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SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

The inter-normal school series has been quite a success so far, even if Harrisonburg has not won every game. What counts for much more than victory in the long run is the spirit of the players and the support of the student body and the sportsmanship that the school shows in its relations with its opponents.

Harrisonburg lost the game at Fredericksburg February 26 by a score of 35 to 23. At the close of the first half the score stood 17 to 15 in Harrisonburg's favor; but they were unable to maintain this lead during the last half. Both teams played clean, snappy games.

The line up:

| Harrisonburg | Position | Fredericksburg |
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| Steele (Capt.) | R. F. | Coleman |
| Faulkner | L. F. | _____ |
| McGaha | J. C. | Broadus |
| Ward | S. C. | Broadus |
| Bonney | R. G. | _____ |
| Upshur | L. G. | Broadus |

Substitutes—R. Ferguson for V. Faulkner; McGeath for Bonney; Hodges for Upshur

Referee—1st half, Mr. Johnston, of Harrisonburg; 2nd half—Miss Hicks, of Fredericksburg

Umpire—1st half, Miss Hicks; 2nd half, Mr. Johnston

Timekeeper—W. M. Hamlet

Playing on its home floor, Harrisonburg lost to Radford the night of March 5 by a score of 26 to 18. A tight game was played in the first half, and in spite of close guarding by Radford, the local team succeeded in getting the advantage with a score of 9 to 6. But Radford came back strong in the second half, and "cleaned up." Melon's goal shooting for the visitors was a factor that Harrisonburg could not cope with.

| Harrisonburg | Position | Radford |
|----------------|----------|-----------------|
| Steele (Capt.) | R. F. | Bird |
| Faulkner | L. F. | Melon |
| McGaha | J. C. | Shumate |
| Ward | S. C. | Oglesby |
| Upshur | R. G. | (Capt.) Shumate |
| Bonney | L. G. | Hayter |

Summary: Substitutes—Houston for Upshur. Field goals—Steele (5), Faulkner (1), Melon (12). Fouls—Steele (6), Melon (2)

Referee—Mr. Barnette, of Radford

Umpire—Mr. Staples, of Harrisonburg

Timekeepers—Miss Moffett, of Radford; Miss Lancaster, of Harrisonburg

Though Harrisonburg won the two games with Farmville, the visitors won the hearts of our team and the entire school on the occasion of their visit here and during the return game at Farmville exemplified perfectly what might be the results of interschool athletics, when conducted on right principles. Our team reported the most delightful trip imaginable and were unanimous in their opinion that every delicate attention possible was shown them while in Farmville by every one connected with the school.

The victory on the home field was won by a score of 52 to 17; that on Farmville's field by a score of 48 to 24. The Farmville team showed itself on both occasions a splendid basket ball aggregation, but did not succeed in swinging into their own until the last half of the game at Farmville; at this time they showed the mettle in them, as well as the splendid training they had evidently received, and presented as perfect a specimen of basket ball playing as one could wish to see.

| Harrisonburg | Position | Farmville |
|----------------|----------|------------|
| Steele (Capt.) | R. F. | Vansickler |
| Faulkner | L. F. | Treakle |
| McGaha | J. C. | McArdle |
| Ward | S. C. | Gray |
| Bonney | R. G. | Bell |
| Upshur | L. G. | Moore |

Substitute—R. Ferguson for Faulkner

Referee—C. P. Shorts, of Harrisonburg

Umpire—Mary Lindsey, of Farmville

Timekeepers—Marion Hodges, of Harrisonburg and Miss Barksdale, of Farmville

Evolution, not revolution, is the needed step at this time in changing the governmental processes of the State of Virginia, said Col. LeRoy Hodges, aide to Governor Westmoreland Davis, when he spoke before students as the sixth speaker in the "Citizenship Lecture series."

"Fifty percent of the efficiency of our government is now prevented by the restrictions of the present Constitution of Virginia, which is in reality a codified system of laws. We need a new Constitution, and we must insist it shall be a simple statement of principles of government in place of the present tremendously complicated system of laws, which we call our Constitution."

Col. Hodges declared that the cities of Virginia now operating under the city manager plan of government find that the requirements of the present Constitution are such as to seriously impair the efficiency of the plan.

The speaker urged the young ladies in his audience, either present or prospective voters, to exert their influence in government against selfishness, greed and disloyalty. These are the influences that strike at the roots of democracy.

In support of the advice that they must help lead the currents of democracy into deeper and safer channels the speaker quoted the great French essayist, Montesquieu, who said: "Democracy is like water in that it becomes corrupt only when untroubled and unmoved."

Col. Hodges introduced his talk with a striking description of the Old Dominion, showing what a vast domain Virginia is, how varied are her interests and resources, how great a call for service proceeds from the inspiration which lies in the possessions and traditions of the Old Dominion.

Other recent speakers at assembly have been Dr. Ryland S. Knight, of Nashville, representing the Y. W. C. A.; Dr. R. G. McLees, of Chatham, Virginia, who held services nightly for several weeks at the Presbyterian Church; President Duke and Dr. Gifford, who both told their impressions of the N. E. A. meetings at Atlantic City; Miss Grace Brinton,

who spoke of recent tendencies in home economics work.

There has been an abundance of excellent music at assembly recently, too. Students greeted with great enthusiasm the program of "negro spirituals" sung by a quartet consisting of Messrs. P. H. Baugher, Sheff Devier, Richard Bradley, and Harry Garber.

Daisy May Gifford and Starr Sprinkel were very entertaining one morning in the role of the "Daisy Ashfords of music." Both are pupils of Miss Hoffman. Ella Holloran gave a violin solo, being accompanied by Miss Shaeffer.

Rabbi J. E. Schvanenfeld was most inspiring in the recital he gave the morning of March 9. Introducing each song with a brief explanation, he interpreted his program with discrimination, and ended with a fine rendition of *Celeste Aida*. Mr. Schvanenfeld is a graduate of the Boston Conservatory of Music and possesses a tenor voice of rare quality.

The class in Expression, under the direction of Miss Hudson, gave the second of a series of recitals the evening of February 28. Those who read were Eunice Lambert, Gladys Hopkins, Edna Draper, Gertrude Smith, Lucille Harrison, Helen Watts, Elizabeth Robinson, and Edith Bryant. The program was interspersed by musical selections played by Sarah Upp, Sophie Simpson, and Elizabeth Woolston.

While Miss Elizabeth P. Cleveland was in Richmond as faculty representative at the annual sessions of the Association of Virginia Colleges and the Virginia Association of Women's Colleges and Schools, the Harrisonburg alumnae in Richmond tendered to her and to Mr. Burruss an informal reception February 18. Miss Gregg and Miss Bell assisted, and Dr. Sanger was an honored guest. It is needless to say that those warm-hearted, loyal, high-mettled "old girls" made of this no mere social function, but a good time, when folks that love the same things and think a great deal of one another could have a bit of talk together.

Following President Duke's trip to Roanoke to meet with old students of Harrisonburg and advise with them concerning their part in the alumnae drive for a Students-Alumnae Building, and Dr. John W. Wayland's visit for the same purpose to Charlottesville, Lynchburg, Danville, Richmond, and Petersburg, Mr. James C. Johnston recently spent several days in Norfolk, Portsmouth, Newport News, and Hampton on a like mission.

Miss Elizabeth Cleveland was the principal speaker Sunday evening, February 21, at Hollins College, her Alma Mater, when Founder's Day celebration was begun. Miss Cleveland spoke in reminiscent vein.

Members of the faculty who attended meetings of the N. E. A. at Atlantic City were President S. P. Duke, Dr. W. J. Gifford, Miss Grace Brinton, Miss Katherine M. Anthony, Miss Lotta Day. Mr. Duke also attended in Washington the meetings of the National Association of Normal School Presidents.

Superintendent W. H. Keister, of the Harrisonburg city schools, and Superintendent John C. Myers, of Rockingham county, were other Harrisonburgers at the N. E. A.

Representing the local association at the Y. W. C. A. conference at Salem recently were Chloe Peck and Nell Walters, who gave interesting reports on the meetings at the regular Thursday night "Y. W." meeting following their return.

Recent student entertainments have included the Junior Oyster Supper and the Senior Cafe Chantant. The Juniors made a barrel of money by serving to all comers a most satisfactory supper in the "Y. W." rooms the evening of the Farmville-Harrisonburg basketball game. It was a busy night: oyster supper, basketball, and Theo Karle in the space of four hours!

The Cafe Chantant was a glorious affair with its colorful music, its becomingly gowned singers and dancers, its tasty refreshments, its dainty waitresses—and on top of it all, the telephone message from Farm-

ville announcing that our team had won again!

Two dramatic offerings have been seen here in recent weeks, and on the evening of March 22 the Stratfords will give their annual play—this year "The Fan"—at the New Virginia Theatre. "Daniel Druce," a play by W. E. Gilbert, was presented by the Devereux Players in the auditorium of Harrison Hall the evening of March 7.

Manager Wine brought to the New Virginia Theatre the evening of March 15 Fritz Leiber's production of *Macbeth*. Irby Marshall as Lady Macbeth and Louis Leon Hall as Macduff, with a well-balanced cast throughout, gave Leiber excellent support. His own acting was worthy of the extravagant praise it received, and the stage settings were unusually effective.

Students and faculty are already talking about what Leiber will play in Harrisonburg next year. Most of them are eagerly hoping he will return and give us *Hamlet*. (Couldn't there be a matinee, too?)

Nearby members of the General Alumnae Committee came to a called meeting March 12 in Harrisonburg to work on the Alumnae-Students' Building project. A number of county and district committees were appointed, and are now beginning active canvassing over the state. The fund is growing steadily, and President Duke has asked the architects to offer plans immediately, so that as the fund grows the building may be got under way. The site selected is just across the campus from Jackson Hall (Dormitory No. 1).

Those present at the meeting on the 12th were Miss Reba Beard, of Petersburg, president of the Alumnae Association; Miss Mary Lancaster Smith, of Richmond; Mrs. Clyde Payne (Frances Kemper) of Lynnwood; and Miss Frieda Johnson, Miss Vada Whitesel, and Mrs. R. C. Dingleline (Agnes Stribling), of Harrisonburg; President Duke, and members of the faculty Committee on Alumnae Relations.