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## \$2,000 GRANTED FOR NEW TROUB THEATRE

### General-Tech Game to Start Big Blue State Title Defense

Full Squad Will Be Present For First Time This Season

### FORTIETH CONTEST BETWEEN SCHOOLS

Generals Play First Game In Defense of State Crown

Playing their first state game in defense of the title they won in 1933 and 1934, Washington and Lee meets V. P. I. at Bluefield tomorrow in the fortieth of a series that dates back to 1895.

For the first time this season, Washington and Lee will have a full squad on the field. Every man who attended the football camp at Nimrod Hall will make the trip to Bluefield. They will leave tonight for Bluefield, but will spend the night at Blacksburg, which is only sixty miles from their destination.

The starting lineup is expected to be the same that opened against Centre with the possible exception of Ed Seitz at center instead of Wilson. Seitz is from Cass, West Virginia, and is playing his third year of varsity football.

**Line Appears Good**  
 Washington and Lee seems ready to display the finest brand of football it has shown this year. The heavy line that has blocked a kick in two of three contests played so far, never has appeared better in practice. Bill Ellis, Hug Bonino, Duane Berry and Anderson are ready to show their all-State worth tomorrow.

New tricky plays recently formulated by the coaches are expected to show the Big Blue backfield off in all its glory. Joe Arnold, Sample, Jack Bailey and Pres Moore have been working together all week, and they seem ready to click Saturday.

Virginia Tech has never really opened up this season. They beat Roanoke 7-0, tied William and Mary 0-0, lost to Maryland 7-0, and were trimmed by Clemson 28-6.

**Injuries Hurt V. P. I.**  
 Stacked with a bunch of crack-jack players, the Gobblers have been handicapped by hard luck and injuries. "Foot" Dickerson, their triple-threat man, is one of the best backs in the State, while Mel Henry, Cumberland, Maryland, boy, is one of the best passes in V. P. I. history.

Their line is good too, and it is supposed to be heavier than Washington and Lee's. Ben Dodge is a great big tackle who is all-State material, and Jones, Captain Fitro and Shockey are good all-around ends.

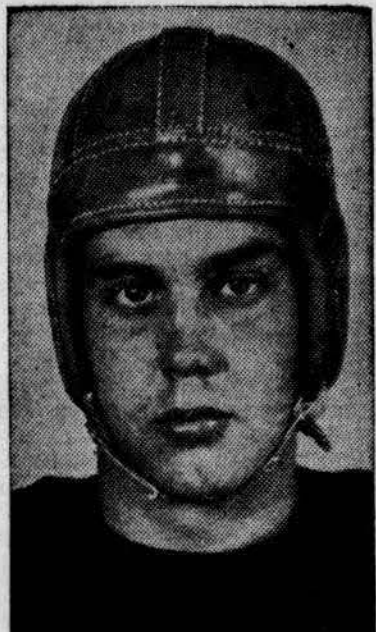
It is expected that Washington and Lee will play a waiting game against V. P. I., and depend on Ellis to outkick Dickerson. However, the Big Blue may surprise and use their powerful passing and running attack which they have kept in the background so far this season.

The gridgraph will start at 3 o'clock tomorrow with the usual price of 25 cents for admittance.

**Cold Check Committee Holds Meeting Monday**  
 The cold check committee of the executive council will hold its first meeting Monday night, according to Fletcher Maynard, chairman. The hearings of several students, alleged to have passed these checks, will be held at this meeting.

Monday night will be the regular meeting night of the committee, whose duty it is to adjust errors resulting from student checks. All students guilty of passing a check without a sufficient bank balance to back it will be called before the committee.

### Tech Backfield Stars



Lloyd Doxy, Tech halfback, and Fouts Dickerson, star fullback, who will provide lots of the fireworks that will greet the Generals when they march into the Bluefield municipal stadium tomorrow afternoon. The game will begin at 2:30 and the Gridgraph will go into action exactly a half hour later.

### Three Ring-tum Phi Members Attend Virginia Press Meeting

Moore, Carpenter, Rouse Will Attend Convention At Harrisonburg

Three members of The Ring-tum Phi staff will represent the paper at the ninth annual meeting of the Virginia Interscholastic Press Association at Harrisonburg State Teachers' College next week-end, November 1 and 2. They are Parke Rouse, Dev Carpenter, and Don Moore. Over 200 delegates from Virginia colleges are expected to attend.

O. W. Riegel, head of the department of journalism, will speak at the opening session of the convention Friday afternoon, November 1, at 2 p. m. Mr. Riegel will speak on "European Observations, with Special Attention to the Menace of News." Following the address, he will conduct a round-table discussion of propaganda methods.

Delegates will arrive on the morning of November 1 for the orientation session in the main auditorium of the Harrisonburg S. T. C. on that day at 2 p. m. The afternoon will be taken up with discussion groups and one address. A New York editor will be presented to the delegates in the evening for one of the feature addresses of the convention.

A short business session, more discussion and two addresses are scheduled for Saturday, November 2. The convention dinner will be held on Saturday night to be followed by a dance. At the dinner the contest winners, new officers and place of the 1936 meeting will be announced.

### Frosh Prexy Foils 'Coup d'etat' Exposing Forged Communication

A daring coup d'etat, unparalleled in the political history of the University, was foiled this afternoon through the quick action of "Wee Willie" Grover, fearless crusader for the rights of freshmen. An incriminating letter, a mystery man, the scent of an exotic perfume, and all the tricks that go into the making of a two-dollar mystery novel were used in the plot, which, if it had succeeded, would have changed the history of the world.

Grover, recently inaugurated freshman president, was purported to be the writer of a letter that would have made him ridiculous even in the eyes of his staunchest supporter. The note, found mysteriously on the desk of Parke Rouse, editor of The Ring-tum Phi, was signed with an almost perfect forgery of "Wee Willie's" signature.

The letter, which denounced certain phases of the relationship between the newspaper and the freshman dictator, was set up in type and almost printed as a letter to the editor when Rouse, beginning to smell a rat, decided to get in touch with Grover, whose

political enemies are numerous. The elusive dictator, who is constantly on the alert for reprisals from his foes, could not be found at first, but one of his bodyguards, found eating an ice-cream cone in a secluded campus nook, hastily viewed the situation with alarm and proceeded at once to carry the news to Grover in his secret hideaway. Rouse's fears were proved to be well-founded.

The letter goes as follows:  
 Dear Sir:  
 I wish to submit a formal protest concerning the uncouth way with which your hitherto worthy paper has lampooned my high ideals with regard to my policy for the freshman class of 1935, which I have tried so hard to keep together. It grieves me greatly that you should foster this ungentlemanly muckraking with regard to my very own personal character. I am willing to match my private life with any man's.  
 Sir, I hope that I have not erred in placing my trust in you and your paper. You have a sacred mission to perform on this campus, namely, to uphold the fine  
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### Opinions Differ On Campus Tax Requirement In Student Voting

Professors Urge Abolition; J. H. Williams Defends Present System

### BOLEN REFUSES TO COMMENT ON ISSUE

President of Student Body Will Not Discuss Matter Now

Opinions on the proposed abolition of the rule which requires students to pay their campus tax before being allowed to vote, differ greatly among professors and members of the student body, it was revealed by a survey today. The suggestion was made by a recent editorial in The Ring-tum Phi.

Mr. F. J. Barnes, of the political science department, believes that Washington and Lee students should be allowed to vote without the payment of their campus tax. He believes that if the matter is properly presented, Washington and Lee students will realize the necessity for some such support of student activities as that provided for by the unfortunately named "Campus Tax," but he believes it is unfair for those who cannot pay conveniently to be penalized for their incapability. "After all," he stated, "every Washington and Lee student is a bona fide member of the Washington and Lee student body, and that should be sufficient for suffrage."

Mr. J. H. Williams, of the same department, took an entirely different view of the matter, declaring that student suffrage would do untold harm to the campus tax. "I do not think," said Mr. Williams, "that it would be wise to do anything which would tend to weaken the campus tax. If this contemplated change would result in a falling off of subscribers, it would probably be desirable to keep the present voting qualifications."

Amos Bolen, president of the student body, refused to discuss the matter. When asked, "Do you think that because a student is unable to pay his campus tax he should be deprived of the right to vote in school elections?" he replied, "I can make no comment on this matter just now."

Mr. C. E. Williams, of the law school, declared, "The right to vote in student elections is misused in securing subscriptions for the campus tax," he stated, "which, in my opinion, is undesirable. I think that a matriculated student, qualified to be a member of the Washington and Lee student body, should have the right to vote, whether or not he has paid his campus tax."

### Two Kentucky Colonels Found in Student Body

Two colonels, appointed to the staff of the governor of the sovereign state of Kentucky last year, have broken down and confessed that they are army men.

Both of the civilian soldiers are Zeta Beta Tau's. One hails from Cincinnati, Ohio. The other is a citizen of Memphis, Tenn. Robert Brower, freshman, of Cincinnati, is the little colonel. Edward Marks, of Memphis, intermediate lawyer, is the colonel-in-chief. It is believed that these two will take charge of the great snowball offensive with the neighboring Phi Gamma Deltas when the season's first snow falls.

**Hospital Notes**  
 Six students are confined to the local hospital at the present time. They are: Ernest Beale, Franklin, Va., broken leg; Tom R. Mercelin, Milwaukee, Wis., bruised knee; Walter Lawton, Lexington, Va., infected foot; William A. Smith, New York City, appendicitis; Kester Denman, Jr., Lufkin, Texas, sprained ankle, and Alex R. Benson, New York City, strained back.

### Dance Board to Act On 1936 Opening Set

Frank Price, Chairman of Control Committee, Endorses Plan to Extend Homecoming Dances; Gains Favors Having Set Early

By STANFORD SCHEWEL  
 Plans to combine an opening set of dances with next year's Homecoming, as suggested by The Ring-tum Phi in an editorial last week, are already being discussed by the Dance Control committee.

Frank Price, chairman of the committee, said, "It is one of the cardinal aims of the Dance Board to make Washington and Lee dances more successful as student functions. I believe that it would definitely be in keeping with this aim if Homecoming dances could be staged on a larger scale next fall."

"It seems to me," Price continued, "that this first dance of the year could easily be converted into an opening set consisting of a series of dances rather than the usual one night affair. To do this would certainly improve Homecoming as an attraction to the alumni and would stimulate student interest in this occasion. It would be an ideal way to start the year's social program."

Price was hopeful that the Dance Board and the Executive Committee would be enabled to carry out this plan next year.

Dr. Francis P. Gaines, president of the University, said, "I would not be at all sorry to see

Homecoming moved to mid-October and an opening set of dances included then. It would do much to get the freshmen and the rest of the student body into the swing of things."

Dr. Gaines also felt that it would be unwise to have this projected dance set too close to the Thanksgiving dances which come in the latter part of November. In this feeling Dean Robert Tucker concurred, suggesting that it might not be unwise if the Thanksgiving dances were eliminated entirely and the suggested opening set of dances be substituted in their place.

Amos Bolen, president of the student body, said, "I think this suggestion is not a bad one. At least it ought to be given serious consideration by the Dance Control board."

Dean Frank Gilliam said that he had not given the matter enough thought to make a statement as yet, that there were a great many factors to be considered before taking any definite stand on the matter.

No definite progress can be noted until the next meeting of the Dance Control board which will have to be the first body to pass upon the suggested move.

### Ten Men Pledge Sigma Delta Chi

Five Juniors, Five Seniors Elected to Journalism Fraternity

The Washington and Lee chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, national professional journalistic fraternity, held a smoker last night at the Delta Tau Delta house honoring its ten new men. The pledges are: A. R. Abrahams, Jr., Deverton Carpenter, Lewis Cashman, Barclay Dillon, Richard Fiske, Vincent Martire, Donald R. Moore, Calvin Shook, Latham Weber, Robert Weinstein.

According to national qualifications men subject to Sigma Delta Chi membership must pledge their intentions of entering the field of active journalism. The pledge class consists of five seniors in the Lee School of Journalism and five juniors.

Papers were read by the pledges on subjects assigned them for humorous and original treatment, after which refreshments were served.

The six actives present and  
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### Glee Club Will Start This Year's Program With College Recital

The initial concert of the Washington and Lee glee club will be given at Harrisonburg State Teachers college on Thursday afternoon, October 31. The occasion will be the annual meeting of the Virginia Music association.

Future plans for the organization were revealed by Bill Kar-raker, president. A fraternity sing is scheduled to be held here some time in November. The glee club will then present songs from each fraternity.

On December 19, the group will present a Christmas cantata. Their next scheduled appearance is on April 17 at Sweet Briar. A tentative concert is planned at Hollins sometime in April.

An innovation will be introduced when the troupe journeys to White Sulphur Springs to fill an engagement. Several church and radio programs are also planned, but have not materialized as yet.

The total enrollment of the Glee club is fifty-five, the largest enrollment in recent years. Two new songs written by John Graham, former director of the organization, will be in the group's repertoire.

Are you out for Crew? Six hundred other subscribers are too.

### Lew, The Laundry Man Says: 'All Time Wear Dirty Shirt'

The premonition of impending disaster which we harbored in our timid soul turned out to be a good hunch after the first "Harrow, mister" came from the lips of our Oriental friend. We knew it was more than a hunch when the second pidgeon English expression emerged from behind Lew's cracked teeth, and by the time the good-by arrived, your correspondent was fit for a fit.

"Lew," we asked with our best smile and our finest city manner, "How's laundry business?" "Him not so hot," said Lew. "Much bad business—no good." We thought that over for a while, then: "Lew, business bad on accounty depression?" "That held him for awhile. We felt satisfied."

"No," we heard, "him much bad counts nobody wearing clean shirt now. All time wear dirty shirt. No care. Clean shirt, dirty shirt, no care—bad business." We pondered over that for

awhile. Our superior occidental mind failed to cope with the situation, and we felt as much in the dark as Lew did.

"You clean shirt good?" was our next question. Lew scowled and picked up a hot iron. Instinctively we ducked, but the wily Oriental, with the cunning of Fu Manchu, applied the iron to a shirt.

"Sure. Me cleamem good. Me cleamem velly good. You wanna see?" We told him we'd postpone that pleasure.

"You likee laundry work or you wish go back to China?" The door had opened behind me, and a large lady was standing at my elbow, a bundle of laundry over her arm. She had heard our last speech. We began to get red. The lady tittered.

We fled from the shop. Past the Lyric theater we met two of our friends. "Harrow genterman," we said.

### Publications Board and EC Give Money For Project

Sound-Proofed Room For Musical Organizations To Be Included

### CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN NEXT WEEK

Auditorium to Seat 256; Watkin, McMurrin Draw Plans

By BARCLAY DILLON

A new theatre to house all campus dramatic and musical activities will be created from the old Troubadour workshop and will be ready for use within a month, it was revealed today by Amos Bolen, president of the student body.

Funds for revamping the brick structure on the corner of Main and Henry streets have been contributed by two student organizations. The Publications Board granted its surplus of \$1300 and the Executive Committee followed suit with a gift of \$600 after weeks of conferences which terminated last night with the signing of the contract for the project with Charles Barger, Lexington contractor. Bricks for the structure are being given by the University, from the remains of the old law building.

**Plans Drawn and Approved**  
 All plans for the remodeling of the building were drawn up by Laurence E. Watkin, director of the Troubadours, and Lewis McMurrin, its president. The approval given the plans by the administration, the Publications Board and the Executive Committee marks the finish of a three-year drive by Troub heads for such a theatre.

Construction is to begin next week and will be complete within a month, in time for the first Troub production of the season on Monday, December 9.

**Will Seat 256**  
 The auditorium, which will seat 256, will be available for conventions and important student meetings, as well as Troubadour, glee club, and band productions. A sound-proofed room on the second floor will be used by the musical organizations for rehearsal. In granting funds for the project, Amos Bolen, president of the executive committee, and John  
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### Dormitory Councilors, Goat Captains Confer On Frosh Regulations

All fraternity "goat captains" and dormitory councilors will meet with members of the freshman assimilation committee Monday night at 7:30 o'clock in Room 105, Newcomb hall, Angus Powell, chairman of the committee, announced today.

Discussion of the enforcement of the freshman rules and of the conduct of the frosh will be the main purpose of the meeting, Powell said. Plans for treatment of violations will also be outlined.

"Fraternity goat captains and the freshman councilors in the dormitories have already been requested to co-operate with the freshman assimilation committee in the administration of the rules, and we hope to foster this spirit of co-operation," Powell explained.

In the enforcement of the rules, violations by fraternity pledges will be turned over by the committee to the goat captains of the respective houses. Non-fraternity freshmen who break the rules will be dealt with by the dormitory councilors or directly by the assimilation committee.

Minor infractions of the rules will be handled in this manner and without the infliction of punishment, Powell said, but more serious cases or repeated violations will bring drastic action from the assimilation committee.

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## WHY NOT PUT RICHMOND BACK ON THE SCHEDULE?

Charlie Hamilton, in his sports column in the Richmond *News-Leader* recently brought to light the famous "leopard spots" case, the incident which caused the severance of football relationships between Washington and Lee and the University of Richmond. According to Hamilton, who got the tale from Coach Cy Young, it all happened when the Generals played the Spiders at Richmond several years ago. The Washington and Lee team, coached by Eugene Oberst, had agreed to wear white jerseys (since both ordinarily wore blue) to avoid any confusion that might result from the similarity of uniforms. After the first half, however, during which the Generals had been consistently penalized for various reasons, Coach Oberst ordered the players to put the blue jerseys on again, feeling that the white uniforms had made them unusually conspicuous and liable to penalties. When the team reappeared after the half in blue, the Richmond coach was mad, and when Washington and Lee won the game 6-0 after a dizzy second half, he was furious. That ended football between Washington and Lee and Richmond.

Such an incident, we feel, reflects more than a little on the traditional gentlemanliness of our Washington and Lee teams, especially since the University has evidently made no effort to amend the quarrel. Richmond is no longer considered as a potential football opponent, and the suggestion made last year that we meet the Spiders in a post-season game evoked quite a few acid remarks from some of our more partisan students.

The only apparent reasons for this bad blood between two such natural football opponents are fear of losing to Richmond, or an excessive feeling of superiority on our part. It can't be fear. And certainly the prestige which we feel belongs to Washington and Lee would not be endangered by mixing on the gridiron with Richmond, or any other school.

Let's put the Spiders back on the schedule. The city of Richmond has already shown itself anxious to see the Generals play there, by their support of the Washington and Lee-Duke game. All sports lovers would thrive on a battle between these two much-talked-of teams. And we have our sportsmanship record to vindicate. That, after all, is something to be cherished.

## STUDENT CONDUCT AND CHAPERONES

It appears that either Washington and Lee gentlemen are slipping or that some persons in authority at our neighboring institutions are badly mistaken. Regarding the rules governing dates who come here from Sweet Briar, Mary Baldwin, Hollins, and Randolph-Macon for dances, distant rumblings that everything is not as it should be have become increasingly evident. Unfortunately, the persons in authority are probably right, as usual, and this time the fault lies in us.

Rules governing dates coming here have been broken time and again. Last year this was especially evident. Regulations that girls' school authorities make are made to be kept, and not to be laughed at. Smart upperclassmen are largely responsible for their violations. The fact remains that dates over here during week-ends are still under the supervision and responsibility of the school from which they come, in spite of some of our blase seniors to the contrary.

As a result of past violations many of these schools are now "cracking down" on Washington and Lee and in no certain terms. Such "cracking down" is troublesome and a nuisance to the entire student body, but since it is aimed at an unknown few, it must apply universally.

We hope that future conduct of our students towards young ladies at dance sets will be so proper that not even the most picayunish of chaperones can find fault with it. Perhaps then the present regime of overwhelming restrictions and surveillance can be tempered. If any further lapses of etiquette occur, we may find ourselves looking forward to stag parties, and stag parties alone.

## THE NEW TROUBADOUR THEATRE

To the few students who, since the organization of the Troubadours, have spent frequent icy nights pacing the splintered floor of the unheated Henry street workshop muffled in overcoats and sweaters, and particularly to the even smaller group that has labored with the poor equipment at the task of assembling odds and ends into something that resembled a stage set, the generous gift of the Publications Board and the Executive Committee is a fitting memorial. It is doubtful whether the veterans of this past era will miss the droughts blowing through the vacant panes of the Workshop windows or the long treks up Main street with scenery and props, Lyric-bound. The yokels of the adjoining hills can no longer stare at the lads who composed the tri-yearly exodus of flats and props and rejoice in the superiority over "them there college boys."

Now the remodelling of the erstwhile Workshop, cinema palace, basket-ball court, and opera house not only eradicates the woes of the Troubs but of the Glee club, band, and University orchestra, whose days in the biology lab are over. With the new building one of the crying necessities for the conduct of a broad cultural program is filled. Long-lacking on this campus, such a theatre has become an integral part of student life in many other schools throughout the country. George Baker's 47 Workshop at Yale and the Playmakers at the University of North Carolina merit dramatic interest equal to the best of Manhattan groups. There is no tangible reason why the Troubadours could not attain a comparable position. How far it will go is now up to the interest of the student body in furnishing members of the acting and technical staffs, and in sympathetic and intelligent audiences.

The Troubadours and the Glee club are said to be mapping out the most ambitious programs in their careers this year. With the new facilities and proper student support, these campus musical and dramatic organizations should reach a level which they have never before attained. To the individuals and the groups which, by their support of the new theatre, have made this possible, we extend praise and congratulations.

## THE FORUM

### POISON GAS IN THE ITALO-ETHIOPIAN WAR

By DR. JAMES LEWIS HOWE

To best understand the part that poison gas may play in present and future wars, it is best to review a little of its history, and when it originally made its appearance.

During the World War the first recorded use of gas warfare occurred when the Germans employed it against Canadian troops soon after the outbreak of hostilities. It was disastrous because unexpected, and no adequate defence had even been prepared. As later employed it became progressively less successful, owing to the preparations made for immunity which proved well able to cope with its attack.

The especial advantage of gas is in its use against massed forces, whether in offense or in defense, by rendering considerable bodies of troops at least temporarily incapacitated. For instance, if massed bodies of Ethiopian troops were to join in a concerted attack on the Italian force, various gasses such as were developed in the Great War would better enable the Italians to repel them successfully, or at least greatly hinder the attacking force. If provided with gas masks, the Ethiopian forces might perhaps go on in spite of certain types of gases, but these would avail little against mustard gas and similar volatile poisons.

In other forms of warfare where the combatants are scattered, no gas or dispersed liquid would reach more than a few, hence it would be very ineffective. Similarly, in shelling or bombing from airplanes the effect of any gas would be very much localized and could not disable more than a few, perhaps mainly non-combatants.

All of this is pre-supposing, as is probably the case, that the Ethiopians are not themselves provided with any effective gas defense, or with means of carrying on gas warfare themselves. Were they so provided, it seems probable they would be able to use gases more effectively than the Italians, merely because the Italians are much more apt to have their troops massed together in advancing columns.

Be careful who your late date is! At the V. M. I. hops one of the boys made a late date with a beautiful gal there. He took her to his fraternity house, and as he took her hand-bag to place it on the mantle-piece, he dropped it, causing it to open. Out on the floor slid a .38 revolver and a badge reading "Special Investigator, U. S. Department of Justice."

"Three young Roosevelts motored safely from Hyde Park to West Point to see Harvard play Army," says the paper. And that, my friends, is news.

## BETWEEN SHEETS

By BILL HUDGINS

Dr. Francis Pendleton Gaines, president of the University, has the distinction of being one of the thirteen founders of the Society of Virginians. This society was recently organized and held a formal meeting in Lynchburg last week.

The organization will be of a social, educational, cultural, and patriotic nature. A costume ball will be held annually, and banquets will be given frequently to bring the members together to hear addresses by outstanding speakers who extol the virtues of Virginia and Virginians.

Prizes will be offered to students for the best essays on subjects relating to Virginia history. Persons of Virginia ancestry will be encouraged to send their sons and daughters to Virginia educational institutions to "live and learn in the atmosphere that made great men."

The society is being expanded at the present time with invitations being issued to prominent residents of the Old Dominion and descendants of Virginians who are living throughout the country.

At the Lynchburg meeting, Senator Carter Glass was honored as the outstanding Virginian of this generation. Senator Glass received an honorary degree from Washington and Lee. His sons attended school here, and his grandson is now a member of the student body.

Edwin B. Hatch, clerk of the Superior Court of Chatham county in North Carolina, sends us information that the Duke Blue Devils almost came to Richmond this month to play Washington and Lee without a coach.

On October 5, three negroes were to be tried for the murder of a cab driver and the name of Coach Wallace Wade was drawn for jury duty.

Judge Walter Small, who was presiding over the special criminal term in the court in Durham, was awakened early, on the morning the Duke team left for Richmond, by Wade's attorney, who asked that the Duke mentor be excused without having to appear in court. Judge Small reported that Wade at least would have to appear in court.

When Coach Wade appeared personally before the judge, the jurist told him that the court had considered the matter and decided that he could be excused.

"If it were Carolina playing, the court might detain you," Judge Small said, "but as you are going out of the state to play a great school that bears the names of two of the world's greatest generals, I will excuse you this time, but I will try to be here just before the Carolina-Duke game and select you as a juror in order to lend a helping hand to Carolina."

It is unfortunate that Judge Small attended the University of North Carolina instead of Washington and Lee.

From the University of Louisiana comes the news that there are twenty-three religions on the campus of the Baton Rouge institution. The leaders are the Catholics, Baptists, Methodists, two Greek Orthodox churches, and one Buddhist.

Bobby Jones attended Emory university in Georgia. A unique water tank has been built on the campus resembling a teed golf ball. Out of respect for their renowned alumnus, the tank is commonly called the "Bobby Jones Memorial."

The first seven graduates of Lawrence college never received their diplomas. The little steamer carrying the documents capsized in a sudden squall on Lake Winnebago. The frayed sheepskins of old professors were substituted.

The Republican national ticket in 1892 presented Miami University graduates for both president and vice-president. Benjamin Harrison and Whitelaw Reid were the nominees. West Point was the first technical school in the United States.

Herbert Hoover, Jefferson Davis, Benjamin Franklin, Henry Hudson, William Penn, Davis Livingston and Ben Hur are registered at the University of North Carolina this year.

A professor of the law faculty at the University of Bonn, in Germany, was forced to resign recently because his maid patronized a Jewish butcher.

The game of Lawn Bowls, one of the oldest as well as one of the simplest of out-of-door games, is finding increased popularity in American colleges. Several schools now include it on their co-ed athletic programs.

## THE EASY CHAIR

By COWL RIDER

### Damns and Censorship

A lusty "damn" or two seems to be the limit to which aspiring actors can go when cavorting about on Lexington stages. The Troubadours, please, do not go about wishing that censorship would be removed so that their members could give free rein to their vocabulary of profanity, but they do feel that, through too strict censorship, their reportory is needlessly curtailed. Why?

When started on the subject of censorship, a writer runs into a good many factions. There are those who shrink in horror when they hear even a puny "damn" issue from the mouth of an actor and who, at the same time, would put a hod carrier to shame when they hit their thumb while driving a nail. There are, on the other hand, those who are not particular about little things like that and who do not mind a little realism on the stage provided that it is not carried too far. The fact is that Lexington is haunted by some wandering strain of Puritanism which puts the brakes on Troubadour productions.

Last year when Mr. Watkin presented a play, one scene showed his characters stalking about the stage in pajamas. The next day there were a number of complaints from various indignant individuals who thought that the pajama scene was entirely immoral. In fact, some of them thought the whole plot was immoral. Now, there are pajamas and pajamas, just as there are people who can wear pajamas and people who can't. In the play under discussion, the scene could not have been played any other way nor in any other garb, for to have people come bouncing on the stage in the middle of the night fully clothed would have been ridiculous. Likewise, if you remember, the pajamas were entirely adequate and even had they not

been, the lights were not bright enough to reveal the fact. Yet that scene was looked upon as something just a little indecent.

This sort of thing reacts upon the type of play which the Troubadours are able to produce. It reduces their possibilities to namby-pamby little skits in which virtue is supreme, and Oswald says "Dear me!" at appropriate times. Due to this censorship a play like "Front Page" or "The Last Mile" could not be produced under any conditions, much less something like "The Children's Hour." These are all excellent plays, but due to some inborn dislike of realism a good many members of the audience violently object to their performance.

We do not advocate stark realism on any stage, for the stage is not the place for too much of it. The stage must present an illusion, the result of that illusion depending upon judicious use of realism. When attempts at realism are checked and nipped in the bud, there can be no illusion: just a lot of people up there on the stage going through motions and saying things with no meaning. There must be some realism, and the complaint of the Troubadours that they are being unnecessarily censored is a just one.

The Troubs are limited enough in their selections of plays through lack of facilities and through the problem of female casting without having the extra burden of unnecessary censorship thrust upon them. The administration is as guilty of excess censorship as any one else, but it seems hardly logical to assume that realism necessary to the fulfillment of the play will be detrimental to any one's morals or tastes. It is so strange that many of those who want censorship very badly keep right on going to the presentations. People are like that, though.

The music, of course, was worse than terrible and naturally the alleged show was a musical comedy—neither word is fit to be accented, and the audience was fit to be tied.

Dolores Del Rio, who is nice to look at only when dressed in white, wore black in all her scenes, in mourning no doubt for her aesthetic soul. Everett Marshall had better stick to the radio. He just isn't good-looking—like Dick Powell, let's say. And as for the rest—we used to like them—but oh my!

(All right, Rider, I'm through. My eight readers can now turn to Campus Comment. Someday, old Easy Chair, I'll see one that I like.)

## Dr. Helderman To Give Paper

Will Speak at Meeting Of Southern Historical Association

Dr. Leonard C. Helderman, associate professor of history here, will present a paper at the first annual meeting of the Southern Historical Association, being held today and tomorrow at Birmingham, Alabama.

Dr. Helderman has taken as his subject: "George Tucker, a Social Scientist of the Old South."

Tucker became the professor of Moral Philosophy of the University of Virginia when the institution opened in 1825. He wrote a two-volume biography of Thomas Jefferson which, while not brilliant, is solid and sober. He was long an advocate of the Union, and declared "that the question of separation will always be a question of war." He was not called upon to make the difficult choice of the Southern Whig in 1861. The guns of Fort Sumter were roaring as he was buried in the cemetery of the University of Virginia.

The Southern Historical Association was organized at Atlanta in 1934 by a group of representative historians of the South. Its objectives are to promote interest and research in Southern history, and the advancement of teaching and study of all branches of history in the South. The Association publishes the quarterly, "Journal of Southern History."

William B. Hesseltine, a member of the Committee on Membership of the Association, is a Washington and Lee alumnus. He is at present professor of history at the University of Wisconsin.

John Temple Graves II will deliver the address of welcome. Mr. Graves is familiar in this vicinity, having given an address here a few years ago. He has been on the editorial staff of the Birmingham Age-Herald since 1929.

The program will include papers on the History of the Confederacy and on some representative men of the Old South, of which Dr. Helderman's is a part.

## CAMPUS COMMENT

Somehow we got a nice little laugh at that editorial in the last issue which said that the Co-op was a grasping, profit-seeking organization for football players, etc., etc., and that the poor student was being royally swindled when he bought his books. Well, the only thing the editorial overlooked was the cast that when, in June, youse guys take books to re-sell to the Co-op, you get a higher price for them than you ever would from these "We Buy Your Books!" people who swoop down on the town and hand out two bits for a two-dollar book. Think that one over. And now we'll probably get fired for suggesting that an editorial writer could be wrong.

Did you know that for every issue of the Ring-tum Phi there are 1,000 sheets of that nice yellow copy paper used? You know, the kind the staff writes letters home on. Note to the staff: the new regulations do not provide for home letters, letters to young ladies, or any letters except letters to the editor. In the event that this terrific paper consumption keeps up, each man will be compelled to bring his own copy-paper.

Pathetic: The sight of an old colored mail man walking along the street, shoulders sagging under the weight of a mail sack, and feet enclosed in nothing but a pair of very ancient and tattered socks. His shoes were hung over his shoulder.

Nominations for the hall of fame: To A. B. McClelland for wearing, just for one day, a conservative outfit. . . . To the department of Biology for showing moving pictures of subjects for study, for it is a fact that students remember more of a movie than they do of a lecture. . . . To the inimitable McNew for having acquired a new cane, with which he is very liable to poke someone's eye out. . . . To Don (Gramp) Moore for being just the funniest news editor in the world.

As a result of seeing Dick Powell at the New as a bronzed old salt, we picked up the following questionnaire on life at the nava academy:

- Q—What do shipmates do?
- A—Stand together.
- Q—What don't shipmates do?
- A—Give up the ship.
- Q—What is the reward for forty years in the naval service?
- A—An old flag.
- Q—What do midshipmen's girls do in New York?
- A—Stay at home and not go out with anyone else.
- Q—What do midshipmen on leave do in New York?
- A—Go to the zoo and the aquarium.
- Q—What do midshipmen on summer cruise do before retiring at night?
- A—Work out chorale arrangements of "Don't Give Up the Ship."
- Q—What do midshipmen say when one of their number has left the hospital?
- A—Hurray for Dick Melville!
- Q—Where do midshipmen put their radio aerials?
- A—Down the drain pipe.
- And so on far into the night. Don't give up the ship!

If you've heard noises emanating from the court-house square for the past few nights at seventy or thereabouts, think nothing of it. There's a colored minstrel show in town, and they give band concerts every evening at that time. They'll be here until about Monday.

Two gals have been around the campus selling magazines to all likely looking candidates. So far several of the faculty have fallen for the feminine wiles to the extent of one or two subscriptions.

A new find has been unearthed around the campus! Several nights ago the Glee club heard a solo by Prof. Irwin, who sang with several members of the Lexington Madrigal club. Maybe we'll live to see a faculty glee club.

Physical culture is back again. As we write this column, we can see someone on the second floor of the left hand side of the Beta house doing calisthenics. Practicing up for the goat meeting, no doubt.

Phi Gam Pledge Note: Ed Markham is the proud possessor of a specially built ping-pong paddle.

Charlie Steinhoff, ringmaster for the Southern Collegians, is looking around for a car that he could rent. We still can't figure out how he's going to get the whole orchestra and a bass drum in one car. However, if you want to rent out your wagon, communicate with him at the Pi Kappa Phi house.

# Touring Tigers To Have Forty Men This Year

### Group Muffs Chances On Gridiron; Enters Tennis Tournament

The Touring Tigers of 1935 have forty men enrolled, and despite the fact that there have been only a few who have already taken part in intramural athletic contests, four have emerged victorious in the first rounds of the preliminaries.

The Tigers have dropped their chances in football, but they are going strong in the other contests, especially tennis, and some of their best prospects have been idle so far.

Those who have their name on the Touring Tiger roster are: R. T. Alexander, N. X. Allison, N. W. Band, A. E. Basile, D. G. Basile, W. P. M. Bowman, V. A. Browning, T. R. Bryant, A. E. Buck, J. A. Byers, R. V. Cole, P. H. Darsie, O. M. Davis, W. B. Eager, E. V. Ebner, P. M. Grabill, P. G. Hervey, J. S. Y. Hoyt, R. S. Hoyt, E. L. Jean, J. H. Johnson, S. M. Johnson, A. Kahn, J. E. Koban, H. K. Lyon, G. K. Meir, P. M. Miller, C. A. Prater, R. B. Prugh, E. R. Sager, G. E. Sillick, J. H. Smith, W. A. Smith, E. E. Stover, G. H. Vanta, R. C. Walker, H. Wall, L. P. Watkins, D. B. Wharton.

The intramural contests have progressed rapidly so far, with football taking the lead. With the S. A. E.'s victory over the P. E. P.'s, and the Sigma Phi Epsilon's close win over the Kappa Sig's, the gridiron warriors have entered the second rounds of the preliminaries. The Phi Psi's met the A. T. O.'s today; tomorrow the Phi K. A.'s go against the Phi Delta Thetas; Monday the Betas play the S. A. E.'s, 1934 champs, and the Sigma Eps and Deltas tie up next Tuesday.

Further results in the tennis tournament are as follows: Carmichael, Phi Delt, over Brower, Z. B. T.; Mayer, Sigma Chi, over Davis, S. A. E.; Kaplan, Z. B. T., over Baker, S. A. E.; Both, A. T. O., over Young, K. A.; Wall, Beta, over Clendenning, K. A. (default); Murphy, S. A. E., over Rawles, K. A. (default); Smith, Touring Tiger, over Young, A. T. O. (default); Cashman, S. A. E., over Philpott, K. A.; Johnson, Tiger, over Clark, Delt; McKenzie, K. A., over Hasketh, A. T. O.; Drake, Delt, over Wilson, K. A.; Stoops, A. T. O., over Crew, Beta; Skarda, K. A., over Sample, S. A. E. (default); Poster, D. U., over Arnold, Phi Phi (default); Dart, Phi K. A., over Watkins, Sigma Nu (forfeit); Brown, S. A. E., over Carolan, S. P. E. (default); Reynolds, K. A., over Cochran, Beta; Remmel, Sigma Chi, over Powell, Phi Kappa Sig; Robinson, S. A. E., over Dustin, Beta.

Breithaupt, K. A., over Merritt, Beta; Hyatt, Beta, over Withers, K. A.; Pollman, Delt, over Bal-tuch, P. E. P.; Perry, D. U., over Wright, Phi Kappa Sig; Hall, S. A. E., over Karraker, Beta; Bow, Phi Psi, over White, Sigma Chi; Jones, P. E. P., over Stahelings, Beta; Ernst, S. A. E., over Spitz, Z. B. T.; Goff, Phi Psi, over Eastwich, Beta.

Other contestants losing by forfeit are: Edwards, K. A., to White, A. T. O.; Gening, Phi Kappa Sig, to Gluyas, D. U.; Weiss, Delt, to Stewart, S. A. E.; Laird, Sigma Nu, to Hueffner, Phi Kappa Sig; Early, S. P. E., to Nicrosi, Phi Delt; Van Dale, S. A. E., to Belding, Phi Psi; Reeves, Delt, defeated Sample, Phi Psi, in the first match of the second rounds.

The consolation games between the teams which were eliminated in the first rounds, will be held as soon as the scheduled tournament tilts are all played off. It was announced by Cy Twombly yesterday. Twombly stated that it would be difficult to carry both on at the same time, so the consolations will follow immediately after the scheduled play is completed.

The latest results of the horse-shoe pitching are: Reese, Phi Psi, defeated Head, K. A.; Watkins, Sigma Nu, won over Johnson, Tigers; Peek, S. A. E., downed Hasketh, A. T. O.; Rueger, Phi Kappa Sig, beat Sechler, Beta; Davis, Phi Psi, defeated Markham, Phi Gam. The following defaults were chalked up: Goff, Phi Psi, over Smith, Phi Kappa Phi; Henofer, Phi Psi, over Amis, S. P. E.; Fenner, D. U., over Stewart, Phi Gams.

### Tennis Courts

Washington and Lee, according to recent statistics, has more tennis courts in proportion to the number of men in the school than any other college or university in the South with the exception of Sewanee. Other schools have more courts, but they also have more men in the school, thus bringing the number of men per court to a higher figure than at Washington and Lee.

# Following the BIG BLUE

By ZACH KRAMER

### Generals and Virginia Tech at Bluefield—Intramural Outfits Improving—Basketball Players Begin Practice—Idle Thoughts

The football teams of Washington and Lee and V. P. I. will have their annual tussle tomorrow, and their rivalry is one of the oldest of its kind in America. Back in 1895 our forefathers began to wage yearly battles with the Gobblers, and the tradition still exists even in this modern age. Throughout that long period of years, V. P. I. won sixteen of the contests, Washington and Lee fourteen, and the rest were draws. Season records mean little when these two warriors meet, as the narrowness of each victory in the forty years of warfare bears out conclusively. The Gobblers have always given us a terrific battle no matter in what line of athletics we play them, so be prepared for a surprise Saturday.

Yes, I'll admit that Tech has shown little in the way of power so far this season, but they have a bundle of potentialities that have not yet clicked. Their coaching staff is of the best, and of course you know that our Coach Tilson's two brothers assist Puss Redd in turning out the cadet teams. Dickerson, Henry, Kennedy, Sodaro, Cregger and Carpenter in the backfield form as fine a nucleus as any team in the conference, but injuries and hard luck have kept them back. The line has some good players too in Dodge, Pit-ro, Ingles, Banks, Jones, and Shockey. That is why I am afraid of V. P. I., and afraid that the Gobblers will flash their powerful attack for the first time this season.

Yet, I feel that Washington and Lee has shown constant improvement from the opening day of the season. The backs seem faster, the line more vicious, and the reserves ready to step in at any moment without a loss to the team's power. Thank the fates that at the writing of this article every man is in tip-top shape, and Cox and Benvenuti have recovered so rapidly that they both may play Saturday. I expect the Big Blue to play a waiting game like they did against Centre, and rely on Ellis to outkick Dickerson, driving V. P. I. back on every exchange. Thus, by waiting for the breaks, the Generals will crash through to a victory by some narrow margin. That is of course, if Ellis can outkick Dickerson, and if the breaks come. Therefore, I am inclined to believe that Washington and Lee will secure its fifteenth victory of the series by the margin of one touchdown.

The talent of the intramural football teams has certainly im-

proved in the past few years. Now, the better teams in the league function like a well-oiled football machine with blocking down to perfection. Some teams are even using trick formations, clever reverses, and nice end plays, while the majority stick to straight touch football, and throw passes every down but the last. The modern trend in inter-collegiate football has also left its mark on the intramural games, for complicated laterals, basketball passes over center, and short passes hold sway in every team's program. The players are better too, and men like Cochran, Tomlin, Doane, Swift and Frazier would be varsity material if they were bigger. One also finds many former freshmen football stars playing with the rest of the boys, and their experience adds much to the caliber of their respective squads.

Basketball practice has finally begun for the Generals, and it's about time too, for even high schools started practice weeks ago. Pette, Iler, Ellis and Woodward are the lettermen back from last year, and the first three were regulars. Carson, Spessard, Heath, Young and Tomlin from last year's championship Brigadier quintet will all make serious bids for starting places. In addition, Watts, Pullen, Doane, Funk and Frazier will help give the Big Blue the reserve strength it has been lacking the past few years. Washington and Lee has a chance of playing in Newark this winter against some big Northern school, but up to now no suitable arrangement has been made between the parties concerned. Anyhow, the Generals have a very good schedule lined up for them, with games against Navy, N. C. U., Duke, N. C. State and Richmond, besides their usual opponents.

**IDLE THOUGHTS**—Our old nemesis Ralph Kercheval, ex-Kentucky star, broke into the headlines again with a 91-yard kick in the air against the Chicago Bears . . . Tod Goodwin, last year's star West Virginia end, is playing a great game as regular end on the New York Giants . . . Ed Hess, line coach of V. M. I., was selected as an all-time Ohio State linesman which is something considering the galaxy of stars that have been members of the Buckeyes. Kingsbury is covering our cross country course in close to record-breaking time . . . Horse Richardson is working in a gas station . . . On to Bluefield.

**Brown to Edit Handbook**  
Morton Brown was elected editor of the 1937 Washington and Lee Freshman Handbook, and Douglas Lund was appointed business manager of the publication, at a meeting of the Christian Work Council Wednesday night. The Council which sponsors the handbook selected the officers for the "freshman bible" earlier than is customary due to a meeting of the Virginia Intercollegiate Press Association at Harrisonburg the first week of November, and to enable the advertising department ample time to secure copy.

Twelve members of the council were in attendance, the meeting being called primarily to appoint handbook officers. The handbook was edited this year by D. Basile.

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# Harriers Meet North Carolina

### Generals Challenge Southern Conference Champions Tomorrow

The Blue and White harrier squad, in excellent condition, but minus the services of Dunaj, left this afternoon to meet the University of North Carolina over the five mile Chapel Hill course tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock.

Kingsbury, Prater, Davis, Byrn, Edwards, Clarke, Browning and Basile will make the trip. They will stay in the field house at the Tar Heel institution.

Last year the Carolinians, meeting the Generals on the Brushy Hill course here, took the natives over the jumps to the tune of 20-43, then two days later met the Keydets on the V. M. I. course and beat them, 15-48. Later in the season the boys from Chapel Hill took the Southern conference championship away from Washington and Lee.

It was during the North Carolina meet last year that Dunaj snapped the course record, snipping 33.5 seconds off the former record, clocking the 5.1 mile stretch in 28:58.5.

As yet there has been no selection of a captain to lead the thinclads, nor has there been any inking as to the merits of the Tar Heel hill and dalers.

# Sports Staff Picks Winners

### W. and L., N. Carolina, V. M. I., Maryland, Tennessee Are Choices

Naturally local interest in football is centered on the Washington and Lee-V. P. I. battle at Bluefield tomorrow. However, there are a number of other important grid battles on the schedule. Look them over:

West Virginia plays Pop Warner's Temple, and they are going to find that Temple is versatile in all departments of the game. Dave Smuckler, Warner's human pile-driver at fullback, will cause plenty of trouble by battering the Mountaineers' stubborn line.

The Army and Navy have tough assignments in Yale and Notre Dame. Yale and Army are both undefeated and since it is pretty much of a toss-up a vote is taken out of the hat for Army. Notre Dame's fighting Irish should stay in the win column by a one-touchdown margin over the Midshipmen.

V. M. I. has a slight edge over Virginia, but doesn't get the nod because Virginia is always one touchdown stronger in their own back yard. The score will be close, maybe a tie.

North Carolina should win from Georgia Tech, but Tech will be awful cocky after upsetting Duke last week. This may be a surprise.

Minnesota and Ohio State, powerhouses of the Big Ten, should win victories from Northwestern and Indiana, respectively, while down south at Knoxville, Centre is being beaten by Tennessee.

Maryland is to be the guest of Florida and if the sun isn't too hot they will beat their host.

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# Fresh Mat Prospects Promising, Says Coach; Squad Will Hold Meet

"Freshman wrestling prospects are promising this year," Coach A. E. Mathis announced last night. Five of the eight weight classes are well represented. "The three heavyweight classes will be taken care of following the close of the football season."

Foremost in the 118-pound class is Bob Kemp, of Shamokin, Pa. Kemp has engaged in thirty bouts and been victorious in each of them. Competing against entrants from five states at the Lehigh Interscholastic Tournament last spring, he was crowned champion in his class. Mehler and Parmalee are also in the 118-pound group.

Latus represents the 126-pound class. McInerney, Livingston, Hanks, Hausrath, and Eaton lead the 135-pound class. Eaton, of Washington, D. C., was co-captain of the McDonough School wrestling team. He is Maryland state champion for 1935.

In the 145-pound division, Allen, Donaldson, and Wuehrman appear most promising.

The aggregation of Boles, Cassett, LeBus, and Jacobs comprises the 155-pound class.

"The team as a whole," said Coach Mathis, "is rapidly getting into shape. Generally speaking, the team should be strong."

"Kemp and Eaton have great possibilities. Their future depends on how hard they work and the improvement they make. Both have good starts and should go places," Mathis added.

An inter-squad match is scheduled for the first week in November.

### Predictions of the Sports Staff are as follows:

- W. and L. over V. P. I.
- Army over Yale.
- Temple over West Virginia.
- Notre Dame over Navy.
- Virginia over V. M. I.
- North Carolina over Ga. Tech.
- Minnesota over Northwestern.
- Ohio State over Indiana.
- Tennessee over Centre.
- Maryland over Florida.

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# Frosh Have Open Date This Week-end; Team Prepares For Virginia

The Brigadiers suffer a lull in their schedule this week-end and will take the time to rest up for their coming encounter with the Virginia freshmen November 1.

Bob Mefford, brilliant fullback of the Baby Generals, broke his finger in practice, but it is expected that he will be ready for the Wahoo contest. Joe Ochsie, outstanding tackle, broke a rib against West Virginia, but he, too, will be ready in time to play by next week. Several other members of the team have not been in the best of shape, but this lay-off will give them plenty of time to be in tip-top condition.

The yearlings will be able to get a better idea of Virginia prowess on the gridiron when they see them in action today against the powerful V. M. I. Rat team at Alumni field.

**Freshman Meeting**  
Taking as his subject "A Reasonable Conception of God," the Rev. Vincent C. Franks, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church in Norfolk, addressed the freshman class at the meeting held in Lee Chapel on Thursday night. He was introduced by Dean Gilliam. Rev. Franks was rector of the R. E. Lee Memorial church in Lexington from 1929 to 1933. In 1931, the University conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity.

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W. and L.	vs.	V. P. I.
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Important—Arrange winners in one column and losers in another on a plain sheet of paper. Total your scores. Drop your forecast in the box before 3 p. m. Saturday. Last Week's Winner—**GLENN FITCH, JR., 9 Edmondson Ave.**

### New Troub Home Has Had Variety During Long Life

The ramshackle old brick shell called the Troubadour Workshop that now houses a chair factory, a lodge, and a shoe shine parlor besides sections of scenery belonging to the Troubs, has had a checkered existence.

When workmen a month from now finish their job of creating the new Troub theatre, it will mark the completion of another cycle in the building's history.

For this building's history seems to run in cycles.

From factory to theatre, then back to factory, and forward again to theatre—such is the story.

Built originally for a shoe factory which for some reason did not do a flourishing business in this section of the country, the building was soon changed into a hardware store which supplied farming equipment to Rockbridge planters.

The market for farming implements was soon exhausted, however, and the store gave way to a dancing hall, since the square dance was coming into vogue and Lexington had to have its amusement. From this step it dropped to a pool room.

It was then that some of the cultured citizens of the town reformed the place to satisfy their own tastes in entertainment. The building became an opera house.

With the advent of the motion picture, the opera was forgotten and the building became a five-cent movie parlor, or nickelodeon. From there it degenerated into a skating rink and finally into a pool room again.

Then the Troubs moved in.

For the last several years they have been sharing the building with a carpenter who makes and repairs chairs, with several lodges who meet on the second floor, and with a shoe shine parlor on the front porch.

The revamping of the building into another theatre completes another cycle.

### Freshman Prexy Foils Attempted Coup D'etat

Continued from page one traditions with which our beautiful school is so copiously gifted. You have a standard set by General Lee to maintain. We officers of this institution, who by sheer integrity and high moral sense of duty, have risen above the heads of our fellows, should stand together in maintaining our dignity.

I trust this letter will find its way to the hearts of every true Washington and Lee gentleman through the medium of your publication.

Most respectfully yours,  
W. W. GROVER.

Grover's indignation reached its breaking point when he learned that the forger could not be found. The crusader, whose election slogan was "Keep the freshman class together," claimed that he would try and arrange the immediate expulsion of the evildoers. Political observers looked upon the "X" note as a communistic plot.

"I intend to do a little private sleuthing of my own and apprehend the culprit," said the fighting president.

### Freshmen Must Return Proofs of Calyx Photos

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### \$2,000 Appropriated For Troub Theater

Continued from page one Beagle, president of the publications board, felt that the theatre, besides providing a stage for Troub, glee club, and band shows, would supplement the Chapel and lessen the need for an auditorium.

### Contributions Equal \$1900

The combined contributions, totaling \$1900, will build a stage, a proscenium arch, a sound-proofed room 23 feet by 30 feet on the second floor, allow for 256 seats, install gas heaters, and provide for painting and the repair of windows.

The present front of the building on Main street will be bricked up to allow for the stage, and large double stage doors will be built into the wall which is to be flush with the sidewalk. The design of the Main street doorway was copied by Mr. Watkin from a sketch made by Thomas Jefferson.

The entrance to the theatre will be around the present rear of the building through a walkway between the building and the Sigma Nu house.

The operating expenses of the theatre, gas, light, and water bills, will be handled by the Troubadours. They also have agreed to co-operate with other groups who wish to give shows and concerts by preparing the buildings and setting the stage.

### Drive Started in 1932

The drive to renovate the old workshop was first started in May, 1932, by Mr. Ulric Moore, former director of the Troubadours. The project failed then because it entailed too great an expenditure, since the plans called for the remodeling of the building according to its original design, facing Main street.

Successive presidents of the Troubadours with Professor Watkin have made plans and proposed loans without success for the past three years.

Then, in 1933, the workshop furnace blew up, and the dramatists were forced to rehearse in classrooms, using their icebox workshop for the construction of scenery.

The Troubs, giving their plays in the Lyric, had to cart their scenery through the streets of Lexington late at night before their play on the following night.

The University's Board of Trustees, under the persuasion of Lewis McMurrin, last summer approved a \$1200 loan to the Troubs to repair the inside of the workshop as a little theatre. The Executive committee refused to give its ok to the loan and the plans fell through.

Mr. Watkin then revised the plans to include the housing of the Glee club and the band in the sound-proofed room on the second floor. These were accepted, and funds were allotted for the work by the Executive committee and the Publications Board.

studio on Nelson street during the first part of next week, Doc Sloan, editor of the annual announced today. Any freshman who has not yet called for his proofs should do so immediately so as to be able to turn them in next week.



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### Alumni Journal Now Completed

### Magazine Well Represented by Graduates' Writings

Coming from the presses yesterday, the fall issue of the Washington and Lee Alumni Magazine contains articles on University enrollment, progressive building plans and the record of Generals on the gridiron. The entire issue is characterized by enthusiastic optimism.

The President's page, carrying an administrative report, tells of college renovation plans, the progress of Tucker hall construction, and reports a gain of approximately 100 students over last year's enrollment.

Dr. Robert H. Tucker's scholastic report is presented to the alumni in an article, "Cheerful Prospects for the 187th Session."

"The VC—Now Just a Memory," tells the story of the new freshman government plan and announces the downfall of the traditional Vigilance Committee.

In an article, "The Generals March Forth Again," Richard P. Carter, managing editor of the magazine and instructor in the School of Journalism, reviews the record of the Southern conference champs. The team is pictorially displayed. "The Little Generals of 1935" follows the story on the Big Blue and tells of the frosh squad prospects.

"The University Enrolls 64 Sons of Alumni," illustrated with pictures of the boys taken on the steps of the gymnasium, will be of particular interest to those "dad" subscribers.

"He Prints Your Magazine" carries the story of C. Harold Lauck, printer of the alumni publication and "chief" of the journalism laboratory.

The "Class Notes" section

swells this issue to twelve pages with more active interest shown by the alumni than heretofore.

Other articles appearing in the October issue include "162 Applicants for Degrees," "The Old Covered Bridge," "Football Coaches and Law," "Students Usher at Stratford Hall," "He's a Cartoonist Now," and "Old George Atop Washington College," a story reprinted from a Rockbridge County News of 1899, and written by Captain J. T. Morrison, valedictorian of the class of 1854.

The cover of the magazine pictures the varsity letter men of last year.

### Shine Societies Revise Constitutions, Rules

Continued from page one the older members of the organization.

"Article 5: Meetings — There shall be three meetings of this fraternity each semester. The first meeting of the first semester will be that of initiation. The second meeting shall consist of a banquet to be held on the night of the sophomore prom of the Thanksgiving set of dances. The other meetings of the year shall consist of smoker meetings, held at the homes of the member fraternities in alphabetical rotation.

"Article 6: Pledge Duties—1. In order to identify the new men on the campus, the pledges shall be required to wear the customary red hats and ribbons during the period of pledging. 2. In order that old and new men may become better acquainted, the pledges shall be required to:

A. Tip their hat and address all old men by name during the pledge period. B. Personally visit each old member at his place of residence. 3. These duties of the pledges shall last from the time of pledging, on the Wednesday preceding the Homecoming football game, until the termination of the Homecoming game.

### Sigma Delta Chi Pledges Ten Journalism Students

Continued from page one Professors Reigel, Carter and Lauck, faculty members of the fraternity, pinned the new men with black and white ribbons signifying pledgeship.

Following the Black and White ceremony, B. A. Thirkield, president of the local chapter who has been recently appointed delegate to the national convention to be held at the University of Illinois next month, announced plans for regular meetings. The third Thursday of each month was designated for the time, an appropriate meeting place being under consideration.

Formal initiation in Lee Chapel will be conducted in the near future.

"Article 8: Fees—There shall be an initiation fee of five dollars per pledge, the dispensation of which shall be as follows:

1. A key, to be presented to each man upon initiation and not to exceed \$1.75. 2. For a page in the Calyx, \$2.00. 3. For the pledge hats, 75 cents. 4. The remainder shall be used for incidentals, such as stamps, stationery, pledge ribbons, and a minute book."

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### Dances Feature W Va Week-end

Elaborate plans for the social function during the Charleston football week-end have been made by the Washington and Lee and West Virginia alumni organizations. They are sparing neither effort nor expense to make this

week-end surpass any entertainment given in Charleston in the past decade.

Wayne King has been contracted to play for the dance the night of the game, while Ace Brigod will furnish the music Friday night.

Both dances will be held in the recently completed Middelburg auditorium which has a capacity of 2,000 couples.

The dance committee has announced a combination ticket for both dances at \$5.00 a ticket, tax included. The tickets may be secured by writing to McKee Music company, Charleston, W. Va., and enclosing either a certified check or a money order.

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