

Indoor Track Men Working Out Daily

Varsity Opens Season February 18 In Richmond With The Richmon U

Coach Forrest Fletcher has been holding daily practices in the Doremus gymnasium for his varsity and freshman track candidates. The varsity practices are held on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons of each week, with the freshmen doing their sprinting on Tuesday Thursday and Saturday afternoons. The two squads, varsity and frosh, comprising over 50 men, have been working for the past several weeks.

The varsity has its first meet of the season on February 19, when the Generals will participate in an open meet with the University of Richmond at Richmond, Va. Coach Fletcher has been sending his men through these practices to get his paddocks in form for the February meet, although the holidays intervene between now and the meet. Coach Fletcher thinks that the men will be in better shape to start down to earnest training after the Christmas vacation than they would have had had the not started training early.

Practice will be taken up where it is left off before the holidays Wednesday afternoon, January 5. The candidates will be pushed hard from that time until the meet in Richmond. The frosh will also start training for their first encounter at this date.

Debating Team To Take Spring Trip

Manager J. S. Grasty Is Formulating Plans For An Extended Tour Of Eastern States

Plans for an extended trip through the Middle Atlantic and New England states are being formed for the Washington and Lee debating team next spring, according to J. S. Grasty, manager of the team. Up to the present time Temple college of Philadelphia and New York University have definitely decided to meet the southern debaters in Philadelphia and New York city respectively the week of March 18, 1927. A debate with the Harvard university team at Cambridge Mass., has practically been arranged for this trip also.

In April the annual triangular debate between the teams of Johns Hopkins, University of North Carolina, and Washington and Lee will be held. Several debates will be held in Lexington during the winter months, with the University of Virginia and other nearby schools.

In these debates the open forum style of debate, as demonstrated at the Oxford-Washington and Lee debate held in Lee Chapel last fall, will be used. At that time the system proved successful and popular and its use will be continued in the future.

Dr. J. O. Lofberg Goes To Harvard

Dr. J. O. Lofberg, head of the Ancient Language department will attend a meeting of the American Philological Association on December 28-30 at Cambridge, Mass. The association is the guest of Harvard University.

Class Of '30 Abolishes Traditional Cap To Adopt After-Christmas Hat

The freshman cap has been dethroned by the class of 1930 in preference to the after-Christmas hat. The haste to purchase hats has been greatly stimulated by the mercenary attitude of the numerous fraternity men toward the headwear of their respective underclassmen. Many freshmen have been promenading bareheaded with the exception of a moon shaped piece of their former cap encircling the ear. The executive committee of the student body was aroused by this vulgar attitude and prohibited its continuance. The promulgation of its decision, however, was rather tardy in respect to the damage accomplished. Consequently, in order to have the head cover, many freshmen purchased their last insignia of W. & L.'s traditional requisites for the first year students.

A decade ago Washington and Lee

MINK COMES OUT TONIGHT

Third Issue, "Troubadour Issue" Makes Appearance Tonight After Delay

The third issue of "The Mink" is expected to be in the hands of subscribers tonight when they go to the "P. O." The "Troubadour Issue," as the December issue is called, has been delayed on account of the covers. This issue is expected to surpass the other two very successful issues of the September-revived humorous magazine.

A cover design by Harry Cooper, a two-page feature by Dud Carr, and a snappy inside of jokes and art will feature this issue.

The "Fancy Dress" issue of the magazine will appear immediately preceding or during Fancy Dress. All material must be in the hands of the editor by January 17, Editor Jairus Collins, Jr., said yesterday.

President Smith Addresses Club Here Tonight

Defects In Modern University Curriculum Will Be Topic Of Address

Dr. Henry Louis Smith will address the members of the Fortnightly Club tonight on the subject of the defects in the curriculum of the modern university. In his speech, Dr. Smith intends to deal not with the weaknesses peculiar to Washington and Lee, but with flaws that are prevalent in the educational systems of colleges in all parts of the United States.

Dr. Smith will attack: first, the mistaken aims and methods of the usual undergraduate courses; secondly, the present uncertainty of aim of four-year course and its consequent lack of effectiveness as an educative agency; thirdly, the research fad and fallacy; and, finally, the lack of moral and character training in American universities. In conclusion, he will propose remedies for these various flaws in the undergraduate curriculum.

The Fortnightly club is a voluntary organization of twenty-five members, who meet together for the discussion of social and scientific problems. Meetings are held every two weeks during the winter season. At each of these gatherings, one member of the society delivers a formal scientific, or literary essay; this address is followed by a general discussion and criticism, in which each member of the society takes part. More than one-half of the members of the Fortnightly club belong to the faculties of the two educational institutions here, Washington and Lee, and Virginia Military Institute. The other members of the society are prominent Lexington citizens.

Dr. Reid White To Attend Meeting

Dr. Reid White, local physician, will attend a meeting of the Scientific Association of American University Professors in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Dr. White is the local delegate from the Lexington chapter.

Total enrollment at the University of Kansas this year is 4061. Eleven foreign countries are represented and 34 states.

Dixie Places On Perry's All-American

Captain "Ty" Rauber Mentioned In Cosmopolitan Selection By Sports Writer

Dixie at last has been recognized and given part of its due share in the realm of sports. Lawrence Perry famous sports writer and critic, has picked his all-American eleven and on it he places men from all sections of the country, North, South, East and West. He mentions Captain "Ty" Rauber on his honorable mention as well as placing one Southerner on the first eleven, one on the second team, and several on the honorable mention list.

To head his list of All-Americans is Wu Winslett of Alabama holding down an end post with Vic Hanson, of Syracuse. Not a single first down has been made around the Dadeville, Alabama demon. Spears, of Vanderbilt, was named as alternate quarter to Friedman of Michigan.

Heading Perry's honorable mention team is Captain "Ty" Rauber. Perry also names Pickard of Alabama and Luckey of Georgia at tackles; Brown of Vanderbilt and Mackall of Virginia at guards; Barnes of Alabama at quarterback; and Dodson of Tennessee at fullback.

Perry selected his team after traveling near 12,000 miles from coast to coast, and seeing in action 28 of the country's principal teams.

LEXINGTON TO BE SCENE OF PARTIES

Will Be No Dearth of Entertainment For Students Staying Over Christmas

No definite arrangements have been made for the entertainment of students who are forced to remain in Lexington through the holidays. It is expected, however, there will be the usual dances given by the students at the various fraternity houses. These dances have been a feature of the entertainment for the past several Christmas vacations.

There will be a number of private dances in Lexington and students are usually invited to attend these. The previous holidays in Lexington have been anything but dull and it is expected that the coming vacation will be a repetition of those. Several of the churches, though not at present able to give any definite information on the subject, are planning to give entertainments.

New Custodian For Lee Chapel

Niece of General Lee Will Assume Duties Next March

The new custodian of the Lee Memorial chapel on the Washington and Lee university campus, Mrs. Mildred Lee Francis, Norfolk, Virginia, will arrive in March to take over her duties. Mrs. Francis, who replaces Mrs. Edwards as custodian of the chapel, was recently appointed to the position by the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

During December, January, and February, the United Daughters of the Confederacy does not keep and official representatives at the chapel. Access, however, to the interior of the building may be made at any time.

Mrs. Francis, the new custodian, is regarded by the Southern organization as being particularly fitted for the post of honor. She is a niece of General Robert E. Lee, Southern commander in the Civil War and former president of Washington and Lee university. Her father was a younger brother of General Lee. It is believed that in her intimate relationship she is in a better position than others to appreciate the tradition and historical settings which surround the chapel.

Davidson College has dropped Presbyterian College from her schedule for some unknown reason, and has thereby caused a storm of criticism from the students of Presbyterian College.

The student body of Rutgers has started an attack on compulsory chaplainship, petitioning the faculty to allow them an unlimited amount of cuts from daily and Sunday Chapel.

January 19 Chosen As Founder's Day

University Assembly Will Be Held On That Day

January 19, General Robert E. Lee's birthday, has been named the Founder's Day for Washington and Lee by the Board of Trustees of the University, according to Dr. H. L. Campbell, dean of the university. This day will be a general holiday.

A university assembly on that day will be addressed by prominent speakers, according to Dr. Campbell. The speaker of the occasion will be Dr. Douglas Southall Freeman, editor of the Richmond News Leader, and one of the most eminent living authorities on Southern history and that of General Lee in particular.

The Board of Trustees of the university will also hold a meeting on that day.

GRAPPLERS AND PUGS PICKED FOR VARSITY

Coach Mathis Announces Varsity Boxing And Wrestling Teams That Will Start First Meets

The varsity boxing and wrestling squads have just finished the elimination bouts under the supervision of Coach Mathis, and two teams have been picked to enter the first meet of each sport.

They are as follows:

Wrestling:	
119-Pound Class	Burton
129-Pound Class	Wilkes
139-Pound Class	Rule
149-Pound Class	Walters
158-Pound Class	Meadows
175-Pound Class	Seligman
Unlimited	Bolton

Boxing	
119-Pound Class	Hatfield
129-Pound Class	Black
139-Pound Class	Price
149-Pound Class	Avarack
158-Pound Class	Rand
175-Pound Class	Merritt
Unlimited	Bailey

These men will meet Franklin and Marshall, January 8, and V. P. I. January 10 respectively. They will remain in training during the Christmas holidays, and will report back for practice on January 1. Strenuous practice is held every evening and the men are reported to be in excellent shape for the coming meets.

The freshman boxing and wrestling teams have also had their elimination bouts, but as their first meet does not come until the latter part of January no definite team has been picked yet. Frosh practice will be resumed the day after we return from the holidays.

A great many men on both Varsity and Freshmen squads dropped off after being eliminated. Coach Mathis stated that these men are not eliminated from chances of making the team at all, and that the elimination bouts would be held before each meet. He also said that the men should stay out in order to get the experience and thereby have a better chance of making the team.

Wrestling this year will be carried on under different rules from those of last year. The Southern Conference has adopted the National Inter-Collegiate rules of wrestling and therefore Washington and Lee will have to abide by them. The only great change effected by these rules is that the bouts will be held in a roped-off ring instead of on an open mat. This will speed up the bouts considerably and will make them more interesting to spectators, because both men will have to stay on the mat and wrestle and defensive wrestling will not be so common as before.

LOTT ADDRESSED STAUNTON TEAM

"Billy" Lott, representing Washington and Lee, made a brief address to the members of the Staunton high school team last Friday night at the annual football banquet which is given to the high school by the "Hi Y" Club of Staunton.

This banquet was given in honor of the football team and during the evening monograms were awarded. The features of the program were speeches which were made by athletes from the University of Virginia and from Washington and Lee.

Last year "Ty" Rauber and Maynard Holt accepted the invitation of the "Hi Y" Club and represented the Generals.

FROSH QUINTERS GETTING READY

The Frosh basketball quintet is gradually being formed from a squad of 19 men out for positions on the team. They will be ready for their first encounter on January 12 when they meet Shenandoah Collegiate five on the local floor.

Only about two weeks of actual practice remains for the yearlings before the valley tossers are met, and this will be broken by the Christmas holidays. The Frosh have been working out regularly for the past three weeks about four times a week and now Coach Eddie Parkes Davis believes that he has a squad composed of the cream of Frosh hard court men.

A five made up of Wilson and Alexander, forwards; Collins, tip-off man; and DeFord and Hawkins guarding the basket has been doing wonders against the first string varsity. Wood and Williams have been substituting at guard and forward posts also. Some tight games have gone on record between the first year men and the varsity quintet.

Wilson has been showing up exceptionally good at the forward post while DeFord has been the bright light for the Frosh at the other end of the floor. DeFord carries with him quite a reputation as a mainstay on the Culver team of the last two seasons, last year holding the captaincy of that brilliant quintet.

Dr. Shannon Will Address Language Group

Will Head Discussion On Chaucer Before Modern Language Group In Cambridge

Professor Edgar Finley Shannon, head of the English department, has been selected to head a discussion in Chaucer before the Modern Language Group which meets in Cambridge, Massachusetts, as guest of Harvard University on December 29-31. There has been two designations of papers to be read before this group and Professor Shannon has received one of them. His subject deals with Chaucer's study with the Bible. The exact title in Old English being: "His Studie Was But Litel On The Bible."

The Modern Language Group deals with such subjects as Chaucer, Shakespeare, the Elizabethan Age, and Anglo-Saxon literature. Professor Shannon was chairman of his group for two years. He is known as an authoritative student of Chaucer's works.

Midnight Service Christmas Eve

A special midnight service will be held Christmas eve at Lee Memorial Episcopal church here, according to information from the Rev. Churchill Gibson, pastor of the church. The service will begin at 11:30 o'clock, and from that time until midnight the choir of the church will give a specially arranged program of Christmas carols.

Promptly at midnight, as Christmas Day is ushered in, Holy Communion will be celebrated.

This service will be something new in Lexington, although it is an annual custom at many Episcopal churches in the larger cities.

Soon after automobiles were barred from the University of Oklahoma's campus an enterprising student came to school in an airplane.

Lee School Of Journalism Will Again Sponsor S. I. P. A. Convention

More than 70 delegates and faculty advisers from high and preparatory schools in 8 Southern states attended the two-day session last April 5 and 6. Problems relating to news and editorial writing, front page make up, advertising, art work and high school publications were discussed by prominent Southern editors and newspapermen. Every leading high and preparatory school in the Southern states will be invited to attend this year's convention, Mr. Thompson said.

The Association was organized last year by the School of Journalism here directed by the Southern Newspaper Publishers Association here in 1869. General Robert E. Lee took the first practical step toward inaugurating collegiate instruction in journalism. Pi Delta Epsilon, journalistic fraternity, will cooperate in the conduct.

Generals To Invade East For 5 Games

Ten Players Carried On Trip Which Will Include Five Games

The Varsity basketball team left early this morning for their annual eastern invasion. Lasting over a period of six days, during which five outstanding teams will be met, the squad will travel as far as New York where it will disband following the game Wednesday night and the members will disperse to their respective homes for the Christmas holidays.

The University of Maryland will furnish the opposition for the Blue and White team tonight at College Park. Washington and Lee did not fare especially well at the hands of the Old Liners in the two games played between the two schools last year and, with this in mind, Coach Smith's quint is determined to avenge itself.

Saturday night the Catholic University five will be met in Washington.

The opponent for the game Monday night is as yet undecided, due to a last minute withdrawal of Georgetown, but either the University of Delaware or American University will fill this vacancy. The Crescent Athletic Club and the Brooklyn University Club, both of New York city, will be played on Tuesday and Wednesday nights respectively. The game Wednesday night will mark the close of the trip.

Eleven men including Manager J. D. Carter, accompanied Coach R. A. Smith. Those making the trip were Captain Urmye, Howe, Spotts, Groop, Ebert, Lowry, White, Nance, McKenney, and Lowden. Of this number the first three, Urmye, Howe and Spotts, are veterans of last year's state championship team and can be depended upon to give all opponents considerable trouble. Four members of last year's undefeated frosh, Groop, Ebert, Lowry and Lowden, made the trip. The team will probably be without the services of Howe after Saturday night since he will have to leave for his home following the Catholic University game.

The squad was put through a final workout in Doremus gymnasium yesterday afternoon by Coach Smith. Signal drill was had and finishing touches applied. Throughout the past three weeks daily workouts of strenuous nature have been gone through in the effort to round a team into playing shape for this trip. The games to be played are for training purposes more than anything else and since this is true every man making the trip will have ample opportunity to display his wares on the court.

No Changes On Staff Immediately

According to an announcement made by Editor W. M. Garrison of the RING-TUM PHI, a new managing editor of the paper will not be selected until after examinations. This position is now vacant due to the selection of Garrison as head of the RING-TUM PHI. However there will most probably be some immediate changes among the editorial assistants and reporters. At the beginning of the second semester new tryouts will be held for the reportorial staff and any new or old men interested are urged to come out at that time.

Bicycling has been adopted by the co-eds of Northwestern University.

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How Some Educators See Us

SOME American educators have little use for the student as a guide of education. Recently Dr. Meiklejohn, one of the foremost educational leaders of the country said: "Why you can't even get a young American to play his own football games, let alone stand on his own feet intellectually. His papers are full of demands that we get rid of a certain man if the team fails, and you know who gets the praise if it wins. He doesn't manage even finances of his team." And in study, "somehow we have got to the point where the teacher is responsible for what goes on in the student's mind; and if he can't make anything go on there, he throws in what he can of stuff and information, the result of which is zero."

In the matter of subjects of study, the professor favored doing away, in college, with departmentalizing and specialization of learning. "I would like to take a group of freshmen and take a look at them with one high civilization, the civilization of Greece; not as literature and philosophy and mathematics but as a high method of life. Scholarship which does not result in leadership has something wrong with it."

He also denied that the student should first have more freedom, and release from discipline for which there has lately been an insistent demand. He had no use for such a "negative" freedom. Freedom, he said, could not exist except in a community with certain dominating purposes and interests, with a common heart and mind of fundamentals. Such a community does not exist in colleges, he said.

"These young men," he quoted Woodrow Wilson as asserting, "are bound together by non-intellectual ties." The first job was to make of college "a community of learning." This could be done only in small groups, groups in which the teachers were primarily students themselves, and students were apprentices to them. In order to get a community of interests, Dr. Meiklejohn even proposed doing away with the elective system, having everybody study the same things in order to have common ground. Only then could freedom start, for the student would be free to guide his own study, reach his own conclusions, make his own applications.

So that is what one American educator, at least, thinks of us. What reply have we? Can we dispute his assertions? Or will our college life and systems allow us to? It is worth considering.

The Smoking Problem Goes West

THERE shall be no smoking at University functions of any kind, or in University residences, or on the campus," of the University of Southern California, by order of President R. V. Kleinsmid. The rule has evoked much comment from students, both men and women.

And why shouldn't it? Imagine being deprived of the right to smoke while strolling across the campus at odd hours, or while waiting in the halls for a class!! One begins to wonder whether student "liberty" and "democracy" is liberty and democracy after all.

The Annual Event

THE annual event—the holiday exodus is with us again. Early this morning the rush started, and will continue until Monday afternoon. By that time Lexington will be cleared of flivvers, yellow slickers and debonair young collegians.

For Washington and Lee men are going home—for a while. Fifteen days is the least the most unfortunate student will get. Others more lucky have schemed and contrived to secure nearly three weeks.

It will all pass too quickly and school will start again, seeing weary and holiday-worn travellers come straggling back, one by one, to the fold.

But it will be great while it lasts, and here's hoping that everyone makes the best of it.

Best o' luck to you.

A Parting Word

JUST as the year closes the RING-TUM PHI pauses in its activities and considers the past four months. They have meant much to this paper. We have tried to record faithfully and truthfully the events of the university life—to be in every way a mirror of Washington and Lee.

Whether or not we have succeeded it is not for us to say. It is for you. We have strived hard, labored under difficulties and misfortunes, and tried to brave the winds. We hope our efforts have not been in vain.

The year Nineteen-hundred and Twenty-seven lies ahead. The

RING-TUM PHI will endeavor to accomplish during the five allotted months of this time things it has failed to do in the past. "A better paper" is always our goal.

We hope we shall succeed. We hope you will help us. We feel certain of both.

And Now:

THE RING-TUM PHI wishes to every Washington and Lee man, alumni, faculty and friends a most Merry Christmas and a very happy New Year!

PRESIDENT'S PARAGRAPH

Number 23—1926-27 A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM THE FACULTY

As chairman of the Faculty, I hereby convey from their teachers and officers these Christmas good wishes to every member of the student body. We earnestly wish for you that, in health of body and happiness of heart, in the manifold joys of friendship and home reunions, this may be the happiest Christmas and New Year holiday of your whole life so far, that not a single incident or event may ever cause you a feeling of regret or remorse, and that its pleasures may usher in an equally happy New Year.

STUDENT RULE

More Power To Students

Ambitious student executives at the University of Minnesota will probably take over the work of trying student misdemeanors.

A student court will do this work if the wishes of E. E. Nicholson, dean of student affairs, are carried out. The All-University Council, it is proposed, will take over this work, acting, possibly, in conjunction with members of the administration.

The students are unwilling to take over this responsibility at present. The Council deemed necessary certain changes in the machinery before this added duty could be taken over.

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"Has Come To Stay"

Yale graduates who wonder why the University does not bring student lawbreakers to the carpet are told by

the Alumni Weekly that this task lies now within the province of the student government which, "has come to stay."

"Weak-Kneed"

"One more," complains the Daily Northwestern, "the Student Council passed the buck."

"The Council," says The Daily, "knowing that the President of the Athletic Association is ineligible blissfully blinked its eyes and voted to ignore the ineligibility until some definite action should be taken by the administration."

"Under all the rules of Northwestern, the President of the Athletic Association has been ineligible for the past three weeks. This fact was known to officers of the Council, yet the matter was never officially brought to Council's attention until this week."

"Every effort has been made to hush the matter, so as to permit the man in question to hold his job in the athletic department, despite the fact that his scholastic standing has been so low that faculty members say there's no chance for him to come back."

"In other words, activities and athletic again, have been considered by the students more important than scholarship and academic standards."

"It is not too much to say that the Student Council has sold out the student body. It is the duty of the Student Council to pass on all eligibility. In this case, the group of leaders passed quickly and quietly. It is said in so many words that it would not void the positions that the President of the Athletic Association now holds."

If the decision made by the Council this week is a precedent, then any student who is declared ineligible by the Administration can continue his activities, hold all manner of honorary jobs, and thumb his nose at class room standards."

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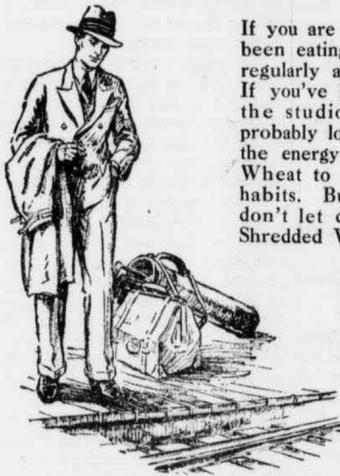
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THE STUDENT FEDERATION

Joiner's organizations and their conventions, meeting no real need, are so numerous today that it is often difficult to distinguish them from those which serve a definite purpose. Particularly for college men, instinctively opposed to being organized into anything, it is worth while to examine the second annual congress of the National Student Federation of America, just closed at Ann Arbor, for promises of a forceful, sane, and necessary existence.

It is not on its mechanics or its superficial aspects that such evidence may primarily be based, although they are significant. Last summer this writer was impressed by the attitude of older men toward the Confederation Internationale des Etudiants at its annual conference in Prague. Foreign Minister Benes of Czechoslovakia, for example, leading statesmen of Central Europe, considered this student organization of sufficient value to devote to its representatives his house, his dinner table, and his serious interest. Similarly older, more experienced, and outstanding educational leaders have, as it were, gone out of their way to give evidence of their serious support of the Federation. Dr. Meiklejohn, Dr. Duggan, President MacCracken, and President Little all spoke at Ann Arbor, recognizing the necessity for educational experiment, each pointing out different lines for such experiment, and each emphasizing the importance of student contribution to it. In other words the supported the chief purpose for which the Federation exists, the student's part in formulating the educational process. It is furthermore noteworthy that official representatives from 200 student bodies throughout the country gathered at the Congress, ratified the constitution of the Federation and provided for its permanent existence. But such evidence, strong as it may be, cannot in the last analysis be considered final.

There is, in the first place, the intangible theory of the conference as a means of communication and contact to mutual advantage. It is a theory subject to abuse either because of the character of the delegates or the subject under discussion. Official student representatives discussing the educational process may fairly be assumed to fulfill to large extent both these conditions. The exchange of viewpoint, of problems, between men from Princeton Leland Stanford, and Ohio, or between a great university like Michigan, and a small college like Franklin and Marshall is eminently worth while, subject to the conditions stated above. Broadening of viewpoint and of understanding, and the good fellowship which accompanies it, attained as this writer can testify, at Ann Arbor, are enough by themselves to justify such a Congress as that held by the N. S. F. A.

There are, in the second place, four very tangible advantages which the Federation has offered at this Congress. Commissions sat on Friday afternoon avering to discuss the curriculum, teachers, athletics, student government, and the honor system. Instead of adopting half baked resolutions, approving this and condemning that, permanent committees were set up or recommended to study the curriculum, teachers and student government and report at the congress next December. This ensures so far as possible scholarly, effective research. Second, a news service, which has already been initiated, will be developed into an effective centre of feature articles by men such as Meiklejohn, of reports on constructive reforms and general problems from various colleges and universities, released from a common centre. This in turn brings up the third point, the necessary central and regional structural work around which to build the various activities of the Federation. Such structural work, begun last year, was developed further at the Congress. More important, it was decentralized to a certain extent by the basis laid for regional work last week-end. Top heavy, centralized organization in a geographical unit of the size of the United States would lay the Federation open immediately to all sorts of objections which are too obvious to be detailed. This snare, again, the N. S. T. A. has avoided.

There are finally, the international connections established with European students by the Federation. Between 600 and 1000 students are being sent over this summer under its auspices as guests of the European student unions. The intellectual emphasis during these visits has been and will be a necessary antidote to the ordinary tourist impressions which swarms of undergraduates bring back every fall. These are, necessarily, only the more important activities and promises of activity of the Federation. Surely they satisfy the most exacting demands which the N. S. F. A. must fulfill to justify its existence.—The Harvard Crimson.

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Precise and just gentility protruded into his classroom self, and he appeared. A man from whom all warmth had been excluded, A scholar who must be admired and feared. Bleak honesty in thinking had evoked An air of severest concentration; The sympathetic weaknesses were choked In him, it seemed, by force of cerebration.

He seemed so. Well he hid the tortured man Whose delicacy would have served him well In intimacies if he had been bolder. Laughter was his imaginary ban. How sad no connoisseur knew the spell Would break if he were clapped upon a shoulder!

—Rufus Terral

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Eleven men are busy in Lexington representing six national rail lines in making transportation arrangements for students and cadets to go home. With the service given by these men, travel conditions are simple and vastly different from some years ago. The roads represented are Norfolk and Western, Frisco, Seaboard Air Line, Baltimore and Ohio and Southern.

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Asking for Time

Mr. Bingo—I went into an antique furniture dealer's today to get that Chippendale chair you admired so much and he had just sold it. Mrs. Bingo—How unfortunate. Mr. Bingo—Yes. He said it would be at least a week before he could turn out another like it.

He's Nervous

First Warden—I don't like the looks of No. 47. He's been pacin' up and down his cell all night, and looks dangerous. Second Warden—Well, can you wonder? His sentence for bigamy expires today and both his wives will be waitin' outside.

Didn't Bother Him

Frightened Wife—You say you can't stop the car. Good heavens! Calm Husband—It doesn't make any difference—there's no place to park, anyway.

It's Speed

Mechanic—You say your car has turned turtle? Why, it looks right side up to me! Owner—Sure, it's right side up. It just runs like a turtle.

A Revision

"I haven't seen your wife playing bridge lately." "No. She's trying her hand at playing Bridget."—Sydney Bulletin.

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He—So you think kissing shouldn't be allowed. She—Aloud? Well, not too loud

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Field and Stream

"I have just been reading in the paper," observed the outdoor man, "about the wonderful catches of salmon in the Northwest."

"Yeh," said the city sportsman, "I suppose some big league club will sign him up."

Easy Solution

"How can we get our girls to church?" "Why not our boys?" "The boys will follow the girls."

Sometimes the Case

"The old man has a good heart." "But he has such a grim face." "Well, it's quite a job for him to keep his false teeth in."

DOES FATHER BETTER



Friend—Do you think college does your son good? Dad—Oh, yes; but it does his father better.

So There!

I hope the crook who robbed a car for further purposes of crime will be, before he travels far, Took up for parking overtime.

Very Soon

Sister—Oh, hum! Dad's on the war-path again. Mother (in significant tone)—Never mind. He'll soon come to a detour.

Long and Lean

Searcher—At what are you mounth-ing so? Barbee—I merely said, "It's a long Jane that has no curves."

Midnight Oil Will Burn After Holidays

Students Will Settle Down to Hard Grind To Prepare For Exams

The midnight oil will burn, gallons of coffee will be consumed, smooth brows will become furrowed, and sleepless nights will be followed by days crammed with worry at Washington and Lee University shortly after the end of the Christmas holidays.

For, beginning January 20, students at the university will submit to a ten-day test to see if the material they have acquired during the first half of the school year is sufficient in the eyes of their professors to give them credit for the work. The examinations start on January 20, and last till January 31.

Each examination regularly takes four hours, though depending on the course, the professors may make it longer or shorter. Often in some of the more detailed subjects the students will write all day on their papers as an entire day is allotted to each examination.

Due to the honor system, though, it is not a continued four-hour strain because students may leave the class room at any time to get air, refreshments, mail, or any other solace that is within reach. If the examination is much longer than usual, they are even allowed to go to their respective houses for the two-o'clock luncheon, and return and complete their papers.

Washington And Lee Takes Active Part In N. S. Federation

Washington and Lee University is now a member of the National Student Federation of America, which is composed of two hundred colleges including all colleges of any importance from Maine to California. The second meeting of the Federation took place the second week in December at Ann Arbor, Michigan, where the constitution was ratified. The main purpose of this federation, as far as American schools are concerned, is the vitalization of education and the students part in such work. The five topics discussed this year were: 1. Honor System and Student Government, which brought out the various methods used in the different colleges throughout the country at the present time. 2. Athletics, their possible ever-importance and the threat of commercialism. 3. Fraternities, their importance on the campus. 4. Choice and methods of teachers, taking up methods used by teachers and the kind of teacher who is most desirable. 5. Nature of the Curriculum, which discussed such questions as optional classes, should freshmen and sophomores take exactly the same courses and then let them choose from then on, and whether the tutorial system was a success.

During 1927 the Federation will concentrate on 1. Recognition of intellectual attainment as the dominant and unifying factor of college life, 2. The achievement of more intimate relations and closer cooperation between teachers and undergraduates, 3. A reappraisal of a college's claim to greatness in terms of its contribution to the intellectual, political and economic development of the United States.

Some of the men who spoke were Dr. Meiklejohn, former president of Amherst; President Little, of Michigan; President McCracken, of Vassar; Dr. S. P. Duggan, director of the institution of International Education.

Kenneth Durham, who represented Washington and Lee at this convention, sat on the last committee because he felt that Washington and Lee's honor system was without parallel and that local athletics and fraternities were as unpeachable as any, and because he was on the student research committee.

Washington and Lee is on the Southern division of this research committee. This committee will function all year, its main object being to have a bureau of information. This will have a record of all the methods and improvements used in the different colleges in that division, and may be resorted to as a source of information at any time. Mr. Durham stated that he thinks it is the greatest and most important intercollegiate organization in the country today, and he hopes Washington and Lee will always be a zealous member.

Students at the University of North Carolina recently asked the faculty to provide a course in the social, economic and psychological aspects of marriage.

As a climax to the hazing last year, the class of 1928 at Connecticut Agricultural College will have to pay \$5,000 damages to a student who suffered in the hazing activities.

Three Papers Given School Of Journalism

The New York World, The Baltimore Evening Sun and the Roanoke World-News have been presented to the Lee School of Journalism at Washington and Lee University as a Christmas gift by Julius P. Fishburne, of Roanoke. The subscription will last for the remainder of the school year.

The three papers will be filed with the numerous other journals received at the Lee school. The papers range from Kansas City and Chicago to Atlanta and New York. Complete files are kept and used as reference by students.

Among other gifts received at the Journalism school are an engraved name of their publication, "The Lee Journal," done in old English style lettering, and a complete font of 60 point type, both from the Roanoke Times-World Corporation.

Universities Only Homes Of Liberty Butler Avers

Columbia University Head Terms Them Sole Remaining Hope Of World

The universities of the world are "the only present homes of liberty and apparently its only hope," Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia university, said in his 25th annual report today.

Branding criticisms against American universities as "contradictory and self-destroying in character," he attacked what he terms the "new Philistinism" and launched a bitter denunciation against opponents of the modern educational system.

Would Bring Darkness "If the voice of liberty be silenced in the university and the intolerance that now prevails in church and in state be permitted to invade the precincts of the universities of the world," he said, "then indeed must we be prepared to enter upon a new and dismal dark age that will cast the thoughts and activities of man in common and uniform molds, there to remain until such time as the unquenchable thirst for liberty shall again effectively manifest itself among men."

Modern education needs nothing so much as stout resistance of Philistinism in its every manifestation, and a revival of the classic spirit."

Square And Compass Holds Initiation

The Washington and Lee Square of the Square and Compass Fraternity held an initiation session Tuesday night followed by a smoker in the club rooms of the local Masonic lodge. The initiates were Lyle M. Armentrout, of Linville, Va., a junior in the Commerce School and Mr. W. Horace Lackey of Lexington as an honorary member.

Square and Compass is one of the group of college fraternities that have originated at Washington and Lee. Founded in 1917, it remained dormant during the war, but, since 1919, has entered 55 colleges and universities in 32 states. Three of the national officers are Washington and Lee men and the national office of the fraternity is located in Lexington.

Last year, the Washington and Lee Square had a degree team that raised a number of Masons in the Lexington and Buena Vista lodges and this year, in addition to the degree team, the Square has a Masonic magazine, "The Rockbridge Mason," which is being published in the interest of Freemasonry in Rockbridge county. The officers of the Square are: H. Gray Funkhouser, president; Reese W. Stipes, vice-president; Jarius Collin, Jr., secretary; L. M. Harrison, treasurer, Dr. James Lewis Howe, Square advisor.

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Throughout our sunny Southland fair, Enshrined in memory, We'll keep fore'er these sacred names, Great Jackson—peerless Lee!

Dr. Levitt Goes To Join Family

Dr. Albert Levitt, of the Washington and Lee university law school, left Lexington Wednesday, December 8, for Paris, France. The executive committee of the Board of Trustees granted Dr. Levitt leave of absence for seven days before the beginning of the Christmas holidays and extending for five days after their close to go to France and join his family, who have been in Europe for the past few months, on their return to America. Dr. Levitt was scheduled to leave Lexington, Monday, December 13. On December 8, however, Dr. Levitt was advised that his child was ill, and left at once to join his family.

Alumnus To Fill English Vacancy

Frank Gilliam of Lynchburg, Va., a graduate of Washington and Lee University of the class of 1917, will fill the vacancy in the English department caused by the retirement of Dr. Malcolm L. Wilder, who is suffering from a nervous breakdown.

Mr. Gilliam has been intimately connected with educational work since his graduation. With the exception of two years as a first lieutenant in the 119th Infantry, he has been an educational missionary at the Southern Presbyterian Missions in Belgian Congo, South Africa. While at Washington and Lee he received many campus honors. He is a member of O. D. K. honor society, and Sigma Alpha Epsilon social fraternity.

COLLEGE WORLD

The University of Florida has a \$50,000 organ in their auditorium.

For the second time Helen Wills, former national tennis champion has won a place on the honor roll at the University of Southern California. At present Miss Wills is a junior there.

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