

SOUTH OPPOSES AL. E. SMITH

Convention Today Lexington Picking Possible Candidate

Will Al Smith Get the Nomination? This is Popular As Convention Opens

"I don't think Smith will get it." "Well, I do. The Southern states will fall in line when they hear the music."

Thus they are talking in over, pro and con in Lexington today.

"The laboratory of the democratic party," is what the mock convention which meets at Washington and Lee university here Monday might be called. Four times have the students held the convention and three times have they chosen the candidates later chosen by the national party.

All last week telegraph wires were busy helping students determine how their respective states wanted them to vote—how they were instructing regular delegates to go to Houston. All week long they have been searching into the Records of 1924 which tell the procedure of the Democratic party four years ago in New York.

When the first session opens at 3 o'clock today, placards will rise above the floor of Doremus gymnasium indicating the state delegations just as they will later in Houston.

If this convention follows the tradition of other years, there will be grand eleventh hour rallies and stampedes. This is the history of the 1924 Washington and Lee Democratic convention in which John W. Davis was nominated after overcoming the leads of McAdoo and Smith, nearly an exact model of the subsequent meeting in Madison Square garden.

STANDING COMMITTEES OF CONVENTION

Credentials—R. W. Jordan, chairman.
Permanent Organization—W. H. Maynard, of Missouri, chairman.
Rules and Order of Business—W. J. Dorsey, of Pennsylvania, chairman.
Platform and Resolutions—J. H. Williams, of Arizona, chairman.

SPECIAL SHOW AT NEW THEATRE TONIGHT AFTER CONVENTION ADJOURNS.

Track Team Defeats Richmond in Dual Meet—Sandifer High Point Scorer

Competing in a steady rain Saturday afternoon on Stadium Field in Richmond, the Washington and Lee track team walked away with a thirteen point victory over the University of Richmond. The final score was 69 2-3 points to 56 1-3 points.

The outcome of Saturdays encounter remained in doubt until the final event, the half-mile. Coach Dobson's charges were superior in the weights and in the jumping events. The Generals proved best in the dashes and the distance runs. The mile was won by Richmond, Spindle taking first place with Onesty and Newton second and third respectively.

The Generals, directed by Coach Forrest Fletcher, carried a squad of twenty-six cinder path artists there for the meet. Sandifer, of Washington and Lee was high point scorer of the day with thirteen points to his credit. Ed Cale, of the Spiders, was second with ten credits. The Generals displayed an abundance of team spirit. Backus, Blue and White middle distance runner, displayed great form in the half-mile event.

Summary of events:
Shot-put—Sanford, Richmond; Anderson, Richmond; Miller Richmond. Distance, 38 feet 1 inch.
Discuss—Painter, W. & L.; Sibold, Richmond; Eberhart, W. & L. Distance 108 feet 6 inches.
Javelin throw—Reardon, W. & L.;

BASEBALL TEAM MEETS VIRGINIA HERE TOMORROW

Tomorrow afternoon at three-thirty the Generals will lock horns with the Cavalier ball tossers in the fray postponed from last Saturday. If the mock convention is still in session it will be adjourned at that time to enable the students to see the game.

The two rival captains of the nines will oppose each other on the mound. Captain Folliard will hurl for the Generals, whose batsmen will face Captain Stevens of the Cavaliers.

Coach Smith has changed his lineup during the past week and this game will be the first test of its effectiveness. Eglebach has been shifted from the hot corner to short-stop and "Skeet" Warthen has come in from the pasture to take his place. Tuggle will alternate with Hickman in right field.

Slanker and Lowdon will keep their old places in center and left field respectively. Spotts will again be found on first with White holding down his old position at the keystone sack. With Tips still in the hospital the call for the receiving end of the battery is almost sure to go to Jones.

FRESHMAN TRACK MEET SUMMARY

100 yard dash—Grant, W. & L.; Settle, Jefferson; Johnson, W. & L. Time, 10 flat.

220-yard dash—Grant, W. & L.; Clay, W. & L.; Settle, Jefferson. Time 23.1.

440-yard run—Dickey, W. & L.; Williams, W. & L.; Sheppard, W. & L. Time 54:3.

880-yard run—Bingham, W. & L.; Overstreet, Jefferson; Nanner, Jefferson. Time 2:14.3.

1-mile—Ninninger, Jefferson; Overstreet, Jefferson; Godby, Jefferson. Time 5:3.

High hurdles—Barron, W. & L.; Pearman, W. & L.; Pace, Jefferson. Time 19 flat.

Low hurdles—Barron, W. & L.; Godby, Jefferson; Pace, Jefferson. Time 28.3.

Shot put—Faulkner, W. & L.; Taylor, Jefferson; Hanna, W. & L.; 34 feet three inches.

Pole vault—Maxey, W. & L.; Sanders, W. & L.; Hanna, W. & L.; Dis-edane, B. younocalg ETAO ETAT tance 20 feet 3 inches.

Javelin—Berry Jefferson: Hanna, W. & L.; Hall, W. & L. Distance 124.6 ft.

NEW YORK'S GOVERNOR LOSER BELOW MASON AND DIXON LINE

SMITH NOMINATION SEEN AS SECTIONAL ISSUE IN CANVASS THIS AFTERNOON

DEADLOCK CONDITION IS SEEN

SOUTHERN STATES WILL COME FORWARD WITH FAVORITE SONS TONIGHT OR TOMORROW

(By Bryant Evans.)

Not a single Southern state delegation will declare for Governor Alfred E. Smith, of New York, according to a canvass made in the Washington and Lee Democratic convention here this afternoon by the RING-TUM PHI representatives. The Smith nomination loomed as a sectional issue when it was learned that 236 votes were definitely pledged for Smith but that only one Southern delegate—he from Virginia—would cast his ballot in favor of the New York governor.

According to the unofficial poll, Senator James Reed, of Missouri, will receive the second largest vote on the first ballot with 98. Governor Ritchie, of Maryland, will be second with 66, and Senator Walsh, of Mon-

UNDER REPUBLICAN ADMINISTRATION HOLT FLAYS BUSINESS CONDITIONS

Tariff and conditions of agriculture again reared their Hydra heads above a democratic convention here this afternoon in the address of the permanent chairman, Joe Holt. Speaking of the supposed good business conditions of which the Republican party boasts, Chairman Holt said:

"Is business good for those who form the life of this great nation, the farmer and the small business man? Not no, but by all means NO." Here the speaker was interrupted by the hurrahs and laughter of the delegates. He continued: "Thousands of farmers are going

PAST CONVENTIONS SUCCESSFUL

Another Mock Convention was held May 14 and 15, 1912, amid the wild blowing of horns and beating of pans. There were four committees to help with the proceedings, Credentials, Permanent Organization, Rules and Order, and Resolutions. The first session appointed one delegate from each state to one of these committees. The following night N. D. Smithson was elected permanent chairman, and the roll was called for nominations. The delegate from Hawaii in a very flowery speech placed the name of Champ Clark before the meeting, and Woodrow Wilson was put up by the New Mexico delegates.

The roll call during the balloting was frequently interrupted by parades, rallies and other outbursts. The Alabama aggregation nominated O. W. Underwood on the fourth ballot, but the deadlock continued until Judson Harmon, of Ohio, was mentioned, and he carried the assembly immediately. From the four names for Vice-President, Foss, Underwood, John W. Davis, and Robert L. Owen, the latter was chosen.

In 1916 it was decided to hold a Republican Convention, since it was so evident that the Democratic nominee would be Woodrow Wilson, who was then President. The first session convened in the gym on the afternoon of April 27. It elected Paul R. Scott, temporary chairman, and adjourned until the next morning after appointing the various committees. Because of the poor acoustics in the gym it was decided to hold the next meeting in the Chapel.

Parker Burham was elected permanent chairman and in his address he stated that voting by proxy would be allowed. So much trouble was met in adopting a platform that it had to

be accepted in sections. This trouble was caused by the attempt to put in planks adopting nation-wide prohibition, and woman suffrage. This occasioned many fine speeches pro and con, but the measures were overwhelmingly rejected when voted on. Thirteen nominations were made including Root, La Follette, Hughes, Roosevelt and others. Hughes was finally chosen on the sixth ballot. Miles Poindexter was nominated for the Vice-Presidency without opposition.

The convention of 1924 was opened with the naming of W. W. Donally as permanent chairman. In his speech he expressed the desires of the convention, and following this a standing, silent tribute was paid to the late President Wilson.

Another fight was experienced when the platform was put up for adoption. The platform held for "unflinching enforcement of the laws of the government as representative of the people." The Wets held that the 18th Amendment was contrary to the will of the people, and therefore should be modified. After long discourses on the subject, the Wets lost by a vote of 119 to 199. A plank for a bonus for the soldiers was also voted down.

On the first few ballots, Wm. G. McAdoo led but could not obtain the required majority. Al Smith ran a close second but could not gain. On the 24th ballot the delegates from Virginia, Ohio, Texas and Conn. Held a meeting and threw their votes for John W. Davis, thus giving him the majority.

The conventions have been held in the gym, and the states sit in sections, with their places well placarded, giving the place the air of a real convention hall.

TRACK TEAM TO MEET V. P. I. THERE NEXT ON APRIL 28

The track team will meet Virginia Polytechnic Institute there on Saturday, April 28. This will be the fifth meet of the season for Coach Fletcher's harriers, having won on from the University of Richmond runners last Saturday—69 to 57—and lost three to Tarheels runners, namely, Duke, N. C. State and the University of North Carolina.

Last Saturday the whole team showed a marked improvement in all events, out classing the Spiders in ten out of fourteen events. The Richmonders took all places in only one event—the mile, this was due to the General runners being unaccustomed to the muddy track which Coach Dobson's men had been practicing on all week.

This will be the second meet with Virginia runners and with their slate clean in the State title race the locals are working hard to check the Techmen.

Such men as Sandifer and Backus—Coach Fletcher's dependables—will most likely be able to take care of the Blacksburg men in the majority of the running events, however the Techmen are very strong in the field events and should score heavily in the shot put and discus.

The meet as a whole should be close and with a tentative exhibition of Harold Osborne—former University of Illinois track star and also Olympic material in the high jump—should prove interesting to the spectators.

PI DELTA EPSILON ELECTS OFFICERS

Pi Delta Epsilon, national journalistic fraternity, in a meeting held Thursday afternoon in Newcomb Hall, elected the officers of the coming year. Allen Morgan was elected to succeed Bob Powers in the office of President. Morgan is a member of the Phi Kappa Sigma social fraternity and a candidate for the position of Business Manager of next year's RING TUM PHI.

Frank Gilmore and Tommy Thames were elected vice president and secretary respectively. They are members of the Sigma Chi fraternity. Louis Powell, Phi Kappa Sigma and Richard Beaton, Kappa Sigma will fill the offices of treasurer and scribe respectively.

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Dr. Frederick B. Robinson Compliments Washington And Lee Student Body

Dr. Fredrick B. Robinson, president of the College of the City of New York, who addressed the student body of Washington and Lee on Tuesday, February 28, said in a letter to a member of the Ring-tum Phi staff that although he "could not make any comparison of intellectual attainment having been on the campus but one day" he considered the student body "without a doubt a very superior group physically."

"The average height and weight are greater than those of the New York boy. I was pleased to observe that the students are well-bred and without sacrificing any of the enthusiasm and spontaneity natural to young people, they maintain seemly and courteous deportment."

Struck by the beauty of the campus he said, "To have long stretches of green grass and trees a century old is a luxury denied students at our College of the City of New York.

The view from your gymnasium across the wooded ravine to the stadium on the other side and the hills beyond should inspire one in many ways. All in all I should say that it would be difficult to improve upon the natural setting of Washington and Lee."

Of the old buildings and traditional heritage of Washington and Lee he wrote, "You have venerable buildings erected by high minded

Keynote Address Is Wildly Applauded Delivered by Miller

Mention of Woodrow Wilson and Quotations From Him Bring Cheers

Opening the Mock Democratic Convention at Washington and Lee this afternoon, E. H. Miller delivered the keynote address, which met thundering applause at several instants.

Preceding the keynote, the Southern Collegians played the Star Spangled Banner, and an outburst of patriotic cheering resounded through Doremus gymnasium.

The mention of Woodrow Wilson during the address was met with a wild ovation from all of the delegates present.

"The Democratic Party is the friend of business, big and small; it delights to see the reflected glory from burning furnaces; the contentment from happy and prosperous farm homes; the crowded lobbies of counting houses; the steady streams of heavily loaded trains; and the early bustle of mining camps. It cares not how large the scale or big the investment, what it is most concerned about is honesty in operation." This is one of the opening phases of the keynote.

There was long and prolonged applause at the conclusion of the speech, when Woodrow Wilson was quoted, "To you, from failing hands, we throw the torch." "Hold it high." "Carry on, carry on; keep the faith, keep the faith."

PERMANENT ORGANIZATION OF CONVENTION

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CONVENTION—SPEECHES—INTEREST

MONDAY and Tuesday will see the men on this campus put upon their mettle regarding their knowledge of national political affairs, the practical workings of a nominating machine, speech-making, noise-making, and a number of other functions intimately connected with the preliminaries of our "democratic" form of government.

Some men will make fools of themselves by their actions on the convention floor. Others will add to their prestige here by proving that leadership has been rightly bestowed upon them, and that they are capable of handling crowds and conducting their particular phase of the convention in good order.

The convention will be a success. Twelve men, each a student on the campus for several years, were picked by the executive committee to serve as the national committee, with the duties of doing everything necessary to insure the smooth opening of the meetings. This committee has done its task, has apportioned candidates, arranged for the formal calling together of the delegates, perfected detailed arrangements for the comfortable distribution of the delegates throughout the gymnasium, and is prepared to turn the convention over to the student body as soon as the delegates perfect their organization.

From now on, the degree of success which the convention enjoys is dependent upon the individual interest and activity shown by students in participating in its organization, its deliberations, its arguments, its nominations and platform decisions. All previous gatherings have been successful. The final nomination has been the same, with one exception, as that reached in the regular convention in the summer.

Students will enjoy the holiday from classes Tuesday. They should not, for their own selfish welfare, if it is necessary to appeal to that, take the suspension of classes as an excuse to do nothing all day. Every man should spend his time on the convention floor. Every man is on some delegation, and will have an active part to take in the sessions. Real good will result for each man attending if he is present in the right mood, and, unless we miss our guess, there will be fire-works, entertainment, comedy and exhibitions of some of the neatest "politicking" seen here since the 1924 convention, when several hundred delegates withdrew from the floor shortly before midnight of the final day, only to return an hour or so later and start the swing which finally nominated John W. Davis.

Attend every session of the convention. Take an active part in the decisions within your own delegation and on the floor at large. Stimulate interest in your associates, and prepare for speeches, noise, and a gathering as Doremus gym never experienced before.

SPRING—CLEAN-UP SEASON

SPRING has descended upon us definitely and irrevocably. Robins have long been wheeling and flirting about in profusions; the "squeedunks" have long since taken to marbles; but robins are notorious fools, and many of the kids have the sniffles for being likewise. Never-the-less, spring is surely with us; for Lexington civic pride has been dragged from its winter lethargy and is once more rampant. The town housewives are taking daily dozens in front yard hyacinth beds. Rubbish bonfires are sending lazy, white curls skyward. Paint brushes are slopping and splattering promiscuously. Why, even the village chief of bluecoats has temporarily forsaken the spoor of Bacchus amongst our fraternities for a frantic orgy of yellow paint and "no parking." Yes, spring is here!

The elements of mystery are now marshalled, and our modern saga may now proceed. It is reported that plans are on foot to hold Finals banquet on the new bridge. This means, of course, a fine bridge with beautiful approaches. In our mind's eye the vision is complete. In our imagination, as we dream in the sun on the front porch, it is already June and Finals time. The campus is a fairy land of green by day and silver by moonlight. In our imagination!

And only too soon Finals will be upon us. The campus—is it to look as at present? The fraternity houses—will they be prepared to receive their many visitors? The town—will it be Lexington for Finals?

The campus needs policing; the fraternities need the accumulation of winter trash removed; the town needs a spring cleaning. Mrs. R. B. Ellard, corresponding secretary of the Lexington Woman's Club, has charge of the publicity end of Lexington's Cleaning program, and is asking the co-operation of the students of Washington and Lee in making this a clean and a beautiful, as well as a historical, town. We, together with V. M. I., are the town's drawing-cards.

Modern Girl Pays Cost of Courtship; College Boys Male Gold Diggers

Are the American college youth and his elder brother becoming male gold-diggers? Has sex equality reached the point where a girl has to pay more than her escort for the privilege of having a date? The answer to both questions seems to be "Yes" in some youthful circles at least.

At Columbia University a group of girls have formed an "anti-dutch date" club whose members are pledged not to accept dates on which they must pay half the cost. And now comes Shirley Ann Stone, business girl, who declares in the May issue of Smart Set magazine that it is the modern girl, not the man, who carries the bigger part of the expense of courtship.

Loans Money to Men

"Not only do we have to pay intangibly in pride and self-respect, and pay the larger part of our salaries for the smart dresses and hats that are so necessary, but we must pay today for our own dinners, our own theater tickets and taxi fares," she says. "What's more, I'd hate to count the times I have loaned money to men, never to see it again."

The modern youth who wails about the high cost of courtship, asserts

Miss Stone, doesn't consider the cost to the girl of the appearance he demands of her. For example, if she goes out for the evening her clothes will cost \$250 or more, hair-dressing and other aids to beauty \$5 or more, a pair of stockings, good for one or two evenings of dancing, \$3, and so on. "It costs a girl today often more to have a date than it costs a man and incidentally, more and more men are seeing to it that it costs them very little," she avers.

Men Not All to Blame
But she doesn't blame her boy friends entirely. The average popular boy is spoiled in college by girls who are willing to pay for his company, she admits.

"As to taking a girl to a dance, why should he when just the fact that he is presentable is sufficient to admit him to almost any debutante affair without cost?" her Smart Set article asks. "The supply of partners is at low eb at the debutante affairs and good-looking youths are in demand. Almost any well appearing man can gain admittance to even the supposedly exclusive affairs. If he can't manage it openly there are usually other ways. Gate-crashing is a common pastime. At any rate he arrives."

COMPARATIVE STANDING OF FRATERNITIES FOR THE FIRST SEMESTER OF 1927-28

Fraternity	Average
Phi Delta Theta	79.613
Phi Epsilon Pi	78.521
Alpha Chi Rho	78.407
Phi Gamma Delta	77.643
Pi Kappa Alpha	77.303
Sigma Chi	76.335
Sigma Nu	76.139
Alpha Tau Omega	76.054
Kappa Alpha	76.031
Beta Theta Pi	75.619
Delta Tau Delta	75.457
Lambda Chi Alpha	75.441
Phi Kappa Sigma	74.314
Sigma Phi Epsilon	74.263
Pi Kappa Phi	73.973
Zeta Beta Tau	73.409
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	73.175
Kappa Sigma	72.831
Phi Kappa Psi	72.800
Arcades	80.112

President's Paragraph

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EDISON'S OPINION
As the foremost living American Edison was asked to indicate the qualities leading to success, not including health and integrity which are taken for granted.
His written answer was, "Intelligence, Imagination, and THE WILL TO WORK."
Let every young American note the third. Without it the first two go to waste.

GOLFERS PREPARE FOR DUKE MATCH

The Generals golf team is going through daily workouts under the direction of Captain Lanier in preparation for the coming match with Duke University, which will take place on the Lexington course sometime in the last week of April.

Following this match, the Generals encounter the strong team from William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va. Captain Lanier is at present trying to arrange matches with the University of Virginia, to be held in Lexington and one in Charlottesville. Washington and Lee was able to defeat Duke handsily in Durham, N. C., recently. William and Mary is at present undefeated and is certain to prove a formidable foe on its home course. Virginia, from all reports, appears to have an excellent team.

Owen Named as Head of Cotillion Club

Bill Owen was elected president of the Cotillion Club, and Howerton Gowen was elected secretary-treasurer at the meeting held last night in Newcomb Hall. Owen succeeds Rhydion Latham, this year's president, and Gowen will fill the place of Owen, the present secretary-treasurer.

Owen is a member of the Phi Kappa Sigma social fraternity, White Friars, "13" Club, and was a junior manager of baseball. His home is in Clarksville, Virginia.

The Gray Phantom

The scene is the motion picture theatre. Across the silver screen Uncle Sam's polo team contends madly with that of John Bull. The breathless audience leans forward—the seats creak with the shifting of weight forward. The moment is tense. The score is 7-5; with the Tommies in the lead. Two goals are necessary to tie the score, three will win.
From away back in the theatre comes a firm voice—enthusiastic, well meaning and clear as a bell—"Gee, if it was only just before Easter those rarin', tearin', contorin' Americans could take just one and it it would count double just enough to tie the score."

FRAT HEADS MEET TO DISCUSS CAMPUS POLITICAL IMPROVEM

The chapter heads of the Washington and Lee fraternities met Thursday night with the Executive committee of the Student Body to find some means of improving the political situation on the campus.

W. J. Dorsey, vice-president of the Student Body, who presided over the meeting, said that there would be another meeting sometime after the coming elections for the same purpose.

Gowen is a member of the Alpha Tau Omega social fraternity, and is from Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina. He is a sophomore.

A financial report was made by President Latham. The club will probably sponsor a dance the Saturday following elections, but thus far arrangements are tentative.

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William and Mary to Be Hosts to Virginia Academy of Science

The Virginia academy of science will hold its sixth annual meeting at the College of William and Mary, on Friday and Saturday, May 4 and 5. Washington and Lee will be represented by a large delegation. The following papers will be read:

"First Course in Psychology as a Preparation for Advanced Courses," by Dr. Wm. M. Brown, a member of the Academy Council.

"Deflating the Contents of Chemistry Courses," by Dr. L. J. Desha. "The Periodic Fruiting of Dictyota—an Acquired Character," by Dr. Wm. D. Hoyt.

"The Contributions of Gauss to Astronomy," by G. Waldo Dunnington.

"A Brief Survey of Sedimentary Petrography and Its Scientific and Economic Possibilities," by Marcelus H. Stow.

"The Geology of Iron Mountain, Missouri," by Col. Edward Steidtmann, of V. M. I., the chairman of the geology section of the academy.

Besides the above David H. Wice will go as a representative of the Biological Society; Robert P. Carroll, instructor in biology and S. T. Magann, assistant in education and psychology.

There will be two rooms set aside with exhibits, and also a number of entertainments for the delegates, including trips to the restoration area, Jamestown and the Dismal Swamp. On Saturday afternoon Williamsburg Confederate Memorial Day Exercises will be held in Bruton Parish Church yard. The College of William and Mary will act as host at a dinner on Friday evening, to be followed by a general session at which President Chandler will deliver the address of welcome.

State Oratorical Try-Outs Thursday

Try-outs for the Virginia State Oratorical contest will be held next Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock in 105 Newcomb Hall, Professor Marvin Bauer, debating coach, announced yesterday. The contestants will be permitted to present a speech on any subject they desire, not exceeding 2,400 words. The contest will be held later in the spring in Richmond. Professor Bauer urges all students who have any interest in debating and public speaking to tryout.

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Engineers Discuss Suspension Bridge

The regular meeting of the Custis-Lee Engineering Society was held last night in Reid Hall. A paper was read by J. G. Newman concerning a suspension bridge now in construction at Bristol, Rhode Island. In a discussion Professor Lyle stated that R. V. Milbank, '27, past president of the society, is in charge of the anchorages on this bridge. Following this there was a talk on "Traffic Control" by H. L. Williams, Jr., J. B. Ecker, president of the society, led a discussion on this subject following the talk.

Plans were discussed for visiting nearby cities and studying various manufacturing plants in them from an engineering view. In addition to this the society keys and membership cards in the American Society of Civil Engineers, with which Custis-Lee is affiliated as a student chapter, were distributed to new members.

Frosh Game With Virginia Postponed

Captain Eddie Parks Davis, freshmen coach, announced last night that the Little Generals baseball game against the Virginia freshmen outfit, which was scheduled to be played at Charlottesville this afternoon, has been postponed. This postponement will enable the Little Generals to pick up some pointers this afternoon when they watch the clash between Coach Smith's outfit and their old rivals, the Virginia Cavaliers.

Coach Davis' freshman outfit has been somewhat handicapped by being forced to have somewhat limited practices up until the spring holidays. With spring football and varsity baseball taxing the playing space on Wilson Field the Little Generals were forced to wait every afternoon until the varsity bat-wielders went home to supper. Since then Coach Davis has made rapid progress with his men and expects them to make a good fight for the state championship.

HONORARY FRAT FOR WOMEN TO BE BASED ON O. D. K.

Although Farmville State Teachers' College holds little interest in Washington and Lee students in general, a meeting held there recently may create considerable conversation upon our campus in the near future. Dr. William M. Brown attended a convention on Thursday, April 20, which had for its purpose the inauguration and consolidation of a sorority which shall be similar to the honorary fraternity Omicron Delta Kappa, which was founded on our campus in 1914.

The Joan chapter of Alpha Delta Rho, according to Dr. Brown, has been in existence on the Farmville campus some three years, and has aims similar to those of Omicron Delta Kappa here. In the past year a sorority much like the one at Farmville has come into existence among the Co-eds of the University of South Carolina. The meeting was for the purpose of uniting these two into an organization of national scope. The name of this new national sorority will, according to Professor Brown, have to be changed from its present one, as there is a similar national group already in existence.

Omicron Delta Kappa, since its founding here in 1914, has grown rapidly, and is a much coveted honor in many colleges at present. It is more generally known as "The Circle" and has eminence in scholarship, athletics, campus life, literary and forensic attainments, and college publications as its prerequisites for membership.

Latest observation of university styles by experts of Men's wear and the Daily News Record, authoritatively style publications, indicate hats worn by American undergraduates this spring will have high, tapered crown and narrow brim.

New York City, April 20.—A general forecast of university fashions for spring and summer of 1928, made by the style experts of the Fairchild Publications, leading organization devoted to the men's wear and apparel industry, shows that the day of exaggerated "collegiate" fashions has largely passed.

High Schools Sent Merit Examinations For S. J. Press Asso.

Copies of the examination in the Individual Merit Contest are being sent to the principals of the high schools throughout the South who have already registered delegates in the Southern Interscholastic Press Association, meeting in Lexington, May 11 and 12.

This examination consists of 15 questions on the practical application of journalistic principles of high school publication work. The examination was composed by Professors R. B. Ellard and H. M. Thompson, of the department of Journalism.

The winner in the Individual Merit Contest will receive books contributed by Virginia authors as a prize in this competition. Among the authors of this State who have attained prominence as writers are: Susan Glaspell, Ellen Glasgow, Sherwood Anderson, James Branch Cabell, Morris Markey, Harold Vinal, and James Rutherford Franklin.

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Glee Club Will Go To Richmond May 4

The Washington and Lee Glee Club will go to Richmond on the fourth of May to compete in the Virginia intercollegiate Glee Club contest. The contest will last for two days. It is sponsored by the Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Each club will sing one song separately, and their college song. There will be three songs sung by all the glee clubs together.

The personnel of the club will be composed of 24 students; Miss Emily Penick, accompanist and Dr. Henry Shelley, director.

Four or five practices will be held each week, according to Pratt Brown who has charge of the club during the illness of President Parker, and it is of the utmost importance that each member be present at every rehearsal.

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1928 Troubadour Easter Play "Butter and Egg Man" Rated High By Virginia Papers

By W. M. Garrison

Echoes of the success of the Easter-week trip of the Troubadours of Washington and Lee University, who presented "The Butter and Egg Man" in four prominent Virginia and Tennessee cities last week, are still being heard through the medium of the public press of these cities and two states.

The play, which was chosen by the Troubadours to be this season's production for the annual Easter show, was a comedy in three acts. It was produced by special arrangement with Samuel French of New York, and special scenery and costumes were used in the play.

The first public performance was given Tuesday afternoon in Lexington at the New Theatre, where it scored a complete success before a large holiday crowd.

Playing in East Radford, the first city on the tour, on Wednesday night, the play again scored a hit. The East Radford newspapers had the following to say of the show:

"The Troubadours of Washington and Lee University, gave a successful presentation of 'The Butter and Egg Man' in the auditorium of the Radford State Teachers College on Wednesday evening. In spite of inclement weather they played to a full house of sympathetic and appreciative auditors. Seldom does a college group or any group of amateurs present such a finished performance.

"The acting was not only remarkably good, but also each actor seemed to enter wholeheartedly into the spirit of his part. The humor was clean and carried the audience on a wave of mirth from the raising of the curtain to its final fall. Even those parts in which men acted as women were naturally interpreted and elicited admiration from the spectators.

"The Southern Collegians, Washington and Lee's famous college dance orchestra, played between acts. The performance was sponsored by the Bee Hive, the Radford college annual. Immediately following the show, the cast and members of the orchestra were entertained by the annual staff in Madame Russell Hall."

The second stand on the tour was played in Marion on Thursday night. The "Marion Democrat," edited by Sherwood Anderson, famous author and novelist, carried the following snappy review of the show:

A good sized audience saw the presentation of "The Butter and Egg Man," a play by the Troubadours of Washington and Lee University on Thursday night at the Court House theater while the formal opening of the new Marion Hotel and the revival meeting were running as rival attractions. It was a good play and between the acts there was a lot of fine dance music by the University Orchestra.

"The delegation of girls from Marion college seemed to enjoy both about equally and the orchestra leader did about as much acting as the players.

"For one thing the play gave Marion a swell notion of New York theatrical slang. That is what 'The Butter and Egg Man' is, a collection of wise cracks strung together on a pretty flimsy plot. Most of the cracks went over and got a good laugh.

"The Washington and Lee boys who played the girl's parts certainly held up their end of the program. Their burlesque had everything, even the motions. The rest of the players had a job keeping up with them but managed it well."

The Southern Collegians who accompanied the troupe and played before, during and after the shows, also pleased the Marion citizens. The "Democrat" had the following to say of them:

"The opening of the Hotel Marion, on the evening of Thursday, 12th, was a huge success. A great dinner was served in the large dining room of the hotel and while the guests, to the number of more than a hundred, ate a delicious dinner, they were entertained by music furnished by the Troubadours Orchestra of Washington and Lee University.

After the dinner at the Hotel Marion the other evening the tables were cleared away, the orchestra boys came back from the show at the Court Square Theater and there was a dance to which the town turned out.

Corking dance music, pretty women. The evening seemed to suit everyone, young and old. The hotel opening was a real success."

The best and last performance of the entire trip was made to a large audience who filled the Virginia High School auditorium in Bristol on Saturday night. The play was sponsored by the Fort Chiswell Chapter of the D.A.R., and the Sullins

student body was present en masse. The Bristol "Herald-Courier" carried on Sunday morning the following review of the show:

"Washington and Lee Troubadours scored one of the biggest hits they have ever made in this city with their presentation at Bristol, Va., high school last night under the auspices of the D. A. R. of 'The Butter and Egg Man'. The comedy sparkled with wit and was marked by particularly good acting on the part of main characters.

"Joe Lehman, played by A. B. Collison, was laboring under the delusion he had a world beating play but alas, the cash was not there to produce it. Finally he and his partner, Jack McClure, played by J. A. Collison, find a Butter and Egg Man, Peter Jones, of Chillicothe, Ohio, played by S. F. Hampton, whose grandparents left him \$22,400.

"The play was a flop but Jones, educated somewhat, roped in Oscar Fritchie, played by G. R. Holden, and bought Lehman's interest and turned the show into a howling success. Threatened with a suit for plagiarism, he is confronted by Lehman and McClure, who seek to buy back the play. They do, at \$100,000, and Peter proves that others than people from Chillicothe, Ohio are is over he is attempting to let his partner, Oscar Fritchie in on a hotel deal.

"The acting of A. B. Collison, W. A. Plummer, W. P. Battle, and S. F. Hampton was particularly good."

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Orchestra Lands A. M. A. Contract; Sullins Pending

The Southern Collegians will play at the Easter dance of Augusta Military Academy on Friday, April 27 according to T. G. "Toot" Gibson, business manager of the Troubadour.

Negotiations are now pending with Sullins College, Bristol, Virginia, and in all probability the orchestra will play for Sullins at the May Day dances on May 4 and 5 there.

Sullins heard the Southern Collegians while they were in Bristol during the Troubadours' Easter trip. They were much impressed with the musical output of the orchestra and at the close of the show gave Manager Gibson a bid for their May Day dances.

The Southern Collegians are now in better form than ever due to the smoothness acquired by their continuous playing on the Easter trip.

New York City, April 11.—An increase in the importance of what is known as metropolitan style in its influence on university men's dress is one of the outstanding developments of the year in this field. This is the belief of the Daily News Record and Men's Wear, authoritative style publications of New York, after early spring visits to eastern universities and interviews with merchants and tailors who supply the eastern college men with their apparel.

The Oxford gray Chesterfield overcoat, with velvet collar and fly front has been so popular during the winter that many university students will order for spring wear a garment of the same cut.

Other styles tendencies noted in the most recent surveys include a swing on the part of Eastern students away from the pigskin gloves in the direction of the dark brown capeskin. Hitherto the pigskin had been the university man's favorite.

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