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Troubadour Veterans Cast in Comedy; Tentative Date Set For March

Final Selection of Players In "The Fourth Wall" Announced

INTENSIVE WORK ALREADY BEGUN

Group's Second Production of Year Is Murder Mystery

By John D. Locke With four days of practice already behind them, the Troubadours under the direction of Mr. L. E. Watkin are already hard at work on their second production of the school year, A. A. Milne's "The Fourth Wall." A final cast for the new comic mystery has been definitely picked and a tentative date for the presentation of the show has been announced.

The play will be presented in the Lyric theatre sometime during the last week of February or the first week of March. The production has a cast of twelve members, three of which are feminine roles. Mr. Watkin in commenting on the play stated that with one exception this show would find the nucleus of the old Troubadour group back on the local stage. Allan Harrelson was offered a part but was unable to accept it because of other work that was occupying his time.

Complete Casts The final cast selection is as follows: Jimmy Ludgrove, R. R. Richardson; Susan Cunningham, Mrs. Shirley Hurt, Edward Laverick, Al Durante, Edward P. Carter, Harry Fitzgerald, Major Pothergill, Walter Johnston; Jane West, Mrs. Donald Martin; Mrs. Fulverton-Fane, Mary Monroe Penick; Arthur Ludgrove, Bill Hawkins; Adams, Morton Browne; P. C. Mallet, Charles Mower; and "Sergeant" Mallet, George Foster, Jr.

With the exception of Mrs. Donald Martin, who is a newcomer to Lexington and the local stage, every one of the cast has appeared in some former Troubadour production. Johnston, Durane, Fitzgerald, Mower, and Foster will be making their first appearance of the year, the remainder of the cast having appeared in "Beggars on Horseback."

Mrs. Hurt in Lead The play has no real leading male role; all of the actors taking an almost equal part in the performance. Among the actresses, though, Mrs. Hurt, who has worked so faithfully and always so successfully with the dramatic organization during the past two years, takes the leading part—a role that is indeed admirably suited to her vivacious nature, that of Susan Cunningham. Vivian Tobin, the brilliant stage actress, took this part when the show ran on Broadway.

The show gets its name from the fact that the audience is enabled to view the whole mystery as through the fourth wall of the room in which the murder takes place. In this manner the spectators see the murder committed, an alibi made up, and the final apprehending of the murderer or murderers.

It's News Today

Serious accident results from stormy weather. The Generals can take it! Football team drills in snowstorm. Captain Dick issues baseball call. Dr. Dickey takes a turn at explaining the "spiralling universe". High Dive Ellis thinks boxers good prospects for Diver's club.

Freshman basketballers face hardest test on Washington trip. varsity's basketball stock stages revival after V. P. I. game. writers of letters to editor wax prolific. house managers give their sanction to buying plan, as Lexington merchants' protest is voiced.

W. and L. heavyweight for fights tonight uncertain. Tison must have something up his sleeve. Veterans to put on next Troubadour play. annual northern trip omitted from baseball schedule. the campus hound no "sandbag."

WCOE, Graham Dormitory Broadcasts Popular Music

Ingenious Freshman Devises Short Wave Station From Broken Phonograph and Radio Set; Victrola Recordings Featured in Programs

"Station WCOE, Graham Dormitory, Lexington, Virginia—Carlton Ericksen announcing." Radio listeners in the vicinity of Lexington need not be surprised if they tune in such a station on their short wave dials, for real broadcasting is being done every day by an ingenious freshman living in the dorms. The broadcaster, Carlton Ericksen, hitched up the set about two weeks ago and has had it in almost continuous operation every afternoon and evening since.

The transmitting outfit, Ericksen explains, was devised almost by chance. When he entered school here in the fall he had a phonograph sent from his home in Philadelphia. It was badly damaged in shipment, however, so that only the motor and pickup remained usable. He bought an eight-tube radio and attached the two by means of an adapter-

transmitter. The combination made an excellent broadcasting outfit for phonograph records, while the addition of a microphone enabled him to make station announcements. The broadcasts may be received by using the short-wave dial with full volume, although Ericksen cannot tell the exact number because of the variety of marking systems used on various sets. Reception is particularly clear in the dormitories, and listeners have been reported getting the station with ease at other places in town.

Programs consist mainly of recordings by Eddie Duchin, Guy Lombardo, Glen Gray, and Bing Crosby, contributed mainly by grateful Grahamites, who, lacking Victrolas of their own, can listen to their favorite band by means of "Station WCOE."

Hitler Debate Trials Tuesday

Team Will Be Picked For Contest With George Washington U.

Tryouts for the debate with George Washington university on the question, "Resolved that Hitlerism is to the best interests of the German people" will be held next Tuesday night at 7:30, in Mr. Flournoy's office in the Chemistry building. At present, however, the debaters are devoting their time to the first debate, although George Washington will be the third opponent on the schedule.

The squad is reaching satisfactory size according to John Renken, its manager. Renken says, "Tryouts which brought quite a bit of new talent to light were held Tuesday night. Some of the new men were R. S. Boyle, D. W. Lund, and S. T. Payne. These men looked very promising and the whole squad is working hard for the first debate with Johns Hopkins university, to be held here on February 28."

"So far the following debates have been scheduled in addition to the one with Johns Hopkins here: Chicago Law School, there, March 3; George Washington university, there, March 8; Johns Hopkins university, there, March 9; Davidson College, here, March 14; and Davidson, there, March 27. Others may be scheduled.

"The loss of the services of Jim Brown will be greatly felt by the debate team this year. His past experience in this line coupled with his excellent ability have in the past been an important factor to the success of recent Washington and Lee debating teams.

"The squad is working tirelessly and looks to a big year ahead."

"She Done Him Wrong" Drama As Portrayed By Lexingtonians

By Calvin Dold

She done him wrong! He had just returned from a two-year stay in the penitentiary. He had been sent there after a little argument with the authorities over beverages that should be offered for public consumption. It was Saturday night. He went to the little home that he left two years ago. He shouted her name. No reply. The rooms were empty. He sat down, wondering where she could be. Then came the decision to look for her. Perhaps she was downtown, shopping.

In a downtown restaurant there was revelry. Space had been cleared and the dance was at its height. Fifty nimble fingers were plucking at stringed instruments. Volunteers were calling figures in quick succession—dancers laughing, onlookers smiling, waiters scurrying, beer mugs foaming at the tap. He passed by, stopped, looked in. He hadn't seen a dance for two years.

Then he saw her. She was dancing, smiling with upturned eyes into the face of an old rival of his. He went through the door and crossed the floor to reach them. "I've come back," he said.

No Students in Hospital

The hospital was cleared of students this morning when W. W. Miller, of Ridgewood, Maryland, and Thomas S. Coley, of Bethayres, Pennsylvania, were dismissed.

Harry George, Brunswick, Md., was removed from the hospital several days ago after his successful recovery from an operation for appendicitis.

Neither her face nor her words showed any enthusiasm. She tightened her hold on her companion's arm.

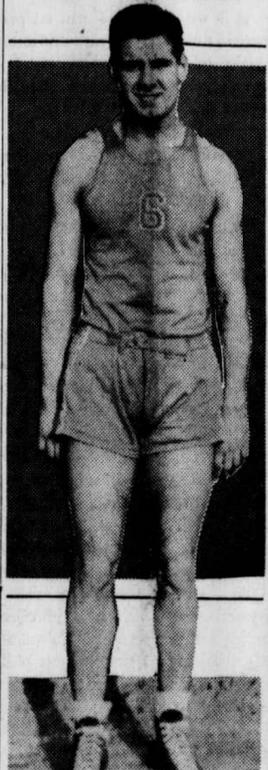
"I don't want to see you," she said, "I'm through with you. It's me and him now," indicating her escort. He stood there, stunned for a moment. He thought of the vows at the altar, the days at the prison work-bench, the nights in the cell when he dreamed of getting out and coming home to her. And then he saw red. "C'mon outside," he said, "I want to talk to you."

He grabbed her arm and pulled her toward the door. The "viper" who had come between them offered no resistance; in fact, he suddenly decided that he had an appointment at the other end of the room.

Outside he asked her if she was coming back to him, how long had this been going on, and a few other enlightening questions. She told him most emphatically that she was not coming back, that she had nothing in common with jailbirds.

He was still seeing red, and the color was getting brighter all the time. He drew back his fist and hit her in the mouth, turned on

Leads Comeback



Joe Pette, sophomore forward, who is developing into one of the Big Blue's most consistent scorers. He shared high point honors with Charlie Smith in the Duke game Monday night, and set the pace in the Generals' crushing win over V. P. I. last night.

Bulletin

The Generals court team scored their second win in as many days in swamping William and Mary's Indians to the tune of 44-27 in Doremus gymnasium this afternoon. Ellis, Big Blue guard, led the scoring with a total of 14 points. The Indians, trailing 24 to 10 at the half, opened a rally soon after the beginning of the second period, which brought them to within two points of the Generals, but failed to maintain their sudden fast pace.

Baseball Team Faces 21 Foes

Seven Home Games Included in 1934 Schedule, Issued Today

Announcing that regular practice will begin as soon as the weather permits, Captain Dick Smith issued the 1934 baseball schedule today. As it stands now, the schedule will consist of twenty-one games, seven at home, twelve away, and two pending. The squad will take an extended trip during the Easter vacation to play six games.

Any practicing by the varsity batteries at present will have to be done on their "own hook" as all the time and space available in the gym are taken by winter activities, Capt. Dick also said.

- The 1934 baseball schedule, subject to approval of the Faculty Committee on Athletics, follows: March 26—Springfield College, (Pending). March 29—N. C. State, away. March 30—North Carolina U., away. March 31—Wake Forest, away. April 2—Richmond University, away. April 3—William and Mary, away. April 4—Hamden Sidney—pending. April 6—Vermont Univ., here. April 9—North Carolina Univ., here. April 13—North Carolina State here. April 14—Virginia, away. April 18—V. P. I., away. April 20—Maryland, here. April 24—Virginia, here. April 27—Virginia, away. May 1—William and Mary, here. May 3—V. P. I., here. May 7—Maryland, away. May 8—Georgetown, away. May 9—Navy, away. May 12—West Virginia, pending.

De Lanux Urges International Monroe Doctrine Against War

League Official Addresses Audience of 200 in Lee Chapel

Suggesting a world statement of policy, similar to the Monroe Doctrine, in which each nation views as inimical to its interests any move of aggression by any other nation, M. Pierre de Lanux, Director of the Paris Office of the League of Nations, addressed an audience of more than 200 students, professors and townspeople in Lee Chapel last night. M. de Lanux's address was sponsored by the International Relations club.

Outlines Definite Stand "If each nation would definitely state, as a national policy, that we will regard as an enemy to ourselves any nation which attacks any other nation" a government contemplating aggressive action would certainly think twice before making a move," the speaker said. "Just as no European country has violated the Monroe Doctrine, which is merely a policy, and not a law, few nations would dare the threat of possible economic or military sanction on the part of the other nations of the world."

Stresses Accurate Press Pointing out that statement's mistakes are almost always the result of misinformation, "not so much as to fact as to misformation regarding the psychology of foreign peoples," M. de Lanux stressed the need for an accurate world press, which would adequately interpret the undercurrent of inherent popular beliefs, which, more than any other factor, Continued on page six

Speaker Continues Discussion With Faculty And Students After Game

Continuing his discussion of the present international situation, started at his lecture before the International Relations club, M. Pierre de Lanux last night was the center of a discussion group of about a dozen faculty members and half that number of students after the basketball game. De Lanux was the object of a continual barrage of questions, which ranged from "Is the present trouble in France caused by the Royalists or the Communists?" to "What is the prospect of dictatorship in America?" The visitor discussed the Parisian riots at length, encouraged by the comments of his audience, revealing the background of the present unrest. "The entire matter," he said, Continued on page six

Speaker Lost in Darkness Where was de Lanux when the lights went out? That was the question of the evening to about two hundred students and townspeople last night when a blown fuse plunged Lee chapel into semi-darkness just prior to the address by the Frenchman.

Rumors and murmurs were rife, many students declaring that de Lanux was snowbound in the mountain fastnesses near here. But these were all dispelled when the introduction was made by Dr. Hancock.

President Gaines Will Return February 20 After Mexican Trip

Dr. Francis P. Gaines, president of the University, is expected to return to the campus Tuesday, February 20, according to word received from him. Accompanied by Mrs. Gaines and George Walker St. Clair, rector of the University, and his wife, he is visiting Mexico City, Vera Cruz, and Havana, Cuba.

The vacationists are now in Mexico City, where they expect to remain for about eight days. They are being entertained by the Hon. Josephus Daniels, wartime secretary of the Navy, who is at present ambassador to Mexico. On their way back to the United States, they will make a brief visit to Havana.

Far from the snows and real winter which invaded Lexington the day after they left, Monday, January 29, the tourists report that they are experiencing a "delightful trip."

Police Car Wrecked

The local police force left its patrolman car unguarded just long enough for a big Washington, D. C., truck to smash into it, damaging it and another car considerably. The truck skidded in the snow as it rounded the corner of Main and Nelson streets, the usual parking place of the police car.

Snyder Takes Action Photos

Hopes to Make Pictures For 1934 Yearbook More Interesting

The 1934 Calyx, edited by Joe Snyder, is rapidly taking form around the central theme, Fancy Dress Ball. Among the many innovations is the theme itself, for never before has Washington and Lee's foremost social event been used as the central idea for the annual.

The book itself is divided into eight sections, one more than any previous Calyx, because honorary and social fraternities are not being grouped together, as has been the custom in the past.

Feature Section

The feature section, in which the most work is being done, is divided into eight parts, each being devoted to one of the eight outstanding balls since 1907, when the first one was held. These balls which will be represented by eight two-page drawings were held under the titles, "Mardi Gras," "Louis XIV," "Carnival at Venice," "Richard Coeur de Lion," "George Washington," "Arabian Nights," "Spanish Court," and

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Now It's a Model They're Using To Show Where We're Headed

By Don R. Moore

And now it's a model! No, its purpose is not to pose for campus artists but to aid in answering the question, "Where are we going?—and how?" Washington and Lee is the proud—but perhaps puzzled—possessor of an interesting and ingenious planetarium model submitted by its oldest alumnus, Dr. Ezra Z. Derr, ex-'88, to demonstrate his scientific treatise, "The Spiral Versus the Elliptical Theory," soon to be published.

Dr. Derr's model is constructed to show all the motions of the earth relative to the fixed stars of the universe, and demonstrate that the combination of the elliptical movement of the earth around the sun and the constant movement of the sun and the solar system toward the constellation Hercules equal a spiral. According to Johann Kepler, early seventeenth century scientist, to whom the world is indebted for the statement of many of its astronomical laws, the earth travelled in an elliptical curve around a stationary sun. This theory, advanced in 1610, had been generally accepted for three centuries.

Dr. Derr does not claim to be the originator of the "spiral" theory; the purpose of his treatise

is to emphasize the importance of teaching in the schools this comparatively recent idea. His contention is that many of the laws advanced by Kepler should be revised in the light of new knowledge.

As explained by Dr. Robert W. Dickey, head of the physics department here, the orbit of the earth around the sun would be considered an ellipse except for the fact that at the same time the entire solar system is moving in a straight line toward Hercules, thus making the movement a spiral one rather than elliptical. Dr. Derr also submitted his paper and a model to Dr. C. C. Abbott, secretary of the Smithsonian Institution and director of the United States Astrophysical Observatory in Washington.

The scientist, who is considered the oldest living man who was at Washington College in the last years of General Lee's presidency, is 83 years old. He was elected a few years ago to membership in the Washington and Lee chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, national honorary scholastic fraternity. The University has invited him to return as a guest of honor at Finals this year.

He holds the degree of medical

House Managers Favor Adoption Of Co-operative Buying Proposal

Fowler Points Out How Objections Can Be Eliminated

DECISION IS DUE FIRST OF WEEK

Vote Will Be Taken When List of Prices Arrives

By Latham B. Weber Price lists of staple groceries from M. W. Callahan and Son of Lynchburg are expected the first of next week, Al Fowler, chairman of the Interfraternity council committee on co-operative buying, announced today. As soon as these price schedules are received, they will be circulated among the houses, and a definite decision will be made by the Council, rejecting or accepting the plan of co-operative buying. At present, the committee appointed to draw up the buying plan is engaged in securing the signatures of house managers to an agreement to pay bills for groceries purchased through the Co-operative Buying agency twice a month.

Payment Guarantee Fowler pointed out that this agreement will not in any way bind a fraternity to purchase commodities from the Callahan company; it will only guarantee payment of bills on the first and fifteenth of each month in case a fraternity does make such purchases. The Callahan company, Fowler declared, wishes to have a written agreement insuring the prompt payment of bills before signing the contract.

A survey of about three-fourths of the fraternities on the campus reveals that a majority of the house managers favor the adoption of the co-operative buying plan as outlined in the last issue of The Ring-tum Phi, although objection was raised to some portions of the plan. The chief objection to the plan was in the clause providing for payment of bills twice monthly. Since most fraternities are run on a monthly budget, some of the managers felt that it would be difficult to make payments twice a month.

Criticize Delivery Plan A few house managers objected to the delivery system. According to the tentative plan, deliveries would be made to the houses once a week. Some of the managers stated that it would be difficult to order groceries for an entire week and also to plan orders to cover emergencies.

In answer to these objections, Al Fowler said that a fraternity will not be obligated to purchase all of its staple groceries through the Buying Association; a fraternity may buy as little or as much as it desires. The purpose of the co-operative buying plan is to provide a reduced price for fraternities for the bulk of their staple commodities. Thus a fraternity could order most of its supplies from the Callahan company, and in cases of special necessity it could buy from local Lexington merchants as is done under the present system.

These objections as well as some other minor questions will be straightened out by the committee when it drafts the final plan.

Two Meets For Frosh Matmen

Returning home after a successful invasion of Carolina, the Brigadier wrestling team will take on the Woodberry Forest grapplers tomorrow afternoon at 4:30 and the Greenbrier matmen Monday night at 7:30, making four meets within ten days. While the North Carolina trip was a victorious one for the yearlings, they nevertheless had a close call with the University of North Carolina, gaining an 18-16 win because of the success of Kaplan and Owings in pinning their opponents.

Baseball Meeting

A meeting of all candidates, varsity and freshmen, who are interested in coming out for baseball this Spring will be held on Tuesday, February 15 at 7:30 p. m. in the Alumni building. All men, whether they are out for other sports, or not, should appear at this time. This meeting will be the first of a group of weekly "skull practices."

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A "HAND-PICKED STUDENT BODY"—OUR RESPONSIBILITY

President Gaines has recently sent every student a letter urging him to co-operate with the University in interesting prospective students and enclosing a convenient blank to be filled out. Last year this request met with little response; college students could not be bothered.

Students here, if they ever think about it, are inclined to laugh at the threadbare boast of a "hand-picked student body." The idea is good, but the oft-repeated assertion has a hollow ring. Yet it is the students' responsibility; they are the ones in the position to do some genuine hand-picking.

The recent survey of students here representing Washington and Lee families shows that the University's biggest drawing power is its own students. When they evade their responsibility the University suffers. It is difficult to think the usual evasion is a conscious, willful shirking; more likely it is a failure to appreciate fully the situation. However, the matter has been put to the student body in such a way that neglect in co-operating is proven disloyalty to the University.

A COURSE OF ACTION TO PREVENT WAR

One of the most outstanding difficulties that have stood in the way of whole-hearted co-operation on the part the United States with the efforts of the League of Nations has been the question of "sanctions." By "sanctions" is meant the pressure brought to bear upon the warring nations by the other nations of the world. There are three sanctions proposed: military sanction in which the nations agree to apply military force in case of war; economic sanctions in which the nations agree to apply economic pressure to the warring nations; and sanctions by public opinion. This last is the one which the United States advocates, but it is obviously not forceful enough and too hard to apply to have any great effect in case war should break. Military sanction is too obligatory for American to commit herself to. The only course open, therefore, is economic sanction.

M. Lanux suggested one of the best methods of applying this form of sanction yet brought out. He proposes that the nations of the world issue a declaration policy patterned after the Monroe Doctrine in which they state that any aggressive act of war is considered an unfriendly act.

By this method there would be brought to bear primarily the sanction of public opinion, but not only public opinion, for in a declaration of policy of this nature economic sanction would be implied. The United States would not, under this plan, commit itself too strongly and would be following its expressed theory of sanction by public opinion, yet the policy would have teeth, since economic sanction would doubtless follow any act of unfriendliness by another nation against us. Furthermore, if a country entered a war knowing that it was thereby committing an act of unfriendliness to the rest of the world it would have no hope of favorable alliances—something that would undoubtedly make any prospective belligerent think twice. This plan has worked with success in the Monroe Doctrine and has proved itself of worth; certainly such a policy might be expected to work again.

M. Lanux, however, overlooked one important point when outlining this plan, for he proposed that the sanction should apply only to the aggressor. This is not practical, for we know from long experience that it is difficult, if not impossible, to determine which nation is the aggressor. We are just beginning to get a small amount of information on the causes of the World War, and we are not yet sure just who actually was the aggressor nation. It will probably take at least a century to determine this point. Because of this fact, any declaration of the nature proposed by M. Lanux should apply to both or all of the countries engaged in war and be applied with equal force.

WHERE THE HONOR SYSTEM DOES NOT APPLY

A contributor to "The Open Column" calls attention to the superficiality of the honor system when it is not made to apply to student reports on absences, an inconsistency that is prevalent, but which it has been found more convenient to ignore. The evils of the situation are well known; what to do about it is a delicate problem. The assumption is that a Washington and Lee student is a man of honor, but if he ceases to be such once he leaves the class room what does it signify? There is little to be proud of in an honor that is only assumed through the pressure of tradition and opinion and which can be cast off when convenience calls for an unscrupulous attitude.

The student body is losing, no one else. When the Administration cannot accept anyone's word because it cannot accept everyone's word, it is a lamentable condition, but the only possible one under an "elastic" honor system. To say that gentlemen do not cheat on examinations, we do not cheat on examinations, therefore we are gentlemen at all times sounds pretty, but it is not true until it is made true, and little effort is being made on the part of the student body to demonstrate the validity of our boast.

A liberalization of absence regulations would relieve the situation, but it could never be more than evasion of the real issue—that the honor system is superficial, effective within the prescribed limits in the classroom, but inoperative everywhere else. The honor system as we have it is valuable; it is painful to imagine what this university would be without it. Yet if the student body expects to enjoy the advantages of the honor system as a working principle, first it must make it so.

DIVER'S CLUB ABANDONS FORMER STANDARDS

The Diver's club capitulates, lowers its standards, seeks quantity rather than quality. Last fall, High Dive Ellis announced that only students "knocked cold" in intercollegiate competition could be accepted for membership in the campus' newest fraternity. Things seemed to be on the up and up in the honorary world. But even the Divers, stalwart and true though they be, had to weaken; a severe disillusionment. Knockouts in practice are to make a man eligible for membership, even the boxers—whose duty it is to get knocked out every once in a while to show they take the racket in earnest—are recognized as very promising prospects, and the less responsible element of the club now wants to endow technical k. o.'s with membership potentialities. Bitterly, bitterly disappointing, after the high standards announced last fall.

Our suggestion for the improvement of the club is its extension to other campuses, with eight Gobbler boxers being suggested for founders of Beta chapter; boxers take notice. Probably a little to ambitious for the present, though. If K. O. Berry were made an honorary member, however, and named extension commissioner, the organization should soon be a flourishing one.

It looks as though the freshmen will have another chance to take pictures of the school with snow all over the lawns, and that goes for all the other amateur photographers.

Collegiate Opinion

With millions of dollars invested in higher education, with the thousands of professors trained in the traditions of the past, with an alumni body intent that its own sons should have an education not too different from what was enjoyed thirty years ago, with conservative trustees, conservative faculties and conservative student bodies, it is too much to expect any now existent educational institution to advance much toward a reorganization of the present system. It is the duty of every college student to make an effort to advance his own college to the place where it will attempt to give its students an opportunity to develop themselves as well as to give them a degree of some kind.

Education should offer a student a chance to grow from within, and since the present system proposes education for the individual, its primary concern should be with individual differences rather than similarities. The chief distinction of an educated man is his ability to act intelligently under new and unusual circumstances. To this aim the student should be given a wide acquaintance with the past experiences of man and a real understanding of the conditions determining and motivating life in modern civilization.

Education should not be measured by semester hours. It should be more than a trading stamp system of credits. Promotion from one part of work to another should be based on proficiency rather than semester hours.

If these ideas of what college should consist of are to be developed it must be done by college students, and alumni. Just how much a person owes his college after graduation is a much disputed question, but the fact remains that future development of the present college and university systems rest upon the responsibility of the college students.—*Athenaeum.*

The Open Column

The Ring-tum Phi ran a good fight against some troubles of the probation system and the effects were entirely wholesome—on the part of the faculty. But leave it to some students and any issue in the world can be side-stepped. The case of evasion now in use shows both the impracticability of the absence regulations and the inefficacy of the Honor System in dealing with this student body.

As is well known, a man on probation for absences is not allowed any unexcused absences on penalty of extended probation. I shall not enter into the philosophical and educational injustices of this rule, but since the letter of the law exists, its partial enforcement is no less than insulting to the students who observe certain compunctions of gentlemanliness, and some plan of enforcement should be devised.

Excuses for absences must be sent to the Executive Committee of the faculty. The only rub in this is that there are too many excuses, and not enough reasons sent in. I know the case of a student who was detained from classes for a most honorable reason. His reason was not deemed sufficient and for two classes missed he was put on probation for another semester. There were many other things he could have stated that would have been honored—but some people value their signatures. But such is the end of good.

There are cases of students on probation who decide on Wednesday that they do not want to go back on Friday—so, "I'll be sick Friday." It's a wonder to me what a hypochondriacal student body we have that can interpret any interruption of the course of life or any spell of indolence as physical ailment! I have tried in vain to understand the type of respectable (?) man who practices this dishonesty. I am sure his philosophy is narrowed down to two tenets: to use any means accessible to make the least of a bad bargain, and, just for a lot of fun in it, to see how many times he can fool the Registrar.

It would be a satisfaction to see the Administration do something to exclude this nauseous rancor, since we see that the Honor System can no longer control all the actions of the student body. It may be a blow to some to have espionage on such a slight matter—to realize that the faculty no longer trusts us—and that we cannot hope to trust ourselves.

BUSINESS LETTERS—CULTURE VS. PRACTICABILITY

In the rush and eagerness to acquire culture in three-hour lumps, the students of this university are neglecting or being denied by the Administration a number of useful and practical bits of information. The one on which I choose to rant is the need for some instruction regarding the form and writing of business letters.

The subject is touched lightly in freshman English, so lightly that it is but vaguely remembered by most sophomores. Commerce students, to whom the knowledge is more valuable than anyone else, are given a lovely cultural survey of English literature, learning Chaucer, Dryden and Browning in the half year of advanced English that is required of them.

I have no quarrel with culture—there is far too little of it; but I maintain, and business executives will bear me out, that a college graduate is more valuable to them if he knows how to write "Dear Sir, etc.," than if he knows precisely how many times a nursemaid in ancient Greece ran around the hearth with the child during christening ceremonies.

One member of the commerce faculty made an experiment last year. He asked each member of his classes to write him a letter of application for work. The results were astounding. The letters turned in to him were full of errors in punctuation, spelling and form. A bare half dozen were creditable. And yet all those who wrote them had taken freshman English and the most of them were engaged at the time in deciphering Chaucer.

The issue is not that all commerce students, and only commerce students, be taught business letter writing. The subject would not require a semester to learn and there is no necessity that a new course be added. It should continue to be taught, with a little more attention and stress, in the English department. And it should be taught to every man in the University, for it is knowledge well worth acquiring. I suggest that doubting Thomases among the faculty make the same check that was made last year, and find out for themselves the student ignorance regarding business letter writing.

Hardship for Local Merchants

Washington and Lee fraternities are planning an organization for co-operative buying of groceries and necessities for their homes from a Lynchburg warehouse with deliveries made direct from the wholesaler twice a week. Such a plan would work a great hardship on local merchants.—*Rockbridge County News.*

The editorials of *The Southern Collegian* of fifty years ago were concerned with the same things that bother modern editors, the general apathy of the student body and disregard of editorials.



Plus Titters

As a play, the "Vinegar Tree" was regarded as one of the better New York pieces. The motion picture, with its box-office soubriquet of "Should Ladies Behave?" was modeled closely after the play, with only two or three scenes taken off the company lot. In fact, the director of this converted opus made an evil of a virtue and followed the play too closely, even to the stagey entrances and exits and periodic Alice Brady titters, which are well done and catchy. We have a suspicion that we're going to like that mouthy female after all.

Several incidents in the construction of the plot have to be accepted with the usual footlight tolerance, such as Brady's error in the matter of her former lover, etc. Doors that slam a bit prematurely gave a black eye to the technician but a hearty titter to the spectator. Lionel Barrymore, despite a bit of excusable indifference (it is our belief that Barrymore will commit actorial suicide because he won't say no to producers), is again reproachlessly excellent. As a whole the picture was mildly entertaining fluff.

Better shots: Any of Brady's irritating wise-cracks.

Was and Wasn't

Up until the time Dorothy Wilson falls prone on the diving platform and confesses that she had gone wrong, "Eight Girls in a Boat" was a beautiful and original composition. After that high C crescendo of movie drama, the picture became everything undeservedly attributed to it as a whole—which it wasn't.

Before "Eight Girls in a Boat" arrived in Lexington, campus opinion, as swift as the greased heels of Hermes, had placed this ordinary and routine release in the category of the super-superserious and superlative. How in the hemisphere of Rockbridge this conclusion was reached, this writer knows not. He does know that before the showing of the picture the big topic of conversation (and smackingly) was "Eight Girls in a Boat." Perhaps such unusual anticipation is a tribute to the Hollywood blurb writers or to the S. C. critic who will probably groan at mention of this—but shouldn't, because half of the picture was truly fine. Perhaps the above discourse shows why "Eight Girls in a Boat" was given the undiluted razzberry after its showing, simply because too much was expected of it, and because the only seduction was due more to sentiment than Jean Harlow. Another thing, very few took into consideration the fact that the story was laid in France, and that all the characters are supposed to be French.

We're not trying to excuse or bouquet the picture beyond its just deserts; Allah knows it was quite silly and mawkishly sentimental in its later stages. What we are endeavoring to intimate is that "Eight Girls in a Boat" if ended (or if it gave in to the editorial scissors before Wilson's editorial scissors before Wilson's) was a really fine class picture. By "class" we mean and exclude those blood and thunder and sophisticated cannibals who believe that grand gestures and unusual lines make a picture, and include those appreciative few who liked "Sunrise" and the "Wedding March" of three and four years ago.

Kay Johnson's welcome return revealed that she has lost none of her old poise and ability by undertaking a difficult part so far as the element of realism was concerned. David Montgomery and Dorothy Wilson, the juvenile leads, were acceptable, with Wilson, despite her one set expression of inner terror, giving promise of better things.

Best shot: The garden class on a warm spring morning.

Balderdash in Bombay

As a contribution to the necessary quota of innocuous mystery dramas, "Bombay Mail," featuring the great sleuth Edmund Lowe, was released for the willy-nilly consumption of a yawning Monday audience. The only commendable thing that can be said of "Bombay Mail" is that the production crew also fell asleep and therefore only one scream (impossible!) emanates from the picture.

The purpose of "Bombay Mail" was to present a mystery wherein the murdered was supposed to be a deep dark secret until the very end. But the Hollywood and Greenwich Village formula of concocting mysteries by shaking up seven or eight or a dozen suspicious-looking characters in a drawing room (an ocean liner or a Riviera home are preferable), and then revealing the culprit as the innocent cherub, is becoming pretty well-known even to Buena Vista Ed. So we didn't feel particularly surprised.

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Barks on the Parapet

By A Campus Hound

You know, when I heard of all the trouble over in France and Paris the first thing that came to my mind was a picture of a French poodle I knew once several years ago. The fuzzy mutt was black and had slim legs and a thin pointed nose and was just about the most temperamental critter I've ever met. You couldn't tell from one minute to the next what he was going to do, because he was as apt to growl and want to fight over nothing as he was to run like the deuce if he was growled at over something. I have a hunch it was in his blood, seeing that he was French.

Pulling Whiskers

But, the way I look at it, temperament isn't any excuse for temperamental people to do things which more self-willed individuals wouldn't do because of their capacity to think before doing. It may be cause, but it certainly isn't an excuse. Consequently, I can't see any very good reason for Frenchmen to elevate themselves to where they're so on their ears, pulling diligently at an august government's side-whiskers, that it is necessary for that government to call out the police, the militia, and all available armed men in order to save its face. And that's what has been happening over in France.

Paris in the region of the government buildings has been the scene of the wildest and most enthusiastic rioting the city has known in many a moon. Hundreds have been wounded and a dozen or more have been killed. Machine guns have been mounted upon the steps of the chamber of deputies building, their ugly mouths commanding the whole of the Place de la Concorde, which was the execution ground for the victims of the guillotine during the French Revolution, and whose name ironically enough means the place of agreement. Hand to hand battles have been fought between the forces of authority and French citizens.

Teapot a la Parée

The most obvious reason for all the hullabaloo is a government scandal of which no one has any clear conception, least of all the French. But it seems that the government was tacitly backed a sort of insurance company which floundered and finally folded up like a collapsible opera hat, chiseling its French investors out of a healthy sum of shekels. It's believed the concern would have been saved and that the government should have stepped in as the rescuing angel. However, it wasn't done, partly, some think, due to the fact that certain individuals in the government received a slice of the pudding and consequently being perfectly willing to see it flop.

Although there are other more fundamental reasons for the big rock throwing picnic, the late scandal gave everyone who had any grievance against the government a reason, but not an excuse, for forcibly letting the powers that be know about it. Communists, Anarchists, Royalists, and plain everyday hell-raisers went to work with a vengeance, and anything else they could find, to tear down and indulge in puppyish instinct of destroying without any thought of why. The chances are that those who were most affected by the lamented scandal did not even participate. As the mobs rioted, howls of "Long live the king" mingled with yells of "Hurray for Fascism!" and "Resign! Resign!"

Shaw Still Sitting

And while the French are cutting capers, George Bernard Shaw, England's champion egoist, sits complacently in an arm-chair across the channel, pulling his own beard, and emitting such a weighty opinion as that he'd rather die in explosion of a sixteen inch shell than a ten inch, because the sixteen inch would make a bigger noise and would attract more attention. It might also be added that there would be less left after the explosion of the larger shell, which would be a big consolation to most of us.

My New York correspondent writes that "Ambassador W. C. Bullitt, Washington's new big shot, had better watch his steppe when travelling in Russia for the verst is yet to come." And then adds, "Quite Volga, eh what?" Again he breaks out with this: "The new dollar doesn't smell so good because of it having only sixty cents instead of one hundred."

All I can do is howl. Times and conversational subjects have certainly changed; no one mentioned the matter of war debts at the discussion group with M. de Lanux.

A professor assures us that sliding down snow covered streets in a dish pan is no end of fun.

The old statement that politics makes for strange bed-mates certainly holds true in Paris; royalists and communists lead in the street demonstrations.

In commenting on the recent assembly address by Dr. Archibald Henderson, a member of the faculty remarked, "It was over the heads of the members of the faculty, but well-suited for freshmen."

Letters to the Editor

Solid American and Enthusiastic Patriot Takes a Crack at N.R.A. Propaganda.

Dear Sir:
Far be it from me to find fault with the government, for one never knows what might happen to such a heretic in these days of Rooseveltism, i. e., taking the torch of Social legislation and setting blaze to everything inflammable. In fact, I think we have a very nice government, one that in the past has provided some real entertainment to comedy lovers, presenting a wide range from subtle to slapstick and is at the present providing plenty of excitement, what with flinging a billion here and a billion there, stirring radio speeches, big news stories and Blue Eagles flapping from every store window, appended to every advertisement, stamped on nearly every package and even found, rarely thank God, as a motif for hats and dresses in feminine wear. Yes, indeed, the Blue Eagle and the block letters N.R.A. have been flaunted from every flaunting place and a few impossible ones. The birdies' publicity agents have done a swell job.

As I said, I don't think the administration is doing nicely, I don't know what they are doing most of the time, for there are too many projects that have exhausted all the letters of the alphabet for me to keep up with, but I am assured, via press and radio, that this is the "greatest economic upheaval in history" and is "the noblest experiment ever attempted by this or any government, a plan to restore the Forgotten Man to his rightful position."

All of which may be true and I accept it as such, with the private thought that the chief forgetting going on under the present system is forgetting the taxpayer, but he is always forgotten anyway. The new forgetters are just more efficient than the old ones at forgetting, for under this new scheme they are forgetting him to the tune of 35 billion dollars, that will, we are assured, be replaced after a painless extraction from John (Forgotten) Taxpayer's pocket. I hope it will be truly painless and not like the old dentist wheeze about which guy felt the pain, the guy that pulled the tooth or the guy that had the tooth pulled?

But I wander from my point. The Hon. Eagle and the Impressive Letters are flaunted from everywhere, every possible place and to repeat a few impossible ones. I've heard the tales that have come out of Russia about the loudspeakers that drone propaganda all day and all night and the injection of Sovietism into all plays, skits and entertainments. It may be that little Maxim Litvinov gave Roosevelt some new ideas while they were busy recognizing each other. I have, however, one plea to make. I DON'T WANT TO SEE AND HEAR N.R.A. PROPAGANDA IN MOVIE PROGRAMES. That's just a little too much to ask of any man.

I can dodge parades if I wish, turn the dial on my radio if bored, look away from advertisements and window displays or look at them, as I see fit, but I see no reason why I should be forced to sit through the childish attempts to bolster my courage in the government's program when I have paid money at the box-office to escape from reality. The last propagandic example is the animated cartoon which appeared at the New Theatre recently. I was mildly disgusted a short time ago at the propagandic finale of *Footlight Parade* but as a finale it was as good as any other excuse to put over the punch song and give the customers a final glance at the girls. Patriotic sequences are popular I know; at any rate our newsreels are filled with battle-ships steaming this way and that and it must be remembered that George Cohan has made a fortune out of waving the flag in the last act.

I feel, however, that we and the propagandists have enough time in which to see and hear each other aside from theatres and that there are plenty of other mediums to accomplish that contact. Most of us go to the movies for relaxation and entertainment, in short to be transported to other environmental worlds and other realms of thought. We seek drama, melodrama, comedy or tragedy. There is little possibility of any of these in a propaganda piece. The possible drama is now trite, a melodrama reminiscent of the Three Little Piggies Public being saved from the Big Bad Wolf Depression by the Big Stick in the claw of the Blue Eagle is not an entrancing theme, comedy would be heresy and tragedy is out, though it may be a theme for a future production.

The absence of N.R.A. propaganda for a couple of hours while we are in the movies will not lessen our interest and fervor for governmental schemes. On the contrary, a rest might prevent our going stale.

Perhaps I am an arch-radical to ask this, a kind of anarchist who declines putting his

Reasons Why Deferred Pledging Plan Failed Sensibly Pointed Out.

Dear Sir:
Personally I am in favor of some form of deferred rushing, I am a member of one of the nine fraternities—those so-called 'weak fraternities' that do not belong on this campus, that voted against the plan for deferred rushing. I would like to give our side of the story and point out what we did not like in it, and why we voted against it. First, I should say that the plan was entirely too radical and drastic change from the one we now have. From an idealistic viewpoint the defeated plan was perfect for the freshman, though I have heard some of our pledges voluntarily say that they would not like to try to pledge new men under such a plan next fall. Surely their opinion is not to be lightly cast aside! However, we are not trying to work out an ideal or a Utopia, so the new plan should be viewed from the side of the fraternity as well as from that of the freshman.

Our chief criticism of the defeated plan was in the provision for extending bids through the Interfraternity Council. It would keep the fraternity entirely in the dark as to how many freshmen it will receive, as we are pledged not to talk to the new men about our chapter; consequently each chapter had no way of telling how a freshman feels in regard to fraternities if the chapter is not allowed to offer him a bid. Extending bids through the Interfraternity Council would necessitate the giving of possibly twenty-five or thirty bids by each chapter, and then hoping to get the usual ten or twelve pledges from that number. Doubtless a chapter would get men it wouldn't want, wouldn't like, and under present conditions men to whom bids would never be offered. Then again, suppose twenty-five men would accept our bid; it would be just as bad as if only two or three did. This plan of extending bids through the Interfraternity Council, it is hoped will not be put into the new plan for the above mentioned reasons.

Another criticism we find is the three week period or rushing. It seems that two weeks of rushing would be sufficiently long. Even though rushing is done only from 7 a. m. to 7:30 p. m. except Saturday and Sunday, nevertheless it keeps upperclassmen, to some extent, from studying and keeps them mentally worked up until the freshmen have been pledged. We, therefore, propose a shorter period of rushing. The rest of the defeated plan was regarded as satisfactory.

Please allow me to offer several suggestions to the committee that is to draw up the next plan. We, who opposed the radical plan just defeated, practically all favor some form of deferred rushing. Our ideal would be for rushing to begin some time about the 1st of October, after the freshman had settled himself in college. Then rush for two weeks with the same time provisions of the former plan prevailing. Allow no bid to be extended during this period; then several days of silence at the expiration of which, allow each chapter to extend bids to the men it wishes to pledge, and not through the Interfraternity Council.

I would like to recommend these ideas to the committee for their consideration. I have written this letter after deep consideration for all concerned and without the knowledge of anyone in my chapter. In it I have merely voiced the objections I have heard and the ideas that some would like to see incorporated in the next plan, and I feel sure that such a plan will be ratified. Such a plan would give the freshmen ample time to become settled in Lexington before rushing begins. It would give him time to visit all chapters before bids are extended and see that he isn't pledging without seeing more than one or two chapters. And from the fraternity's viewpoint it will not entail the extending of bids in the dark as the defeated plan allowed. We feel sure that such a plan can be ratified by the necessary number of chapters, and we sincerely thank you and wish the committee lots of luck.

A Junior
shoulder to the wheel and hoo-raing at the top of his voice. Then too, there seems to be little advantage in writing to you about it, save that I feel that there are many other students of the same frame of mind, solid Americans and enthusiastic patriots, but at the same time fellows who possess a retentive enough memory not to forget their patriotism and the government program even though they may go to a movie for an hour or two. And perhaps too, this feeble voice will be heard by Mr. Daves and he will refrain from exhibiting such trash in the future and be able to give a sufficient explanation to General Johnson for not doing so.

I don't want to see and hear N.R.A. propaganda in my movie programs and I feel justified in that want.

Students Show Great Interest in National Short Story Contest

The story contest sponsored by The Southern Collegian is gaining widespread interest on the campus, reports George Foster, editor of the magazine. As yet no stories have been handed in but many students have declared that they intend to submit entries soon. The deadline is March 1, 1934.

The local contest is being run in conjunction with the national contest for collegiate writers of short stories sponsored by Story. This magazine, while not a member of the ultra-radical group of periodicals, is known for its liberal viewpoint and modern outlook.

The national contest prizes will be one hundred dollars for first place and fifty dollars for second. Prizes for the local contest will be announced later.

In the Library

Among books just received at the library the following are perhaps most interesting: Beard, "The Future Comes"; Adams, "Our Economic Revolution"; Angell, "From Chaos to Control"; "The Use of Poetry," by T. S. Eliot; "Correspondence Between Thomas Jefferson and P. S. du Pont de Nemours," edited by Malone; Saunders, "Whither Asia?"; Shaw's "Adventures of the Black Girl"; Yeats-Brown, "Escape"; and "Strange Victory," by Sara Teasdale, a selection of her poems which she made before her death.

Books of special interest on the students' shelf are Logan Clendening's "Behind the Doctor," the story of the trial and error and discovery which have paved the way for medical science; and Violet Clifton's "The Book of Talbot," his widow's biography of Talbot Clifton, an adventurous explorer of Viking stamp, a remarkable man.

The Lee bibliographies described recently have been printed and are being sent out.

The library has subscribed to two new periodicals: "Philosophy of Science" and "The Weekly NRA Bulletin."

Particularly interesting new novels in the circulating library are "The Old Man Dies," by Elizabeth Sprague, containing a good idea well worked out; "Look Back to Glory," by Herbert Ravenel Sass, telling of the golden age of South Carolina; and a translation from the German, "Ten Years Ten Days," by Walter von Hollander, said to be written with a cinematic technique.

The Jews are being persecuted today in Germany worse than at any time "since 70 A.D., when the temple was destroyed," according to Prof. Richard Gottlieb, teacher of Semitic languages at Columbia University, who has returned from a year abroad delivering lectures at various centers of learning.

Our Contemporaries

No text assignments were given West Virginia University students in sixty classes as the second semester opened—because even the most conscientious student could not lay hands on a book. And while university officials and the state board of control shunt the blame back and forth, the students are probably thinking it a grand joke.

The new university "for scholars exclusively" has a faculty of nine, including the great Einstein, and a student body of twenty, all Ph.D.'s or professors in other institutions.

And just in passing we suggest that Don R. Moore call in some of these gentlemen when he wants to tell us where we are going and why.

"O. D. K. Taps Three Men" proudly announces the Rollins Sandspur. Well, anyway, Alpha Circle might divide up with them some time.

Alberta University is being sued for \$56,000 for injuries a student received from hazing, according to dispatches. As no one around here has any such sum, hell week will probably go on just the same.

Phi Beta Kappa appears to be one fraternity to which mere size is no illusion. Out of 112 qualified colleges applying for the charter that are awarded every three years, only four were judged worthy. Not a bad average, Phi Beta.

University students will soon be able to witness their own "French" puppet shows, reports the Silver and Gold of Colorado U. Experimental dramatists who don't mind beginning on a small scale might

take the same kind of project under consideration.

At Purdue absence regulations have recently been altered so that "juniors, seniors, and all distinguished students shall be placed upon their own responsibility regarding class attendance." Our own system has been heralded as a liberal one.

On the other hand, a Carolina teachers' college posts the following "rules for girls on restrictions"; vaguely reminding us of re-instatement conditions.

Rules for Girls on Restrictions

1. Social privileges.
 - (a) No talking to men students
 - (b) No dates.
 - (c) No visiting of any form.
2. No off campus privileges.
3. Campus.
 - (a) No sitting on front campus

Trustees' Resolution Congratulates Peery

To express their confidence in Governor George C. Peery, Washington and Lee alumnus recently inaugurated to Virginia's highest executive position, and extend their best wishes to him for a successful administration, the trustees of the University adopted the following resolution in their regular winter meeting:

"Be it resolved that we, the rector and board of trustees of Washington and Lee University, speaking from our intimate knowledge of the man, congratulate Virginia upon having the Honorable George C. Peery for its governor, express the confidence of his alma mater that he will adorn the high office to which he has been called, and extend to Governor Peery the best wishes of the members of this board and of his alma mater for a successful administration."

Patronize the advertisers in the Ring-tum Phi.

Intramural Gossip

The K. A.'s hold the spotlight of intramural handball interest with ten of their original twenty entrants still in the field. On the heels of the K. A.'s are the Touring Tigers, with nine contestants striving to protect the Tigers' 50-point lead. Lambda Chi and Phi Kappa Sigma fraternities are tied for third honors with six men remaining in the contest.

Much interest is being manifest in fraternity circles in the impending volley ball tournament. All houses report large numbers of their men desiring to enter the contest. The Deltas in particular are looking forward to the fray with pleasure. They are entering a six-foot team that they expect to take all comers.

Entrance blanks for the tournament are to be handed in to Coach Mathis' office not later than Monday afternoon.

The Big Ten football teams finished the season this year, under the Dickinson football rating system in the following order: Michigan, Ohio State, Minnesota, Iowa, Purdue, Illinois, Northwestern, Indiana, Chicago, Wisconsin.

Last Alumni Magazine Has Many Features

The January issue of the Alumni Magazine, which has recently appeared, has been hailed as a most interesting number.

In addition to the President's Page, the Dean's Report, and an article on the Law School by Dean Moreland, there are several novel features such as a symposium of the 1933 Homecoming celebration, consisting primarily of letters from various alumni in attendance at that memorable occasion; an article on indoor winter sports by W. S. Barker, of the University Publicity department, and an account of family relations at the University, the result of the summary made at the O. D. K. student assembly on December 6.

The purpose of the magazine is to help keep alive the spirit of loyalty to the school and devotion to its ideals among the students of bygone days, as well as keep them informed on contemporary happenings of importance in the University, it was explained at Alumni headquarters.

For the first time in the history of Flora Stone Mather College of Western Reserve University, so far as anyone can recall, the freshman class this year was victorious in its annual attempt to find the hidden sophomore flag. It was found in a sopora pillow.

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ON YOUR RADIO

By AL DURANTE

Jack Whiting, musical comedy favorite of New York and husband of the former Mrs. Douglas Fairbanks (which makes him the step-father of Doug, Jr.) will embark on his first long term radio contract when he is starred in a new revue to be presented every Friday night over WABC at 9:30.

The Queen of radio's female singers, Ruth Etting, who has just finished working in Hollywood's cinemas, among them "Roman Scandals" has been signed to make two appearances each week over WABC. Tuesday and Friday evenings at 9:15 she will sing as only she can, supported by Johnny Green's orchestra and Ted Husing.

Sunday night will bring Helen Hayes, judged by many to be the greatest actress of the day, as guests star of the Hall of Fame program. Miss Hayes will be featured in a scene from "Dear Brutus" in one of her favorite roles. Possessor of no special beauty, Miss Hayes has established herself in the acting world and the microphone should prove to be no bind for her talents.

Glen Gray, in the future, will not have the whole program to himself and his orchestra. Stoopnagle and Budd and Connie Boswell have been secured by the cigarette manufacturers to lend their talents to the half hour program. It was only after much persuasion that Stoopnagle and Budd were released from their Saturday night sponsor and allowed to add a little comedy to the Casa Loma outfit.

Keep your dials set for Ben Bernie on Tuesday nights if you want to hear the sport stars of the world heckled by the Ole Maestro. After letting Max Baer give his unprejudiced opinion of himself to his listening public, the old maestro has promised to bring Gene Sarazen, Helene Madison, and numerous other champions to the microphone in the programs to come from the Casino in Miami where Bernie is playing at the present time.

After making his followers continue to listen to him regardless of the change in time, Fred Waring continues to set the pact for modern musical entertainment. Although bothered by the guest stars of his new sponsor, there seems to be a chance that they will be of the right type this series of broadcasts. Roy Chapman Andrews, who opened up the Gobi Desert in his Central Asiatic explorations, will be guest personality Sunday night at 8:30.

Fred Waring's debut also brought out something about him that makes him so well-liked among his fellow entertainers. When Marion Talley was booked as the first guest star with his orchestra, he immediately called upon her to see if there was any way in which he could be of assistance in preparing her program. Did she want any particular spot, any special accompanist, etc? It remained for Miss Talley to say that he knew more about radio than she, and therefore Sunday night's program was all Waring's work. He wrote the program, and I don't believe Miss Talley could

have shown to better advantage if she were at the Metropolitan even though many thought she would be out of place away from the Golden Horseshoe.

Will Rogers has created quite a stir among some of the gentlemen behind the scenes. Rogers made a few slips of the tongue on his last few radio appearances which did not meet with the heartiest approval of his listeners. Result: a flood of mail swept into his studio severely criticizing him. Rogers' answer to this avalanche of letters was every entertainer's answer to the critics. He proudly proclaimed that people who did not enjoy his performances were largely those who were too durned lazy to get up and tune him out. His sponsors are afraid many of the listeners have taken Will seriously, and from now on I believe there will be a different tone to his witticisms.

It took Jack Denny to outsmart his rival maestros and find out the President's favorite songs. He wrote and asked him (I bet he thought of that a long time.) The sum total of his inquiry was this: Mr. Roosevelt's first choice is "Home on the Range." His other favorites rank in this order, "Anchors Aweigh," "In the Halls of Montezuma," and finally for his sentimental choice, "My Wild Irish Rose."

If you've ever listened to the Tune Detective, you know that there are no more original songs; they can all be traced back to the tune of "cuck-oo." But, it took Harry Horlick, Gypsy maestro, to discover that "Smoke Gets in Your Eyes" sounds a great deal like Mendelssohn's "Spring Song"—and after all the ballyhoo about this song being borrowed from a Russian folk song. I wonder why some cigarette sponsor doesn't use it for a theme song?

TRY THESE:

Tonight: Ethel Shutta and George Olsen Orch. at 8:30. Phil Harris and Leah Ray at 9:00, and Phil Baker at 9:30 over WJZ. Jack Whiting and Jack Denny Orch. at 9:30. Isham Jones at 11:30 and Don Redman at 12:00 over WABC.

Saturday: Metropolitan Opera Company at 1:45. George Olsen at 8:00 and Bob Ripley at 10:00 over WEAF. Eddie Durbin at 9:30 over WJZ. Isham Jones Orch. at 7:45. Hollywood Reviews at 8:00. Stoopnagle and Budd at 9:30 and Lombardo at 11:00 over WABC.

Sunday: Wayne King at 3:00. Eddie Cantor at 8:00. Jack Benny at 10:00 and Helen Hayes, guest star, at 10:30 over WEAF. Arlen Jackson at 2:30. Jan Garber at 3:30. Ted Weems at 7:00. Ozzie Nelson at 7:30. Will Rogers at 9:00 and Walter Winchell at 9:30 over WJZ. Ethel Waters and George Jessel at 7:00 and Fred Waring at 8:00 over WABC.

Monday: Lawrence Tibbet at 8:30. Ted Weems at 11:15 and George Olsen at 12:00 over WEAF. Bing Crosby and Mills Brothers at 8:30. Gertrude Neisen and Isham Jones Orch. at 9:30. Wayne King at 10:00. Connie Gates and Eton Boys at 10:45 and Boswell Sisters at 11:15.

Defense of Gridiron Racket Made in New Library Book

By Anderson Browne

"The most obnoxious thing that a football team, player, or coach must put up with during a hard season is not defeat but the 'Monday-Morning-Quarterback,'" says Barry Wood, former all-American backfield star, in a recent book lately added to the University library and titled tritely enough, "What Price Football?"

The "Monday Morning Quarterback", Mr. Wood goes on to inform us, is that particular fellow who knows it all, knows more than the coaches and players combined, and never hesitates to tell those around him just what is wrong with the old alma mater these days. The "Monday Morning Quarterback" also includes sports writers as syndicate men, feature writers, and columnists who have at least twelve hours in order to prepare their stories and who use their twelve hours to find every possible—with seldom a word of praise.

A Satirical Rebuttal

"What Price Football" seems to have been written as a satirical answer to many of the attacks that are being brought against football today as a commercial proposition, a grind, a publicity stunt for universities, a meat-chopper for modern youth and its life, a racket for coaches, and a sure means of revoking the old mens sana in corpore sano theory. Wood admits that the football "gate" is unusually large, but he defends this on the ground that there isn't one other sport in college that manages to pay for itself. Crew, for example, loses nearly \$45,000 each year at every school where it is featured. Football must balance the budget.

"Every sign indicates that next fall there will be few, if any, sell-outs. While football is probably the one college sport in which the American public is most interested, we must bear in mind that other sports must be maintained. These athletic activities, ranging from ten to fifteen or twenty different sports at various schools, all play their parts in making for the

physical development of American youth. Since they make no profits in cash, it is up to football to bear the burden."

Alumni Blamed

Next to the sports columnists of the Monday papers, and still in the class of the "Monday Morning Quarterbacks", Wood thinks that the alumni do more to break up a team than any opposing factor. Letters from the old grads continue to pour in with this suggestion or that, most of them being absolutely less than worthless, and indignant demands for the resignation of the coach follow every poor season. Alumni take into consideration only one thing, the loss; they do not consider a lack of material, a squad hampered by injuries, or even the astoundingly simple fact that the other team might have been better after all. He agrees with Knute Rockne, who once said he'd rather coach at Sing Sing than any other place "for the graduates never willingly come back."

Wood denies that the football team is proud of the featured publicity that many newspapers are deemed to give it. He openly detests the sportswriters who single out one individual and write their stories around his glorious triumphs. "If all eleven men on the opposing side were suddenly to drop dead, nearly every newspaper man in the country would still continue to write of the daring, dashing, deadly drive that the halfback made down the field for a touchdown."

All in all, the book isn't bad

reading. Wood has written his treatise in a clear-cut, open, primer style, and even the columnists that he refers to are able to grasp and understand his points. There isn't space here to elaborate on the many defenses he brings in to show that football is really a safe sport, not a racket, and not one ruled by a zealous athletic association whose only view is the "gate." He even goes as far as to state that football players make good grades—legally.

It's in the library now and you're welcome to read it. You, too, may learn something about the player's angle on what is considered the greatest paying proposition in the American colleges of today. Although it was first published in 1932, the details are quite up to date and many interesting facts may be gleaned from its pages. . . . Recommended.

Virginia Stone Ax

Evidence that human beings lived on the Atlantic coast of the United States as far back as the time of Christ is seen in the discovery of a 2,000-year-old stone axe recently dug up in Albemarle County, Virginia.

Christian Council
James L. Price was elected secretary of the Christian Council at a meeting February 6, to replace Manning Williams, resigned. Plans for the approaching assembly at which Dr. Rollo Walter Brown is to speak were also discussed at this meeting.

Oxygen Causes Corona

The Harvard Astronomical Observatory has announced discoveries tending to show that the sun's corona—that brilliant halo of white light observed around the sun during total eclipse, comes from oxygen and not, as many astronomers have long held, from some chemical unknown on earth.

Appendicitis has become a public health problem because of its rapid spread in the last ten years, according to Dr. George P. Muller, professor of clinical surgery in the Graduate School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania. It has become so common, he says that 20,000 young people die each year in the United States because of it.

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Troubadour Experimentation Worth Trying, Survey Shows

By Victor E. La Voile

Following editorial discussion pro and con the organization of a group of student actors and all others interested in the various phases of producing a play, from playwrights to stage hands, for the purpose of producing experimental drama at Washington and Lee, a survey among student and faculty members reveals that the consensus on this campus favors such an innovation, although many of those questioned recognized that there were certain financial difficulties that made the success of such an enterprise doubtful.

Professor Comments

One faculty member told an interviewer that a university is the logical place for experimenting with various forms of stage productions. "All conditions being favorable," he continued, "and provided that practical obstacles can be surmounted, there is no reason why the Troubadours should continue to ape the professional productions primarily to advance the amateur talents of campus exhibitionists and self-glorifiers. Heretofore, the productions presented for student absorption here have been of that orthodox class so often run to death by women's clubs and high school dramatists," he concluded.

Selected at random from a group before the bulletin board at Washington College, one student frankly expressed the opinion that students here could not appreciate, let alone understand, the themes of some of the more complicated type of experimental presentations. He pointed to the fact that when the Troubadours

gave "Beggars on Horseback", a play which is considered experimental in theme, the reaction of most of the students was distinctly adverse. "I know some students who thought that it was a comedy," he remarked.

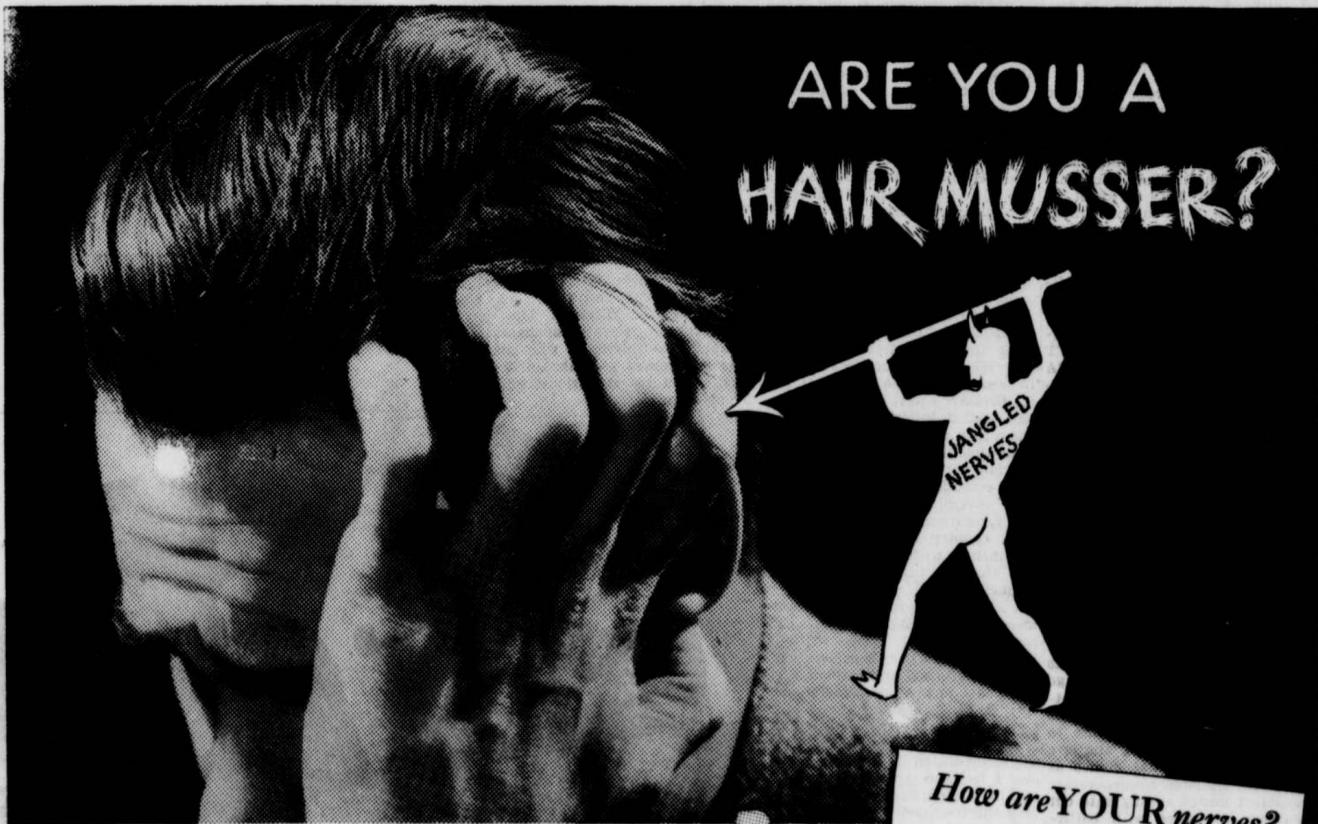
Originality Lacking

A well-known twonsonian asserted this morning that he has long been discontented with the nature of Troubadour productions, not because they were misdirected or badly performed, but because they have all been characterized by a noticeable lack of originality. However, he did admit that he hasn't missed a Troubadour show in years.

W. W. Hawkins, Jr., president of the Troubadours, although he is in favor of breaking away from the old bonds of inertia, presents several practical reasons why such a revolutionary trend toward experimental drama at this time would prove inadvisable, the most important of which are the matter of finances and the lack of proper staging facilities.

More Beneficial Value

The more beneficial effects to be derived from sponsoring experimental drama were enumerated by another member of the faculty. "By producing experimental plays, not necessarily written by student authors, a more practical knowledge of the business of the theatre can be gained with novel plots, settings, and situations. There is more value to be gained by experimentation than by merely producing a production, the problems of which have already been solved by professional artists."



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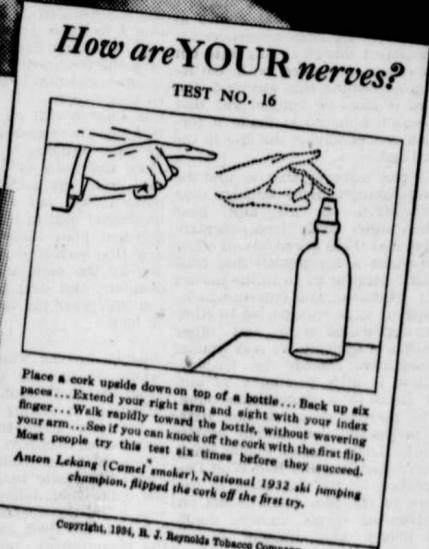
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Generals' Win Over V. P. I. Halts Losing Streak At Five

Big Blue Takes Early Lead to Triumph 47-31

Techmen Are Second Conference Foe to Bow to Young's Proteges

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Ellis, Smith, Contribute Ten Points Each to Total Score

After running up a lead of 17 points before the V. P. I. Techmen managed to throw a foul goal, the Washington and Lee varsity basketball team held their early advantage over the Engineers right up to the final whistle which announced a victory for the Big Blue here last night by a score of 47-31.

Joe Pette, forward, and Bill Ellis, guard, led the scoring attack of the Generals in the first session. This pair of eagle-eyed sophomores accounted for 19 of the 32 points that overshadowed the 15 markers the Blacksburg team assembled on the record at half time. Pette sank four field goals and both of the free shots given him, while Ellis made good an equal number of field baskets and was successful in one free try.

Pette Leads Scoring
Every man that started for Washington and Lee was credited with scoring. Pette led the Generals with 11 markers and was followed by Ellis and Charlie Smith with ten each. Captain Sawyers rang up eight credits while Chip Jones accounted for two field goals. Jimmy Watts and Bobby Fields, who has returned to the squad after several weeks of absence, entered the game as substitutes and were both given two foul shots which they made good.

Thomas, forward, and A. Stump, center, led the scorers in the ranks of the visitors. Each of these Gobblers registered nine points.

Foul Throws Count
Nineteen fouls were called on V. P. I. and the Generals made 13 of these free tosses. Out of the 18 called against the Big Blue, the Techmen sank 11 of the charity tosses. Washington and Lee made 17 field goals, to 10 for the visitors. Throughout the evening, the varsity representatives took 69 shots at the ring and put 17 through the cords, while the Cadets took 43 tries and completed only 10.

Although several outstanding shots marked the progress of the contest, the basket made by center Smith while facing the opposite end of the court furnished the supreme thrill of the night. The General tip-off man was standing on the foul line in front of the V. P. I. basket when he took the ball and threw it backwards over his head to account for two points.

Twelve See Action
Toward the end of the game, Coach Young made wholesale substitutions until all of the members of team had seen action before closing time. The Generals put a dozen men into action and V. P. I. used eight players.

The general floor work and the passing game of the home team showed considerable improvement over that displayed in the two previous battles on the local court against St. Johns and North Carolina. It was this superior teamwork that enabled the Young machine to place a second win on their Southern Conference record. So far, besides the V. P. I. slaughter, the Big Blue team has a victory over Virginia to its credit, accomplished earlier in the season. Washington and Lee has lost four title games, two each to the North Carolina Tarheels and the Duke Blue Devils.

Box score of last night's game:

Washington and Lee	G	F	P
Pette, f.	4	3	11
Sawyers, f.	3	2	8
Smith, c.	4	2	10
Ellis, g. c.	4	2	10
Jones, g.	2	0	4
Watts, g. c.	0	2	2
Fields, g.	0	2	2
Totals	17	13	47

V. P. I.	G	F	P
Cessna, f.	2	2	6
Thomas, f.	3	3	9
Mohler, c.	0	3	9
A. Stump, c.	3	3	9
Palmer, g.	2	0	4
Stevens, g.	0	0	0
Totals	10	11	31

Summaries: score at half, Washington and Lee, 32, V. P. I., 15. Non-scoring subs: W. and L., Steinberg, Wilson, Pullen, Middlekauf, Magrath, V. P. I., Segrist, Holsalw, A. Stump. Foul shots missed: Pette, 2; Sawyers, 2; Ellis, 1; Wilson, 1; Cessna, 1; Thomas, 1; R. Stump, 2; Stevens, 1.

REVIEWS IN SPORT

By ANDERSON BROWNE

Spring Training Opens in Midseason Style; Roanoke Denied Site of Boxing Meets; Football Rules Pass in Review

Spring practice is much in order these days out on Wilson field, and with the crispness of the weather and the strength of the wind behind us, it is hard not to consider ourselves back in the gay days of October when all the school was anxiously agog with eagerness awaiting the Princeton contest.

Coach Tilson, likewise, feels the throb of fall and this opening week he has been putting next year's gridsters through a pace that is something akin to midseason style. The boys, also filled with the urge, are responding with a form that would do credit to many squads in November.

We don't predict that the team, on its merits today, could go out and trample Stanford in the dust tomorrow and think nothing of it, but there's every indication that the fall edition of this squad will come home to Lexington week after week with a lion's share of the victories. The entire squad isn't out yet, as a good many of the stellar players are taking part in various winter sports.

Many stars of last season's freshman team are out on the field getting preliminary varsity technique and experience, while a large number of the three-year-olds, who completed their splendid records last November, are daily donning uniforms to assist Coach Tilson while he roughly rounds out the squads during this none too long spring session.

Roanoke Should Be Scene Tonight

Although we are willing to concede to the administration here that Washington and Lee athletics are primarily for the students, we too agree with the financial department of the athletic association that the freshman-varsity boxing meets tonight should have been held in Roanoke instead of Lexington as one means of enabling this sport to help pay for itself or even finance other winter sports.

Roanoke is a good boxing town, equally distant on the whole from both Blacksburg and Lexington, and had the 16 bouts slated for the Doremus gymnasium tonight been shifted to the Magic City, we should venture to predict a "gate" that would guarantee close to one thousand dollars for each school.

Winter sports are never a paying proposition, and this loomed as the logical opportunity to enable the athletic association to regain some of the losses it has or will be forced to bear. The two Lynchburg basketball games, the latter played almost in opposition to the administration, have been money-makers, and we are sure that the spirited students would have been willing to forego tonight's program in Lexington if they were informed just how much it would have meant to the athletic treasury to hold the bouts in the spacious Roanoke Auditorium with the still more spacious city there to back the project.

It would be an excellent plan to begin at once a means by which the varsity-freshman boxing matches between these two schools could be held annually in Roanoke as a regular feature.

An Indignant Answer To Barry Wood

Although former backfield star, Barry Wood, has written a very passable defense of football as a commercial and killing business in his new book, we are a little indignant at the many ironic statements he has to make concerning the method of the press in covering and reporting a football game. He blames the carelessness of reporters, and then attempts to soothe things by saying that "the headline writer has to get his story on the wire immediately at the close of the game, works under a terrific strain, and has no time for checking."

In the class of the "Monday Morning Quarterback," Wood places all the sports columnists and wisecrackers who have plenty of time to think up their gags and criticisms before the hungry linotype calls for their copy late Sunday evening to make a blue Monday edition.

He states that these know-it-alls at home nights, even before and after games, trying to figure out new ways to criticize an unfortunate quarterback who made the wrong decision on the field—when the referee allows only 30 seconds for a decision and 80,000 people are shouting in both his ears. Often the quarterback is to blame, but more than often the other team has a good defense, too.

All this is half true and half speculation. It is doubtful if any sports columnist would care to trade places with the quarterback for those dreadful 30 seconds, but it is also true that the sportswriters are not deliberately sitting around, pipe in mouth, trying to figure out some new way to print the word "lousy." The press, too, has been blamed for the over-emphasis that football is enjoying, because it is the press that prints two page picture spreads and the dozens of columns of feature stories, but no one knows better than Mr. Wood that 80 per cent of the pictures and "dope" are sent out by the university publicity bureau in its anxious attempt to gain this publicity.

The cause of this furor is "What Price Football," a 1932 book by Barry Wood and recently picked up by us in the library. All in all the book is good except for its smoothie attacks on the press, and we recommend it for reading. Speaking in part concerning the "Monday Morning Quarterback," Wood concludes:—"Why does not some ingenious coach resort to employing one of these intellectual fellows to run his team? Perhaps some day one will; but he will have to make a few minor concessions to enable his new field general to operate most effectively. He must allow him to wear a racoon-skin coat and smoke a black cigar, to call his signals from a comfortable press box seat near the top of the stadium, where he can obtain a good view of the opponents' defense, and above all, he must persuade the referee to give him time to think between plays—anywhere from one to twenty-four hours."

Football Rules May Remain Unchanged

A special committee of 25 coaches, representing schools from all over the country, met in New York last weekend to look over the new rules that have been recommended for review by the rules committee which will meet in Atlanta next week, and decided that most of the old rules were, like last summer's panama, plenty good enough for another season or two.

The coaches all think that there should be a few more modifications regarding the roughage of the game, something the boys have been arguing about for several years. Although the death rate last fall was far below that of the deluge year of 1931, they still seem to think the grand old collegiate game is a little too rough for proper sportsmanship and good will.

The much discussed rule about moving the ball in 15 yards instead of 10, on an outside play, and the rule about an incomplete pass in the end zone on other than the last down, received little consideration. A motion to bring the goal posts back to the goal line, where they had been until a few years ago, was wildly hooted down. Too dangerous, they claim. Another desired change is to have a more systematic system of time keeping, for many claimed that there was a little lobbying done last year. However, most of these rules, like a lot of Tammany voters, exist in name only, so nothing definitely will be done about them.

We heartily recommend the repeal of one referee Hastings who was directly responsible for Princeton having an outstanding team last season at the expense of W. and L.

The Southeastern conference is now being called the Big "13," not a bad name, although we refuse to become known as the "Little 10" . . . Cheerleaders at the University of Kentucky must now become acrobats as well, a six-weeks course in tumbling being a prerequisite for the position of pep-maker. It is also

Frosh Tankmen Defeat A M A

Cop All But Two First Places as Brasher and Lund Star

With Charley Brasher and Doug Lund leading the way, the freshman swimming team swept to a 41-25 victory over Augusta Military Academy Wednesday afternoon in Doremus pool. The Brigadiers took four first places and won the 200 yard relay.

Brasher took a first in the diving and 100-yard dash as well as swimming anchor man on the winning relay team while Lund won the 50-yard dash and took a third in the 220. J. Byrd was the outstanding performer for the visitors. He won the 220 and placed second in the 100 and 50-yard dashes.

Commenting upon the meet, Coach Cy Twombly said, "Charley Brasher has been the outstanding swimmer on the team so far with his excellent performances in the diving and 100-yard dash. We have six men on the squad that have never been in competitive swimming before. Some of the freshmen should be real prospects for next year's varsity."

This afternoon the freshmen met Massanutten Military Academy, Massanutten has one of the outstanding teams in this section. Mercersburg, who trounced the Baby Generals 48-18 last week, defeated Massanutten only six points. The latter in turn gave the Navy Plebes the worst beating they have suffered in recent years. Tuesday, Staunton Military Academy comes here for a meet against the freshmen.

Summary for the A. M. A. meet: 200-yard relay: won by W. and L. (Lund, Daniels, Winter, Brasher), 1:40.

Back stroke: Adams, A. M. A., Wishnew, W. and L., Faunsworth, A. M. A.

Diving: Brasher, W. and L., McClung, A. M. A., Richardson, W. and L.

50-yard dash: Lund, W. and L., J. Byrd, A. M. A., Daniels, W. and L., 24.2.

Breast stroke: Magoon, W. and L., Taylor, W. and L., Paterson, A. M. A., 33.8.

220-yard dash: Byrd, A. M. A., Sanford, W. and L., Lund, W. and L.

100-yard dash: Brasher, W. and L., J. Byrd, A. M. A., Daniels, W. and L., 55 seconds.

Men students at Peking National University are threatening to strike because an order has been promulgated forbidding co-eds visiting men in their dormitory rooms.

necessary to pass an exam on the art of acrobatics. . . . Place your Derby money on First Minstrel when they go to post May 5 . . . Henry Bjorman, former Dartmouth captain, says that a good football team shouldn't play more than five games a season. . . . Bull . . . Virginia's boxing team, though we hate to say it, is rated among the best in the country . . . As is the Washington and Lee wrestling squad. . . .

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With boxing season at its height and knockouts occurring frequently, the recently chartered Diver's club is all set to initiate a large group of athletes. The chief requirement for membership in this exclusive organization is to have been knocked-out while participating on an athletic team.

Grand "High Dive" Bill Ellis, who heads the organization, urges all men who have been knocked cold during either inter-collegiate combat or in practice sessions to give him their names. They will be presented with an appropriate certificate as soon as their qualifications have been checked. Frosh athletes as well as varsity men will be eligible for membership.

The Diver's club was organized at the close of the football season with six charter members: Bill Ellis, Bill Seaton, Bill Dyer, Joe Sawyers, Chip Jones and Sam Mattox. Charlie Smith is as yet only a pledge, having been knocked only partly unconscious. Forty-five minutes of unconsciousness is still the record "dive." This enviable mark was established by Bill Ellis during the game with Centre last fall. Bill says that he does not fear that his record will soon be broken. In the event that any athlete

Frosh Conquer Goblets Easily

Yearlings Chalk up First Intercollegiate Victory In Preliminary

Captain Norm Iler and "Horse" Richardson led the Brigadier basketball team to its sixth straight victory—the first in an intercollegiate contest — as the Baby Generals trounced the V. P. I. Goblets 42-21 here last night.

Playing their first game under their newly elected captain, the Big Blue freshmen returned to their old form and literally snowed the V. P. I. yearlings under with a barrage of baskets before Coach Cy Twombly took the first team out.

"Horse" Richardson's 16 points led the scoring. The freshmen led at half time, 25-12.

The Goblets made their best showing in the closing minutes of the last quarter, when they scored five points to the Baby Generals' substitutes' none. Acting Captain Kennedy and Mottalo played best for the visitors; the former scoring four points and the latter six.

The teamwork and passing of the frosh was a revelation as compared to their showing in the A. M. A. game last Tuesday. The Cadets had them 19-10 with eight minutes to go, and the Brigadiers just managed to nose the home team out 21-20 on Richardson's last-minute basket.

With Iler leading with 61 points in six games, the Big Blue freshmen have scored 200 points against 131 for their opponents, an average surplus of 11 1-2 a game.

is "cold" for more than three-quarters of an hour, he will automatically displace Bill as president of the organization. The question of technical knockouts in boxing became the subject of much dispute at a recent meeting of the Divers. One group maintained that theoretically a technical was a knockout, while the others objected to allowing anyone to join the club who had not actually been knocked cold. Finally a compromise was reached, and the members decided that all cases of technicals would be investigated and membership conferred if the applicant was deemed worthy of the honor. If the man is not admitted to full membership, he will be made a pledge until he fully completes the requirements.

"We ought to have one of the finest clubs on the campus before the end of the year," Bill Ellis said. "Every one of those boxers is a likely-looking candidate, and there is a lot of fine material out for spring football. We are considering putting a rushing committee in the field to aid some prospective members in fulfilling the primary requirement for membership. . . . you know, just a little bump on the bean during a practice, and we can pledge the man."

Coach Cy Twombly left this morning with eight boys, Wright, Doane, and Moody, forwards; Richardson, center; and Iler, Woodward, Lowry, and Peters, guards, on the hardest trip on the schedule. The Brigadiers play the powerful Emerson Institute in Washington tonight and the crack Maryland yearlings on Saturday.

Emerson's strength is increased by the addition of an all-District of Columbia player who was available for the last trip.

Emerson was strong enough in the game here, when they came within two points of tying, with seven seconds left to go. The Maryland freshmen recently trounced the Virginia first-year combination 29-23, and must thus also be rated highly.

There will be high hopes for an undefeated season if the Brigadiers come back from this trip with their record unmarred.

Temperance will be included in the study course of 500,000 Minnesota public school pupils beginning next September.

Loss of Dunaj Felt by Team

Indoor Trackmen Will be Underdogs in Triangle Meet at Charlottesville

With Dick Dunaj off the indoor track squad due to a throat infection, the team will be decidedly the under-dog when it enters the triangle meet to be held at Charlottesville on February 15, with V. M. I., Virginia and Washington and Lee contesting.

To fill the positions left open by Dunaj, Coach Fletcher has put Scully into the two-mile event. Brickhouse will probably run the mile, and McGeary the 880.

An open meet at Washington, sponsored by Catholic university, will be held on February 24. Fletcher is planning to send up a relay team along with a few individuals who show up well in the triangle meet at Virginia.

The Southern Conference meet at Chapel Hill will be held on March 10 instead of on the third, due to conflicts between the track meet and the conference basketball games.

"The team is getting into form for the triangle meet, but is seriously handicapped by the loss of Dunaj," Coach Fletcher stated. Time trials were held last Saturday at the regular eight o'clock practice and the work of Captain Hazel Browning, McGeary and Price in the 440; Scully and Brickhouse in the distances; Hiserman in the dash; and Laird and Higgins in the pole vault was most impressive for the varsity.

Conferences May Stage Benefit Boxing Tourney

A proposal to match the boxing champions of the Southern and Southeastern conferences in a post-season tournament, the proceeds to be contributed to the Warm Springs foundation, has been advanced by athletic officials of Mississippi State college.

Bringing together the winners in each of the rival conferences to crown the collegiate boxing champions of Dixie would be popular and profitable, the Mississippi officials believe.

Conference officials, in whose hands the decision rests, have not yet taken the proposal under consideration.

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Varsity, Frosh To Meet Tech Boxers Tonight

Gobbler Mitmen's Score Against Virginia Indicate Strong Team

That the Generals will meet some tough opposition in the dual boxing meets between the varsity and freshman squads of Virginia Polytechnic Institute this evening is evident from the score the Techmen made against the University of Virginia.

Tech made a strong bid for a win in the meet with the much-touted Cavalier squad and were only nosed out of victory by a 5-3 score. Tech took three bouts from the Virginia outfit, two of them via the knockout route. The V. P. I. frosh lost to the baby Wahoons, 5 1-2 to 2 1-2. The freshman bouts are scheduled to start at 7 p. m. and the varsity directly after.

Reeser Replaces Corbett
In the bantamweight, Reeser will fight instead of Corbett for Washington and Lee. Reeser will be opposed by Brandon of the Tech squad, a fast, shifty 118-pounder. Davies will be in his usual division in the feather-weight class. Opposing him will be Mitchell of the Gobbler squad.

Moore, who scored a forfeit in the Roanoke fight and won a draw in the N. C. State meet, will fight in the 135-pound class. Hall, who will probably be in the ring for the V. P. I. squad, has a knockout over the Wahoo 135-pounder to his credit.

Captain Mincher will probably oppose Faubel in the 145 pound class. Faubel lost to the Virginia man, while Mincher has scored a win over Roanoke and lost to Garner in the North Carolina meet.

"She Done Him Wrong!" As It Happened Here

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his heel, and said over his shoulder, "I'll be getting my clothes now." Bystanders picked her up as he walked off down the street.

And the "viper"? He wasn't to be found when she went back inside to get him. He too had departed, by the back door.

Universe Theory Explained With Model

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doctor from both the University of Virginia and New York University, and is a retired captain in the Medical corps, United States Navy. He entered the navy as ensign in 1873 and was successively promoted to lieutenant, lieutenant-commander, commander, and captain, finally retiring with the latter rank.

Dr. Derr is the author of "Evolution versus Involution" and "The Uncanny Being and the Criterion of Truth." He is a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the American Medical Association.

Prof. George H. Barton, 81, of the Harvard University geology department, died in the classroom in December.

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Frank McHugh

De Lanux Urges World Monroe Doctrine in Talk

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tor, influences the attitudes of other countries.

"Information must prevent the next war," he declared, "but in time, education will be the force which effectively abolishes war."

Praises American Papers
M. de Lanux praised the newspapers of the United States for their complete reporting of international and foreign affairs, and expressed the wish that Europeans could find in their own newspapers such information of other countries.

"Misinterpretation by small, pitifully poor newspapers of France of the import of government affairs is directly responsible for the unrest in France today," the speaker claimed. "Young men, inflamed by the charges of corruption, traitors, etc., against the government, believed it their duty to save France. A good press might have prevented that."

Public Opinion Powerful
Saying that Europeans need to realize the importance of things, M. de Lanux pointed out that public opinion, one of the most powerful influences in national affairs, could be crystallized to an equal importance in international relations.

"America now knows more about Europe than Europe does of America, a relationship which has been reversed since 1921," de Lanux observed, giving American newspapers the credit for this change.

M. de Lanux outlined the situation in which the United States now exists in relationship to France, England and Russia.

America Backs League
"In the last five years," he said, "France, England and the United States have come to a virtual agreement on disarmament and conventions, despite Japan and Hitler. America is coming into closer co-operation with the League of Nations, as is evidenced by its agreement with the League on the Manchurian question."

Regarding Manchuria, and the League's failure to achieve peace, de Lanux claimed that it was "not the failure of the tool, but the failure to use it."

Russia Changes Attitude
Russia he described as having finally realized that world Revolution was not materializing as they had expected, and having changed their attitude.

"Knowing that their security is threatened by the proximity of the two most militaristic nations of the world, Japan and Germany, the Russians have turned to the western nations, for the sake of security."

The speaker called Roosevelt's recent statement that "ninety per cent of the world's population do not want war," one of the most accurate statements of the present situation.

War a Blunder
"War may break out soon," he predicted, "but if the remaining ten per cent, whom Roosevelt characterizes as undecided as to whether they want war thinks for themselves, war might be avoided. If war occurs, it is somebody's blunder."

M. de Lanux was sent here through the League of Nations associations and the Carnegie Foundation, who are sponsoring his fourth lecture tour of this country. He left Lexington this morning to go to Lynchburg, where he will speak at Lynchburg college this evening.

Snyder Takes Action Pictures For Sports Section

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"The Coronation of Alexander III." Also in the feature section Miss Annie Jo White receives much prominence, owing to the fact that her costume party, given twenty-seven years ago, was the first Fancy Dress Ball.

The pictures in this year's Calyx represent a departure from last year's publication. All pictures are square in shape, and in all sections where possible, attempts have been made to get action shots instead of the usual poses. This is particularly noticeable in the athletic and feature sections. In the fraternity section each house is represented by a photograph.

Group Pictures Taken
Group pictures taken during the week include the varsity and freshman basketball, swimming, boxing, and wrestling teams, and the varsity cross-country team. Other groups photographed on Thursday and Friday are the Athletic council, Monogram club, Intramural board, Interfraternity council, Cheer leaders, Troubadours, Custis-Lee society, Graham-Lee society, Finals committee, Glee club, Washington society, and the Executive committee.

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Keydet Ring Coach Prepares At W-L To Become Minister

After deserting the choir-loft in favor of the prize-fight ring, Al Martin, young V. M. I. boxing coach, is once more turning to the church. With the purpose of becoming an Episcopal minister, Martin has enrolled as a student at Washington and Lee.

Eight years ago, Al Martin sang in the vested choir of a Baltimore church. Even then he considered going into the ministry, and the rector of his church offered to assist him in financing his theological studies. But the call of the ring was too much. His father had been a professional boxer, and Martin—he was then only eighteen—decided upon a career of glove-pushing. Fighting in New York, Washington, Baltimore, and vicinity, Al won no small degree of fame as a featherweight and later as a welterweight.

Realizing, however, that he lacked something—he thinks he never had a good knockout blow—Martin decided to follow his first ambition and turn to the pulpit.

With the aid of Rev. Don Frank Fenn, rector of his Balti-

more church, Martin secured a ministerial scholarship at the University here. And then as a god-send came the opportunity to coach the Keydet boxing team. So now Al Martin is a freshman until three-thirty every day, and a boxing coach after his classes are finished.

Instructors at V. M. I. helped Martin in his preparation for the entrance exams here at the University. With the exams behind him, he became just another member of the class of '37. Despite his professional standing and his position at the neighboring institute, Martin had some difficulty in convincing the Administration here that freshman hygiene would be of little value to him. For many long hours, he argued, but the authorities were adamant. Finally, however, they relented—out of consideration for the safety of students who might chance to be in Al's gym classes.

But the Keydets have found it the hardest to accustom themselves to the situation. They still find it difficult to believe that a freshman at Washington and Lee is their head boxing coach.

League Official Explains Paris Riots in Discussion

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"is a futile movement of the Communists on one side of Paris, and the Royalists in another quarter, each side fighting the police, but with no notion of co-operation. What would happen if they happened to meet, no one knows."

"Both sides desire the same immediate results—the downfall of the present government—but their actions if such should be achieved would be entirely different."

"The uprising is not general, and the mass of the people are undisturbed. Both of the present turbulent factions are very small minorities, and the sentiment for change in the constitutional form of government, either to the Right or to the Left is almost negligible."

Hitlerism, the German people, and the possibilities of Germany's becoming a threat to international peace, the energetic League of Nations official discussed at length.

"Although the English seem to believe that Germany will become dangerous within five or six years, my opinion is that the

time is a matter of five or six months," he said.

Pointing to the elaborate reservist military organizations in existence in Germany, headed by the once militant advocate of war, Adolf Hitler, M. de Lanux stressed the possibility of German military action. He outlined the Hitler war plans, which call for sudden air invasion, calculated to cripple the defending country combined with the concentration of a small, efficient army with all of Germany's limited armament to carry on a war until production of war materials could reach an adequate stage. He claimed, however, that the plans could hardly be worked out, due to the Germans miscalculations of foreign psychologies.

Cadet Fractures Skull In Fall on Icy Pavement

Stanley A. Tweedle, student here last year and now first classman at V. M. I., suffered the most serious accident ascribed to the recent siege of stormy weather when he fractured his skull in a fall to the pavement before Maury-Brooke hall several days ago. His condition is reported as improving.

FRONT ROW

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ticularly brilliant—nor did anyone else in all likelihood—when in the picture we guessed the secretary as the heartless villain. To start a new era and an original vogue, the mystery-makers ought to let the most suspicious gorilla be the gorilla. Wouldn't they slay 'em?

Don't Smile or I'll Shoot

Another musical came to town the other day. They called it "Going Hollywood," and Willie gazed fondly on Marian Davies, who would be an excellent subject for the "before" part of an antiseptic advertisement. Bing Crosby sang some good songs, but "Temptation," the current rage from Arkansas to Abyssinia, was not even featured. Good numbers, good singing, good scenes, but for Pete's sake, Marian, the present generation of moviegoers down here in Lexington did not see when "Knighthood Was in Flower" so don't blame their harsh words.

"Fashions of 1934," coming to Lexington next week, will be given a pre-release showing, we understand.

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