. Alcee Fortier, who holds the honorary degree of doctor of literature from Washington and Lee University, also represented Tulane University on this occasion, and Louisiana State University was represented by three other alumni, Dr. H. M. Blain, Dr. D. V. Guthrie and Dr. W. Goodwyn Williams.

College songs were sung after each of the toasts, and the event was made a happy reunion of college friends.

The following were in attendance: T. S. Wilkinson, Dr. A. D. Anderson, Dr. C. P. Wilkinson, Mortimer N. Wisdom, Dr. W. McF. Alexander, Leland H. Moss of Lake Charles, R. C. Milling of Franklin, George Hill of Port Allen, A. J. Cammack, New Iberia; Henry J. David, Kaplan; L. P. Bryant, Jr., Samson Levy, Bastrop; B. J. Mayer, Norman Walker, H. H. Harvey, E. J. Hart, W. H. Shields, Lazu Block,

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Among the speakers were Judge Horace Dufour, Mr. Campbell, acting president of Washington and Lee University; Professor Alcee Fortier of Tulane University, Professor Williams of Louisiana State University, Rev. W. McF. Alexander of the Prytania Presbyterian church, Theodore Wilkinson, M. N. Wisdom, Leland Moss of Lake Charles, Norman Walker, W. A. Bell and Dr. C. P. Wilkinson. The dinner closed with a speech by Judge Luther E. Hall. As usual, he spoke of the administration he hoped to give Louisiana during the next four years, taking the two great men, George Washington and Robert E. Lee, the founder of Washington and Lee University, as his exemplars and guides.

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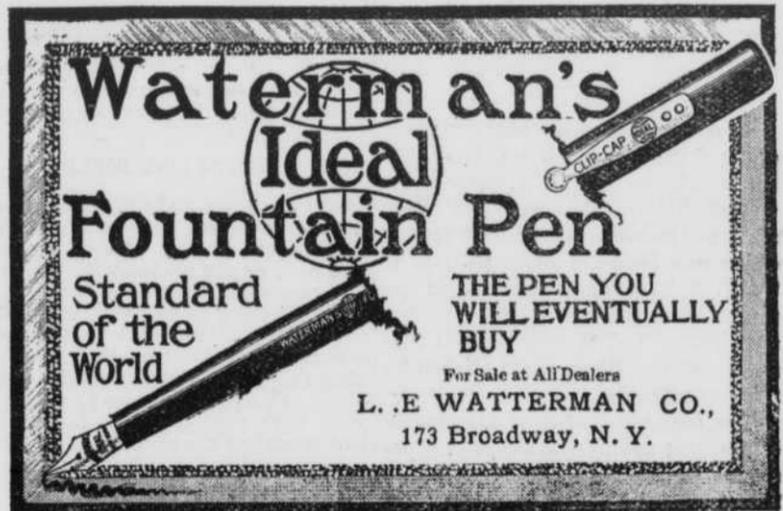
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The formation of this association is the first definite attempt to organize the colleges and universities in the so-called South Atlantic division into a well defined body for the promotion of athletics. In addition to providing definite rules under which athletic contests will be held, it serves to define to a large extent the territory contained in the South Atlantic division. At present there are included in the territory of the association Maryland, Virginia, District of Columbia, and North Carolina. Adjacent states are in the domain of the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association, with which the new organization is not affiliated. The institutions at present in the organization are Johns Hopkins, Georgetown, Washington and Lee University, V. P. I., University of North Carolina, A. and M. of North Carolina, and Richmond College.

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An excellent feature which it is hoped the association will accomplish is the elimination of difficulty in regard to eligibility rules. Each institution is to file with the secretary a copy of its own eligibility rules, and a certificate from the faculty committee on athletics of any one of the institutions represented, stating that certain players are eligible, will be accepted. A great deal of trouble in regard to eligibility is encountered in the S. I. A. A. which it is hoped this provision will eliminate.

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