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WASHINGTON AND LEE DISAPPOINTED OVER NO VIRGINIA GAME

Hopes of Students Blasted, but Position of Athletic Association in Demanding Two-Year Contract is Upheld—Lexingtonians Contend They Deserve Consideration.

Lexington, Va., December 21.—The hopes of the Washington and Lee student body to play Virginia next season in football have again been blasted. The interest in the correspondence shown by the students at large has been intense, showing the great desire to measure their strength against their former rivals again. But the announcement was given out that the authorities were not able to agree.

Even though disappointed, the students are almost unanimous in support of the side taken by the local association. Some wanted to go to Charlottesville and play anyway, but the big majority feel that the right thing has been done. To go to Charlottesville for one year would be a renewal of the old system of meeting Virginia annually on her grounds, and this is the very thing that will not be done.

A telegram from the local management to Virginia on Thursday last offered to play Virginia in Charlottesville on October 25, provided a two-year contract could be drawn up calling for a game on neutral territory for the corresponding date, 1914. Washington and Lee does not hold out for any of the games to be played in Lexington, but cannot see the fairness in Virginia's holding out for every year in Charlottesville. Several years ago it was claimed that they were in different classes—that Washington and Lee was a prep school as compared with Virginia. The past season would easily disprove that idea. But since some have laid so much stress on the alleged professionalism last year, it would be well to add that it was incorporated in the telegram of Thursday that Washington and Lee would play Virginia under the eligibility rules of the University of Virginia, as published in her **catalogue.**

Expect Games in Future.

Although 1913 will not see the two teams meet, it is felt here that much progress has been made in renewing relations between the two teams, and that but few more years will go by before the sport loving public of the State will see a Virginia-Washington and Lee contest. However, it is believed that Washington and Lee has gone the length of her rope as to a proposition. The one offered this year was much more than meeting half way, and it is probably as far as she will ever go, in the near future, toward renewing relations. Let Virginia be more reasonable in her attitude, and a game can be arranged at any time.

The idea prevailing here is that Virginia, realizing ten years ago that she was in a class by herself, cannot bring herself up to modern conditions, and see that there are three other teams now in the State who are her equals, namely, V. P. I., V. M. I., and Washington and Lee. These teams have proved to the public that they are in the reckoning, and even Virginia should consider them so.

Manager Hanna is already busy with his schedule, and has several dates closed. The usual big games will be booked—North Carolina and A. & M. having been scheduled last year for a series of years. A proposition has been made Georgetown to play that game in Richmond instead of Washington, but no reply has been received as yet. It is thought that this game would draw well there, and be a big addition to the games in the State.

RICHMOND'S INITIAL AUTO SHOW WILL BE EDUCATIONAL EVENT

Spirit Has Already Taken Hold, and Merchants and Manufacturers as Well as Professional Men to Aid in Its Success—Nearly Every Conceivable Type to Be Shown.

"Richmond's got the auto show spirit, all right," said General Manager T. B. Hutchison, the man who will have charge of Richmond's first auto show in February, last night. "There is the same interest and spirit being shown here as was evidenced in Baltimore when I managed a similar show there. The Baltimore exhibit proved a very successful one, and I am looking to the same good results in Richmond.

"Baltimore merchants took an especial interest in the big show there and co-operated with the local auto dealers in every way towards advertising the show. The committee of seven named by the Richmond Automobile Club last Monday night reports to me that they are creating the auto show spirit, and on every hand it is manifested by the prompt responses made to propositions offered the merchants.

"Like the recent automobile races held here, the coming auto show will be an eye-opener," **continued Mr.** Hutchison. "It was thought by many that the races would be of the amateurish order, and the public was surprised when the professionals of international note appeared with their high-power machines. Likewise the auto show will spring surprises every day. There will be exclusive and expensive decorations for the Horse Show Building which will be well worth seeing. Likewise there will be a continuous band concert evenings and nights, with special programs for each evening of the auto show.

"Then, too, the display of cars will be something remarkable. By the time the show is held every manufacturer in the **United States will have** his 1913 cars ready for the market, and the Richmond show will be one of the first at which the models for next season will be displayed. There is a keen rivalry between the manufacturers, as the public, or the intending purchaser, knows, and this rivalry will result in the assembling in the Horse Show Building of machines of every size, for every purpose and of all prices, from the cheapest to the most costly.

"Some of the exhibits promise to be novel in the extreme, and the experts who will be in **charge of the exhibits** will do everything possible to bring out the beauty of their cars, and at the same time portray to the uninitiated in auto lore the simplicity of manipulation and control of cars. Hence the Richmond auto show will be educational in every degree. There will doubtless be thousands who will visit the show who will never own an automobile, but their visits to the exhibition will show them the wonderful program made in the steering-gear of automobiles, of the power to stop the high-power cars almost instantly, and this will remove the fear many have for cars and should result in acquainting the public with the fact that the automobile is always under the control of the driver, except in exceptional accidental cases.

"The retail and wholesale grocers, hardware men and business men of every description who receive and deliver freight will be interested in the auto truck display. New trucks are appearing almost daily upon the streets of Richmond and other cities in the State, and naturally there is a desire in every **business man's mind** to examine all makes in order to make his selection. This show will afford an opportunity which will be as representative as the great shows which will be held in **New York and Chicago.**

"At no other point in the South will there be such an assemblage of cars as will be held at the **Horse Show** Building in February, and I, as the general manager, and the members of the Richmond Automobile Dealers' Show Association will leave nothing undone to make the first **show a success beyond any question.**"

ZBYSZKO OFFERS GOTCH $45,000

That Much in It for Iowan If He Will Meet Big Pole on Mat.

Seattle, Wash., December 21.—Zbyszko, the Polish wrestler, is expected to wrestle here while he is in this country. After his matches in the East are completed, Zbyszko, according to his manager, will come here.

Polly Grimm, the former coast varsity football star and present holder of the national amateur heavyweight wrestling championship, will get a chance to see how good he really is if he takes up the proposition offered him by Jack Herman, Zbyszko's manager, for a finish-match with the Pole in this city about January 30.

Included in the Pole's circuit will be a match that brings the name of a local favorite into the limelight again—Tommy Burns. Zbyszko will wrestle Burns February 3 in Calgary, and agrees to throw the former world's heavyweight boxing champion five times in an hour or forfeit the gate. Few, if any, of Tommy's friends ever would have the idea that the chunky boxer would take a flier at the mat game, but Herman says he has him dated up. Herman says that Burns knows something of the mat game at that, having wrestled in Detroit prior to embarking in squared circle festivities.

Herman is still waving the red flag at Gotch, trying to incite the champion into a match, but says that so far he can't get much action.

"Gotch can make $45,000 any time he will step on the mat with Zbyszko," said Herman recently. "I am willing to post $10,000 forfeit to bind the match the minute Gotch says the word. I have the champion of the world in Zbyszko right now, but I would like to see **Zbyszko get one** chance at the Iowan."

Two Veteran Catchers Phillies Are After

Manager Dooin, of the Phillies, announced yesterday that he could make use of John Kling and Roger Bresnahan, former managers of the Boston and St. Louis National clubs, respectively, and will bid for both men.

DEPLORE LACK OF BLOODED HORSES

Decrease of Thoroughbred Gives Great Concern to Horsemen of United States.

EXPORTATION CAUSE GIVEN

Valuable Broodmares, Yearlings and Stallions Shipped Abroad at Surprising Rate.

New York, December 21.—No more discouraging conditions can be offered to those most concerned in the decrease of the thoroughbred in this country than the registration figures taken from the books of the New York Jockey Club. When "Ed" Tipton declared that the country would be cleaned out in a year or two of good thoroughbreds and trotters if a halt was not called, he hit the mark.

Since the year 1905 the registration of thoroughbred foals has fallen off nearly 60 per cent, and there are no immediate prospects of its recovering. In that year the books show that 1,415 foals were registered, against 1,904 for the current year.

At first glance it would appear that such a registration would be enough to supply the race-courses in this country and Canada—for Canada is included in these registrations—but it must be remembered that about 40 per cent of those registered never go to the post. Hence the supply is getting so low that it will take but a short time to wipe out the thoroughbred altogether unless Canada comes to the rescue.

Heretofore this country has been the source of supply for Canada, excepting in a few cases, and if it were not for American **horses there would** hardly be sufficient to hold a seven-days' meeting in the Dominion. The Canadians are aware of the decrease in American breeding states, and quite a number of owners in that country are stocking their farms with breeding material, knowing that the re-

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MANY WILL RACE IN TEN-MILE RUN

Baltimore Cross Country Club to Hold Modified Marathon New Year's Day.

The Baltimore Cross Country Club will hold a ten-mile Marathon race New Year's Day through the streets of Baltimore, and will end at Oriole Park, the home of the International League Baseball Club, where three miles will be run around a track. The entry blanks are out, and many entries are expected from New York, Philadelphia, Washington and Richmond. They may be obtained from the Sporting Editor of The Times-Dispatch. Entries close December 29th, with Harry R. Cotton, 227 W. Baltimore Street, Baltimore.

The affair will be one of the most pretentious ever arranged in the Oriole City. Several weeks ago Johnny Gallagher, the crack George Washington University athlete, captured first place in the championship Marathon, and his entry will be sent in within the next few days.

The course for the race has been mapped out, and consists of the principal streets of the city. Some of the crack men who represented the United States in the recent Olympiad marathon will be there, and to say the affair will be a big success is placing it mildly.

The prizes will consist of three silver loving cups, a gold medal, a silver medal and ten bronze medals. A five-man team trophy will also be given.

The contest for the team trophy will likely be one of the warmest held in the South, as many clubs will have a large list of entries.

ST. LOUIS WANTS VIRGINIA GAME

St. Louis, December 21.—The University of Virginia Alumni Association, of St. Louis, has started a movement which will, in all probability, result in a football game between St. Louis University and the Virginia eleven here next fall.

While nothing definite has yet been done toward arranging the matter, several of the Virginia alumni have written to their alma mater requesting that an attempt be made to schedule the game.

ANOTHER MYTHICAL ELEVEN PICKED FROM VIRGINIA COLLEGES

All-Eastern Team Selected From Schools Competing in Championship Series—William and Mary Alone Without Representation—Richmond College Gets Two Places.

All-Eastern Virginia Intercollegiate Eleven

Ebel	Left End	Hampden-Sidney.
Duval	Left Tackle	Richmond College.
Benedict	Left Guard	Hampden-Sidney.
Bowling	Centre	Hampden-Sidney.
Haynes	Right Guard	Hampden-Sidney.
Wray	Right Tackle	Randolph-Macon.
Vaughn	Right End	Randolph-Macon.
Saunders	Quarter Back	Hampden-Sidney.
Bane	Right Half Back	Randolph-Macon.
Hopkins (captain)	Left Half Back	Randolph-Macon.
Berger	Full Back	Richmond College.

BY F. EARLE LUTZ.

Response only to repeated requests prompts the writer at this late day to take up the different and oftimes thankless task of picking a mythical eleven which would satisfy all the requirements of a well-balanced team and, at the same time, be a true representative of the class from which the choice is made.

Difficult at all times, the selection was made doubly so this year because few real stars were developed. The playing was steady, but not brilliant, and to make a choice from a large number of players, equal or nearly equal in ability, is a herculean undertaking. The above imaginary team is offered after a conscientious study of the records of the players during the season, and with no comment beyond the statement that the selection is based on the writer's belief in the effectives of the combination.

The championship series of the Eastern Intercollegiate Division has become in a way the pride of the State. Not a cloud arose over the athletic horizon in the shape of a wrangle or protest. The series is pursued annually as a continuous policy with ethical sportsmanship beyond criticism. It can be truthfully characterized as a more than successful season.

Yellow Jackets Win Again.

Randolph-Macon again won the championship—achieving a clearcut and well-deserved title to the cup. The Methodists turned out a fast team from a small but powerful lot of candidates. Her first indication of form came in the first championship battle with Hampden-Sidney, which was won by the narrow margin of one field goal. With a line much weaker than that of its antagonists, the Ashlanders showed a recuperative power that brought home the bacon. Again, in the last game of the season, with Richmond College leading for the first half, and with the line shattered and wobbling beneath the heavy plunging tactics of the collegians, the Methodists braced, and fighting like veritable demons, gradually wore down their opponents, and coming from behind, achieved a wonderful but decisive victory.

The season, from the standpoint of the local collegians, was a sad disappointment. No set of men ever worked harder for success, but things seemed to go wrong. The spirit was there, but the ability to profit by it was lacking. They needed the punch at the critical moment. Every one hopes that another season will see better results, for they played in a manner which is worthy of approval and died gamely; but victory is none the less sweet. A win over Randolph-Macon would prove such a tonic, and this may not be so far in the future as we think.

William and Mary and Hampden-Sidney, while great favorites in this city, are not so well known except through the medium of press dispatches. The former **started the season with** an immature and inexperienced team. The men, with possibly one or two exceptions, were not of college calibre. Light in weight, they were helpless when stacked up against their heavier opponents. Every important game,

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WILL DISCUSS MANY PROBLEMS

Amateurism Principal Topic at Meeting of National Collegiate Athletic Association.

New York, December 21.—The seventh annual meeting of the National Collegiate Athletic Association will be held at the Hotel Astor next Friday, when a successor will be chosen for the present head of the organization, Major Palmer E. Pierce, who is now stationed in China with the Fifteenth Infantry. It is likely that because of the prominent part which West Point men have taken in the association that Major Pierce's successor will also be from the Military Academy, Major Pierce **having recommended Major** Stuart as his successor.

At the present time the secretary-treasurer, Frank W. Nicholson, of Wesleyan University, is acting head of the organization, for after Major Pierce left the country the vice-president, Professor H. W. Johnston, of Indiana University, died.

The various phases of amateur athletics will be discussed, and the association will continue its effort to better the athletic situation in the colleges by educational methods. Last year the organization began a campaign against summer baseball, and interesting reports are expected on the outcome of this campaign.

Dr. George L. Meylan, of Columbia University, will deliver an address on athletic training, during which he will discuss the methods used in training

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DOCTOR J. C. PHIPPS IS LATEST RECRUIT GRABBED BY GRIFFIN

Student at University College of Medicine, a Young Hurling Giant With Great Record, Signs Contract on Recommendation of Doc Ayers—Work on Park After Holidays.

BY GUS MALBERT.

Steve Griffin, having had greater success with the pitchers he recruited from the amateur ranks last season than from his regulars, will adopt the same policy for next season. The latest recruit to fall into his net is Dr. J. C. Phipps, a student at the University College of Medicine and the fellow from whom Doc Ayers claims to have learned that wonderful subway ball of his—the shot which, by the way, took him to the big show after just one season out.

Doc Phipps is something of an infant if he measures up to his description. He is just six feet and one inch tall, weighs a mere 215 pounds, but expects to work down to a measly 195 before the season opens. In other words, 195 is what he holds his fighting weight. Like Doc Ayers, he is from Southwest Virginia, his home being in Grayson County. Last season he pitched for the Pulaski team and out of thirteen starts he won eleven and tied two, quite a nifty record, when among his victims are numbered Princeton and the Nebraskan Indians. Doc Phipps has handed the proper piece of paper with his signature thereon to Secretary W. B. Bradley and will report as soon as his school closes.

Joe Kelly and his Toronto club, champions of the International League last season, beating out the Rochester club, three-time champions of the circuit, has at last come to terms with the local management, and will be seen here April 7 and 8. The Toronto club gave the Colts an awful battle last season, and should make a first-class attraction this season.

Stop Until After Holidays.

Work on the new ball park will practically stop until after the holidays. Laborers are hard to keep at work this time of the year, and rather than have what should be done done indifferently, Joe Heusler, under whose direction wrecking the old plant has been going on, has decided to wait until the good cheer and Yuletide greetings and present-giving time is over.

Fandom is more or less interested in just what kind of a plant the new park will be. The men who are going to put it up haven't determined upon anything definite themselves further **than to say a grass diamond** will be built. As to the kind of stands to be constructed, they will determine that later. The first work to be done will be to get a fence around the inclosure. Building a fence around a lot 450 feet square is no small job and will consume considerable time. There must be 100 post holes dug to hold the fence. After the park is inclosed and the idly curious shut out, work can be rushed. Of course some time will be lost through bad weather, inevitable at this time of year, but even taking that into consideration, everything should be in first-class condition before the first exhibition game.

One improvement which has been determined upon is a first-class, up-to-date clubhouse, with every improvement for the men. The old clubhouse **was really a joke, but the management** felt that it would be folly to improve it and spend a lot of money when it was known that it was to be used just one season. In the new clubhouse will be hot and cold showers, individual **lockers for the men,** and there is even talk of putting in a plunge bath.

Depends Upon Lease.

Upon the length of the lease held by the management will depend in large measure the character of plant to be reared. If only a short-term lease has been secured, or if the lease contains a clause which says that possession of the ground can be obtained at any time upon reasonable notice—a not unusual clause in leases issued by railway corporations—then the men who own the franchise will not expend any great sum in building the new stands. They argue, and not without reason, that under such conditions they would be gambling many thousands of dollars upon a house built on sand.

The public naturally wants a park which will compare favorably with any anywhere, and the public is likewise deserving of consideration. Indeed, the public would have a right to demand such a park if a long term lease is in existence, and if the owners of the franchise are protected for a sufficient term of years. Henry P. Beck, while Building Inspector, made the statement to the writer that he would not allow any more wooden stands to be built within the city limits. What the policy of the new inspector will be is not known. The probability is that the base of the stands will be of iron and concrete and the superstructure of heavy timber.

It is understood that the players' benches will be built on a concrete base, and that they will be lowered. If this is done, the visiting team will be relieved of the annoyance of having the sun right in the faces of the players. As to the press stand, it may or may not be on top of the grandstand, but wherever it is, it will be an improvement on conditions at the old park.

ENGLISH COMMITTEE FOR OLYMPIC GAMES MAY EMPLOY TRAINER

Tentative Offer Said to Have Been Made Thomas F. Keene, Athletic Trainer at Syracuse University—Foreign Countries Will Try Hard to Wrest Laurels From America.

New York, December 21.—The announcement that the English Olympic Committee is considering the feasibility of employing a trainer in the athletic reorganization scheme has aroused considerable interest in this country. According to report, a tentative offer will soon be made to Thomas F. Keene, at present athletic trainer at Syracuse University. It is understood that the English authorities are particularly anxious to secure a trainer who has had a thorough experience and training in **American athletic methods.** Coach Keene, as he is known at Syracuse, is noncommittal on the subject. He does not deny that he is being considered for the position, but states that to date nothing definite in the way of a contract is in sight. Keene stated: "I have had no direct offer from the English managers, but I have heard indirectly that they are considering offering me a position as coach of their teams. At present everything is in the air."

If Keene **is selected,** and it appears probable, since he is of English birth and has many years of experience under the American athletic system, he will make the third trainer to go abroad under similar conditions. Ernie Hjertberg is a fixture in Swedish Olympic athletic circles, and Alvin C. Kraenzlein has recently accepted a similar position in Germany. France is also on the outlook for an athletic trainer and coach, and by 1916, when the Olympic games are held at Berlin, the rivalry **among the foreign athletes** coached to compete along American lines should make the point-scoring contest far keener than at past meets.

Need Athletic Director.

James E. Sullivan, the American Olympic commissioner at the Stockholm games, in discussing the reported desire of the English to engage a trainer with American experience, said:

"It is not alone a trainer that the English need. An athletic director is really necessary if England is to take her former position in track and field athletics. Her **system is so antiquated** that it needs a **thorough** overhauling. One trainer or a dozen will not materially help. **Some man, who is an athletic enthusiast, with full power to** plan and secure co-operation all along the line, is what is needed. When England reaches the point where athletics are a part of her school, church, club and college system, then she will be developing athletes of quality and quantity that will make other nations look to their laurels in the Olympic games.

"The European authorities apparent-

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LIGHTBOURN IS WINNER OF MATCH

Starting With Handicap of Thirteen Strokes, He Tops Field at Pinehurst.

Pinehurst, N. C., December 21.—The Tin Whistles, Pinehurst's unique and exclusive club for men, inaugurated its extended schedule of golf tournaments during the week, twenty-one events in all filling in the weeks to come until March 31. In all sixty-six trophies are offered, many of them contributed by members.

Heading the field in the opening tournament, a medal play handicap for first and second prizes, was Philip L. Lightbourn, of the St. George's Club, Bermuda, who, playing with an allowance of thirteen strokes, generally conceded to be sufficiently unlucky to preclude the possibility of winning, scored a net of seventy-one. Three strokes farther down the list, Parker W. Whittemore, of the Brookline Country Club, the scratch contestant, was second in seventy-four, two duplicate rounds of thirty-seven. J. P. Gardner, of Chicago (4), finished third in seventy-five. The scores:

P. L. Lightbourn, Bermuda	46	40	84	13
P. W. Whittemore, Brookline	37	37	74	3
J. P. Gardner, Chicago	41	34	75	4
Dr. M. W. Marr, Dorchester	47	40	87	10
Rev. T. A. Cheatham, Salisbury	41	46	87	12
H. W. Comstock, Fitchburg	43	47	90	13
E. J. Dingwey, Montclair	39	44	83	5
F. C. Abbe, Bethlehem	47	50	97	14
J. E. Kellogg, Fitchburg	45	44	89	10
J. D. Foot, Rye	41	48	89	9
James Barber, Englewood	49	50	99	9
H. C. Shannon, L. Bronxport	47	51	98	10
C. S. Hudson, New Suffolk	47	52	99	10
C. J. Morse, Boston	51	50	101	10
J. S. Bowen, Philadelphia	47	52	99	10
W. S. Rathbone, Detroit	48	50	98	12
H. M. Adams, Glen Cove	46	50	96	9
T. J. Cheek, New York	47	50	97	12
Frank H. Poole, Jefferson	49	50	99	10
C. F. Garfield, Rochester	49	47	96	10
J. D. C. Rumsey, Brooklyn	52	50	102	10
C. D. Morse, Brockton	51	50	101	12