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Forty-One Men Will Take Part In Intramural Boxing Tourney

Touring Tigers Head List With Nine Candidates Entered

BOUITS WILL BEGIN MONDAY AT 8:00

Fighters Weigh In This Afternoon; Drawings Posted Tomorrow

Eleven organizations are represented by forty-one men in the coming intramural boxing tournament. Last year thirteen groups entered thirty-nine men in the sport.

Two champions of last year are back to defend their crowns. Darnell will seek to repeat in the 138-pound group and Dyer will look forward to retaining his heavyweight laurels. Gumm who fought 178 last year has come down to the 168 class this year.

The Touring Tigers lead the list for having the most men entered. With nine candidates Kappa Alpha is second with six men entered. Phi Gamma Delta, Sigma Phi Epsilon, and Alpha Tau Omega each have four; S. A. E. and D. T. D. have three; Zeta Beta Tau, Pi Kappa Alpha, Delta Upsilon have two each; and Kappa Sigma has one.

The bouts will begin Monday night at eight o'clock and matches will be fought each subsequent night at the same hour until all have been completed. The ring will be set up on the main floor of the gymnasium and every effort will be made to run off the bouts as cleanly and as rapidly as possible. Each bout will consist of three rounds of one and one-half minutes each.

Following is a list of entrants in the tournament, the weights at which they will fight and the organizations they will represent:

118-Pound Class
Stover, Touring Tigers
Peffer, Phi Gamma Delta
Duffy, S. P. E.
Mahler, S. A. E.
Seligman, Z. B. T.
Payne, Pi K. A.
Rowls, K. A.
Coulbourne, K. A.
Drake, D. T. D.

128-Pound Class
McClure, Touring Tigers
Smith, A. T. O.
Hoagland, Phi Gamma Delta
Pitcher, S. P. E.
Hayes, Z. B. T.
Young, Pi K. A.
Leight, Independent
Kelsey, K. A.

138-Pound Class
Coleman, Touring Tigers
Lamb, Touring Tigers
Hall, Delta Upsilon
Darnell, A. T. O.
Moss, Phi Gamma Delta
Brydges, S. P. E.
Skinner, Kappa Sigma

148-Pound Class
Browning, Touring Tigers
Lund, Delta Upsilon
Gilmore, S. P. E.
Hamilton, K. A.
Drake, H. D. T. D.

158-Pound Class
Dunaj, Touring Tigers
Arenz, Touring Tigers
Morrison, Phi Gamma Delta

168-Pound Class
Newton, Touring Tigers
Gumm, A. T. O.

178-Pound Class
Johnson, Touring Tigers
Laird, A. T. O.
McLaurin, K. A.
Richardson, D. T. D.

Heavyweight
Carman, Touring Tigers
Morewick, S. A. E.
Dyer, S. A. E.
Bailey, K. A.

Court Tourney Advances To Semi-Finals

Four intramural basketball games played yesterday pushed Sigma Nu, Phi Gamma Delta, Alpha Tau Omega, and Delta Tau Delta fraternities into the semi-finals of the tournament. These winners will battle this evening for finals honors and a chance at the championship game that will be played Monday. Sigma Nu will meet Phi Gamma Delta and Delta Tau Delta will face Alpha Tau Omega in these semi-final contests.

The feature game of four contests of the quarter-finals was played between the victorious Phi Gamma Deltas and Pi K. A. Stanley was high point man of the struggle for the winners, but

The Unread Law

Single Copy of Student Body Constitution Found.—Changes Made in 1931.—A Complicated Pre-amble And High Purpose

Editor's note: Certain principles of the government of the United States are called "the unwritten constitution". The Ring-tum Phi here presents the first of a series of articles on the constitution of the Washington and Lee student body, which is written, but unread.)

By Ben A. Thirkield

How is the campus tax divided among the beneficiaries?

Why are so many candidates for campus offices unopposed?

Who manages the Student Body Fund?

Why is only one copy of the Student Constitution in existence?

How may that Constitution be amended?

Can an act of the Executive Committee be rescinded by the Student Body?

How many students on this campus can answer those questions? These and many others are of more or less vital importance to every member of the student body, yet probably not more than one in twenty students knows the answers.

But every one of those questions is answered in the constitution of student body, which, for some obscure reason, has been kept from the general public with

scrupulous care. Probably half the students are aware of the existence of a constitution, but very, very few of them have ever seen it, or read it.

Not Surprising

Such ignorance is not at all surprising, however, since there is only one copy of the present constitution in existence, and one copy of a constitution which is obsolete.

In an attempt to clear up this dismal state of ignorance of the working of the student body government, The Ring-tum Phi last week instituted a search for the document. Finally, a copy was unearthed, in the possession of the president of the student body. Later, another copy belonging to the secretary of the student body, was found, by which most of the procedure of government was carried on, but it was discovered that this was a copy of the constitution adopted in May, 1925, which has been obsolete since 1931.

The obsolete constitution is in the form of a printed booklet, and seems well-constructed and logical.

Poor Condition

But the present constitution is only a mass of mixed-up, dog-eared, mimeographed sheets, poor—Continued on page four

Turns Debater



JOE ARNOLD - BACK

Not content with having its captain elected to Phi Beta Kappa, now the varsity football team contributes backfield star Joe Arnold to the varsity debating team. Joe, with R. F. Cooper as his partner, will argue that "Hitlerism is the best interests of the German people" in a debate against George Washington University here next Monday. This will be Joe's first varsity debate, although he has been an active member of one of the literary societies.

Debaters Down Davidson Team

Audience Favors Opponents; Judges Name W-L As Best

Winning the judges' decision but losing that of the audience, the Washington and Lee debating team met Davidson college last Wednesday night in Lee chapel. James Blalock and W. C. Wilbur upheld the affirmative of the question, "Resolved, that the powers of the President should be substantially increased as a settled policy." Davidson was represented by J. H. Fitzgerald and E. J. Humphrey. Dr. Shannon presided, and Professors Moffatt, Watkin, and Light were the judges.

Blalock, the first speaker, contended that the "checks and balance" system of government has failed and that the unnecessary checks on the president should be removed. He also claimed that "from now on the President must hold certain powers as an economic co-ordinator."

Fitzgerald, taking the floor for the negative, said that the increase would be "politically unwise and economically unsound." He showed that most past presidents have been poor, and that we have no basis for expecting better in the future. He also charged that the increase would result in a usurpation of liberty.

Wilbur answered that better men would be drawn into the presidency, and that Congress would still retain certain controls on the executive, such as the powers of appropriation and impeachment. Humphrey said the negative feared that the basic functions of government, such as the maintenance of order, would be pushed into the background by the more powerful president's

Two Fraternities Will Give Saint Patrick's Day Dances Saturday Night

The Pi Kappa Alpha and the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternities will celebrate Saint Patrick's day tomorrow night with dances at their respective houses. Fred Boxley, chairman of the Pi K. A. committee on arrangements, said that the Chappin orchestra from Clifton Forge has been engaged to furnish the music. The Southern Collegians will play for the S. P. E. dance. Harry Davis announced.

Both parties will be formal. The houses will be appropriately decorated with green and white for the occasion. The Pi K. A. freshmen are giving the party for the old men, and the S. P. E. party is sponsored by the entire group.

Maurice Hindus Will Lecture on Russian Affairs

"Understanding Russia" Will Be Subject at Assembly Next Friday

SPEAKER IS NOTED AUTHOR, LECTURER

Hindus Called Best-Informed American on Great Experiment

Maurice Hindus, outstanding lecturer and author on the subject of Soviet Russia, will address the student body next Friday, March 23, at the last assembly sponsored by the Christian council this year. Mr. Hindus, who has selected as his subject, "Understanding Russia," is declared to be the best-informed American on the great Soviet experiment, having visited Russia ten times since the revolution, returning each year with a wealth of new material for his magazine articles and lectures.

Having spent months among the peasants and having known Russia in the days of the czar, Mr. Hindus is in no sense a propagandist and is able to contrast, in an unbiased way, the present Soviet republic with the old regime. Born in Russia, he is acquainted with the leaders in the fields of art, education and government. Mr. Hindus came first to this country when he was fourteen years old. He was educated at Harvard and Colgate universities.

Prolific Author

Besides being a brilliant lecturer Mr. Hindus has written five books and has contributed to a great many magazines. His first, "The Russian Peasant and the Revolution," was published in 1920, followed by the "Broken Earth" in 1926. "Humanity Uprooted," his third book, established his popularity both in the United States and abroad and became a best-seller in the non-fiction class. His fourth book, "Red Bread," was published in 1931 and duplicated the success of his former work. His latest book was released last spring, "The Great Offensive."

Making Southern Tour

Mr. Hindus who has spoken before audiences in every state of the union, is at present returning from the west coast, where he has been conducting a series of lectures. He will address several audiences in the South before coming to Lexington.

In conjunction with the International Relations club the Christian council tentatively plans to sponsor a discussion group on Friday afternoon at 2:30 p. m. in Newcomb hall. This meeting has not been definitely arranged and an announcement will be made at the assembly concerning it.

State Cuts Auto Tax; Tag Cost Reduced \$4.25

"A penny saved is a penny earned"—and Virginia students who operate automobiles at Washington and Lee will be happy to know that they will be saving many pennies—at least two hundred and twenty-five of them—when they buy their 1934 license tags, the saving being brought about by a reduction in rates on licenses for passenger cars.

This year tags will cost a minimum of \$8.00, while last year the minimum fee was \$12.25, and they will cost forty cents per hundred pounds compared to seventy-five cents charged last year. Motorists will not incur the disfavor of the law if they use 1933 tags before April 15, but from April 15 on they run the risk of being reminded by a fine to buy their new licenses if they use old tags.

Gaines Pleads For Preservation Of Covered Bridge At Banquet

Pointing out that Lexington is a community of unusually interesting history and suggesting the restoration of historical landmarks and beautification of the community, Dr. Francis P. Gaines, president of the University, Wednesday night spoke on "Planning for the Future" at a banquet sponsored by the Lexington Business and Professional Women's club.

Dr. Gaines urged the preservation of the old covered bridge at the east entrance to Lexington, which he said, was the only one

Forty-One Receive Varsity Monograms; Managers Selected

Managers for Winter Sports 1934-35

Basketball
Senior Manager: Stanley Higgins
Junior Manager: Fletcher Maynard
Alternate Junior Manager: Edward Boze

Wrestling
Senior Manager: John Capito
Junior Manager: Randolph Tucker
Alternate Junior Manager: Gregory Maury

Boxing
Senior Manager: Estel Harmon
Junior Manager: John Cover
Alternate Junior Manager: Paul Morrison

Swimming
Senior Manager: Unnamed
Junior Manager: Howard Melton

Tucker, Maynard, and Cover Selected as Junior Managers

MAJOR MONOGRAMS GIVEN 2 SWIMMERS

Nine Get Letters in Boxing, Eight in Basketball

BULLETIN

Charlie Smith, veteran center, will captain the 1935 Generals basketball team. Coach "Cy" Young announced late this afternoon, following a meeting of the team. Smith is a junior, and has played on the team for the past two years. He is a member of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity, and hails from Jacksonville, Fla. Other athletic activities include a regular post at end on the grid squad.

Forty-one men received varsity monograms and thirty-eight freshmen were awarded class numerals at the Athletic Council meeting held in the gym last night. Next year's managers for the winter sports were also named by the council at this meeting.

John Capito, a sophomore, was named senior manager of wrestling in view of the fact that there is no junior manager in school at this time to step up into this position. Randolph Tucker was named junior manager, with Gregory Maury as alternate.

Stanley Higgins, who has been acting as senior manager of basketball all-season, was officially moved up to this office. Fletcher Maynard was made junior manager; Edward Boze, alternate.

Estel Harmon was named boxing manager with John Cover junior manager and Paul Morrison as alternate. Howard Melton was elected junior manager of swimming.

Two varsity swimmers, Captain Cohen and Duncan McDavid, were awarded major monograms. Swimmers ordinarily receive minor monograms, but in view of the fact that Cohen has served outstandingly for four years, and McDavid is the high point man of the conference, it was decided to give them additional honors.

Thirteen swimmers received varsity awards while all wrestlers were given monograms. Boxing letters were given to nine, while eight men were given letters in basketball.

Basketball

Senior Manager: Stanley Higgins
Junior Manager: Fletcher Maynard
Alternate Junior Manager: Edward Boze

Monogram Men: Sawyers (Captain), Pette, Wilson, Smith, Ellis, Jones, Steinberg, Fields. No senior manager.

Numeral Men: Iler (Captain), Woodward, Richardson, Wright, G. W. Lowry, Moody, Peters, Cochran, Doane.

Wrestling

Senior Manager: John Capito
Junior Manager: Randolph Tucker

Alternate Junior Manager: Gregory Maury
Letter Men: Crew, Sarkis, Sloan, G. Shively, DeVan, H. P. Smith (Co-captain), Hodges, Bonino, Pritchard (Co-captain), Seitz, McCulley (manager).

Numeral Men: G. S. Lowry, Evans, Bosman, Kirk, Secord, Levine, Arenz, Kaplan, Owings.

Boxing

Senior Manager: Estel Harmon
Junior Manager: John Cover
Alternate Junior Manager: Paul Morrison

Letter Men: Corbett, Davies, Mincher (Captain), Jean, Short, Martin, Mower, Burton (manager).

Numeral Men: Fallat, Ashley (Captain), Miller, Jenkins, Foltz, Hauke, R. G. Smith, Hoge, Hiller, Berry.

Swimming

Junior Manager: Howard Melton

Letter Men: Major monogram, Henry Cohen (Captain), Duncan McDavid. Minor monograms: Reed, McCauley, Moore, Hart, Harris, Rhett, Lanier, Ferris, Franklin, Glynn, Williams, McNeill (manager).

Numeral Men: Brasher, Daniels, Lund, Tayloe, Magoon, Wishnew, Richardson, Winters, Graham, Sanford.

We Know

So Say the Swimmers, And McDavid Is New Captain

Duncan McDavid is captain of the varsity swimming team for next year, but he wasn't elected. Coach "Cy" Twombly was entertaining the swimmers at his home last night. After supper "Cy" suggested: "Well, I suppose we ought to elect a captain for next year." But one of Duncan's teammates interrupted: "Aw, we know who's our captain." And that's all there was to it.

More over, yesterday afternoon, four hours before the meeting, "Cy" and the press anticipated all that happened last night, turning in a story to the Ring-tum Phi that McDavid was elected captain. Advance news, all right, but it wasn't news at all.

Under the direction of L. E. Watkin, the Troubadours of Washington and Lee will present tonight their second production of the current season, "The Fourth Wall," at the Lyric Theatre at eight o'clock. Virtually every seat in the entire house has been reserved and a capacity crowd has been assured.

Troubs Expect Capacity House

"The Fourth Wall," Season's Second Play, Presented Tonight

A cast of able and experienced actors has been chosen for the play and, with many weeks of intensive rehearsals behind them, the officers of the organization feel certain that the performance will be as distinct a success artistically as it has been financially.

The comic mystery, which originally went under the title of "The Perfect Alibi," was written by A. A. Milne, the famous contemporary British playwright and contains a cast in which almost every member takes an equal part, no actor or actress assuming what is usually called a "leading role."

The Christian Council hopes to bring the Hampden-Sydney quartette here next week.

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THAT THE TRUTH MAY BE KNOWN

In today's issue, *The Ring-tum Phi* inaugurates a series of articles dealing with student body government, with particular emphasis on the constitution of the student body. The plan of the series includes detailed articles on (1) the background and origin of the present constitution (2) the financial aspects of student government (3) duties and powers of student body officers and the executive committee (4) elections and miscellaneous portions of the constitution.

Although the general tone of the articles will be critical, nothing in them is intended as an attack upon any individual or group of individuals. If at first this criticism is viewed as "destructive", the final article will be purely "constructive", in that it will offer concrete suggestions for revision of the constitution and improvement of the governmental organization of the campus.

The idea of the articles is not to expose any particular scandal or to create a sensation. It is rather to bring to light a number of interesting facts, of which the majority of the student body is woefully ignorant, but which have a direct bearing upon every phase of campus life.

No legitimate news uncovered in the course of the investigations will be suppressed. On the other hand, there will be no effort to "dig up dirt" without regard for its importance. These articles are for the students' information, nothing else.

SOME OLD TRADITIONS ARE WORTH KEEPING

Once the distinction of being valedictorian was one of the most sought after honors on the campus and at least one campaign for the position ended in a fistic duel on "Bloody Island". Yet when the senior class meets next Thursday night to select its representative on the Finals week program hardly a comment will ruffle the complacency of Washington and Lee college life. Even the politicians are not interested, not much, anyway, for it is a little out of their field. Judging from the handful of voters who have attended such elections in recent years the seniors themselves are not concerned beyond a mere cursory interest.

It would be encouraging to see a revival of interest in the election of valedictorian, for many of the more intellectual traditions of college life seem to be steadily succumbing to those built around athletics, dances, and out-of-town trips. The literary societies are making a staunch fight to retain something of the old collegiate atmosphere, but they need re-enforcement.

In addition to its traditional significance, there is every reason why the position of valedictorian should be one more sought after. For there is honor in being elected representative of the senior class on a basis of scholarship, personality, and intellectual leadership. This is what a valedictorian should be; at least, it is what popular election is supposed to make him. Yet if continued disinterest is manifest it is fitting that he be chosen arbitrarily, on a basis of academic record alone, rather than in a farcical election.

What is demanded is a re-awakening of student interest in all forms of student government and student representation. There is a tendency in this direction at present; in their election Thursday the seniors have a good opportunity to further the cause of undergraduate intellectual activity, and, incidentally, to show that they are capable of such themselves.

CO-OPERATION IN ARRANGING DANCE DATES

The announcement that the V. M. I. spring dances are not to be held on the same dates as the Washington and Lee Easter set, as was tentatively planned earlier this week, is a manifestation of good-will and co-operation between the student leaders of the two schools. It was understood before the Cotillion club decided on its date that a conflict should be avoided, and it is fortunate

that V. M. I. could make arrangements to have its set two weeks later. For a conflict in dates could only lead to unfriendly rivalry, loss of revenue, and misunderstanding. There are times when circumstances fix the dates arbitrarily, but the congestion of two important sets for one weekend should be avoided whenever possible.

Dances are expensive enough and mere lavishness is already too much over-emphasized, so that it would be very unwise to make them just another medium for intercollegiate competition, with one school trying to out rival the other in money spent and publicity gained. Washington and Lee and V. M. I. dance relations have recently been very friendly, and there is every indication and desirability that they remain so. In view of this, the Cadets are to be thanked for avoiding any conflict in dates.

AN OUNCE OF PREVENTION FOR SENIORS

A student expecting to receive his degree in June has recently been informed that at that time he will lack the necessary hours required for graduation and that it will be impossible for him to make up this shortage. This is indeed an unfortunate situation, yet one in which it is possible for every senior to find himself, resulting only in embarrassment, chagrin, and waste of time and money. Of course, the student, and no one else, is charged with the responsibility for making out his schedule, but as errors are almost certain to be made every precaution possible should be taken to prevent a careless slip from wrecking a student's plans for graduation. And although the many requirements for a degree are set forth at considerable length in the catalogue, so that it is possible for a student to make the final check for himself, it would be much better if applications were given formal official approval before the end of the first semester, when an applicant could have some opportunity of correcting any mistakes that might have been made and overlooked by himself and the registration committee. There is no apparent reason why this cannot be done, as all applications for degrees are filed by the middle of October. Some additional work for the Administration would necessarily be entailed, but early definite approval or disapproval would give prospective graduates that assurance which they have a right to expect and which would avoid any unpleasant complications in the spring, when a senior has enough to worry about anyway. And as the University has many regulatory measures designed to guide the student who is likely to make mistakes if left to follow his own course, here is an opportunity to add another whose altruism will be more appreciated on the students' part.

HOW JUNIOR MANAGERS ARE SELECTED

The way in which the athletic council goes about the business of selecting a sophomore manager to become junior manager is not generally understood, although there is nothing complicated in the process, as the decision of the council is based chiefly on the recommendations of the junior and senior managers, according to Forrest Fletcher, secretary of the council. While the council, composed of five students, four alumni, and two faculty members, has the final responsibility, it is the general rule to accept the managers' recommendations, Mr. Fletcher said. Sometimes the coach volunteers his choice and in some cases his and Captain Dick Smith's opinions are called for. There have been numerous suggested changes in the method of selection, one of the most important being giving the team members a hand in the matter too. Yet having the greatest weight rest with the managers' choice does most to build up an active and efficient managerial staff.

And this discussion should hardly close without hearty commendation for the sophomore managers whose only reward for a lot of hard work is the satisfaction that comes from feeling that athletics at Washington and Lee would be seriously handicapped without their valuable services. In many cases they deserve the same recognition that goes to the newly elected junior managers, even though their efforts are so often unappreciated.

WE MAKE NO RETRACTION

The Ring-tum Phi has been charged with malicious slander in a letter ostensibly written by Grace Lee, squirrel co-habiting with Peter Washington, albino pride of the biology department, who demands a retraction of the slighting remarks recently published concerning the aforesaid Peter. But as all statements printed have emanated from the biology department, and the opinion of all the worthy scientists over there seems bewildered and confused, *The Ring-tum Phi* refuses to commit itself further until it has made an investigation of its own, unhindered by any of the intricacies of the scientific method. Still, there is hardly any retraction demanded, when all of Dr. Hoyt's found hopes for a lab full of white squirrels seem just as devoid of any possibility of materializing as ever.

Student protest was loud against abolition of boxing as a Southern conference sport, but few had anything to say when asked to put their name on the intramural entry blanks' dotted line. But it's a lot of fun to watch, they say.

THE PARAPET

By HERBERT RUDLIN

"SWEET BRIAR HERD IS RANKED FIRST"
"College Cows Make Best Record at Roanoke"
—Roanoke Times
Extra-curricular honor?

Swinging an Unexpected Left...

Seemingly Mr. Fletcher has become the stormy petrel of the Southern sportive press, with many of the sports-writing fraternity heartily endorsing his stand in the matter of abolishing collegiate boxing while others either oppose or straddle the fence in order not to estrange friendships between coaches and university administrators who inevitably become part of their "beat." Personally we believe that the science of boxing and the muchly derided and muchly lauded art of self defense should be made part of every physical education program in every college in the country. We believe there is more truth than hokey to the contention that knowledge of "fisticuffs" is good for a boy's morale and a strong element is so-called mental stability. But we agree with Mr. Fletcher that boxing is not a college sport, and that it's greatest enthusiasts and supporters are drawn from the Tom, Dick, and Harry element in towns adjacent to college gymnasiums, men who don't give a hang about permanent injuries to inadequately tutored boxers but want their money's worth in the way of an evening's entertainment—and nothing less than knockouts, lusty punching, and flying teeth will satisfy them. This decision of Mr. Fletcher to campaign for the abolishment of college boxing was probably the result of long thought and observation, and not just a hair-brained idea. One of the most level-headed of men connected with college sports, Mr. Fletcher sincere and commendably aggressive in the matter, will doubtlessly effect some significant changes in collegiate boxing when the Southern conference meeting is held in December.

When Smoke Gets in Your Eyes...

With the disclosure that a well-known University of Chicago professor has been appointed to take charge of Washington and Lee's romance languages department, students are looking forward to his arrival with speculation as to how close he will be able to fill the niche that was once one of Washington and Lee's greatest material and spiritual assets. Perhaps that is a bit unfair. Probably no college professor on earth could ever come as close to a college and its student body as did Doctor Easter. Once seen, once spoken to, even with one word, he could never be forgotten. We distinctly remember when as a freshman we first glimpsed Doctor Easter strolling the campus. For three days we had seen, talked with tall, efficient, business-like professors, men who would have easily graced desks in a ball-bearing company as desks in a noted college. And then one warm, quiet evening, as the soft chirping of sparrows and bluebirds hopping about the rustling ivy foliage covering Newcomb hall mingled with the distant musical clink of spoons and dishes from the dining hall, we saw Doctor Easter strolling down the walk by the library. A brief, ageless glimpse of a white goatee, twinkling blue eyes behind a pair of spectacles like Teddy Roosevelt used to wear, a warm smile, impossibly ruddy cheeks, and an air of graciousness and unostentatious culture that was the very epitome of our youthful conception of a college professor. He passed, smiled, spoke—a soft, vibrant voice. And suddenly we felt strangely exhilarated. Here he was. He actually existed. This nameless college professor they had told us about in high school. That we had read about. Not only a teacher but a man one could talk with as hours went by on wings of lightning, who knew nothing of the hypocrisy of grades or college politics, whom one could love and respect without shame, from whom one could derive that which no text-book contained. We saw him often during those freshman days. Weeks later we learned that his name was Doctor Easter...

The Forefather of Intramurals...

These intramural basketball battles are providing the usual welcome interlude between the close of the varsity hardwood thrillers and the opening of diamond clouting. The games have all the blood and thunder aspects of the old "suicide" games on Saturday and Sunday afternoons when stocky Wop Walton, lanky Deacon Armour, blond-headed John Ericson, and nasal Nub Gladden milled around the floor of Doremus singing valorously to the tune of a tooth for a tooth and a good solar plexus for a bang

in the slats. Unlike the "suicide" battles, a mongrel affair with little team spirit or die for dear old whoosis, where some hardy soul with more endurance and bigger lungs than the rest outdistanced drooping legs for numerous goals, the intramural games are marked by close guarding and comparatively little scoring. You gotta stick to your man, is the motto, and such persistent sticking results only in a finger every now and then. The Dels were successful in doing a little high scoring, while the P. E. P.'s pulled the stunt of scoring enough points in three minutes of a waning game to jump from 21-15 and win in an overtime.

"Public Relations Council"...

As you have probably noticed, the Wahoos over in Charlottesville have a versatile and quixotic publicity department. Remember Five-Yards-Try Thomas, and how they figured their team was two or three touchdowns better than Stanford after said school was beaten by Columbia, and how they explained away the Ohio State game in such a manner that you could really have believed the 75-0 defeat was the most glorious of moral victories, and how every defeat is the result of inimical circumstances? And now comes something really funny. When Dr. Sarah Ruth Dean, woman physician, was recently convicted of murdering a well-known surgeon in Mississippi, the publicity department sent out a big story about how the convicted woman was the first medical graduate at the University of Virginia!...

FRONT ROW

Looking Back
By HERBERT RUDLIN

Orchids in Weeds

Out of the happy dregs of incomplete ballyhoo and publicity comes one of the year's finest pictures. Somehow or other they didn't roll this with fiery ink as to "see what happens when this hounded artist gains the love of an understanding woman." The ever-zealous publicity department had somehow ignored the picture which, with an indifferent yawn, had been tagged with the inane title of "His Double Life". Perhaps the publicists had decided that the picture would never, never be a hit with their charted thirteen-year-old public, and gave up with little persuasion. We won't bury the picture under the usual reviewer's drivel. Suffice to say, Roland Young and Lillian Gish, with superb performances under superb direction, transferred to the screen life itself. A marvelous, flawless, memorable picture.

Memorable scene: The painter being confronted with the shrewd wife.
Best scene: Roland Young's reaction to his own funeral.

Oedipus Cantorus and Charlots

Reminiscent of the miserable reality of life being assuaged by the existing exoticism of a dream, a favorite formula for many of Harold Lloyd's pictures, "Roman Scandals" was a convenient vehicle for Eddie Cantor. Although there was nothing to rave about except some beautiful settings and one exceptionally fine interpretative dance, the picture was sufficiently entertaining and lavishly produced to put it above the average run of comedy musicals.

And although Eddie Cantor is in his fifties, such is his art that it was comparatively easy to imagine him the dolt of a grocery clerk with agile legs, a flexible stomach, and a hard skull. His droll and easy repartee, flavored with the spoonful of sincerity that is largely responsible for Cantor's radio success, swung an otherwise slapstick and hackneyed picture on a greased axis.

But someone in Hollywood is still as dumb as they make 'em. Why hire such a talented personage as Ruth Etting, pay her a princely or princely salary, and then permit her only one brief song in a picture when probably three-fourths of the cash customers would prefer to hear her sing in five of the seven reels? In "Roman Scandals" she sang one song and then was forced to meander through the picture filling dramatic duties that any seven-fifty extra could have done with only a doughnut for breakfast.

Busby Berkley did a good job with his interpretative dance at the slave-mart, while Gloria Stuart was adequately appealing. Edward Arnold—the usual polished and thoroughly capable Arnold. The chariot race, surprisingly realistic despite the fleeting and laughable appearance of telephone poles in the distance, seemed to risk Cantor's highly insured life for five exciting minutes—but Cantor drinks Chase and Sanborn's (Adv.)

BEST SHOT: The chorus singing as the slaves dance.
FAUX PAS: Telephone poles along the Applan way.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Sir:
Conservatism is the retention of old habits and customs in preference to new ones. Is this because the old ones are actually better? In most cases, the answer is no. To have progress we must have change. Where the change is for the better, delay is not conservatism, but senseless and useless backwardness.

At Washington and Lee the life of the individual student is dominated by a host of old-worn-out habits called "traditions". These traditions are retained for the absurd reason that they have always been a part of life at this university. The large majority of these traditions have been made a part of Washington and Lee by men who have lived in a past entirely different from the present that we know. The fundamentals of human nature do not change, but the surface details do change. It is these details that make up our daily life, and they are the object of the antiquated traditions by which we are supposed to abide.

Thus the life of the average student at Washington and Lee is hemmed in by customs and practices that do not fit the temperament of modern life. For example, freshman rules are, to put it plainly, completely assinine. It is said that the freshman class must be disciplined in some way. If our picked student body must be disciplined, why not have that discipline in the form of rules conducive to the formation of useful habits, instead of padding the freshman for not wearing caps, wearing unconventional clothing, or walking on the grass? After all, the prevention of the frosh from walking on the grass seems rather a purposeless effort. The same is true of the other rules, with the exception, perhaps, of the one concerning speaking. This one serves a useful purpose. It teaches the barbaric picked freshman how to behave as a Washington and Lee gentleman.

The honor system is another of

these traditions. Whether or not it is outworn is a question difficult to answer. It might be considered from the interrogatory viewpoint. Is it actually an honor system? It is enforced by placing the student in terror of being shipped. An honor system should not have to be enforced. Furthermore, few students feel inclined to give the system their support. The normal aversion to "squealing" is much stronger than any tradition. It may be wrongly so, but it is a fundamental element of American culture, and can be changed only by generations of enforced disuse. Cheating is abominable. "Squealing", no matter how it is disguised, seems, to the writer, to be even more intolerable. We must choose between the two evils. A cheater incurs the contempt of his companions. A "squealer" incurs their contempt and their hatred. In the past, a cheater has been despised; a Judas has been put to death.

This letter probably sounds more serious than the subject merits. At any rate, the above paragraph sets forth the principle of the honor system. It is apparent that this is one tradition which is foredoomed to failure. It may succeed in appearance, but if the hearts of the students are not in it—and they are not—then success is impossible. It is the writer's opinion that the abolition of the honor system would bring no epidemic of cheating. If it is a man's nature to cheat, he will cheat unless prevented by terror or some other external force. It is obvious that any such favored prevention is futile. The nature of the individual must be changed, and with men of college age, that is practically a hopeless task.

We must face the facts. When a thing is outworn, it should be abolished. Retention under such circumstances borders on the foolishly sentimental. This is a matter for deep thought and careful action.

Veritas.

Library Gives Weekly Exhibit

New Books On Display Before Going Into Circulation

A weekly exhibit of books just added to the library is being conducted in the browsing room. The plan is to place there each week a balanced ration of new books for examination before they go into general circulation. This will give readers a chance to handle new books that are still in dust jackets, and to place interesting titles on reserve. Such reserves will be taken at the circulation desk, and will be filled as soon as the books of the week have been catalogued and replaced by a new supply.

The selection for the current week includes a mixture for diversified tastes. "A Nest of Simple Folk" by Sean O'Faolin (pronounced Shawn O'Phelan) is an example of contemporary renaissance of Irish literature, to which "Twenty Years A-growing" also belongs. As his name indicates, the author is the genuine Irish article. Although O'Faolin once went to Harvard, he seems to have recovered in less than Mr. Rollo Brown's estimated ten years. The biography of the week is a presentation, "first-from-the-press" of Judge Robert W. Winston's "Robert E. Lee." While working on his manuscript, Judge Winston was in Lexington several months using Washington and Lee source material.

Detective Novel Included

"The Thin Man," by Dashiell Hammett, has been included for the delectation of detective story fans. Alexander Woolcott calls this the best detective story ever written in America. On the other hand, a local critic says it is one of the poorest as it is filled with trumped-up rough stuff, and with a mystery obvious on page twenty or so. The library will be interested in receiving votes pro and con. The dramatic selection, Mordant Shairst's much discussed "Green Bay Tree" is a problem play on the theme of Bourdet's "Captive," one of the sensations of the 1926 season. An artist's autographed loan copy of Dostoevsky's "Brothers Karamazov" is shown for the sake of the Boardman Robinson illustrations and as an example of a fine, reasonably-priced Random House edition. Finally, Gertrude Stein is there in "Matisse, Picasso, and Gertrude Stein," so that now ammunition for fighting the battle of the books may be supplied. Sherwood Anderson argues that the Toklas-Stein person recreates life in words. Mr. Skinner in the January "Atlantic" ventures the opinion that most of her work is merely what her arm wrote, "and it is an arm that has very little to say."

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Workmen making a new football field just outside Alexandria, Egypt, bared beautifully painted walls, probably belonging to the tomb of a Graeco-Roman. The spot is the site of an ancient Roman camp.

Glen Harmeson, assistant football coach at Purdue, has been signed for three years as head gridiron mentor at Lehigh University.

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Having had five days of practice without bad weather interruption, the Big Blue gridgers will wind up this week's drills with an inter-squad game tomorrow afternoon at 3:00 p. m.

Coach Tilson has selected two teams from the squad and each day they have been drilling together for a short part of the practice period. Bill Dyer will captain one of the teams and Sam Mattox the other.

Throughout the week, the squad has been holding light scrimmages but spending most of the time working on fundamentals. Wind sprints, calisthenics, and blocking have also been included in the workouts.

Commenting upon Saturday's game, Tilson said, "It should be a very good game, because the boys are very evenly divided."

The line-ups will be:
 Smith End Henthorne
 Carmen Tackle Owings
 Gumm Guard Anderson
 Glynn Center Seitz
 Sweet Guard McLaurin
 Bonino Tackle Dyer (C)
 Ellis End Brasher
 Seaton Quarter Heiserman
 Mattox (C) Half Pette
 Jones Half Berry
 Wilkerson Full Sample

Work On Old Courts Begun

Tennis Fans May Be Able To Play Before Holidays

Work on the seven existing tennis courts and the construction of seven new ones on the site of the intramural football field got under way early Wednesday morning, it was announced this morning by Joe Snyder, a member of the committee chosen to supervise the \$1210 court improvement project being financed by the publications board.

"Weather permitting," Snyder added, "the courts under the footbridge should be ready for play just before the spring holidays begin. The new courts should be completed by the latter part of April."

The contract for the entire project has been awarded to W. W. Coffey, of Lexington, who built the local country club courts.

Approximately \$720 will be spent in grading, resurfacing, and refencing the courts under the footbridge, while the remaining \$490 will be used for constructing seven others on what is now the intramural football field.

The University Administration, following the publications board's decision to finance the project last Tuesday, agreed to include \$100 in its budget annually for the upkeep of the courts, the cost of labor not to be included in the allotted sum. The money granted by the publication board comes out of a surplus that has accumulated from the earnings of student publications over a period of several years.

Take a look at some of the names of the freshman football toters at N. C. State. They are Sarin, Ryneska, Mtys, Chiemiego, Spitalnich, Jaskwhich, Gershowitz, Schollsburg, Istvaan, Kubesa, and Reinesch. Heaven help the poor radio announcer!

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REVIEWS IN SPORT

By ANDERSON BROWNE

Sparks Fly As Track Coach Issues Threat To Place Ban On College Boxing; New Stories On Mathis

The hot irons of criticism are falling into the recently-kindled fires of Forrest Fletcher, who, as president of the Southern conference, gave out a personal statement the other day to the press that college boxing was "not a sport but more of a money-making, bloody spectacle."

Now this statement coming from us or from you would not have meant anything, but coming from the new head of the Southern conference it meant a lot and the papers throughout the conference pounced on it and certainly played it up in a big way.

Mr. Fletcher issued his initial statement in the March 9 issue of The Ring-tum Phi, and his official press story was released only recently. Since then he has not backed down on his statements, but he claims that a number of other coaches to whom he talked, such as Johnny LaRowe of Virginia, have about-faced on him, changed their opinions, and seem to be leaving him holding the bag.

Few of the Southern conference coaches agree with Fletcher when he characterizes the many art of self defense as a bloody spectacle, akin to some of far-gone Roman days, and Director "Curly" Byrd of Maryland has gone so far as to say that "for the development of the individual, both mental and physical, no better sport has ever been known."

It is doubtful if Mr. Fletcher, even in his recently elected high position, will be able to abolish the sport in all Southern conference colleges, and as a matter of fact, the Southern conference will not be able to do it. However, it may be possible to eliminate the final tournament, something under the Conference jurisdiction, and in this phase, Mr. Fletcher may be able to count on a number of supporters. Dr. A. J. Wilson, N. C. State, has stated that he probably would oppose the abolition of the sport but he might on the other hand be in favor of doing away with the final tournament.

Frankly, we are not in line with Mr. Fletcher's proposal, and we doubt if he will find enough voting power in the Conference to abolish either the seasonal play or the tournament for a long while. College boxing has always been a favorite with everyone and it draws probably the largest houses, at the highest expense, of any other form of indoor sport. Peculiarly enough, it even surpasses wrestling on this campus, and our boxing squads have been far below the grappling units.

Mr. Fletcher's statement in The Ring-tum Phi a short while ago does not seem to be backed with enough facts. Immediately after his saying that a large number of boxing officials agreed with him, Johnny La Rowe came out lately with a decidedly opposite statement saying boxing was one of the most instructive of sports. Mr. La Rowe also quotes a former president of Virginia as saying: "I would rather see the university give up any sport before boxing because of its value for developing the best in the men who take part."

Mr. Fletcher states that "emphasis is placed on the knockout," but this is only natural. Emphasis in baseball is placed on a home run rather than a one-base hit, and any football team would much rather score a touchdown over a safety seven days out of every week. The rules of boxing, however, don't point to a knockout, and contradict Mr. Fletcher decidedly. A lone point is given either for a decision or a killing, so there is no official emphasis on the extra effort.

If boxing were placed on the high scientific basis that Coach Al Martin of V. M. I. advocates, there would be little or no danger of any injury coming to the participants. As it is, the injuries suffered by boxers are in a very small proportion to other collegiate sports that have the highest sanction of every higher up. Football, for example, claims more injuries in one season than all other sports combined, but there has yet to be any official who rises high on his heels to advocate its dismissal from collegiate circles.

We don't deny that a few of

the boys turn up the morning after with swollen heads and blackened eyes, but a lot of this could be bettered by a mere toning down of the sport, as suggested by Hank Redd of V. P. I., and more careful supervision on the part of referees and coaches to stop bouts or throw in the towel when a batter is evidently too groggy to carry on.

Evidently, willingly or unwillingly, knowingly or unknowingly, a track coach has started something by suggesting that another sport, totally unfamiliar in a professional way, be banned from the Southern conference. We shall write more of this hereafter, but for the moment we shall sit back and await the day a handball coach advocates the abolition of track because it is too strenuous for competition, a money-making scheme, and a plot whereby one star runner can be taxed to the extent of running a half mile, mile, and two mile race in one meet.

The stunt show put on by Coach Mathis again calls for the retelling of several anecdotes in his wide and varied career as a college wrestler and mat instructor. Two of them, which have been given us by that wide-awake freshman reporter, Horace Z. Kramer, find their way into this column.

Mr. Paul Spitzer, a member of the A. A. U., who took charge of this year's Southern conference meet, recently told a Virginia paper that he rates Robin Reed, former 145-pound Olympic champion, as the greatest wrestler he has ever seen. Reed, it seems, was able to throw every man on the Olympic team, but one of his few defeats was suffered at the hands of Mathis several summers ago.

The other story deals with "How Mathis Made the Varsity Team." He went out for the Illinois squad in his sophomore year, struggling against the captain and a letter man in the same weight, 145-lbs. When the squad left for their Christmas holidays, Mathis was not invited to rejoin the team, but when he returned as a tryout, he defeated both men decisively. The coach of Illinois, never to be outdone or admit his errors, came around to the modest-grinning Archie (who felt he had the weight clinched) standing in the

Diver's Club Tightens Rules; K.O.'s In Practice Don't Count

After being on the verge of opening its ranks to every athlete, big and small, who has been knocked out even in practice sessions, the famous Diver's Club has decided upon a policy of exclusiveness and will admit to membership only those men who have been laid out in intercollegiate combats—thereby eliminating the vast majority of applicants, who aspire to join this newly organized campus organization.

At present Ed Mincher, boxing captain, and Frank Patton, are hard at work examining the credentials of a score of applicants, but with the ruling that the knocked out—absolutely cold—in intercollegiate competition, Patton declares that only a few men, chiefly boxers, will be eligible.

The committee on rules of membership of the Diver's Club has, however, made one concession in allowing freshman athletes who have been knocked out in the approved manner in actual competition to enter the sacred portals.

A man knocked cold in intramural sports will not, of course,

fulfill the requirements for membership. Patton declared, by way of a warning on the eve of the first rounds of the intramural boxing contests.

The primary requirement for membership in this club, which was founded last fall and which is now headed by Bill Ellis, High Dive Champ, is that of being knocked out—absolutely cold—in intercollegiate sport. The charter members all completed their requirements during the football season. Soon after the opening of winter sports, the Divers had practically decided to let down the bars and allow boxers and other athletes who suffered K. O.'s in practice to become members; at that time it seemed as though there would be but few eligible if only those knocked out in intercollegiate contests were admitted. But since that time the number of knockouts has been appalling; it seemed as though the supposedly exclusive Divers would come to include as many on the rolls as the Commerce Club. So a motion calling for a tightening of eligibility rules was adopted by the club.

Twombly Issues Call for Freshman Ball Players; First Practice Monday

Freshman baseball candidates will be called out for their first practice Monday at 3:30, Coach Cy Twombly announced today.

From knowledge of the records of a number of candidates, Coach Twombly believes the outlook for the team very promising.

The schedule for the season has been completed, but there is a possibility that three more games may be added.

The schedule:
 April 7—A. M. A., here.
 April 9—Virginia freshmen, there.
 April 14—Greenbrier, here.
 April 21—S. M. A., there.
 April 25—V. P. I., here.
 May 2—Virginia freshmen, here.
 May 5—Greenbrier, there.
 May 8—V. P. I., there.
 May 14—A. M. A., there.

show a little later to say, somewhat rebukefully, "Well, young fellow, you were pretty good. Come around again sometime, maybe I can use you."

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Golfers Will Meet N. C. State In Opening Meet

The Washington and Lee golfers will meet N. C. State here on March 23 in the first engagement on the linksmen's schedule. Jim Watts and Duncan McDavid, two of the mainstays of the team, will be unable to compete in this match or any other until after spring vacation, Watts being out for spring football and McDavid having other work until Easter.

The team this year is expected to be one of the strongest ever to represent the Blue. H. Cohen, P. B. Cross, J. P. Shroder, W. H. Vick, W. Wilson, W. H. Alexander, J. B. Simmons, E. E. Krewson, and K. P. Willard are prominent contenders for positions.

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Dr. Stowe Cited in Book For Rock Investigations

Dr. Henry M. Stowe, assistant professor of geology here, has been cited by Dr. P. G. H. Boswell, professor of Geology in the Imperial College of Science and Technology and the University of London, for his investigations of rock strata in Dr. Boswell's recent book, "On the Mineralogy of Sedimentary Rocks."

Dr. Stowe is mentioned for his studies of the rock-type present in the drainage area of the James river and his account of the autigenic tourmaline in the Oriskany sandstone which appeared in 1932 American Mineralogist.

Talks and Films Feature Meeting of Custis-Lee

With a program featured by talks by members and the showing of three engineering films, the Washington and Lee chapter of the Custis-Lee Engineering society played host to several new engineering students at the regular meeting last Monday night.

David Bennett gave the principal talk, speaking on "Engineering in the Pre-Christian Era." Three films on engineering subjects, entitled "On the Pathway of Progress," "The Turbine With Solid Rotor," and "Wildwood—the Completely Electrically Mechanized Mine," were lent the society by the Westinghouse Electric company.

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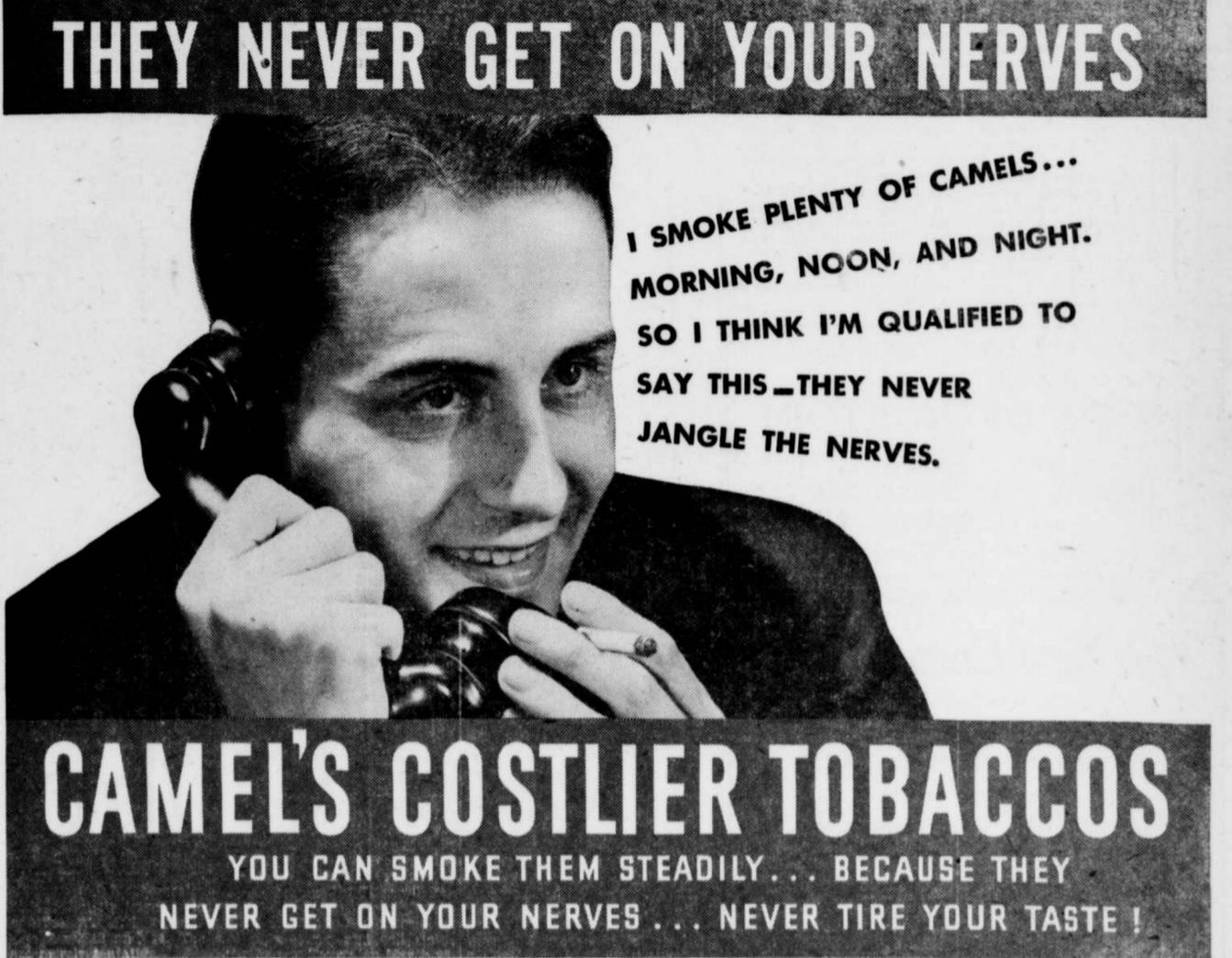
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Spring Brings Thinclads Out

Six-Meet Schedule Arranged; Twenty-Five Men Expected to Report

Now that warm weather has arrived and Wilson field's cinder oval has been scraped and rolled, the 1934 thinclads can be seen getting into their strides, loosening dormant muscles, and just talking track.

The six-meet schedule that has been arranged is as follows:

- April 14—V. P. I., here.
- April 21—Duke, here.
- April 28—Richmond, there.
- May 5—Maryland, there.

The state and conference meets will wind up the season.

About twenty-five men have expressed their intention of coming out, and with a few exceptions all have begun to work out. The team seems to be well supplied with material but is weak in the high jump due to the loss of last year's stars, Bill Wilson, Fred Cooke, and Peale Rivers.

As the team is lined up now Joe Sawyers, Hutchins, and Ed Heiserman will run the dashes. The timber-toppers will consist of Bill Schuhle, and Leroy Hodges. The 440 grind will have an imposing list of men: Captain Hazell, Smith, Ellis, Browning, Price, Band, and McGeary. The thinclads in the two-lap event will be Drake, Scully, Ellis, and McGeary, while the mile will boast of Beale, Duna, and Renkin. Duna will run the two mile event as usual and will be aided by Brickhouse.

In the field events Hanley and Dyer will put the shot and toss the discus. A large field of pole vaulters will fight for honors this season. Corbett, Laird, Higgins, and Clements will form the troupe.

"Unread Law" Read And Explained by Reporter

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ly written and, for the most part, sloppily constructed.

This condition—despite a clause in that constitution which definitely states that the secretary of the student body, among other things "shall keep two copies of the Constitution correct to date."

That this sad state is now being remedied by an action of Sherwood Wise, president of the student body, does not reflect any credit upon past secretaries, whose negligence had allowed it. Wise announced this week that copies of the present constitution would be made in the near future.

One of Many
The foregoing failing is only an example of the many flagrant violations of the constitution committed by student body officers in past year, in the face of their oaths "to support the Constitution and By-Laws of the Student Body, and to perform the duties of my office to the best of my ability." Apparently, their "best" has been none too good.

The present constitution is said to have been in force since 1931, when, at the spring elections, the students voted a revision of the old constitution.

But there are several clauses in the old constitution which were not included in the revision voted upon and which were supposedly to have been left untouched. Nevertheless, a number of these clauses were merely dropped when the new copy was made, apparently without the knowledge of the students!

Two Sections Altered

At that time, only two sections of the constitution were voted upon. One set up the present student body fund, instituted the campus tax, and empowered the executive committee to appoint a treasurer for that fund. A great deal of uproar was raised over

this measure, and it was passed by a huge majority. The only other change of which the voters were aware, concerned the powers of the executive committee. Ostensibly, the only changes made were intended to avert conflict between the committee and the treasurer in the management of funds, but one important clause was dropped without anyone noticing it. That was section six of Article VII, which said "It (the executive committee) shall see that for every position to be filled by a Student Body election at least two capable men are running." Nothing is said about that in the present constitution. Why?

Clause Forgotten

Apparently, however, it made no difference, even when that clause was incorporated in the constitution, for, in the very year that it was forgotten, seven out of twelve offices were uncontested.

At the same time, a preamble was added to the constitution, altogether unobserved later in the constitution.

The preamble follows:
"This constitution is the expression of the Student Body and is the foundation of its government."

"It is the intent of the framers of this constitution to present and instrument void of complexity, which shall represent the framework of its government and which shall be interpreted and administered by an Executive committee subject only to the final voice of the Student Body."

Void of complexity! Perhaps the framers had good intentions, but they failed miserably to achieve the sort of document at which they aimed. Even the preamble itself is weak and poorly written.

Of course, the first two articles of the constitution are very clear and explicit. But they could hardly be otherwise. Article I is as follows:

"Name of Organization"

"The name of this organization shall be 'The Student Body of Washington and Lee University.'"

ARTICLE II

Purposes of Organization

"The purpose of this organization shall be:

- "1. Self Government
- "2. The settlement of all affairs which concern the Student Body or any part thereof.
- "3. The advancement of the best interests of Washington and Lee University."

These articles are perfectly acceptable and satisfactory. Certainly no one could object to such an innocuous thing as the name of the organization. And the purposes of that organization are exceedingly altruistic and pleasing to the ear. That those purposes were changed when this constitution was "adopted" (without the knowledge of the students concerned) is one of the few improvements made. The previous constitution had among its purposes such things as "The promotion, of a more brotherly feeling for each other and a greater love for the University!"

(This article carries the series only to Article III of the constitution, which concerns membership in the student body organization. The next article, which will appear in an early issue of The Ring-tum Phi, will take up the matter of student body finances and the campus tax apportionment.

Subsequent articles will take up duties of student body officers, the executive committee, elections, by-laws, and the control of publications.)

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FERA Pay Day Change Made

Payments to Be made by Calendar Month; Continued Work Probable

On the basis of a report received yesterday from state officials of the Federal Emergency Relief Administration, Dean Frank J. Gilliam, local committee chairman, announced today that "so far as can be determined at present, funds will continue through the present school session."

Concerning job payment, however, a change has been made in the former ruling. Instead of receiving checks on the fifteenth of the month the administration has advised that payments be made by the calendar month.

Students who began work on February 19 will receive checks for work to the end of February, Dean Gilliam explained, and payment for work until March 15 will be included on this month's report.

Three additional jobs have been assigned this week; one student is employed in the geology department and two others in the gymnasium, making a total of seventy-six men who are employed by the University and paid with FERA funds.

Semi-Final Stage Reached In Intramural Basketball

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it remained for Anderson to score the winning points of his team's close 19 to 18 victory in the last two seconds of play. Grove played an excellent brand of ball for the losing Pi K. A.'s.

The Sigma Nu's won their game from the S. P. E.'s 30 to 20 and assured themselves of continued tournament play. Delta Tau Delta triumphed over P. E. P. 21 to 16 and A. T. O. took a hard and splendidly fought contest from Phi Kappa Sigma, 18 to 15.

The winning teams were greatly aided by the fine efforts of their scoring stars. Watkins and Porter each rolled up ten points for the Sigma Nu's against S. P. E. Harrelson ran up 7 points against the P. E. P.'s for the Delta's. Phi Kappa Sigma failed to halt Mathis, who aided by Bolen's fine defensive play, accounted for eight of the points scored by the A. T. O.'s in their 18 to 15 victory.

To The Hilt!

"Alfalfa Bill" Opposes Fraternities; Son Is Phi Delt

Fraternities are really "on the spot" in state supported universities and colleges in Oklahoma. Governor William "Alfalfa Bill" Murray, who is "agin 'em to the hilt," according to a dispatch from Oklahoma City, is seeking to abolish them.

But, the dispatch continues, Oklahoma fraternity men are greatly encouraged by word from the University of Wisconsin, where the governor's son, Burbank, is a sophomore, that Burbank has become a member of Phi Delta Theta.

The governor reluctantly confirmed the report, and said he would not discuss the matter, although he was goaded into declaring:

"The only trouble with those fellows in Greek fraternities, they know they have to make good grades, and it sometimes leads to snobbishness."

Hospital Notes

Prof. William L. Mapel returned to the University today after a brief absence due to illness. Still recovering at his home from an appendicitis operation, Prof. F. J. Barnes will probably resume his duties the middle of next week. During his absence, Prof. Barnes' classes in government have been meeting at irregular intervals for quizzes and other work, while his Modern Civilization class has been conducted regularly by other members of the department.

Students in Jackson hospital are: Robert G. Geiger, Herman Levine, Charles L. Harper, Jay B. Altmayer, Samuel H. Halley, and Herbert Sloan.

Debaters Win Judges' Decision, Lost Audience's

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preoccupation with economic matters.

In the rebuttals, Bialock, speaking last, alleged inconsistencies in his opponents' position and declared his belief that past presidents commonly regarded as weak, such as Hoover, would have been satisfactory if they had had specific grants of more power; they were merely not the type of men to assume them without authorization.

Blind Dates

Few students have gone through four years of college without having at least one blind date. A blind date is some form of social engagement in which neither party has ever seen the other before. The process is simple: Smith's girl tells him that she has an awfully sweet friend who would like very much to have a date with someone from Smith's college. Smith then promises to bring up a friend the next Saturday night. With that, the incident is dropped. Smith meets his fraternity brother, Jones, the next day. He tells him about this perfectly beautiful girl that he saw at Sour Briar—the carefully implies to the suspicious Jones that he could get him a date with

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her, since Jones is his pal. Jones declares emphatically that he is not interested and asks Smith to describe this paragon more specifically. Smith uses his imagination. Jones decides to go.

They leave about 6:00 Saturday night with Jones in the rumble seat. It is raining slightly and bitter cold. An hour later, they arrive at Sour Briar, and Jones is slowly revived. He curses Smith and implies that the girl had better be good or else. Smith's girl comes down with Mary Jane Simpson (they always have a name like that)—Jones looks darkly at Smith; Smith is busy with something else. Mary is a nice girl, but she is taller than Jones, and her front teeth are a little prominent. Her glasses give her a very intellectual look, however.

Smith walks off hastily with his girl. Jones and Mary find two uncomfortable chairs, and the evening has begun. All in all, it does not go badly except for occasional five minute silences when

Jones can think of nothing to say. At 10:00 the bell rings, and Jones and Mary say good-night. Smith and his girl come up laughing pleasantly. Jones goes out to his rumble seat. There is a drizzly rain, and he lights his first cigarette of the evening. He stares moodily ahead and does not answer Smith's queries.

The evening is over, but Jones is now a bitter soul, and he will eventually ensnare Smith. The process will then be repeated.

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