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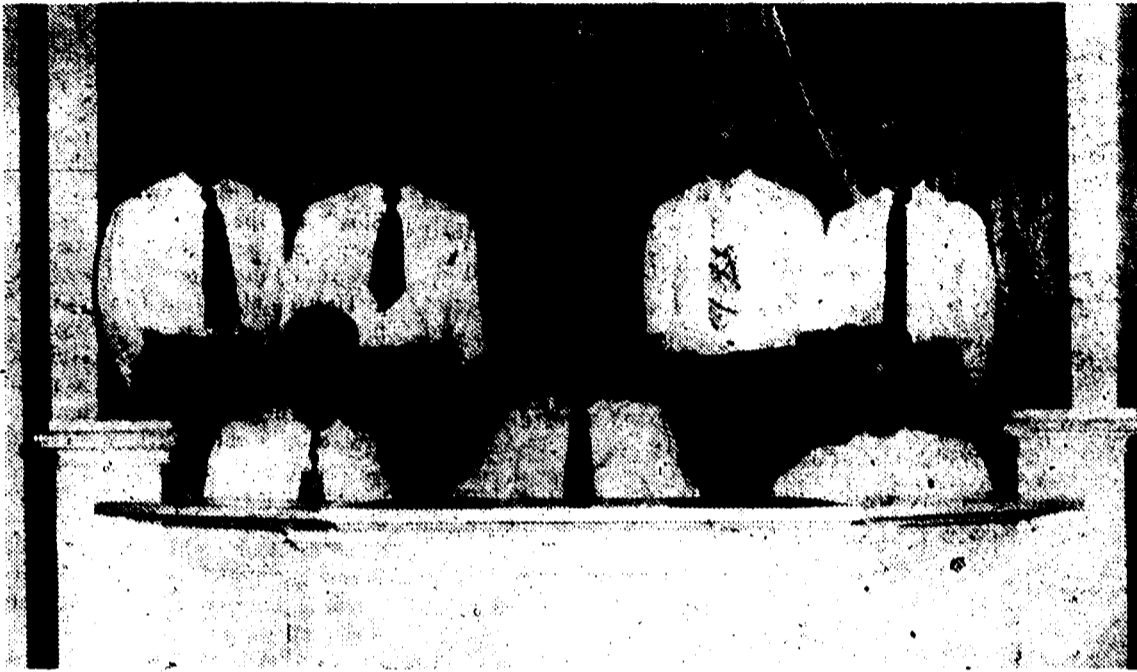
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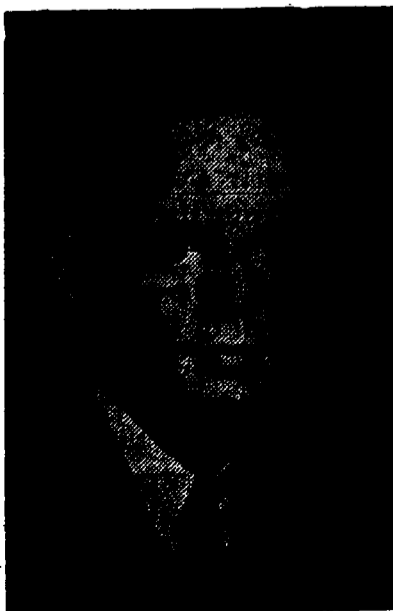
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To The Freshmen . . .

We of the *Davidsonian* staff would like to follow everyone else with a cordial greeting to the class of '49. That welcome has already been exemplified to you by the faculty and by the three upper-classes, and we feel sure that everyone of you by this time has experienced the realization of that fact. You have been introduced to college life, thoroughly lubricated by the "soothing oils of Rush Week" and now you consider yourselves ready to begin your college career at Davidson.

No longer are you a sophisticated high school senior that most of you were a few weeks ago. You are college men, and you must adapt yourselves to a new life. Here at Davidson you will find that there pervades above all other traits an atmosphere of friendliness, gentlemanly deportment, and courtesy. These traits have been established here by classes that have gone ahead of you, and we urge you not to hide behind its reputation but to begin your first year at Davidson by putting its ideals and traditions into practice ever striving to carry them to higher levels.

At the present you are the most important class in school. More is expected of you than any other class, for upon you rests the responsibility of upholding the traditions of Davidson. The war and its influence should not cause us to give up the program that we have built up in this institution. No one knows what will happen to educational standards or the length of the average college career, but the worth of activities as an application of academic knowledge will increase as the time element decreases.

Don't try to conceal the fact that you are a freshman, and don't try to escape the few mild freshmen regulations that are imposed upon you. Many an

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alumnus of this college would tell you that his freshman year at Davidson was the most pleasant of his college career. He would in all probability tell you that this was true, because his experiences during that year had proved invaluable to him.

Begin this very moment to apply yourself to the work ahead. Work hard to get all you can out of college while you are here. For the first time in your life you are probably on your own. And remember one thing—that you came to college to get an education. This in a sense can be applied to much more than book knowledge. Portions of your education can be attained by entering into the extra-curriculum activities. We would like to see the student body reach an ideal of everyone of its members participating in some form of activity.

Finally, permit us again to welcome you to Davidson college. You have made an excellent choice which you will never regret. May your stay here be one of success and happiness, and to each and every one of you, we extend hearty greetings, wishing you the best that life has to offer.

To The Upper Classes . . .

We, the members of the Sophomore, Junior, and Senior classes, are found with a responsibility, the scope of which, we fear, few realize. The responsibility has fallen upon us to act as an example and to guide and train the new men of the Freshmen class. In the past years this has been left largely to orientation, to the court of control, and to the written and unwritten traditions of the college. But this, however, can no longer be.

Today's freshmen will very likely not enjoy four full years of Davidson's capturing influence, and it is our duty to embed into their minds as quickly as possible Davidson's wonderful traditions.

We can not afford to take the chance of letting them take it for granted, but we must, first, let them see and realize that we are proud of such a thing as Davidson traditions, and secondly, we must have them proud of our fine and noble traditions.

Naturally, with the small student body here this summer, we will see each other more often, and as a result will get to know each other better than before. Consequently, that brings up the question whether or not we will like each other better than suspected, or there will arise in the student body a spirit of ill will and reproach.

But we certainly have no fear of the latter taking place amidst the student body. Nevertheless, we would like to charge each and every student at Davidson to make it his personal responsibility to see that the crisis outside will draw us more closely together in the bonds of a better Davidson.

YOURS, From The "Y"

By Buddy Wells

Howdy Friends. This is your 'Y' column with bits of news about your Y.M.C.A. Read it and learn what the "Y" is doing for the community and you.

Ed Golden has big plans for our summer social life. He set things in motion in good style with his excellent reception for the Freshmen and Co-eds at the "Y". Our thanks to the Quadrangle Wives who helped with the refreshments. Last Sunday there was a "Hymn Sing" at the "Y" after vespers. Were you there? Be sure you save Saturday June 30 open for the picnic at Harris Lake. Tentative plans are to leave at 3:00 p. m. and go for a swim or to lounge as you please. This will be followed by a picnic supper. There will be open house at Fraternity Court when we return. Later in the summer the Social Chairman plans to have other picnics and entertaining events such as an amateur night or stunt night. Watch for notices of these events.

Marks Underwood has not only organized a good Sunday School class, but he also taught a fine lesson the first Sunday. Sterling Edwards was elected President of the class, and Guy Hitchcock was elected Secretary - treasurer. Underwood plans to use Jim Roberson as teacher whenever it is possible because he was so well liked last summer. Other good men, like Dave Baker who taught last Sunday, will teach also. The class decided to have practical student subjects for lessons, and some of the probable lesson subjects for the summer are "How To Know The Will Of God," "How To Do The Will Of God," "How To Keep The Sabbath Holy," "The Questionable Amusements," and "The Use Of The Tongue." Underwood also plans to continue the Sunday School classes at the sanatorium. If you can help there, you will find that it will help you.

Jim Nisbet reports real progress at Unity Church. He and Ed Golden are serving as pastors and they have other students helping as teachers. The "Y" is helping the church send six of its young people to summer conferences. Three are at Pioneer Camp and three more will go to the Senior Conference. Good work, men.

Harry McLean has set up his Hall Prayer Group Organization and the first meetings were Wednesday night. The "Y" Questionnaires were distributed and McLean reports the following attendance. 101 men on the halls, 57 at the Prayer Meetings. These meetings are not to help the "Y", but they are for you. Take time to worship in your room with your friends.

Blain picked a good man to start the "Y" Chapel Services. Did you tell G. G. how fine his talk was? At the second "Y" Chapel you met your "Y" Cabinet. Sonny plans to use some of these men to lead the student chapel services. At the next four services you will hear Spencer, Golden, Wells, and Robinson.

We are glad to have Mr. Osborne back as "Y" Secretary. Our thanks too to Dr. Pritchett for his help. Use both of these men, they want to be used. Make the "Y" your campus home. That's what it is here for. Remember that big word in the Y.M.C.A., the one that begins with a C. Our "Y" President put it well when he said that the "Y" is here to help you to "Serve Your Christ With Gladness."

"FIFTH" COLUMN HINTS

Here we are, off on another rip-roaring summer session, and the first issue of another rip-roaring Davidsonian (we hope). But what good would there be in having a college newspaper without a gossip column? (Don't answer that, I have to do something to stay on the staff.) So no matter what you think, here goes:

Last week was definitely "rush week" at ole D. C. Not only for the new boys who were being rushed, but for the fraternity men who were rushing around getting dates, planning parties, etc. Actually though, rushing was carried on in a particularly gentle manner this summer: Each fraternity member was carefully instructed to say "Excuse me" to each freshmen before he hit him with the desk lamp and dragged him down to be pledged up. Then came the day of silence; the bids had been mailed and at two P. M. the brothers waited in their respective houses with baited breath (and traps). It was a hot sultry afternoon, and the stillness was broken only by the dull murmurings of two freshmen standing in the middle of fraternity court. It seemed that they had not yet made up their minds as to which fraternity they wished to join. Various brothers were making up their minds and bade a fond farewell to each other as they walked, toward different fraternity houses. Suddenly the air was shattered by horse cries from the Beta house, as they came pouring out to play Indian amongst the trees of the court. It was their traditional victory dance, and fortunately they suffered no casualties, except for the loss of a few personal possessions which were recovered later.

After the pledging ceremonies, everyone busted loose in all directions; some went home, some went to Charlotte, and some rode out to enjoy the cool (?) waters of Harris Lake.

With the arrival of summer school, we find co-eds tripping around the campus, and they usually present a problem. There are always a few boys who don't seem to be able to keep from making entangling alliances. For instance, take the case of one Sonny Blain, who has been feeling very spry lately. It must be because he has a lot of "Young Blood" in his veins, "nes ker pas?"

It is nice to see that the Court of Control has begun to function again, and that some of the more noxious Freshmen have been made to toe the mark. It seems strange to see the freshmen playing "sojer" around the campus every morning, but don't feel bad about it fellows; If you have to go to the army, you'll know how it's done. Speaking of the court, it seems that Judge Lazenby is going to draw blood if any more Beta pledges awaken him every hour on the hour all through the night. Treat 'em rough, Judge.

I guess that's about all for now, but I'll be back next issue. In the meantime, if you have any choice bits of gossip about yourself you had better keep quiet, or you'll find your name in print.

P. S. Any names used in this article, which correspond to names of persons either living or in Davidson is purely intentional.



By JOE STUKES

All of you Davidson elite sit back in your easy chairs, kick off your bedroom slippers, and take one more puff on the dying pipe. Breath deeply of the satisfaction you have received from reading the first parts of this *Davidsonian* for I warn you, you'll disgustedly light that pipe again, put on your slippers, get

out of that easy chair, and just, in general, quit after reaching the "three-oh" mark at the end of this column, if you get that far.

This is the time of year most sport writers dream about. Sports haven't really gotten into full swing and so each writer can beat the bridge about what his team'll do to the opposition. That just about leaves me out. In the first place, I'm no sports writer. Then, too, I don't dream about anytime of the year except Christmas and September when I'll be eighteen. But Mel insisted that I write and fill up this side of the page until one of you got so sick of it you'd get out of those slippers and that easy chair, crush that pipe and volunteer for the vacancy I'll leave just as soon as you do volunteer.

One break for sports fans didn't break last week when Lin O'Briant, of Durham, who played a good bit of basketball for the Wildcats last winter, had a little run-in with the draft board in Durham. It seems that his uncle has been kicked off of it and Lyn is 1-A. He was a fine boy and a good ball player and one who really knows his sports. One might "bull" with him all night and Lyn would never repeat himself. Personally I had looked forward to a long sports bull session, and was genuinely disappointed when he could not make it. I'm sure I wasn't the only one.

Charlie Blackburn, who was also a fine player for us, is army-bound and expects call anytime. Jack Etheridge is in Midshipman school at Pass Christian, Miss. Jim Lowry spent last semester at Union Seminary and has a church in Rocky Mount for the summer, I understand. Gabby Bryant is at Great Lakes, so they tell me. Thus is the tale of our basketball team. Al Scarborough, Bill Simpson, and John Wall are the only ones still around.

Inter-mural softball begins this week. It should have hit full stride by the time the paper is out. There are six active teams: the Independents and Betas fielding two each; the Pi Kapps and Pikas fielding one together; and the Sigma, KAs, SAEs, and SPEs fielding one. I'll not make a prediction this week, because all of you know who I would pick and I'd probably be wrong, and everyone would be on my neck and I'd have to be thinking up excuses and so would the team I picked. So-o-o-o, I'll leave it up to you all because one of you is going to get so sick of me that you'll get out of those slippers and that easy chair, crush that pipe and volunteer for the vacancy I'll leave just as soon as you do volunteer.

P. T. must also get its due recognition. Three days a week we have it and if everyone really puts out like some choice few have been doing, we'll really have a football team next fall. In case someone is interested or does not know, P. T. is held every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday behind the eastern stands of Richardson Field. The student body is turning out practically 100 per cent to reap the benefits of such a chance. And it really seems to be doing some men good such as Nisbet and Stukes to mention two.

The Davidson Legion team does not seem to be faring so well against its opposition to date. But good ball is being played and it is a spectacle none of us should miss, for we see so little of it on the Hill. There is a good bit of talent on the team and we, the student body of Davidson, should do our part to turn it into a winning outfit. Let's turn out as one to these games and give them some real Davidson backing.

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Many Win Letters In Athletics

MARSH WEDS

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tary Science and Tactics of the ROTC he was appointed, on May 24, 1944, Commandant of the new AST-RP unit by the Fourth Service Command, U. S. Army. Major Marsh is distinctly a Davidson product. His record at Davidson College earned him membership into Phi Beta Kappa and won for him many other student honors.

NEW COURT TAKES UP DUTIES

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6. Remain seated after chapel until all upper-classmen have left the auditorium.

It is sincerely hoped that all students will cooperate in seeing that the regulations are observed, and that all upper-classmen will report all violations promptly. Only by cooperation can the work of the court be carried out in the proper manner, and the traditions of Davidson be perpetuated.

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Intra-Murals Award Made

Independents Win Loving Cup For One Year

W. Heath Whittle, assistant Director of Physical Education, reported a successful season in intra-mural sports with 86 per cent of total student participation in an aggregate of 113 contests. He awarded first place to the "Independents" who earned a season's total of 762 points. With this honor went the "Davidson Inter-Fraternity Trophy" — a large loving cup on a suitable inscribed base. The cup is kept for the following year by the winning group. It has been previously awarded to the Kappa Alpha fraternity (1941-42), the Phi Delta Theta (1939-40 and 1940-41), and the Kappa Sigmas (1942-43). Second place was won by the Sigma Phi Epsilons with 736 points. Others in the running were: third place, Beta Theta Pi's; fourth place, Kappa Sigma's; fifth place, Pi Kappa Phi's; and sixth place, Pi Kappa Alpha's.

Softball Schedules Posted for Summer

An announcement has been posted outside of Chambers building on the ball games to be played this first term of summer school between the different fraternities and the independents. On Wednesday evening, June 20 the Pi Kapps-Pikas tangled with the Independents No. 2. At the same time the KA's SPE's SAE's-Kappa Sigs fought against the Betas.

On Thursday evening June 21 the Betas played the Independent team No. 1, and the Pi Kapps-Pikas hit ball with the Thetas. On Monday evening, June 25, the Independents No. 1 played their rivals, Independents No. 2. On the same day the Betas played the KA's-SPE's-SAE's Kappa Sigs.

The Pi Kapps-Pikas will play the Independents team No. 1 on Tuesday June 26. On the same evening the Betas will play the Thetas. On Wednesday, June 27, the Independents No. 2 will engulf the KA-SPE-SAE-Kappa Sig team; and the Theta team will play the Independent team No. 2.

The Betas will play the Independent team No. 2 on Monday, July 2; and the Pi Kapps-Pikas will play the KA-SPE-SAE-Kappa Sig team during the same evening. On Tuesday, July 3, the Independent team No. 1 will play the Theta team.

All games above will start at 7:00 P. M. The managers of each team must secure officials for the game. After each game the managers of the winning team should turn in to Coach Whittle the score of the game. The managers must secure equipment such as balls, bats, and catcher's mask from equipment room in basement of Gym at 6:45. Immediately after each game the managers must return all equipment borrowed for the game.

The schedule of intramural softball games for the second term of summer school will be printed at the appropriate time.

Coach Shepard Makes Awards

On May 23 the Chambers Auditorium at Davidson College was the scene of the annual award of Athletic Letters and trophies for the current college year.

Athletic Director Norman W. Shepard awarded numerals in football for the 1944 season to the following: T. J. Barringer, Florence, S. C.; E. C. Bryant, Jr., High Point, N. C.; Van A. Covington, Jr., Gastonia, N. C.; John F. Dunbar, Spartanburg, S. C.; P. L. Edwards, Conway, S. C.; J. P. Etheridge, Atlanta, Ga.; J. C. Herion, Mt. Pleasant, N. C.; J. R. Hat, Hickory, N. C.; J. K. Inscow, Nashville, N. C.; J. D. T. Johnson, Savannah, Ga.; L. C. Keesler, Charlotte; Ward Lasley, Burlington, N. C.; E. W. Monroe, Laurinburg, N. C.; J. W. Medford, Jr., Lancaster, S. C.; V. E. Manget, Decatur, Ga.; T. E. Myatt, Jr., Asheboro, N. C.; J. E. McNair, Laurinburg, N. C.; K. H. McArn, Laurinburg, N. C.; F. R. McAllister, Matthews, N. C.; C. G. McGee, Jacksonville, Fla.; D. M. Neill, Kings Mountain, N. C.; A. H. Pell, Charlotte; F. A. Patterson, Rockingham, N. C.; N. P. Schenck, Shelby, N. C.; Robert Strickland, Jr., Atlanta, Ga.; John L. Sherrill, Cornelius, N. C.; A. W. Whitehouse, Jr., Charleston, S. C.; James Love, Manager, Greensboro, N. C.; James Lowry, Jr., Manager, Birmingham, Ala.

Baseball numerals for 1945 were presented to the following: R. A. Berry, Belmont, N. C.; Robert Brooks, Charlotte; R. F. Coble, Jr., Bessemer City, N. C.; J. C. Herion, Mt. Pleasant; Ward Lasley, Burlington; John Sherrill, Cornelius; W. T. Simpson, Jr., Huntersville; G. R. Sinclair, Wilmington, N. C.; John Thatcher, Miami, Fla.; P. C. Whittier, Atlanta, Ga.

Varsity letters in Basketball for the 1944-45 season were awarded to: R. A. Berry, Belmont; C. H. Blackburn, Jr., Boone, N. C.; J. P. Etheridge, Atlanta; James Lowry (Capt), Birmingham; D. M. Neill, Kings Mountain; P. L. O'Briant, Durham, N. C.; Alfred Scarborough, Jr., Sumter, S. C.; J. A. Wall, High Point, N. C.; Lee Drake, Manager, Richmond, Va.

Letters in Riflery were presented to: R. F. Coble, Jr., Bessemer City; J. D. T. Johnson, Savannah; J. D. Mahafce, Caroleen, N. C.; E. M. Sellars, Jr.; Greensboro; F. C. Sherrill, Cornelius; J. W. Tatcher, Miami, Fla.

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