

CORPS GOES TO CAMP MAY 3RD

ACADEMIC AWARDS ARE PUBLISHED FOR 3RD QUARTER

Smith, R. A. and Silverman Tie for Highest Order; One Hundred and Sixty-Six Are Decorated

One hundred and sixty-six cadets were awarded academic decorations last Monday morning at the regular weekly assembly of the corps in the gymnasium, for proficiency in their studies for the third quarter of the school year, which ended April 3rd. This number is six more than were decorated the quarter before.

For the first time since the academy awards have been given here, two men were decorated in the Highest Order last Monday. These two cadets are Roger A. Smith of Corbin, Ky., and Jerome Silverman of New York City, each tying for first place with a general average of 97.3 per cent for the term. There have been instances of tying, so far as grades in studies were concerned, but in every case but the above the tie has been broken by one cadet having more demerits than the other. Cadet

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Noted Explorer Delivers

Illustrated Talk to Corps

Mr. Horace Ashton, noted explorer and lecturer, spoke to the corps on the evening of April 11th.

Mr. Ashton is a noteworthy explorer, a member of the Explorers Club of New York and is a fellow of The Royal Geographical Society. He will be remembered by the "old boys" for his interesting lecture delivered last year on the *Sand Storms of the Sahara*.

Mr. Ashton's illustrated lecture dealt with the recent trip of the dirigible *Los Angeles* to Cuba. The photography was originally intended for government records, but now comprises a part of the plan to educate the citizens as to the feasibility of this mode of transportation.

Mr. Ashton occupied the singular position of being the only civilian passenger on board the ship. His close contact with all activities during the voyage enabled him to deliver his lecture in an instructive and interesting manner. His humor and powers of address added spice to the facts.

Mr. Ashton's sole purpose was not only to deliver his lecture, but also to film the corps in both the military and academic fields of duty. The adverse weather conditions prevented him from carrying out his plan in full. Mr. Ashton's activities were confined to photographing classroom activities, boxing, wrestling, gymnasium exercises, and the interiors of the offices of the president, head master and chaplain.

Mr. Ashton plans to again visit the academy some time in June. He hopes to be able to photograph the activities during finals.

Baseball Schedule

S. M. A.	5—V. M. I. Fresh.	12
S. M. A.	1—V. S. D. B.	6
S. M. A.	13—Hargrave	6
S. M. A.	10—V. M. I. Fresh.	2
S. M. A.	5—Woodberry Forest	2
S. M. A.	6—Dunsmore	3
S. M. A.	9—Bridgewater	8
S. M. A.	2—Shenandoah Col.	14
S. M. A.	4—Fishburne	3
April 24	—Roanoke Hi	.....Home
April 28	—Roanoke Hi	.....Roanoke
May 1	—Penn. Fresh.	.....Phila.
May 4	—Shenandoah College	.....Home
May 6	—Fork Union	.....Fork Union
May 8	—N. Carolina Fresh.	.....Home
May 11	—Devitt Prep	.....Wash.
May 12	—Massanutten	.....Woodstock
May 15	—Fishburne	.....Home
May 18	—Luray College	.....Home

FIRE THIS MORNING RAVAGES 2 ROOMS SOUTH BARRACKS

The corps, returning from breakfast at 8:15 this morning, was greeted by signs of smoke arising from the southwest corner of South Barracks. Flames were leaping from the windows of room 218, and before the engines from town had the conflagration under control, it had completely gutted this room and had entered room 319 above. Cadets Little, Gahn, and Mahr, occupants of 218, lost practically all of their personal belongings. The contents of 319 were saved with little damage. Several adjacent rooms were injured by the heat and water. Total damages were estimated to be between two and three thousand dollars. Although the fire was of considerable proportion, the rest of the barracks incurred no danger from it, because a fire cannot spread in that building.

At this time the origin of the fire is unknown.

REV. "BILLY" SUNDAY AND HOMER RODEHEAVER HOLD SERVICE ON HILL

The Rev. William A. "Billy" Sunday preached an admirable sermon to the cadet corps on last Sunday, a sermon that struck home in the hearts of many of his listeners.

Introduced by Col. T. H. Russell, as one of "the foremost moral and spiritual leaders of our country," "Billy" Sunday spoke on the ambitions of a young man, and the different trials and tests he is made to meet. Illustrating his principles in his own unique manner with the life of Samson, the sermon was most realistic and interesting to the cadets, and at the conclusion of the service, he was cordially congratulated by a large number of the corps.

The service opened with the singing of *The Blue and Gold*, after which the corps sang two hymns, "Saved," led by Cadet Topping, and "Rescue the Perishing," led by Mr. Rodeheaver, of Mr. Sunday's party. Mr. Rodeheaver then played a beautiful solo on his trombone, "Safe in the Arms of Jesus," accompanied by Mr. Mathews, also of Mr. Sunday's party. He extended a hearty invitation to all the cadets to attend any of the services at the tabernacle during "Billy" Sunday's five-week stay in Staunton, and a desire to become better acquainted with the cadets. Mrs. William Asher then joined him, and together they sang "The Old Rugged Cross."

At the end of the sermon, Mrs. Ruth Rodeheaver Thomas rendered "Lead Kindly Light," after which Capt. Thomas concluded the service with a short prayer.

"S. M. A. FROLICS" PLAYS BEFORE 2 BIG HOUSES; IS A CREDITABLE SHOW

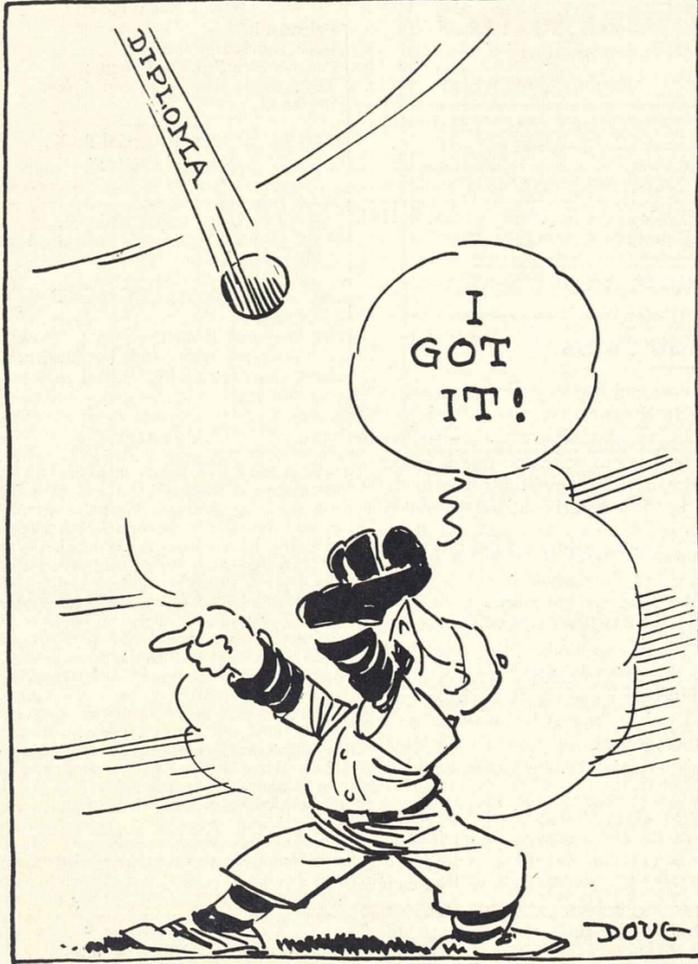
Staunton Military Academy's annual cadet theatrical production, "The Frolics," was held Monday, April 12th, at the New Theatre. Both the matinee and night shows played before capacity houses. The afternoon performance was attended by the student bodies of Mary Baldwin College and Stuart Hall. The greater part of the corps attended the evening performance. One of the good points of the show was the large amount of variety it offered the audience. Considerable credit is due to Capt. Thomas Beardsworth, who personally supervised the show, and Mrs. Beardsworth and Capt. J. B. Benson, his assistants.

Act one consisted of four selections by the classical orchestra, under the direction of Capt. Beardsworth. There followed a wrestling match between Jones, J. H., "champion of Washington, Philadelphia, and other states," and "Jack" Auchmuty. Jones won the first two falls, but only after a hard tussle each time.

The third act, entitled "Much to do about nothing," featured Salter, Mott, and Meyers. Charley Mott gave a good account of himself, and as the women would have it, "looked real cute." He

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DON'T BE TOO SURE



RALLY IN NINTH DEFEATS F.M.S. 4-3; TWO GOOD WEEKS

Potts Pitches Fine Ball Downing Fishburne; Team Wins Five Out of Last Six Games

(By G. W. Ross)

Baseball fans of Staunton and Waynesboro were treated to a fine game on Wednesday, the 21st, when the S. M. A. nine trounced Fishburne 4-3.

The game was a pitcher's battle throughout. Potts, pitching for S. M. A., fanned twelve and allowed only four hits. "Ernie" also slammed a two-bagger in the first. S. M. A. touched Lanier for eight hits, three of them being two-baggers and one a homer. This is the first time since 1923 that the Blue and Gold has beaten F. M. S.

Staunton scored first in the initial inning. Schulte led off with a two-bagger, French's sacrifice took him to third. Potts smashed a long one to deep center, scoring Schulte and taking second. He scored on Pearl's sacrifice. Wise grounded out.

In the second Potts winged Askew, who took first. Lanier and Johnson then fanned in succession, but got to first on passed balls. Askew dashed home. Miller and Wright then fanned. Amos

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Track Schedule

April 12	—Fork Union M. S.Here
April 17	—V. E. S.Lynchburg
April 19	—W. & L. Fresh.Lexington
April 24	—V. M. I. Fresh.	.....Here
April 26	—Fishburne	.....Here
May 1	—Jefferson H. S.	.....Here
May 8	—U. of V. State Meet	.....Charlottesville

TRACK TEAM LOSES FIRST TWO MEETS

Parks and Eberhart Break State Record as Fork Union Wins 75 1-2 to 41 1-2

(By G. W. Ross)

Thursday afternoon the Fork Union track team defeated S. M. A. 75½-41½. Two state records were broken during the meet. Eberhart broke the state broad jump record by four inches with his jump of 21 feet 5 inches. Parks, of Fork Union on his last jump broke Eberhart's newly-made record by 1¾ inches, with a superb jump of 21 feet 6¾ inches. Good time was made in the hundred, mile, and two-twenty. Parks was the high point scorer, making fifteen points.

The high jump resulted in a triple tie for first place. Scofield and Heathcock tied for first place in the high hurdles.

A great improvement was shown by the team since the Virginia Episcopal

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W. & L. DEPUTATION TEAM LEADS MEETINGS IN GYM

The Washington and Lee University Y. M. C. A. deputation team were the guests of S. M. A. last week-end. The team was composed of eight students of W. and L., and Mr. Karl Zerfoss, the secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association. The delegation has for its purpose the fostering of a more co-operative spirit between the two school organizations.

The team arrived at S. M. A. Saturday evening, and its members were introduced to the corps at mess. The first of the three meetings was held Saturday night, the academic department having given them the latter half of study hall. This first meeting was purely entertainment, a varied and exceptionally good program being presented. Mr. Rodd Moffett rendered several vocal selections.

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TO SPEND 5 DAYS AT WINCHESTER DURING FESTIVAL

Will Be First Time This Corps Ever Camped Before the End of Academic Year

For the first time since May, 1923, the Staunton Military Academy corps of cadets will mobilize as a unit and take the field for a period of extensive military manoeuvres. The entire school will entrain here on the morning of May 3rd and proceed to Winchester, Va., where it will go into camp for five days, returning to Staunton on Saturday, March 8th.

The site of the camp is within the city limits of Winchester, Va., on the Washington road. It is less than one mile from the point of detraining, in the southwest portion of the town. Ample water supply is within two hundred yards of the camp grounds, and all the territory necessary for field problems is easily accessible.

According to Major A. M. Patch, Professor of Military Science and Tactics, no course in rifle and pistol firing will be given, but demonstration of this work will be a part of the instruction given by the tactical staff. Drill and field work will take place in the mornings, and the afternoons will be given to the cadets, except for a parade each day.

The encampment is scheduled to include the dates of the Apple Blossom Festival, the great annual celebration of the Shenandoah Valley apple belt. Last year, according to the Director-General of the festival, nearly one hundred thousand people attended this celebration from all parts of the country. From the standpoint of the corps of cadets this encampment should be the most enjoyable this school has ever held. It is short of duration, it is held within the limits of a town, and is in connection with this great gala affair of the Shenandoah Valley, the Apple Blossom Festival.

This will be the first time in the history of the school that the corps has taken the field before the academic work of the year was completed. According to Colonel T. H. Russell, president of the academy, the going into camp at this time of the year is an experiment. He feels that the fact that camp will be less than a week in duration and that the corps will have at least three weeks more of school after camp, the interruption will not interfere seriously with the school work of the cadets. Colonel Russell said, however, that if the authorities of the festival should for any reason change the date of their festivities any later than the week now specified in their plans, the corps would not go into camp. The reason for this is because he is determined that there shall be at least three weeks of school after the corps returns from its manoeuvres.

Both Colonel Russell and Major Patch think the present plans for camp are very satisfactory and that everything points to a very successful field campaign for the corps.

About Camp

For five days the corps is going to be before the eyes of nearly a hundred thousand people, the vast majority of whom will receive their first, last, and only impression of S. M. A. during that time. This is perhaps the biggest opportunity ever laid open to the corps for the upbuilding of its fair name. It lies with every cadet to avail himself of this opportunity, and to firmly resolve that through no act of his will the colors of Blue and Gold be besmirched.

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Easter Down—Finals To Go

At Easter time there comes a span of dances and leaves, a glorious good time for all. It is just a little taste of Finals—a little taste that may refresh us for the fifty days of effort that remain before us, or may linger in our mouths to cloy our progress with its sweetness.

To reap benefit from a period of pleasure is an accomplishment beyond the ken of many. It calls for the exercise of no little discretion and considerable "horse sense." It is hard for a peppy colt to steady down to a business-like lope after indulging in mad gallop; but steady down he must if he has a hard trip before him.

Stretched before us is the last leg of the road we have been traveling for seven months. We are entering the home-stretch—that part of the race in which the weak fall behind and the strong glory in their strength. We have been in training for this test, and it remains for us to show how earnestly we have trained. Here, too, enters the element of "guts," the unsavory name for an enviable quality. The man who has lazied his way along and has just "gotten by" may yet redeem himself, be he the possessor of this quality. The man who has led the way so far may yet fall behind if he be lacking in this quality. To this extent it lies with the individual.

There is one other force which may exert great influence for bad or good during this crucial last term. It is the spirit of the corps at large—that intangible something glibly spoken of as *esprit de corps*. If the prevailing atmosphere is one of earnest endeavor to make good at the final test, individuals will be caught in the current and swept to success in spite of themselves.

The game lies in the balance, the play is fast and furious, at the last "toot" of the referee's whistle it was "Easter down—finals to go."

—D. C. E.

Finals—And The Dances

At this time it seems useless to add more to the words of Col. T. G. Russell, in the messhall, concerning the dances at Finals. It is hard to imagine an S. M. A. Finals without the Senior Hop and the Final Ball; they are the making of Finals, its life, and its success. Successful dances make a successful Finals, but poorly attended dances poorly decorated, through no fault of the Cotillion Club, and with poor music do not sound well associated with S. M. A. Finals, and so, unless there is a sure attendance, there will be no Final dances. It is not just the question of the dances, it is the entire Finals program itself. To a senior, Finals means his last days spent as a cadet at S. M. A., and days that he will cherish the rest of his life. Why cannot they be the best days of his entire life here? In making them thus, the dances play a tremendously important part. But Finals is not only for the seniors, it is the S. M. A. Finals. To each cadet, so anxious for the summer and good times to come, if he would but attend these dances, he would find his good times already started when Finals shall be over.

The old cry—"there are no girls" is no good. If you will go to Mrs. Littell, she can introduce you to a girl, one whom you would be glad to know, and one who most likely would be as glad to know you. It is not "just be a sport and take a chance"—you will soon realize this—so let's go—let's make this Finals one of the best S. M. A. has even had, and one to be remembered.

—J. R. W.

Junior School Notes

Academic awards for the first three quarters in the Junior School are as follows:

Eighth Grade—Briggs, Bruening, Ehrmann, D., Ehrmann, W., Hale, Helwitz, Gardiner, Kalb, Orme.

Seventh Grade—Bretschneider, Doley, Yott, Zumeta.

Sixth Grade—Baron, Dotson, Fleisig, West.

Cadets making an average above 88% for the first three quarters—Ehrmann, D., Ehrmann, W., Hale, Bretschneider, Zumeta.

On account of ill health, Cadet Edler has left the Academy on indefinite furlough.

Mrs. I. W. Littell is making a visit in Pennsylvania and New York.

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Thoughts

(By ROBERT GLESSNER)

OPIUM DREAMS

Deep within its chalice lie
Surcease from care,
And pleasant dreams—
But, lo! within its amber depths I see
The features of a demon that is waiting
there.

WORRY

When entertained,
Proves an ungrateful guest,
Leaving, where peace and gladness
reigned
Unrest!

OUR FRIENDSHIP

Friendship!
Like yours and mine
Out ranks all gifts of earth;
There is no word that can define
Its worth.

MORE LIGHT

"Mehr Leicht!"

Was Goethe's prayer
As Death his spirit claimed,
And, asking that, God's gift most rare
He named.

HUMAN JUDGMENT

Others
We send to hell,
Who, were the truth but known,
Have characters which excell
Our own.

A Letter

It is hard for some speakers to hold the attention of the battalion. It is hard for some speakers to hold the attention of any one. It is sometimes hard for us to listen to a speaker. We believe that all external attractions and distractions should, as far as possible, be eliminated when we are to hear some one speak. For the benefit of both the speaker and the listener we would like to see conditions such that external noises could be done away with when Col. Russell or any one else addresses us in the gym.

Time was when the steam pipes gave us the daily clatter at especially the time of an address in the gym. It happened again when Billy Sunday preached for us. Once a distinguished visitor had to pause while some one in authority went outside and stopped a cement-mixing machine; formerly some one playing pool stamped the bottom of his cue on the floor while we tried to listen to the speaker. Most of these annoyances have been done away with. One remains! Every Monday morning while Col. Russell addresses us, some one comes tramp, tramp, tramp the entire length of the hallway in the North Barracks, and then in a few minutes he returns with the same tramp, tramp, tramp. It is sometimes an effort for us young fellows to listen, and it must be much more of a nervous strain on Col. Russell to address us.

—S. R.

FIVE YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

Col. F. J. Morrow, originator and head of the R. O. T. C., made an inspection of the corps and the academy.

It was announced to the corps that the regular spring encampment would be held at New Market, Va.; to begin on May 25th.

S. M. A. won a dual track meet from the University of Virginia Freshmen.

Company "D" won the Inter-company track meet by seven points.

North Barracks won clean-room contest and got extra leave one night. (That was five years ago, though.)

S. M. A. Frolics Plays

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also proved himself a musician of no mean ability. Salter and Meyers passed "wise cracks" over Charley's head.

The St. Vitus Boys from the Annex followed with some "Charleston." The dancers were: Jenks, D., Jenks, H., McFeatters, F., Rapp, Perry, L., and Schofield. They put their stuff over and were the big hit of the evening. The music was furnished by Hoffer, Marx, Salter, and Meyers.

Some very clever tumbling by Cadets Sinclair, Staples, Litton, Baird, D. J., and Clarkson constituted the fifth act.

PERSONALS

Born to Lieutenant and Mrs. T. L. Chrisman, at Kings Daughters Hospital, on April 14th, a daughter, named Ethel Rector.

Cadet Spiegelglass received a visit from his mother and father, Doctor and Mrs Spiegelglass of Hackensack, New Jersey.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Baer of New York, came to see their son, Cadet Baer.

Mrs. Green, of Long Beach, L. I., New York, was seen on the "hill" last week.

Mrs. Bonnell, of Cleveland, Ohio, came to see her son, Cadet Jack Bonnell, and her nephew, Cadet Fry, J. H.

Cadet Conway, of Brooklyn, received a visit from his mother, sister, grandmother and uncle.

Cadet Gooch, of the Randolph-Macon Academy at Front Royal, came to see his cousin, Cadet Smith, F. R., who is a cadet at this academy.

Capt. J. B. Benson, instructor in English, has been confined to his bed for several days with a severe attack of grippe.

Cadet D. J. Hicks was visited by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Hicks, his sister, Mrs. R. D. Mossman, and his aunt, Mrs. Frank Hicks, during a recent week-end.

Mr. C. E. Bell, of Chevy Chase, Maryland, was on the "hill" recently with his son, Cadet Bell, F. V.

The parents of Cadet Hughes, R. E., Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hughes, motored from Scranton, Penn., over the past week-end to visit their son.

Cadet Sadler, H. had the pleasure of having his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Sadler, of Greensburg, Penn., with him last week.

Mr. C. H. Dockson came from Detroit, Michigan, to visit his son, Cadet Dockson, here at the academy.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry G. Smith, of Jeanette, Penn., spent the past week-end with their son, Cadet R. K. Smith.

The parents of Cadet Johnson, W. D., motored from Bloomington, Indiana, recently.

Cadet McCormack was visited by his mother and sister, Mrs. Alice McCormack and Miss Alice McCormack, of Brooklyn.

The parents of Cadet Hatch, M. F., Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Wheeler, paid their son a short visit. Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler reside in Brooklyn.

Miss Cleene Du Puy, whose home is in Washington, visited her cousin, Cadet Orme, a short while ago.

Cadet Munyon was honored with a visit from his brother, Mr. D. M. Munyan, of New York.

The parents of Cadet Baruch, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Baruch, of New York, recently visited their son.

Dr. A. Neshamkin, father, and Mr. Oliver Neshamkin, brother, of Cadet Neshamkin, paid him a visit from New Rochelle.

Cadet Mahr had the pleasure of a visit from his mother, Mrs. W. A. Mahr, of Brooklyn.

The father of Cadet Wise, M. J., recently visited his son. Mr. Wise's home is in New York.

Cadet Lieutenant Mayo was seen strolling in the lobby of the Stonewall Jackson with a baby in his arms.

The tumblers were coached by Lieut. Ingle. This was followed by fencing between Cadets Miller, F., and Kohout, John. The match was called a draw after four fast minutes of battle.

The last act before intermission was a boxing bout between Cadets Russell, M., and Tortora. Each man won a round, and the second was a draw, making a decision impossible. Some very clever comedy was given by Ihrisky, who acted as a second.

After intermission came a comedy entitled "A Military Travesty." The scene was laid in South America with a revolutionary background. An army is recruited and drilled and on the field of battle retreats in disorder before one lone man. Cadets Fletcher, G. E., Gerstenzang, and Sonsire played the leading rôles, and must be given credit for turning in an excellent performance.

Cadet Topping sang "In the Garden of Tomorrow," and one other selection before the final act.

The Staunton Melodians finished the evening's entertainment with some snappy music. Cadet Schriefer danced, and made a hit with the audience.

Behind The Stars

The world seems young and innocent. The sky, Now freshly swept with twilight's winds, is cool. The slow night breezes whisper softly by, The shadow creeps and twists like a silent ghoul. The stars swing down from out their burning sphere, And come so close that hands would reach and clutch Their scintillant sparkle. The murky hills uprear Beyond the stars there is a voided space Where formless dreams fly out and ne'er return; Behind the stars there rests the filmy trace Of all the aching longings—all the burn Of endless yearnings—rest—quest's scars. There is a realmless space behind the stars.

—THE SKIPPER.

ALUMNI

Roy Booth, '22, is in Harvard. An article in a recent *New York Times* said Booth was second choice as pitcher on Coach Mitchel's Harvard nine this season. There are six hurlers on the Crimson team.

W. & L. Deputation

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ations. He had an exceptionally pleasing voice, and received quite a hand.

Mr. Collison, a young Thurston, completely baffled the corps with his many sleight of hand tricks. Several over-zealous juniors were further mystified on attempting to analyze the illusions. Two other members of the team performed several feats of tumbling. Their agility and grace won the immediate admiration of the cadets.

Messrs. Moffett, Simmons, Lowry, and Neel remained at S. M. A. Saturday night, while the remaining members of the delegation returned to Lexington.

Church was held on the hill Sunday morning and was solely in charge of the Washington and Lee Y. M. C. A. Mr. Zerfoss was to lead the Sunday meeting, but was called back to Lexington Saturday night and was unable to return in time for the meeting. Mr. James Lowry directed the program. Mr. Moffett again entertained the corps with sacred songs. The address, given by Mr. Wilbur Simmons, was interesting and to the point. The subject matter, although known by all the cadets, was presented in an interesting manner.

The afternoon meeting, held during the meditation hour, was of the nature of a discussion group. This meeting, although not attended by as many cadets as the others, was fully as interesting.

The S. M. A. branch of the local Y. M. C. A., fostered this plan of co-operative meetings.

My Buddy

He ain't got much religion—kinda ornery, hard-boiled cuss, An' he's just about as homely as they ever git, or wuss; But at the last inspection, when the gate is open wide, My buddy will go through flyin', 'cuz the Lord kin see inside.

Indignant Admirer (to small-part lady who has had a row with the theatre manager): "But surely the other girls will stand by you, dear!"

She: "Oh, they've all offered to take my part, if that's what you mean!"

—Bucknell Belle Hop.

Ordinary things and easy, are for common and ordinary folk; men rare, heroic and divine pass along by means of this road of Difficulty until at last Necessity herself is constrained to grant to them the palm of Immortality.

—GIORDANO BRUNO.

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A Little Bit of Everything

INDICATIONS OF SPRING

1
O, Spring is here!
A nickle for beer;
No drunkard need fear,
For it's is only "near."
(If you think this is punk read number 2).

2.
The sun was sinking in the west,
It was a gorgeous sight,
The owl flew out of its warm nest
Far off, into the night.
(Rotten, huh? Well, read number 3)

3.
Little Nell was a teacher
In the bad-lands way out west;
She married a preacher
And now sews buttons on his vest.
(There is only one thing worse than number three and that's number 4.)

4.
There was a cadet named Kinnier—
Who had quite a great big ear,
He was very good looking;
But started in cooking;
And now draws his salary by the year.
(If you are plumb disgusted and want your poetic sensibilities soothed, just read the Editor's note below).

EDITORS NOTE:
Spring is here! How do we know it? Jus read this stuff of the would-be poet. Spring is here! How did we surmise? Well, the poets come out when the sap starts to rise.

"TWEED TWEED"

If you are fond of riddles
Here's one that is a beaut
Which is the extra trouser
To a two-trouser suit?

AND HE CHEWS

I've given to my little dog
A name that nicely fits
I've christened him "Sir Cuspidor"
Because he is a Spitz.

INDIRECT PROOF OF A PROBLEM

By MAYO

There is a boy in Solid Class—
And his name is not Laurence Spiegel-
glass—
Whose grades sometimes fall a wee bit
short.
(At once you will know, then, it isn't
Yort.)
Towards theorems and such he does not
incline.
Though his hair is black, his name's not
Klein.
It is not Hale nor Corporal Lavitt,
For if it's Solid these boys sure have it.
He's not the dumbest of all in the class,
For there is *myself* and Hager, alas!
His name is not Cary nor Nixon nor
Welch,
He's our old friend, Fritz Keefer,
"hissself."

There was a young man named Ignacius
Who lived in a garret quite spacious.
When he went to a dance
He always wore pants—
But up in the garret—oh, gracious!

There was a young man from the city
Who saw what he thought was a kitty.
He gave it a pat,
And soon after that
They buried his clothes. What a pity!

Lt. Fruewald (in English class):
"Johnston, what does variety mean?"
Johnston: "Heinz."

Why is life so "crool"? Why can't
we all stand and say, "Pass in Review"?

One Rat to another: "That old boy
almost killed you with that paddle."
Second Rodent: "I wish he had, then
I could have seen him hung."

"WISE CRACKS" AT S. M. A.
TWENTY YEAS AGO

(Copied from old *Blue and Gold* of 1906)

Mann: "Fellows, I think I am going
to have brain fever."
Chorus: "Don't worry, Kid, it's im-
possible."

ONE COLD MORNING

Fretwell: "Crawford, you are full of
hot air."
Crawford: "Gee, I wish it was that
blooming radiator instead of me."

Captain Dick (in French class):
"Hardy, what does 'Au Revoir' mean?"
Hardy: "Not yet but soon."

Capt. Hodges: "Austin, what is the
value of Pi?"
Austin: "A nickle here."

Member of Guard: "Williamson,
what is this gas doing burning?"
Williamson: "I lit it to get a match."

Smart Cadet: "They are not sending
any more mail to Washington, now."
Grosvenor, M.: "Why?"
Smart Cadet: "Because he is dead."

Hee: "Ever see a worse fog than
this?"
Haw: "Yes, one."
Hee: "Is that so? Where?"
Haw: "Why, er—er—it was so foggy
I really couldn't tell where it was."
—Middlebury Blue Baboon.

Track Team Loses

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The team shows great possibili-
ties for future meets. Eberhart deserves
much credit, due to the fact he has been
on crutches with a broken ankle for the
past three weeks.

Fork Union had a fine team, and had
good men in all events.

RESULTS FOLLOW:

BROAD JUMP

1. Parks, Fork Union, 21 ft. 6 3/4 in.
2. Eberhart, S. M. A., 21 ft. 5 in.
3. Osborn, Fork Union.

JAVELIN

1. Shell, F. U. M. A., 147 ft. 3 in.
2. Wilkins, F. U. M. A.
3. Belt, S. M. A.

100-YARD DASH

1. Parks, F. U. M. A., 10 1/10 sec.
2. Harrison, H. C., S. M. A.
3. Harrison, L. C., S. M. A.

MILE

1. Johnson, F. U. M. A., 4 min. 51 3/5 sec.
2. Scott, S. M. A.
3. Britts, H. L., F. U. M. A.

120 HIGH HURDLES

1. Scofield, S. M. A.—Heatwole, F. U. M. A., tie—16 9/10 sec.
2. Osborn, F. U. M. A.
3. Graybeale, F. U. M. A., 53 4/10 sec.

2. Harrison, H. C., S. M. A.
3. Carey, S. M. A.

SHOT PUT

1. Warwick, S. M. A., 40 ft. 10 in.
2. Ehrig, S. M. A.
3. Shell, F. U. M. A.

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DISCUS

1. Brent, F. U. M. A., 160 ft. 11 in.
2. Warwick, S. M. A.
3. Fletcher, S. M. A.

220 LOW HURDLES

1. Osborn, F. U. M. A., 27 sec.
2. Heathcock, F. U. M. A.
3. Pierce, F. U. M. A.

HIGH JUMP

1. Warwick, S. M. A.—2. Belt, S. M. A.—3. Wilkins, Fork Union—tie—5 ft. 5 in.

220-YARD DASH

1. Parks, F. U. M. A., 22 7/10 sec.
2. Harrison, H. C., S. M. A.
3. Harrison, L. C., S. M. A.

HALF MILE

1. Graybeale, F. U. M. A., 2 min. 11 sec.
2. Johnson, F. U. M. A.
3. Britts, S. T., F. U. M. A.

POLE VAULT

1. Smithers, F. U. M. A., 9 ft. 3 in.
2. Darwin, F. U. M. A.
3. Frye—Holland, tie.

EPISCOPAL TRACK MEET

The Staunton track team received a
severe set-back in their first meet of the
season when Virginia Episcopal swamped
them under a 97 2-3 to 191-3 score.
The contest was held on the victor's
field last Saturday under nearly perfect
weather conditions. The Blue and Gold
athletes were handicapped by an almost
total lack of opportunity for regular
practice before the meet, but gave prom-
ise of good possibilities for the future.

Goldsmith, of Episcopal, was the out-
standing star, scoring 28 points in the
field events. Harrison, H. C., starred
for the Cadets, taking first in the 440
and 220 dashes and running a close
second in the hundred. The following
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Rally In Ninth

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grounded out.

S. M. A. scored again in the fifth. Johnson hit a homer to right field. Both were caught out at second stealing. Hartman fanned.

A rally by Fishburne in the eighth tied the score. Territ and O'Keefe got singles. Michaels flied out to Wise. French's muff of Askew's grounder allowed Territ and O'Keefe to score. This made the score 3-3 at the beginning of the ninth.

In the ninth S. M. A. made one of the most sensational rallies seen on the F. M. S. field in a long while. Pearl grounded out. Wise singled. Johnson flied out. Wood made himself the hero of the game by slamming a two-base hit out among the trees in deep center. Kehler fanned. In her half of the ninth F. M. S. was unable to get beyond first.

Wise made a wonderful catch of O'Keefe's foul in the first. Only five Fishburne men got beyond second. About one hundred and fifty cadets went over with the team.

PLAY BY PLAY

FIRST INNING

S. M. A.—Schulte hit a two-bagger. French sacrificed. Potts hit a two-bagger. Pearl sacrificed. Wise grounded out. Two hits, two runs, no errors.

F. M. S.—Territ grounded out to Pearl. O'Keefe flied out. Michaels fanned. No hits, no runs, no errors.

SECOND INNING

S. M. A.—Johnson, Wood, and Kehler fanned.

F. M. S.—Askew was hit by the pitcher. Lanier fanned and got to first on a passed ball. Johnson did the same. Miller and Wright fanned. Amos grounds out to Pearl. No hits, no runs.

THIRD INNING

S. M. A.—Hartman fanned. Schulte flied out. French fanned. No hits, no runs.

F. M. S.—Territ singled. O'Keefe sacrificed. Michaels fanned. Askew flied out to Hartman. One hit, no runs.

FOURTH INNING

S. M. A.—Potts flied out to Amos. Pearl flied out. Wise grounded out. No hits, no runs.

F. M. S.—Lanier grounded out to Potts. Johnson singled. Miller and Wright fanned. One hit, no runs.

FIFTH INNING

S. M. A.—Johnson got a homer. Wood singled, out stealing second. Kehler walked, out stealing second. Hartman fanned. Two hits, one run.

F. M. S.—Amos first on French's error. Territ flied out. O'Keefe fanned. Michaels grounded out. No hits, no runs.

SIXTH INNING

S. M. A.—Schulte singled. French sacrificed. Potts flied out. Pearl fanned. One hit, no runs.

F. M. S.—Askew grounded out to Potts. Lanier lifted a high one to French. Johnson grounded out. No hits, no runs.

SEVENTH INNING

S. M. A.—Wise singled, out stretching it to second. Johnson walked. Wood flied out. Kehler fanned. One hit, no runs.

F. M. S.—Miller grounded out. Wright and Amos fanned.

EIGHTH INNING

S. M. A.—Hartman grounded out. Schulte fanned. French singled. Potts flied out to Amos. One hit, no runs.

F. M. S.—Territ and O'Keefe singled. Michaels flied out. Askew sent a teasing grounder to French, who muffed it. Lanier got three bases on Johnson's error. Askew out. Johnson hit by pitcher. Miller flied out. Two hits, two runs.

NINTH INNING

S. M. A.—Pearl grounded out. Wise singled. Johnson flied out. Wood clouted a two-bagger. Kehler fanned. Two hits, one run.

F. M. S.—Wright fanned. Amos first on error. Territ flied out. O'Keefe grounded out to Potts.

LINE-UP

STAUNTON	AB	H	R	PO	A
Schulte, r. f.	4	2	1	1	0
French, s. s.	2	1	0	1	1
Potts, p.	4	1	1	0	18
Pearl, 2b.	3	0	0	1	1
Wise, 1b.	4	2	1	12	0
Johnson, c. f.	3	1	1	1	0
Wood, c.	4	2	0	10	1
Kehler, l. f.	3	0	0	0	0
Hartman, 3b.	3	0	0	1	0
	9	4			
FISHBURNE	AB	H	R	PO	A
Territ, 3b.	5	2	1	0	0
O'Keefe, c. f.	4	1	1	3	0
Micheals, c.	4	0	0	11	2
Askew, r. f.	4	0	1	0	1
Lanier, p.	4	0	0	0	14
Johnson, 2b.	3	1	0	3	0
Miller, s. s.	4	0	0	0	1
Wright, 1b.	4	0	0	7	0
Amos, l. f.	4	0	0	3	0
	4	3			

Summary—Home run, Johnson; 2-base hits, Potts, Wood, Schulte; base on balls, off Lanier, 2; Potts, 0; hit by pitcher, Potts, 2; passed balls, Wood, 2; sacrifice hits, French, 2; Pearl and O'Keefe.
Umpire—Talley.

S. M. A. WINS FIVE AND LOSES ONE IN LAST TWO WEEKS

S. M. A. ended a very successful two weeks on the diamond by defeating Bridgewater, Dunsmore, V. M. I., Fishburne, and Woodberry Forest, and losing to Shenandoah College.

On April 10th S. M. A. defeated the V. M. I. Freshmen 7-2. Potts pitched a wonderful game, fanning eighteen. S. M. A. collected ten hits off Penelton and had him at their mercy.

On April 15th, Staunton defeated Woodberry Forest 5-2. Wise, twirling for the Blue and Gold, fanned twelve. Woodberry was in the lead 2-0 until the eighth, when S. M. A. got Winston for five hits and three runs. In the ninth Staunton got two more, sewing the game up. Schulte and Armfield got two base hits.

Bridgewater fell victims to the "Golden Tornado's" nine by the score of 9-18. The game was played at Bridgewater on April 17th. Schriefer twirled for the Blue and Gold, his first appearance this season. The game was seven innings by agreement. S. M. A. got fourteen hits off Payne, five of them coming in the second inning.

Shenandoah College defeated S. M. A. 11-2 at Dayton on the 20th. Wise started the game for S. M. A., but blew up in the fourth inning. Schriefer relieved him and pitched the remaining five innings, allowing only one hit. Only one man got as far as first while he twirled.

STAUNTON DOWNS DUNSMORE

On Friday, April 16th, S. M. A. defeated the Dunsmore Business College nine 6-3. Potts pitched a good game, striking out eleven and allowing only five hits. In the sixth inning Potts fanned Helms, Coyned, and Gillispie in rapid succession, pitching only eleven times. Kehler and Hartman were the only S. M. A. men who did not get a hit. The game was seven innings by agreement.

Today Tracksters Meet

V. M. I. Fresh on Kable Field; Fishburne Here Monday

The Freshman track team from V. M. I. will be met today on Kable Field. This team beat A. M. A. the other week by a big score, and today's meet will offer an opportunity for comparison between the two prep schools.

Next Monday a meet is scheduled with Fishburne. A victory means that we may chalk up superiority in three sports this year as against our old rival's one.

Three meets in five days is pretty hard going for the track team, most of which is composed of green men. However, judging by their first two performances, they have the happy faculty of improving with use.

Baseball Statistics

BATTING AVERAGES

(Through F. M. S. Game)

	AB	H	AV.
French	32	17	.527
Mayo	28	12	.420
Wise	24	9	.369
Potts	34	12	.348
Williams	3	1	.333
Schulte	35	10	.300
Kehler	17	5	.290
Wood	25	7	.280
Johnson	28	8	.280
McNeilly	11	3	.270
Pearl	34	8	.232
Hartman	16	2	.124
	6	3	

PITCHING AVERAGES

	W	L	PCT.
Potts	3	0	1.000
Schriefer	1	0	1.000
Wise	2	3	.400

Academic Awards

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Silverman has won the insignia of the Highest Order three times this year, and Cadet Smith was the runner-up last quarter.

In the Order of the First Class only six qualified last term as against fourteen the second quarter. These men who received above 90 per cent. in all subjects for the quarter just ending are: Goldsmith, Niemyer, Ostlund, W., Rapp, Rogers, and Rose, S.

Thirty-four men are in the Order of the Second Class, having maintained an average of 80 per cent. or above in all subjects. In the Order of the Third Class there are one hundred and twenty-four men, an increase of ten over those in this class for the second quarter's work.

Major S. S. Pitcher, Post Adjutant, said that there were twenty-one men in the corps who would have been decorated in one class or another except for the fact that they had over twenty demerits against their department record for the term. One of these men should have been in the Order of the First Class, but his demerits put him in the class below.

The academic order publishing the list of academic decorations for the third quarter follows:

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Goldsmith, Niemyer, Ostlund, W., Rapp, Rogers and Rose, S.

ORDER 2ND CLASS

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ORDER 3RD CLASS

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