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# THE PARTHENON

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## Banquet Tendered Football Team

One of the biggest and most delightful banquets in the history of Marshall College was tendered to the Green and White eleven in the Hotel Frederick, Saturday night, December 9.

It was an occasion such as is rarely witnessed at the close of the collegiate football season, and the program that had been arranged reflected a general spirit of jubilation particularly suited to the remarkable record that the team made during the past season.

Professor Franklin served as toastmaster, and introduced the successive speakers in a manner entirely appropriate to the occasion. His reference to the present standing of Marshall athletics was regarded as particularly pertinent.

President L. J. Corbly spoke on "Football as an Asset to the College." His speech was straight to the point and delivered with characteristic fluency. He asserted that athletics were of undoubted value to the institution he heads. In closing he congratulated heartily the members of the team, and referred to the work of Coach Chambers.

Professor Wylie reviewed in an interesting way the success that has attended the Marshall eleven during the past season, and in giving the outlook for the coming season, pointed out the fact that six members of the team would return, and that despite the loss by graduation, the squad would be increased by a fund of excellent material.

Captain Ruckman of the eleven, in discussing the team machinery, attributed a vast degree of credit to the efforts of Coach Chambers. He referred particularly to the splendid showing that had been made against West Virginia University. He gave to "Cy" Young a generous share of the glory that has been clustered about the eleven.

In his discussion of "Teamwork," Coach Chambers analyzed the situation in a pleasing and impartial fashion. He was given an exceptionally hearty applause when he concluded his brief talk.

To the round table toast "Why I Play Football," Messrs. O. P. Lambert, Archer, Farmer, England, Cornwell, Ollom, and Young responded. When the last speaker had concluded, the banquet was brought to a close with a stirring college yell, led by Cheer-Leader Strickling.

Besides the regular team, the following members of the association attended: Messrs. Lyon, Fowler, Yates, Lawrence, Halstead, Harper, Carter, Reeser, Morrow, Bailey, Simmons, Titus, Bonar,

Parks, Brode, McGinnis, Wilson, Strickling, and others.

Unique banquet cards were presented to those in attendance. The names of the members of the regular team were printed on it as follows: Ruckman, Farmer, Archer, O. P. Lambert, Cornwell, Brackman, McVey, Young, England, Kendle, Ollom, Johnson, Lambert, Ramsey, and Feeney.—Herald-Dispatch.

## Field Trip

The Physiography and Geology classes, under the direction of Miss Burgess, went on a field trip Saturday morning, to the heights south of the city. After studying the topographic conditions, the classes repaired to the shale deposit owned by the W. Va. Paving and Pressed Brick Co., where they studied in detail the industry of brick-making, from the quarried shale to the finished product ready for the market.

Field work has become a permanent part of the work in this department and the students look forward with keen interest to field study.

## Model School

The fifth and sixth grades of the Model School have prepared a pleasant Christmas surprise for the poor. They have arranged a Christmas play, "The Toys' Rebellion," a Christmas tree, and other amusements. They have earned the money for this themselves. Each one has invited a poor child as a guest, and each guest will receive a little gift.

The fourth graders have earned money for the poor for Christmas.

The Preparatory Department began their examinations last week, so as to finish them by Friday.

Dayton Carter who attended the banquet given for the football players was invited to give a toast. Not knowing what to say, he declined, but when he was urged, he rose, saying: "Mr. Toastmaster and fellow friends, I have enjoyed myself ever so much."

## The Ciceronian Debating Club

Those oratorical echoes you hear on Friday evenings are from room 38, where the Ciceronian Debating Club regularly meets.

At the last meeting, December 8th, the following officers were elected: R. A. Lee, president; W. E. Gambol, vice-president; Minter Wilson, critic; A. H. Groves, secretary; and L. E. Cox, reporter.

This club is noted for its able debaters and good order. Everybody is invited to attend.

## Faculty Dinner

Of more than usual interest among the "dates" of Marshall's social calendar was the dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. Corbly and Dr. and Mrs. Haworth, on the evening of December 8, to the instructors of the various departments of the school. A pleasant half-hour was spent in the south parlor, after which, at eight o'clock, the guests were ushered into the large dining-room, beautifully decorated with growing plants and cut flowers.

The dinner, a delicious repast of six courses, was faultlessly served, and perfect in every appointment. The kind thought as well as the delightful form of its expression, was genuinely appreciated by all who enjoyed the courteous hospitality of the genial hosts and gracious hostesses.

The following guests were present: Professor and Mrs. Myers, Mrs. Everett, Mrs. Lyon, Misses Lillian Hackney, Harriett Johnson, Olla Stevenson, Anna Cummings, Grace Cummings, Mildred MacGeorge, Grace Felton, Ada Colbert, Ann De Noon, Florence White, Ora Staats, Elizabeth Colwell, Lillian Isbell, Hattie Tudor, Inez Brookfield, Ona Ullman, Emma Parker, Frances Burgess, Helen Tufts, Mrs. Elizabeth Myers, Mrs. Kearn, Mrs. Shepherd, Mr. Franklin, Mr. Hurlin, and Mr. Wylie.

## Senior Entertainment

Friday night the Senior Class held their annual Christmas tree entertainment.

Every Senior was assessed twenty-five cents to help defray the expenses, besides each was expected to bring a present not to exceed ten cents in value. Many strange presents were received and all had a good time.

After the presents were distributed the president presented the class officers. Miss Johnson and Mr. Wylie, with a set of silver spoons and an umbrella respectively, in order to show appreciation and thankfulness for their untiring efforts with the large class for the last four years.

There is a great body of undergraduate students, running into thousands, even in the last decade, who, were the matter properly brought before them, might unite and build a "Student Gate." Haven't we some undergraduate Crotty's, Myerses, or Halsteads who will set the movement afoot?

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1911

Christmas gifts may be small things, cheap things as to monetary value, or such as could not even be called "things," and still be *very* worth while. This is a year when most purses are a little more slender than usual, hence is a good year for a little departure in Christmas giving. Except on rare occasions such gifts should not exceed 10c to 50c among young people who are friends, and the number of such gifts should be kept within a very small circle, extending beyond the family in none except the rarest instances. We should not forget that Christmas was set aside to commemorate the birth of Christ and not as an occasion for extravagance either in giving gifts material, in feasting on material things, or in excess in any form. It should be distinctively an occasion for spiritual recreation and celebration, an occasion when bitterness, hatred, vanity, pretense, hardness of feeling toward any one or about anything should be absolutely banished and men and women, boys and girls, and little children should spend a day at least of delightful social life—an occasion when we should get hold anew of the best impulses of our nature. The Christ was a type of the simple, soulful, personal, thoughtful, forgiving, *helping-where-needed* life. In display of word or act he took no part; sham, pretense, and hollow ceremonials He looked upon as sins of the gravest nature; He loved and honored the genuine, the individual, the personal in men and women; eat and drink to Him were mere necessities not luxuries; life with Him was a tremendously serious thing, serious only in that it is a time for doing things, becoming something worth while, and a time for service as well as for joy. Com-

mon sense was Heaven's first law to Him—that "common sense" which is so common, so simple, so practical that it is most uncommon. He found no time for prying into the private lives of men and women; He was deeply sensible of the delicacy of the human soul within a man, and was always willing to leave a man or a woman unto himself or herself to live and be themselves after He had outlined His plan of life to them in the simple language of nature. He was not afraid of the sincere man's going far wrong; it was the loud pretender that He feared, that He regarded the dangerous sinner. Worship, with Him, was matter of the heart, not matter of form, or of place, or of words; in the forest, on the mountain, on the sea, in the field, all alone in the garden—these were temple enough for Him at any time. He illustrated in few words His law of life and of conduct; He reproached wrong in high places but most kindly suggested "caution" to the individual who lived his own life, when he erred, and *then* only when he thrust his wrong deeds in the face of the public. Happiness with Him was service, simplicity, loyalty to friends, sincerity, honesty in purpose, pleasures that harmed none other. Giving, with Him, was of the heart, of himself.

Go, buy Christmas cards with quotations thereon as simple as the words of the Christ, and as chaste; then send a short letter of personal greeting, and *you will have done well*. If your friends are worthy the name, it is your love, your sympathy, your thinking of them in the spirit of affection that they prize above everything else.

### The Virginian Literary Society

Never in its history have the prospects of the Virginian Literary Society looked more bright than at present. Nearly the whole membership was present last Friday, and the deliberative enthusiasm manifested by all was an unquestionable evidence to the real life and worth of the work being done. Only a part of the program, however, was rendered as it was the last meeting for the term and the election of officers took much of the time.

The election was held and the poles closed with Mr. Archer, one of the All-State tackles, on the long end of the "count" for president; Mr. Lambert, the All-State center, for vice-president; Mr. Lee for reporter; Mr. "Pink" Yates for secretary; Helen Brandebury for treasurer; and Mr. Talley and Miss Wilson for program committee.

After election Messrs. Lee and Lambert, in the debate, proved to the satisfaction of all that the New World is more richly stored and prepared by nature for man than the Old World.

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ginian loyalty, Mr. Ferguson poured forth the sentiments of his soul, as he was preparing to give up his chair to Mr. Archer, in a flow of eloquence and a grandeur of words that completely confounded, charmed, and inspired the big meeting, and there was more than one who meekly said "Long live the Virginian and Great Caesar!"

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## College Hall

"Variety is the spice of life," so, as a departure from the old order of things, the dinner Friday evening was served buffet style in the parlor, because the dining-room was in use for the faculty banquet. Believe me, the inmates of the Hall all enjoyed this manner of dining, the chief reason being that it was served at least one-half hour earlier than usual. Again, it was partly like a picnic and partly like a reception and so generally informal that it was almost like having a holiday. A committee of girls helped to serve and another committee washed dishes. Of course, for that committee at least, this last was the climax of all the fun.

By reason of the fact that Miss Staats and all the other members of the faculty of the Hall were away from the girls' section of the building, a committee of six seniors was appointed to look after the needs of the girls, ring the study bells and see to the hall in general.

"Twas the night of the banquet,  
And all through the house,  
Not a creature was stirring—  
Not even a mouse."

From the conduct in the Hall, no one would have suspected that only those Senior girls were in charge instead of Miss Staats.

The "F. F. F.'s" met as usual Monday night. "What's that?" you say. I guess I had better explain. Of course you have heard of that *girls' club* they have in the Hall. Well, we met as usual Monday and selected gold and white for our colors and decided to call ourselves the "Famous Frivolous Few."

Our entertainment is assuming greater and greater proportions as the time for its rendering approaches. Every one look out for January 12; there will be "something doing."

Some of the girls are wishing they had a larger brother, as they will need coats January 12. What will some of us do who have no brothers?

A number of the members attended the theatre Tuesday night under the chaperonage of Miss White.

## Y. M. C. A.

We are just closing one of the most successful terms' work in the history of the organization.

Under the leadership of our efficient officers, we have reached such a degree of enthusiasm that all take a most active part in the discussion of the various topics. The attendance has been unusually large, and is steadily growing, which is a proof of the active work among the members.

In connection with the regular Y. M. C. A. work we have organized a Bible study class under the leadership of Mr. Hutchinson, who is one of Huntington's

most prominent men, and has proven to be a wide awake man, and a man who has this work at heart. The class has a membership of some fifteen or twenty and they are now hammering away on Abraham, and digging out from the very bottom, facts that we didn't know much about before we began this course.

Boys, you who are not members and do not regularly attend our organization, you are missing something that is worth while when you miss our meetings. The doors are thrown wide open, and a special invitation is given to every boy of Marshall College to enlist in the line and throw his strength into the work. Will you not resolve to enter the fight and work with us for the betterment of our society and our school?

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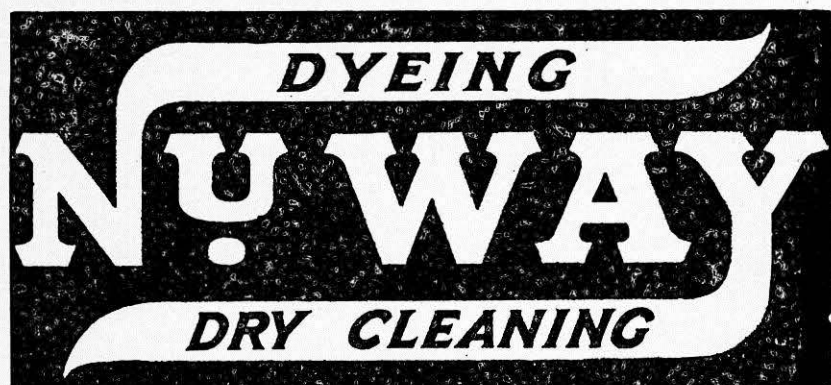
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**Locals**

All the various teachers will leave immediately after exams for their respective homes to spend the holidays.

The Model School is busy now preparing for its Christmas entertainment. The Model School will also donate money and boxes to the Salvation Army of the city for the poor.

Professor Myers will move to his new home in Ohio about the first of the year. Mrs. Lyon will take his city residence after he vacates it.

Hayward Callison broke his arm Thursday while cranking an automobile.

It is whispered about that the Athletic Association is in debt about one hundred and fifty dollars on football.

**Athletics**

"Cy" Young was elected captain of the 1912 football team by the "M" men. This honor comes as a fitting reward for his wonderful work during the past two seasons. "Cy" will make a grand "Cap" and we are all for the speed merchant. He had previously been elected captain of the 1912 baseball team, so we now have the privilege of calling him "Captain Cy" for almost a year.

The football team was entertained Friday evening by one of Marshall's most ardent supporters, Andy Hoover, owner of the Huntington Candy Kitchen. Many thanks, Andy.

The Gym floor will, in all probability, be ready at the opening of the Winter term. Preparations for Basketball and the Carnival will begin at once.

**Freshman Class**

Here we appear again with another line of 'dope' for you to consider. Wonderful things have been done during this term—all for the purpose of building up the class to the top round of perfection, and we believe we are just about there now.

All our meetings have been carried on with perfect harmony, which, of course, must be the case when a well organized class is striving for the highest honors.

Our last meeting completed the work for this term. After we had transacted all our business the assessment was laid, and the treasurer informs us that he is meeting with the most gratifying success in collecting the dues.

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