





# Scorpion, New Non-fraternity Group, Enters I-M Race

## Basketball Team Put in Tourney By Organization; To Rival Tigers

Stover, Buck, Nicholson Are Leaders of Independent Team

ANNOUNCEMENT IS MADE YESTERDAY

Do Not Indicate Whether Spring Sports Will Be Participated In

Announcement of the intramural basketball pairings by Cy Twombly late yesterday disclosed that a new non-fraternity group called "The Scorpion" had appeared on the campus. So far as could be ascertained today the Scorpion is at present a rather small group composed primarily of under-classesmen and interested at the present in basketball. Among the leaders is Edward Stover, an intermediate lawyer.

Art Buck and Nick Nicholson, two others of the group, said that, while the general purpose of the Scorpion was to extend the possibilities of competition in intramural athletics among non-fraternity men, the present interest of the organization was to put a good basketball team into the tournament. They did not indicate whether the activities of the Scorpion would be extended to include the spring sports program.

The appearance of the Scorpion marks the first attempt at non-fraternity organization outside of the Touring Tigers to be made in three years. The Barbarians, led by R. M. Dunaj, forged into non-fraternity leadership at that time and later took over the name of the fallen Tigers whom they brought to an intramural championship last year.

In some quarters the formation of the Scorpion was looked on as a challenge to the present clique in the Tigers, who have been rather unsuccessful in the intramural program this season; but leaders in both groups denied that any friction existed between the organizations. Buck, himself a former Touring Tiger, said that no dissatisfaction was present in the non-fraternity group so far as he knew and added, "We only want to give more boys a chance to play in the intramural program."

Other members of the Scorpion in addition to Stover, Buck, and Nicholson, are Jack Kately, Ed Turville, George T. Myers, Bob Prugh, and John Beaire. Nicholson said that the group hoped to extend their membership soon in accordance with the purpose of the initial organization to be an inclusive non-fraternity group. He stated that so far no membership requirements had been made.

## Generals Keep Record Clean; Down Clemson

## Pette High Scorer in Five's Eighth Victory Of Season

Led by Captain Joe Pette, who accounted for 12 points, and Norman Iler, Washington and Lee's undefeated varsity basketball team trounced Clemson last night 34-23 for its eighth consecutive victory of the season.

The game advanced the Generals still further in their undisputed leadership of the Southern conference. The team has emerged victorious in six Conference clashes in as many starts.

Three minutes of play had elapsed before Wes Heath dropped the ball through the rim for the first score of the evening. The Generals then went on a furious scoring spree, and were leading 16-3 with the first period a little more than half over.

At this point Clemson staged a counter rally and brought the score up to 16-12. Pette sunk a field goal as the half ended 18-12 in the Generals' favor.

During the second period Washington and Lee was never seriously threatened as the scoring continued at an even pace. Coach Cy Young made numerous substitutions as Ellis, Young, Woodward, and Tomlin entered the line-up.

Spessard chalked p nine points, Iler six, Heath four, and Carson three to complete the Big Blue's scoring. Pennington was high



## GENERAL GOSSIP

By ZACH KRAMER

### Does Tradition Hold?—Al Martin Is Living a Diversified Life—Washington and Lee's Wrestling Team Crippled by Ineligibilities

While going around beating every opponent has its good points, I'm too superstitious not to believe that it has its evils too. Back in the 30's when Captain Dick Smith coached the varsity basketball team and George W. Lowry's brother, Leigh Williams, Hanna, Cox, and Wood were the big guns, the Big Blue had unusually successful teams. In fact in 1931 the only game they lost was a 31-30 thriller to the University of Kentucky. The Generals twice went into the Southern Conference basketball tournament—there were 23 teams in it in those days—seeded No. 1, and each time they were upset in the first round.

Washington and Lee became the first Virginia school to ever win a Southern Conference basketball crown when they copped the tourney in 1934. However, they went into that tournament seeded next to last, and received that place only because V. M. I.'s season record was a little worse than ours. We won the final contest over Duke 30-29 on a last second shot by Joe Pette, and got past the first round when the team rallied to overcome an eight-point deficit at half-time in the Maryland game. Our season record was less than 500 that year, having won ten games and lost eleven.

Last year the season record was a little better, but Bobby Field's frequent absences kept it from being really successful. Again we entered the tourney as the dark horse, and this time we reached the final round only to have a well balanced North Carolina quintet beat a very tired General five. Right now our basketball team is the best we've had since 1931, and some of the old-timers think it's the best ever to wear the Big Blue uniform. I hope that tradition doesn't hold, for it would be a shame if we didn't make a good showing at this tournament.

Bob Spessard's fine play Tuesday night stamps him as the best center in the conference. Not only did he score ten points, but he played a whale of a defensive game, and held Connie Mac Berry to one lone point. Berry is the scoring leader of the conference, and to prove that his past record was no fluke, he rang up nineteen points Wednesday against V. M. I. Joe Pette hasn't regained his old time form as yet, but his play

scorer for the Tigers with eight points, closely followed by "Tarzan" Brown and Bryce with seven each.

On Tuesday the Generals vanquished the strong Wolfpack team from North Carolina State by the same score of 34-23.

Connie Mac Berry, State's highly touted center and high scorer in the Southern conference, was held to one point by Bob Spessard, who scored ten points.

The game was featured by the fine floor work of Norm Iler and Kit Carson. Tomorrow the team will journey to Blacksburg where they will play Virginia Tech in another Conference tilt.

### North Carolina, W. & L. Mat Meet Postponed

The double-header wrestling meet between Washington and Lee and North Carolina University, varsity and freshman meet, has been indefinitely postponed.

last night shows that he is rapidly returning to all-Southern style. Up to now his defensive play and fight have made him a valuable asset, but as soon as he starts shooting them, there will be no stopping the General team.

Al Martin is having a very diversified life. In between going to school, teaching dancing and boxing, Al makes weekly jaunts over to Buena Vista where he delivers sermons. Al says that one of his most exciting fights took place in Queensboro Stadium, New York, where he met a tough Italian featherweight—Patsy LaRocco. He was fighting the semi-final bout on the Benny Leonard-Pal Silver card. This was three or four years ago when Leonard made a comeback only to be knocked out by Jimmy McLarnin at the Polo Grounds two or three months later.

Anyhow, the dressing rooms are pretty close together at this stadium, separated only by wooden partitions. All during the time Martin was waiting to fight, LaRocco kept punching the wall. Finally the fight started, and the fans, bored at watching three or four tame bouts, were out for blood. Early in the first round, LaRocco hooked a long left, and half punched-half shoved Martin through the ropes into the laps of the ringsiders. Somehow or other Martin got back into the ring, and caught on to the left. Al won a decisive decision, knocking down LaRocco three times before the fight was over. The biggest thrill Al received though, was to walk out of the dressing room and find newspapers selling papers, telling the results of the night's fights, and calling his the best on the program.

It will be a crippled varsity wrestling team that will meet North Carolina tomorrow, for ineligibilities have hit the squad hard. The loss of George Lowry and Frank Crew was unexpected, and Mathis will have to change his whole line-up. Evans will wrestle 118 and Basile 135 against the Tar Heels, and although they won their bouts against V. P. I., they will be meeting keener competition. Ed Seitz has returned to the team and should bolster it in the heavier weights.

it was learned this afternoon, because of the snow.

North Carolina was inundated by the greatest snow storm they have had in years. Officials at N. C. U. claimed that they could not get to the gymnasium due to the depth of the snow, and that the roads were in extremely bad condition.

### Announcement Delayed

Honor Roll and Dean's List names will not be available until early next week, it was announced today by Registrar Mattingly. Due to the illness of Professor Flournoy, approximately fifty of the freshman English grades have not yet been turned in.

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## I-M Basketball Tourney Begins Monday Night

Lambda Chi's, Phi Gams Meet in Opening Game

SEVERAL TEAMS START PRACTICE

### Scorpions, Mystery Team, Enter Tourney; To Play Z. B. T.'s

Competition in intramural athletics will be ushered in by basketball this semester, the first rounds of elimination beginning Monday night.

The Lambda Chi's are slated to meet the Phi Gams in the curtain-raiser at 7:15 Monday night, the Phi Delta Thetas tie up with the Touring Tigers at 8:15 and the Kappa Sigs take on the Phi Psis in the nightcap.

Practice has already begun with the fraternity quintets, and several of the teams are already offering threats to contenders. The Scorpion, a new aggregation which seems to be more or less enshrouded in mystery, will play the Z. B. T.'s in their initial contest, while the winners of that tilt meet the Sig Eps. Other first-round matches will be played between the Betas and the K. A.'s, the Pi K. A.'s and the S. A. E.'s, the Deltas and the D. U.'s, the P. E. P.'s and the Pi Phi's, the Phi Kappa Sigs and the A. T. O.'s, and the Sigma Chi's and the Sigma Nu's.

## Frosh Courtmen Lick Greenbrier

With Bill Borries scoring 19 points the Washington and Lee frosh basketball team rode to victory over Greenbrier Military Academy Tuesday night by a score of 41 to 35.

At one time in the first half the Brigadiers were trailing 15 to 9, but a spurt in the second quarter brought the score at the half to 25-21.

Late in the game three Washington and Lee men, Borries, Brown, and Wiley, were put out on personal fouls while the Cadets lost only one man by personals.

While Borries led the scoring, Bob Dodderage, forward, was second with nine points to his credit. This boy, although a scrub until the Virginia game, has become one of the outstanding members of the squad.

The line-up: W. and L. Greenbrier Wiley, F. Staten Crane, F. Linsay Borries, C. Fleming Brown, G. Coleman Foster, G. Weitzel

## Intramural Handball Tourney Continues

Nineteen contestants have been eliminated as nearly all of the first-round matches have been played in the intramural handball tournament which has been marred in the early matches by excessive defaults.

The S. A. E.'s, according to the latest results of the contests, have accounted well for themselves in the past few days, eleven of their participants winning in matches. Only three of their players were eliminated in the recent games.

Two eliminations were made in the second rounds of the handball tournament. Price, Delt, won over Byrn, Pi. K. A., while Prugh, Tiger, defeated Sechler, Beta.

Latest results in this branch of intramural athletics are as follows: Hiers, Sigma Chi, won over Carson, A. T. O. (default); Davidson, Beta, won over Kingsbury, Delt; M. Kaplan, P. E. P., over Gilmore, Phi Psi; Kerkow, S. A. E., over Schuhle, P. K. A.; Cashman, S. A. E., over Walker, Phi Delt (default); Handley, S. P. E., over White, Sigma Chi; Bernard, Independent, over Shook, Delt (default); Epstein, P. E. P., over Doane, Pi Phi; Edwards, Beta, over Roth, Sigma Chi; Bow, Phi Psi, over Runge, K. A.; Stuart, Phi Delt, over Moses, Beta; L. Kaplan, Z. B. T., over Steelman, Delt (default); Reid, S. P. E., over Rimmel, Sigma Chi (default); Craig, Phi Psi, over Wallace, Beta (default); Sproul, Phi Gam, over Metcalf, S. A. E. (default); Jacobs, P. E. P., over Rogers, K. A.; Read, S. A. E., over Owings, Lambda Chi (default).

Baker, S. A. E., over Wickham, Beta; Funk, Delt, over Jones, Kappa Sig (default); Watkins, K. A., over Fenner, D. U.; Lustbader, Z. B. T., over Lane, Phi Delt; Robinson, S. A. E., over Ruth, Sigma Chi; Young, Phi Psi, over Macey, Phi Gam; Roth, P. E. P., over Edwards, K. A. (default); Cover, S. A. E., over Gooch, Pi K. A. (default); Rothers, Phi Kappa Sig, over Gerber, Delt (forfeit); Sample, S. A. E., over McKenzie, K. A. (default); McBee, A. T. O., over McDonald, Pi K. A.; Berry, Beta, over Wagner, Delt (default); Ernst, S. A. E., over Guthrie, Phi Kappa Sigs; Miller, Phi Delt, over Garber, P. E. P.; Sudduth, S. A. E., over Newell, Sigma Chi (default); Clendenning, K. A., over Heath, Delt (default); Henofer, Phi Psi, over Sullenberger, Pi Phi; Stille, Phi Gam, over Fishback, S. A. E.; Clarke, Delt, over Steinberg, P. E. P.; Frank, Z. B. T., over Stoops, A. T. O. (default); White, Sigma Chi, over Swan, S. A. E.; Johnson, D. U., over Carpenter, Delt; Plowden, Phi Delt, over Earley, S. P. E. (default).

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points accumulated in five games. In no game has he scored less than 12 points and his average for the five contests is 14 points per game.

Second in scoring is Jim Lindsey, who has 27 points; he is closely followed by Foster with 24. Crane has 19 points; Wiley 14; Dodderage 11; and Allen and Howard both have one point each.

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# BETWEEN SHEETS

By BILL HUDGINS

The University of Virginia expects to give a football banquet in the near future for prep school stars from all parts of Virginia. The purpose of the banquet is to interest the outstanding preparatory school gridders in the state colleges.

The idea is an excellent one when we look back over the athletic records of Virginia prep schools and find such men as Hitchcock, the great Staunton Military Academy athlete, and Yale's former captain, Bob Lassiter, who attended Woodberry Forest, leaving the state.

Last Friday night the Student Union in Charlottesville sponsored a dance. The proceeds of the affair will be used to defray expenses at the banquet. Bruce Hanger's orchestra furnished the music and a sextet from the Sweet Briar Glee Club rendered the same ballad about the Minks and Wahos that was given last fall at the senior show at Sweet Briar.

Several weeks ago a similar banquet was given in Charlottesville for high school football players. Washington and Lee's coach, Tex Tilson, and Captain-elect Duane Berry attended the banquet.

Graduate courses in automobile traffic control will be offered by Harvard next year. . . . Seventy-three nationalities are represented by students at Boston university. . . . Stanford university regulations keep the nearest bar five miles from student beer-drinkers.

Amateur hockey and college basketball are increasing in popularity at Madison Square Garden. . . . Only once in thirty years has the Princeton co-operative store failed to pay a ten per cent dividend. . . . One hundred and twelve University of Wisconsin students were sent to the infirmary by frost bites during a recent cold wave.

We wish to correct the statement made in this column Tuesday that the former president of Washington and Lee, Dr. George H. Denny, now president of Alabama, was the only alumnus ever to become president of this school. The box at the top of the front page also made a mistake Tuesday in stating that Dr. William L. Wilson was the only alumnus to attain this distinction. Dr. Wilson, although never a student here, was in President Cleveland's cabinet before becoming president of the University.

After a search in the alumni records, we find that both statements were wrong, and that Dr. Henry Ruffner, president of Washington College from 1836 until 1848, was really the only alumnus of this institution to later become president. Incidentally, Dr. Ruffner entered Washington College in 1812 and received his degree in one and a half years. He also taught in the Lexington grammar school while working on his degree.

## Petroleum Authority To Address Students

Dr. Gustav Egloff, of the Universal Oil Products company, world-renowned authority on petroleum, will speak here next Thursday night under the auspices of the chemistry department. It was announced today by Dr. James L. Howe, head of the department. His subject will be "Recent Petroleum Developments." The students of Washington and Lee and V. M. I. are invited to attend the lecture, which will be held in the Geology lecture room at 8:30 p. m.

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## Officials Vote On Graham Plan

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some of the proposals of the six other college presidents. The Duke Chronicle in an editorial Tuesday roundly condemned the plan.

**N. C. Faculty Upholds Graham**  
Dr. Graham, originator of the resolutions, who has been bitterly attacked by several North Carolina alumni groups for endorsing the plan, was upheld by a vote of the faculty yesterday, 80-40. He had previously received the endorsement of the student council of the University in his actions.

Dr. L. T. Baker, president of the University of South Carolina, in answer to an Associated Press query, said that he "was unprepared at this time" to give the institution's stand on the Graham proposals, declaring that the delegation, like that of Clemson, will probably go "uninstructed."

Maryland's athletic board unanimously voted yesterday to support the plan, it was learned. Declared Dr. L. B. Broughton, chairman:

"If we were doing things in connection with our athletics that would not stand the light of publicity, then we probably would fight the Graham plan. But, as we have nothing to conceal, and because we want to keep our athletics completely above-board, we shall support it."

By an overwhelming vote, 150-6, the faculty of North Carolina State went on record in favor of the president's proposals.

### Campus Comment

(Continued from page two)  
in for 'awes in a big way. Judging from the riding boots that made their appearance during the snow today, there are plenty of equestrians around. Are foxes indigenous to Rockbridge?

What would you think of having Groucho Marx succeed Bungalolo as the reason d'etre of the April Fool issue? Rumors seem to persist that the theme for next year's Fancy Dress will be the Triumphal Entry of the Marx Brothers into Richmond. Think of the free publicity that Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer would give us. But wonder if any girl would be willing to be Mrs. Claypool in the figure?

**Short Shots . . .**  
Collier's magazine, in last week's

issue, mentioned Washington and Lee as having one of the outstanding basketball teams in the South. . . . There seems to be an undercurrent movement afoot to run Shooko Marx for president of next year's Fancy Dress, when he returns from his faculty-imposed one-month vacation. . . . all of which would be very ironical in view of the fact that the student executive committee has just banned him from all dances for the rest of his college career, except Finals in his senior year. . . . The two front-page snoopers who did the Hell Week expose in this issue are stealing our stuff with their big-time key-hole peeping. . . . it's good stuff, though, so keep it up, lads. . . . Wonder how the basketball tossers feel about those flash bulbs glaring in their faces every time they try to make a couple of points? . . . whoever does that stuff ought to have some good pictures of last night's game. . . . We still think that the idea of placing the entire staging of the Fancy Dress ball in the hands of a theatrical promoter is a good one for the Dance Board to consider. . . . Wonder who's going to lift the presses when they move the University print shop this summer? . . .

**Famous Last Words:**  
"Now look, fellows, why not let us freshmen run a Hell Week for you old men?"

In the French Foreign Legion the madness is known as "La Cafard"; on a desert island it is known as thirst; on moonlit nights it is known as moon madness—there are hundreds of phobias—there are hundreds of names for them. At midnight in a blizzard and right here in Lexington—there is no name for it.

Two unidentified freshmen were seen last night at midnight, believe it or not, dancing in their shorts in the teeth of a howling blizzard.

A close check at local hospitals today failed to reveal any new pneumonia patients.

One of our acquaintances has been dining regularly at a local eatery, and though he has been consistently gaining weight, the lad today is disconsolate.

It seems that he is cursed with a very sensitive appetite, which was ruined by a witty friend. Anyway, and we hope your appetites are less sensitive, here's what happened.

This friend of ours, in a moment of weakness, ordered a plate of hash for dinner one day during

exams. While gently masticating a dainty morsel, he became aware, quite by accident, of some resilient object which was quite foreign to hash. With gentlemanly grace, he extracted it from his gums and held it up to the light. Lo and behold! It seemed just like a piece of rubber.

"It seems just like a piece of rubber," remarked our friend, whereupon his dining companion cutely remarked:

"A piece of rubber in a plate of hash, eh? Ho, ho, you know, my friend, that quite definitely proves that the automobile is universally replacing the horse."

One of our local photographers was visibly embarrassed last night when he was forced to disappoint a large audience that had gathered to watch him snap a few pictures of the basketball game. It seems his flashlight failed to go off. More to his credit, though,

when he finally arranged the paraphernalia, he managed to photograph every man on the team and succeeded in scaring some of them no end.

It seems that all you guys on the dean's list and honor roll will have to wait with baited breath until next issue to see your name in print. The little matter of a faculty member's being sick has prevented the registrar from completing the list of those with dean's list grades. The Ring-tum Phi, therefore, begs to report that it will publish the list of honor roll and dean's list students in the very next issue. Off the press Tuesday.

President Francis P. Gaines, accompanied by Mrs. Gaines, will leave tomorrow for a vacation trip to California, planning to spend a week in Los Angeles. Dr. Gaines will address alumni at Houston and San Antonio.

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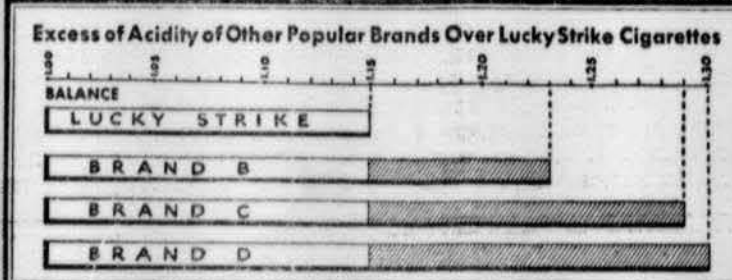
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