

A. M. A. AGAIN MEETS WATERLOO IN S. M. A. GAME

(Staunton Daily Leader)

As in football last fall, Augusta Military Academy met its Waterloo in the basket ball cage Saturday night at the hands of Staunton Military Academy, the local cadets taking a fast game from Rollers on their own floor at Fort Defiance, the final score having been 36 to 31. By this victory, S. M. A. won a right to another game with the previously undefeated Roller quint for the state prep. school championship having lost to the Fort Defiance lads earlier in the season. The "rubber" will probably be played in Doremus gymnasium, at W. & L. University.

BIG CROWD PRESENT

As in all contests between these old rivals, there was great interest, and a big crowd filled the gallery of the A. M. A. gymnasium last night, S. M. A. having a strong following from Staunton on hand.

A. M. A. took the lead in the first few minutes of the game, which was close, hard-fought and exciting from

start to finish. Rollers caged several baskets before Kable's found themselves, and then the hill-toppers began to pile up their score. The count at the end of the first half was 21 to 15 in S. M. A.'s favor, and this lead was maintained until the final whistle, Rollers lessening the margin by only one point, as seen in the final score, 36 to 31.

The losers played a hard, and very clever game, but resorted to the long shot at which they seldom made good, while S. M. A. worked the ball for the greater part of the score up under the basket for short shots. Leech, the Roller right forward, made several sensational shots from long distances, but Bridges, of the S. M. A. quint, showed up as the star of the contest in scoring, making seven of S. M. A.'s fourteen field goals, and though for the most part on short shots, from very difficult positions. Teabo, his team-mate, did clever work, scoring four goals, but he was unable to get away from his guard, Goodrich, for many good shots. Both teams showed up strongly on the defensive, Prather and Lawler breaking up A. M. A.'s plays time after time, while Balthis and Goodrich, and later Jones, were difficult problems for the Kable forwards.

FREE SHOTS DECIDE

S. M. A. played a remarkably clean game, only one personal foul being called, and five technical against nine personals and three technicals on A. M. A. Of his 12 chances, Prather made good on eight, free shots proving the deciding factor of the game, as Fox, for A. M. A., threw but three goals on his six chances.

Line-ups:

S. M. A.	A. M. A.
Teabo R. F.	Leech
Bridges L. F.	Fox
Kingsbury C.	Jennings
Lawlar R. G.	Balthis
Prather L. G.	Goodrich
Substitutions—S. M. A.: Jones for	

(Continued on Page Two)

A. M. A. CLAIMS BASKET BALL CHAMPIONSHIP

A. M. A. Coach Bases Claim on Higher Percentage in Games Played

Refuses to Play S. M. A. Third Game to Decide Tie Existing

Augusta Military Academy, in the following article by its basket ball coach, lays claim to the prep. school basket ball championship, ignoring S. M. A.'s contention that a third game to decide the tie between these two schools should be played:

The Leader:

As the end of the basket ball season draws near the attention of the fans of this sport is naturally directed to the claims for the State Championship. Especially is this a matter of interest to the patrons of the game in this locality, where the best prep. school teams of the State are seen in action. This season the public has been treated to some of the closest and best played contests that have taken place in years.

Referring to the matter of the State Championship, as far as the local schools are concerned, there can be no question but that the Augusta Military quint can lay the best claims to it. On the basis of percentages of games won and lost, which is the method of determining any championship, and the method which appeals to any fair minded person, the A. M. A. team rests its claim.

The following table showing the result of games played between the local teams only substantiates the statements made above:

	Played	Won	Lost	Percentage
A. M. A.—4	3	1		750
S. M. A.—3	1	2		333
F. M. S.—3	1	2		333

A summary of the number of points scored by the three teams is also appended: A. M. A. 104, S. M. A. 81, F. M. S. 69. This would in no case, however, serve as conclusive evidence of the calibre of the teams.

The record of A. M. A. to date in their Prep. School games is as follows:

A. M. A. 25, F. M. S. 23; A. M. A. 25, S. M. A. 22; A. M. A. 29, Greenbriar Presbyterial School 19; A. M. A. 23, F. M. S. 21; A. M. A. 30, W. F. S. 19; A. M. A. 34, Randolph-Macon Academy 21; A. M. A. 38, Eastern College 30; A. M. A. 31, S. M. A. 36.

COACH, BASKET BALL,
Augusta Military Academy.

(Staunton Daily Leader).

Following Saturday night's basket ball game at Fort Defiance, coach Kyle, of S. M. A., at once began negotiations for a third game to decide the tie between the two schools, on a neutral floor, according to a long-established custom. Coach Kyle states that A. M. A. refuses to play the tie off.

Basket ball fans are very anxious to see these two evenly matched quints play the "rubber," and deplore the Roller refusal to do so.

A. M. A. won the first game with Kables early in the season by a 25 to 22 score, with an extra five-minute period; S. M. A.'s victory Saturday night was by a score of 36 to 31. Should A. M. A. finally agree to a third contest, it will probably be slated in Doremus gymnasium, W. & L. University.

Head Coach Cook, of S. M. A., addressed the following statement to *The Leader* in regard to the tie:

"A. M. A. has just informed the S. M. A. coaches that it will not meet on a neutral court to play the tie game made necessary by one victory and one defeat. Rather the A. M. A. policy as one of their coaches expressed it to Coach Kyle, is 'not to play a third game, as we have you outpointed; a greater percentage of games won. We are going to lay claim to the championship on those grounds.'

"Coach Kyle, of S. M. A., informs us that he had no specific understand-

(Continued on Page Four)

4 Photos

of your photo copied for only

10c

Let

D O W

Do It

Staunton Military Academy

An Ideal School for Manly Boys

385 Boys from 46 States Last Session. Largest Private Academy in the United States. Boys from 10 to 20 Years Old Prepared for Universities, Government Academies or Business

1,600 feet above sea level, pure, dry, bracing mountain air of the famous proverbially healthful and beautiful Valley of the Shenandoah. Pure mineral spring water. High moral tone. Parental discipline. Military training develops obedience, health, manly carriage. Lieut. Col. Louis D. Greene of the U. S. Army Instructor in Military Science and Tactics.

Swimming Pool and Athletic Park. All manly sports encouraged. Daily drills and exercises in the open air. Boys from homes of rehnement only desired. Personal, Individual Instruction by our Tutorial System. Standard and traditions high. Academy fifty-five years old. New \$150,000 barracks, full equipment, absolutely fire-proof. Charges \$360.

HANDSOME CATALOGUE FREE

Address: COL. WILLIAM G. KABLE, President Staunton, Va.

HILL TOPICS

THE STAFF

FACULTY

Lt. J. C. CookFaculty Advisor
 Lt. S. C. Chandler,
 Y. M. C. A. Secretary and Contributor

STUDENTS

Cadet Capt. Fred C. Emde, Jr.Editor in-Chief
 Cadet Capt. B. C. Low Social Editor
 Cadet Lt. Boone Armentrout.....Exchange and Athletic Editor
 Cadet Lt. Samuel Nirdlinger.....Joke Editor

(NOTE: Cadets are requested to submit articles for publication: due credit for contributions will be given each week).

HILL TOPICS is published weekly by cadets of Staunton Military Academy. The staff guarantees eight issues beginning with the present, and as many elaborate or special issues as the funds admit. Probably more than eight issues will appear—only that number guaranteed.

Subscription price 50c—single copies 5c. Postage will be prepaid.

STAUNTON, VA. MARCH 4, 1916

LET'S TAKE A BRACE

Sometimes we are discouraged, yes, often, but why should we be? Haven't we got the things we want? Who wants better athletics than we have and don't the players suit you? If the fellow who sits back and picks out the faults of the men playing on the teams would get out and do a little work himself, perhaps we could improve our teams and perhaps not. If we don't have school-spirit, whose fault is it but your own? You can't root with your mouth closed, nor can you kick if a team loses a game unless you do your part by giving it side line support. S. M. A. is an old school of the best of type and a school with a name backing it. If you can't give your school a boost when you can, don't knock it. Now, if you do a thing and get caught, don't turn around and blame the school. You did the job and why not take your medicine? You will get a square deal, if you want it. Of course indifference doesn't get anyone very far, for I have found that out by personal experience. Now fellows lets get together for the best of school life and happiness. If you get the blues think of a good joke and laugh it off. At this moment I wish to compliment the basketball team on their fine ability and earnestness in playing this season's schedule. Do you realize what a fellow does when he makes a team? It isn't just the donning of a uniform for a game that our fellows do. Its more than that; it is hard work every day, from drill until retreat, at practice and just think for instance of the many pleasures our fellows give

up to give our school good representation in athletics. As you sit in a picture show or at a soda fountain, do you think of Captain Prather and his team working hard at practice. No, most of you don't, for you never think of the team or its success until you go down to witness a game. How many of us shake hands with our warriors after they come off the floor of battle. Not many, I guess. Do you stop to realize how good this little thing of a hand shake or a pat on the shoulder, makes a fellow feel. Now our team has done its best and the school is trying to give you the best of opportunities, but if you don't care to accept them, no one under the sun can make you. Let's forget all our criticisms and get busy ourselves and forget the knocking and give each and everyone a boost.

Let's get busy. Baseball season will open immediately after the inter-company series of basketball games. Get out all candidates and make a winning team from the start. Be a booster!

HAGER

A. M. A. AGAIN MEETS

(Continued From Page One)

Goodrich, beginning of second half.

Goals—S. M. A. Teabo 4, Bridges 7, Kingsbury 1, Prather 2; A. M. A.: Leech 6, Fox 3, Jennings 3, Balthis 1, Jones 1; Free Shots: Prather 8 out of 12, Fox 3 out of 6.

Mr. Donahue, of W. & L., referee; Mr. Smith, F. M. S., and Mr. Rosenberger, S. M. A., timekeepers.

S. M. A. TEAM RECORD

32	Richmond College34
22	A. M. A.25
26	Fishburne32
41	Greenbrier Pres. School,	13
63	W. & L. Reserves25
25	Elon College28
60	Eastern High School	...12
79	Eastern College 8
36	A. M. A.31

Total Points: S. M. A., 384; Opponents, 206.

IT CAN'T BE DONE—

Cadets taking ladies to game.
 Convince ESTES that he can't go to Rollers when in arrest.
 Convince McMullen that the girls don't admire him.
 Win Emde's heart.
 Go home Easter.
 Keep Moore, A., off the beat.

Maj. Acker: "Where was the Magna Charter signed?"

Moore, A.: "Right at the bottom of the page, Major."

Benefit for Belgians Great Success

One of the largest audiences ever seen at the New Theatre was present Tuesday night for the benefit for the Belgian sufferers. Miss Edna Roberts, of Stuart Hall, headed the program.

She was as graceful as any dancer ever seen in Staunton. She was repeatedly encored and received many beautiful flowers. Mr. and Mrs. Ficklen and Mr. Charles Holt and Miss Roberts danced a minuet entitled "Spirit of '76" This brought a storm of applause. Miss Rosetta Lyons appeared dressed as Miss Columbia and sang "My Own United States." She has a very beautiful voice, and her singing was beautiful. She was accompanied by Miss Martha Shreckhise. The best act of the evening was the Double Quartette from S. M. A. They were encored time and time again. They came out first as a quartette, then sextette, and then double quartette. Cadet Kibbe sang lead and his clear voice just held the audience spellbound. "Old Shorty" Shams and his brother, "Young Shorty," held down the bass end of the singing, and those boys were good.

L. Cedric McCallister and Toots Lybarger sang baritone, Mosser sang lead in the sextette. Frazier and Laws sang tenor. All their songs were good, and they were greatly appreciated by the large audience. The S. M. A. Bard, under the direction of Prof. Beardsworth, gave several new selections that showed their splendid training, which Prof. Beardsworth gives them. Colonel Kable was supposed to speak, but he was called to New York on very important business. A. S. Robertson said a few words, thanking the people for the great interest they are taking in the work to relieve the Belgian sufferers. It was the greatest benefit ever held in Staunton.

There are meters of accent,
 And meters of tone,
 But the best of all meters
 Is to meet her alone.

D. H. S.

NEVER A VERY POOR PICTURE

Almost Always a Mighty Good One

That is the policy that elevates New Theatre service above the usual small city amusement enterprise

SHOWING

PARAMOUNT
 MUTUAL
 METRO and PATHE

EXCLUSIVE FEATURES

Truly the cream of the producers' output.

THE NEW THEATRE

Afternoon 3 and 4:30 Night 7:30 and 9
 Admission 5 and 10c GOOD ORCHESTRA

THE PALACE, LTD.

Billiard and Bowling Parlors

Welcomes Your Patronage

Alleys Reserved for Bowling Parties

Any Time

For Reservations Phone 610

ROBT. APGAR, Mgr.

Bratton - Johnson Company

Booksellers

Stationers Designers

Engravers

Fine Frame Makers

Staunton, Virginia

The Best Ice Cream and Soda Water on Earth at

Thos. Hogshead's

The S. M. A. Cadet Drug Store

Augusta National Bank

Staunton, Virginia

Capital	-	-	-	\$100,000.00
Surplus	-	-	-	\$150,000.00

Y.M.C.A. Department

LT. S. C. CHANDLER, Secretary

The members of the S. M. A. Y. M. C. A. held a meeting last Sunday night and elected Y. M. C. A. officers for this year. Cadet Sergeant James was elected president. Cadet James was secretary last year. Cadet Kibbe was elected vice-president and Cadet Sale, secretary.

We are all very much pleased to see these men hold these offices, because we know they are the best men for the Y. M. C. A. work.

INTER-COMPANY BASKETBALL

Seven Teams Enter—First Game Saturday, March 11th

Inter-company basket ball games will be held immediately after the Varsity season is closed. The competing teams will be composed of one from each company; the Band, and the day students. No man who receives his letter in basketball will be allowed to play. These men will be the respective coaches of the teams on which they would play if they were not barred.

The contests will be staged in the gymnasium on days that will not interfere with the dancing class, and further announcement will be made later. As also the method which will be used in eliminating until the champion team is found.

Basketball enthusiasts, who want their company to have the best possible show, are asked to get busy and elect a captain, naturally from the members of their company.

The teams will practice on the following dates:

A, B, 4-5 Thursday, 2nd of March, same Wednesday, 8th of March.

C, D, 5-6 Thursday, 2nd of March, same Wednesday, 8th of March.

E, Band, Day Cadets, Saturday 4th of March, same Thursday, 9th of March.

The gym will be open to anybody to practice Monday, March 6th. Bridges will have charge of the basketballs and the captains of the company teams will get a ball from him on practice days.

PLAYERS RECORD

Player	Po.	No. Games	No. Baskets	Avg
Teabo	R. F.	9.0	29	6.5
Bridges	L. F.	7.5	56	7.5
Kingsbury	C.	8.5	18	2.1
Prather	L. G.	9.0	13	1.4
Lawler	R. G.	4.5	12	2.6
Hinz	R. G.	6.0	8	1.3

COMPANY BASKETBALL TEAMS START PRACTICE

The company basket ball teams began practice on Thursday, March 2d, for their schedule. All the companies show bright prospects. Company "A" team is coached by Lawlar, Company "B" by Kingsbury, Company "C" by Hinz, Company "D" by Bridges, and the Band by Prather. In the company practice games the first day Companies "A" and "C" were victors over "B" and "D" respectively. These games are purely for practice. The teams lined up as follows

Co. "A" (22) Co. "B" (11)
Crandall R. F. Engles
Nurdlinger ... L. F. Cox, H.
Schambs C Summers
Buckley R. G. .. Brown, S.
Whittaker, J .. L. G. Wedum

Substitutions: Doyle for Crandall; Wedum for Lumus; Lumus for Wedum. Referee: Lt. Cook. Timekeeper: Hughes, J.

In this game Company "A" showed up fairly strong, considering it was the first day. Passing was good on both teams, and few fouls were called. The scoring was chiefly done by Engles, Crandall, Shams and Nirdlinger. These teams will line up in another practice game within the next few days. A change will probably be made in the Company "A" lining, Hager going to center and Shams to a guard. These teams are not permanent. Come out and try for them.

The second half of the afternoon was occupied by "C" and "D" companies. In this game Company "C" was victor by a score of 15-3. The Company "C" basketiers had a complete walk-away while Company "D" scored but one field goal and one foul which were scored by Shelton. Dickerson shows means of being developed into a guard as well as Stevens, W. For company "C" Billingsly showed up well. The teams lined up as follows:

Co. "C" (15) Co. "D" (3)
Armstrong R. F. Shelton
Baird L. F. Johnson
Cardwell C Stevens
Billingsly R. G. Fleming
Westgate L. G. ... Dickerson

Refree, Lt. Cook. Timekeeper, O'Connor.

Ten minute halves were played.

HAVE your Spring Suit tailored to your measurement by Browning, King & Co., New York or Continental Tailoring Co., Chicago. Fit and Quality Guaranteed.

A 10% discount allowed to all S. M. A. students and faculty

FRANK C. HANGER
Cor. Main and New Sts.

Safety, First

If you wish to feel safe as to the style and fit of your clothing have them made by

Griffith & Brooks

The Leading Merchant Tailors

Lieut. L. C. McAllister, S. M. A. Representative, Room 329

Middlekauf's Electric Shoe Shop

S. M. A. Official Shoe Shop

The Hoge Studio

Makers of
Fine Photographs

22 East Main Street
Phone 170

E. Nothnagel

The Original

S. M. A. Barber

Shop: Central Avenue

Military Hair Cutting—A Specialty

HIGH CLASS CUSTOM TAILORING

CUSTOM MADE SHIRTS

The Timberlake-Murphy Co
INC.

Men's and Boys' Furnishings, Hats,
Shoes, Trunks, Bags, etc.

PHONE 257

24 EAST MAIN STREET
STAUNTON - - VIRGINIA

Automobile Passenger Service

Special Rates on Country Trips
Accommodations for party of 15

J. H. RANDOL, Phone 915
Special cars for weddings and dances
22 N. New St. Staunton, Va.
Passengers called for and delivered to any part of city, 25c

Beverley Cigar Store

Pennants, Post Cards and
Magazines

*We are the Official
Jewelers of the S. M. A.*

We carry in stock at all times a nice line of

S. M. A. Ring Pins
and
Souvenir Goods

Finest Engraving and
Watch Repairing done
in the city.

D. L. Switzer
Jeweler

19 East Main Street

For the most
Delicious

Soda Water

in the city

go to

Willson Bros.

Druggists

Pfifferling's

5 Barbers

14 South New St

S. M. A. Official Barber Shop

Special Service to Entertainments,
Dances, Theatre, and Trains

TAXICAB SERVICE CO.
CLOSED CAR

Phone 526
Day or Night

H. M. Sutton, Mgr.
Office at Beverley Garage

Augusta Hotel

Staunton, Va.

Solicits your patronage

A. M. A. CLAIMS

(Continued From Page One)

ing or arrangement for a third game in case of a tie, but that it has always been the custom of the two schools to play a third game on a neutral court. Does Mr. A. M. A. Coach wish to go against established precedent? Is it necessary to guarantee a full series—and satisfaction—in spite of the various contingencies of a session to have an iron-bound contract a New York lawyer with all his craftiness and winning could not pick a flaw in?

"Mr. A. M. A. Coach realizes that his 'claim for the championship' will be endangered by playing S. M. A. a third game. Of course our team is not of a championship calibre, but then little runners-up can sometimes cause considerable worry to the big guns. Fort Defiance is the name. They defy us to lead them out of their hole. No, they're not afraid. At any rate, in the game of last Saturday night, when S. M. A. wrested victory from the undefeated (?) (See below) A. M. A. team on A. M. A.'s court, the A. M. A. coaches would not consent to play with sidelines at all, as the rules specifically call for; and dickered about calling the ball on bounds when it strikes any surface or obstruction other than the front six by four surface of the backboard or the basket. It seems reasonable for them to squabble about this, as this would give them an advantage, and probably will go a long way toward explaining some of their victories over teams who play according to rules. A. M. A. does not have to play us. Naturally they have the say so. But it seems to me that poor sportsmanship is being displayed by their reticence. My second question is: does Mr. A. M. A. Coach prefer a 'claim to the Championship or a claim to good sportsmanship?'

"Mr. A. M. A. Coach will claim the championship! How? Who will grant it? In the absence of a com-

mittee to award championships, it seems to me the claim is made the stronger by convincing the greatest possible number of opponents and neutrals of the strength of your team. Naturally all the A. M. A. boys, backers and backsliders will believe in their team, the first two to the extent that they can win from S. M. A.; the last named just to that point. Not an S. M. A. fan will grant anything, though, unless you win two out of three. We have no weather eye for the championship, but we would like to defeat such formidable opponents. If the season were ended, and according to custom and good sportsmanship we were not due a third game, probably we should withdraw in favor of someone else—maybe A. M. A. But the season is not yet over and more words can be avoided by doing the proper thing.

"Since Mr. A. M. A. Coach has benevolently or otherwise armed us with some of his thunder, 'we have you outpointed,' we are prone to ask in our humble way, 'How?' We have seen by the newspaper accounts of the A. M. A. games that A. M. A. has had a winning streak. We know that they have done splendidly, and we praise them for their success. The later accounts made frequent use of the word 'consecutive.' Today Captain Prather, of S. M. A. had a telephone conversation with one of the members of the A. M. A. basket ball team and was surprised to learn that the 'undefeated' aggregation had been defeated twice—by the V. M. I. and W. & L. second teams. Of the former we know nothing, but of the W. & L. second, we know that we defeated them 63-25. Funny we didn't hear about that before now, and that 'consecutive' was seen so often, preceded by 'sixth, seventh, eighth,' etc.

"We have not a full record of A. M. A.'s games. S. M. A. has played nine games, losing four and winning five. We won from Greenbrier 41-13; W. & L. 2d 63-25; Eastern H. S. 60-12; Eastern College 79-8; A. M. A. (on their floor) 36-31. We lost to Richmond College 34-32; A. M. A. (first game) 22-25; Fishburne 32-26; Elon College 25-26.

"A glance will reveal that we have played three college teams, and to our knowledge, A. M. A. has played but one—Eastern. A. M. A. won from Eastern 40-28, S. M. A. won from the same team 79-8, which gives us a large margin.

"A closer study brings out that of the four games S. M. A. has lost, two have been to college teams, (one of the other two, one to Fishburne and one to A. M. A., in the early part of the season), and that the total differences of scores of these four

WOODWARD'S

EAST MAIN STREET

THE NEW STORES

WAIT FOR US!

We will soon be at your service with a strictly brand new, up-to-date line of

WHAT MEN WEAR

BRING YOUR NEEDS TO US

The very latest Styles will always be ready here.

ONLY THE BEST IN QUALITY

ONLY THE LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES

This is the only Staunton store showing the renowned "Society Brand" Clothes.

The "College Room" is a-bloom with new "Society Brand" Models newly from the "Society Brand" Tailor Shops—everyone with the unmistakable earmarks of artistic genius and highest skill.

HOOKER and PETERS

S. M. A. REPRESENTATIVES

ROOM 306

See them first before placing your order for what men will wear.

Talk about Variety and Styles—See them.

defeats is 12 points—an average of 3 points per game. Also it required an extra five minutes period for A. M. A. to win its first contest from us.

"We are not setting forth any claim to the championship. We set forth these scores and our opinion, so that A. M. A. may realize that her claim is not iron-bound or that her claim will be voided at S. M. A. and all its fans. It is rather for the fans' benefit that this article has been written, and we are not hankering for any prolonged squabble.

"It appears to me that in all jus-

tice to everything sportsmanlike and every true sport, the game should be played. S. M. A. is willing to meet on Washington and Lee's floor, as suggested by the *Leader* before the last game.

"If A. M. A. clings to her claim and refuses to play us, I hope fans will remember a few points in this article."

J. C. Cook."

Maj. Sutherland in chem: "For the next recitation read the first four pages under—water."

ART THEARTE

HOME OF GOOD PICTURES

COMEDIES and DRAMAS

Program Changed Daily

Clara Kimball Young

in

CAMILLE

March 27

PHONE 138 A. M. ARNOLD'S PHONE 138

AUTOMOBILE LIVERY

All Calls for Trains or City and Country Promptly Filled. 24 Hours Service.

CENTRALLY LOCATED

18 North New St. A. M. ARNOLD Staunton Virginia