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176th Session Opens With 850 Students

GENERALS KEYED FOR PANTHER GRID CLASH

Team Leaves Tomorrow For Pittsburgh To Dedicate New Two Million Dollar Stadium; Expect Record Crowd To Witness Game.

LINE IDENTICALLY SAME AS LAST YEAR

Much Competition In Filling Vacancies Made By Graduation of Cameron and McMillan.

Two weeks of intensive training under the direction of Coach Jimmy De Hart has put the Washington and Lee eleven in the pink of condition for their opening clash of the season with the University of Pittsburgh Panthers on Saturday afternoon in the Smoky City. Led by Captain Kay Thomas, speedy end, the Fighting Generals have been hard at work since September 7, when the first practice session was held. Almost fifty candidates for the team reported to the coach at the initial work-out.

The Generals' forward wall will remain intact for 1925, leaving the coaches only the problem of developing the quartet of backfield men to carry the Generals through the season. The regulars in the line who are back in the fold are Captain Thomas and Daves, ends; Tilson and Holt, tackles; Budnick and Stemmons, guards, and Hawkins, center. These men are being hard pressed by the following men of the reserves who may at anytime be elevated to a position on the varsity team: Spotts, Sanders, Jackson, and Edgerton, ends; Fisher, Davenport, Durham and McLeod, tackles; Cooper, Dawson, McDonald and Miller, guards; Van Horn and Eglebach, centers.

Picking capable men to fill the places in the backfield made vacant by the graduation of Cameron and McMillan last June will take most of the attention of the coach. Cameron's ability as a plunging fullback that could be relied upon for a gain at anytime will be missed unless a new fullback can be developed. "Horse" Tipps seems to have the call, and is being tried in that position. The half positions are being hard fought for by Palmer and Rauber of the 1924 eleven, and Barclay, Latham, and McCandless of last year's scrubs; Streit, Elder, and Howe from the 1924 freshmen, and Milbank, a junior, who is out for the first time. Henry Wilson, shifty quarter of last year's eleven, is back in harness, but is being hard pressed for the generalship honors by Johnny McVey, the alternate quarter from last year. Both of these men are unusually heady and either one of them should prove to be a tower of strength to the Fighting Generals of 1925.

The opening tilt with "Jock" Sutherland's Pitt Panthers will be one of the first big intersectional games of the year. Washington and Lee has been given the honor of playing the first game against the Panthers in their new \$2,000,000 stadium, and as Coach De Hart is a Pitt graduate himself, the occasion will be a great event for the teams as well as for the coach who is returning to his Alma Mater, under whose colors he made a name in the football Hall of Fame.

The Panthers have been in training one more week than have the Generals and have been especially pointed for this contest since it will inaugurate their new playing field.

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LAST SEASON



COACH DE HART

Coming to Washington and Lee as head coach, after serving as backfield coach at the University of Georgia for a few campaigns, Jimmy De Hart will wind up a string of four successful years as the mentor of the Blue and White elevens this season and then take his new position as director of athletics at Duke University in the spring.

Under the tutelage of "Pop" Warner, noted Pitt mentor, De Hart was one of the mainstays of the Panther backfield, and was an all-American selection.

There will be a Rally tomorrow afternoon at 5:30 in front of Gym to send off team for Pittsburgh.

EIGHT CHANGES IN FACULTY MEMBERS

Two New Members In Law Faculty; Professors Paxton and Irwin Return.

Among the new members of the faculty for this year there are only a few faces unfamiliar to the old men at Washington and Lee. Dr. R. B. Ellard, A. B., B. J., head of the Lee School of Journalism, is one of those who makes his debut at Washington and Lee. Professor Ellard comes here from the leadership of the School of Journalism, Beloit College, Wisconsin. He is a graduate of the University of Missouri. He has had much experience in journalistic work, having served for four years on student publications and later as feature writer, copyreader, and re-write man for various mid-western newspapers.

T. C. Billig, A. B., A. M., LL. B., is another faculty member new to this campus. He is a recent graduate of Yale and is serving as Associate Professor of Law in place of Professor Lewis Tyree, who is on leave of absence from the University. Raymond T. Johnson, A. B., J. D., is also a new professor in the Law school. He is a graduate of the University of Kentucky and the University of Chicago.

In the Commerce school Professor R. B. Entler, A. B., A. M., comes here for the first time as instructor in Economics.

All the other new professors are well known to Washington and Lee men. Rev. William W. Morton, B. D., assistant pastor of the Lexington Presbyterian church, is instructor in the Bible course. L. M. Harrison, A. B., a graduate of Washington and Lee, is serving as instructor in Geology. W. H. Boyer, A. B., A. M.,

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GRIDGRAPH
SATURDAY 3 O'CLOCK
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NEW HIGH MARK SET WITH 357 FRESHMEN

President Henry Louis Smith Delivers Opening Address, Formally Throwing Open Doors For 176th Session of the University.

PRES. OF STUDENT BODY WELCOMES FROSH CLASS

Henry Wilson, Head of Frosh Council, Speaks In Regard To Rules and Plans.

It was announced today that the registration for this session has reached the 850 mark, with 358 new men entering Washington and Lee. There are still a few freshmen to matriculate.

Figures at the office of the registrar reveal that at this time last year there were only 799 enrolled. Two new students are registered from China, making a total of four now attending the University from that country. One new state, Wisconsin, is represented by a number of students. A limited registration necessitated refusing scores of applicants for admission, and several men from Texas and New York made the trip with the hope of being allowed entrance upon arrival.

Opening of the 176th session of the University was marked by a compulsory student body assembly Friday morning at 11:45 o'clock in the Doremus gymnasium, with over 800 students and a large number of visitors present. After prayer was offered by Rev. William W. Morton, President Henry Louis Smith gave the welcoming address, after which he introduced to the assembly two leaders of campus life—Warren E. "Tex" Tilson, president of the Student Body, and Henry M. Wilson, president of the freshman council. Both men spoke regarding the activities and plans of their positions for the coming year. Dean H. D. Campbell next delivered a short address in which he advised the Student Body regarding his office hours and when and on what occasions to come to interview him.

President Smith next gave his address of the day, taking as his sub-

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ANNOUNCE MEMBERS OF FROSH COUNCIL

The Executive Committee of the Student Body announces the members of the Freshman Council for 1925-26 as follows: Henry W. Wilson, president; E. G. Hundley, N. S. Lake, W. T. Hayth, W. H. Brown, H. S. Spotts, B. B. Tipps, L. G. Thompson, Curry Porter, R. C. Latham, R. G. Gibson, A. L. Strahorn, C. W. Little, M. P. Wilkinson, W. S. Price, L. I. Allen, G. D. Mayor.

TO FILL SWIMMING POOL NEXT WEEK

Inquiry has been made by those interested in swimming and those who are desirous of getting in trim for the tryouts for the swimming teams later in the year, as to when water will be put in the pool. Forrest E. Fletcher, head of the department of physical education, announced that in all probability the pool will be opened within the next week. The scarcity of water throughout this section has necessitated the closing of the pool as a conservation measure, but it is thought that the town's water supply will be increased sufficiently in the next week to enable those in charge to fill the pool.

1925 CAPTAIN



KAY THOMAS, Captain.

Kay Thomas, stellar end of the Fighting Generals and captain of the 1925 eleven, is playing his last year of varsity football for the Blue and White. Kay started his football career on the Charleston, West Virginia, high school squad, and after graduating from that institution came to Washington and Lee to begin a record of sensational playing that has attracted attention for and wide.

He is a member of the Sigma Nu fraternity, as well as Sigma, White Friars, "13" Club, Cotillion Club, Omicron Delta Kappa, Square and Compass, and many others honorary societies.

CHOOSE PORTER FOR CALYX BUSINESS HEAD

Curry Porter, a junior in the University, has been chosen by the Executive Committee to replace Frances Fentress, who did not return this year, as business manager of the Calyx. Porter is a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, and is a well-known member of the Student Body.

Work on the annual has been progressing well in spite of the absence of a business manager. Carl Knight has been carrying the work of both editor and manager. A large number of subscriptions have been secured and a canvass will be conducted soon for those men who have not already subscribed.

RING-TUM PHI TRYOUTS

All men desirous of trying out for the staff of the Ring-tum Phi be present at the office in Lee Journalism building tomorrow night at 8 o'clock.

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For the one hundred and seventy-sixth time Washington and Lee has thrown open her doors to the youth of the nation. Again they come from North, South, East and West to the little University nestling here among the hills, from which radiate the noble spirit of Washington and the southern leadership and culture of our warrior, scholar and educator, Robert E. Lee.

Our record breaking Student Body this year is made up of men from far and near, yet we hope they all come here with the same worthy purpose, that of fitting themselves for service to their fellowmen. Various lines of endeavor are being pursued, law, teaching, medicine, engineering, journalism and others. Whatever his line may be, the student should always bear in mind the aims and ideals of the founders of this historic institution and his ever present duty to live up to them. The gaze of many eyes is focused upon your actions here and upon you alone depends their pleasure or despair.

It is your chance to either make good or be a disappointment to your school, parents, fraternity brothers, and friends. Whether you are a Freshman coming here for the first time, lacking in knowledge of these new surroundings, the all-important Sophomore, the blase Junior, or the learned Senior, the same chance presents itself. You may not have done as much here before as you would like, or possibly you are enthused with the ambition of the Freshman to set the world on fire, but you will be able to do something to make our school better for your having been under its protecting wing this year. The chance to distinguish yourself will in every instance come in a different field of endeavor, the one in which you are most interested. Do your best in that line, so when you leave at the end of this year, whether it will be for the last time or to return again, it will be said of you, "Washington and Lee is better off for having had Bill here."

Therefore, we welcome you to this Shrine of the South for your great opportunity. In her one and three-quarter centuries of existence Washington and Lee has seen many successes and failures on her campus. Let there be more successes than ever before this year, so that it will be counted the most fruitful in the annals of this venerable institution. You are here. Your chance is here. What will you do with it?

In order that the Student Body may again receive the benefit of the long experience of President Smith as an educator and leader of young men, we are pleased to announce that he will again this year have a regular "President's Paragraph" on the editorial page of the Ring-tum Phi. In the past these have been a great source of help and inspiration for the Student Body.

EPISCOPAL BIBLE CLASS TO OPEN THIS SUNDAY

Mr. R. B. Ellard, head of the Lee School of Journalism, will conduct a Bible class for Episcopal students every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock in the Lee Journalism building. Invitations were mailed today to all Episcopal church members registered in the University.

The group will discuss the Bible and church problems, and sessions will last about forty minutes. Members are invited to bring visitors at any time.

THREE HARRIERS REMNANT OF LAST YEAR'S TEAM

Candidates for the varsity and freshmen cross-country teams reported at Doremus gymnasium at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon to begin work in preparation for the fall meets. Coach Fletcher faces a considerable task this year in rebuilding his team to equal the standard set in recent years by the Blue and White distance men. Last year's captain, Lane Howard, is ineligible this year, and with Gannaway, Rush-ton, and Bean also gone from last year's varsity, there will be ample chance for newcomers to place on the squad. Among the letter men of past sessions eligible for the sport this year are Captain Fulton, Gordon, and Pfeffer. Others who have made noteworthy showings in past years are Lee and Wigglesworth, the latter of whom ran in the mile last year for the Generals.

The definitely scheduled meets, as arranged by Manager Garber, are as follows: V. P. I. at Blacksburg, October 31; University of Virginia here, November 14; Southern Conference run at Blacksburg, November 21. Other meets which are pending are: Duke University there, October 17; Richmond University there, October 24; Naval Academy there, November 7; University of Maryland there, November 9.

DORSEY OPERATES SUBWAY KITCHEN

The Subway Kitchen, Inc., a Lexington corporation to which a charter was recently issued by the state corporation commission, has bought the lot on Lee Avenue adjoining J. W. Zimmerman opposite the Lexington High School and erected a building for carrying on a sandwich and lunch counter business.

The new venture will be under the management of W. J. Dorsey, of the junior class. Toasted sandwiches and waffles will be a specialty. Backers of the new business have termed it "the underground sandwich shop extraordinary." Ten students are employed.

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FROSH GRIDMEN TO MEET GREENBRIER TOMORROW

Twenty Men To Invade Strong Military School Territory Today For Initial Contest.

With only a week of actual training and practice behind them, the Freshman team that will represent Washington and Lee on the gridiron this year will face their first opposition tomorrow when they invade the neighboring state of West Virginia and meet the strong Greenbrier Military Academy eleven at Lewisburg. The game was originally scheduled for Saturday, but a mutual agreement was reached between the two managements, with the result that the Little Generals will get under way in real competition two days before the Big Blue eleven goes to Pittsburgh.

Particular interest is attached by old men here to this game, because of the fact that "Eddie" Cameron, for several years backfield star of the Generals' eleven, and a former basketball player and coach here, is in charge of the military school team. He is director of athletics at Greenbrier this year for the first time, and the result of his efforts will be watched with interest by his many friends and admirers here.

A squad of approximately twenty players will be carried. Among the men who are showing special promise this early, and who have been used principally against the varsity this week, are Ebert, Sproul, Rainer and Preston, ends; Wolf, Weinstein and Hemhof, tackles; Baxter and Floyd, guards; Group and Spencer, centers; Lott, Whitlock, Potts, and Smith, halves; White, fullback, and Fitzpatrick, quarter. It is not a certainty that these are the men who will be seen at Greenbrier tomorrow, as others are sure to have been added to the list, while some may have been replaced at the last minute.

The Little Generals' schedule, necessarily limited to five games under a Conference ruling, opens with the game tomorrow and ends on Armistice Day, November 11, when Bluefield College will be met in Bluefield, West Virginia. The schedule between these games will find the freshmen competing against the University of Virginia freshmen in Charlottesville, October 2; Roanoke High School in Roanoke, October 17, and V. P. I. freshmen here October 30. With but ten days intervening between the game tomorrow and that in Charlottesville next Saturday, it will be seen that Coaches Davis and Barker will have to push their charges if the University outfit is to be downed.

NOTICE

Tryouts for the Southern Collegians will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3:00 o'clock in the old Troubadour room, third floor of Washington College.

DR. EASTER RETURNS FROM EUROPEAN TOUR

Assistant Dean Returned Yesterday After Spending Two Months of Study In Paris.

Dr. D. B. Easter, head of the Department of Romance Languages, returned Tuesday morning from Paris, where he has spent two months in study and recreation. Leaving Lexington on the fourth of July, he went direct to Paris, where he took up his studies. Dr. Easter went abroad primarily to study old Paris, especially the historical monuments and churches of the city.

The Executive Committee of the Student Body requests that no signs or posters be placed on the trees or posts on the Campus, but only on the bulletin boards.

Fraternity averages for the last semester have been received and will be published in the next issue of the Ring-tum Phi.

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THREE HUNDRED ATTEND COLLEGE NIGHT AT "Y"

More than three hundred new and old students gathered Friday night in the Y. M. C. A. rooms to hear the ideals and traditions of Washington and Lee discussed and to practice the school songs and yells. President Henry Louis Smith made an address of welcome to the freshmen. Dr. E. F. Shannon, head of the Department of English, spoke on the faculty's interest in the students. Rev. T. M. Swann, speaking in behalf of the ministers of the town, welcomed the students to the Lexington churches. Other speakers were J. D. Mayhew, president of the Y. M. C. A.; W. E. Tilson, Student Body president; Kay Thomas, captain of football, and Karl Zerfoss, Y. M. C. A. secretary. "Eddie" Felsenthal, cheerleader, taught the new men several of the school yells. The Glee Club quartet sang the "Swing" and "College Friendships," after which the songs were sung by the whole audience. Ice cream and cake were served.

MABEN TO LEAD FANCY DRESS BALL

R. D. "Snake" Maben was last night elected by the Executive Committee of the Student Body to the position of President of the Fancy Dress Ball for 1926 to fill the place left open by the failure of H. E. Reitze to return to school this year. "Snake" is a member of the Intermediate Law class and has been on the Varsity baseball squad for several years. He is also a member of Omicron Delta Kappa, Phi Delta Phi, legal fraternity, the Cotillion Club, and the Kappa Sigma fraternity. Maben is also manager of the University Supply Store this year.

FREE TRIP TO NATURAL BRIDGE BY "Y" SUNDAY

All students are invited to join a trip to Natural Bridge by truck which will be conducted by the Y. M. C. A. Sunday afternoon. Those wishing to make the trip should sign the card which will be put on the bulletin board of Washington College in a few days. Lunch will be served and a short service held on the bridge. The only expense will be the entrance fee to see the bridge, which is fifty cents for Washington and Lee students.

GIVE FRESHMEN PHYSICAL EXAMS

With most fall varsity sports in full swing already, and with the freshman football team opening its season with Greenbrier Military Academy tomorrow, those in charge of the physical education department are busily engaged with the task of giving the entire freshman class a thorough physical examination. These tests are taken with a view to discovering any abnormal conditions that can be remedied in the department, and also to aid the men in choosing any particular branch of athletics that they might appear to have special fitness for.

GRAHAM LEE TO HOLD FIRST SESSION

The Graham-Lee Literary society will hold its first meeting next Saturday night at 7:30 p. m. in the society hall on the third floor of Washington College. The officers who were elected at the closing meeting last year will make their inaugural addresses. These new officers are: President, F. P. Shull; vice-president, M. H. MacBryde; and secretary-treasurer, P. R. Harrison. New men who are interested in public speaking, debating, and declamation are invited to be present.

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INITIAL NET CALL SET FOR THIS SATURDAY

General Improvement Being Made On Courts To Be Completed End of This Week.

The initial call for candidate for the Washington and Lee tennis team has been issued for Saturday afternoon, and with the establishment for the first time of a freshman tennis team at Washington and Lee, the interest in the net game should increase.

Plans for the improvement of the courts call for the complete repair of the backstops, the renovating of the courts themselves, and the putting of the nets, posts, and markings in first-class shape. This work is to be done under the direction of Captain Cassell and Manager Brown, and is expected to be completed this week. Candidates for both the varsity and freshman teams are to report Saturday at the courts, and actual practice is expected to get under way Monday. Manager Brown plans several matches for this fall, in addition to the regular schedule in the spring.

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ject, "The Three Campus Sins." He stated that in the past few years he had spoken of the glories and traditions of Washington and Lee in hundreds of addresses delivered in eastern and southern cities, but that in the student assembly he desired to point out to the undergraduates assembled a few of the sins and temptations found on the campus, and how they might be avoided. President Smith pointed out the evils of false leadership in college life and how they might be avoided; the misleading idea that social attainments and so-called "collegiate and social polish" counted more in the world than knowledge gleaned from books; and some ways in which the student at Washington and Lee could go away carrying with him an all-around "polish," popularity and knowledge.

EIGHT CHANGES IN FACULTY MEMBERS

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a graduate of the college of William and Mary and a senior in the Washington and Lee Law school, is acting as an instructor in the History department.

Professor Earle K. Paxton, A. B., A. M., Ph. D., has returned as Associate Professor of Mathematics after a leave of absence of one year spent in continuing his studies at Columbia University. G. J. Irwin, B. A., M. A., is also returning to Washington and Lee after a leave of absence. He is serving as assistant professor of Romance Languages.

GENERALS KEYED FOR PANTHER GRID CLASH

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They are counting upon a game fight from the Generals and are relying upon their heavy line to check the Generals' rush. Their forward wall will outweigh Washington and Lee from ten to twenty pounds per man.

NOTICE

All men who did not give their box numbers or town address, please call at the General Delivery window for their Ring-tum Phi.

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