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The Function of Athletics

It took the stern requirements of the great World War to call attention to the physical decadence of American manhood. It follows without question that the physical decadence of American womanhood has not only kept pace with but has exceeded that of American manhood. The disclosures of draft boards, and the more recent ones of community workers and sociological investigators, have aroused the national conscience on account of the appalling conditions.

The reaction has been a national impulse to counteract this evil, for physical decadence in individual or nation is an evil.

The great schools of the United States, for a score of years previous to the Great War, recognizing the truthfulness of the ancient dictum, "a healthy mind in a healthy body", encouraged and finally required some form of athletics as an integral part of each able-bodied student's curriculum. Be it said to the credit of such a step, that the draft boards found the American college student most fit physically for the game of war. The flower of American manhood and womanhood is seen best in the young men and women who are flooding the colleges and universities of the country. It has been demonstrated repeatedly that these men and women, after they have finished their courses, attack life's problems with vim and system which are but a continuation of the methods of the classroom, laboratory and athletic field.

Schools are now expected to build not only character and intellect, but sound, healthy bodies, receptacles from which a great character and a great intellect may properly function. Secondary schools have fallen in line with this program, and today, in these schools, the body-building program is held to be of little less importance than classroom and laboratory programs. In line with the same plan, good men and good women who realize that no good training can begin too soon are urging measures that will make athletic training obligatory in public schools. It is a shameful indictment against the intelligence of any people that a ruthless and implaceable war had to bring it face to face with its physical weakness. In our judgment the causes of war are few and most of the wars of mankind have been uncalled for, but if the last bloody orgy has awakened the national conscience with respect to the physical regeneration of the men and women of America, then the men and women of tomorrow will not damn their forebears, nor will the poppies of Flanders' Fields have been crimsoned in vain by the blood of American heroes.

At Collegiate Institute athletics were rudimentary for years, and were permitted with the hope that they might add to the physical fitness of the student. With no organized system of development or management, baseball and football assumed, in a few years, dignified proportions, and the interest aroused in the student body, combined with the physical benefits accruing to those engaged in the games, justified the management of the school in installing a definite athletic program. When it is recalled that in addition to body-building, the athletics of the school have made her name known throughout the United States, there is small wonder that her friends, patrons, student body, alumni, and faculty are proud of the school's excellence in all fields of athletics attempted. With no gymnasium, and until very recent years, no regular coach, the school has produced a Hughes of all-American football fame, a Bartlett, a Holland and a Brown of creditable mention, and a goodly band of supermen who have carried the Old Gold and Black to victory on many a hard-fought field.

The various contests have developed a spirit of fairness in games, and this spirit is found in all collegiate activities. The number of students whom the love of athletics has attracted to the school has done much to add to her fame. Criticism is often made that schools "carry athletics too far", but safe and sound regulations, in which scholarship and personality are the determining elements, are being rapidly enforced here. Glory and an increase in the size of the student body may result from victory in athletic sport, but the greatest satisfaction that a school and a people can derive from such games is that, throughout the athletic scheme, an intelligent band of youthful Americans is rounding into that perfect physical development that makes for the perpetuity of a nation.
We are publishing below an editorial clipped from *The Lantern*, the school organ of the Ohio State University.

It is refreshing and inspiring to learn that such sentiments as are expressed in this editorial are the principles that the great universities of the country are teaching to the future leaders of the nation. We take hope in the thought that by such outspoken declarations of fairness and the courageous stand for the principles involved, the slogan of "a fair fight and no favors, and may the best man win" will be in vogue throughout the land.

The editorial follows:

If the colleges of our nation fail to view things from a broad point of view, what can one expect of that part of the world which has never had the opportunity to broaden out and learn the principles of that great art of being able to cast aside personal feelings in behalf of the bigger things of life?

The news that Harvard and Virginia have called off their dual track meet because Harvard's team included two Negroes, has not aroused much comment from the sport world, but it demonstrates the point we are trying to make. The university which looks at life in such a narrow-minded sort of way is not fulfilling that function required by American standards. Of course it is the private business of the two schools; nevertheless it touches on a vital question, not only of the college world but of national importance.

It is the hope of the writer that the Ohio State University will always be as democratic and unprejudiced as it has been in the past and that it will never fail to consider intercollegiate events open to all races.

It is interesting to note how the editorial writer of the Cornell Sun looks at the matter. What he has to say on the subject follows:

"We are accustomed to thinking that the Civil War is over, and then we read of such occurrences and realize that there is still a North and a South. Race distinctions are looked upon with disfavor in the North, partly because the Northerners still have some of the Yank in them, and partly because they have not much provocation to arouse hatred of any race. In the South the old blood lingers too.

"According to our laws, equality prevails, irrespective of color or of blood. Custom still remains, however, and lends itself to locality better than does law.

"There are certain opportunities when prejudiced persons have to overcome their prejudice and exercise their liberality on the race question. Intercollegiate competition offers one of these opportunities. Our Northern universities give the same chance to all comers in molding a varsity team; the color of a man's skin is not looked upon as a qualifying point. He is rated on his ability as an athlete and a sportsman. The doors of our educational institutions are open to all races, and we accordingly grant to them equal rights in representing the institution which they attend. When two universities meet, it ought to be with this understanding. It may be chance for one of them to cast off for the moment any inherent territorial prejudices."—Ohio State Lantern.
Our Progress in Athletics

After reading the columns of this issue and those of other publications one cannot but appreciate the success of the athletic teams of the West Virginia Collegiate Institute,—success which justifies a graduate in being proud to be a son or daughter of the institution.

Two questions naturally suggest themselves to those who stop to consider the development and record of our teams: first, what have been the provisions for Physical Education; second, what are our future prospects in this field?

Any attempt to consider these questions and at the same time on the bit of history connected with them would be almost worthless. The institution, in its early life, had no definite provisions made for athletics or for interscholastic competition. This phase of educational life did not attract sufficient attention to justify suitable provisions. Mr. John C. Gilmer of the office of the Secretary of State, a former teacher in this institution, was probably the first person to serve as manager, coach and director of athletics, if such designations are fitting. Prior to about 1900, competition had been confined wholly to the students of the institution, a fact which proved itself of value in providing a nucleus around which to build the huge machine which we now enjoy.

The first game of consequence was played in Charleston, West Virginia, against Storer College, then a formidable team on the gridiron. This game was played on a field in a district of Charleston which is now a fashionable residential section, sometimes known as the Ruffner Addition. Our present director of athletics, Mr. A. G. Brown, held the position of half-back on the Institute team. One of the distinguished spectators was Ex-Governor G. W. Atkinson, who was heard to remark, during the course of the game, when the Institute warriors were fighting their opponents back under the shadow of their goal, "Our boys are going to win". They did win and have been winning ever since, and out of the foregoing words has come this slogan: Fight with a vim that will be sure to win.

The resignation of Mr. Gilmer left the work, so nobly begun, to be assumed by Mr. A. G. Brown. For a number of years Mr. Brown has been effecting a definite organization, directing, and in many instances securing funds or himself financing our athletics. This he did at first by himself, or with very little assistance. Our equipment was scantly and even cruel. The coaching staff consisted of individuals whose services might be secured temporarily, and later, members of the faculty who had any knowledge of athletics were called upon to devote part of their time to the work of shaping teams for certain specified contests anticipated. Such a system was very unsatisfactory. Time and again attempts were made to better conditions, but with very little success.

Our present status has been made possible through courage, persistence, and patience. Under the able direction of Mr. Brown, with the more recent cooperation of Mr. C. E. Mitchell, Business Manager, athletic schedules have been creditably adjusted and successfully fulfilled, and our teams have been more than victorious. Our athletic program has been operated on a scale as extensive as circumstances would permit.

The student body has afforded extraordinarily good material upon which to draw. The members of the teams have been excellent sportsmen. Students not participating have rallied with any means of support required. In fact, the institution has been and is characterized by an unconquerable spirit which dwells in the breast of every student on the campus. The Institute environment has sent forth one of the best corps of athletes that can be grouped anywhere in the country, and our accomplishments have attracted country-wide attention and much favorable comment because of our high standards in athletics.

Persons often inquire how, with such meager equipment and poor facilities for physical education, we have made such progress in this direction. Thorough work, and cooperation of students with the athletic authorities have played a great part. The institution, moreover, has been extremely fortunate in having presidents who have recognized the benefit to be derived from the work of the physical training department and who have not hesitated to give it their attention and unstinted support. In this respect the school is to be congratulated. The department of physical education receives from the leaders of the institution the assurance that it is as important and essential as any other department in giving to the state and nation strong young men and women to perform the duties of citizenship.

The policy of the athletic department is to develop good athletes by providing suitable physical training,—to produce winning teams to represent the institution, but not to sacrifice any of those noble principles which underlie the true value which is to be gained from participation in athletics. We are cognizant of the fact that we cannot always place winning teams on the field, but we realize that we can teach and observe those superb principles that make our contestants good losers, and, in the end, winners.

Because we have produced winning teams more frequently than
losing ones, unusual popularity has come to us. We have gradually risen and reached a class far superior to that which our numbers and facilities justify. Our present schedule includes games with the leading institutions for the training of Negro youth in the country. Howard, Fisk and Wilberforce are to be played during the ensuing season, and the probability of meeting Lincoln University on the gridiron has been given considerable attention. The great distance between the two institutions and the necessary expense attached have kept us from making this feature a reality. If present plans carry, however, such an event will be quite likely.

Present tendencies are indicative that the demand in the future will be far greater than it has ever been, both as to calibre of teams and the character of equipment and training. The praise-worthy position which we have earned by hard work and sacrifice by students, athletic authorities, alumni and others of the institution must be maintained. If this idea is to be substantiated, more attention will have to be given to physical education, and more equipment and provisions will be necessary. Facilities for the accommodation of a greater number of students in physical training should be provided. A complete reorganization, to include a general system of intramural athletics, should be instituted. Such a system, if adopted, will enable us to build up recruits for varsity teams, besides affording some form of physical training for those who may not be deemed qualified for intercollegiate competition. A complete system of physical training for girls, a much-neglected feature in many institutions, should also be incorporated.

Such a program of physical training, which will include both sexes, meet the needs of a larger number of students, and reach the less resourceful types, will involve a considerable number of improvements. Some of the immediate needs I shall mention.

First, a gymnasium of capacious size is greatly in demand. The “big idea” in the minds of students, alumni and citizens interested in the institution is a Gymnasium. No adequate system of physical education can be complete without one. The need of physical education is accepted and universally accredited by educators, and its value is to be evidenced by the status of its recipients participating in the World War and in the duties of citizenship. A well-equipped gymnasium is a prime prerequisite to proper physical training.

There are several reasons why our status demands the erection of a gymnasium. (1) The institution has grown so rapidly and athletics have reached such a high standard that present facilities are entirely inadequate. (2) A gymnasium will admit of a system of physical training more extensive than at present, which will involve practically every student in the institution in its program. Both sexes may be given ample opportunity to experience some phase, and intramural athletics may be instituted so that 78 per-cent of the students, now inactive, will become active participants. (3) Reasonable accommodations will be provided for the holding of various tournaments of teams representing the high schools of the state, as well as for our proposed athletic carnivals.

Second: Lakin Field, although it is one of the best fields for the staging of football and baseball contests that can be found among Negro schools, is in need of necessary improvement. (1) Plans are developing for the purpose of moving the grandstand so as to afford better observation for spectators and at the same time reduce depreciation. (2) A quarter-mile cinder track should be constructed. While authority for such has been granted, no definite plan of action has been adopted, as track athletics are in their infancy in this state. Here, however, West Virginia Collegiate Institute has a great opportunity to be an interesting pioneer. For a long time, those in charge of athletics have been aware of the possibilities of track activities, but have been unable to develop the sport as desired. A program is being drawn up with a view toward stimulating greater interest in this work and rendering it more attractive to the public. Last May, the high schools held the first interscholastic track meet at the institution, and with the construction of a quarter-mile track encircling the baseball diamond, Institute could easily become the center for the holding of annual interscholastic track meets for contestants representing all of our high schools.

Third: our basketball court is far below average, although our teams have been successful. We are unable to invite teams to play here or to consider the making of an adequate schedule because of the lack of accommodations. Before another season, however, we expect to have floored our present court and to have made other necessary improvements. This is at present a problem, but we are hopeful that the early erection of a gymnasium will obviate this difficulty.

Like most worthy undertakings and accomplishments, our development has been periodic and interrupted. But, as though from some unseen force, renewed impetus has come, making more certain our direction, until the steady march has placed us among other institutions with honor and distinction. Mr. J. C. Gilmer and Mr. A. G. Brown have thus far had the arduous task of proving the idea feasible and laying...
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well the foundation. Students, Alumni and friends have watched our progress. Let this progress be a supreme challenge, calling us to our duty. May our earnest co-operation be instrumental in bringing the ideals of our ardent supporters to realization.—D. L. F.

Letters From Alumni

THE MONTHLY is glad to present to its readers the following extracts from former representatives of Institute in athletic contests. They express genuine love and co-operation, without which no institution can do its best work.

“Des Moines, Ia.

“Enclosed please find an article for the INSTITUTE MONTHLY. I am mailing under separate cover a photograph of the first Institute Football team. I believe there is a cut of this team in the printing office. Please return the photograph to me. I have had it for twenty years and would hate to lose it.

“Regards to the boys.

(Dr. W. H. Lowry).

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“Parkersburg, W. Va.

“Allow me to express my appreciation of the past issues of the INSTITUTE MONTHLY. I read each issue with increasing interest, especially those pages devoted to athletics.

“The management of athletics and the teams are to be congratulated upon the progress and excellent records they have made during past seasons. We expect, in the near future, for ‘Old Gold and Black’ to wave her colors high over the rest of the ‘Big Five’, and we believe it will be said, without a doubt, that Institute has one of the best gridiron ‘machines’ ever seen in action. We appreciate the position she now occupies as second among the ‘Big Five’, but we fully believe she will not stop until she reaches the topmost round.

“It is our primary object here at Sumner High School to give to the boys and girls choosing higher institutions of learning the best we have, so that they in turn may be able to contribute to the institution of their choice the best they have, both in class-room and on the athletic field. We believe that with these ideals instilled into them, the young men and women finishing the high schools of the state will be proper material for the West Virginia Collegiate Institute of today, which we hope will eventually develop into the University of tomorrow.

“Wishing you continued success,

“I am

“Very truly yours,

“(C. V. Harris.)

In connection with the above letter, THE MONTHLY desires to call attention to the following extract from the Summer High School News:

“Prof. C. V. Harris, better known to Institute Alumni as ‘C. V.’, is completing his third year as instructor in manual training and as athletic coach at the Sumner High School of Parkersburg, W. Va. ‘C. V.’ has made an enviable reputation for himself as a coach, performing as well in this role as he did on the gridiron for his Alma Mater. The teams he has turned out for Sumner have been strong organizations. His elevens in 1919 and 1920 won the State championship of his high schools in West Virginia. His other teams, basketball and track, have also been very successful. An exponent of the highest ideals for the boys’ athletics, ‘C. V.’ is doing much good, not only for the boys under his tute-lage but for those of sister schools with whom relations are maintained.”

“Montgomery, W. Va.

“Undergrads and old Grads,

“Howdy.

“Just to let you know I am aboard the good ship Earth.

“The most pleasant memories I have are those of dear Old Institute. O my! How we used to keep ‘em guessing what Manager Brown had up his sleeve! Howard, Fisk and Wilberforce will always respect Institute for her gentlemanly athletes who never believed it too late in the game to win.

“Whenever I get a chance I am with our High in its athletic ambitions. At your service any time.

“U Boat’ R. W. Hardy (17).”

“Garnett High School, Charleston, W. Va.

“It affords me much pleasure to write you a letter for this number.

“One of the most recent incidents from which I received much pleasure was the spirit and loyalty shown by the student body at the annual football banquet. As long as such excellent spirit and cooperation exist among both faculty and students, athletics will continue to hold a high standing in the institution.

“You have just closed a very successful basketball season, and I predict equally as good a season in baseball. I feel that the 1921 football team will not be thought of in terms of five or six men, but that it shall be boosted from the lowest to the highest student of the institution.

“With best wishes for a success-

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Institute’s First Football Team

This article was contributed to THE MONTHLY by Dr. William H. Lowry, now a practicing dentist in Des Moines, Iowa. Dr. Lowry was a member of Institute’s first football team and is a loyal alumnus.

The first football team at the West Virginia Collegiate Institute was organized in September, 1901. The team was managed by Mr. J. C. Gilmer, a member of the faculty, and coached by Mr. Harry Anderson, a former football star at the West Virginia University.

The football squad was composed of fourteen members, viz:
- Veronica E. White, L. E.
- John K. Johnson, L. T.
- Ralph Q. Hill, C.
- Lewis N. Spurlock, R. T.
- Henry C. Hargrove, L. H. B.
- William H. Lowry, R. H. B.
- Alexander Henderson, F. B.
- John A. Thompson, L. T.
- Oscar Caldwell L. G.
- Troy Claytor, R. G.
- Andrew Brown, R. E.
- Thomas N. Woodson, R. H. B.
- W. Henry Burke, F. B.
- William B. Tucker, quarter and captain.

The first game was played at Institute in October, 1901, Parkersburg Colored Athletic Club against Institute. Woodson was injured during the first half and had to be carried from the field. I was called upon to substitute for Woodson. At the beginning of the second half I received a severe blow in the mouth. They carried two of my upper anterior teeth from the field and left me in the game. It was the best they could do under the circumstances. Score: Institute, 11; Parkersburg 5.

The next game was played at Charleston in November, Institute vs. Charleston. Five minutes after the game had started, Charleston pulled off a trick play and scored. At the close of the first half, manager Gilmer took us down the hill for a little conference; the things he said to us wouldn’t have sounded good before a Sunday School class. We went back into the game sore at Gilmer, sore at Charleston and disgusted with ourselves. What we did to Charleston during the second half would not have looked good on a “movie” screen. Score: Institute, 15; Charleston, 5.

We closed the season on Thanksgiving Day, Institute vs. Storer College at Charleston. Hargrove was injured in this game and I was called to take his place. The game ended in Storer’s territory and with the ball in Institute’s possession. Score: Institute, 18; Storer College, 2.
INSTITUTE'S FIRST FOOTBALL TEAM
FOOTBALL

Editor's Note: The October-November and December issues of THE MONTHLY contained detailed accounts of the football games of this season.

The schedule for 1920, the heaviest in the history of Institute, was played through in a manner which won for the team, squad and school the enthusiastic commendation of alumni, friends and professional critics. Virginia Theological Seminary and College, Simmons (State) University of Louisville, Bluefield Colored Institute, Virginia Normal and Industrial Institute, and Wilberforce University, fell before the onslaught of the Institute team. Only Howard University was able to defeat us, and that defeat was by the small score of seven to zero, the single touch-down being made in the last three minutes of play. One hundred thirty-six points were piled up by Institute, as against fourteen points made by opponents, and professional critics placed Institute second in the list of Negro colleges.

The scores follow:

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The following games have been arranged for 1921:

- October 15 Bluefield at Institute
- " 22 Ky. State at Institute
- " 29 Howard at Institute
- November 5 Open
- " 12 Open
- " 18 Va. Seminary at Lynchburg
- " 24 Wilberforce at Institute

For next year, Smith, Wilson, Eaves, D. Brown, Bowles, Moore, Saunders, Drewery, Harris, Lowry, Rolls and Dandridge Brown remain as an established nucleus, and captain-elect Brown assures us that his team will be a worthy member of that group of fighting and victorious machines to which Institute proudly points.

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ful number, I am

"Yours sincerely,
"A. T. Bartlett, '20"
"Director of Athletics,
"Garnett High School"

"Dan" Brown came to us from Garnett School, Charleston, and started at once to make an enviable record in athletics. Next year will be his fourth on the Varsity Football team, and he has won the captaincy through hard and consistent playing throughout his course. He has represented his class, also, in Basketball and Baseball.

"Dan" is a member of the class of 1923, College.
Basketball

INTERCLASS BASKETBALL

The interclass basketball season this year aroused great interest throughout the entire student body. The series consisted of sixteen games played by each of five teams, representing the four classes of the secondary department and the college department, — a total of forty games in all. Competition was keen and excitement ran high until at last the college team, under the leadership of Captain Dallas Brown, and composed of Benjamin Goode, Edward Dickerson, Max Westerband and Dillard Wilson, carried away the championship honors by winning fifteen of their sixteen games, having been defeated once by the hard-fighting Third-years, by the score of 13 to 10. The College team, however, deserved its honors, for throughout the season it showed by its excellent team work its superiority in both offense and defense. Among the six highest point winners for the series, also, four were members of the College team. This team piled up a total of 631 points, or an average of 39.7 points per game, against 214 points, or an average of 13.4 scored by their opponents.

The Third-year team was always a contender to be feared. They were unbeaten by anyone except the College, to whom they lowered their colors three times before they finally obtained the long-desired victory. Their offense was built around their brilliant forward, William Drewery, who scored 182 of their 381 points, and who was the high-point man of the season. He, however, was not their only reliance, for Messrs. Cullums and Smith, along with White and Hairston, were always sure to cause trouble to any contending team. In the early part of the season, team-work was rather ragged, but as the season advanced, this defect was removed to a great extent, as one must realize when the victory over the College team is considered.

The Fourth-Year team was probably the disappointment of the season both to themselves and their supporters. Much was expected of the team because of its good showing during the previous year. It seems, however, that several of their men slipped back to the third year, and those who remained seemed unable to "get together". Once they showed a rare flash of brilliancy by giving the College team one of the closest battles of the season by the close score of 21–18 in favor of the College. Immediately, however, they slipped back into their old form and were beaten later by the ambitious First-Years, 17 to 15. Higginbotham was the most consistent per-

former for the Fourth-Years, being directly responsible for most of their victories. Harden and Bowles did good work when they were able to play.

The Second-Year team changed its line-up time after time, attempting to stand against its opponents. Their chief trouble seemed to be a lack of team-work, and a wild tendency to shoot at the basket from anywhere on the floor. Their motto seemed to be, "Whenever in doubt as to what to do, shoot!" and this proved disastrous in every game. Twice, during the early season, they defeated the First-Years, but the latter "came back" and by a victory over the Second-Years and later over the Fourth-Years, shoved the lordly Seconders into a firm position in last place. Drain was the individual star for the Second-Year team, but little else may be said for the team, except that with experience and proper coaching, some of them may develop wonderfully.

The Freshmen, after contending among themselves as to their line-up, meanwhile losing game after game, eventually hit upon a combination which carried them to fourth place. Lack of team-work was their noticeable fault, also. All their hopes were placed in Sinclair, and the other teams, taking advantage of this fact as well as of the fact that Sinclair never played on the defensive, usually managed to subdue the "one man team". After several changes, however, opposing teams, notably the Second and Fourth-Years, found out that there were others than Sinclair on the First-Year team, among whom were Lowry, a tenacious little guard, and Henry Smoots, a hard-playing forward, although the latter, due to inexperience and over-enthusiasm, could occasionally be depended upon to drop one into the basket for the opposing team. The encouraging fact concerning the First-Years, however, was that they were anxious to learn and to take basketball as a serious matter. It is safe to predict that in a few years several men of the present team will be the main reliance of our Varsity basketball teams.

The highest point scorers of the season were Drewery, Goode, Dickerson, Dallas Brown, Westerband, and Higginbotham, all of whom ran up more than fifty field goals apiece. Drewery led with seventy-four, while Goode followed closely with seventy-two. The best foulsheeter of the season was Capt. Dallas Brown of the College team, who scored twenty-five out of thirty-five attempts. Next was Goode of the same team, with twenty-one out of forty-five; then Drewery of the third-year, with twenty out of sixty; and finally Sinclair, with eighteen out of sixty-two.

The results of the games were as follows:

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The Interclass basketball season this year aroused great interest throughout the entire student body. The series consisted of sixteen games played by each of five teams, representing the four classes of the secondary department and the college department, — a total of forty games in all. Competition was keen and excitement ran high until at last the college team, under the leadership of Captain Dallas Brown, and composed of Benjamin Goode, Edward Dickerson, Max Westerband and Dillard Wilson, carried away the championship honors by winning fifteen of their sixteen games, having been defeated once by the hard-fighting Third-years, by the score of 13 to 10. The College team, however, deserved its honors, for throughout the season it showed by its excellent team work its superiority in both offense and defense. Among the six highest point winners for the series, also, four were members of the College team. This team piled up a total of 631 points, or an average of 39.7 points per game, against 214 points, or an average of 13.4 scored by their opponents.

The Third-year team was always a contender to be feared. They were unbeaten by anyone except the College, to whom they lowered their colors three times before they finally obtained the long-desired victory. Their offense was built around their brilliant forward, William Drewery, who scored 182 of their 381 points, and who was the high-point man of the season. He, however, was not their only reliance, for Messrs. Cullums and Smith, along with White and Hairston, were always sure to cause trouble to any contending team. In the early part of the season, team-work was rather ragged, but as the season advanced, this defect was removed to a great extent, as one must realize when the victory over the College team is considered.

The Fourth-Year team was probably the disappointment of the season both to themselves and their supporters. Much was expected of the team because of its good showing during the previous year. It seems, however, that several of their men slipped back to the third year, and those who remained seemed unable to "get together". Once they showed a rare flash of brilliancy by giving the College team one of the closest battles of the season by the close score of 21–18 in favor of the College. Immediately, however, they slipped back into their old form and were beaten later by the ambitious First-Years, 17 to 15. Higginbotham was the most consistent per-

former for the Fourth-Years, being directly responsible for most of their victories. Harden and Bowles did good work when they were able to play.

The Second-Year team changed its line-up time after time, attempting to stand against its opponents. Their chief trouble seemed to be a lack of team-work, and a wild tendency to shoot at the basket from anywhere on the floor. Their motto seemed to be, "Whenever in doubt as to what to do, shoot!" and this proved disastrous in every game. Twice, during the early season, they defeated the First-Years, but the latter "came back" and by a victory over the Second-Years and later over the Fourth-Years, shoved the lordly Seconders into a firm position in last place. Drain was the individual star for the Second-Year team, but little else may be said for the team, except that with experience and proper coaching, some of them may develop wonderfully.

The Freshmen, after contending among themselves as to their line-up, meanwhile losing game after game, eventually hit upon a combination which carried them to fourth place. Lack of team-work was their noticeable fault, also. All their hopes were placed in Sinclair, and the other teams, taking advantage of this fact as well as of the fact that Sinclair never played on the defensive, usually managed to subdue the "one man team". After several changes, however, opposing teams, notably the Second and Fourth-Years, found out that there were others than Sinclair on the First-Year team, among whom were Lowry, a tenacious little guard, and Henry Smoots, a hard-playing forward, although the latter, due to inexperience and over-enthusiasm, could occasionally be depended upon to drop one into the basket for the opposing team. The encouraging fact concerning the First-Years, however, was that they were anxious to learn and to take basketball as a serious matter. It is safe to predict that in a few years several men of the present team will be the main reliance of our Varsity basketball teams.

The highest point scorers of the season were Drewery, Goode, Dickerson, Dallas Brown, Westerband, and Higginbotham, all of whom ran up more than fifty field goals apiece. Drewery led with seventy-four, while Goode followed closely with seventy-two. The best foulsheeter of the season was Capt. Dallas Brown of the College team, who scored twenty-five out of thirty-five attempts. Next was Goode of the same team, with twenty-one out of sixty; then Drewery of the third-year, with twenty out of sixty; and finally Sinclair, with eighteen out of sixty-two.

The results of the games were as follows:

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Goode

Dickerson

Brown

Westerband

Higginbotham

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Points

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142

163

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115

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The Intercollegiate Basketball Games

Although Basketball is not one of the most popular sports, much interest has been prevalent in both the “Varsity” and interclass games at Institute and away from Institute. The “Varsity” has met Bluefield, Wilberforce, the Zanesville Buffaloes, and the Cincinnati Y. M. C. A. team, with victories over all except the last-named team. A return game with Wilberforce was played on the twenty-sixth of March.

The Bluefield Game

On February fifteenth, the “Varsity” team played Bluefield Colored Institute at Bluefield. The game opened with the following line-up:

Dickerson L. G. (Capt.)

Bowles R. G.

Higginbotham C.

Goode R. F.

Dallas Brown L. F.

On account of extra-high baskets at Bluefield, Institute seemed to spend about five minutes in getting their range, making two baskets, while B. C. I. followed with two. For the first ten minutes, it was “anybody’s game”, but the first half ended with the score 18 to 6 in favor of Institute.

In the second half Wilson substituted for Bowles. Institute scored a field goal thirty seconds after the whistle sounded, and with this basket seemed to find her stride, for thereafter the team worked together perfectly, with Goode and Brown “dropping them in” from all angles.

Goode was the highest point man, scoring sixteen points, while Brown scored twelve. The final score was: Institute, 38; Bluefield, 16.

After the game the team was entertained by the school in the parlor of the young women’s dormitory.

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INSTITUTE BOWS TO CINCINNATI

On February 25th, at 8.30 p.m., in the Ninth Street Y. M. C. A. gymnasium, the fast Cincinnati "Y" team defeated us in the hardest and fastest game of the season. The Cincinnati boys lost no time in getting under way, and scored several baskets before the West Virginians found themselves. Institute did find herself, however, and from that time on the game was exciting and interesting; but Cincinnati maintained her early lead and at the end of the game the score was 39-24 in favor of the "Y" team. They confessed that Institute gave them the hardest game of the season, - a statement which means much when one considers that Cincinnati has played and defeated practically every worthwhile team between Pittsburg and Chicago.

The entire Cincinnati team played exceptionally well, yet Pattengall, center, stood out. For Institute, Goode played an exceptional game, getting six baskets from the floor, some of them verging on the spectacular, since Cincinnati, too, was using the five-man defense. In the second half, Wilson replaced Dickerson, who had been injured in the Wilberforce game the night before, and displayed great ability. Drewery played his usual good game.

WILBERFORCE BOWS AGAIN

The night of March twenty-sixth marked a double victory for the basketball teams of W. V. C. I. On the spacious floor of the Charleston Armory, the team representing the Secondary Department completely swamped the inexperienced boys from the Garnett High by the one-sided score of 44 to 14, while in the main affair of the evening Coach Dunlap's machine led the dazed and mystified Wilberforcians by the score 38 to 27.

EDWARD DICKERSON
CAPTAIN AND SECOND BASEMAN, VARSITY BASEBALL, 1921
CAPTAIN AND GUARD, VARSITY BASKETBALL, 1921

Always smiling, always "playing the game" hard, fast, and in the spirit of clean sportsmanship, Captain Dickerson is the highest type of college athlete. To be elected to two varsity captaincies is an unusual honor, and "Ed" has come into it deservedly.
GARNETT YIELDS IN THE PRELIMINARY

The preliminary game, as the score indicates, was one-sided. Captain Harden kept his machine well in hand, so that it was apparent from the beginning that Garnett did not have a chance to win. Time after time the Institute boys would break up Garnett's weak offense by their superb five-man defense, and then by short accurate passes carry the ball toward their opponents' goal, where the short shots were easily made by Sinclair or Captain Harden. Perhaps the most spectacular work of the game was done by Sinclair, who caged ten goals from the floor during the thirty minutes of play. The small score of Garnett, however, is due largely to the excellent guarding of White and Smith, who as last men on the defense proved themselves impregnable when the Garnett boys looked dangerous. For Garnett, Buchanan was the high point man, getting three field goals and one foul, eleven of Garnett's fourteen points. The line up:

Institute
Sinclair F. Boyd
Cullums F. Campbell
Harden (Capt.) C. Gough
Smith G. Buchanan
White G. Davis

Goals from the floor: Sinclair, 10; Harden, 6; Cullums, 5; Smith, 1; Buchanan, 3; Davis, 2; Campbell, 1.

Fouls: Buchanan, 1; Campbell, 1.

Substitutions: Hairston for Smith; Fields for Buchanan; Stout for Fields.

Time; fifteen minute halves.
Referee, Embleton; Scorer, Morgan; Timekeeper, Parker.

THE MAIN BOUT

The second and big game of the evening was not so one-sided, but was hard fought all the way. The consistent team-work, however, of the Institute boys, and the unbeatable five-man defense which they presented more than made up for the brilliant work of Captain Hull of Wilberforce.

The game was interesting from beginning to end. Goode and Drewery managed to evade the Wilberforcians time after time, but the Institute lead was kept low because of numerous technical fouls and by the brilliant work of Captain Hull, who managed to slip through the Institute defense unnoticed for a couple of short shots. Stone of Wilberforce caged a ring from the middle of the floor, and McGee slipped one in from a difficult angle. Here the Institute defense stiffened, however, and Institute's lead, though never excessive, was never in danger. The first half ended with the score 20 to 14 in favor of Institute.

During the second half the Wilberforcians seemed mystified and wearied. Numerous substitutions were made by them, giving a man a chance to rest until resubstituted. On the other hand, Institute's team work became more effective and their defense improved as the game went on, so that by the end of the game Wilberforce was completely outclassed.

The offensive work of Goode and Drewery and the wonderful work of Captain Dickerson were little short of marvelous. Goode seemed able to cage them from anywhere at all, while Drewery, not to be outdone, rained them into the basket from all around the Wilberforcians. Each of these men was credited with eight goals from the floor, while Goode also scored two from the foul line. Captain Dickerson made a specialty of keeping two and three Wilberforcians from succeeding in their attempts to score, and then managing to take the ball away from them and start it on its sure journey toward Wilberforce's goal. In spite of the fact that he is not credited with a single basket, much credit is due him for excellent work in breaking up Wilberforce's offensive.

For Wilberforce, Captain Hull was high point man, getting five field goals and caging nine free throws out of twelve attempts. His accurate foul shooting, in fact, was the big factor in the Wilberforce score. Stone also did good work for the visitors.

The game was conceded by all present to have been the fastest game on the Armory court this season, and one in which more scientific basketball was in evidence that has been seen in these parts for a long time.

The line-up:

Institute
Goode F. Hull (Capt.)
Drewery F. Stone
Westerband C. Cassell
Higgienbotham G. Murdock
Dickerson (Capt.) G. McGee

Substitutions: Sedgwick for Murphy; Fisher for Cassell, Cassell for Fisher; Petway for Stone.

Goals from floor: Goode, 8; Drewery, 8; Westerband, 1; Hull, 5; Stone, 2; Fisher, 1; McGee, 1.

Goals from Foul line: Hull, 9; Goode, 2.

Time, 20 minute halves.
Referee, Embleton. Scorer, Morgan. Timekeeper, Parker.

CLARKSBURG KNEELS TO THE SECONDARY

On March 4th, at Institute, in a very one-sided game, a team representing the secondary department, minus all Varsity players, met and defeated the team from Kelly Miller High School of Clarksburg, by the overwhelming score of 29 to 3. The Clarksburg boys were at a loss to know how to penetrate the impregnable five-man defense which the Institute team used throughout the game, while on the other hand the Institute team scored almost at will, the small count being due to the fact that numerous easy shots were missed. Clarksburg's three points resulted from one field goal and
one free throw. For Institute, Sinclair was the outstanding star, with eight field goals to his credit. The defensive work of Harden was also very disconcerting to the Clarksburgers.

The line-up:

Secondaries Clarksburg
Sinclair F. Striplin
Culjums F. Lowry
Harden, Garrison C. Johnson
White G. Johnson
Smith, Hairston G. Jones

CAMPUS NEWS AND NOTES

On Friday evening, March 18th, at eight p. m., the annual Varsity Football Banquet was held in the dining room of Glasscock Hall, and was attended by about seventy persons, including the members of the football squad with their guests, the Athletic Committee, and a few members of former Varsity teams. Mr. Petris Higginbotham was toast-master, and Mr. Max Westerband led the yells and singing. Between courses addresses were made by Captain-elect Dandridge Brown, Assistant Captain-elect William Moore, President Davis, and Coach Dunlap. The toast to the school was offered by Mr. Fitzhugh Eaves, the elusive half-back. "The" talk of the evening was that of Coach Dunlap, who reviewed the season's work, told of the ups and downs of the making of a successful football team, complimented the squad on its excellent spirit shown throughout the season, and closed with a brief statement as to the prospects for next year's team. Mr. D. L. Ferguson of the Athletic Committee presented letters and jerseys to the following men who have won letters twice: Dandridge Brown, William Moore, Benjamin Goode, Harry Saunders. Letters were presented to Fitzhugh Eaves, Granville Smith, Dillard Wilson, and Manager Max Westerband, who received letters for the first time.

Mr. Austin W. Curtis, director of the Department of Agriculture, was recently elected Grand Master of Masons for the State of West Virginia. Mr. Curtis is a member of the faculty, loved and respected by both colleagues and students, and his election to this position of state-wide importance brings a signal honor to the school.

Miss Mary Frances Webb, of Washington, D. C., was the guest of President and Mrs. John W. Davis during the Easter holidays. Miss Webb was the recipient of many social favors during her stay, and expressed herself as being much pleased with life at Institute.

President and Mrs. Davis were "at home" to the Varsity Basketball team and guests, on Friday evening, April first. Entertainments and games in keeping with the spirit of the day were enjoyed. The feature of the evening was a story-telling contest, in which Messrs. William Drewery and Frank Fairfax won first and second prizes for telling the "wickedest" story.

On April first, Mrs. Clarice J. Michaels, director of the Department of Music, and the members of the school chorus were guests of honor at an informal reception given by the young ladies of McCorkle Hall.

The Morrill Agricultural Club held its annual banquet and reception, in the dining room of Glasscock Hall, on Friday evening, April sixteenth.

A new departure in student activities was inaugurated on Friday, April fifteenth, by the appearance of the Institute Male Sextette and Girls' Quartette in concert, at the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church, Huntington, under the direction of Mrs. Clarice J. Michaels, head of the Department of Music. Mr. Lane, of the faculty, accompanied the group, and spoke briefly concerning the work of the institution, with particular regard to the Summer School and the College Department. Similar concerts are planned for Charleston, Montgomery, Wheeling, Clarksburg and Parkersburg.

The Athletic Committee announces that the following moving pictures will be presented in Hazelwood Auditorium during Commencement week: May 21st, Mary Pickford in Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm; May 24th, Violet Heming in The Cost. A Universal comedy and a Paramount Magazine will be shown each night.

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OTHER COURSES will be offered as the need arises.

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S. H. Guss Director
Institute, West Virginia
Institute School Song

Tune—"My Own United States."

The poet sings of Harvard, Yale,
In pæans of love and praise,
Of universities far and wide,
In laudatory lays,
Of Oxford, countless ages old
In science, primal root,
But we'll acclaim, the school we name
Our own dear Institute.

CHORUS

I love every inch of her campus wide,
Each brick in her buildings grand;
I love every drop of the water clear
That flows from her spring in the sand.
I love every tree, every blade of grass
That grows so silent and mute;
The best place to be, either side of the sea,
Is dear old Institute.

The poet sings of Columbia,
Great school in a greater state,
Of the rich and proud, whose praises loud
Her glories do relate.
But we will make the welkin ring
On timbrel, harp and lute
With echoes for the school we name,
Our own dear Institute.