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WILL GENERALS MARCH ON RICHMOND?

With the Washington and Lee-Duke game less than two weeks away, student sentiment is rapidly crystallizing in favor of some arrangement to assure as full attendance as possible at this, one of the most crucial and colorful encounters on the Big Blue schedule.

Although no definite plans for attaining this end have yet been formulated, it is expected that the suggestions will take more concrete form within the next several days.

The natural desire to attend what promises to be the outstanding game of the year is enhanced by the fact that the 1935 schedule offers only two home games. At the same time, Richmond, only 140 miles from Lexington, is not so far as to present insurmountable transportation difficulties. The Richmond alumni association is sponsoring a dance following the game, making the trip to Richmond even more inviting to Washington and Lee men.

With a view to allowing the maximum number of students to be in Richmond on October 5 in time for the kick-off at three o'clock, *The Ring-tum Phi* is investigating the possibility of making practical arrangements toward that end. Rapid developments promise to ensue.

THE UPPERCLASSMEN'S RESPONSIBILITY

In accordance with plans announced last spring Amos Bolen, president of the student body, has rescinded half a dozen freshman rules, abolished the V. C., and made the freshman assimilation program largely voluntary.

The University has been in session less than a week, so it is rather early yet to determine just how the incoming freshmen will adapt themselves to some of Washington and Lee's traditions. However, evidences thus far have not been too encouraging, especially as regards the custom of speaking to everyone. Freshmen should realize that it is not merely a necessary rule that they are obeying when they speak—it is a near-sacred obligation. The spirit of friendliness that is so manifest to newcomers on the campus is inherently bound up in the traditional greeting "Hi, gentlemen." It is that greeting, or any friendly greeting, that fosters and preserves the friendly spirit. It is bound up with Washington and Lee and should never be allowed to lapse.

Now that such greetings are no longer backed by the strong arm of the V. C., there may be a tendency to slacken on the part of freshmen. Such a tendency should be promptly curbed by upperclassmen. No longer can they report violations to the V. C. to handle; each individual must see that it is enforced. In nearly all cases a mere word of warning should be sufficient.

This is more important than it may seem at first. If freshmen are allowed to carry surly tendencies over the first year, remedial action becomes practically impossible and its effect on incoming freshmen might well begin a progressive degeneration of Washington and Lee's whole spirit of friendliness. No system will run of its own momentum. It is either up to the upperclassmen to do their own part in assimilating freshmen into the school; or else the V. C. with its numerous admitted faults should be re-established.

A CASE FOR FACULTY CO-OPERATION

Academic processions always lend an air of dignity and importance to University assemblies. Professors take on a kind of glamour when they assume the traditional cap and gown to parade down the aisle of the gym before the impressed students. For these reasons it might seem that the professors would enjoy donning their robes whenever the occasion demands. But evidently they don't for every academic procession at a University assembly within the past few years—perhaps before—has been marred by the appearance of some members of the faculty without cap or gown.

Whether the individualism of these members is due to financial stringency, faulty memory, or a deep-rooted hatred for such ceremony is undetermined, but their appearance certainly detracts from the effect as a whole and makes a worthwhile custom appear rather inept. The ceremony loses its point, and the efforts of the majority of the faculty are nullified. If academic processions are to remain a part of our assembly programs it should be understood that all who march must be attired in traditional academic robes. The present conglomeration is worse than useless.

COLLEGE EDUCATION AS A PRACTICAL INVESTMENT

The knowledge that more students are returning to college this year than since the beginning of the depression implies a striking tribute to the faith of American youth in higher education. At a time when business conditions are disorganized, future incomes undetermined, and jobs hard to find, going to college necessitates greater sacrifice on the part of the student and his parents and more complete conviction of its value than in ordinary times. It means that the student in many cases will have to do other work in addition to his studies to keep himself in school and that his parents must sometimes deprive themselves to contribute to his education. A college education, in short, comes to be considered as a practical investment.

And as a practical investment it seems to be receiving favorable consideration from the American people. Not only at Washington and Lee but at almost every college and university in the country there is an increase in enrollment over last year's.

The explanation may lie partly in the additional aid offered by the federal government through the NYA and by the colleges through scholarships and loan funds. But most of all it is the students themselves, for these agencies provide only a minor part of the cost of going to college. The remaining expenses represent the students' own investment—an investment in education. The returns depend on intelligent thinking and hard work.

EDITORIAL INCONSISTENCIES

ELEGY TO A DEPARTED COLUMNIST

With noble brow and scant-haired like a bard,
With fiercely piercing gaze which saw and sensed;

With burning, lashing, scathing pen, too hard
For gentle hearts, a pen too oft incensed;

With all these things he strived and wailed and cursed,
No gentle whine was his, but raucous shout,
A screaming voice in all reform well versed;

(And mothers warned the tots: "Ware, Duncan's out!")

And yet when reeking brimstone flew that pen
And muttered growls-burst to raving roar,
The soft clayed idols fell. (But when, O when
Will Traveller's Bones depart the Chapel floor?)

O Duncan, man of iron, they may laugh—
Yet words of wisdom oft graced thy sour look.
As curses are the prize to those who smash
A thousand silly fancies minds can brook,

The scores who once with rancor scoffed thy art
Now mourn thy passing with a heavy heart.

—Cowl Rider.

THE FORUM

This is the first of a series of articles by Washington and Lee students, professors, and alumni which *The Ring-tum Phi* will print this year. Mr. Williams, a former editor of this paper, is now a student at the University of Heidelberg and has written the following impression in a recent letter.—Ed.

LIFE AT A GERMAN UNIVERSITY

By MANNING WILLIAMS

"The University (Heidelberg) is right in the middle of the town . . . August of course is the big vacation month in Germany and school does not begin until October . . . After walking up and down the waterfront most of the day we climbed steeply out of the town to the ruins of the castle and then about a mile further on through the oak and hemlock trees . . . On the top was a stone tower, with built-in stone steps winding round and round. Behind us rose the dark ranges of the Odenwald, with inviting little villages nourished in the lighted green of the valleys, and before us a broad plain, with the hills and factory smoke of the Rhine far to the West . . .

"From what I have seen in the streets, taverns, and shops, the Germans are behind Hitler as the leader of a National Socialistic state with an almost childish pride in display, color, and uniforms, and a sincere loyalty to the Fatherland . . . Much of it, I believe, is only psychological reaction to the period of humiliation and hardship that followed the collapse of the German army in the World War, but there is certainly a feeling of race and nationality consciousness in the movement that will make history . . .

"The place where I stay is the Studentenwohnheim, Heumarkt 1. It was built, or better, made what it is, by an American who studied here a good many years ago. I don't know whether there are real dormitories connected with the university or not, but this place is mostly a home for foreign students. Downstairs is a sitting room and a big room coldly decorated in a modern motif . . . Breakfast consists of two cups of coffee or two cups of milk (hot until I ordered it otherwise)."

CAMPUS COMMENT

For the benefit of some three hundred ganglings who have just descended upon our campus we would like to state that this column has no ax to grind, is non-partisan, is as fair as possible, makes no enemies maliciously though at times makes a few accidentally, and finally, is interested in anything a bit out of the ordinary. With that we can start in, albeit somewhat at a disadvantage since at this writing there are no typewriters in the Journalism room.

This year looks promising . . . A new law building under construction . . . And already the boys entering the school of law are muttering unintelligible Latin phrases to confound the lesser lights . . . Looks like Borries has a good chance to be Freshman President . . . With such august predecessors as Neely and Landvoigt he should have a deep respect for the office . . . If he gets it . . . We would like to put our ear in for Garber for Finals . . . And Hal Kemp for one of the other sets . . . Or Horace Heldt would do in a pinch . . . Or Ray Noble.

At this writing every one is agog over the Sunday shows at the New Theatre. While there are undoubtedly many mutterings among the graybeards there are cheers among the youths, also commendations from certain of the University higher-ups who feel that anything to keep the pursuing male out of cars on a week-end is worth thinking about. We cannot tell what the outcome of this Sunday show experiment will be at this writing, though in accordance with the laws and regulations the manager has received a summons to appear in court. The fact that this paper goes to press a bit earlier than usual prevents rendering the verdict in this column, though the front page snoopers will probably get the dope. We feel that Sunday moon picnics should be allowed since the mainstays of Lexington (namely W. and L. and V. M. I.) are all for any amusement other than ambling up and down the main drag.

Warning to all capitalists who own automobiles: though the thirty-minute parking limit is not supposed to be in effect on Sundays, keep your eyes peeled for tickets. It seems that some time ago a State Highway delegation swooped down upon this fair city one Sunday and had such a time getting through the Main Drag on account of double parking and such that they warned the city fathers that the thirty-minute rule better be enforced, Sunday or no Sunday, or the State Department would run the highway around Lexington instead of having it straight through. So the coppers are on the job (especially for students who park in front of Sunday shows) to prevent any run-around which would, eventually, put the skids on the tourist trade.

It appears that this campus will see a wild and woolly political season in the spring if we can judge by the numbers of pledges taken in by the fraternities. The more boys the more votes and the better the clique.

On the bulletin board in front of one of the churches: "Sermon Topic: The Breeze of Life." . . . Runt Evans walking up the street on Sunday night with two young ladies who were, for once, a bit shorter than he . . . To find Lilliputian females must be difficult . . . Note to the editor: why don't you write an editorial about the recent accusation against Wisconsin U. charging communist activities? . . . And may we ask that freshman with the way locks to cover them up with a hat, please? . . . There are a lot of stories about rush week, but we'd better start off with no enemies, no matter how we finish.

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Hangovers

By BOB WHITE

Apropos of nothing is the fact, recently discovered by scientists, that thin men have hangovers longer than fat men.

The students at Roanoke College seem to hold their dean in great respect. An extract from the student publication consisted of a list of "do's and don't's" for freshmen, the last one reading as follows:

"If you find any cigar butts lying around, lay off. They belong to the Dean."

Jane Froman, former Missouri University co-ed, and popular radio songstress, will make her first radio appearance of the new season as a guest star on Paul Whiteman's program . . . Harvard has the largest university library in the world. It has a total number of 3,602,040 books.

The first Chinese sorority in the United States has recently been founded at the University of Michigan. Its name is Sigma Sigma Phi and the four charter members are Pearl Chen, Lillian Wang, Lily Wang and Helen Vong . . . Incidentally the largest delegation of foreign students to the United States comes from China.

Strangely, Butler University's coaching school has among its students four women who are striving diligently to master the manly art of football coaching, among other things. Is there nothing sacred to the whimsical whims of fickle females?

Starting in the November issue of "Ballyhoo" will be the "Collegiate Sweepstakes." The winners receive prizes amounting to \$650.00. The "Sweepstakes" consist of a series of pictures which are to be labeled with the names of college subjects. There will be eighteen pictures in all, six in each issue for the next three months.

An example is the picture of a suave senior talking to something dainty and dear, having for a subtitle, "Come in and see my etchings." The answer—Engineering.

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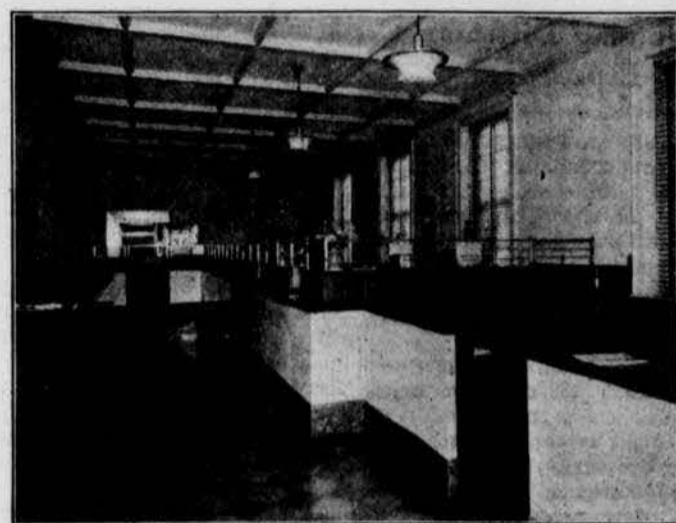
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Following the BIG BLUE

By ZACH KRAMER

Injuries and Lack of Reserves Hamper Strong General Eleven—Mathis Acts Professional Wrestler During Summer—Idle Thoughts

With the thud of the pleskin echoing in the ears of all Washington and Lee alumni, students and supporters, the Generals will set out this week-end in their campaign to gain new gridiron laurels. No one can safely predict what a football team will do, but in taking stock of the 1935 edition of the Big Blue, it is hard not to imagine a highly successful season.

So far the breaks have turned against us. Duane Berry, hard-fighting, fierce-charging guard of last year, tore a ligament in his leg at Camp Nimrod and will be out for the next three weeks. Tubby Owings, on whose 270 pounds much of this season's success depends, has kidney trouble, and we'll be lucky if he gets in the Duke game.

The chief weakness of this team that boasts of over a dozen individual stars is lack of reserves. After the first seventeen or eighteen men the talent diminishes greatly and that will be the thing to worry about throughout the season. Thank heaven we've only eight games on the schedule.

For the first time in a good many years the Generals will have a real punch. Joe Arnold has never looked better in his life. He seems faster this year, and much more elusive. Why, even the varsity men are having trouble in stopping him. Last year's experience has done Pres Moore a lot of good and he should be great carrying the ball. As for Layton Cox, he will certainly surprise all you fans who haven't heard of him yet, for he is fast as a streak. If he doesn't fumble the ball, he will go places.

Captain Jack Bailey has gained ten pounds and on top of being the best defensive back in the conference he will do plenty on the offense. Sample and Lowry are fighting it out between themselves to see who will join Arnold, Bailey and Moore in the varsity backfield, and the eleven will not be weakened any should they alternate. Benvenuti has improved, Watts is passing very well, and Carson, Williams, Sharretts and Bob White complete a good backfield squad. Passing is their weakness, though some days every passer in uniform seems to click. The coaches are concentrating on lateral plays, so the fans can count on seeing some wide-open sensational plays.

No matter how they shift the line around, it's going to average over 200 pounds. Hug Bonino returned from a South American cruise weighing over 240, while lanky Bob Spessard tips the beam at 220. Ellis, Brasher, Frank Jones, and Tony Young are good enough to leave us with the end question settled. Versatile Bill Ellis has one end cinched and will take the kicking assignment too, while speedy Charley Brasher will line up as the other flankman. He will be pressed severely by Jones and Young.

Bonino, Spessard, Owings and Dickinson are the tackles, and when Tubby regains his health it will be our opponents' turn to worry. Buckshot Seitz and Dorsey Wilson will alternate between guard and center with Anderson, Marchant, Meeks and Berry after the other guard position. Will Rogers and Szymanski are ready to serve duty at any line position they are needed. Seitz and Wilson are two exceptional linemen, and Seitz is as good as Mattox was on placements.

Drifting from the subject of football, I can't resist telling you this wrestling story. I won't vouch for its veracity, but if you don't believe it, Coach Mathis claims he can show you the clipping that will prove it. It seems that Mr. Mathis and family decided to spend a quiet summer at Archie's folks in a small Illinois town. Eager to don his wrestling togs again, Mathis got himself a match with a man who went around under the title of "the welterweight champion of Illinois." The next day the local paper had a big story on its sport page telling the readers how brutally their champion would treat poor Mr. Mathis.

The match didn't go long before Arch had his opponent tied up with a short arm scissors. Then Coach Mathis carefully plucked from his tights the clipping that predicted his downfall, and to the amusement of all, read it to the crowd. After doing this, he rubbed the champion's face with it, and, holding his opponent in the short arm scissors all the time, asked his manager to get him a Coca-Cola. When Mathis was through, he immediately pinned the ex-champ, and went home for a good night's rest. Believe it or not, you have to give the coach credit for thinking up a clever idea.

Swimmers Lose Strength

This year's Washington and Lee swimming team will be severely crippled by the loss of three outstanding swimmers: Captain Reed, Gilbert Meem and Arch Logan. Levietes, however, one of last year's fresh swimmers, has returned to school. With his aid and that of other members of the freshman team of the past year, the returning members of the varsity should give a very good account of themselves. In general, says Coach Twombly, prospects for the coming season are fair.

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Junior Varsity to Report For Practice Tomorrow; Pat Mitchell Will Coach

Continuing the policy he originated last spring, Coach Tilson issued a call for junior varsity candidates to report for uniforms at 2:45 tomorrow afternoon. Pat Mitchell, former Big Blue all-around star, will coach the candidates.

Any upperclassmen in the student body is eligible to play, and an interesting five game schedule has been prepared for them. Unlike the varsity requirement, it is not necessary for a man to have been out for spring practice to be eligible for the team.

The Junior Varsity squad will practice separately from the varsity, having their own plays and formations. This innovation will give any boys who could not have possibly made the varsity eleven the thrill of competitive football.

Ellis Given Credit For Near-Record Kick By Football Magazine

Bill Ellis, Washington and Lee's great kicking end, goes on record as having made one of the longest punts of the 1934 season. According to the "Intercollegiate Football Pictorial," one of the several annual football publications, Bill's punt of 72 yards, all in the air, was only exceeded by nine other men throughout the whole season.

Incidentally, the longest was an 84-yard boot by Tom Oliver of Catholic U. in its game with Western Maryland, while the only other punter in the entire South who bettered Ellis' mark was Parker of Duke, who got off a kick that went for 75 yards in the Georgia Tech game. However, Bill's fine punt was equally remarkable when we recollect that it was made against Maryland in a game which was played on a rain-soaked, muddy field.

Bright Season Seen As Harriers Report For Initial Practice

Cross-country prospects for this fall are promising, it was announced yesterday when the first practice for the 1935 season was held. Twelve candidates, three of whom are experienced, reported to Coach Fletcher.

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scheduled, besides the State meet to be held at Charlottesville on November 16, and the Southern Conference meet to be held at Chapel Hill on a five-mile course on November 23.

Price Davis and Bob Kingsbury, two of last year's outstanding runners, will be aided by Prater, a member of last year's freshman

track team who showed up well in practice.

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Alumnus Named To SEC Position

Roosevelt Appoints Vincent Miles to Alphabetical Agency

Vincent M. Miles, prominent lawyer of Fort Smith, Arkansas, and Washington and Lee alumnus, was one of the three men appointed by President Roosevelt to head the newly-organized SEC last summer. The SEC, which is the alphabetical title of the Securities Exchange Commission, has the important power of control and regulation of the issuance of stocks and securities.

Mr. Miles received his LL.B. from Washington and Lee in 1907 and was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon social fraternity. He practiced law in Fort Smith and Little Rock, Ark., until 1917 when he went overseas as Captain of Infantry in the 1st Officers Training Corps and later as Assistant General Staff Officer of the 4th Air Corps. After the war he became general attorney for the Missouri Pacific railway for Arkansas and Oklahoma.

In 1932 Mr. Miles won considerable renown when he ran for the United States Senate against Mrs. Hattie Caraway. He was defeated only after the late Senator Huey Long came into Arkansas to aid his opponent.

Beanery Feeds 105 Men Daily

Monthly Rate Unchanged Despite Rise in Food Prices

One hundred and five boys are taking their meals in the University dining hall, A. E. Mathis, manager, announced today. This is a slight increase over last year's maximum of 103. These figures include eleven boys who work in the dining hall for their board.

The price remains the same as last year, \$25 a month, in spite of advancing food costs. Meal tickets are not being offered because experience has shown that it is impossible to anticipate the attendance of students who use them. Paying by the meal is discouraged for the same reason as meal tickets, but anyone who desires to try the food or drops in on special occasions will be served.

Mr. Mathis is well pleased with the outlook for the year. During each of the past few years, there has been a deficit each year in the finances of the dining hall except last year, when a profit was shown. The prospect for this year seems even brighter than last year's, Mr. Mathis declares.

Club Completes Shrub Planting

Brick Paving, Watering Apparatus Also Planned For Gateway

The planting of shrubbery around the Memorial Gateway, part of the landscaping program sponsored by the Garden Clubs of Virginia, was completed last week. Boxwood, holly, and other specimen shrubs were planted during the summer. Periwinkle has been placed among the boxwoods around the parking area.

Charles F. Gillette, well-known landscape gardener of Richmond, recently completed the plans for

the project. Bricks will replace the gravel in the parking space, and special watering apparatus for the shrubs has also been planned.

According to Dean Frank J. Gilliam, work on the entire project will be finished in approximately a year.

The old planting around the Gateway has been placed along college walks and around the two dormitories.

It's not too early to start thinking of ways and means to get to Richmond for the Duke game. A special bus or two might be chartered at reasonable cost. All interested in the movement communicate with this column.

510 Subscribe To Campus Tax

Committee Disappointed At Showing; New Drive Next Week

Only 510 students have paid their campus tax as compared with 600 at the same time last year, the executive committee announced last night. This drop is especially disappointing to the committee in view of the larger enrollment this year.

A smaller percentage of upperclassmen have paid the tax than freshmen. Half of the students who have paid the campus tax are freshmen.

The campus tax was reduced this year to \$8.75 because of increased revenue from advertising carried in student publications last year. This reduction is in line with the policy of the Executive Committee to pass along all possible economies to the students.

A campus tax drive is scheduled for next week, and all students who have not yet paid their tax are requested to do so.

Ajax Browning, secretary of the Executive Committee, made the following statement: "I urge all students, especially upper-

classmen, who have not yet paid their campus tax to do so as soon as possible in order that the pub-

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