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PENINSULA COMMUNITY CELEBRATION A SUCCESS

Thousands of People Enjoy the Day at Williamsburg.—The Norge Band Furnished the Music

More than five thousand people from the Peninsula were present at the Peninsula Community Celebration held at the College of William and Mary on the Fourth. Athletic events were held on Cary Field in the morning, and the John Marshall Pageant was the order of the afternoon. The Norge Band furnished music for the day.

After the prizes were awarded in the afternoon to the successful contestants in the athletic events, Rev. Thomas Rosser Reeves, D. D., of Portsmouth, was introduced as the orator of the day. The feature of the day, the John Marshall Pageant, was presented at 3:00 p. m. in front of the main building of the College. As the grand finale of the day, a delightful humorous recital was given in the College chapel by Miss Bessie May Dudley, of Richmond.

The pageant was the largest affair ever attempted in Williamsburg. There were more than one hundred people in costume. It was given under the auspices of the College. The wonderful success of the presentation was due, in large part, to the untiring efforts of Mr. E. G. Swem, Dr. W. A. Montgomery, and Miss Ethel Rockwell, of Chase City. Miss Rockwell will be well remembered as one of the assistant directors of the State Historical Pageant. She is an expert in this work as is evidenced by her past and present success. Miss Rockwell has had complete charge of rehearsals since her arrival here a few days ago. Mr. J. B. C. Spencer trained the minuet dancers.

Mr. Edward J. White, author of "John Marshall," and Vice-President of the Missouri-Pacific Railroad, attended the pageant and read the prologue of the drama. Mr. White presented the spirit of Constitutional law. While in Williamsburg, Mr. White and Mrs. White and daughter will visit the historic places of interest on the Peninsula.

The climax of the day's celebration was the John Marshall Pageant. The most beautiful scenes of the play were laid around the Ambler home. The meeting of John Marshall and Mary Ambler at a Yorktown Hall was probably the most picturesque scene of the whole pageant.

The third scene, that of the marriage of John Marshall and Mary Ambler, was a most impressive ceremony. Dr. E. Ruffin Jones, Rector of Bruton Parish, officiated at the wedding. The stage setting and costuming were of an appropriate colonial quality. At the end of the wedding, the guests danced the Virginia Reel.

The outstanding feature of the pageant was the meeting of the Constitutional Convention of Virginia

when Patrick Henry opposed the ratification of the Constitution on the grounds that the national government would absorb the rights of the individual states. Because of Patrick Henry's opposition, the first ten amendments were added to the Constitution of the United States. John Marshall saved the day by one of his immortal speeches and persuaded Virginia to ratify the new Constitution.

The play covered the period from the calling together of the Culpeper Minute Men in 1775 to the ratification of the National Constitution in 1788.

The following is a summary of the great Historical Pageant, "John Marshall," and the members of the cast:

ACT I

Reading of Prologue by E. J. White.

Scene 1

Meeting of the Culpeper Minute Men in 1775. John Marshall is chosen lieutenant.

Scene 2

Near Iron Hill, Pa., September 9, 1777. Washington's camp.

Scene 3

Battle of Brandywine, September 11, 1777. Gen. Wayne, Gen. Maxwell, Capt. John Marshall and several minor officers and men before Chadd's Ford. Fighting in the distance.

Scene 4

Camp scene at Valley Forge, December 23, 1777.

ACT II

Scene 1

Home of Jacquelin Ambler in Yorktown, 1780, next door to headquarters of Col. Thomas Marshall. Rebecca Ambler, an invalid, is seated in the room, with her daughters, Eliza, Nancy and Mary (age 14), who are sewing.

Scene 2

Ball at Yorktown. Minuet. Marshall's meeting with Mary Ambler.

Scene 3

Wedding of Mary Ambler and John Marshall, January 3, 1783.

ACT III

Scene 1

Virginia Constitutional Convention, 1788.

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Hundreds Went to Jamestown Sunday

Many Williamsburg people went to Jamestown Island Sunday afternoon to attend the religious service held at 3 o'clock at the Hunt Memorial Shrine. Being the third Sunday after Trinity, it was the 315th anniversary of the celebration of the first communion in America. Service at the Shrine was conducted by the rector, the Rev. E. Ruffin Jones, of Bruton Parish Church. The old Jamestown communion silver was used at the afternoon service.

People from Richmond, Newport News, and other places attended the services.

Delivers Address to Large Crowd

John Garland Pollard Speaks On Citizenship in Williamsburg Baptist Church

Hon. John Garland Pollard, former Attorney-General of Virginia, and now head of the law department at William and Mary, was the speaker Sunday evening in the Williamsburg Baptist Church. Despite the intense heat, a large congregation was present and gave the distinguished Virginian their close attention. His subject was "Duties of Citizenship."

The underlying theme of the address was religion in politics. Every great thing that has been accomplished for the betterment of government or the people has been but the realization of an ideal, through practical application of correct principles and actuated by high and noble purposes. He said that he did not believe any man was a well-rounded, good citizen who did not take active part in politics which is the science of government. "We speak of dirty politics," he said, "but do nothing to make them clean. Christians who hold themselves aloof from the affairs of government, local, state, and national, who will have nothing to do with politics because politics are dirty, are failing in their duty. But the women abhor anything that is dirty and we look to them to join us in making politics clean and wholesome, by the election of clean men to offices."

The speaker advocated the selection of men for office who are honest and clean in their personal lives, and men who have a purpose. We should demand of them their policy on all important questions. We should not select men for office whom we cannot trust in private life. We should have men in office who are not afraid to fight for principles, no matter how unpopular they are, if right. A man's private record is public property when he aspires to office, and it is not "mud-slinging" to point out its defects. He deplored the fact that this kind of criticism is considered in Virginia simply as "mud-slinging."

Dr. Pollard told how government and laws affected a life even before it came into the world, how ever-present they were from the cradle to the grave, and even beyond, "distributing his estate after he is gone among—the lawyers."

He closed with an appeal for Christian men and women to be active in public matters, to throw their influence on the side of right that the best laws and the best government possible to be secured.

A SHARP REPLY

Tourist: "What's that beast?"
Native: "That's a razorback hawg, suh."

Tourist: "What's he rubbing himself on the tree for?"

Native: "Jest stropping hisself, suh, jest stropping hisself."

—Widow.

Dr. Chandler Entertains the Firemen

President J. A. C. Chandler, of William and Mary College, assisted by Col. L. W. Lane, treasurer of that institution, were hosts to the Williamsburg fire laddies at dinner one evening last week. The firemen were entertained by the College authorities as a token of appreciation of the excellent assistance rendered by them at the fire which damaged the old president's house some months ago. But for the work done by the local department, much greater damage would have been done no doubt.

Dr. Chandler complimented the men highly upon their splendid work and said that he was always ready to cooperate with them and the city in perfecting the fire department facilities of the College and town. Col. Lane also joined in the happy felicitations of the occasion, and was very complimentary to the fire department members. The fire department was deeply appreciative of the public acknowledgement by the College authorities of their work. For a volunteer fire department, Williamsburg is not exceeded by any in the State as far as effective work is concerned. Since their organization they have lost only two or three houses, and saved thousands of dollars worth of property from destruction or serious loss.

Dewey Marshall Hurls A One-Hit Game

Dewey Marshall, the former William and Mary pitcher, hurled a one-hit game for Atlanta against New Orleans last Wednesday. He barely missed getting a niche in the base ball hall of fame when he hurled eight innings of perfect ball, allowing the lone hit in the ninth inning. It is also interesting to note that Marshall secured three hits in the game. Here's to our former Indian hurler, known to the students as "Ox" Marshall.

W. & M. STUDENTS SUCCESSFUL AT BAR EXAM.

Messrs. F. L. Ford and N. J. Webb, of Newport News; Turner Henley, of Williamsburg; L. E. Warren, of Portsmouth, and C. A. Joyce, of Stuart, Va., were among the successful applicants at the State Bar Examination held at Roanoke recently. They were all former students at William and Mary.

Official Notices

July 9, Sunday: Church services as announced in another column.

July 11, Tuesday: Chapel Assembly, 12-12:20. Professor Gooch will speak.

July 14, Friday: Chapel Assembly, 12-12:20. Professor Rowe will speak.

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The Society for the Preservation of the Old Blair Homestead plans to convey the Old Blair House to the College, on the condition that the College will maintain it as a Blair Memorial and use it for college purposes. This Society was recently organized by Hon. John Garland Pollard for the purpose of preserving and restoring the ancient land-mark that was in immediate danger of being scrapped and obliterated.

It is with a great deal of apprehension that we view the destructive inroads of a materialistic age on our historical shrines. Time and man together have already wiped out a large part of the evidences of our former life and tradition. It is only through the efforts of such men as Mr. Pollard and the Preservation Society that we have saved what we have from the steam rolling march of modern materialism. The monetary cost of acquiring and preserving the few remaining spots that are so dear to every true American is infinitesimal when compared with the benefit of posterity. It cannot be denied that our present high state of civilization and morality is in large part due to the love and influence of tradition. If we allow our connections with the past to be destroyed, are we not breaking the links in the very chain of our civilization? Yet this is just the situation we are facing, unless we hasten to the assistance of all such efforts as Mr. Pollard and the Preservation Societies have undertaken.

The Old Blair House would make an excellent addition to the College Campus, which already contains more historical buildings than any other college campus in the country. It is to be hoped that this worthy effort will meet with the success that it deserves.

THE FLAPPER

Who shortened the rag, painted the bone, and bobbed the hank of hair?
 Here's to the flapper who runs right wild.
 She may be old, but yet just a child
 Who goes to the dance and whatever comes,
 Just to see what can be done with mother's sons.

Her ways are like the cave woman's wiles
 Who knocked 'em down and laid them in piles.
 Then out her puff and reddens her nose!
 And off to the conquest for more she goes.

She smokes and she swears, and does many things
 That would shock the vanity of president sand kings;
 Her only answer is, "Why, I'm a good sport,"
 But somehow you'll find them in any old port.

So stand up yourself and take a good look,
 Are you the girl in Kipling's good book?
 Weigh yourself and see what you are;
 Will you be an asset to your pa and ma?

—H. T. M.

PERSONALS

Miss Renia Puckett spent several days at her home in Norfolk the past week.

Miss Eva Banks visited friends in Richmond Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Lois Thomas spent the week-end in Newport News.

Stuart Trevette, of Richmond, a member of the class of '25, visited the College last week.

"Kid" Sorg, also of Richmond, visited the campus last week.

Miss Lula Richards spent the week-end at her home in Hampton.

Miss Hortense Lewis spent a few days in Danville the past week.

Miss B. B. Brooks had as her guests the Fourth, Misses Dorothy Wilkinson and Mary Godwin, both of Norfolk.

Misses Cora Curtis and Sarah Rhodes spent several days at their homes in Newport News the past week.

Bob Harper, sporting editor of the News-Leader, was at the College Sunday.

Miss Clara Mansfield was a visitor at Ocean View over the week-end.

Miss Hilda Butler, of Norfolk, is visiting friends on the campus.

Coach James G. Driver returned to the College last week after an extended tour of the State in the interest of the College.

Lord Botetourt, the Only Man Who Can Keep Up With the Ringtails

Explanation for the Un-initiated

The Ringtail is a species of cake-eating, collegiate hounds whose habit is to indulge in a series of amorous encounters with co-eds, and otherwise, no one of which he encounters exists longer than a week. That is obviously the versatility of this species, which is peculiarly numerous at the College, especially during the summer school. The name "Ringtail" is applied to them because of their uncanny resemblance to monkeys, and in their continuous search for novelty. The name is copyrighted by the College—accept no substitutes. There is no "just as good." Although there are not fifty-seven varieties, ringtails are numerous enough to break any co-ed's heart—so don't fall for a hefty line. Honestly, it's the best policy. Ask the girl who knows one!

As we said before: Lord Botetourt and the Ringtails:

I

I wonder if the Ringtails, in their worldly ways so wise,
 Would continue at their usual sport so rare,

If some one should inform them that Lord Botetourt had eyes,
 And didn't always give a stony stare?
 (He sees a lot that we don't see
 He is loved for a long, long time,
 He knows his stuff in campuistry,
 And he knows a hefty line.)

II

I wonder if these monkey-men,
 throughout the livelong year,
 Would divert themselves as freely as before,

If they just chanced to learn
 That old Lord Botetourt could hear,
 And of their escapades knew quite a score?

(He hears a lot that we don't hear,
 And struts his mess with ease.
 He's got it on 'em far and near
 He's a damned hard man to please.)

III

I wonder if the vine-climbers
 With new loves every week,
 Would still persist in carrying on their game,

If they were told in confidence
 That Botetourt could speak,
 And of the Ringtails knew each one by name?

But—don't worry, Ringtails—
 If he sees, his eyes don't tell
 From his lips there's no retort
 He's a fine concrete example
 Of a whacking good old sport!

"LILLIE"
 LAWLESS.

"Have you a cigarette?"
 "Yes, plenty, thank you."

—Flamingo.

COMMUNITY CELEBRATION WAS BIG SUCCESS

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Anti-constitutional argument of Patrick Henry.

Scene 2

Constitutional argument of John Marshall.

Adoption of the Constitution.

Reading of epilogue by E. J. White. Colonial dances.

The cast was composed of many well known people. The leading parts were taken by Dr. W. A. Montgomery, as John Marshall, and the Rev. W. W. Powell, as Patrick Henry. Following is the complete cast:

John Marshall, Dr. W. A. Montgomery.

Gen. Anthony Wayne, E. W. Brauer.

Gen. George Washington, Prof. C. H. Thurber.

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Mallory: "What in the world is he trying to play on that saxophone over in Watts?"

Stout Montgomery: "A tune, probably."

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Rev. Dr. D. J. Blocker, Pastor

10 A. M., Sunday School; 11 A. M., Morning Service; 3 P. M., at Jamestown, Public Worship; 7 P. M., B. Y. P. U.; 8 P. M., Evening Service (45 minutes).

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Rev. Lee Crutchfield, Pastor

10 A. M., Sunday School; 11 A. M., Morning Worship; 7:15 P. M., Epworth League; 8 P. M., Evening Worship. Midweek Prayer Service, Wednesday, 8 P. M.

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Gen. William Maxwell, Jack Hundley.

Marquis de Lafayette, E. C. Johnson.

Colonel Thomas Marshall, Prof. R. K. Gooch.

Jaquelin Ambler, R. L. Spencer. David Chandler, soldier at Valley Forge, Frank Wolfe.

James Conway, soldier at Valley Forge, R. W. Kyger.

Travis George, Soldier at Valley Forge, F. L. Anderson.

Herald, W. J. Reed. Eliza Ambler (later Mrs. Carrington), Miss Carra Garrett.

Mrs. Rebecca Ambler, Mrs. W. E. Etheridge.

Mary Ambler, Miss Lucille Foster. Nancy Ambler, Miss Inger S. Scheie.

Mrs. Thomas Marshall, Mrs. L. W. Lane, Sr.

Mrs. Edward Carrington, Miss Elizabeth A. Morecock.

Negro servant, Frank Wolfe. Patrick Henry, Rev. W. W. Powell.

Edmund Pendleton, Dr. K. J. Hoke. James Madison, Dr. D. W. Davis.

Major Dick, J. B. C. Spencer. George Wythe, Hon. N. L. Henley.

George Mason, S. L. Graham. John Blair, Dr. J. L. Hall.

James Innes, Channing Hall. Edmund Randolph, Dr. R. L. Morton.

R. H. Lee, Rev. E. Ruffin Jones. William Grayson, Dr. H. M. Stryker.

Benjamin Harrison, W. C. Johnston. James Monroe, Prof. A. G. Williams.

Colonial Dances

Beaux and belles: Messrs. J. B. C. Spencer, Vernon Geddy, E. D. Hudson, E. C. Johnson, Henry Moncure, E. M. Gwathmey, J. O. Faison, C. Jones, J. C. Farrar, Rich Henley, T. V. Dye, W. H. Hoskins, Julian Brooks, Jimmy Watt, J. G. Pollard, T. D. Foster; Mrs. W. E. Etheridge, Miss Carrie C. Lane, Miss Lucille Foster, Miss Lillian Woodley, Miss Nancy Batten, Mrs. L. W. Lane, Jr., Miss Carra Garrett, Mrs. T. F. Rogers, Miss Margaret Roberts, Miss Mabel Brooks, Miss Mabel Stratton, Miss Myree Hutchins, Miss Betty Woodward, Miss Katharine McCarrick, Miss Virginia Pollard, Miss Katherine Dennis.

Culpeper Minute Men

Sergeant, J. D. Carter.

Privates: A. T. Winder, F. C. Lawford, J. C. Farrar, B. L. Tucker, S. S. Driscoll, D. G. Keister, F. L. Anderson, T. R. Witten, R. Moncure, C. J. Kyle, J. H. Binder, C. R. Addington, H. L. Holbrook, F. H. Russell.

Wedding guests: Mrs. F. H. Ball, Mrs. Archie Brooks, Mrs. George P. Coleman, Mrs. R. M. Crawford, Mrs. James T. Christian, Mrs. Lee G. Crutchfield, Mrs. Cartledge, Mrs. Donald Davis, Mrs. Doliff, Mrs. C. E. Friend, Mrs. E. J. Grimes, Mrs. J. M. Henderson, Mrs. W. M. Hodges, Mrs. Virginia Haughwout, Mrs. E. Ruffin Jones, Mrs. Ketchum, Mrs. Spencer Lane, Mrs. E. M. Lee, Mrs. W. A. Montgomery, Mrs. P. P. Peebles, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Radcliffe, Mrs. Swaim, Mrs. E. G. Swem, Mrs. Warren, Mrs. Frank Armistead, Miss Kathleen Alsop, Miss Julia Armistead, Miss Cox, Miss Irma Fortune.

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THE LATE DATE
 Dipping honey, so I'm told,
 Is what they call it now,
 When a lover brave and bold
 Steps up to make his vow.

Whose to blame if she is fooled
 By the cooed and whispered words?
 Long ago she should have been
 schooled
 In the handling of these birds.

To sit around and play the deuce,
 With the innocent and the blind,
 If she considers it abuse,
 She should leave her sign behind.
 —H. T. M.

WINGS
 We bring them with us, I've no
 doubt, our ideals. "Why we have
 come." Soon, feather by feather, we
 fold them neatly or dejectedly back,
 and lowly, we walk about the campus,
 steeped in the work we could not do,
 the fifteen minutes we lost in talking,
 the dreadful test tomorrow.

I'd like to see a "Wings" column in
 the Straw Hat. Your aims, your ambi-
 tions, your sacrifices in being here
 (your name does not matter) will help
 me, and maybe my aims, my pur-
 poses, what I gave up to be here, what
 I hope to gain, will help you.

FLAPPING
 Fate set me down in the next room
 to a Flapper and I railed at my cruel
 lot. Yet maybe the Old Lady knows
 what she is about. This Flapper has
 sense, heaps and heaps. Hard work,
 fatigue, she eats alive. She has regu-
 lar systematic methods in pursuit
 of her own ends—a graphophone at
 her elbow played constantly, shouted
 over, never still an instant, conversa-
 tion never ebbing. She amuses from
 the time she wakes to one minute and
 fifty-nine seconds to eleven. "Sally
 Jane, come on," and she goes, goes,
 goes. Don't wag your head gloomily.
 With all this untiring energy, vitality,
 enthusiasm, real intelligence—why
 doesn't this description fit our own
 Nancy Astor?

POLITICAL ECONOMY
 Two old men at the station—I saw
 only the back of their heads and
 necks. One, bronzed, lean, talked in-
 cessantly of cabbages, kings, mainly
 kings, and other things—articles he
 was sending in to the Times-Dispatch.
 The other was soft, white, silent, at
 best monosyllabic. Which is the
 power? Which sways votes? Or
 with them both should the tense
 change to the past?

Patron: "You met my son at col-
 lege, didn't you?"
 Duc Alumnus: "Yes, we used to
 sleep together in Dr. Hall's Shake-
 speare class."

Mrs. Oldwife: "I see you have a
 new aluminum washpan. Do you
 like it?"

Mrs. Newlywed: "Yes, but I never
 use it often for fear the water will
 rust it."

"Burglars broke into our house last
 night."
 "Any valuables taken?"
 "Not a pint." —Ga. Crocker.

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