

The Ring-tum Phi

By the Students, For the Students

When the orchestra bursts into melody on the evening of January 30, the 30th annual Fancy Dress Ball will be underway.

Kay Kyser may be heard over the Mutual Broadcasting System at midnight on Tuesday and Friday.

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Saturday Dance Of Fancy Dress To Be Sponsored By ODK Circle

Sigma Chi, Pi Kappa Phi Plan Dansants During Set

FIGURE PAYMENT DUE TOMORROW

Balcony Spectators to Be Taxed at Fancy Dress Ball

Slight changes in the program of this year's Fancy Dress set of dances, in comparison with past years, have been made. President Glenn Shively revealed today in announcing the official program for the set. The gala three-day holiday will include, as usual, the Junior Prom and Fancy Dress Ball, and a Saturday night dance sponsored by Omicron Delta Kappa. Only two dansants will be held, Shively said, instead of the usual three, and both of these will be in the afternoon.

The first, given by Pi Kappa Phi fraternity, will be held Friday afternoon at the Robert E. Lee Hotel, and the second, sponsored by Sigma Chi fraternity, will be held Saturday afternoon at the gym.

Members of the Fancy Dress figure must make a payment of \$4.00 for figure due to James Ruth tomorrow, Shively announced.

Tickets at Corner Store

Shively also made a series of announcements concerning tickets and admission to the dances. Tickets will be obtainable at the Corner Store probably Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons immediately before the dances, and costumes will be issued at the gym on Thursday and Friday. These dates are subject to change, Shively pointed out, but posters on the campus and at the Corner store will inform the students of the exact times at which to get both costumes and tickets.

Students not attending the Fancy Dress Ball will be admitted to the balcony for \$1.00 if they are, in tuxedo or evening clothes, or \$1.50 in informal dress. Outsiders will be admitted to the balcony at the general price of \$1.00, but must be dressed formally.

Invitations and admission to the dances for parents and alumni may be obtained only when approved by the committee, which will have full charge of the issuance of invitations. Applications must be handed in to the committee by Wednesday of next week. All parents will be admitted without question, provided they have obtained an invitation beforehand, but only the more prominent alumni will be considered guests of the University.

Lee-Jackson Luncheon To Be Held Monday

In commemoration of the birthdays of Lee and Jackson, a luncheon will be held at the Robert E. Lee hotel on Monday, at one o'clock under the joint auspices of Camp Frank Paxton, Sons of Confederate and Mary Custis Lee chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Dr. E. P. Tompkins will be the speaker, and Captain Greenlee D. Letcher will preside.

Beta Improvements Complete

Renovation of the culinary department of the Beta Theta Pi house was completed this week at a cost of approximately \$1,500. The dining room and kitchen were enlarged and remodeled. A pantry was eliminated and a lavatory made smaller. A number of new fixtures have been installed in the kitchen and an indirect lighting system made in the dining room.

Payment of Fees

All students who have not yet paid their fees, due January 10, must do so before Tuesday. It was pointed out today by E. S. Mattingly, registrar. No student will be allowed to take his examinations unless he has paid, or has made satisfactory arrangements for the payment of all his fees. University regulations state.

Fancy Dress Program

Thursday, January 30 Junior Prom, 10 to 2, gymnasium, \$3.50.

Friday, January 31 Pi Kappa Phi dansant, Robert E. Lee hotel, 4 to 6. Fancy Dress Ball, figure begins at 10 p. m., dance ends at 3 a. m., \$5.00.

Saturday, February 1 Sigma Chi dansant, gym, 4 to 6, \$1.00. O. D. K. dance, gym, 9 to 12, \$2.50.

Elizabethan Age Will Live Again At Fancy Dress

Members of Student Body To Portray Characters At Famous Court

All the tense excitement of momentous days will combine the gaiety and romance of the Elizabethan court two weeks from tonight when the 30th annual Fancy Dress Ball opens in Doremus gymnasium.

For that night, the brick walls and gilded ceiling of the gym will be transformed into a gorgeous court, patterned after that in the royal palace of Queen Elizabeth.

"The ball this year will be representative, rather than exact," said A. W. Moger, history professor, who is co-operating in planning the dance. "Many personages associated with the Elizabethan period will be seen in the figure although they may not be characters who would have been seen at the ball in Old England," he continued. Sir Walter Raleigh, Sir Francis Drake, Sir Phillip Sidney, William Shakespeare, and a host of other prominent figures of history will be represented.

The theme involves the return of the Earl of Essex from Cadiz, Spain, where the English forces had succeeded in burning the city. Upon the return of Essex a national Thanksgiving was declared by the queen. A replica of the reception in the royal palace will be the goal of Fancy Dress this year. The elaborate costumes and scenery will be representative of the Elizabethan period.

Such personages as William Shakespeare, "rare Ben Johnson," and Sir Francis Bacon from the field of literature will be present. Sir Francis Drake and Sir John Hawkins, with Lord Admiral Charles Howard, who built the first great British navy, will stagger across the floor. Soldiers and explorers like Sir Walter Raleigh

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Fancy Dress Edition Of Southern Collegian Appears During Exams

The Fancy Dress issue of the Southern Collegian will make its appearance during examinations and will feature an article by Thomas Sugrue, well known interviewer, writer, and alumnus of Washington and Lee. The periodical is making more general use of illustrations than ever before, and will have a distinctive cover in colors in the Fancy Dress mode.

There are three stories, "Number 4 Shot," by George McInerney, "I n'y a pas des roses," by Cowi Rider, and "Oak Street," by Richard Fiske. The first is a murder yarn made particularly interesting because McInerney, a freshman and a newcomer to Collegian pages, made an error in the structure of his conclusion which the reader is asked to detect. Rider's story is a readable sophisticated love tale done admirably. "Oak Street" is more of a sketch than a story and is notable for the character Fiske creates and some of the description; it is the first of a series of three sketches of people living on the East Side in New York whose lives are intricately intertwined.

An article, "And to the Republic," by Charles Clarke, gives a graphic account concerning what a young professor might think when taking the oath of allegiance now required in some states. "Man Walks On" is a striking free verse poem appearing among the first few pages and is illustrated by an excellent wood cut; Oliver Guy is the author of the verse and Dick Steelman the illustration.

Dr. James Scott To Give Address Founders' Day

Secretary of Carnegie Endowment to Speak At Assembly

BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO MEET MONDAY

Will Act on Plans For Renovation of Campus Buildings

James Brown Scott, trustee and secretary of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, will be the speaker at the annual Founders' Day assembly on Monday. His subject has not yet been announced.

The assembly will be compulsory. Seniors will meet in front of the main building at 11:15 and will march to the gymnasium in front of the academic procession of the faculty, a notice from the President's office said.

Another feature of the day will be the annual mid-winter meeting of the Board of Trustees. The chief business of the Board will be approval of the plans for the renovation and fire-proofing of Washington college, Newcomb hall, and the library.

World Peace Leader

Dr. Scott has long been connected with the world peace movement. He has been trustee and secretary of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace since 1910. Prior to that he was solicitor in the Department of State. He was technical delegate to the Second Hague Peace Conference, 1907; special adviser, Department of State and chairman, Joint State and Navy Neutrality Board, 1914-17; technical delegate to the Paris Peace Conference, 1919; technical adviser to the Arms Conference, 1921-22.

He has been president of the American Institute of International Law since 1915, and was secretary of the American Society of International Law from 1906-24 and has held the presidency since 1929. He was editor-in-chief of the American Journal of International Law from 1907-24.

Dr. Scott has also been active in the Pan-American movement, having served as delegate to several conferences of the union.

He has served on several boards of arbitration and mediation in various international disputes, was president of the Permanent Commission of Conciliation, Belgium and Switzerland in 1928 and of the Danish-Polish Conciliation Commission in the following year.

The speaker is also an author of many books on the subjects upon which he is recognized as an expert, most of them dealing with international relations.

Schewel New President Of Washington Society

Stanford Schewel was elected president of the Washington Literary Society to succeed Harry Philpott at a meeting of the society Monday.

Other new officers are: Hugh Avery, vice-president; and Robert Hilton, secretary-treasurer. They succeed Robert Jeder, former vice-president, and Henry McGehee, former secretary-treasurer.

Schewel, a freshman, recently represented the Washington society in its victorious debate over the Graham-Lee society.

The election was marked by bitter factional strife, and all the results were close.

Flournoy Speaks on Lee At Banquet in St. Louis

Professor Fitzgerald Flournoy will speak at the St. Louis alumni banquet in honor of General Lee to be held in that city January 20.

Professor Flournoy spoke before the Covington Woman's Club last Tuesday afternoon, and he gave a reading of his own poems by special request for the Roanoke Woman's Club today.

Class Presidents to Meet

The presidents of the different classes of Washington and Lee will meet immediately after mid-year examinations to decide upon the class gifts to the University, it was announced today by Angus Powell.

Rayder Will Be At McCrum's Monday For IOU Payment

For the convenience of students who have written IOU's in payment for Fancy Dress tickets, costumes, or Junior dues, Sam Rayder, treasurer of the student body fund announced today that he will be at McCrum's Monday, January 20, to accept payment on these accounts.

Since Monday, the deadline for payment of these debts, is a bank holiday, Rayder declares that he will have to take care of the payments at a booth near the door of McCrum's.

Students who have checks post-dated on the 20th may have these cancelled by paying cash, Rayder declared. They may also be accommodated at the booth, which will be open from 9 in the morning until 5 o'clock Monday afternoon.

Anyone wishing to be released from his promise to pay for a Fancy Dress subscription should present a written application for release to Mr. Rayder Monday. These applications will be considered by the finance committee Friday night.

Shively Defends Price of Fancy Dress Costumes

Cost Is \$2.40, President Explains; 60c Retained For Damages

Glenn Shively, president of Fancy Dress, declared in a letter to The Ring-tum Phi today that \$2.40 of each \$3 paid for the rental of a Fancy Dress costume went to the costuming company. "The Committee felt justified in charging the additional 60c to take care of losses or damages to the costumes," he explained.

His letter was as follows: "The recent attack on the so-called prohibitive charge on costumes for Fancy Dress was not entirely justified.

"Of the two costumers bidding to furnish the costumes for Fancy Dress, both quoted the same price of \$2.40 per costume. The committee felt justified in charging the additional 60c to take care of losses or damages to the costumes, and any profit that might be made was to go to the Fancy Dress Fund. This practice has always been carried out in the past.

"If the author of the letter to which this is an answer, desires further explanation, he can get it from me or any other member of the Fancy Dress Committee."

Faculty Proposes To Do Away With Title of Doctor

A move to eliminate the use of terms "doctor" and "professor" in addressing members of the faculty has been instituted by a progressive element of the University faculty, who declare use of the terminology is not in the best academic tradition.

The move is being headed by two young doctors of philosophy, who declare that this campus is adhering to an out-moded and antiquated practice in its insistence upon terming members of the faculty who have doctorates "doctor" and other members "professor."

One faculty member, who preferred to remain anonymous, pointed to the situation at Harvard, where every teacher is "Mr.," except the president and the dean, who are respectively "Mr. President" and "Dean Blank."

Another academician referred to the action of President Bryan at William and Mary, who issued a statement this fall declaring that in all college announcements, correspondence, and catalogues, members of the faculty would be referred to by their proper names, prefixed by "Mr."

ODK Meetings

Beginning immediately after exams, the local chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa will meet regularly each month, it was announced today by Angus Powell, president of the honorary fraternity. Their last meeting was held Thursday night, and it was decided then to hold the sessions each month.

Telephone Head Agrees To Meet Representatives To Discuss Service Costs

Glee Club Plans Four Concerts

First Concert to Be Held In Lee Chapel On March 7

An active season is being planned for the Glee club, during the second semester, with one concert definitely arranged, and three more tentatively planned.

The first concert of the season will be held with the Sweet Briar singers in Lee Chapel on March 7. In addition plans are being made for a fraternity concert, one with the Hollins Glee club at Hollins, and for a radio concert at White Sulphur Springs. The programs will continue to be under the direction of Professor John A. Graham.

The first rehearsal will be held on February 4 in the Troubadour theatre. The personnel has already been selected, but there is room for five more, and new men are invited to report.

The following men have been selected for the spring concerts: J. Saltsman, L. Williams, P. Miller, W. Hillier, R. Cox, J. Vinson, E. Ebner, W. Brownell, P. Traynor, A. Parquette, R. Harris, J. Saunders, A. Brombacher, J. Edwards, W. Clary, J. Wickham, A. Basile, O. Hickle, F. Bartenstein, A. Carmichael, D. Price, D. Falat, W. Derr, J. Paera, E. Walker, S. Coley, W. Baker, H. Petter, A. Turpin, D. Basile, J. Stewart, and R. Weinstein.

Leaders Name Ladies As Chaperones For Fancy Dress Dances

Glenn Shively, president of Fancy Dress, has named the following ladies as chaperones for Fancy Dress Ball:

Mrs. Francis P. Gaines, Mrs. R. H. Tucker, Mrs. G. D. Hancock, Mrs. F. J. Gilliam, Mrs. L. J. Desha, Mrs. DeC. Randolph, Mrs. W. B. Shively, Mrs. Venable, Mrs. Theodore Jack, Mrs. J. A. LeJeune, Miss Annie Jo White, Mrs. Raymon T. Johnson, Mrs. Cy Young, and Mrs. Forest Fletcher.

The following ladies will be chaperones at the Junior Prom, according to Billy Wilson, president of the Junior Class:

Mrs. Gaines, Mrs. J. H. Latane, Mrs. W. H. Moreland, Mrs. Desha, Mrs. L. P. Smith, Mrs. W. E. Tilton, Mrs. W. L. Wilson, Sr., Mrs. C. McDowell, Mrs. C. E. Williams. Chaperones for the Saturday dansant will be Mrs. F. P. Gaines, Mrs. F. J. Barnes, Mrs. L. K. Johnson, Mrs. B. F. Martin, Mrs. J. A. Veech, and Mrs. C. M. Taylor.

The following ladies were named as chaperones for the Saturday night dance: Mrs. F. P. Gaines, Mrs. C. M. McDowell, Mrs. T. E. Tilton, Mrs. L. E. Watkins, Mrs. G. S. Jackson, Mrs. E. K. Paxton, and Mrs. William Coan.

Probably No Broadcast Of Fancy Dress Ball This Year, Carter Says

"It is very improbable that the Fancy Dress Ball will be broadcast over either the Columbia Broadcasting System or the National Broadcasting Company," Richard P. Carter, publicity director of the University, declared today.

"Kay Kyser and his band have been broadcasting over the Mutual Broadcasting System during the past few months," he continued. "As the Mutual system has no outlet near Lexington, it is not probable that they will broadcast the dance. Under these conditions the two major broadcasting chains will not broadcast the event.

"It is possible that several Virginia radio stations may broadcast the Ball but negotiations are not definite as yet," Carter announced.

Last Chance

Tomorrow will be the last day for the taking of Calyx pictures, John Beagle, business manager of the annual, reminded students today. The Andre studio on Nelson street will be open from 9 a. m. until 9 p. m., and any form of credit, including IOU's and post-dated checks, will be accepted in payment for the pictures.

New Hell Week Plan Is Endorsed By I-F Council

Group Passes Last Year's Plan by 11 to 8 Vote

The Interfraternity council last night reiterated their endorsement of the plan for a modified Hell Week, proposed by the Washington and Lee O. D. K. circle last March.

The plan, which was approved by last year's council, was endorsed by this year's group by a vote of 11 to 8. It was pointed out that the plan was not to be construed as attempting to restrict any action that is a part of the national fraternity's ritual. The adopted resolution follows:

1. The period now known as Hell Week shall be limited to not more than three days.

2. All activities during this period shall be confined to the respective fraternity houses and grounds.

3. No pledges of any fraternity shall be required to participate in any activities between the hours 12 midnight and 7:00 a. m.

4. The period known as Hell Week shall be conducted within the first week of the second semester.

Although the plan was officially adopted last year, it was felt by the council that a new vote should be taken, in view of the fact that its membership changes every year.

Speaking on behalf of a modified Hell Week, Dr. Thomas J. Farrar, faculty advisor of the council, hailed the decision as a step forward in the proper regard of the health and academic success of the freshmen it affected. He said that as a result of all night sessions occurring all week, many men suffered in regard to their physical condition and scholastic work.

W. C. Capel, Class of '32, Has Article in Esquire

W. C. Capel, who graduated from the Lee School of Journalism in 1932, has written a feature article, published in the current issue of the magazine Esquire, entitled "Fox Hunting Per Se."

Capel, who is from Cansor, N. C., is recognized as an authority on fox hunting as it exists in this country today. The article tells of the thrills that befall a sportsman while out "chasing the hounds."

Capel, to quote a short biography printed in the magazine, "presumably studied for two years" after leaving here, "picking up an M. A. at Columbia University in, of all things, sociology."

At present, Capel is the only male member of the faculty of a Southern girls' school.

Dr. Howe to Visit Ala., Make Several Speeches

Dr. James Lewis Howe, head of the chemistry department, accompanied by Mrs. Howe, left yesterday to visit his daughter in Birmingham, Ala. While away, Dr. Howe will address state sections of the American Chemical society at Kingsport and Knoxville, Tenn., and Birmingham.

L. T. Pruffer, Treasurer Of Lexington Company, To Talk With Students

I-F COUNCIL TAKES NO STEPS AS YET

Franchise Has Expired; Bids for New One Due Feb. 6

L. T. Pruffer, official of the Lexington Telephone Co., today informed The Ring-tum Phi that he would be glad to meet with representatives of the fraternities in the next few weeks to discuss a reduction in the cost of discontinuing and re-installing telephones in the various houses on the campus.

Pruffer spoke in answer to an inquiry made by The Ring-tum Phi about the fairness of such charges, in which it was pointed out that no other utilities charge for the re-installation of service following discontinuance during the summer months.

The telephone company franchise has expired and the town council of Lexington has advertised for bids for a new franchise, to be awarded on February 6.

Pruffer, treasurer of the local company and a member of the board of directors, declared that he would "like very much" to meet with representatives of the fraternities, and of others of the student body and faculty to discuss the justice of the installation charges. He declared, however, that he will be out of town until the last week in January.

Charges of the local company are \$2.25 to \$2.75 for the installation of a residence phone, plus \$1 for each extension. Fraternity houses, which are classified as "business houses" by the telephone company, are assessed \$3.50 for each installation, and \$2 each for every extension, amounting to \$7.50 for houses which have three phones.

As an alternative, professors, students, and fraternity groups who do not intend to make use of their phones during the summer months may allow them to remain in at half the monthly service charge, it was explained.

Howard Melton, president of the Interfraternity Council, declared today that the council had not been informed of the situation at its meeting last night, but that he intends to investigate the matter with a view to accepting Pruffer's proposal of a meeting to discuss the rates.

Repair of Lee Chapel To Be Completed Soon

Extensive repairing and painting in Lee chapel begun just after Christmas is being rapidly completed, it was announced by the treasurer's office today. The walls have been painted a light tan both upstairs and down, and the concrete floor in the basement has been done over in grey. In addition the walls upstairs have been repaired and replastered in the spots where the benches had pulled away and caused cracks. The total cost of the repairing is estimated at several hundred dollars.

University Catalogue

Proofs for the 1936-37 University catalogue have been corrected and returned and the new issue of the manual will go to press next week, it was learned today. The Stone Printing and Manufacturing Co., of Roanoke, is in charge of the printing. Changes for the new issue have been very few, Dean Frank J. Gilliam, editor of the publication, said.

President Francis P. Gaines is in New York tonight, addressing the Southern societies of New York. He will speak tomorrow night to the Washington chapter of the alumni association.

Dean Robert H. Tucker will address the annual Founders' Day meeting of the Louisville alumni association on Monday.

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WOULD YOU CARE TO HAVE AN EDUCATION?

With the coming of mid-year, there will be the usual excessive number of students who fail to make even the normal expectation of "C" average. Unfortunately, there are some who, labor though they may, cannot earn even an average of "C." We believe, however, that most of these disappointing grades are due not to inability but to lack of application, lack of appreciation of a college education, and the subordination of work to other activities.

Conspicuously absent from the Dean's list are invariably some of the men considered leaders on this campus. Men, who are not only capable of Dean's list showings but even Honor Roll ratings, are content to receive grades far below their true standard. Their other responsibilities hardly excuse their poor scholastic work. There are also many others whose possibilities little justify their failure to make even average grades.

Such admonitions are hardly new and perhaps these words will only add to the ineffectiveness of arguments with which students are constantly harangued, but still the subject cannot be ignored or lightly passed over. Parents send their sons to college, some at the expense of great sacrifice, others with comparative ease, but all expect their sons to at least show slight gratitude by normal application to their work. Even if we ignore this angle, the student himself has everything to lose by not taking advantage of his college years. A man spends four years or more of his life in college. These four years enable him to leave school, rapidly rise to the level of the man who has not had a college education, and later climb to a place, which he very likely never would have occupied if he had not had these years in college.

There has been a widespread, erroneous belief that a college diploma is, in itself, a key to a big job. Of course, this false impression is cruelly corrected. A man holds a job on his worth, the education that he has actually received; and that little saying about fooling some of the people is only too true. Not only on the job but in every day associations as well, education marks the difference between the intelligent and the ordinary man. Years of education are years of youth, and youth is something all love to enjoy, but by remembering that we are preparing for years ahead of us, by foregoing some of the pleasures to do our work, we insure that we will be ready to do our best in life after college.

To fill a job without the benefit of an education is like trying to buy a house without money, only we have many chances to acquire money, but our years in college are the only chance we are given to acquire the foundation of a broad general knowledge. Going through college on sub-average grades is by no stretch of the imagination an education.

REDUCE THE COST OF FANCY DRESS

Whether the letter to *The Ring-tum Phi* in the last issue pointing out the disparity in the costs of Fancy Dress costumes and those used by the Troubadours reveals any real abuse in the prices charged for the dance costumes, at least it points to a questioning attitude on the part of students of the mounting costs of the set. Although the dance authorities report an increased number of ticket subscribers, there is also a large number of boys who would like to attend the dances but who feel they cannot afford to do so.

Even with all this munificence, this lavishness of expense and high cost of attendance, Fancy Dress will be marred by the usual conglomeration of costumes, ranging from the couch cover functioning as a Hindu prince's costume, to the pair of silk pajamas Uncle Benny brought back from Japan, supposedly representing a coolie. And the inevitable coat room jams will, we predict, mar the pleasure of each evening's dancing.

With the magnitude and the cost of Fancy Dress mounting each year, it appears that the logical development in the future will be to put the entire affair, with the exception of the choice of orchestra, in the hands of some pageant company which makes a business of staging such celebrations. As suggested in another column of this paper in the last issue, various companies could be allowed to bid on the affair and the contract awarded to the lowest satisfactory bidder.

Such an arrangement might remove a lot of the intimate pleasure of planning and arranging the dance, but it should produce a definite decrease in the cost of attending Fancy Dress. Costume rentals might be reduced to the point where every student and his girl would prefer to get them from the pageant company, resulting in a more unified theme and a more beautiful and artistic dance set.

PENNY-PITCHERS AND GENTLEMEN

The true mark of a gentleman is that he is a gentleman at all times. In the excitement of a heated sports event it is only natural that over-enthusiastic spectators should forget themselves to the point of becoming incensed at adverse decisions of the referee, but it is still highly inconsistent with the definition of gentleman that those so-called gentlemen should descend to the practices of the most uncouth rabble.

A referee's job is a tough one. He has to follow ten men and a ball from one end of the floor to the other, at the same time watching every move of all. Sometimes he is wrong; he is only human, but nine times out of ten it is some excited player, perhaps a little too anxious or desperate, who loses control at a crucial moment and when a foul is called by the referee, the sympathetic home crowd expresses its unjustified disapproval.

In spite of all this, there is no excuse for the small and contemptible gesture of tossing pennies at the referee. As the practice has never appeared at Washington and Lee home games before this year, we fear that it is an innovation of some disillusioned freshmen. If this be the case, we hasten to inform the offender that such vulgar and pre-schoolish acts are decidedly out of place in a body of supposed gentlemen.

Continue to give the team the great support that has carried them through a remarkably successful early season, cheer at the proper time and applaud at the proper time, but above all things we should refrain from unsportsmanlike conduct and accept graciously the bad breaks as well as the good.

THE FORUM

CHANGED ATTITUDE TOWARD WAR

By STANFORD SCHEWEL

A generation ago it might have been heresy to deny that it was glorious to die for one's country. Young men were imbued with the intense emotional patriotism of "my country right or wrong." Their elders encouraged this chest-expanding philosophy, and few were the parents who would be outspoken enough (though they might feel so in their hearts) to deny that they would be proud for "their sons to die in the service of their country."

Young men followed in the wake of the rabble-rousers. When William Randolph Hearst, that master-demon of Journalism, waved the bloody flag in 1898, thousands of youths marched off to war to be laid low in the Florida malaria camps. In 1917 when the ears of Belgium babies (and the investments of the international bankers) were dangled in front (and behind) the American public, the best of our young men donned a uniform, grabbed a kiss, and now lie buried in foreign fields.

But since the World War, and especially since the recent embroilment in Europe, the youths of this nation have become more and more determined that they will not fight in another senseless foreign struggle. It is undoubtedly true that many, who so loudly now declaim they will not enlist, will probably end up marching down Broadway in a shower of confetti once the war-machine starts rolling. But it is significant to note that with war threatening on all sides there is no longer that dog-on-the-leash attitude of, "let me at 'em! Let me at 'em!" But college boys, and young men out in the world, say in unified voice, "We will not fight to drive the Japanese from the Chinese textile markets so that the New England manufacturers can reign there supreme. We will not fight so that one European imperialist nation can defeat the schemings of another grasping power. We have come to the strange conclusion that we can better serve our country alive than dead. And that the supreme sacrifice is not death but a life of usefulness to mankind."

Another generation would have called that philosophy cowardice. Many today will condemn us. But we are no longer the blind, blindly following the blind. We have seen the uselessness of war and are determined to resist it.

CAMPUS COMMENT

By BOB WEINSTEIN

Fraid Cat . . .

It's been reported to this column that those rustic flying butresses that keep the roof of the alumni building off the ground were erected at the insistence of Philip Small, the architect in charge of the remodeling of the college. It seems, so the story goes, that Mr. Small was asked to be present at a meeting in the tottering building. Surveying the situation with his practiced eye, Mr. Small immediately announced that he would not take any chances, and hence would not enter the edifice until some means were effected of reducing the possibility of cave-ins. Orchids to Messrs. Carter, Barnes, Young, etc., who have hitherto risked their lives in the furtherance of the welfare of the University.

Onions . . .

A talented meteorologist is here on the campus in the person of Mr. Watt Smith, who with several others, guards the welfare of the University and its buildings. Mr. Smith can, according to many reports, forecast weather conditions with the aid of an onion. He studies the onion and then by considering its color, the thickness and texture of its skin, and other things, discovers whether it will rain, snow, hail or just be cloudy. Although his method has not yet received scientific recognition, he claims great accuracy.

Keyser & Co. . . .

At the present writing it appears that there will be no broadcast of the Fancy Dress Ball . . . The Mutual network has no facilities in this section and arrangements can't be made with other networks . . . there is a slight possibility, though, that the dance will go the air over a Virginia broadcasting chain . . . Heard Kay Keyser over the air the other night and he sounds mighty fine . . . In a letter he tells us: "We are looking forward to being at Washington and Lee and we are planning several new surprises in addition to our regular program which includes Isch Kabble, Sully Mason, Arthur Wright, Virginia Sims, Bill Stoker and Liman Gandee at the piano . . ." looks like an imposing array of talent.

Phoney-of-the-Week . . .

News item from the Collegiate Digest:—Mary Conny, University of North Dakota, has been elected "Toast of the Regiment" by that institution's R. O. T. C. corps.

Publicity . . .

Washington and Lee has been breaking into print quite often in Continued on page four

What the North Thinks of Lee

(Boston Transcript)
January 19 marks the anniversary of the birth of the great American General Robert Edward Lee. He was born in Virginia, lived most of his life in Virginia, and died in Virginia. He sleeps in her hills, as do Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, and the great majority of those distinguished sons that "the old Dominion" gave to the nation.

The dusts of fleeting years have gathered in the chambers of memory. The bitterness, the hatred, the strife that marked the Civil War is forgotten. The wise years have decided and Robert E. Lee stands as one of America's greatest, if not the very greatest, of her generals and one of God's noblemen. No longer do thinking Americans regard the North as wholly right and the South wholly wrong.

Washington and his little army of ragged and half starved followers waged a war against the armies of the mother country and her hirelings and achieved victory. Thus they became heroes and patriots. Lee and his gallant followers waged a war against the forces of the Union and lost and thus became rebels and traitors. One fought for liberty and the independence of the Colonies, the other for liberty and the independence of her beloved Southland. Washington and his followers, after victory had been achieved, had the tremendous struggle of binding the weak and scattered Colonies into a nation. Lee and his followers had a much greater task. They had fought and had been defeated by the overwhelming number of their countrymen of the North and they had then to fight the carpetbaggers, the despoilers of their homes and the real ravishers of the Southland. We cannot but admire the courage, the fortitude, high ideals with which these gallant men in grey met this attack and rebuked their ruined civilization.

All honor to the heroes of the "lost cause." All honor to their great leader who was both in war and peace one of America's greatest.

THE EASY CHAIR

By COWL RIDER

Slimmer Figures

A pet subject for all perspiring columnists and editorial writers is the question of dance figures. Do not labor under the delusion that all has been said that can be said about dance figures which interrupt festivities, causing bored on-lookers to refrain from whatever they are doing and to sit or stand about while some honored group goes about criss-crossing the floor.

Not all has been said by any means. The feelings of a participant in figures has not been adequately discussed. There was a day when a nice, simple figure, led by a prominent young man escorting a charming young woman with a bouquet, would suffice for the evening. But no more. That day of simplicity is gone. The spectator thinks it is tough to stand and watch, does he? He ought to be glad he can just stand and watch.

A figure at Fancy Dress Ball is generally worth seeing. Such a figure can afford to be elaborate. But take the Junior Prom, for instance, with the menacing warning in a recent Ring-tum Phi that the figure would be pretty complicated and hence the boys better be at practice. This gives us pause for thought. Decidedly, we say, dance figures are going much too far.

While we appreciate the ingenuity and patience of those who are kind enough to direct dance figures and rehearse them, we do not see how this complicated business can keep up. These days you start off in the figure with your partner whom (for the sake of argument) you like very much. Ten feet from the entrance, what happens? You and she separate and you may not see her for hours.

save for maybe a fleeting sight of her at the other side of the floor.

Indeed, the wonder is that, when the figure is done and the original couples are reassembled, you and she are paired off at all. You are just as liable to have standing next to you some one you never saw before but who, like you, was lost in that fifth tangle at point "O" where you were supposed to go N.W. but turned E. instead. Why civilized people have to make life so complex has always been a mystery. The dance figure cannot be outlawed. Glory and pride will see to that. But they can be simpler. And shorter.

Not only have figures become the acme of ring-around-the-rosy but when you are exhausted at the end of one, they don't let you rest. The lights are turned low and your partner either grasps despairingly at the favor she got somewhere during the manoeuvre or hands it to you, and you are expected to waltz gracefully hither and yon under that handicap. Since the waltz is a much neglected form of the dance, the chances are you will not enjoy it anyway.

The only solution to this craze for more maze-like figures is to provide the participants and spectators with blueprints so that all can understand what is going on. Some day a class of '39 is going to run short on the last wind-up and form the figure '30 on the floor before the horrified gaze of the spectators. This will stop all such clever stunts. Once a lad was barred from the figure because he was found intoxicated just before the figure started. Everybody thought it was disgraceful. But not at all. He knew what he was doing.

FRONT ROW

Looking Forward

By DAVE WHARTON

The New
Saturday, Bette Davis in "Dangerous" gives further evidence of what she showed in "Of Human Bondage," namely that she is one of the screen's really talented young ladies. This time she is a menacing femme, delightfully free of scruples who does fearful things to the lives of Franchot Tone and Margaret Lindsay.

"Abaft, scums, or I'll bash yer bloody brains out on yon binnacle!" As you might guess, it is Captain Blood saying those things at the New Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Of course it is full of impossibilities, but what do you expect in a bloody carnival? But it is hailed as a grand show by all who have seen it. Even the skeptical Ralph Daves and Jim Andrews proclaim it tops.

Saturday, the twenty-fifth, is "The Bride Comes Home," with Colbert and MacMurray; so you know what to expect without my explaining its frivolity.

If GOP doesn't hire the YCB to sing their ABC's kidding FDR and his NRA, TVA, AAA, and other initials, it is just plain DUM. They could even elect HH with such stirring and amusing ballyhoo. At least Dick Powell is elected governor that way in "Thanks a Million," playing the thirtieth and thirty-first. It is a rowdily satirical story that moves hilariously despite the fact that Dick Powell's acting is limited to a few mannerisms. Paul Whiteman's band is interpolated for same. It adds nothing to the entertainment.

Saturday, after the night before, February first, the "Whipsaw," a cleverly different crook picture. Myrna Loy is a crook and Spencer Tracy, a Federal Agent who joins up with her to get the dope on her. But she is on to him all the time, which leads to delightful consequences. Lillian Leighton gives some good comedy.

"We're Only Human," "Kind Lady," and "China Seas," all of next week at the Lyric, I will not mention. But I must refer you to "The Last of the Pagons" on the thirty-first. It is something quite different from the ordinary run. No pretences to being the best thing of the year, it is considered among certain circles as one of the best of the month. The story is built around a native romance in a Polynesian island and is entirely in native dialect, but the pantomime carries the meaning so clearly that words are unnecessary. However, there is some translation where it is considered necessary for the strength of the

Looking Backward

By MARTIN CROMOY

Lawrence Tibbett, the world's best baritone, in this reporter's opinion, made a triumphant return to the movies which, until the present cycle of operatic pictures, snubbed him, due doubtless to the fact that the star's former pictures were not so hot at the box offices. "Metropolitan," though it lacked an original story, was sure fire entertainment. Tibbett never missed an opportunity to display his wonderful voice, and sang the songs which appeal most to audiences, whether they be composed of habitual opera goers or not.

The rendition of "Glory Road," which nobody can sing like Tibbett, was alone worth the price of admission. The baritone also sang an aria from "The Barber of Seville," the treading song from "Carmen," "On the Road to Mandalay," and the prologue to "Pagliacci."

Tibbett is one of the few opera stars who can act. His performance was as good as that of an ordinary screen actor, and better than most.

Virginia Bruce as a millionaire with operatic aspirations, was adequate, and Luigi Alberti, who always plays an excitable Italian, stole many of his scenes. Alice Brady was excellent, as usual, as a temperamental prima donna.

"The Littlest Rebel" starring the youngest star in the galaxy, La Belle Temple, came to the screen of the New Theater, and from there into the hearts of the audiences fortunate enough to view the film. It was the best picture Miss Temple has made, and that's saying something.

Shirley sings, acts expertly in a role that would be difficult for an adult, and dances remarkably well with Bill Robinson, the master of the tap dance. John Boles for once is well cast in an easy part and does well, as does the former strong, silent man of the screen, Jack Holt. Karen Morley does nicely as Shirley's mother—a role that doesn't call for too much ability.

The amazing child, who half of England last week was willing to swear was a midget of thirty-five, scored easily and strengthened her hold on the precarious position of being number one box office draw in the entire nation. Although for the main part the picture was a bit far-fetched, the scene where the big bad Yankee helps the rebel captain escape being particularly noticeable, the story was entertaining.

Letters

Dislikes Mud

Editor of The Ring-tum Phi,
Dear Sir:
Whether the administration knows it or not, rain brings mud. And mud is very sloppy to walk in even if you are headed for the chemistry building to bathe in the combined atmosphere of Shakespeare and sulfur dioxide.

In the extreme inclement weather we have been having lately, the walk to the chemistry building has been a veritable sea of mud. With all the improvements now taking place around the campus would it not be advisable to consider putting a cement pavement where the mud walk now oozes?

A Dry

Napoleon Objects

Editor of The Ring-tum Phi,
Dear Sir:
The University's lone co-ed, she wrote a letter to you, published in your last issue over the title "Josephine," is sadly misinformed. In reference to Dr. Gaines' talk concerning the eligibility of paid athletes, our colleague of uncertain gender stated that the subject should be brought before the student body and the alumni to decide. His-her letter goes: "Why not put it to a vote of the student body? We're paying for it. The alumni is also paying. Let's ask them about it."

The statement that the student body is paying for "it" is as wrong as using a singular verb after a plural noun. Perhaps Josephine is not aware of the fact that he-she pays for very little of "it." A gentleman by the name of Washington pays for much of "it," and several other philanthropically inclined gentlemen contributed greatly. I am sure Dr. Gaines would gladly supply Josephine with more relevant information.

I am also sure that Josephine shows true feminine qualities with his-her mercenary stand of getting his-her money's worth. His-her next move will probably be a demand for a refund on part of his-her tuition due to the fact that one of his-her professors once let a class out early. Thank Heaven that there is only one co-ed here.

Napoleon

"Crumbling Brick and Mortar"

Editor of The Ring-tum Phi,
Dear Sir:
The two wooden supports upholding the venerable, beautiful, Alumni Building and adding immeasurably to its dignified appearance not only have braced those hallowed quaking walls, but my courage also. It is a stabbing reminder that the question of utility versus tradition is not a topic for debate in the two ineffectual literary societies, but of vital and pressing importance, since it has been decided that Washington College is not to be razed and rebuilt, but merely renovated.

I have heard members of the faculty and the policy-forming committee of this institution accused of a too lavish display of sentiment whenever the removal of the original brick and stone of any of the university buildings is suggested by some student alive enough to comment. These students claim that intemperance in anything is undesirable, even in the matter of sentimental attachments. But to make a fine distinction, the faculty is right in rallying to the support of those traditions which are the soul of Washington and Lee. Their error lies not in any over-indulgence of sentiment, but rather in its wrong application. The preservation of traditions of gentlemanly conduct and high scholastic standards is imperative; the attempt to preserve fossils because of sentimental reasons is absurd. If this continued the traditions of honor and hate for hypocrisy will be just traditions, and not fact.

Crumbling brick and mortar never have and never will constitute the foundation of high character nor inspire intellectual development. If it were so, why not hold classes between the two remaining walls of Liberty Hall? One day last spring I went to Liberty Hall, feeling that there I might become sufficiently inspired to learn enough French to pass the final exam. No inspiration was forthcoming; instead a vicious looking cow almost stepped on me and I got grass stains on my pants. I threw the book at the cow and then proceeded to the more important task of trying to unravel the tangled Finals dates that had me in a storm. Today I sit in the French advanced class. The fact that it is held in the very same stall I started French three years ago should furnish some inspiration, but all it provides is a draft on the back of my neck. This pain in the neck is not due to Dr. Smith's lectures but to faulty ventilation.

Some time ago in an address to the student body I heard a stone step worn smooth by the footsteps of our forefathers fervently, reverently referred to. If some student Continued on page four

Over 200 Mat Stars to Enter Olympic Try-outs Here

Tourney to Be Largest Ever Held by NCA

Approximately 1,400 Reserved Seats Open To Students, Townspeople

Preliminary estimates place the number of contestants to enter the Olympic tryouts to be held here March 20 and 21, under the auspices of the N. C. A. A., at well over two hundred of the nation's best wrestlers.

The exact figures will be announced as soon as the entrance blanks, now being prepared, have been returned from the various colleges and universities who will enter the competition. Although last year's tournament had 142 entries, which was double the number of the previous year, this year's tournament will be considerably larger because it will constitute a semi-final in the selection of the team which will represent the United States in Berlin this summer.

Although approximately 1400 are available as reserved seats on the main floor of the Doremus gymnasium, only the number which are pledged for by Washington and Lee students, or which are paid for in advance will be reserved. All Washington and Lee students are urged to either see their fraternity representative, or sign at the Co-op, for a reserved seat. These seats may be obtained for \$2.20. Members of the faculty, and V. M. I., as well as the townspeople, may pay the \$2.20 in cash or by check, by applying at the Corner or at McCrum's. They will receive a receipt which will be exchangeable for a reserved seat ticket several weeks prior to the wrestling tournament.

Single admission tickets will be sold at the gate, for seats in the balcony only. The price for single admission tickets has been set at 75 cents for each of the first three sessions, and one dollar for the final session.

Freshmen Open Season Against SMA Tomorrow

Brigadiers Will Try to Keep Undefeated Slate Clean

The freshman grapplers under the direction of Coach Mathis open their schedule tomorrow afternoon at Fort Defiance. Their opponents are the Augusta Military Academy matmen.

Washington and Lee freshmen wrestlers have not lost a match in seven years.

Mathis has two strong men in Kemp, flyweight, and Eaton, 135-pounder. Kemp pinned a Duke wrestler in 22 seconds in an exhibition match last Saturday.

The next match for the freshmen will be an engagement with V. P. I. freshmen the following Saturday. The matches will be held in Doremus gymnasium.

Bob Kemp will open the meet in the 118 class. George McNerery will wrestle at 126. Charles Eaton will be in the 135 class. Van Donaldson will be the W. and L. representative in the 145. Charles Bowles will wrestle at 155 pounds, and Dick LeBus will be the middleweight. Charley Lykes, undefeated at Woodbury Forest last year, will be the 175-pound general, and Joe Oschie, football star of the freshmen, will be the unlimited weight grappler.

June in January
Dean Frank J. Gilliam and Prof. J. H. Williams left today on a six day trip to Bermuda. They will return next Friday.

Twombly Joyful For Once As New Star Appears on Horizon

Coach Cy Twombly and the Phi Gams have another star swimmer to boast of.

For the past three years "Dunc" McDavid was the best swimmer in school and the best in the Southern Conference. With his graduation last year both Cy Twombly and the Phi Gams were saddened and felt that he never could be replaced.

This year along comes another of the same calibre, namely Jim Griffin. This new Phi Gam flash yesterday afternoon in a time trial broke two records, while racing for one.

Griffin was to be timed at the 220-yard free style and while swimming this distance broke the

Following the BIG BLUE

By ZACH KRAMER

N. Y. U. Takes Pleasure Out of North Carolina U. Victory—Swimmers Will Have Tough Time To Retain Title—Wrestling

N. Y. U.'s 55-33 victory over North Carolina Wednesday night has kind of taken the wind out of our 28-25 victory over the Tarheels. The game was never close, and the Violets had a 29-5 lead at half. Marvin Nelson, who was missing when Carolina played us, starred for the Southerners with 10 points. Undoubtedly the New Yorkers are plenty good, but I do not think that N. C. U. should have represented the best the Southern Conference has. Meanwhile, Duke is piling up an impressive record with wins over Princeton and the strong Army five. Maryland gave the conference a complete triumph over the service schools by beating Navy.

The varsity wrestlers face a tough assignment when they meet V. P. I. on the Saturday in the middle of exams. With Crew and Seitz still unable to wrestle, the Gobblers will be catching the Big Blue without full strength. They have a very good 165'er in Priode, and a fair sophomore heavyweight wrestler. I feel that this meet will be much closer than the Duke slaughter, for V. P. I. always has a strong bunch of grapplers. The Brigadiers will meet the Gobblers at the same time, and it will give the Washington and Lee fans a chance to look at the latest Mathis products. Paced by two exceptional men with lots of experience, one pretty good wrestler, and four better than the average boys, the yearlings should continue the record started six years ago.

The defending Southern Conference champion swimmers are in a bad way, for although there are a few good men on the squad, there are not enough reserves. Charlie Brasher and Griffin are faster than ever and should cop most of the sprint titles between them. Joe Taylor and Chester White are two very good breast-strokers, who will help our cause tremendously, while Paul Lavietes is a cinch to be the new Southern Conference back-stroke champ. However, no experienced man is swimming the 440, or diving, and there are not enough surplus men to fill in the relays. Bill Baker is improving rapidly, and

may turn in some fast time for the quarter mile, and Charlie Brasher will bear the brunt of the diving. Bill Daniels, Ad Wilson, Vance Funk, Clark Winter, Bill Abrams and Jimmy Watts will be big helps, but are they enough to retain that Southern Conference title?

Sports editors of the leading papers of Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina, assisted by the coaches of North Carolina State, Wofford, William and Mary, Maryland, Citadel, Furman, Presbyterian College of South Carolina, Clemson, South Carolina, Davidson, V. M. I., North Carolina University, Richmond, Washington and Lee, Erskine, Duke, Wake Forest and V. P. I. recently picked an all-South Atlantic football team. Ellis of Washington and Lee and Zable of William and Mary were the ends, Dorn of Furman and Durner of Duke were the tackles, West of Richmond and Inabinet of Clemson were the guards, Sabol of N. C. State was center, Parker of Duke was quarterback, Jackson of N. C. University, and Guckeyson of Maryland were the halfbacks, and Dickerson of V. P. I. was the fullback. It is interesting to note that Buck and Leys, the all-Southern Conference ends, were left off the team as well as Bonino at tackle and Farley at guard.

The Brigadier basketball team is in for a tough battle when they meet what has been called the best Wahoo yearling bunch in modern years. For the two years previous, our frosh have taken Virginia through the hoop by more than twenty points, but it might be different this time. The Baby Cavaliers beat Staunton 60-18 for their first victory, but as V. M. I. beat them 60-28, the prep school cadets may not be as good as usual. However, you have to be good to score sixty points on anybody. Orlin Rogers, brilliant Virginia pitcher of last spring, coaches the freshman quintet. His pitching so impressed Clarke Griffith, owner of the Washington Senators, that he will play for Albany in the International League next summer.

Varsity, Frosh To Meet Tech Matmen Jan. 25

The wrestling representatives of Washington and Lee will meet the V. P. I. Gobblers for the tenth time since Coach Mathis has been here, in a double-header on Saturday afternoon, January 25.

Out of the ten meetings, the Big Blue has lost once, tied once, and taken seven straight wins. This year's meet will be a battle to the limit, when Earl Tilson, coach of V. P. I., brother of Tex Tilson, and formerly one of Mathis' wrestlers here, returns in an attempt to show his former mentor a few tricks. Badly hampered by injuries and mid-year exams, the usual outcome of Washington and Lee wrestling meets may not be the result of this battle.

Outstanding on the V. P. I. team will be Russell Minter, finalist in the Southern Conference tournament, and wrestling in the 126-pound class. At 165 pounds, Captain Bob Priode will be count-

Big Blue Team Swamps W-M By Large Score

Generals Defeat Indians 57-20 in One-Sided Game

Washington and Lee continued its successful basketball season last night by swamping the Indians of William and Mary 57 to 20. From the minute the game started, the Generals had things their own way, piling up a big lead by a series of brilliant field goals immediately after the opening whistle.

In justice to the Indians, the team that took its first defeat by a close score at the hands of V. M. I. the night before was obviously tired from the strain of four successive nights' play and was materially handicapped by benching of several injured players, including Captain Casagrande.

The Generals displayed a decisive superiority such as they have not shown in previous games by constantly taking the ball away from the William and Mary team and drawing them completely off their guard, allowing free shots for field goals. The first team was kept in the major part of the first half and by the time the half ended, they had run up a score of 30 to 6.

As the second half opened, the Big Blue responded slowly and failed to score for several minutes. Once they got started, however, they maintained their advantage and continued to pile up points. Rather than attempt to run up a big score, Coach Young made numerous substitutions, resting the whole first team including lanky Bob Spessard who has seen so much service as the spearhead of the Generals' attack.

Every man of the fifteen on the squad was put in the game for a considerable time and all but two scored some of the 57 points registered by the Big Blue onslaught.

Wes Heath and Bob Spessard stood out in the Generals' decisive victory. Heath contributed a fine performance of recovery, handling the ball, and sharpshooting, while Spessard came through with the old invaluable job of reaching up and grabbing the ball in the altitudes where other players, lacking ladders, cannot reach. Her and Pette also played a very dependable game. Bill Ellis did a good piece of work when it fell on his shoulders to hold up the attack of the subs into the game, but the subs soon needed no hold-

Freshmen Add Ashland, Shenandoah to Home Basketball Schedule

R. A. Smith, graduate manager of athletics, today announced that two games have been added to the schedule of the Washington and Lee freshman basketball team. One of these is with Shenandoah Collegiate Institute, a junior college located at Dayton, Virginia, and the other is with Ashland High school. Both these games are to be played here sometime the middle of February.

Shenandoah has an outstanding team this year, and they are expected to give the Brigadiers a great deal of trouble. In a recent game with the National Business College of Roanoke they were defeated by only one point. The W. and L. varsity in their first game of the season barely eked out a one-point victory over the Business College.

Students finding it necessary to change their schedules for the second semester can do so in Newcomb Hall from 2 to 4 p. m. on Monday, January 27, and Saturday, February 1.

ing up. Kit Carson played a scrapping good game, taking the ball away from the Indians frequently while in the game. For William and Mary, Flickinger starred, standing out even in overwhelming defeat with most of the Indians' scoring to his credit.

Tomorrow night, the Big Blue meets Virginia here and the following Saturday V. P. I. comes to Lexington for a game with the Generals.

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Freshmen Five Meet Virginia Here Saturday

Brigadiers Face Little Cavaliers in Preliminary Tilt Tomorrow Night

In a semi-windup feature to the varsity basketball game with the University of Virginia tonight, the Washington and Lee freshmen will meet the Little Cavaliers at 7:00.

Last week-end the Virginia frosh completely annihilated the Staunton Military Academy 60 to 18, and Orlin Rogers, Virginia coach, thinks that this squad is the best he has handled in recent years. With Peter Nistad and Harry Dinwiddle in the forward positions, the Baby Wahos out-classed the S. M. A. team in every department. Nistad was all over the floor, shooting from almost impossible positions with an unerring aim for the basket.

In its only two previous starts the Brigadiers have won one and lost one to Jefferson high school of Roanoke. In the first game at Roanoke the Jeffersonians went into the lead in the first quarter, and it was an uphill battle finally ending with Jefferson ahead 34-33.

In the second game, played here last Tuesday night, Lindsey led the little Generals to a 32-16 victory. Lindsay at guard has been in both these games, while Bill Borries, the lanky center, has been in line for second honors.

While Mefford, Parsons, and League are still on the ineligible list, tonight's contest will mark

the return of Wiley to the Brigadier lineup at forward. The other three boys will be out of the action until after exams, which means they will miss this game and the coming meeting with V. P. I. The probable line-ups are as follows:

W. and L.: Crane and Wiley at forwards; Borries, center; Lindsey and Foster, guards.

Virginia: Nistad and Dinwiddle at forwards; Ley, center; ReDaird and Cohen, guards.

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Elizabethan Age Will Live Again

Continued from page one and Sir Humphrey Gilbert, lieutenants of Essex, will share the glory of a great victory with their chief.

Mrs. L. J. Desha is in charge of the details of the figure.

Mrs. Desha to Direct Figure

It is the wish of the committee that students who are not renting costumes from the official costumer wear ones that will be typical of the Elizabethan period.

Following are the characters to be portrayed, by prominent members of the student body:

Lord Burghley, prime minister, John Shoaf; Archbishop of Canterbury, Ben Thirkield; Sir Francis Bacon, Frank Price; William Shakespeare, Angus Powell; Ben Johnson, Amos Bolen; Christopher Howard, Lord Chancellor, Billy Wilson; Edward Coke, Lord Chief Justice, Bill Rueger.

Sir Walter Raleigh, Norman Iler; Lord Admiral Charles Howard, Jimmy Ruth; Earl Marshall Howard, George Gilleland; Sir Humphrey Gilbert, Frank Crew; Earl of Southampton, Ross Crom; Sir Francis Drake, Ed Jean; Sir John Hawkins, Lew Martin.

Lewis McMurrin, as Lord Chamberlain, will announce the principal courtiers as they enter the court.

Other guests of the queen include a number of courtiers whose names are not so prominent as those named above. Included in this group are: Frank Hague, Tyree Wilson, Wade Hatten, Russ Doane, James Price, Fletcher Maynard, Kenny Lane, Forrest Huffman, Ed Hiserman, Langdon Skarda, Stan Higgins, Tilford Payne, Doc Sloan, Joe Harding and J. Garber.

Also present at every court of the great queen was a detachment of Britain's famed guards, better known as "beef-eaters." This gallant band of soldiers will be represented by the following: Joe Arnold, Marvin Pullen, Marty Kaplan, Fielden Woodward, Ed Boze, Artie Hauck, George Boyd, John Renken, Bill Daniel, Bill Seaton, Ed Howerton, Clark Winter, Bill Conner, Lee Reeser, Jimmy Watts, Charley Wilkerson, Eddie Marks, Ran Tucker, John Beagle, Dick Scully and Ajax Browning.

Glenn Shively, president of

Fancy Dress, will play the role of the Earl of Essex, and Miss Bessie Morton Goode, of Dinwiddie, Virginia, will portray Queen Elizabeth. Miss Goode graduated from St. Mary's at Raleigh, N. C., last June, and is at present attending business school in Richmond.

Letters

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should trip and fall on that step because it is treacherous and slippery in wet weather, how sadly our forefathers would have regretted that they had not stepped more softly to reduce wear and tear!

If some material object is considered necessary to remind us that we must live up to the standards set by tradition why not destroy all of Washington College except Old George. We could then set him up in the middle of the lawn where students before examinations could rub his nose, examinations could rub his nose to get inspiration. Perhaps it would be like the Blarney Stone and impart the gift of blarney, colloquially known as bull, and a commodity with which the professors are well acquainted.

Since we are to encourage traditions on this campus, let us not place too high a value on the relatively unimportant material side of these traditions, and instead emphasize the more valuable and more important ideas of life which the men who have occupied Washington College have passed on to us. Decrepit age adds neither value nor beauty to a building. The pitiful attempts to conceal decay and the ravages of

time by straggling green ivy would be humorous but for the fact that it is our school and we love it. There is, of course, the financial side of the problem. What would be the relative costs of renovating the building, including complete modernization and fire-proofing of the interior, and of razing it and constructing a duplicate in its place? As I am not an architectural engineer I cannot answer this question of first cost. It is inevitable that Washington College will go the way of the Alumni building and become unsafe for occupancy, and this is not very distant future. Even the most elaborate job of interior reconstruction and strengthening cannot replace the crumbling bricks nor the old-fashioned lime mortar which is sifting from between them. It is evident then that even though the first cost may be greater in the case of reconstruction, the maintenance of the renovated structure would surpass the difference, and we would still have an old building on our hands.

I do not pretend to a knowledge of all the facts. It is highly prob-

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able that there are other aspects that I am not aware of, for there is a dearth of information concerning the issue. Could The Ring-tum Phi put one of its sleuths on the job and publish the comparative facts and figures and the reasoning by which the forces behind the throne, whoever they may be, arrived at their conclusion?

Gentlemen, I've stuck my neck out. If this be heresy, treason, a shine, blasphemy, profanity, disrespect, sacrilege, or even bad taste, make the most of it.
Dan A. Fallat.

The Hampden Sydney "Tiger" says that a diplomat is a man who convinces his wife that a woman looks stout in a fur coat. . . . At the University of Pennsylvania gym credit is now given for ping-pong playing.

Campus Comment

Continued from page two the last few weeks. Daring Detective magazine carries a story by Herb Rudlin, of the class of '34. Esquire features an article on fox-hunting by an alumnus, a story in College Humor has the University for one of its scenes, and Tom Sugrue, of course, is still helping to fill the American Magazine. All are graduates of the Lee school of journalism.

Short Shots . . .

Everyone knows that the Fancy Dress theme is the return of Essex . . . but the question to many is what was he returning from? . . . And what has happened to all the canes that the senior lawyers had in the beginning of the year? . . . Rumor has it that a beer drinking contest, sponsored by a local

hops dealer, will take place in the spring, so start training . . . The matches that the Southern Inn distributes, with the printing "Buy at our Esso Sign," and the name of the restaurant inserted underneath . . . Happy days are here again—The Ring-tum Phi has a cigarette ad in this issue . . . The new Southern Collegian which will

appear around Fancy Dress, features a cover by the editor's sister.

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