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INTRODUCTION

It has long been recognized that a closer bond of interest and sympathy ought to exist between the college and our former students. This publication will be an attempt on the part of the college to keep our former students informed as to what is going on, and to enlist their interest in whatever is attempted by the college.

This Bulletin will be published at least four times a year and will be sent to all former students, and to any others who may send in their names. In order to keep the lines unbroken, we are making the request that our former students shall keep us posted as to their correct addresses and whereabouts. This will cost only a postal card, but it will keep the college and all former students informed. If our alumni and former students will give us this information, it will be the function of this publication to keep them informed. There will be no charge for these subscriptions.

If you want to know what the college is doing, and what is being projected from time to time, let us have this information.



THE NEW ATHLETIC FIELD

Work will begin within a few days on the new athletic field. The campaign to raise \$35,000.00 to build the field is under way and will be completed soon. About \$25,000.00 have already been subscribed, leaving \$10,000.00 yet to be subscribed. The major part of the excavating work will be finished by Commencement. It is expected that the field will be ready for use this coming fall.

The field, when completed, will be the finest athletic field in this part of the country, and will be the joy of every Western Maryland man or woman. The field will provide for both men and women, and will fill a much-needed want. Those who remember the "old stone pile," as the old field is remembered by some, will rejoice in this achievement. Any one who has not sent in a subscription will kindly do so at once. Everybody wants to have a part in this accomplishment.

THE PROSPECTUS FOR 1921-22

The prospectus for 1921-22, which will be out May 15, announces several new features. These changes are the results of careful study. Some of these departures which may interest you follow with a word of justification.

1. A revision of Admission Requirements. A study of the Freshman Class revealed the fact that 50% of the class were conditioned in Mathematics from $\frac{1}{2}$ to one unit, and that a still larger per cent of the class were conditioned in Latin. Since most of these conditioned Freshmen were graduates of four-year high schools, this shows a gross lack of articulation between the college and the high school, which prepares most of its students. In order to remedy this mal-articulation, the requirements for admission to the Freshman Class have been so amended that a graduate of an approved four year high school may be admitted without conditions. Fifteen high school units admits to the Freshman Class. Of these 8 are required as follows: Algebra 1, Geometry 1, English 3, Foreign Language 2, and History 1. The remaining 7 units offered may come from the following: History 2, Foreign Languages 4, Physical Geography 1, General Science 1, Biology 1, Botany 1, Zoology 1, Chemistry 1, Physics 1, Solid Geometry $\frac{1}{2}$, Plane Trigonometry $\frac{1}{2}$, Domestic Science 1, Manual Training 1, Agriculture 1, Book-keeping 1, Commercial Arithmetic $\frac{1}{2}$, Commercial Law $\frac{1}{2}$, Commercial Geography $\frac{1}{2}$. And a student may enter conditioned in one subject.

2. A Revision of Graduation Requirements and a Re-grouping of the Courses of Study. Changes in admission requirements necessitated a revision of the college curriculum. But there are other demands which the college is ready to meet. The number of failures and near-failures in the required subjects has been increasing alarmingly fast. Requests for special courses which avoided the required subjects at the sacrifice of graduation or diploma have become quite common. The demand for practical subjects which would function more completely in the lives of the students has become insistent. And then, most colleges have already done what our new course contemplates, i. e. allow wider election of

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subjects, and so place less stress upon mere learning and more upon real education.

In order to meet these demands, the course of study for 1921-22 requires only a few basic subjects in the Freshman and Sophomore years, other work is elected from the courses offered. This does not mean random or even free election of work. The student entering the Freshman Class is assigned to a member of the faculty who becomes his adviser, in consultation with whom all freshman work is chosen, all difficulties relating to same worked out, and a major subject about which the work of the remaining three years will be grouped, is selected. First, there is elective more than half the work of the Freshman year, at the close of which there is a choice of one of eight major subjects which then becomes the core of all further college work. Within the group of studies of which the major is the center, there is still further election, this time under the direction of the head of the department in which the major work is being done. In this way the head of the major department becomes in a very real sense the student's adviser and sponsor during the last three years of his college course.

Thus, altho a free election of college work is allowed, there are these safeguards preventing the election of random or snap courses and assuring a high standard of attainment.

3. New Courses in the College Curriculum. The course in Biblical Literature begun this session under Dr. Herbert T. Stephens, formerly of Kansas City University, will begin as a required subject in the Sophomore year and be elective in the Junior and Senior years.

The courses in Elementary Education, supplementing the courses in General and Secondary Education, are added to meet the need for college trained men and women for principals, supervisors and teachers of the elementary schools. An instructor competent in this field is to be appointed.

Home Economics courses amplifying the present course and covering four years' work in the domestic arts and

sciences will meet the need for teachers of Home Economics in colleges and high schools, county demonstrators and supervisors, and women in other positions which require the practical training which these courses give along with a college education. The departments of Chemistry, Biology and Physics are adding the courses needed as a basis for the work done in the Home Economics Department.

4. College courses preparatory to the special schools of Medicine, Law, Dentistry, and Engineering may be chosen. The flexibility of the new curriculum permits this without confusion and with minimum loss to the student in case he changes his mind and wishes to continue to graduation.

The Science Courses have been materially strengthened and will meet fully, if pursued to graduation and the A. B. degree, the requirements of the graduate schools.

□ □ ANOTHER VICTORY FOR OLD SMITH HALL

Western Maryland College won again first place in the Intercollegiate Oratorical Contest, held at College Park, Friday evening, April 29th. The college was represented by Otwald B. Langrall, of the class of '21. His subject was: "The Way Out."

This is another victory for old Smith Hall Friday afternoon exercises, which have been a feature of the college from the early days of the institution. The Smith Hall work is done under the departments of English and Expression. The new curriculum, with the handicap of a rapidly growing enrollment, makes this work an important required feature.

The record of past victories follows:
1899—Claude Cicero Douglas....First
1900—Harry Heffner Price.....First
1901—George Hammond Myers...Second
1902—Gideon Ireland Humphreys...First
1903—
1904—Levin Irving Insley.....First
1905—John Michael Henry.....First
1906—George Edrass Bevans.....First
1907—John Hunt Hendrickson...First
1908—George Frank Thomas....First
1909—John Samuel Turner....Second
1910—Russell Vinton Lewis....Second
1911—Carl Twigg.....Second
1912—Charles Hering Murray....First
1913—Irving Elway Phillips....Second
1914—Charles Wm. Wainwright...First
1915—Lester Alvin Twigg.....First
1916—John Leas Green.....First
1917—Charles Ellsworth Moylan...Second
1918—
1919—Richard Carl Phillips....Second
1920—Milton Michael Somers....First
1921—Otwald Bryan Langrall....First

THE NEXT STEP TO BUILD McDANIEL HALL

The next forward step to be taken will be the erection of a new dormitory to be named in honor of Dr. William R. McDaniel, for years connected with the college as Vice-President and as Professor of Mathematics and Astronomy, and one of the most loved men ever associated with the college. This building will be modern and up-to-date in every particular and will have accommodations for 125 additional students. The erection of this dormitory will enable the college to take care of the increase of students that may reasonably be expected during the next few years. Last year, for the first time, a number of students were turned away because of want of room. This building will cost One Hundred Thousand Dollars.

To provide the funds necessary for the erection of the building, it has been decided to conduct a campaign for the sale of 1200 scholarships.

The Board of Trustees at their mid-year meeting in February increased the charges for board and tuition from \$300.00 to \$350.00, divided as follows: board, \$250.00; tuition, \$100.00. It is proposed to put on a campaign for the sale of 1200 scholarships, this campaign to continue until August 15, 1921. These scholarships will be sold for \$75.00, or \$25.00 less than the catalogue price; and they will be transferable and good for one year's tuition any time during the next twenty years. Any number of scholarships may be purchased by any individual, and they may be used in either the College or Preparatory School. Four of these scholarships will provide tuition for a full four year's course.

The proceeds of the sale of 1200 scholarships will amount to \$90,000.00. Of this amount, \$70,000.00 will be used in the construction of the new one hundred thousand dollar dormitory; and the difference between the \$70,000.00 and the cost of the dormitory will be carried by the college and paid off as soon as practicable. The difference between the proceeds of this sale and the \$70,000.00 used for the building of the new dormitory will be held by the college to meet any contingency that may arise, such as an increase in enrollment in any one year that might necessitate the employment of a larger number of teachers to meet the emergency. In case no such contingency should arise and the college could finance its obligations from its other receipts, this amount could be applied to the liquidation of the debt carried on the building.

Intensive Campaign In May

While the campaign is to continue until August 15, 1921, a very important consideration calls for the larger part of the sale of these scholarships to be concluded before the meeting of the Board of Trustees in June. If a large part of these scholarships can be sold before the meeting of the Board in June, it is likely that the Board would order the construction of the new building at once. In that event the new dormitory would be ready for use by January 1, 1922. With that in view an intensive campaign will be put on during the month of May, and those who expect to purchase scholarships are urged to do so at once. The object of the reduction in the price of the scholarships is that the college may have the use of the money in advance for the erection of this new building; otherwise the scholarships would cost \$100.00. Because of the object we have in view we are asking our friends to come to our help at once, and to insure the sale of a large part if not all of the 1200 scholarships during the month of May.

Terms Of Sale For Scholarships

The time limit set for the sale of these scholarships is August 15, 1921. From May 1st to August 15th the sale will continue. After August 15th no scholarships will be sold for less than \$100.00.

Terms of payment: \$15.00 down, and the remainder in four monthly installments of \$15.00 each. If possible send check for full amount when subscription is sent in. If not convenient, then send in subscription on the above terms. Make all checks payable to Treasurer, Western Maryland College.

The Man We Honor

Dr. McDaniel has given thirty-five years of the finest kind of service to this institution. He has given his life for the school, and has seen it grow from small beginnings to its present size and significance. He worked hard in hand with Dr. Lewis throughout his administration and shares with him the success that crowned the efforts of the last administration. If every man and woman among us were to give to the college now in proportion to the help that has been given by this consecrated personality to every student that has attended Western Maryland College, the success of this campaign would be abundantly assured. McDaniel Hall will stand for years to come as a mem-

orial to a man who quietly and unostentatiously but in a marvellously effective way made his influence felt upon every student that has passed through these halls. It ought not take long to

hear from our alumni and friends in such a worthy enterprise as this. Dr. McDaniel is deserving of this recognition, and in honoring him we are honoring ourselves.



FIFTY-FIRST COMMENCEMENT, JUNE 10th TO 15th

The program of the exercises for commencement week is here given. Alumni and friends are cordially invited to these exercises and the wish is expressed that they will accept this invitation. Included in the exercises of Commencement Day will be the inauguration of the new President of the college. Another item of interest will be the oratorio, Handel's Messiah, on Tuesday evening, June 14th, at 8

o'clock. This will be given by a chorus of 200 voices, selected from the college and the assisting choirs of Westminster and Carroll County. An admission will be charged for the oratorio, and the proceeds will be set aside for the beginning of a pipe organ fund for the placing of a great organ in Alumni Hall. There will be no charge for the Alumni Dinner on Wednesday.

Friday, June 10th,	8:00 P. M.	Freshman and Sophomore Contests in Expression for the Norment Prizes. Awarding of Certificates and Honors of the Preparatory School.
Saturday, June 11th,	4:00 P. M.	Class Day Exercises of the Senior Class.
	6:00 P. M.	President's Reception in honor of the Graduating Class.
	8:00 P. M.	Freshman Class Cremation.
Sunday, June 12th,	10:30 A. M.	Baccalaureate Sermon President Ward.
	8:00 P. M.	Sermon before the Christian Associations. Rev. Wm. J. Thompson, D. D., of Drew Theological Seminary.
Monday, June 13th,	2:00 P. M.	Society Re-unions.
	8:00 P. M.	Society Contest.
Tuesday, June 14th,	10:00 A. M.	Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees.
	10:30 A. M.	Shakespearean Play: Much Ado About Nothing. Campus.
	8:00 P. M.	Oratorio: The Messiah. College Choral Club and Assisting Choirs.
Wednesday, June 15th,	10:00 A. M.	Commencement. Conferring of Degrees. Inauguration. Address. President Goodnow of Johns Hopkins University.
	1:00 P. M.	Annual Dinner and Annual Business Meeting.

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COLLEGE OPENING

The college opened for its fifty-fifth year Tuesday, September the twentieth. The enrollment has broken all previous records and necessitated a number of changes in the dormitories to make room for the over-flow. The number of registrations to date is 333. This number does not include the extension and Saturday classes for the teachers of Carroll county. With the latter added the total registration for this year will likely go to 400. The dormitories and dining room are taxed to their capacities, but good feeling prevails among the students, who have accommodated themselves to the crowded conditions with fine grace. The students have been promised a new dormitory for next year, and this helps to keep the good humor going. An interesting problem arose during the summer when it became apparent that the registration this year would be so much larger than usual. It did not seem fair to turn away students who were clamoring for admission, and the decision was made to do everything possible to take care of the applicants. In the boys' dormitory all the single rooms were fitted out as double rooms, and in addition the reading room of the Y. M. C. A. was made into a dormitory, and the study hall for downtown students, on the first floor of Ward Hall, was converted into accommodations for boys. The Seminary very kindly came to our rescue and took two of the boys; but, with all this shifting we did not have the room for all the boys that wanted to come. To make room for additional applications on the girls' side, the old social parlor was converted into a dormitory, and made room for twenty additional girls. The old Mathematics room was fitted out to accommodate two of the teachers, and the music studios were turned into rooms for girls. To accommodate the Music Department the Mission Parlor and the State Parlor are being used as studios.

THE MID-WINTER BANQUET

Plans are being made for the next Mid-Winter Banquet in Baltimore. Announcement of these plans will be made soon. The banquet is likely to take place in late January or early February. Last year the banquet was attended by about 300 persons. This year we hope to have 500 friends and supporters of the college to attend. Make your plans to be there. As the Maryland Legislature meets this winter, it is important that the friends of the college should be alert to the interest of the college before the legislature. It is the purpose of the Banquet Committee to arrange a program and to get such a large attendance at the banquet that a great impression shall be made upon the legislature. If the friends of the college stand together in an appeal to the legislature, it is likely that the legislature will respect our requests. If we do not make an impressive showing before the legislature the interests of the college may be seriously jeopardized. Therefore, we want 500 Western Marylanders to attend this banquet!



BAKER CHAPEL

The Sunday evening services in Baker Chapel continue to hold the affection and interest of the student body. In order to accommodate the increased student enrollment it has been necessary to bring in 70 additional chairs. Every Sunday evening the chapel is thronged with students and teachers. The music is of an inspiring nature, and is under the direction of Miss Dorst, leader, with Miss Harris at the organ, and a choir of twenty-five voices. The sermons are of a simple and practical character and are directed to the problems of youth and to the spiritual culture of our students. One of the most lasting and pleasant recollections of college life on the Hill is the Baker Chapel Sunday Evening Service.

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It is the purpose of the college to publish this Bulletin four times a year. It will be sent to all graduates of the school and to all former students whose addresses we have. It is a difficult thing to keep track of our former students unless they notify us of any change in their addresses. We therefore request that all our former students shall keep us posted as to their whereabouts. If you hear of any former student who has not received this Bulletin please notify us, and his name will be placed on our mailing list. We want every former student of Western Maryland College to be informed about everything of note that transpires at the college. Our Alumni Association includes not only the graduates of the college, but all quondam students, and not only graduates and quondam students, but wives or husbands of the same. At all of our banquet, commencement, and other occasions we invite not only those who have been students here, but all our friends and well-wishers as well.

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THE NEW ATHLETIC FIELD

We had hoped to have the new athletic field completed and ready for use at the opening of this school year. We were disappointed in this. However, the work has steadily progressed until now the field is practically completed. An Entrance Gateway is being built, and the road leading into the grounds will be finished before cold weather sets in. The field surpasses the fondest dreams of its promoters; and it is without a doubt the finest athletic field in the eastern part of the United States. The dedication of the field will likely be postponed until next commencement, and an opportunity will be given at that time for the friends of the college from everywhere to assemble to see for themselves this wonderful field. The committee hav-

ing in charge the construction of the field are in need of some additional funds, and contributions from our Alumni and friends are solicited. Send your contribution to Dr. W. R. McDaniel, Treasurer, Westminster, Maryland.

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McDANIEL HALL

The campaign for the sale of scholarships, the proceeds of which are to be applied to the building of McDaniel Hall, has resulted in the sale of 600 scholarships. This means that practically \$45,000 have come in from this campaign and have been set aside for the building of the new Hall. This still leaves \$50,000 to be raised in some way before the building is completed. The Buildings and Grounds Committee has approved the plans for the building, and we are waiting now upon the contractors who are preparing the bids. The foundations will likely be laid this fall, and everything will be in readiness for the beginning of construction in the early spring.

The opportunity will be given to all Alumni and friends of the college to make a contribution to this building. Many of our former students have signified their willingness to make contributions who did not see their way clear to purchase scholarships. An appeal will be sent to all former students in the near future. In building McDaniel Hall we are honoring one of the most devoted workers for the college in all its history, and the more spontaneous the giving to this cause, the greater the honor we confer upon the man.

McDaniel Hall will provide accommodations for 125 additional students, and the offices and apartments of the Dean of Women and for a number of the teachers. It will be the most complete and best equipped dormitory in the State of Maryland. The plan is to have this building ready for occupancy in September, 1922.

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NEXT YEAR

Applications from students are already beginning to come in. All persons interested in the registration of students for next year ought to make reservations as soon as possible. We would also appreciate the co-operation of our former students and friends in sending us the names and addresses of prospective students.

NOTES CONCERNING THE FACULTY

It was necessary to add six teachers to our faculty this year. Miss Gessner, who was formerly connected with the Music Department, returned to us this year. Miss Corinne Troy, has been appointed Head of the Department of Home Economics. Miss Winifred Stephens, of Kansas City, is the new assistant in Modern Languages. Miss Roberta Hart, of Cumberland, Maryland, has been appointed Assistant in Biology and Chemistry. Miss Linthicum is the Assistant in Education and in Extension Work. Miss Minnie M. Ward, of the Class of 1912, has been appointed Teacher of History in the Preparatory School. Mrs. Fannie M. Stover for sometime connected with the Preparatory Department, has been made Principal of the Preparatory School.

There were only two changes in the faculty this year. Dr. Meyer, of the Department of Greek, left to take work in Philadelphia. Mr. Longan, the Principal of the Preparatory School, resigned to take work in the schools of Baltimore. The other names mentioned above are additions to the faculty. These additions were made necessary by the increase in the number of students.

Professor Woodhead, of the Department of Biology and Chemistry, spent the summer at Wood's Hole, Massachusetts, doing post-graduate work.

Professor Schofield, the Assistant in Chemistry, spent his vacation in graduate work in the laboratories of Cornell University.

Professor Isanogle, Head of the Department of Education, spent his summer in studying at the Hopkins University, and wrote the Bulletin for the State Department of Education on "The Teaching of History in the Maryland High Schools".

Miss Robinson, the Dean of Women, spent the summer in New York City, taking two special courses in Columbia University.

Miss Dorothy McDaniel, Librarian, spent eight weeks at Chautauqua, taking four courses in "Library Economy".

Mrs. Stover, the Principal of the Preparatory School, was the Social Director at the Maryland State Normal School, Towson, Maryland, during this summer's session.

Miss Minnie M. Ward, teacher of History in the Preparatory School,

took two courses in History this summer at the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Yount, of the Department of Latin and Greek, continued his work during the summer with the University of Chicago.

Dr. James, Professor of History and Economics, spent a large part of the summer in the Congressional Library, Washington, D. C. in research work for his department.



THE SURVEY OF COLLEGES

A survey of the colleges of the State of Maryland has recently been made by the General Education Board. The Report of Dr. Flexner, under whose auspices the survey was made, is in the hands of the printer and will be given to the public soon. A few extracts from this report were given to the press and appeared in the Baltimore papers recently. The tenor of this report is very favorable to Western Maryland College, but there are certain intimations concerning state aid for the college, that it will be well for our friends to consider. Western Maryland College has done great service to the State of Maryland, as well as to other states, along educational lines. For instance, we have furnished more teachers for the high schools of the state of Maryland than all the other colleges of the state combined. This one item ought to be a convincing argument to the state for a continuation of its appropriations and for an enlargement of the same. Our graduates and former students are earnestly requested to call the attention of the members of the legislature from their counties, and all former students who are living outside of the state are urged to contribute their share, to the proper presentation of our claims before the legislature.

The wonderful development of modern colleges and the great programs that are being outlined by all colleges everywhere, all indicate to Western Marylanders the necessity for a larger program on our part. With an increased attendance that taxes our capacity, we must avail ourselves of our opportunity and get ready to do larger things than we have ever attempted before. We have made the beginning, and the opportunity is ours to put Western Maryland College in the very forefront among the colleges of the land.

DECEASED

The friends of the college have learned with sorrow of the death of three members of the Board of Trustees during the past year. Mr. Samuel Vannort, of Chestertown, Maryland, was elected a trustee in 1893, and served with fidelity until his death about a year ago. He had the interest of the college much at heart.

Mr. Charles C. Gorsuch, of Westminster, Maryland, was elected to the Board in 1915. He was one of the most faithful members of the Board in attending its sessions, and was always alert to the interests of the institution.

Mr. Daniel Baker, of Baltimore, Maryland, was elected to the Board in 1901. Mr. Baker was one of the most loyal friends and supporters of the college. He rarely missed a meeting of the Board and was ready at all times to lend his interest and to give assistance to the needs of the college. He will be greatly missed in the future meetings of the Board and in any group of men that may be called at any time to talk over the welfare of his beloved college.

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THE ELECTIVE SYSTEM

As announced in the first Bulletin issued, important changes have been made in the curriculum, including a revision of Admission Requirements and Graduation Requirements, and a regrouping of the Courses of Study. The reports just out for the first academic month seem to justify the changes made in the curriculum because of the new elective system which has been introduced.

The reports reveal that the freer elective system instituted this year is bearing fruit in fewer failures. The results are most satisfactory and show the wisdom of the departure. There are no failures in Latin, Greek or Mathematics. Under the new system there are fewer students in the Latin, Greek and Mathematics Departments, but there are no failures in these subjects. Very much better work is being done in these subjects. Those selecting these courses have done so because of impelling motives and they have done the work in a more competent way. The system has largely increased the number electing Science. The Biological, Chemical, and Physical Laboratories are working up to capacity eight hours a day.

The English and History Courses are especially full.

Thirty-two of the entering class this year elected Home Economics. Sixteen of these will major in the subject. The Head of the Department is Miss Corinne Troy, formerly connected with Columbia University. A four-year course in Home Economics is now offered. Four rooms have been fitted out for this department and the work is proceeding enthusiastically.

The elective system is being very carefully studied by the faculty and interesting deductions will likely be forthcoming from time to time.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST

The college spent more money during the past summer on repairs and improvements than has been spent in any one summer for a number of years.

Ward Hall and Levine Hall were painted thruout and the rooms nicely papered. The boys were delighted to see these improvements upon their return this fall.

The road leading from the arch to the main building was rebuilt, and this has added greatly to the convenience of visiting friends.

The Dining Room has been placed under the supervision of Mrs. Helen R. Lilly, an expert in Dining Room Management. College silver has taken the place of the individual silver of former days that never could be kept in place, and everything has been done to give the Dining Room an attractive and refined appearance. These improvements are much appreciated by the student body and faculty.

An innovation has been introduced along the line of the freedom of the campus. At certain times of the day the girls' campus is open to all the students, not for parlor privileges, but for normal mingling of men and women, without loitering, and under the careful supervision of the faculty. The introduction of this freedom has met with the approval of all parties concerned, and seems to be in the right direction.

The Old Parlor tradition is fast being succeeded by a more normal and sensible social procedure. The Dean of Women is constantly striving to provide social diversions of a refining character, which is resulting in a very much finer social spirit among the students.