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THETA DELTA CHI FRATERNITY GIVES RECEPTION AND DANCE

Epsilon Charge Entertains Large Crowd at Delightful Pre-holiday Affair

Saturday night last the Theta Delta Chi Fraternity gave a charming reception and dance in their house on "Peacock Hill." The entire house was tastefully decorated with holly and mistletoe, giving the place a most delightful "Christ-massy" atmosphere. This atmosphere was certainly responsible for the spirit of gaiety and good fellowship which prevailed among the guests, both young and old, and very probably for the discovery in this ancieny city of another gay Lothario. Whether he came out of the West or not could not be learned, for the heroine of the episode either could not or would not say. It seems that the ardent young swain got the worthy lady into one of the dark corners of the candle-lighted rooms and there with a voice so mellow and words so eloquent and passionate that even Daphne would have listened, he offered heart, hand, Castle in Spain, and the rest of his sweet young self to his fair vis-a-vis to have and to hold forever! And when she told him that some six feet of mere man and some four little fairies were her only reasons for refusing his gracious gift, Lothario put both the Messenger of Marathon and Johnny Hayes to shame, and today the population of Williamsburg is one thousand, nine hundred and five minus one.

But the other guests, knowing nothing of the little tragedy at their very door, went on talking, dancing, and lunching to their hearts, content until Father Time introduced Mrs. Grundy; then wishing the Theta's Godspeed, the happy crowd went home too woo Sir Morpheus.

Those present were: Misses Peachy, Harrison, Hall, Moncure, Elizabeth Macon, Nora Macon, Laura Spencer, Mary Branch Spencer Foster, Inman, Garrett, Mabel Brooks, Claudia Brooks, Geddy, Thorpe, Hundley, Ware, Bennett, Martha Spencer, Lane, Christian, Martha Spencer, Louise Rowe.

Mesdames: Davis, Brown, Ship-

man, Luck, Barnes.
Dr. and Mrs. D. W. Draper; Prof. and Mrs. J. S. Wilson; Mr. and Mrs.

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Christmas Injunction

Learn that to love is the one way to know, Or God or man: it is not love received That maketh man to know the inner life Of them that love him; his own love bestowed Shall do it.

-JEAN INGELOW

ACADEMY QUINT LOSES TO STRONG PORTSMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL TEAM

Local Boys Show Promise, But Lack of Practice and Experience in Rough Game

Friday afternoon last the Academy Basket Ball team played the first game of the season in the College Gymnasium, when it tested its mettle against the Portsmouth High School team.

The game was more like football than basket ball, being hardly more start to finish. But if it wasn't good basket ball, it was a good fight, and the audience enjoyed every minute of play.

The Portsmouth team showed up much better than the Academy boys, both in practice and knowledge of the game, and frequently gave an exhibition of very good team work.

The Academy team is sorely in need of practice, but some of the men show promise, and there is every reason to believe that under the efficient coaching of Prof. Hubbard, assisted by T. H. Geddy, Jr., the team will soon be able to give a much better exhibition of basket

The work of Spencer, Somers and Wilson for the Academy shows promise, while the whole Portsmouth team showed good form.

Line up:

W. M. A. Position Spencer...right forward...Turlington Forbes......left forward.....Scott Wilson right guard..... Ellis James.....left guard.....Murray Score: W. M. A., 12; P. H. S. 50.

"Mickey" Boyd who was a student in College last year came up from Portsmouth Friday with the basket ball team.

INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATE ON PHILIPPINE QUESTION, APRIL 9TH

William and Mary Will Meet Randolph-Macon and Hampden-Sidney on Rostrum

After some delay and much work the Debate Council has at last arranged for an intercollegiate triangular debate including the Colleges of William and Mary, Randolph-Macon and Hampden-Sidney.

The debate is scheduled for Friday night, April 9th, the question than a rough-and-tumble fight from reading: Resolved, that the Philippine Islands should be granted their Independence within the next eight years. William and Mary will uphold the affirmative at home against Randolph-Macon and the negative at Hampden-Sidney against that college.

> Contests for these debates will be arranged by the Debate Council as soon as possible and the rules will be posted on the college bulletin board. It is hoped that every man who possibly can will go to work in earnest and try to make the team. Already a number of new men have expressed their willingness to enter the contest and the old men are certain to show their colors and go out and work.

ACADEMY MONOGRAMS AWARDED

At the Academy Chapel hour on Tuesday morning last, Prof. Hubbard awarded W. M. A. monograms to the following men: Baker, Chapel James, Garland, Lemon, Lipscomb, Somers, Taliaferro, Taylor, Tomlin-son, Tuck, Capt. Tucker, Webb and

Wilson.

H. C. Somers was elected Captain and Robert Tomlinson, manager of next year's Academy team.

Renick and Schepmoes were assist-Corner last week.

WILLIAM AND MARY BASKETBALL TEAM TAKES FIRST GAME OF SEASON

Varsity Plays Good Ball, Defeating Newport News Y. M. C. A. By Score 28-21

William and Mary opened its basket ball season Friday night with a victory over the team representing the Newport News Y. M. C. A. by a score of 28 to 21. William and Mary took the lead right at the start of the contest and only upon one occasion were the visitors able to even up the score.

The Newport News team decided to make the trip in an automobile. When the time for the game arrived there was only one team on hand. The scrubs however played a picked team headed by Capt. Stryker, for an hour and amused the audience until the visitors arrived.

At nine fifty the whistle blew starting the game. William and Mary made the first score when Capt. Bertschey caged the ball in the first two minutes of play and they were never headed during the contest. During the first half the Varsity played a fast game and the period ended with the score 16 to 9 in favor of the home team.

The second half was only mediocre ball. The Y. M. C. A. team outpassed the Orange and Black, but both teams missed goal, the failure of the visitors to locate the basket being especially noticeable. At one time the score stood 21 all, but after several chances to score had been offered both teams, Gayle tossed a goal and William and Mary again took the lead which she held until the final whistle sounded.

Moore played best for Newport News, while the offensive work of Jones and Gayle and the guarding of Zion featured William and Mary's

Line up.

W. M. Position N. N. Y. M. C. A. Bertschey..left forward... Monroe Jones..... right forward.....Raynor Gayle Patterson Zehmer.....left guardRobinson Zion right guard......Moore

Summary: Substitution-Wyatt for Zehmer. Goals from field-Jones (5) Gayle (4) Bertschey (3) Zion. Raynor (3). Moore (3) Monroe, Patterson, Robinson. Goals from foul line-Jones (2) Monroe (3). Failure at free tosses-W. and M. (2), N. N. ant salesmen in the store at College (2) Referee-Mr. Hubbard of W. and Mary. Time of halves-15 min.

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With this issue the Hat will suspend publication until after the holidays.

The Staff extends to all readers the fine old "Merry Christmas."

LITERARY FEE

Last June by assessing each student a ten dollar Athletic Fee the Board of Visitors placed our Athletic Association on a firm financial basis. And their action has been sanctioned and applauded by every William and Mary student.

We realize that the Board is loath to increase student expenses, but we believe that to be fair to the prospective student they should add one more fee to our catalogued expenses. This we might term a "Literary Fee."

Every year the Board appropriates a sum of money to our publications, The Literary Magazine, The Colonial Echo and The Flat Hat, but the appropriations in each case cover but a small part of the cost of publication, and the students are required to pay what the Business Managers are unable to obtain from advertisements. This deficit is made up by subscriptions and dues, and is paid by the students, if it is paid at all, even though it is not a catalogued student expense. This being the case, our query is, "Why not let the prospective student know let the prospective student know S. S. Bertschey, Assistant Bar more nearly what his expenses will Ball Manager for the year 1914-15.

be?" He pays, so why not tell him so?

We have not sufficient space here to outline the plan properly, and refer our readers to the January issue of the Literary Magazine, but we give the following as a brief synopsis of the proposition:

Let the Board assess each student a ten dollar "Literary Fee," covering membership in a Literary Scciety, and a subscription to each publication. Then the Board can cease their appropriations to the publications, and reduce the other catalogued expenses by an amount equal to that of these appropria-

If they do this, we will have better publications, for the Managers will know how much money they can expect; every student will be a member of a literary society and a subscriber to all publications, assuring greater interest in our literary activities; the expenses will be no greater than now to literary members and subscribers to our publications, (and all agree that every student should be); and finally, it will be fairer to the student, because he will know before he comes what his expenses will be.

TABLETS OF HONOR

A year ago the Colonial Capital Branch of the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities began a movement to raise funds with which to place in the Wren Building three marble tablets to evidence the Historic Significance of the College.

Last week, as stated in the columns of this paper, the ladies of this Association presented the College with one of these tablets-perpetuating William and Mary's "Priorities."

They are now trying to raise sufficient money to purchase the other two, one giving a list of William and Mary's distinguished Alumni, and the other showing William and Mary's part in developing the Union.

All William and Mary men are justly proud of the important part the College has had in the history of our country, but so far very little has been done to keep these honors permanently before the public. The banners setting forth our historic significance were well enough as long as we had nothing better, but the ladies of the A. P. V. A. by asking for contributions now give us an opportunity to assist in placing these honors of the College in permanent form. And it is the duty of every William and Mary man to do what he can. Let us aid the ladies in their splendid work and help per-petuate a few of William and Mary's claims to distinction.

ASSISTANT MANAGERS ELECTED

At a meeting of the Athletic Association in the Chapel Thursday night last, W. B. Tilley was elected Assistant Basket Ball Manager, and S. S. Bertschey, Assistant Base

CRAZY QUILT PATCHES

(BY JOOZY KORR)

A LECTURE ON POLITICS



T the scheduled hour the various candidates for a pair of credits (upper group) on Constitutional History

mounted the Science Hall stairs with a countenance at once full of hope foreboding, curiously askt, "Is he in there?" The question was amply answered in the affirmative by an Ex-Cathedra voice from within: "Come in, come on in; I see your picture thru the door. What y'all standing out there for?" Assured that there was to be a lecture the incipient historians passt in and, with an abundance of smiles and winks, carefully selected a choice seat on the back bench. "What was the character of the govern-

understand the question! Why didn't you; you weren't paying attention, that's what's the matter. You're too far away anyway. Come up and sit by me. Come up here, all of you on that back bench. What d' y'all sit 'way back there for, where you can't hear me. Why don't y'all come up in front where I can talk to you. - What were the two branches of the legislative body at Jamestown, Mr. Tolwells?" "House of burgesses and house of commons." "Haven't you learned that yet?-What d' you say, captain Som-cook?" "House of burgesses and senate." "Unh, you haven't learned anything either. I've told you enough times. How many times have I told him, do you think, Mr. Grimton?" "Oh, about ten dozen" "More than that; a 1000 times. Mr. Tolwells, I gave you a C, I think; I'll give you an E next month. These are just A, B, C's I'm asking you. - How many have read Macauwas the character of the government at Jamestown up to 1671, Mr. Ribcaster?'' "That of a military camp," was the prompt reply. Ugh, learning something now! Learning your A, B, C's—Well, Mr. Presbrent, what is President Wilson, a servant or a boss?'' "Didn't understand the question, Doctor. "Didn't with the character of the govern was upon have read Macaulay, raise your hands. - - - Unh, not one. Why befor the Revolution everybody read Macaulay." "Macaulay's what?" asked Caldley. "History of England, of course. There's a man that doesn't even know what I'm talking about. —Who was Sir Christopher—(great scuffling of feet)—has the bell rung?" "Yes, Sir." "Well, y'all can go then."

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BASKET BALL TRIP

Basket Ball Manager Gayle has just completed arrangements for a short trip to Lexington and Staunton in addition to the schedule printed in last week's edition of the Hat. The games to be played are:

Virginia Military Institute, February 24th, Lexington.

Staunton Military Academy, Feb. 25, Staunton.

Hampden-Sidney (championship) February 27, Farmville.

Union Theological Seminary, Feb. 27, Richmond.

Several other trips had been arranged, but it was necessary to cancel them on account of mid-year examinations. The schedule, as it now stands, is a good one, and the outlook is very promising. The trip just scheduled should prove a success, especially the game at Farmville, where basket ball is always a strong drawing card.

FATHER KICKS GOAL

The football game was over, and the parlor fire was great,

A long haired maiden and a youth were lingering rather late,

They talked of punts and drop kicks, and found it rather tame.

Until Cupid donned his nose guard, and butted in the game.

Quoth he, "It's mighty funny if I don't arrange a match,"

So he lined the cosy couple up and made them toe the scratch.

The youth was growing nervous, 'neath the weight of new found bliss.

And he kind of thought the scrimmage should end up with a kiss.

He charged upon the center, he tackled left and right,

And the way they held that chair "for downs" was simply out of sight.

He tried an osculation, just an Amateur affair,

But he lost it on a fumble, and instead it struck the air.

Then as he landed on her ear, he heard the maiden say.

"You're penalized for holding, Jim, likewise for offside play.'

With set teeth he tried another, this time succeeding fine,

For he scored an easy touchdown, on the Crimson two yard line,

and as they sat there by the grate, communing soul to soul,

The parlor door swung open andher father kicked a goal.

V. M. I.

ART EDITORS APPOINTED

According to the provision of the students that the Editor-in-chief of the Colonial Echo appoint the Art Editor on merit after the submission of sufficient work to enable him to judge, Editor Shackelford has appointed J. A. Wyatt and W. R. Shands as Art Editors for the 1915 Flowers For All Occasions

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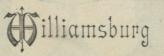
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Members of Epsilon charge: Taylor, Zehmer, Chandler, Harrison, Phillips, Robinson, Gray and Williams Pledges: Sutherlin, Robinson,

Richards, and Taliaferro. Alumni: Joe Healey, Frank Graves,

Herbert Vaden.

Refreshments were served by Lucile Brown. Charlotte Shipman, and Rena Lzck.

"Billy" Brent and Frank Early will assist in Political Science after December 15, 1914.

E. A. Stephens and "Duc" Nickolson have been called to their homes on account of illness in their families.

The Model School children call him "Santa Clause." We call him "Jumbo." What does Professor Bennett call him?

Some of the boys have been taking Dr. Keeble's Physics examination for the past three days. They hope to finish by Christmas.

The Rev. Mr. Ball of Richmond who held a series of meetings in Williamsburg in connection with the churches and the College Y. M. C. A. is now at his home. He was an able talker and quite a little interest was shown by the college students and some members of the Faculty.

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