



LEWIS F. POWELL, JR.
 '29, '31L RICHMOND, VIRGINIA



In 1925, Lewis F. Powell Jr., a lanky first baseman for the McGuire's University School baseball team and one of the team's best hitters, chose Washington and Lee University over the University of Virginia in part because he wanted to play baseball at the college level. Cap'n Dick Smith, the legendary W&L baseball coach, had expressed more interest in the young Powell than U.Va.'s coach had.

Unfortunately, Lewis Powell's arrival on campus coincided with the arrival of many other fine players, and the young Powell did not make the team. He went on to distinguish himself in many other campus activities. He served on various dance committees, managed the football team, contributed to the newspaper and yearbook, and was president of the student body.

At the end of his undergraduate career, Lewis Powell received the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award "for one who excels in high ideals of living, in spiritual qualities and in generous and disinterested service to others," a prescient citation, to be sure.





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