

Great Interest Aroused As Eve Of Balloting Draws Near

Generals Open Hard Schedule Next Saturday

Herron's Men to Face Lynchburg Hornets in Opener on Wilson Field

SIX CONFERENCE ELEVENS SLATED

Captain Fitzpatrick, Hawkins Groop and Snodgrass Sure Of Starting

By Henry MacKenzie

Only one week of practice separates the Washington and Lee football team from the beginning of one of the most difficult southern conference schedules. The Generals will open the campaign next Saturday afternoon with a warming up contest with Lynchburg College on Wilson Field.

After the curtain raiser, the Generals will take on the Wolfpack from North Carolina State in the first Conference battle. From that time on there is not an easy game on the card. Kentucky, West Virginia, Tennessee, Virginia, Princeton, Maryland, V. P. I. and Florida will be met in successive weeks. Of these, only Princeton and West Virginia are not members of the Southern Conference, and it is according to the showing of the Generals against the others that the success or failure of the Washington and Lee football season is determined.

Team Shaping Up

The players who will make up the first team have about been selected. However only Captain Fitzpatrick and Hawkins, tackles, Groop, guard and Snodgrass centers, are practically sure of being on the field at the kickoff. The fight for the other jobs has narrowed down to a few men.

Mason Sproul is the likely pick for left end. He has been playing the position almost continually since the men were divided into first, second, and third teams. Sproul opened the season in that post last year against Lynchburg.

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Many Out For Cross Country

Blue and White Harriers Rounding Into Shape On Cinder Track

The Cross Country team under Coach Fletcher's coaching is fast rounding into shape and present appearances point to an excellent squad of Blue and White harriers for the coming season.

Philley is the only letter man back from last year's team. Such material as Backus, captain of track, Hinchin a regular on the Frosh cross country team last year, Brock miler, and Simmons quarter-miler, who both made their monograms during the past spring are among those from whom Coach Fletcher should find some able runners for the Generals this year.

The men are still getting into condition on the track on Wilson field as practice has been going on for only a week, but they will hold their practices on the six mile course in the near future provided the weather continues good.

There are ten men out for the Varsity and fourteen aspirants for places on the Frosh squad. Both teams are working out together now, although the freshman course consists of only three miles compared with the six miles that makes up the Carsity course.

The Varsity schedule is as follows:

October 27—Duke (H)
November 10—Maryland (T)
November 17—State Meet (H)

Library Gets 150 New Books Since Commencement

Want to read very "spicy" French fiction? Then try "Jerome" or "The Latitude of Love" in the General library which is a translation from the French and "spicy" according to reviews.

Want to read the work by a neurotic telling how he got in that deplorable condition? Then read "The Locomotive God" by W.E. Leonard, formerly of the University of Wisconsin.

The library has recently received approximately 150 other new books according to a list made public yesterday by the Librarian.

Popular fiction received includes: The Cross by Undset, "Mistress of Husaby" by Undset, "Children and Fools" by Mann, "Torches Flare" by Young, "Swan Song" by Galsworthy, "Jerome" by Bebel, "Bambi" by Saltan, and the "Strange Case of Miss Annie Spragg" by Broomfield.

Among biography and other non-fiction works received are "Tammany" by Werner, "Let Freedom Ring," by Hays, "From Bismarck to the World War," by Brandenburg, "Roman Catholic Church in Modern State" by Marshall, "The Human Body" by Clednening, "Famous American Judy Speeches" by Hicks, "Behold the Bridegroom" by Broomfield, and many others.

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Band Gets Off to Auspicious Start

Faculty and Student Leaders Pledge Cooperation In Organizing Band

Forty-eight candidates for the Washington and Lee University band reported to the Doremus gymnasium Friday night.

Coach Herron, varsity coach of football, Professor John Graham, faculty advisor, John Bell Towill, president of the student body, "Captain Dick" Smith, director of athletics, and "Hank" Slanker, student director of the band, spoke to the candidates.

All the speakers emphasized the value and importance of the organization to the football team, to the university and to the student body. All pledged their hearty support and cooperation in producing the finest band that Washington and Lee has ever had.

A change in the uniform will be made this year. The change will affect only the jersey and cap. Blue-V-neck jerseys and plain sailor hats will be worn. There will probably be a white "W & L" across the front of the jerseys. The athletic association will furnish the hats and pants while members of the band have to buy only the jerseys.

"Hank" Slanker feels highly enthusiastic about the prospects of the band this year. He expects to have an organization of at least 60 or 65 men. Rehearsals will be held every Wednesday afternoon from 4 to 5:30 and every Friday night from 7:30 to 8:30. Measurements for new uniforms will be taken at the first meeting next Wednesday afternoon.

"Capt. Dick" Smith assures trips to Washington for the Maryland game and to Charlottesville for the Virginia game, expenses to be paid by the athletics association.

Any former members or candidates for the band who were absent Friday night are strongly urged to be present for the rehearsals Wednesday afternoon.

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Wade Dismisses Alabama Quarter

Alabama's Crimson Tide will ebb and flow this year without the services of Davis Brasfield, star quarterback. Brasfield was dismissed from the team when he refused to accept a reprimand from Coach Wallace Wade following an altercation with a freshman.

892 Students Have Enrolled, Setting New High Record

Registration of students has already passed all previous records for this time of the year and, according to an opinion expressed yesterday by E. S. Mattingly, registrar, this session is likely to establish an all-time record for the number of students in college. By Oct. 1 the number of students here will be at least 900, he added.

Yesterday 892 students had completed their registration, records showed, while almost a score are in Lexington who have not yet registered. Several additional men confined to the hospital have not been able to register yet.

The 892 men registered on Friday 22, yesterday, compared favorably with the 859 students registered Sept. 22, 1927 or the 886 students registered Sept. 22, 1925. A previous record in registration was chalked up in 1926 when 888 men were registered on Sept. 22.

While the 1928 record of 892 men at this time of the year is unmatched by any previous record, registration continues and, according to authoritative opinions, is rising toward the establishment of a Washington and Lee record for all time in numbers of students.

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Fall Baseball Starts Tuesday

Freshmen And Varsity Alike Ordered to Report for Practice at 3:30

Fall baseball practice, an innovation at Washington and Lee, will get under way next Tuesday at 3:30 o'clock. All candidates are requested to report in uniform in front of the gymnasium.

The purpose of this practice is to give baseball men who are not out for other sports a chance to keep in condition. Also the coaches hope to develop some new pitching talent.

A week will be spent in limbering up arms and in setting up exercises after which real work will begin. A schedule is being made up and games will get under way in about two weeks.

Thirty men have already signed up, and all others with any baseball talent, Freshmen and old men, are requested to sign up with "Cy" Twombly. Under the schedule now being made up games will continue as long as the weather permits.

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"Booze" Whittle To Marry October 3

The engagement of Randolph Gordon Whittle to Miss Josephine Edmonds Parrot has been announced. The wedding will take place in Roanoke, on October 3.

"Booze" Whittle, as he was called during his career at Washington and Lee, was prominent on the campus and in the social activities of the school. He graduated in Law in 1924 and has practiced in Roanoke for the past two years. His home is in Martinsville, Virginia.

He was a member of the following organizations: Pi Kappa Sigma, social fraternity; Omicron Delta Kappa; Phi Delta Kappa; Phi Delta Phi; legal fraternity; Cotillion Club; Pi Alpha Nu, ribbon society. He was president of the Student Body in '24.

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Emory and Henry college has ordered lights installed on its football field and will play four contests after dark. William and Mary inaugurated the nocturnal game in Virginia last season with considerable success and will continue this practice this season. Several other Southern colleges will play night games.

Troubadours Plan Extensive Menu With New Aides

Collison, Van Gilbert and Gibson Cooperate In Mapping out Year

TRYOUTS THIS YEAR UNDER CHANGED PLAN

One Tryout Fee to Cover Privilege of Trying for All Branches

Plans for this year were laid at a meeting of the executive committee of the Troubadours Thursday night, according to A. B. Collison, president of the organization.

Collison expects a successful year due to the extensive plans being laid by Van Gilbert, business manager, and "Toot" Gibson, last year's business manager, who is lending his assistance, and, also, to the wealth of new material which will be available for the production.

Fee Three Dollars

Several changes in the try-out system will be in vogue this year. Three dollars will be charged instead of two dollars charged in the past. This allows one the privilege of trying out for any or all three branches of the Troubadours instead of only one as was formerly the case. In this way, Collison explained, the fee is in reality less in many cases. Men will also be allowed to tryout for the business staff without any additional expense.

Books Non-transferable

"Captain Dick" further stated that any student attempting to transfer one of these books will probably be held as an infractor of the honor system by the Executive Committee of the Student Body.

In regard to the reserved seat question Mr. Smith gave the fol-

Cooperation Needed to Make Admittance System a Success

Use of Coupon Books For Athletic Contests Explained by Captain Smith

Probably the biggest innovation on the campus this year is the new method of student admission to athletic contests. "This is a new thing to most of the students here, and can only be made a success through the perfect cooperation of every member of the student body," stated "Captain Dick" Smith, Graduate Manager of Athletics, Thursday night.

The pass book merely acts as a source of buying a ticket. It is an athletic "meal ticket." In the future, every athletic contest will have a number corresponding to the number in the pass book.

So, when a student desires to attend some home game, all that he has to do is to present the right stub and one dime to gain admission.

Outsiders Give Trouble

The student managers in the past have had considerable trouble with outsiders who gained admission to the football games on student tickets, and as football is the main source of revenue which the Athletic Association has, this trouble had to be eliminated. "Captain Dick" stressed this reason for the new system.

The dime charged for all athletic contests is not an act of the Athletic Association, but of the students themselves. Several years ago when repairs were needed to the athletic field the student-body passed a by-law imposing this tax on all the games. It is now being used to help pay for the new foot-bridge.

Move Gate

Tickets will be sold this year on the grounds in front of the gym-

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Lee Crew Starts Rowing Practice

Red Team Determined To Avenge Defeat by Albert Sidney Last Year

The red-jerseyed squad of the Harry Lee crew is now practicing earnestly on North River. The defeat that they suffered last spring at the hands of the Albert Sidney crew, has determined Rod Moffett, captain-elect, to take all necessary steps to have his huskies in excellent condition in spring.

With a number of monogram men back and several candidates from the second and freshman boats, the Red four expects to re-establish the Harry Lee crew chain of unbroken victories.

Moffett, Plummer, Hamilton, Swink and Davis and Webb are the men that are working daily on the river. Bowes, Heaps, Merck and Jenkins are likely-looking aspirants from the second and freshman squads.

Captain Moffett will hold his drills as long as the weather permits and will start early in the spring.

Captain Lee Gamble, whose oar played an important part in bringing victory to Albert Sidney after a lapse of many years, is the only monogram man back on that crew.

Senior academic, commerce, hold class elections Monday science and Junior law will night, 7:30 o'clock. The academic election will be in the Geology room; the commerce, in first floor Newcomb hall; the science, in Reid hall, and Junior law in Tucker hall.

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Bonds Stolen at Fair Worth \$3,000

Bonds valued at \$3,000, and \$50 in cash were stolen from Mrs. H. A. Deaver, of Lexington, by an unknown thief, at the Rockbridge County Fair, Thursday afternoon.

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Mrs. Deaver was carrying the money and bonds in a pocketbook under her arm, and did not notice when it was taken as she was helping her sister look after her child. Mrs. Deaver was accompanied by her husband.

Practice will be hampered by the shortness of the season.

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Students Appear Strong For Mock Convention Hero

Outlook Bright For A Continued "Solid South" On Campus

POLLS LOCATED IN 'Y' OPEN FROM 8:30 TO 3:30

Prominent Issues To Be Voted Upon In Chosing Candidates for President

By George Ashworth

The impending straw vote on the two presidential candidates, which is to be held next Tuesday in the Y. M. C. A. room, under the supervision of the RING-TUM PHI, is beginning to cause considerable comment and interest about the campus.

At the present time a Smith victory seems assured but who can say which way the wheel of politics will turn? In the election of 1916 the crowds of enthusiasts waiting to hear the returns as they came in, went to bed believing that Hughes was elected. The next morning they awoke to find that the returns from California had thrown the election to Wilson, although California was admittedly a Republican state. Something like this may happen when Washington and Lee votes next Tuesday.

The coming election has taken on a different appearance than most presidential elections. The Republican candidate is standing on a dry platform while his personal statement on prohibition, given in his acceptance speech, could be taken either for dry or wet.

The Democratic candidate also stands on a dry platform, but in his speech of acceptance he said that, although he would do everything in his power to enforce the prohibition law as long as it remained on the statute books, he was in favor of a modification of the law.

G. O. P. Enters South

The Republicans are making

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Varsity and Frosh Squad Shaping Up

Mathis and Price Putting Wrestling and Boxing Men in Condition

More than 25 prospective varsity and frosh grapplers are working out every day at 4 o'clock under the direction of the Coach A. E. Mathis.

The matmen are marking time until the renovating of the mats and the altering of the wrestling rooms is completed. The coach has been putting the squads thru a series of conditioning drills. As soon as necessary improvements are completed, real work will be begun and will last until Thanksgiving.

Though prospects for this season are not particularly bright, Coach Mathis believes that from the large number of men that have reported, he will be able to organize a team that will bear watching.

The monogram men are in good shape and it is expected that the remaining time will be utilized in smoothing out the rough spots of their attack. A like squad of Freshmen are candidates for positions on the yearling team and from present outlook, their season promises to be successful.

Due to the failure of Captain-elect "Terrible" Tully to return to school, the captain for this year will be chosen during the season.

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YALE LOSES HONOR SYSTEM

Yale's honor system has been abandoned in part at the request of the student council. This rule applies to the three upper classes only. Freshmen and students in the Sheffield school proceed on the basis so successful at Washington and Lee.

The demand for faculty supervision grew out of the feeling that the pledge was no longer effective; that too much cribbing by some and the refusal of those "on the level" to report violations, was unfair.

Just why the honor system could not work at Yale is by no means clear. Perhaps the experiment was not given a sufficiently long trial. Success comes with tradition. The many famous alumni of the Hartford school will look on the reversion with regret.

It is almost unbelievable that an institution with so high a rating as Yale would allow itself to give up an honor system. To Washington and Lee students the honor system is the backbone of the institution. On our campus it has been in vogue for generations. It has worked, is working, and will work as long as this institution bears the name of two men who held honor greater than life.

Other Southern institutions have working honor systems. V. M. I., our friendly neighbor, and the University of Virginia, just over the Blue Ridge, also have codes known the world over. With honor working, as it does, in these three schools, must Yale, with the same calibre of students, exercise faculty supervision of qualities which make a gentleman?

Where the system has been working over a number of years, among students, with an average sense of responsibility, it is working effectively, not merely to keep examinations free from dishonesty, but to instill into the whole campus life an honorable quality which is incalculably valuable. In such institutions they let it be known that gentlemen do not need watching, and only gentlemen are allowed.

Could the size of an institution have anything to do with the function of an honor system?

Where attendance has grown rapidly too little time is permitted for the full saturation of students with traditions. In a student being deprived of an honor system, he is being deprived of the greatest training of self-control. However, if "cribers" are allowed to have their own way, a grave injustice is being done to the decent men and the standards of the institution are being debased.

Washington and Lee is proud of its honor system. The students realize that to "crib" they would only be victimizing themselves. They visualize the wonderful benefits derived from its great code.

0 HI, GENTLEMEN!

"Washington and Lee is a friendly university. Everyone speaks to his neighbor, and the stranger soon feels at home."

This statement was made by a student in Ohio late in July when he returned to his home in Cleveland after a trip through Virginia.

Second only to its nationally-respected honor system, Washington and Lee treasurers this great tradition of friendship. Old men are filled with it, and new students soon find it a part of their lives. While freshmen at some other schools are being told of illustrious alumni and big building programs, first-year men at Washington and Lee are learning that "howdy" and "good morning" are pass keys to friendship and understanding.

Freshman rules speed the process of orientation for the new man. Without them he would eventually find his niche, but by studying and following them he unconsciously becomes a part of the whole scheme.

The Washington and Lee "hello" so impressed Robert Parker Doremus that he left a large part of his estate to the University. This same word is daily making friends for the school of visitors from all parts of the world.

"Hi, Gentlemen."

A KEEN DISAPPOINTMENT

The University's educational machinery is now in action. To many students, who for the first time are attending Washington and Lee, this is disappointing.

Although quite untrue, there seems to be an idea in circulation among outsiders that W. & L. is a "country club," where for nine months a grand and glorious time may be had without hinderance. Especially among new students is this idea found prevalent.

For a quick denial one need only question any old student, who will immediately explain how twice each year the faculty sends forth a squadron of disappointed apostles, many of whom began their college careers with the "country club" idea.

If you are in this disillusioned group, who, we fear, thought the campus a splendid eighteen hole course of rolling green with a few fine colonial buildings thrown in for hazards, you have our sympathy. Your \$125 "greens fee" has been wasted, and we doubt seriously if Washington college will prove as alluring "nineteenth hole."

0 HOW LONG

How long is a Chinaman? How many seconds are ten? The calendar is responsible for the latter question, for a year ago tonight Gene Tunney sat and blinked, Jack Dempsey roared and scowled, the referee shouted and pushed, and the clock ticked away fourteen seconds.

Remember the famous seventh; the long count; Dempsey's protest, claiming he won by a knockout?

Just twelve months to the day from that "hectic seventh," the ex-champion Jack Dempsey is found starring in the "Big Fight" on Broadway. Co-starring with Jack is Estelle Taylor, his wife.

Where and what Gene is doing is not definitely known, other than he is somewhere in Europe. Both are ex-champions. Dempsey was knocked for a goal by Tunney, while the former marine fell before an avalanche of arrows.

0 "STUDENT VIEWS"

Since the RING-TUM PHI is an organ of the student body it is anxious to have any student of Washington and Lee feel free to express his views through its columns. The RING-TUM PHI is written "by the students, for the University."

We have arranged a section of the paper headed "Student Views" in order that every student who wishes to express himself can and will feel free to do so through our columns. All communications must be signed before they will be printed; however, upon one's request we shall gladly withhold his name from print.

THE ISLAND WITHIN

Mixed marriages, the plight of young Jews in America, and their efforts to combat racial rancor, have never been more vividly portrayed than in "The Island Within" by Ludwig Lewisohn, declares Dr. Joseph Fort Newton, rector of Memorial Church of St. Paul, Overbrook, Pa., writing in "The Master Mason." Dr. Newton is one of the most influential representatives of the church. Both Gentiles and Jews have preached and written about this book.

If this Jewish story, written by a Jewish artist, distinguished alike for its style and its penetrating insight, could be read by Gentiles, it would do much to heal America of racial bigotry and promote an intelligent and sympathetic understanding of our Jewish neighbors," he says.

As an argument against mixed marriage the story is tremendous. Two people, no matter how dearly they love each other, who come to their meeting from two such different backgrounds, and from antecedents so alien, find an implacable barrier between them, all the more impossible to break through because it is invisible. At last the inevitable happens and they are pulled apart by forces which they can neither define nor resist.

Behind every page of this memorable narrative one feels a vivid sense of pathos of human life. Also one has a constant sense of the long background of an ancient race, its rich culture, its old and holy customs, its memorial sorrows, all the more vivid by contrast with the new world.

After all there is an "Island Within" each race, each nation, something unique, particular and precious—as in each individual there is a shy and lonely thing which makes him what he is.

0 GREATEST BOOK NEXT TO NEW TESTAMENT

At the Unitarian General Conference now in session in New Hampshire, "The Eternal Spirit and the Daily Round" is being used for devotional readings by the Rev. Norman D. Fletcher of Hayhill who is in charge of the chapel services. The book was written by the late Frank Carlton Doan and was recently published by Harper & Brothers. The Rev. S. Parkes Cadman has called it the greatest and most helpful book next to the New Testament.

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BY the WAY

A student walked into the drug store yesterday and bought ten cents worth of asafetida, and told the clerk to charge it. "What is your name?" asked the pharmacist. "Honifunkle," was the reply. "Take it free," said the clerk, "I wouldn't write asafetida and Honifunkle both for ten cents."

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A daschund is a funny mutt.

Hot doggy!

Hot doggy!

Hot doggy!

Ie's middle drags upon the green.

It's supports are far between.

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If love is a game of chance, every old davenport must be a gambling joint—there's one in Lexington that's a regular Monte Carlo.

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First Hobo: What's an Al Smith cigar?

Second W. & L. Man: "Up from the city streets"—dumbell!

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Sign over manicure girl's table—"Business is good—so am I."

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I loved him, oh, I loved him!

Until one night perchane,

An issue of an idle whim,

I found what held up his pants

Were—goodness me—suspenders.

* * *

Now I've double-crossed the editor.

Smith vs. Hoover

DECLINE AND FALL OF HERBERT HOOVER

REPUBLICANISM

The usual campaign of ignorance is on. Rustic Democrats in the South are trembling between the Ku Klux Klan and the Pope, and are still talking about the price of wheat in England during the war. Smith, the politician, has capitalized most of his failings with the aid of Raskob's high powered salesmanship, and the Man in the Street is beginning to think of the sidewalks of old New York and of Al as the Democrat of Democrats, if that is any recommendation. And thus it all Hoover has preserved a silence that bids fair to leave him without even his failings capitalized.

What has happened to the late Mr. Hoover—the Hoover who came "back from Europe in 1919 on fire with the Wilsonian doctrines; who in 1918 begged his fellow countrymen to vote in a Democratic House; who wanted a new world through the League of Nations and a new brotherhood to rescue humanity from the abyss at the edge of which it stood?" What has happened to Hoover the Redeemer? So far as those who once saw a new hope flash across the sky are concerned, he is dead and buried.

Since Belgium, what has he accomplished? It is commonplace that he sided with reaction and corruption time and again. Lest I seem presumptuous, I quote his long list of accomplishments.

In 1920—Mr. Hoover vacillated between being a Democrat and a Republican. This was an unquiet and inconsistent interlude in his life," from which we're left to deduce that his years in Harding's Cabinet and his services in Mr. Coolidge's cabinet represent the quiet and consistent Hoover. As Wendell Phillips would have said, "he is silent in the presence of sin."

Woodrow Wilson and the League of Nations, we take it were soon forgotten for reasons political. Why else?

And what happened to the Hoover who was to save the flood-ravaged valley of the Mississippi?

"Mr. Hoover repeatedly declared while inspecting the devastated areas that the Federal Government should assume the entire financial responsibility for relieving the wrecked states. When it was suggested that there be immediate action, looking to the organization of public opinion to this end, Mr. Hoover privately asked all who came to him to do nothing, to leave it to him, and he would attend to it and put it through. Then he returned to Washington. Did he thereupon state to the press how he felt upon the matter? He did not. Did he rush to the hearings before the Senate Committee which was taking testimony as to the flood situation and ask to be heard? On the contrary, he dodged the committee, and left Washington for ten days. Finally when Senator Willis insisted that he should come before it and publicly demanded him, Mr. Hoover appeared, a most taciturn and reluctant witness. He thought that the policy to be followed in preventing future floods should be determined by army engineers and ventured no opinion of his own. Then it was found that he had completely forgotten his promises, and thought the financial responsibility should be shared by the states and a "Boss."

He is now backed, as his nomination was secured, by the worst machines in existence. He is a friend of Vare whose rule in Pennsylvania is so rotten that it stinks to heaven with the odor of such corruption that Tweed would have gasped in admiration and a sense of inferiority at this modern "Boss."

This then is the man to whom many millions look for help, and for whom many southerners intend to vote. I have my doubts as to the blessings he will bestow upon them.

"Democritus."

PRESIDENT'S PARAGRAPH

No. 2—1928-29

In the study of a living, working, hoping human being like yourself, the most urgent and immediate knowledge needed is of your Bodily Organism.

It is your immediate task to learn by heart and put in practice the facts and methods of human Physiology and personal Hygiene; to keep clear of certain deadly infections and destructive personal habits; to form the fixed habit of keeping your complex body-machine in exuberant health and tireless vitality, to maintain it in such perfect working-order that whenever, now or in later life, necessity forces you to "step on the gas" your machine will climb uphill with no sign of a breakdown. Till you are a skillful chauffeur of your body-engine you are suicidally uneducated.

but an excuse for a lot of "promising" platitudes from a Democrat whose undampened "wet" ardor and whose publicly private opinions on prohibition are leading many of the more ignorant citizens of this great "democracy" to believe that he is really going to do something to remedy the wet-and-dry puzzle—forgetting all these things, the campaign resolves itself into a battle of personalities that is misleading; Hoover's interesting and fruitful career is forgotten in the romance of the fish market from which Smith has risen to the Heights at Houston. Again forgetting the religious issue, which is far-fetched, and rottenly un-American, we must form a comparison between two men running for high office. And a common difficulty appears in our inability to find accurate, unbiased information. Forgetting the playful press, may we advise any person wishing a real basis of judgment to look in any encyclopedia for a list of the "achievements" of Al Smith and of the achievements of Herbert Hoover.

Smith is a strong man. He has risen through adverse circumstances to an important position, but he is now to find his powers limited. Educationally and culturally he is unfit to act as the national representative of the United States. Hoover, a trained engineer, and internationally famous organizer and executive has fought equally hard and has taken the pains to lay an educational and cultural background for his work.

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General Cocke of V. M. I. Declares For Gov. Smith

New York, Sept 19—General W. H. Cocke, superintendent of the Virginia Military Institute, Colonel O. J. Bond, president of the Citadel, the military college of South Carolina and Harrison Randolph, president of the College of Charleston, are prominent southern educators who have written Frank L. Polk, president of the College League for Alfred E. Smith that they will support the New York governor for president.

General Cocke expressed the hope that the bringing of the religious issue into the open would make voters realize how absurd it is to oppose Governor Smith on this ground. Dr. Randolph declared he welcomed the situation "as an opportunity of showing to the world that in America narrowness and bigotry can be overcome by good faith and good sense."

Both educators declared that prohibition is a source of corruption, deceit and wide spread contempt

Generals Open Hard Schedule

Herron's Men to Face Lynchburg Hornets in Opener on Wilson Field

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Who will hold down the right wing is more problematical, Leigh Williams has gotten first call during most of the training period, but John Bell Towill, and Charlie Day have also had shots at the job at various times.

Groop Sure Bet

Heinie Groop has one of the guard posts "sewed up." The fight to determine who shall hold down the same job on the other side of the line has terminated in a duel between Seligman and Martin. Seligman, by virtue of his experience last year as substitute for Captain Tips, will probably be in the place at the opening whistle, but Martin will certainly get a chance to show his wares before the game is very old.

In the backfield the fight is much more closely contested. Those backs which may now be considered first string include Lott, White, Barnett, Eberhardt, Cohen, Thibodeau, and Faulkner. It is hardly more than guess work to attempt to name the four men who will start at this time, although all will see service during the game.

Faulkner at Half

Faulkner at right halfback is the only man behind the line who is not sharing his job with someone else. According to Coach Herron's manner of running the backfield, each man is groomed for one definite position. It is safe to predict under this system that Faulkner will be in the opening lineup.

A great scrap has developed over the fullback post. Coach Herron has two exceptionally able men for the task in Gene White and Thibodeau. The former demonstrated last year that he had a powerful drive and turned out to be one of the steadiest men in the backfield even though he was not in the best of health while football season was in progress. Yet, no one can overlook the great showing of Thibodeau thus far this fall. He packs a drive just as hard as White, so opposing linemen are in for a terrific battering while this pair are struggling for supremacy. White has the best chance of getting into

Dorsey and Mattox, Ex-Athletes Help Coach Freshmen

"Monk" Mattox, '23, and "Bill" Dorsey senior in the law school, are aiding Captain Eddie Parkes Davis in coaching the Little Generals.

"Monk" was captain of the 1922 Generals and played for four years. While here he also played baseball and basketball. It was his brother who kicked a goal in the last few minutes of play in the Georgia Tech game 1919, thereby winning the game and making Washington and Lee the first southern team to defeat that school.

Bill Dorsey has been in school here four years and is therefore ineligible this year.

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It looks to us, sizing up the situation from our vantage point of old age, that the students' cars, pocketbooks, and cut allowances are going to be hard hit during one month this fall, with the West Virginia, Tennessee, Virginia, Princeton, and Maryland games all coming within the space of six Saturdays.

We dare say, however, that before the Maryland set-to November 24, the boys will be either too broke, or flush enough to consider Florida and Jacksonville after trying, successfully or unsuccessfully, to take some of the Tech money here the previous Saturday.

The scheduling of Tennessee instead of Duke or Georgia Tech is a good bid for more enthusiastic support of our alumni in the Knoxville-Memphis-Nashville section. We believe it is a good move not only adding another conference game to the list, but affording many Tennesseans a chance to go home for a day or two.

Of course, everyone will attend the Virginia fracas, and in past years West Virginia, Princeton, and Maryland have each drawn close to two hundred Blue and White supporters to their gates. Knoxville will afford another good excuse, and all indications point to a busy registrar's office from October 2 through November 24.

Curly Byrd, vice-president, athletic director, and among other things head coach of football at Maryland, had only thirty-one Old Liners in uniform at the end of his second week of drill Saturday. Press dispatches state that he was hard hit by the failure of a number of promising 1927 Freshmen prospects to return to school, as well as graduation.

We can hardly see, however, what there is to moan about when you have twenty-two men from last year's varsity squad in uniform, among whom are ten letter men.

Why be sad when you can produce a team with the following veterans on the field: Dodson (well remembered here) and Heagy, ends; McDonald, big and powerful, at one of the tackles; such men as Crothers and big Keenan at guards; the heady Kessler at quarterback; Fleetfooted Snyder, Parsons and Roberts, the latter the nemesis of Yale and Virginia, as well as a very real threat to the Generals, for halfbacks; and Radice, stocky, heavy, and fast on a basketball floor, for the fullback post.

Tennessee will be a hard nut to crack, although the Vols lost some good men and are not rated as high as in 1927. They put a good yearling team on the field last year, though, and will fight hard against the Generals, since it is the first meeting of the two elevens of record. And, by the way, everyone who has been to Knoxville says it is a wonderful town to celebrate a victory in.

West Virginia is rated stronger than last year, Princeton is said to be in for one of its best years in recent history, Virginia is strong, V. P. I. is picked by some to go far in the direction of the South Atlantic championship, Maryland is never a set-up for the Big Blue, and Florida has been speaking for itself in recent years.

Taken altogether, it looks as if the Generals are in for a continuous grind this fall. There is not a soft spot in the schedule after the first of October, but we hope and believe that the Washington and Lee habit of playing to win every game, not laying down on some so as to be fresh for one game of particular interest, will again be followed this season. To us it is disgusting to see a team go out to win only every other game, letting others slide just to satisfy a small group of near-sighted alumni.

the game at the start because of his previous Varsity experience.

Two Quarterbacks

There is also a two-sided squabble for quarterback in which "Cutie" Barnett and Marcus Cohen are the contestants. Cohen had experience in the position last year as understudy to Stearns, while Barnett spent his time learning to be a fullback under Gene White. Owing to the abundance of fullbacks this season, Coach Herron moved Barnett up to quarter to argue it out with Cohen. At present it appears that Barnett will get first call. He has a weight advantage of 15 pounds over his rival which means much to a man who leads the interference most of the time.

Coach Herron is going to have a hard time in deciding which of his two candidates for left halfback is the best. Both Lott and Eberhardt are high grade football players. It is going to be a job keeping either on the bench. Lott has had more experience in calling signals and running the team on the field than his adversary but the latter has been showing up better as a ball carrier in

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The pugilists as well as the grapplers will begin active work next week. The present time is being occupied with light forms of exercise. Rope-skipping, sparring, and footwork being emphasized. The Blue and White pilots expect to put one of the fastest squads in the history of the school in the ring this year.

There is an abundance of material, and there should be some battles for places on the varsity. The fall practice will continue until the Thanksgiving recess.

Julian Black, Tommy Thompson, Jack Crosland, Mike Selig-Faulkner are all boys who pack a kick in either mitt and many of the Generals' victories should come via the knockout route. Many prep-schools ring stars are out for the Frosh team and Coaches Price and Mathis will find it a hard task to select their men from the evenly matched group of contenders.

Coach Davis Regards Football Squad as Good

Coach E. P. Davis is rounding his freshman football squad into form by stiffening the work daily in order that the men may be in first class condition when the season opens. The backs are getting a taste of real action, and the line is being drilled under the fire of actual blocking and charging into the season.

A general survey of the Material, shows that it looks more than promising. Here are many well qualified candidates for every position, and the selection of Edgeworth. These Canadian boys

a first team is a difficult problem. Some time next week the squad will see its first real action, as it will scrimmage with

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stepped out, saying, "You're worse than any Scotchman I ever saw."

Then I confessed. I told him what happened to my Edgeworth—that I was just dying for a smoke, and he understood right away. He said,

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Twombly Busy Now Arranging For Intramurals

The first intramural basket-ball practice under the direction of "Cy Twombly" was held Friday afternoon and practices will continue every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at four o'clock until Varsity and freshmen basketball practice begins.

About 50 men reported to Coach Twombly and he is already arranging a schedule of games. It is his intention to divide up the ten teams in such a way that the "stars" are not all on one or two teams.

The first two weeks will be spent in learning the fundamentals of the game after which the schedule of games will be put into operation.

The teams will all be numbered and at the end of the season medals will be awarded to members of the winning team.

Men who have any basketball ability are reminded that this work will substitute for the gym class requirement in hygiene courses.

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Students Appear Strong for Mock Convention Hero

Outlook Bright for a Continued "Solid South" on Campus

(Continued from page 1) this condition one of their grounds of appeal to the "solid south" knowing that section to be dry. This is the first time since the Civil War that the Republican party has seriously tried to carry any of the states in the "solid south." The Democrats reply to this Republican argument by saying that anyone who knows Governor Smith's record as an executive knows that if he says he will do a thing he means it, and that he is usually able to carry his policies through all opposition. Therefore, they say, when Smith says he will enforce prohibition it stands a much better chance of being enforced than it would under Hoover, for the Republicans have already shown that they cannot enforce it.

To those favoring modification Smith's statement is exceedingly welcome and he will no doubt receive many votes from this class that would normally go to the Republican candidate.

Another feature of the coming election will be religion. In many Southern papers it is pointed out that the United States was founded upon principles of religious freedom and the Catholic church no longer has any political power even in Catholic countries, as evidenced recently in Mexico. In other papers, mostly of some particular ecclesiastical trend, Catholicism and the Pope are ranted against with surprising vigor and most unclerical anger, and the prophecy is made that if Al Smith is elected we will all be in Monasteries the next day.

So much for the situation in the South. In the North it is reversed. For the first time in years the Democratic party is making a strong bid for an important block of states, including New York, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Connecticut, and some of the so-called progressive Republican states of the mid-west.

Washington and Lee men come from all parts of the country but the big majority are from the South. Smith is expected to gain the day and if he does it will be quite an insight into what will probably happen in the South in November, for despite the ballyhoo of the church papers the "solid south" will very probably stay solid. The section which has for half a century fought the Republican party as its arch enemy is not likely to forget this on account of a small but noisy group of fanatical clergymen.

This is the situation as we see it and next Tuesday will prove us right or wrong. The polls open at 8:30 o'clock Tuesday morning and will remain open until 3:30 p.m.

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College Pres. Chases Scout

Billy Harkness, a scout from the University of Tennessee alumni club was asked to leave the campus of Milligan college recently by President Durthick, of Milligan, it was revealed today when the Milligan president branded Harkness' alleged efforts to secure Bill Bowman, Milligan football player as a student at U. T. "the boldest violation of college ethics I have ever seen."

Tennis Courts Crowded Daily

Hardly had the student body arrived before the courts on Wilson Field became crowded with enthusiasts. It is now practically impossible for players to stage a set of singles because of the crowded condition.

Since the Memorial bridge has been constructed one court has been discontinued because of interference by the structure. The University owns seven clay courts this year.

Bleachers Double Capacity, Stands

Bleachers are now being erected on Wilson Field which will seat 4,000 people. This will make the total seating capacity 6,500. According to "Captain Dick" Smith, graduate manager of athletics, if Washington and Lee wins the Virginia game, additional stands will in all probability be needed for the V. P. I. tussle.

The bleachers are on hand and will be placed at the ends of the field. They are being erected at present, and, are the ones which were in use last year.

A meeting of the Freshman class, called by the Faculty Committee, was held in Lee Chapel Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock.

The purpose of this meeting was to point out to the new men the most efficient methods of studying. Dr. William M. Brown, professor of Education and Psychology, lectured on "How to Study." He advised strict budgeting of time and concentrated application.

Dr. J. D. Eggleston, president of Hampden-Sidney college, broke two ribs last Monday. As yet the complete extent of his injuries have not been ascertained, but they are not considered serious. At present Dr. Eggleston is resting quietly at his home.

Having passed through two 200-lb. candidate for the Michigan football campaigns without a football team, the list of 70 candidates invited to try for the first team this fall has the names of 11 players weighing 200 pounds or more.

An additional 11 men weigh between 190 and 200 pounds.

Bruce Caldwell, a great half-of the Cleveland Indians, of the back at Yale and now a member American League, has signed to play professional football with the New York Giants, champions of the National football League.

ASK STUDENTS TO COOPERATE ON PLAN

(Continued from page 1) nus instead of on Wilson field. However, one booth will be operated at the head of the road leading to the stands for the convenience of those coming in automobiles.

Washington and Lee is the only school in the state which does not charge faculty members the regular gate admission. This year all instructors can purchase a pass book for ten dollars. This is approximately what a student would pay if he attended all of the events. Outsiders are given a season pass for fifteen dollars.

All of those attending the football games are requested to enter the gate which is opposite the stand they desire to sit in. The large gates will be used only as exits.

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Early in the history of the Christian Church it was found necessary as well as desirable to prepare a statement of the fundamental beliefs of all who called themselves Christians. Differing among themselves, as we are told in the Epistles, the early Christians passed through a period of discussion in which one party emphasized works as the best evidence of Christianity in the individual, while the other emphasized faith. It required the clarifying utterances and writings of a Paul and a James to set forth the truth that works and faith are but parts of a whole, and that they cannot exist separately. "A man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ" (Galatians 2:16) wrote Paul. "Faith if it hath not works is dead being alone. Yea, a man may say, 'Thou hast faith and I have works: Show me thy faith without thy works, and I will show thee my faith by my works'" (James 2:17, 18), wrote James.

Earlier than Paul or James, Jesus had pointed out growth and fruit-bearing as necessary facts in the life of the Spirit. The analogy he used was that of the tree. "Ye shall know them by their fruits" (Matthew 7:17). Earlier than Jesus, had John the Baptist used the same figure in warning—"Bring forth fruits meet for repentance" (Matthew 2:8).

On the other questions likewise there were differences of opinion among early Christians. The epistles of Paul are in some cases devoted to the discussion of these differences that had arisen. Out of the discussion there came doctrines and creeds and there came also the custom of reciting publicly from time to time a statement of the fundamental beliefs upon which rested Christianity as a religion.

Without discussing the question of differences and creeds, as they affect religion, may I pass with this word of instruction to a brief statement, and a brief discussion, of what seems to me fundamental truths concerning the mental, moral and physical developments of the college students during the usual term of four years.

I omit any discussion of the perfectly obvious fact, that one who desires to enter upon a professional or technical career must possess knowledge of facts and truths concerning the particular profession or technical career to be pursued. It is not necessary to say that the lawyer must know law and the engineer must know engineering as such.

I have in mind the answer to

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the question that each one of you is asking himself today—"apart from the fact that I am your years older than when I entered college, and have, therefore, passed through such changes as four years of physical life have wrought in my body, how do I differ intellectually and spiritually from the youth who entered college four years ago?

Can you say that during these years you have acquired definite ideas of the purpose of your lives?

Are you consciously and intelligently working your way towards the realization of ideals which you have before you as goals to be reached?

Have you learned the lesson that can be taught only by experience, of yourselves, or others, and are you guided by that experience to hold fast to that which you know to be good, and to avoid that which you know to be baseness or evil?

Have you the power to recognize good when you see it, and to understand the meaning and value of the best in literature, in art, and in life, of which literature and art are interpretations?

Are you, as a result of the little knowledge already acquired, constantly pushing forward to the acquisition of more and fuller knowledge?

Are your powers of observation and your powers of reasoning so developed that you can safely attach importance to the results to the results of your own mental processes?

"The fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, long suffering, gentleness, faith, meekness, temperance." (Galatians 5:22.)

Add to your faith virtue, and to virtue knowledge and to to knowledge temperance, and to temperance patience, and to patience godliness, and to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness charity." II Peter 2:5-7.

I place these two passages side by side in my thoughts concerning my personal development.

8. I believe that I may measure my growth as other will surely do, if I devote some time each day to contemplation and to communion with my own thoughts, realizing that growth is from within, though fed

1. I believe that my college course has put me into possession of a body of facts and truths about humanity, literature, art and science that I need to know in order to understand the world in which I live and my own relationship to it.

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from without. The thoughts, books, persons that interest me most are indications to me of the kind of person I really am. I can measure the results of my education by the intellectual and spiritual company in which I find myself at home, and the kind of activities in which it gives me greatest pleasure to engage.

4. I believe that my college course has made me not only the heir, but the owner, of as much of my inheritance as I can enter into.

5. I believe that human experience is my greatest teacher but I believe also that the pupil may reach the limit of the teacher's knowledge, and may add to present knowledge, facts truths and experiences, hitherto unknown or unrecognized, such as have characterized every great advance of the race.

6. I believe as a result of my educational opportunities and experience, that the human mind is dynamic, and not static, and that development and progress are the laws of personal life.

7. I believe that there rests upon me as a college graduate the obligation to increase my knowledge and that, if I am to be the man or woman of my ideals, my growth must come as the result of persistent conscious effort on my part.

This is the teaching of our religion, and it is fundamental. Intellectual growth must go hand in hand with intellectual growth.

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wrong in his conclusions, and he may come to see it. It is here that the advice and experience of our elders can be of service to us.

There is a wisdom that comes only from experience, and an experience that comes only with the passage of time. The fundamental principles of conduct do not change from day to day, although the world in which you enter has in some respects become a different world from that of the older generation. Emerson's warning needs to be repeated. "Every thing has its price." That price must be paid if that is to be obtained. This is an unalterable condition. He recognition of this fact will save you from many a disappointment, and from much wasted effort.

The world will accord you no privileges because you are college graduates. On the contrary, it will demand of you, and it has right to demand of you, more than it demands of others who have not had your advantages. Those who have attained greatness have been those who worked the hardest. There is no loyal road to learning and there is no easy way to success. Life means work and no true man or woman tries to shirk it. Rev. Dr. Finney said to a young man, who sought short cut to the ministry, and who desired to enter upon it with insufficient preparation. "Young man, if the Lord had desired you in His vineyard a year sooner, He would have made you a year earlier."

We are responsible for the doing of what we believe to be God's will, though sometimes we later wonder whether we understood God aright. We are responsible for sincerity, honesty, earnestness, as displayed in our personal lives. A man may, however, be sincere, honest, earnest and unselfish, and yet, in the light of fuller knowledge, be altogether



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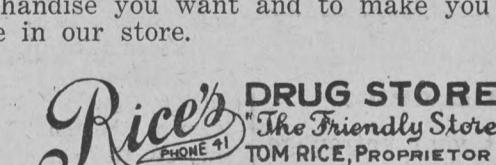
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