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NEW PROFESSOR TAKES COMMAND

Dr. Calhoun Began Work at Once After Arrival

Dr. John C. Calhoun, the new professor of Modern Languages, arrived at the College Saturday afternoon, and has already taken charge of the Department of Modern Languages. A FLAT HAT reporter saw Dr. Calhoun shortly after his arrival and questioned him as to his plans and intentions with regard to his new office. He stated that he was much opposed to radical changes of any sort, and would never pursue such a policy, and that even if he were a believer in such changes he would certainly not endeavor to propagate them this session, believing that it is preferable to continue the classes in the manner after which they have been conducted so far this year, and for several years past. If any alterations are made at all that they would be undertaken next year, since by that time he would be thoroughly acquainted with his new field, and consequently be better able to judge of any necessary innovations. These would hardly be necessary he thought because it was simply his hope to teach his subjects in the most common sense-like and efficient way, which he felt sure had been the rule at the College of William and Mary since that distant time to which the memory of man runneth not to the

With his great experience as a teacher of Modern Languages it is the prevalent belief that Dr. Calhoun will more than satisfy every expectation. As was stated in an earlier issue of THE FLAT HAT he took extensive courses at the universities of Heidelberg and Paris after graduating at Washington and Lee University, Virginia, and since that time has had vigorous service in some of the leading educational institutions of the South.

Aside from his splendid abilities, Dr. Calhoun's genial manner, and his apparent interest in things here and you auger well for his hearty reception in Williamsburg, and for a period of long, pleasant and use-

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"Will you walk into my parlor?" Said the Spider to the Fly-

And the fly accepted. That parlor looked like a back-kitchen when the water pipes bursted, before the fly left, and as for the Spider, he vamoosed the ranch, a sadder and a wiser bug.

The whole Spider nest, 150 strong ambled into old Billsburg on a special train about 2:30 p. m. and made their debut with eclat. One or two of the football men, especially Meredith, the hero of "Casey at the Bat," showed some symptoms of sang froid, but it didn't prove seri-It had entirely disappeared uals from Richmond. by twilight.

GAME IN DETAIL

Spencer kicked off 45 yards to Throckmorton, who was rudely squelched by "Mac" Lloyd just as he got the kick. After one try at the line, Carson booted to Tilley in mid-field. After a try at the end by our midget quarterback, Spencer punted to Taylor who was downed in his tracks by Mayer. Richmond immediately returned the pigskin, and after a fruitless assault on their line, the Spiders recovered the ball on a fumble, and began hammering down the field from our 45 yard line, repeated plunges by Cason carrying the oval to our 17 yard line. At this critical moment, the beef and brawn of the Spider line was helpless against the Orange and Black pluck, and the ball went over. The remainder of the quarter was hard fought but scoreless.

In second quarter, Spencer kicked, and Richmond College started down the field in heartbreaking fashion, making first down four times in succession on a pass and line plunges. With the ball on our two yard line, the Spider stands howled in vain, for the Orange and Black got its mad up, and the ball went over, Hubbard playing a beautiful defense. From five yards behind the goal line, "Suke" set the pigskin beyond the

middle of the field over the heads of the opposing backs. The rest of the period the two teams see-sawed about the field neither side gaining very material advantage, and as the whistle blew, W. and M. had the ball on its own 35 yard line.

The second half was opened by a beautiful run back of Spencer's punt by Taylor, who returned it 50 yards. But he couldn't pass Tilley. The heavy line again began to tell on the lighter locals, but the splendid work of the ends, and Lloyd's breaking up of forward passes made progress slow for the beefy individ-

Then Coach Honaker played his trump card, amid the howls of the Richmond rabble, Meredith, main squeeze and large cheese of Richmond College athletics, peeled off his sweater and trotted into the back field. To the evident surprise of the Richmond rooters, the Orange and Black team did not collapse into a state of awed imbecility. On the contrary, they remembered a certain day last spring, when this same hero made another dramatic entry on Cary Field, and strangely intimated that they were from Missouri and Mr. Meredith failed to "show"

As it was now growing dark, the midgets decided that they had done the polite sufficiently and decided to end the game. After several exchanges of kicks, in which "Suke" had the Richmond backs absolutely bewildered, Meredith messing them up with rare precision, our mighty bootster sent a beauty down to Richmond's forty yard line, when "Mac" covered himself with glory, and the ball with dirty jersey and moleskin by falling on it. (Query-Where was Meredith?) Then Spencer placed a nice little one where Mayer could get it, after Meredith had let it bounce past him, and the long-legged end had the ball on the

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THE BIG FAIR **BEGINS TOMORROW**

Playground Benefit Promises Great Success

Tomorrow the big fair and carnival for the benefit of the Childrens' Playground will be held by the ladies of the city at the Williamsburg Hotel. Under the able management of Miss Nannie Davis, Principal of the Matthew Whaley School, this worthy undertaking promises to be one of the most pleasant society events of the year, and is sure to meet with financial success with the rather imposing list of attractions which will be placed before the pub-

ITS PLAN AND SCOPE

This fair will be conducted after the general plan of its larger relative, the county fair, and will offer a variety of attractive amusements such as grain, vegetables, candy, ice cream and cake booths, and in addition will present a spectacular midway almost too utterly utter for mention, in which may be seen the fishing pool, the time-honored Eastern dancer with her coterie of weird attendants and weirder music, shooting gallery, ring stand, and so forth. In the evening Kesnick's orchestra will be transferred to the Gymnasium for the hop which is to serve as the grand finale of this gala day.

The playground will be built on the site of the old terraced gardens of the Colonial governors, adjoining the School.

Fancy Dress Ball

Last Wednesday evening an elaborate fancy dress ball and masque was given at the dancing school in honor of Miss Kitty Morecock who was shortly to leave Williamsburg for the winter. It was largely attended, and the costumes were striking and varied. Colonial attire was most in vogue, and accorded well with the spirit of the old Capital of Colonial days.

Has anybody seen the William and Mary Literary Magazine? A large reward will be given for satisfactory information.

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WHAT IS VICTORY

This question has been asked for ages, and like the most of the questions that come to us it cannot be answered categorically. Some say one thing, others say another, and we at length, like all of the rest, merely have the right to take our choice, to suit ourselves, and then try to be contented. Generally, it is believed that victory is the accomplishment of an undertaking, the attainment of a certain desire, the arrival at a definite goal. But we (possibly to be at variance with the motley throng) believe that victory is not necessarily to him who cuts down his adversary, or to them who come first in the race, or to those who pile up riches. Rather it belongs to that one who has borne himself as heroes do, who has acted as the great have ever acted since the beginning of the race. This idea is trite of course; but trite things are always best. Popularity is the mother of triteness.

The history of this world is the history of the great and noble who have lived and moved in it, -not of those who have trampled their way to the top through dead bodies and over crooked pathways. Caesar was a victor; so was Napoleon; and so was General Lee. Whatif an assassin's dagger, or the treachery of fate, or the overpowering force of an invading army ushered them from the stage? They were victors still.

That is why we call the sturdy little team of William and Mary vic-

bat with Randolph-Macon in New- to be made compulsory we should port News. Outweighed, lacking in certainly select Dr. John W. Ritchexperience, and facing a team made ie's course on the Human Body, up largely of seasoned players they played in a manner worthy of any I, as one of the first on the list. college-worthy of William and And if these subjects were listed Mary-and that is worthy indeed. If the score had been ten times what it was and in our favour we could this course would be found about as not feel for them a greater love or a deeper admiration. Dr. Young is to be commended highly. The team Latin is good, so is English, but is to be congratulated. We of the an understanding of human physi-College should felicitate ourselves morning, noon and night, for after all we were victors in the truest sense of that word.

Unfortunately we go to press before the outcome of the game with Richmond College is decided, but whatever it be if the spirit shown in the Randolph-Macon game manifest itself again, we shall be able to exclaim with even greater emphasis-Victory is ours.

COLLEGE PLAYS

In these days the greater part of the colleges and universities and a large number of preparatory schools have dramatic clubs. These organizations produce plays once each year at least, and oftentimes they give several performances, some of which are original, some of which are light modern drama, and still others which are classical. At William and Mary for a good many years there existed one of the best representatives of the college dramatic club in the South-the Elizabethians. Unfortunately their good work has been allowed to lag with the result that no play was given at the College last year. A minstrel was given successfully, but that was by a different organization, for a different purpose, and is not to be confused with the work formerly done by the dramatic club.

A rumour has come to us that the Elizabethians are about to emerge from their temporary sojourn in the forests round about Lake Matoaka, and that their voices may once more be lifted up before the admiring gaze of an always appreciative audience. We are glad. In fact we are almost ecstatically happy, and are making this avowal publicly, hoping that it may reach their timid eyes and thus assure them of an old fashioned welcome. Figuratively speaking THE FLAT HAT is standing with arms extended, to be the first to embrace them. If it be assistance they need we shall give it (unless the trouble savour of short funds), and if it be applause they crave, why then allow us to suggest with the proper amount of deference that they only give us the opportunity.

ZOOLOGY I COMPULSORY

If it were left to our judgment as tors and victorious after their com- to what classes at the College were

known in the Catalogue as Zoology according to their relative values instead of according to the Alphabet near the top as any other that we are able to remember at present.

ology is essential. No one would but as a teacher with sympathies; think of managing a locomotive or an automobile without a previous knowledge of their mechanisms, and yet most of us go through life knowing practically nothing of our bodies which are engines of the most deli- does not interfere with his breadth, cate and sensitive construction. Great scientists have laboured for this neighbourhood. centuries to discover the construction of the body, and now something is book now and then and to attend lectures for a term to acquire the necessary details for its running.

Nothing could be more important. We pass this way but once, and that for a small while only. The majority of us are pretty well contented with this world, and are willing to remain indefinitely and to make the most of it. In the next we shall either have somebody to look after us or shall be in such a state that no attention is required. We do not know anything about that side. Fortunately that is one of the few sires.

things that look after themselves. But we do know what is necessary here, and if we have the desire to prolong our days and to crowd them with happiness and efficiency, undoubtedly we must know our bodies and how to care for and preserve

Dr. Ritchie knows all of this and he knows it thoroughly. Furthermore he has a faculty of imparting Latin is good, so is English, but it that is rare. He instructs not as a technical unintelligable scientist. not as a pedant, but as a man with common sense, and withal he is just as technical and fully as scientifie as is necessary and could suffer from no comarisous.. Happily his depth as it does with some other people in

Personal experience has suggested this subject. We went through high really and definitely known about it. school, preparatory school and four We have only to take up a text years of college without taking physiology, as it happened, and in the fifth year of college took it by the merest accident, and shall never regret it. If the course were made compulsory for all degree men such possible escapes would be eliminated and the man compelled would recognize that for once compulsion was a worthy thing. If it were not so undemocratic we should say that every man in college ought to be required to enlist under the banner of Zoology I. However that is not in harmony with our views on liberty and we shall desist—thinking more of our ideals, than of our design.

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12 yard line. Tilley sent him around J. F. FLAHARTY, Proprietor & Manager end for 5 more, and then tried to bore through for a touchdown, but failed. It was up to "Suke," and he was up to it. Dropping way back, the line held like a stone wall while he sent a neat one between the uprights for the only score of the game.

For the Spiders, Tyler, Taylor, Ancarrow and Cason were the whole show. Tilley played a splendid game at secondary defense, and used his head. Parker, Lloyd, Mayer and Hubbard, also played splendid defense, while to Spencer's superb kicking, and the speedy following of punts by Lloyd and Mayer, the Orange and Black owes its vic-

The line-up;

Spiders W. & M.
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(Jennings)
GillDeel
TylerLee (Capt)
Bentonl. gSomers
Harrisl. tNeblett
Riley Mayer
Ancarrow h. bLloyd
Throckmortonl. h. b Hubbard
(Mountcastle)
Casonf. bSpencer
m 1 (G O

Taylor (Capt).....q. b.....Tilley Final score-W. and M. 3; Richmond College 0. Referee, Branch Johnson, U. of Va. Umpire, Mr. Armstrong, Yale. Field judge, Mr. Morton, Davidson. Head linesman, Mr. Garland, Richmond College. Time of quarters, 15 minutes.

Spotswood Club Meets

The second meeting of the Spotswood Club was held at the Kappa Sigma House as the guest of the Kappa Sigma members of the Club. Much informal chat and literary and scientific discussion were indulged in, after which the business of organization and preparation of the AND GENERAL BUILDING MATERIAL year's work was set about. Magazines were allotted to the different members and topics of work and discussion assigned. It was decided that the meetings should be bimonthly instead of monthly as heretofore. The next meeting of the club will be at Sandy Brooke the home of Professor Ritchie, on Friday, November 24.

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He was a member of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity, Gamma Chapter, the upper classmen and alumni.

programme was successfully render- liam Doty for the Richmond game. ed and many new members were elected."

The new coffee room opposite the College gate is a much-welcomed institution. Monday afternoon it ing. was formally opened, a large crowd in attendance.

The most popular young lady on Henry Street, the Duke of Gloucester street, has announced that she has every possible space on her card filled up to and through March the first. Those desiring engagements will please Henry Street. bear this in mind, unless they are willing to go en suite, as a dozen and a half young men did Thursday night when they took her to the moving pictures.

Mrs. Wilson's Reception

Mrs. James Southall Wilson enhere during the sessions of 1908- tertained Friday afternoon from 1909 and 1909-10 heard with sorrow four until seven with a reception-Saturday of the death of Thomas tea, given in honor of Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Cofer, of Smithfield, Vir-After his two years at William ginia, and was the largest social and Mary he attended the Medical event of the fall. The decorations College of Virginia, where he made were unusually handsome, consistthe same record as here for diligent ing in part of the most gorgeous study and high character, and those chrysanthemums ever seen in Wil-

There is a large number of regisfrom which he had been suffering tered packages and special delivery letters for W. and M. students at the Fair Postoffice. Call for them.

Mr. Games has almost entirely reand leaves many true friends among covered from the injuries received in the Randolph-Macon game.

Misses Virginia Hart and Georgie The Phoenix Literary Society held Barrow, of Smithfield, were guests an open meeting last night. A full of Messrs. Theo. Barrow and Wil-

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