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Recent July German Most Brilliant Dance

The July German given last Friday evening at the Jefferson Hall Gymnasium proved to be the most brilliant social affair Williamsburg has seen since the Finals. The music for the occasion was furnished by "The Virginians" of Newport News. The floor was attractively decorated with banners and sheep skins of the different fraternities represented at William and Mary.

The chaperones for the evening were Miss Bessie P. Taylor, Dr. and Mrs. K. J. Hoke, Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Geiger, Prof. and Mrs. W. T. Hodges.

The out-of-town dancers were: Misses Winefred Grey of Norfolk, Dorothy Wilkinson of Norfolk, Elizabeth Bowden of Norfolk, Miss Lena Hitchens of Norfolk, Dorothy Kimmell of Washington, D. C., Cornelia Hart of Boykins, Mildred and Elizabeth Morecock of Newport News, Hannah Hundley of Tappahannock, Gertrude and Marie Ebel of Richmond, Aline Huntington of Philadelphia, Anne Cooper of Norfolk; Messrs. Douglas Curtis, Otis Geddy, and Alex. Campbell of Lee Hall; Stuart Sorg, Aubrey Aaron, and George Preston Green, of Richmond; George Mannesmidt, Curtis Fuller, Floyd Sumner, Constance Peterson, Lloyd Warren, of Norfolk; Randall Johnson, Russell, and H. E. Stephenson, of Hampton; "Dinty" Moore, Albert Wilkins, Geo. Wilkins, Saxon Holt, James Marshall, Dennis Edwards, Leslie Mattingly, George Pierce, all of Newport News.

Great Interest Shown In Beauty Contest

The Straw Hat is conducting its annual contest to determine who is the most beautiful woman attending summer school. Great interest is being shown in the competition. Ten votes are necessary to nominate a candidate. Nominations will be closed Friday night, July 20, and the judges will announce their decision the following morning.

In order that all groups interested might have representation two judges from each group on the campus have been appointed to serve on the Board of Judges. The list of the judges follow:

Professors Voke and Fitchner, faculty representatives; Misses Lillian Woodley and Catherine Scott, women representatives; Henry Moncure and Edward Johnson, men representatives; R. P. Wallace and Pete Hundley, alumni representatives.

The following nominees have been turned in up to the present writing: Misses Aline Forrest of Newport News, Rosalind Marks of Surry County, and Mary Boxley of Williamsburg.

The photographic work will be done by the Hastings-Darden Studio of Newport News.

When things are not coming right maybe it is because you are not going after them right.—B. C. Forbes.

New Movie Theatre Being Constructed

A new theatre is now being erected by George Rollo, proprietor of the Williamsburg Bakery, on the vacant lot adjacent to the Kandy Kitchen. Mr. Jack Hundley is to be the manager of the new theatre, which will show first class pictures and will also present occasional vaudeville shows in case of sufficient patronage.

The building is scheduled for completion about December 1. It will be of brick, two stories in height, and its dimensions 32 by 123 feet. Its seating capacity will be 475 persons.

The erection of a large and commodious theatre should add materially to the recreational advantages of Williamsburg and should provide additional facilities for the entertainment of the rapidly augmenting student body of the college, both during the summer school and the regular session.

Second Term Begins Monday, July 30

Lectures will be held tomorrow, the last Saturday, in this term. Examinations will begin Thursday, July 26, and will be concluded Friday, July 27, pursuant to the schedule now posted on the bulletin board (printed elsewhere in this paper).

Registration for the second term will be held Saturday, July 28, and classes for the second term will begin Monday, July 30.

Approximately twenty students will complete their requirements for bachelor's degrees with the second term of the summer school, which will close on Tuesday, September 4, at which time graduation exercises will be held and degrees awarded.

Southern Girls Are Contented

"The difference between the girl of the Northwest and the girl of the South is a difference in contentment, and the advantage is in the Southern girl's favor", said Miss Joe Hodges, of Seattle, Washington, who is teaching methods at the William and Mary Summer School.

"I have been struck", continued Miss Hodges, "with the pleasure the Southern girl gets out of whatever comes her way. In the West that is not true. There is always an air of wanting a change, and a change there must be."

Miss Hodges expressed herself as being delighted with the wholesomeness of the Southern girls and especially with their ability to get pleasure out of the company of those older than themselves. "My stay here has been a real pleasure, for now the hospitality and genuineness of the Southern people is no longer hearsay but a reality", she said.

Miss Hodges' home is in Seattle. She has been for several years a student at Columbia University. She is regarded as a specialist of standing in the field of pedagogy.

William and Mary Boys In Training Camp

Seven William and Mary boys are enlisted in the Citizens Training Corps at Camp Meade. One of them, Reuben Simms, reports an enjoyable time in a letter to Dr. Donald Davis.

According to Mr. Simms, William and Mary has perhaps the largest college delegation at the camp. He writes that the troops at Camp Meade were inspected last week by General Gouraud of the French Army, that they will be reviewed by General Pershing next week, after which they will parade in Baltimore.

The William and Mary men enrolled at Camp Meade are "Slats" Dalton, B. T. White, Jack Davis, J. O. Stickler, R. Luther Story, and M. M. Kite. Messrs. Simms and Stickler expect to receive their commissions as second lieutenants this summer.

Teaching Profession Has Public Respect

"The teaching profession has now for the first time, reached the level where it holds the respect of the public," declared C. J. Heatwole, editor of the Virginia Journal of Education and Secretary of the State Teachers Association, in his address at William and Mary chapel on Monday morning.

"More than half the teachers in the summer schools of Virginia and more than half are in summer schools—are not merely taking courses in 'Teaching Methods', but are taking courses leading to the college degrees," continued the speaker.

In his review of the development of Education departments, Mr. Heatwole said that these have been standardized and are recognized in all our larger institutions, and that there is no longer any difficulty in having Education courses accepted for degree requirements.

The speaker pleaded for a closer study of the history of education on the part of the teachers, whom he believed to be the initiators of practically all education legislation passed in the state.

Mr. Heatwole presented a strong appeal for new subscribers for the Journal of Education, declaring that the complaint against the Journal that it did not furnish definite and direct helps for class room use (with the statement that such) was not the "raison d'etre" of a state education journal, but that its function was to present the best thought in education.

Dr. Geiger At Bristol

Dr. J. Roy Geiger is spending the week-end at Bristol, Va., where he will lecture on "Religious Psychology" to the Baptist Assembly of Southwest Virginia which is meeting at that place. Professor Geiger has written and had published several articles on the theme he is to discuss.

Miss Carlotta Peebles spent the last week-end at her home in Emporia.

Gus Welch To Coach Randolph-Macon

Gus Welch, formerly all-American quarter back at Carlisle and coach at Washington State College, has been selected to head athletics at Randolph-Macon, succeeding Dr. Rice Warren, resigned, according to the announcement made Saturday by the athletic authorities of the Ashland institution. The new coach who will be in charge of all branches of sports, will come to Randolph-Macon early this fall and is expected to hold early football practice in order to "get the lay of the land."

Welch received his training under Glenn Warner at Carlisle, where he made enviable records in the four major branches of sports, gaining Camp's selection for all-American quarter two years in succession, and distinguishing himself particularly in football and track. After leaving Carlisle, Welch studied law at Dickenson College, from which institution he was graduated in '17. Soon after his graduation, he enrolled in the first officers training camp, was commissioned a second-lieutenant, and thereafter went to France. There he was promoted to a captaincy.

In the fall of 1919, Welch became head coach of football at Washington College, and his teams have been given second ranking in the Pacific Coast Conference, over the teams of such schools as University of Oregon, University of Washington, Leland Stanford University, University of Southern California.

Coach Welch goes to Randolph-Macon with the unanimous endorsement of the alumni of the college.

Library Distributes Interesting Pamphlets

The Library of the College of William and Mary recently published a pamphlet describing the silver mace which was presented to the college by alumni students on its 230th birthday in February of this year. This pamphlet gives a full description of the mace which includes all the names that are inscribed upon it. It also includes the speech by Professor Shewmake made in presenting the mace to the Rector of the College, Dr. J. H. Dillard. This pamphlet can be had upon request.

The Library will also send to anyone requesting it a copy of E. V. White's pamphlet entitled *The First Iron Clad Naval Engagement in the World*; history of the facts of the great naval battle between the Merrimac-Virginia C. S. N. and the Monitor U. S. N. at Hampton Roads, March 8 and 9, 1862.

The 40-page pamphlet is beautifully printed and illustrated with eight handsome plates. In view of the great demand for it, Mr. Swem considers himself fortunate in having a supply for free distribution.

A young lady accosted a man hurrying for the subway: "Will you help the Working Girls' Home?"

"Sure," replied the man, "but I haven't much time."

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TO THE RESCUE OF LONG-FELLOW

A college professor; a man with a heavy beard and old-fashioned clothes, living in a staid Colonial house on a staid street; author of sentimental prose romances in the German style; writer of poetry inculcating such banal sentiments as "ever higher" and "life is real, life is earnest"; fertile source of women's magazine drawings of blacksmith shops, children on the stairs, and courting scenes—this is the Longfellow our young insurgents never tire of mentioning with contempt. But a letter in the *World* reminds them of another Longfellow. The author of a book of anti-slavery poems so far in advance of its time that it was virtually suppressed in some Northern cities; the medium through which America gained its first extensive knowledge of Continental European ideas and culture; a tireless experimenter in verse forms; popularizer of Indian legends and mediaeval romance—this is an even truer Longfellow. One of our radicals recently confessed that after long sneering at Whittier he read some of his anti-slavery poems and realized that the man had been a political rebel. Had he read the "Songs of Labor" he would have realized that he was as much of a democratic realist as Carl Sandburg.

Our younger writers know that the mid-Victorian period was on the whole a somewhat stodgy, complacent Philistine era in both England and America, without too much taste or hospitality for new ideas. They have the impression that the public of this period greatly admired all the mid-Victorian writers, who must therefore have been after its own heart. If you have never read "The Subjection of Women" it is possible to believe that Mill was a favorite author of those mid-Victorians who regarded women as Mr. Dombey did. If you have never read "Alton Locke" or "Mary Barton" you may remain convinced that English industrialists spent Sunday afternoon delightfully perusing Kingsley and Mrs. Gaskell. It is possible to suppose that Ruskin pleased the artistic palate of people who dwelt in mansard-roofed monstrosities with Landseers on the wall—if you have not read Ruskin. One of our conservative critics was recently under the necessity of pointing out to a radical brother that the stuffy Matthew Arnold believed in birth control and was a revolutionist in religious thought. We are not yet quite so progressive in America as to have instituted old-age pensions; how many of the critics know that for advocating them and other reforms Ruskin was ejected from Cornhill?

Like Ruskin, Carlyle emerged from one generation which had frantically attacked him into another which accepted many of the ideas of "Past and Present."

Emancipation from a dead tradition is the great demand of a school of young writers. But if they would only take the pains to examine the past they would learn that tradition is not dead but alive, not an impediment but the best foundation for future construction. — New York Evening Post.

Chas. Pollard At Camp

Mr. Charles Pollard is spending the summer at Camp Roosevelt, Chesapeake Beach, Md., where he is the instructor in woodcraft and nature study. Camp Roosevelt is the summer camp for the Boy Scouts of Washington, D. C. Mr. Pollard has been employed as instructor at the camp for the last three years. He has charge of all athletics.

"The Play's the Thing" On Friday Night

Following is the program for the two one-act plays which are to be presented Friday night at 8 o'clock at the High School. There will be no admission charge.

"The Land of Heart's Desire"

By W. B. Yeats

Cast:

Maurteen Bruin—Mr. Geo. W. Reilly.

Father Hart—Mr. E. W. Brauer.

Bridget Bruin—Miss Janet Coleman.

Maire Bruin—Miss Marguerite Roberts.

Faery Child—Miss Harriet Garrett

The Scene:

Maurteen Bruin's farm house in the Barony of Kilmacowen, Ireland. Time: May Eve in the Remote Past.

"Suppressed Desires"

By Susan Glaspell

Henrietta Brewster (his wife)—Miss Mabel Glenn.

Stephen Brewster—Mr. J. G. Pollard, Jr.

Mabel (his sister)—Miss Rosiland Marks.

The Scene:

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THE CAUSE OF HIS SORROW

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"Oh! Why doesn't she come?"

Then his hands would resume their nervous twitching and the tears would flow more freely.

Just as the last rays of the sinking sun were brushing their golden light from the tree tops and all hope seemed dead within him, the man saw a woman slowly ascending the hill. A sigh of relief that came from the very roots of his being burst through his trembling lips. The front door slammed; quick, joyous footsteps sounded along the hall. The man's agitation increased. A look of fierce determination crept into his eyes. He brushed his hands across his face as if to stop his tears; but they only flowed more freely. The door opened, and the woman stood before him. She was radiantly beautiful and gladness showed in every movement of her lithe young body as she paused and sniffed the air. The man thrust the object he was holding from him and faced the woman. Lines of pitiful suffering marked his face. But his voice, though full of suppressed emotion, was even and determined when he spoke:

"Aileen", he said, "You know I love you, yes, worship you, and I will do everything else that I can for you; but I will be darned if I will ever peel any more onions!" B. L. Tucker.

The old grad who had attained quite a bit of prominence in the business world had met one of his instructors of college days. It seems that some time during his stay in college the old grad had flunked a course under this particular individual, and feeling that he had gotten somewhat of a raw deal had fostered no particular love for him.

The prof. thinking that all this had been forgotten in the intervening time decided to "kid" the old grad a bit.

"So you're the same little boy who didn't have sense enough to pass my course while you were in college aren't you?" Chuckling inwardly he watched for its effect.

"Yes", was the withering reply, "you were the only professor I had who couldn't teach me enough to pass a course."

The man in the full dress suit nervously approached the counter, then hesitating seemed about to retreat. He glanced apprehensively about him and apparently being reassured that she was not following him whispered to the clerk: "Give me a plug of chewing tobacco."

Heard and Seen

Miss Dorothy Kimmell, who has been visiting Miss Susie Pollard, left Sunday for Richmond, where she will spend a few days before returning to her home in Washington. Miss Pollard accompanied her guest to Richmond.

Mr. Van Garrett, of Williamsburg, who has been working in New York, returned home Sunday for his sister's wedding.

Mrs. Jennie Willis, of Richmond, has returned home after spending several days with her daughter, Miss Mary Willis, who is a member of the summer school faculty.

Miss Winifred Grey, of Norfolk, spent the last week-end in Williamsburg as the guest of Miss Helen Smith at the College.

Miss Winifred Tinsley, who has been motoring through the New England States, spent a few days with friends in Williamsburg on her way to her home in Danville.

Miss Mary Nash Tatem, of Norfolk, is visiting friends on the campus.

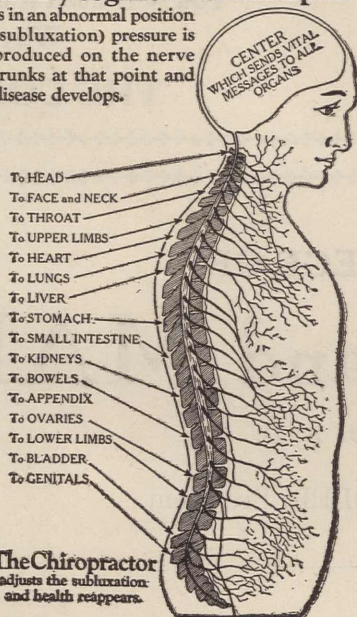
Miss Mary Wilkins returned Monday from Richmond, where she was the guest of Miss Gertrude Ebel over the week-end.

Dr. R. M. Gillam, son of Mrs. Edloe Morecock, of Newport News, is visiting Mrs. Virginia Morecock and family. Dr. Gillam is associated with the Mayo brothers, the famous Minnesota surgeons.

Rev. E. Ruffin Jones preached in the Hickory Neck Church at Toana last Sunday.

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Mr. Zirkle, who is a graduate in pharmacy from the Medical College of Virginia, has been in the drug business since 1908. He served the people of Dendron for five years, going to that place from Richmond, where he was connected with a prominent drug concern.

Mr. Zirkle brings with him his family consisting of his wife and two children. He is living on Colonial Extension temporarily, pending arrangements preparatory to moving to a house on Duke of Gloucester street. He expects to make Williamsburg his permanent home and to educate his children at the local institutions.

The Old Galt House And Bacon's Rebellion

In a house that stands on Francis street in Williamsburg, Va., the oldest in this old town, Francis Bacon kept his followers imprisoned without food or drink until he extracted from them a promise to rebel, not only against the tyrannies of Governor Berkeley but also against King James himself.

This house was then the property of Mayor Otho Thorp. It was built over the stumps of the original forest that the settlers cut in order to establish homes for themselves.

After the rebellion was over and Governor Berkeley had returned from his refuge on the Eastern Shore, he was received at King's Creek on York River by a delegation of his supporters who presented him with his old enemy John Drummond, Bacon's lieutenant. Berkeley immediately made Drummond walk eight miles to the home of Major Thorp, where the prisoner was forthwith tried, convicted and hanged, with the Governor doing everything except the execution.

The government buildings having

all been destroyed by Bacon, the first meeting of the General Assembly was held at Berkeley's home in February, 1677, but in October of the same year the home of Major Thorp again came into prominence as the meeting place of the second General Assembly.

In 1693, Major Thorp died and his home became the property of the Galts, to whom it has belonged ever since. It is now known as the "Old Galt House", and is owned by Miss Annie Galt.

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