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DRAMATIC CLUB MAKES SUCCESS OF FIRST PLAY

College Dramatics Class Scores Big
Hit in First Production of the
Season in "Goose Hangs High"
Given Before Holidays

CAST WAS EXTREMELY GOOD

Large Audience Sees Opening Play of
Year in New Phi Beta Kappa Hall
Stage and Hall Offer Many
Handicaps to Actors

(By M. C. A.)

Overcoming numerous handicaps, among them poor stage facilities and temporary lighting effects, the college Dramatic Club, under the able direction of Miss Althea Hunt, produced what is undoubtedly the greatest stage success ever given here, on Saturday night, December 18, in the Phi Beta Kappa Hall. "The Goose Hangs High," popular play of Lewis Beach, containing all the qualities of a true comedy, carried added zest because of its appropriateness to the Christmas season.

To review the play is hardly necessary, for the entire student body together with faculty and townspeople packed the house in every seat where seeing was possible, and their approval was unanimous. The story of the manner in which the Ingals twins bring about a happy solution to their father's financial problems, involving many comic and often ludicrous scenes as well as tragic moments, is well worth knowing. And because the twins were college folk, the collegiate audience were in a position to approve or disapprove. They did the former, without a doubt.

Picking stars in a performance is a most difficult task. Sometimes they are all stars and again there may be none outstanding. The former statement would come nearer applying to the case in hand. This much is to be said for the director—every person in the cast was well adapted to the character he or she portrayed and they all showed evidence of careful coaching and unlimited rehearsal.

Frank S. Hopkins as Bradley Ingals, one of the twins, and Mary Via as Mrs. Bradley, the grandmother, were just about tied for such out-

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Miss Serpell Lectures Here on Tuesday Night

Miss Althea Serpell of Norfolk, Virginia will hold a lecture and exhibition in the College Chapel on Tuesday, January 11, under the auspices of the Art Club.

Miss Serpell has travelled extensively all over the world and has studied the customs of the inhabitants of Europe, India, South America, and the Far East. On her trips she has made collections of fabrics, pottery, and metal work, illustrating the life of the country people and their types of art.

An exhibition of this sort was held in the chapel last year by Miss Serpell, which was very well attended and received with enthusiasm and interest. The Art Club is planning to hold a series of these lectures during the year and it is expected that every one will be interested to hear them again.

INDIAN NINE TO MEET BIG THREE

William and Mary to Play Harvard,
Yale, and Princeton Twice Next
Indians Replace Crimson on
the Tiger Schedule.

William and Mary's 1927 baseball team will play each of the collegiate "big three" twice next spring according to an announcement made Monday by Manager J. E. Zollinger. The first of each of the two games will be played in Williamsburg while the Indians will meet Harvard, Princeton, and Yale in return games on their annual northern trip.

The Taskerites will be the first team exclusive of Harvard and Yale that Princeton has met twice a season within the last decade or more. After athletic relations between Harvard and Princeton were definitely severed this fall, the management of the latter university gave William and Mary the customary two games that they have been giving Harvard in the past.

Yale will be in Williamsburg, April 8, Princeton, April 16, and Harvard, April 18, while the northern games will be played with Yale on May 12, Harvard May 13, and Princeton, May 21.

FRAT GRADES TO BE MADE PUBLIC

Greek Letter Men Shocked to Action
by Announcement from Dean's
Office; Many go on Probation
Until Required Amount
of Work is Made

Greek letter men of the campus will begin serious work toward membership in the mother Greek Letter Fraternity at once, according to those who just recently have heard the announcement from the office of the Dean to the effect that scholarship standings of all fraternities will be published each month and at the end of each semester in the future.

For a number of years the sororities have competed for a scholarship cup awarded by the Pan-Hellenic Council, but averages have been determined by members of the organizations and not by the Dean. Hence, the recent announcement will not have the same effect on the women as it is expected to produce among the men. Whether or not the Inter-Fraternity Council will follow the lead of the Pan-Hellenic Council in awarding a cup is not known at this time, although it is thought by some that this would be an added incentive for the Greeks. Others contend the light of publicity will be incentive enough without further reward being offered.

Simultaneous with this announcement came word that a goodly number of the male section of the student body had received letters from the administration warning them that failure to make the required amount of work for the semester would result in their automatic elimination from the college community. These men are being put on probation, which requires that they refrain from attending movies, frequenting pool rooms, and leaving town. Whether or not they are expected to give up dates was not stated in the letter. Just how many received the communication has not been made public.

EIGHT GAMES ON 1927 CARD OF GRID TEAM

Indians Will Face Extra Heavy Sched-
ule Next Fall with Princeton, Sy-
racuse, and Chattanooga as
Featured Opponents.

ONE DATE TO BE FILLED

Catholic University and Lenoir-Rhyne
to be Met on Cary Field; Quan-
tico Marines in Newport News
Chattanooga at Norfolk

Eight games will be played by William and Mary's football team next fall according to a schedule issued by athletic authorities during the Christmas holidays. This schedule includes tilts with such teams as Princeton University, Syracuse University and the Quantico Marines.

Of the outfits that will be met there is only one, Princeton, with which the Indians have not clashed on the football gridiron before, although but three of them were met this past season. These were Syracuse, Richmond and the University of Chattanooga.

October 22 was left as an open date on the schedule and it is possible that a game with one of the 1926 opponents may be arranged. These include Randolph Macon, Loyola of Baltimore, Harvard, George Washington, Lynchburg, Columbia and Wake Forest.

Only two games, those with Catholic University and Lenoir-Rhyne, will be played in Williamsburg.

The schedule in full follows:
September 24—Catholic University at Williamsburg.

October 1—Syracuse University at Syracuse.

October 8—Lenoir-Rhyne at Williamsburg.

October 15—Quantico Marines at Newport News.

October 22—Open date.

October 29—Princeton University at Princeton.

November 5—University of Chattanooga at Norfolk.

November 11—Roanoke College at Roanoke.

November 24—University of Richmond at Richmond.

O. D. K. ELECTS PROF. CASTANEDA

Associate Professor of Modern Lan-
guages is Honored by Eta Circle
of Omicron Delta Kappa; has
Rendered Great Service

Carlos Eduardo Casteneda, Associate professor of Modern Languages, and popular member of the faculty, was recently elected to honorary membership in Eta Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa National Honorary Fraternity at a meeting of that organization held before the holidays.

Mr. Casteneda becomes the second honorary member of the local circle at the present time, the only other holder of this mark of distinction being Dr. J. A. C. Chandler, president of the college. Omicron Delta Kappa, in addition to the regular election of under-graduates and active faculty members, follows the policy of selecting for honorary membership, men

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MEB DAVIS IS MADE CAPTAIN

Star Indian Wingman Elected to Lead
1927 Tasker Team; Granville Gresham
Elected Captain of Cross-
Country Team

At the election held among the letter men following the football banquet on December 17, Melvin C. (Meb.) Davis, of Norfolk, star Indian wingman of the Indian eleven, was chosen by his team-mates to lead the 1927 football team. "Meb." for three years has held the left-end berth and during this time has established a name for himself and the college throughout the entire section. Davis has been twice placed on South Atlantic selections and each year has been unanimous choice for all-state honors and it is evident that he is one of the most popular and best known players that has ever worn a William and Mary uniform. Davis is a three letter man, having received monograms in basketball and track, also. He is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity and the "13" Club.

At the same meeting Granville ("Granny") Gresham of Newport News was made captain of the Cross-Country team for the next season. Though a sophomore, Gresham is running his first year on the varsity, eligibility rules having kept him out during his first year at college. However, his work during the fall has proved him to be a trackster of great promise. During his high school days at Newport News, "Granny" held several state records and begins work here with a wonderful record behind him. He is a member of the Alpha Psi fraternity.

ALONZO SPEAKS HERE TONIGHT

Eminent Educator of Pan American
Union to be Main Speaker at
Spanish Club Banquet at Co-
lonial Hotel Tonight

Dr. Antonio Alonzo, eminent educator, who is at present Assistant Chief of the Division of Education of the Pan American Union at Washington, D. C., will be the main speaker at the annual banquet of Los Quixotescos, local Spanish Club, to be held at the Colonial Hotel tonight as a part of the regular initiation of the organization. Other speakers will be Dr. J. A. C. Chandler, Dr. K. J. Hoke, Prof. A. G. Williams, Prof. C. E. Casteneda and Mr. E. G. Swem.

The following have been elected to membership in Los Quixotescos and will be the honor guests at the banquet: Phyllis Logan, Pauline Hines, Kathryn Topping, Ethel Singer, Susie Crooks, Eleanor Calkins, Mae B. Reilly, Alice Kerr, Gerald Callis, Morris Halpern, William Halpern, Joseph Hancock, Jose Davila, Rafael Negron, J. J. Sierra, Louis Rotgin, and Loring Tyler.

Initiates of the Club are appearing on the campus today clad in full Spanish regalia, which is a part of their initiation. The traditional bull is conspicuous by his absence, however.

PLEDGE

Alpha Beta Chi announces the pledging of Nina Brunk, of Sebring, Fla.

INDIAN QUINT LEAVES TODAY ON SHORT TRIP

William and Mary to Meet Lynchburg,
Washington and Lee and Roanoke
in First Week-end Trip of
the 1927 Season

PROSPECTS GROW BRIGHTER

Tasker Has Captain Todd, Wallick,
and Davis, of Last Year's Quint-
tet to Build Machine Around
New Material shows Well

With a week of intense post holiday practice behind them, the William and Mary basketball team leaves today for Lynchburg, Va., where they play the quint from Lynchburg College in the first of a series of three games with teams in the western part of the State. The other two fives which they will meet are Washington and Lee Monday night at Lexington and Roanoke College, Tuesday night at Salem.

Coach Tasker is rapidly rounding out a smooth working machine around Captain Todd, Wallick, Snyder, Macon, Crossfield and Davis with a large contingent of excellent material in reserve. Wynne, La Chappelle and both Taylors among the latter look especially well.

Snyder looked like one of the season's stars while he was in against the Medical College of Virginia before Christmas. The little captain of last year's freshmen team shot the majority of the Taskerites' field goals and was active in all departments of the game. Todd as usual is good at guard, and with Wallick working as his running mate, the pair should be a good reason for the goals of the opposing forwards being held down. The center position is in doubt, as Crossfield and Davis are still staging a hard fight for it.

Little information has been gleaned about Lynchburg yet, but that school has a reputation for fast basketball squads and unless the dope is upset, the Hornets will give the Taskerites a tough battle.

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December Freshman Grades Show Decrease in Average

December grades of the Freshman Class, issued during the holidays by the Freshman Advisory Committee, revealed an average decrease in comparison with those of November. Some of the blame may be put on the Christmas holidays. However, many failures are due to English and Government, subjects which claimed an increasing number of students.

It is interesting to note that the Halpern brothers who have been leading the honor roll for the last two months have relinquished their place to Lawrence Morscher who leads the honor roll for December with an average of 97, closely followed in the order named by William Halpern, Morris E. Halpern and Garrett Parsons. The leading grades were so high that 17 men made over an average of 90.

In December sixty-five of the 192 on the committee's list passed all their work as in comparison with sixty-eight in November, or a decrease in average from 69.4 in November to 67.5 in December.

DEBATE TRY-OUT WILL BE HELD ON JANUARY 14

Intercollegiate Debate Council to Hold Annual Tryouts Next Friday Night in Phoenix Hall With Advisors as Judges

FIVE MEN ARE NEEDED

Four Members of Last Year's Teams Given Places Without Competition; Three Have Already Met Oxford Team This Year

The intercollegiate Debate Council met on Tuesday to complete plans for this year's forensic activities at William and Mary. Robert Corstaphney sat as president of the Council for the first time, taking the place of Corstaphney, who left college to prepare for the United States Military Academy at West Point. Bob Corstaphney is president of the Philomathean Society, and represents it on the Debate Council; the other Philomathean member being F. James Barnes. The Phoenix members are Carl Andrews, who is inter-collegiate debate manager, and A. Ray Simmons.

The council decided that tryouts for the inter-collegiate debate team would be held Friday, January 14. The regular meetings of the literary societies will be held as usual on that night at seven o'clock in their respective halls for the purpose of electing officers for the coming term. Immediately afterwards, the try-outs will be held in Phoenix Hall.

Any male student taking undergraduate work in college is eligible for the team. Each speaker will be allowed ten minutes, and may prepare either side of the question which is, "Resolved, that the United States should cancel her inter-Allied war debts." The debaters may use notes, but they are not expected to read their speeches.

It was decided by the council that men on last year's team should not be required to participate in the try-outs, but should automatically retain their places on this year's team. These men are Carl Andrews, R. E. B. Stewart, W. H. Elliott, Jr., and L. L. Born, three of whom have already debated once this year against Oxford University. In addition to the four veteran members of the team, there will be five new men chosen, making a total of nine men on the team, or three more than last year. It is planned that each of the new men on the team will participate in two debates on the home grounds, while three of the more experienced debaters will represent William and Mary on a Northern trip, where they expect to meet some of the best known institutions in the North. The home debates will include Bucknell, Furman, University of South Carolina, Wake-Forest, Davidson, and perhaps several others.

Faculty advisors of the Debate Council will act as judges of the try-outs. They are Mr. Harwood L. Childs, Chairman, Mr. G. H. Gelsinger, Dr. Richard L. Morton, and Dr. J. R. Geiger.

The Debate Council expects to announce the complete schedule for the year sometime during the next few weeks. In all probability, one or more Southern trips will be made next year, to meet on their home grounds those institutions which come to William and Mary this year.

E. B. C. BAZAAR

The Annual Christmas bazaar of the Edith Baer Club was held in the living room of Jefferson Hall December 18. Tea was served and candies, cakes, sandwiches, and fancy articles were on sale. A layer cake with white icing was raffled off at ten cents a chance and the lucky number was drawn by Mr. J. T. Ecker, of the faculty.

Over three hundred people were served and more than twenty-five dollars was cleared.

SENIORS NOTE

Hayden Russell, Staff Photographer for the Colonial Echo is endeavoring to complete the file of senior snapshots. Please cooperate with him in getting yours made. It is imperative that these snapshots be gotten in AT ONCE.

All Seniors must send in their full names, addresses, honors and degrees if the book is to be out on time.

F. James Barnes
Editor-in-Chief

Y. M. C. A. NOTES

On a table in the "Y" room may be found fifty books and nearly as many pamphlets by such present day authors as Harry Emerson Fosdick and A. Bruce Curry, Jr. This is an inspiring collection of the best new thought along educational and religious lines. Everyone is invited to go over at once and read them because the Young Men's Christian Association can only keep this collection ten days and none of the volumes are in the library.

Faculty and students are invited to attend the tea Sunday afternoon from four to six in the "Y" room.

Tomorrow night there will be Open House in the "Y" room. All are invited.

For the last three and a half months of service in 1926 to the students at the college the Young Men's Christian Association offers the following report.

Meetings

There have been seven Firesides with an average attendance of one hundred and three and three Freshmen Orientation meetings with an average attendance of fifty-one. There were also five discussion groups with an average attendance of twelve, and three dormitory prayer groups meeting daily.

Socials

One faculty reception and one freshman reception were given. Other social functions consist of six Saturday night "Open Houses" with an average attendance of one hundred and three Sunday afternoon Teas with an average attendance of two hundred.

Campus Service

Over one thousand "Y" Handbooks were distributed and two hundred and five letters sent to Freshmen. Besides this the Y. M. C. A. has found employment for seven men, sent six men to conferences and offered for the use of students and campus organizations a convenient and well furnished "Y" room.

Extension

Eighteen students composing several teams visited five churches on the peninsula. The total attendance at these churches was six hundred and fifty and the offering slightly more than expenses. Other services are: one boys club organized, four educational tours arranged, and six hundred letters ready to send to parents and alumni.

THETA DANCE

One of the most brilliant dances of the season was that given by Epsilon Charge of Theta Delta Chi at the Colonial Hotel just prior to the Christmas Holidays. The hall was decorated with colorful streamers and balloons together with evergreen, holly, and mistletoe, giving a decided holiday effect. Many alumni were in attendance as well as invited guests and several visitors from out of town. Music for the occasion was furnished by the Indian Serenaders.

Students Spend Merry Christmas on Campus

Students whose lot it was to spend the holidays on the campus report a very merry Christmas. This group was composed of students from the far away parts of the United States, Porto Rico and China.

The girls, all of whom stayed in Tyler Hall decorated a Christmas tree in the living room. Santa Claus stopped by and left gifts for them under the tree. They tell of a delightful tea given by Miss Martha Barksdale. Her home was attractively decorated with holly and red candles. Excellent meals in genuine Virginia style were served in the dining hall. Christmas night, the girls had a picnic supper in the dormitory.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Z. Williams gave a watch party at the Alpha Tau Epsilon House to which all the students here were invited. The guests danced, played bridge and toasted marshmallows while watching the old year depart.

New Collitch Joke

"Are they very strict at your college?"

"Huh! Are they! Why, when a man dies in a lecture there, they prop him up until the end of the hour."

—Hoxnet

"HOLY GRAIL" IS WELL RECEIVED

Large Audience Witnesses Pageant Given by Y. W. C. A. Prior to Christmas Holidays; Program Well Arranged

In its production and presentation of the Christmas Pageant of "The Holy Grail," the Y. W. C. A. achieved a noteworthy success. The drama was given on the stage of the new Phi Beta Kappa Auditorium.

The setting of the pageant was laid in the court of the storied King Arthur. It presented interesting scenes of the days when "knighthood was in flower" while unfolding a charming story of the quest of the Holy Grail. The Christmas touch was furnished largely by the scene from the vision of Arthur in which he saw Mary and the Christ Child in the manger and the wise men bringing gifts. The Holy Grail was the gift of one of the Magi.

The costumes worn by the King and his knights were richly colorful and elaborate.

Minnie Rob Phaup read the entire pageant, the principal parts being taken by Ruth Yeamens as King Arthur, Clara Louise Miller as Sir Launcelot, and May Laudenslager as Sir Galahad. Christmas carols were sung by the girls' Glee Club.

PRIZES!

Are you a good hand at writing definitions?

How would you like to win a prize? Beginning with this issue, The Flat Hat will conduct a prize contest, open to both students and members of the faculty, for the best definition, humorous or otherwise, of any word the author may use.

A weekly prize of one dollar will be awarded the winner by Dr. John Garland Pollard, who published a series of these in the Flat Hat last year. Contributions should be addressed to the Editor of the Flat Hat and left in the box on the porch of the Main Building. Each week, the winner of the previous week will be announced together with the prize definition.

Samples of the definitions desired are as follows:

Budget—A plan by which you worry about your expenditures before you make them rather than afterward.

Cleverness—The quality of one who is as smart as a steel trap and therefore knows when to shut up.

Banking—Lending other people's money and keeping the interest yourself.

The Black Four Hundred

Sambo: "I want a razza."

Clerk: "Safety?"

Sambo: "No, sah, I wants it to social purposes."

January Sale at THE VOGUE SHOP

in Old Postoffice Block, Williamsburg, Va.

At 20% Reduction on Entire Stock

- Londontown Clothes, at \$28.50
- Londontown Topcoats, at 28.50
- Selz Shoes, at 6.80
- Beacon Shoes, at 5.60
- Dobs Hats, at 5.60
- Sheepskin Coats, 36 in. long, at 9.95
- Men's Slickers, at 5.20
- Men's Knickers, at 4.45
- Men's Golf Hose, at 2.40
- Varsity Union Suits, at80
- B. V. D. Unionsuits, at 1.15
- Men's Leather Suede Jackets, at 11.50
- Varsity Pajamas from \$1.45 to 3.95
- Fulton Shirts, collar attached,
from \$1.65 to 2.85
- Silk Wool Ties, at75

The Vogue Shop Jack DuBois

In Old Postoffice Block, Williamsburg, Va.

Indian Cagers
Win Opener

Papooses Are
Winners Also

Davis and Gres-
ham Lead Teams

INDIAN SPORTS

EIGHT
GRID
GAMES
FOR
1927

Just A Word About Sports

By "DAUBA"

With that Christmas hangover just about cleared away and our thoughts turning back to collegiate activity, basketball and indoor track now occupy the stage and are the centers of interest to Indian fans. Court tilts among aggregations of both sexes and the most extensive indoor track schedule ever attempted by the Green, Gold, and Silver offer plenty of excitement in local circles. May the New Year prove a prosperous one to the athletic department of the old college.

Two games with each of the "Big Threes" gives the Taskerites quite a place in the sun throughout the baseball world. Princeton has given to the Indian crew the places once occupied by the Crimson of Harvard and has honored it with two games; a thing only granted in years before to other members of the charmed circle. All of the northern institutions will be entertained on the local diamond and a sight of these powerful teams in action will be quite a treat to the southern fans.

Word comes from Richmond that the Spiders have booked grid encounters with Cornell and V. M. I. for the 1927 schedule. These and other hard games will make the coming year one of the most colorful in Red and Blue history and Coach Dobson is anticipating a great year. As usual the William and Mary game will be the climax to fall activity.

Meb Davis, in leading the Indians for the 1927 season, is receiving a well earned honor and title. "Meb" is one of the best known and most popular players that has ever represented William and Mary on the field of battle. His work has helped place the tribe on the pinnacle of success which it now occupies and his clean play and good sportsmanship has been a great factor in gaining for William and Mary its fame and recognition. Hail to the new Indian chief. May his regime be a good one; worthy of his ability.

The indoor relay team is beginning intensive practice for the annual run against the Richmond "Four Horsemen." With all of the last year's quartette back and a wealth of freshman material to pick from, Coach Chandler hopes to conquer the Dobsonites when the meet in Richmond comes off.

Basketball got a good start before the holidays. Every indication points to a year of ultimate success. This idea of intramural schedules certainly is a good one for getting the boys in shape. Not that we overlook the girls, but this department has decided that the fair sex needed no development along the lines of form.

Robinson Issues New Architecture Pamphlet

One of the most attractive pamphlets ever published about the College of William and Mary was issued the first of the week by Charles M. Robinson, architect. This booklet contains nine photographs of the newer buildings on the campus with facts about each of the buildings pictured. The pages of the leaflet are made up of a high grade of hot pressed paper and the cover is a neat affair with the college seal embossed in green, gold and silver.

In a foreword, Mr. Robinson states: "Preserving the feeling of Early Virginia Colonial Architecture yet at the same time modern in plan and appointments, these recent buildings combine twentieth century utility with seventeenth century charm." The buildings pictured are Jefferson Hall, Blow Gymnasium, Monroe Hall, Rodgers Science Hall, Barrett Hall, the Dining Hall, Old Dominion Hall, and the Miriam Robinson Convatory.

Former W. and M. Man to Preach Here January 16

On Sunday, January 16, Dr. George Booker, of Richmond, will preach at the morning service of the Methodist church here. Dr. Booker was formerly of William and Mary and is a member of the Alpha chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. Last year he was a strong candidate for Bishop of the Methodist Conference, and is well known as an able speaker. It is sure that a large number of the students will be out to hear Dr. Booker.

O. D. K. ELECTS PROF. CASTENEDA

(Continued from page one) who have rendered distinguished service to the college in their branch of activity. Professor Casteneda, who has developed here one of the most successful Spanish departments in the South, is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Gordon-Hope Chapter of Sigma Upsilon Literary Fraternity.

DUCS TRIUMPH OVER N. N. TEAM

Papooses Down Methodists from Newport News in Oen-Sided Contest; Dunbar Proves Star With Ten Field Goals to Credit

William and Mary Freshmen triumphed again when they defeated the strong Grace Methodist team from Newport News last Tuesday night in Blow Gymnasium. From the first whistle to the last it was clear that the visitors were no match for Coach Todd's aggregation.

Starting off with a rush in the first half the ducs bombarded the backboard with a regular volley of field goals, and at the end of the first period had 22 points to their credit. Dunbar and Fentress led the attack and exhibited some of the best passing and shooting seen here this year. They were backed up by the strong defensive playing of Scammon.

The shooting of Dunbar was the sensation of the game, this fast forward ringing up ten field goals and one foul. He seemed to shoot with perfect ease and none of the shots appeared to be at all difficult although he was sinking them from every angle of the floor. Fentress was also in the running from start to finish as well as Clarke, center, who took second place in scoring honors when he sunk the oval six times during the game. For the visitors Morris and Thomas showed up best but could not pull themselves together sufficiently to withstand the onrush of the Frosh.

This same team was defeated by the freshmen last year in two games but not with the ease and fast playing which characterized the playing in this game. The frosh have a fighting bunch and great things are expected from them in the coming season.

The line-up:

Frost	Grace Methodist
Spencer	Morris
	R. F.
Dunbar	Thomas
	L. F.
Clarke	Higginrotham
	C.
Scammon	Dawson
	R. G.
Fentress	Millar
	L. G.

Substitutions: (Frosh) Gravin, Davies, Mainhart, Waters, Horner (Grace Methodist) Beard.

Field goals: Spencer 4, Dunbar 10, Clarke 6, Fentress 4, Thomas 3, Morris 3. Fouls: Dunbar 1, Higginrotham 1. Referee, Todd. Timekeeper, West. Scorers: Bickers and Aronow.

PLEDGES

Alpha Theta Chapter of Phi Kappa Tau announces the pledging of Randolph Tyler, of Jonesville, Va., and James M. Eason of South Norfolk, Va.

Omicron Beta of Chi Omega announces the pledging of Louise James, of Washington, D. C.

Physician: "Take a deep breath and say four."
Eyekey: "Three, ninety-eight."

PAPOOSES LICK YOUNG MEDICOS

Little Indians Romp on Medical College Frosh in Preliminary Game of Pre-Christmas Encounter in Blow Gymnasium

The invasion of the Medical College Freshmen from Richmond on Indian territory just previous to the holidays proved disastrous to the visitors when the Duc quintet sent them home on the little end of a 23-13 score. This was the initial battle of the season for the Papooses and they proved themselves capable of playing a good brand of basketball. The team this year is the best seen here for a long time and in snappy passing and accurate shooting they are close rivals of their big brothers, the varsity.

Meister, who came here from Syracuse, was the outstanding performer of the day when he led his team to victory by dropping the ball through the hoop five times and thereby scoring 10 out of the 23 points. Dunbar followed close on his heels by chalking up eight points. The entire team worked together remarkably well in their first game and with a little more practice should give their opponents plenty to worry about in the season which will open in a few days.

Metcalf, a former Indian basketball player, played for the Medical College Frosh, and made a good showing against the young Indian basketballers. Hines was also a big factor in the line-up for the visitors. It will be remembered that the Medicos defeated the freshmen five last year in the opening game at Blow Gym. Coach Todd expects to put a much stronger team on the floor this season due to the excellent material which has come in.

Two trips have been planned. The first of these will carry the frosh to Norfolk and Newport News where the strong Maury and Newport News High Schools will be met. The Freshmen will also make a journey to Richmond where they will do their best to make up for the defeats handed them last year.

Biology Club Program Is Devoted to Anatomy

The Clayton Grimes Biology Club held its regular meeting prior to the Christmas holidays. The program which had been arranged by Dr. D. W. Davis, head of the Department of Biology dealt with the subject of Anatomy. The discussions were presented by members of his Anatomy class.

The program consisted of discussions of "The Functional Significance of the Vertebrate Retina," by Jeremiah Foglia; "The Ear," by Edward Hill; "Observation at an Abattoir," by Walker Porter; and "Frozen Siberian Mammoths," by John Talmadge.

Dr. Robert Griggs of the National Geographic Association will speak to the club sometime in the near future. The program for the next meeting will be on "Efforts to Popularize Modern Biology." Hannah Margolis will conduct the program.

TASKERITES WIN SEASON'S FIRST

Indian Court Squad Begins Season By Defeating Medical College of Virginia in Slow and Listless Game; Rough Play.

In a slow and listless game, the William and Mary basketball team defeated the Medical College of Virginia, Saturday, December 18 in Blow Gymnasium by a score of 18 to 12. This marked the opening tilt of the season.

The game, particularly the second half was marred by rough play and throughout the entire fray, the players with one or two exceptions appeared to have difficulty in nudging the baskets.

Probably the outstanding star of the afternoon was Snyder, diminutive forward for Tasker's tribe who was high point man with five field goals out of the eight scored by the Indians. Hicks, former William and Mary man, and now the mainstay of the Medicos was on his heels with three goals.

The game got under way slowly and goals were not frequent during the first period, the score at the half being eight to seven with the one-point margin being on William and Mary's side. During the second half, some substitutes injected new life into the affair for a few minutes, but the players never appeared to get out of the lethargy in which they seemed to be playing.

Wynne, a substitute made a pair of field goals during the last few minutes of play, while Taylor, a freshman, looked like a coming player.

In spite of the roughness of the game, it was noticeably free from personal fouls, only one man being taken out for committing four.

The score:

Wm. and M. (18)	Med. Col. (12)
Snyder	Hicks
	F.
La Chappelle	Wice
	F.
Crossfield	Fleet
	C.
Wallick	Parker
	G.
Todd	Appleman
	G

Scoring: Field goals, Snyder (5), Hicks (3), Wynne (2), H. Taylor, Wice, Fleet; Foul goals, La Chappelle, Wallick, Newman, Stull. Time of periods, 20 minutes. Referee, Siersma.

Williamsburg Churches In Enrollment Contest

An attendance contest, which started last Sunday between the men's Bible Classes of the Methodist and Baptist Sunday Schools of this city for business men only will be continued throughout January and February. The contest itself is an appeal to the non-church members, and it is hoped that an enrollment of 100 may be obtained by each class. The winners are to have a banquet given to them by the losers.

The Baptists had their banquet on last Friday night with Dr. J. G. Pollard as toastmaster. The Methodists will have theirs on next Tuesday.

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Tests and Common Sense

Tests, we are told, are one of the most necessary parts of our worldly existence. Without them we would know but little of our strong points, our weak places, and the limits of our capabilities. Hence, we have tests in every branch of human endeavor though they are often very different in character and in their scope. Tests are an important part of a college course and when properly given they enable professors to gain a fair knowledge of their students. But tests are not always given in a fair way nor at the right time.

The recent instance of testing applied just before the holidays to an aggrieved and mentally revolting student body, was a typical example of the glaring unfairness of our present system. If there is a profession in the college who thinks that he can get the best out of students through monthly tests given by his department at the same time as those of all other departments, we would like to hear his ideas on the subject. The professors are not to blame for the recent last minute jumbling of tests, to be sure. But that does not deter from the fact that many, in fact most of the students, had three and four tests on one day, given one period after another, and each counting for the whole month's mark on the subject. Such a system is unfair, we repeat. It is not right nor can it get the best results. It is not confined to this one case but happens year in and year out, month after month. The case mentioned is just one which was overdone.

All of which brings us to the point that something must be done to relieve the present method by instituting a new system. Common sense in scheduling the tests would help a lot but that will not change the unfairness of a monthly test for a whole month's work. Weekly quizzes, daily recitation, and general work are some suggested methods for clearing up the present situation. The main thing is that in too many cases a monthly test is not a fair gauge of the quality of work done on a course and when a student has to take three or four of these tests in the same number of consecutive hours, he can not give the best account of his knowledge of the course nor of his ability.

We blame no one in particular for the situation but we do believe there should be an investigation made and some steps taken to alleviate the students' burden in the matter of tests. It will be welcomed by both students and professors.

Dramatics at the College

The FLAT HAT takes this opportunity to compliment Miss Althea Hunt and the Dramatic Club of the College for the excellent performance of "The Goose Hangs High," given prior to the holidays. The play was undoubtedly the best that has ever been staged on the campus and its quality promises better productions in the future. It was very well supported by the college and town and is deserving of the highest praise.

For the benefit of students, we would like to state that funds from the play go toward the permanent equipment of the stage in the new Phi Beta Kappa Hall. The Club found the stage without equipment and under the direction of Miss Hunt it will outfit it completely.

The excellence of the first production leaves little to be desired except that future plays will not be far off and that they maintain the standard set by the cast of the initial drama.

The New Auditorium

Production of the first play of the season by the Dramatic Club revealed numerous defects in the new auditorium which can never wholly be surmounted. A level floor makes seeing for a large portion of an audience a virtual impossibility unless they stand, something not to be recommended. Seats in the gallery for the most part are altogether out of the question so far as witnessing a play is concerned. A small stage with very few possibilities will always furnish handicaps to any dramatic work.

Of course we realize that the auditorium with the building was not built for dramatics but as a memorial auditorium and we do not think that the builders intended such an inconvenient construction of the hall. It could have been made with sloping theatre-like floor with a larger and better stage with very little difference in cost. Perhaps it is not good form to criticize a building presented to the college but the lack of modern construction and auditorium developments is indeed to be deplored.

The Old Grad

News of Alumni Activity will be welcomed by the Alumni Office

J. MALCOLM BRIDGES
ALUMNI SECRETARY

Time has fashioned many queer customs since the beginning of man, but no one of them is more foolhardy than that of making new year's resolutions at that time of the year known on our calendar as January 1. The making of the resolutions in itself may be a time-honored custom, one that has grown, as many of our customs have, from a simple beginning by even a simpler forefather, but to think that good intentions can be carried out best when made at the imaginary point of vastness of time known as the New Year, is all too foolhardy to admit of good judgment. If the road to the lower regions is paved, as has been told, by good intentions, then surely the first of each of the new years since the beginning of time has contributed many roads of hard surface to this path.

Attainments in 1926

The brightest spot in the attainments of the colleges and universities of the land during the past year came in the handling of what may be called the personal problems of the college, in the opinion of the Ronald Forum. There is a serious concern for the student's physical foundation, revealed in the rapid development of departments of physical education, and the appointment of college physicians to care for both body and mind. There is attention everywhere, the Forum points out, to the problems of selecting students on the basis not only of mental proficiency but of general stamina, and of orienting them, after admission, as regards college environments and duties.

Strangely enough, this very problem was touched as the greatest need of higher education in the South by the President of William and Mary. "The Southern institutions of higher learning must do away with the mass treatment of students and devote more attention to the individual," President Chandler remarked to the writer recently.

Robinson Conservatory

Alumni of William and Mary who will return to the college campus the next few months should not leave unmindful of the splendid contribution of Mrs. C. M. Robinson in her efforts to beautify William and Mary. The work conducted from the Miriam Robinson Memorial Conservatory, has contributed as no other single undertaking could to the general plan of a more beautiful William and Mary. The College of William and Mary, probably the first institution in America to recognize the importance of floriculture and to encourage it, has revived a course, which is now offered by Mrs. Robinson in the spacious greenhouse of the Conservatory.

Alumni are urged to visit this memorial when they return to the campus.

The Washington License

From the dusty recess of a second-hand book shop of New York City has been received information that has clarified, to a certain degree, a matter that has put the head of many a historical sage wagging at William and Mary College for a century or more, and has at the same time supplied historical information of no little importance locally.

The exact form of the surveyor's license granted Washington by William and Mary College in 1749 has been revealed in the discovery of a license bearing the same date, granted to John West, Jr., of Fairfax, by the president and masters of William and Mary. This valuable document, long since discolored with age, may be seen in the college library.

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By "Bill"

Everybody is trying to persuade themselves and their friends that they had a big time Christmas, but that savors too much of the old Karo, for how could any one reasonably enjoy Christmas with exams so close at hand? Particularly when the postman brings along with brightly colored Christmas cards with the latest thing in "Merry Christmas" greetings all done up in Iambic pentameter of the usual modern form, a letter with the laconic and sinister message that you'll get the gate if you don't make six hours. And everybody remembers the famous exodus of last year. The old place looked like small pox had struck it. Then there's all this talk about paying a fee of five dollars for every class you miss when the trains and busses are all tied up in the usual after-Christmas congestion, and expect a man to mean it when he had a good time Christmas? Bah!

The only pleasure that might come out of the recent vacation would come to the girls if they only had a chance to wear their Spanish shawls which their victims gave them for Christmas. A few will have their chance at midwinter, otherwise, the rest of them may as well put them away.

With the dawn of the New Year, every one feels that he must make a few resolutions to be in style, so it is suggested that they make resolutions not to eat too any watermelon until next summer or not to study too hard or something that they will keep.

At least one thing is certain, if they don't stop social privileging these girls and campusing these boys, friendship will be a thing of the past and the merchants in town will go to the wall—it is a matter for socialists and economists to think about.

The biggest difficulty arising out of adjusting one's self to the post-Christmas routine is the unpleasant task of readapting one's self to the drinking water, maybe that is why they put a little dash of coffee or tea in it sometimes!

At the Frat

Across the Hall: "Say, Bill, can I borrow your tux?"

Back again: "Sure. Why the formality?"

The Other One: "Well, I couldn't find it."

—Chapparral

Efficiency

Busy Magnate (testily): "Don't you realize that my time is valuable? State what you want. Be short."

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For if you let them smoke
They can't talk so much.

Teacher: "Johnny, I'm only punish-
ing you because I love you."
Johnny: "I wish I was big enough
to return your love."

Stude: "Dr. the more I read, the less
I seem to know."
Prof.: "You must have been reading
a great deal lately."

Prof's Son: "Where's the car, dad?"

don't know. Did I take it out?"
Prof's Son: "You certainly did, dad.
You drove it to town."

Prof: "That's very remarkable. I
remember now that after I got out
I turned round to thank the gentle-
man who had given me a liftand won-
dered where he had gone."

1st Prof: "He's a fraternity man."
2nd Prof: "How do you know?"
1st Prof: "Well, he answered to
four names in class this morning."

The Army Forever

"Why did your roommate separate
this quarter?"

"Oh, he wanted me to call him col-
onel just because he brushes his hair
with military brushes."

Coach: "How did you sleep last
night?"

"Bird": "Not so well. I dreamed I
was throwing passes and tossed all
night."

Said one of the Gold Dust Twins:
"Here's our chance to make a clean-
ing."

"Nothing doing!" replied the other
"Lux against us."

Brutus: "Friends, Romans, and
Countrymen!"

Deep voice from rear of the Thea-
ter: "Who's a farmer?"

"Is she pretty? Say boy, she's so
good looking that she can walk down
University Avenue at noon and not a
single fellow will know the color of
her stockings."—Wampus.

I pledge the kiss
Whose poignant bliss
Comes from a microbe, so they say.
A microbe?—ho!
If that is so
He tickles in a pleasant way.

"And faith"—says I,
"If man must die
Of microbe that or microbe this
I'll gladly sip
The fatal lip,
And take my microbe in a kiss.

Papa loves mama,
Mamma loves men;
Mamma's in the graveyard
Papa's in the pen.

"What are you running for, Black
Boy?"
"Man, I ain't runin' for; I'se run-
nin' from."

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professor of Chemistry, Cornell Uni-
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Observatory, Carnegie Institution of
Washington; "Zoological Research as
Career," C. E. McClung, professor of
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Experienced: "I haven't spoken to
my wife for three years."
Ditto: "Don't worry, ole dear, you
may get a chance yet."

The first instance on record of a
woman smoking is found in Genesis
24:26: "And Rebecca lifted up her
eyes and when she saw Isaac she
lighted off her Camel."

"Why is a co-ed's dress almost a
yard?"
"Because it's a little over two feet."

Lady: "I'll give you something to
eat if you get the axe—."
Hobo: "That will be all right, lady;
my teeth are in good shape."

Midnight: "Why are you so deep in
thought?"
Rastus: "I was only just thinking
of the shooting in front of the guard
house."

Midnight: "What happened?"
Rastus: "I just laid down five dol-
lars, and some onery cuss shoots a
seven."

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A GLIMPSE INTO the COLLEGE WORLD

Here and There among the Exchanges of the Flat Hat

It is claimed that the students of George Washington University will not allow even a worthy professor to put anything over on them. A class at that college recently waited some fifteen minutes for its prof to show up. When he failed to do so, they unanimously excused themselves. The next day the prof claimed that he had been in class, because he had left his hat on the desk. When he came to class the following day, he found hats abundantly scattered over the seats but nary a student. This seems to be a case of "Present in hats but not in body."

Small it be Co-education? is causing much comment and discussion at the University of Delaware. Professors have favored both sides of the question, one declaring "yes" as fervently as another says "no."

There are many reasons pro and con. One Prof claims that better work is done in classes composed either of all women or all men. Another prof favors co-education because the administration would benefit economically. Another says, "It would be socially advantageous to both sexes to meet in the classroom. There would be more dignity of conduct and more care in the matter of dress. The men would be less likely to appear in the masquerade of coal-heavers, and the girls would probably be moved to wear stockings in the chemistry laboratory." And still another Prof says, "My experience has convinced me that it is the men who suffer from co-education and not the women. On the average, women are more studious than men, in that they are more willing to do what is expected of them, with the result that women tend to monopolize the class discussions and the men are all too willing, in the majority of cases, to have them do so."

There is much discussion in the collegiate world over compulsory chapel attendance. At the present time several of the larger universities as well as some of the smaller schools have adopted the plan of voluntary chapel attendance. According to the Yale Alumni Weekly, voluntary attendance of chapel at that institution is very successful. The students realize the importance and the responsibility placed upon themselves under the new plan and it is reported that they are heartily supporting it.

Northwestern University was recently forced to protect itself against the onrush of women students. A rule providing for the registration of 450 men for every 350 was passed in order to increase the professional atmosphere of the institution and to protect the men.

Not so long ago a college professor made the statement that the students who smoked maintained a lower average than those who did not because smoking was a social habit and the smokers were unable to spend as much time on their work as the non-smokers who were usually less inclined to take part in the social life than their fellow students.

A professor of Geneva College advocates early marriage on the part of students. In his opinion there should be a law that no student should pass the sophomore year without taking unto himself a wife.

Only one man in five of the freshmen at Ohio confessed allegiance to cigarettes this year. Last year 22 per cent were smokers.

The student Council of Northwestern has decided that there will be no more padding of freshmen. They

DRAMATIC CLUB MAKES SUCCESS OF FIRST PLAY

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standing honors as there might be. Hopkins left no question in the mind of the audience about his own enjoyment of the part he played. His collegiate words of wisdom and his funny actions on sudden inspiration kept the crowd in an unceasing chuckle occasionally rising to a full hearted burst of laughter. Mary Via (his grandmother) with the hardest part in the whole cast, played the part of the serious-minded, shock-absorbing, old lady to the proverbial T. Her talent in the role was unusual.

Bernard and Eunice Ingals, Truman Welling and Kitty Myrick, respectively, the characters about whom the plot of the play is woven, were especially well considered, considering the fact that elderly roles are extremely hard for young people to fill. Of the two, Miss Myrick showed the most experience in stage artistry.

The part of Noel Derby, friend of the Ingals family was very well filled by Fairfax M. Berkeley, one of the best actors in college and one deserving of a much better part. Jane Phillips as the other twin and William H. Morrow as the elder brother, Hugh, were very entertaining. The former fitted her part and gives promise of excellent work in future productions. Morrow as a sacrificing son was perhaps more convincing than as a lover for Dagmar Carroll (Carolyn G. Borders).

F. James Barnes and Upton B. Thomas, Jr., as Elliott Kimberley and Leo Day, the scheming political villains of the play, were extraordinary to say the least. Thomas added humor perhaps a little unconsciously and Barnes with knowing but they were both well taken and duly appreciated. Samuel G. Staples and Phyllis Logan as the Murdochs gave their parts all that were called for and were much more capable than such roles are apt to give them credit for. Polly Venable played the maid, Rhoda.

Music was furnished by the Indian Serenaders. Miss Hunt was assisted in the direction of the play by Misses Ruth Burton, Mary Alice Currence, and Noma Fuqua while the business managers were A. Scott Anderson, Jr., Fairfax M. Berkeley, and Robert L. Brewer. Others assisting in the production were U. B. Thomas, Jr., and Max Brockenbrough with the scenery; Mary Via, Carolyn Borders, and William Morrow with the costuming; Phyllis Logan, F. James Barnes, and Jane Phillips with properties. The cover design of the program was drawn by Miss Dorothy Doggett. Co-operating were Miss Gertrude Carey, and Miss Beatrice Sellevold, of the Art Department, and Miss Lillian A. Cummings, of the Home Economics Department. Make-up was in charge of George Rianhard.

have now decided that there are other and better means of developing school spirit than the use of the paddle. They are working out a new way of punishing gross freshmen.

Some young brave from Howard College stole into the lair of Birmingham's panther last week and made away with it. It seems that the spirit between these two schools was at a very high pitch all last week, as it was claimed that it was almost impossible to hold classes at Southern last week.

At Kansas University, politics have gone so far that they are having torchlight processions and stump orations.

The girls' rifle team at the University of Maryland defeated the boys' team by a score of 498 to 497 out of a possible score of 500. Looks like the women will have to fight the next war.

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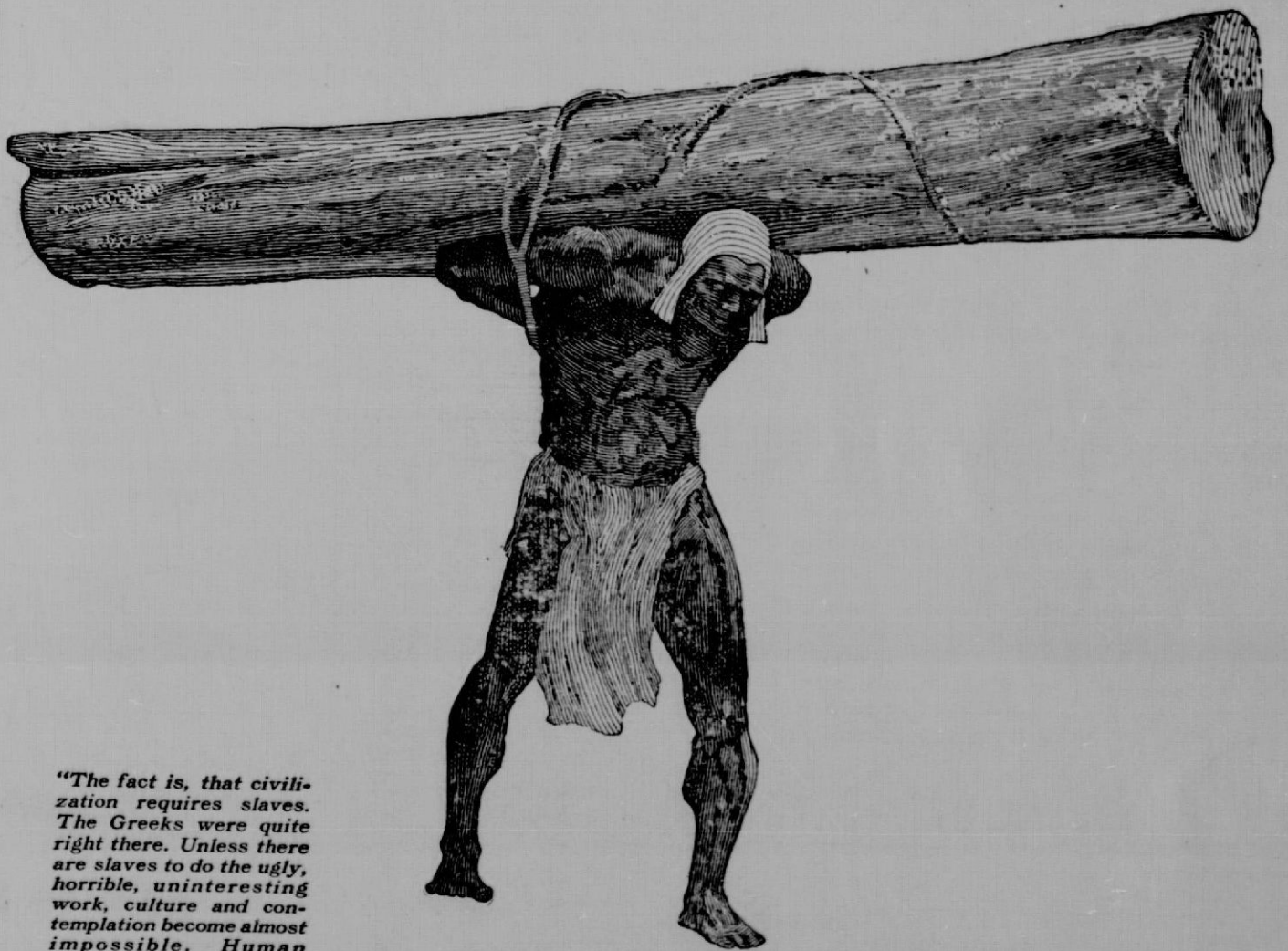
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