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Big Clique Comes through as Expected in Election; Weber Wins; Fate of Amendment Remains in Doubt

Two years ago the voters got beer, last year cigars, this year —?????

Hit by Dickman In Tenth Gives Big Blue Victory Over Tarheels

Late Rallies of North Carolina Force Game To Extra Inning

PETTE HITS HOMER IN THIRD FRAME

Generals Connect For 13 Hits in Slugging Contest

Emmy Dickman's terrific drive to right field scored Chip Jones with the winning run in the tenth inning of the game with North Carolina played today on Wilson field.

The Tarheels' late rallies off the pitching of Dickman forced the game into extra innings. North Carolina scored three runs in the eighth and then with two out and two strikes on the batter another rally was started in the ninth when Moore dropped the third strike and the Tarheel reached first. The next man up got a hit and then Lambert drove out one of the longest homers ever seen on Wilson field to tie up the game.

The Generals failed to score in their half of the ninth inning and the game went into extra innings. In the tenth Dickman pulled the game out of the fire. Going into the eighth inning the Big Blue had an 8-2 lead and had been ahead from the first inning when Cox had tripped to bring in the first run.

Joe Pette hit a home run in the third inning with one man on. Breckenridge also connected for a long hit when he smacked a three base hit in the sixth.

Thirteen hits were collected during the contest by the Generals. All the members of the team connected for at least one hit with the exception of Moore.

Copy of Map Given to W-L

Work of R. E. Lee While Lieutenant in U. S. Army

A photostatic copy of an old map made by Robert E. Lee in 1837, when he was a lieutenant of engineers in the U. S. Army, has been presented to the University by H. G. McCormick, a native of Rockbridge county.

Mr. McCormick is now senior consulting engineer of the Federal improvement projects on the upper Mississippi. Lee's map was included in a group of plans and specifications which McCormick sent to Greenlee Letcher of Lexington, copies of which are to be sent to the engineering departments of Washington and Lee and V. M. I.

General Lee's work here is the basis of the present development, according to McCormick. He also stated that the work of Lee and the present plans represent a high degree of excellence in this work and have been used as reference by numerous engineering schools in the country.

Dr. Shannon Silent On Criticism of Course

Dr. Edgar F. Shannon, head of the English department, refused to comment on the letter which was published in the last issue of the Ring-tum Phi, criticizing the sophomore English course.

The letter, which is reported to have received considerable attention from students, branded the present method of instruction in the second year English course as "archaic and backward."

Staff Works on Extra; Crowds Hunt Moore

University Assembly
There will be a compulsory University assembly Thursday morning, April 23, at 11:30. The president will make his annual statement to the student body on the condition and the outlook of the University. The regular schedule of recitations of an assembly day will be carried out, the classes meeting as follows:
8:30 to 9:15
9:15 to 10:00
10:00 to 10:45
10:45 to 11:30
11:30 to 12:30—Assembly
1:30 to 2:30
2:30 to 3:30
Robert H. Tucker, Dean

Sloan Appoints Editorial Staff Of 1936 Calyx

Hudgins Is Named Managing Editor; Anderson, Karraker Associates

Herbert E. (Doc) Sloan, editor of the Calyx, announced the members of the editorial staff of the year book today. William Hudgins was named as managing editor, and C. W. Karraker, Jr., and B. L. Anderson, associate editors.

K. G. MacDonald, J. S. Haselden, Jr., and H. Z. Kramer were chosen assistant editors; C. A. Sweet, Jr., contributing editor; J. H. Sherman, university editor; C. F. Clarke, Jr., athletic editor, and B. H. Dillon, Jr., photographic editor.

The editorial associates selected include: H. Baltuch, E. A. Basse, Jr., E. C. Bryant, R. M. Duncan, R. C. Esten, P. Fisch, J. F. Ganong, J. L. Hancock, R. P. Ingram, Jr., R. M. Jeter, J. A. Livingston, R. P. Ogden, W. P. Reeves, Jr., A. T. Snyder, H. R. Stephenson, Jr., A. H. Turpin, Jr., S. Ulfelder, T. W. Bradley, A. W. Blain, and E. W. Heatwole.

Riegel Will Address Social Science Group In Lynchburg Friday

"Propaganda Versus Intelligence in Social Planning" will be the subject of Professor O. W. Riegel's talk to the Tenth Annual session of the Virginia Social Science Association, to be held in Lynchburg April 24 and 25.

The convention, various meetings of which will be held at Randolph-Macon Women's College, Sweet Briar College and Lynchburg College, will be attended by Dr. Bean, Dr. Tucker, and Prof. Latture of the Washington and Lee Social Science department.

Prof. Latture is a member of the Association executive committee, while Dr. Bean will be in charge of the morning sociology session to be held at Randolph-Macon on Friday, April 24.

At the public meeting Friday evening, Albion G. Taylor of William and Mary, president of the Association, and Mr. Robert West, president of the Riverside and Dan River cotton mills, will address the convention.

Dormitory Councilors

Written applications for positions as Dormitory Councilors for next year should be handed in at the Registrar's office not later than Monday, April 27, 1936. Preference will be given to third or fourth year men next year.

Ring-tum Phi Meeting

There will be an important meeting of the editorial staff of The Ring-tum Phi at 3:30 tomorrow.

Snatch Story Stirs Students Today After Stirring Staff Last Night

Don Moore, defeated candidate for the editorship of The Ring-tum Phi, was sleeping soundly this afternoon, completely fatigued by what he described as an abduction Friday night, believed in many circles to have been a student prank.

Moore, leaving the house of a friend late Sunday night, says he was accosted by a man in a car, who called him over to the automobile. Telling Moore that another man in the car was injured, he asked the way to the hospital, but Moore reports that when he got in the car to take them there, they drove off with him, telling him that he would not be injured, but that he would not be allowed to return to Lexington until after a day or so. The two men were described as being evidently rustic, but quite good-natured.

Taken Blindfolded

Continuing with his story, Moore related that he was taken blindfolded to a house somewhere between Natural Bridge and Roanoke, and detained there until Monday night, when he was released on a street in Roanoke. Without any overcoat and still carrying his books that he had Sunday night, he immediately telephoned The Ring-tum Phi (reversing charges since he had no funds) and gave the story to the editor. Then he got on the bus for Lexington.

When the story came across the wire, a skeleton staff was immediately assembled to put out an extra. However, it was thought best to hold the edition until Moore arrived so that additional facts could be obtained.

Arriving at the bus station at 11:50 last night, a few minutes before crowds of interested students and faculty members arrived, he was spirited away from the station by a Ring-tum Phi reporter, who interviewed him and obtained additional facts. The crowd waited patiently but futilely at the station, unmindful for some time of the fact that the bus had already come in and that the object of their interest was at that moment being interviewed in a house not a hundred yards from where they were waiting.

Decide Not to Have Extra

At The Ring-tum Phi office, stories on the affair were being written, but at about two-thirty this morning a tired and small staff decided that there were not enough facts to justify an extra.

Moore had not been to classes Monday morning and he was missed by members of The Ring-tum Phi staff in the afternoon when he failed to make his usual appearance at the office. Calling the house where he lives, it was discovered that he had not been home Sunday night. The first news that anything was amiss, though, came when Col. C. N. Feamster of 302 Jackson avenue, at whose home Moore lives, called Parke Rouse, editor of The Ring-tum Phi, and told him that he had received an anonymous telephone call that should be of interest to him. Col. Feamster said that a man had called him early yesterday afternoon with the news that Moore would not be back in Lexington for a day or so, and that he would not be injured.

No further developments were made until about ten o'clock last night when The Ring-tum Phi received the long distance call from Moore in Roanoke.

Dovell to Speak at VMI

Ashton Dovell, the speaker of the Virginia House of Delegates, will make the graduation address to the senior class at V. M. I. this year, it was announced by General John A. Lejeune. The address will be given on June 17.

Plans for Strike Against War Are Given up After Enthusiasm Lags

Faculty Committee Drops Proposal for Peace Demonstration

MOVEMENT WINS SLIGHT APPROVAL

University to Play No Part In Nation-wide Observance

Lack of student interest was cited by the executive committee of the faculty yesterday afternoon as the reason for abandoning plans for a proposed peace 'strike' scheduled to be held tomorrow. Although the International Relations club and the Christian council had decided to sponsor the demonstration, students failed to show sufficient interest in the movement to warrant continuation of the plans, Dr. Robert H. Tucker, dean of the University, said this afternoon.

Demonstrations against war will be conducted by 500,000 students in 500 American colleges and schools at 11:00 o'clock tomorrow morning. The strike is sponsored nationally by the American Student Union, collegiate peace organization.

Last week Mr. Francis Franklin, representative of the Student Union, spoke before the International Relations club and the student executive committee in an attempt to organize the local strike. The executive committee expressed its approval of the demonstration, but final action on the plans awaited the meeting of the faculty executive committee yesterday afternoon.

Previous to yesterday's meeting, members of the faculty had declared that the demonstration would be held if a sufficient number of students showed interest in the strike.

The Interfraternity Council last Thursday voted unanimously against the demonstration, and only one fraternity gave its support to the plan.

Last fall a similar strike was held on the campus, a special anti-war assembly being held in the chapel at that time.

Thursday Marks End Of Sale of Finals Invitations

The sale of Finals invitations will end Thursday, Frank Price president of Finals, said this afternoon. All seniors are urged to place orders for the invitations immediately.

These are the only formal invitations for Finals. Price pointed out. In the form of a 24-page booklet, each invitation includes the names of all members of the graduating class and numerous pictures of the campus.

The invitations may be ordered through Russ Doane, H. D. McNew, or Charles Wilkerson.

Dr. Gaines Will Not Give Series of Bible Lectures

Dr. Francis Pendleton Gaines will not deliver the series of bible lectures planned for this month, it was announced yesterday. Dr. Gaines explained that owing to the large amount of work this spring, he would be unable to devote the necessary time to prepare the lectures.

Due to the cancellation of the lectures, the Christian Council will present no program for the month of April. The council is, however, planning to bring a speaker to the campus sometime during the month of May. Negotiations have not yet been completed, but the speaker will be some prominent man of affairs.

As Was Expected

Candidate	Number of Votes
President of the Student Body	
FLETCHER MAYNARD	453
Vice-President of the Student Body	
ROSS CROM	451
Secretary-Treasurer of the Student Body	
JOE TAYLOR	475
Editor of the Calyx	
BILL HUDGINS	462
Business Manager of the Calyx	
JACK SIMMONS	463
Editor of The Ring-tum Phi	
LATHAM WEBER	383
DON R. MOORE	116
Business Manager of The Ring-tum Phi	
ERNEST BARRETT	461
Editor of The Southern Collegian	
COWL RIDER	463
Business Manager of The Southern Collegian	
KING JONES	466
President of Fancy Dress	
NORMAN ILLER	476
President of Finals	
GEORGE GILLELAND	450
President of Athletic Council	
ROBERT SPESSARD	475
Vice-President of Athletic Council	
FIELDEN WOODWARD	472
Secretary-Treasurer of the Athletic Council	
EMERSON DICKMAN	471
Members-at-Large of Athletic Council	
PRESTON MOORE	457
FRANK FRAZIER	448
FOR PROPOSED AMENDMENT	234
AGAINST PROPOSED AMENDMENT	200

Gaines Appeals For Students

Makes Annual Request For Names of Prospective W. & L. Men

Dr. Francis Pendleton Gaines, president of the University, addressed his annual appeal for new students to the student body today. The president's letter follows:

"For several years members of the Washington and Lee student body have during the spring months suggested the names of prospective students for the next academic session.

"I regard this service not only as generous, but also as extremely important. There could be no better way of maintaining high standards of personality in our student membership than this plan by which the boys already here nominate, as it were, their fellows or campus successors.

"Last year we were fortunate in having an unprecedented number of applications. But it makes no difference how many of these applications come in from other sources; the attitude and the active interest of our present students remain of vital significance in the effort to make the process of selection have the best meaning.

"The administration will receive gratefully suggestions from any student as to young men who ought to be interested in coming here next year.

"Francis P. Gaines"

W-L Alumnus to Direct Broadcast of "Macbeth"

Edward Harris, a Washington and Lee alumnus, will direct a half hour broadcast of the dramatization of "Macbeth" over the National Broadcasting Company network on Thursday at 12:30 p. m. In addition to the presentation of the play there will be several short biographical sketches of William Shakespeare by authoritative speakers.

The English department has completed arrangements for the installation of a radio in the Chemistry building for the convenience of students who care to listen to the program.

ODK Is Happy, Cheerleader Is Gone at Last

Cheerleader, cheerleader, where is the cheerleader, was the cry today as students discovered that the ballots in the general election were cheerleaderless.

Upon learning of the situation, The Ring-tum Phi hurriedly dispatched a reporter to learn the reason for overlooking the job in the election. The reason is, apparently, that everyone forgot about the office and no one remembered to run. No nominations were filed, no one said they wanted the position, so the office was left off the ballot.

Rene Tallichet, retiring cheerleader, announced this afternoon that he didn't run for the office because "he didn't want it." Furthermore he stated that he had nothing to say about the lack of candidates. More investigation disclosed the fact that no one else had anything to say about it either.

An attempt to learn what will be done about the office that nobody wants was fruitless, such a situation being apparently unparalleled in university history. From all appearances it would seem that the O. D. K. will have its way, and that "the office of cheerleader must go!"

Debate Cup Won Again By Washington Society

Last night, for the second consecutive year, the Washington Literary Society defeated the Graham-Lee for the intersociety debating cup. To win the cup, one of the societies must win two out of three debates. Last year the Washington Society did not lose a contest, and this is the second straight victory this year. If they win the oratorical contest in late May, the Washington Literary society will not have lost a single intersociety match.

The winning speakers last night were: W. Ritz, S. Johnson, and W. Jenks. The speakers for Graham-Lee were F. Bartenstein, O. Gluyas, W. Reeves, Professors F. J. Barnes and F. Lund were the judges, and H. Avery was chairman.

Iller Receives Most Votes In Balloting

Executive Committee to Decide Whether Change Passed or Not

CAMPAIGN REPORTED QUIETEST IN YEARS

499 Cast Ballots — Over Two Hundred Fail To Vote

Latham Weber, Phi Kappa Sigma, defeated Don Moore, non-fraternity, 383-116, for the editorship of The Ring-tum Phi, the only contested office in the general elections held here today, to give the Big Clique a clean sweep in the elections this year.

The fate of the proposed amendment to the constitution to give wider suffrage in future elections was unknown when The Ring-tum Phi went to press tonight because of the discovery of a clause in the Constitution of the Student Body which may change the decision announced this afternoon that the amendment had passed.

Although election officials declared that the proposed amendment to the constitution for extension of the suffrage had been ratified, 234-200, a Ring-tum Phi reporter, consulting the constitution, found that an amendment "proposed by the Executive Committee . . . must receive a majority vote of the membership of the student body for its adoption."

"350 Majority May Be Needed
A majority of the membership of the student body" should be over 350.

According to Article III of the constitution, "all regularly matriculated student at Washington and Lee University, as determined by the Registrar, shall become members of the Student Body Organization upon the payment of the Student Body Fee as provided for in Article IV of this Constitution." Although exact figures could not be obtained, it is estimated that over 700 students have paid the campus tax, thereby becoming "members of the Student Body Organization." A majority of this number would be over 350.

Amos Bolen, president of the student body, declared, when questioned about the matter, that "it's a question of interpretation," and that the Executive Committee will meet tonight to consider the matter.

Norman Iler, Alpha Tau Omega, candidate for president of Fancy Dress, received more votes than any other candidate, getting 476 of 499 cast in the election. Joe Taylor, non-fraternity, candidate for secretary-treasurer of the student body, and Bob Speasard, Kappa Sigma, running for president of the Athletic council, were second with 475 votes each.

Only 499 votes were cast in today's election compared with 561 which were cast last year. The campaign has been called by observers one of the quietest held in years. Very little campaigning was done except for mere announcement by the candidates that they were running for office. Over 200 campus tax payers did not vote in the election, so little was the interest shown.

The Amendment

The amendment which was voted on today follows:
"1. The Membership Fee in the Student Body Organization shall be \$1.00 for the University year, and must be paid on or before the second Wednesday in February of such year.

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OUR CAMPUS AUTOCRACY— STRONGER THAN EVER

The political fireworks have all been shot—what fireworks there were to shoot—and the Big Clique slate has been elected intact, with only one office contested. It is a good lineup, and we concede that almost every man on it is well-chosen. But the fact remains that the election was hopelessly lopsided and undemocratic from the start and is a fatal commentary on the ideals and the intelligence of Washington and Lee students.

This sentiment has been voiced so many times in *The Ring-tum Phi* that we have hesitated to proclaim it again, when there seemed so many other issues that *The Ring-tum Phi* could fruitfully support. But now that new student government officers have been chosen there is opportunity for such improvement. For if the new officers want to continue the progressive administration of the present Executive Committee, the logical field for their work is student political reform.

The Ring-tum Phi all this year has sought to obtain information on the Amherst plan, a system of interfraternity control to prevent political alliances, used successfully at Amherst College. We suggest that the new student administration try to obtain full information about the plan, with a view to putting it into effect next year.

For despite the strong sentiment of the faculty and a disorganized majority of the student body, many of them disfranchised, campus democracy cannot be achieved without the active leadership of the student government. That leadership next year's Executive Committee should be prepared to exert.

A far more permanent injury than the personal injustice it creates is the point of view which our campus autocracy instills in its supporters. It thwarts the very instincts which go to make public-spirited, social-conscious citizens of Washington and Lee graduates. It creates political opportunities and machine politicians instead of honest and upright public officials. It subverts the very democracy which George Washington helped to establish, and the sense of personal integrity which Robert E. Lee set as an example for students of the University.

A DORMITORY FOR UPPERCLASSMEN

Although this seems hardly an appropriate time to bring up the question of more new buildings, when the entire rear campus is covered with repairs for present ones, we can't help but suggest that the most important thing that Washington and Lee needs now, more important than another classroom building or a student auditorium, is an adequate dormitory for upperclassmen.

The spirit of comradeship and camaraderie which only the close associations of fraternity or dormitory life can bring about are unfortunately missing from the life of the Washington and Lee non-fraternity man after his freshman year. It is only too easy for such a boy to lose the contacts of his freshman year and become drapped up in himself. Washington and Lee, as it is today, presents among its student body the two extremes of extraversion and introversion. It is not that these attitudes are optional with the students, but the fraternity system forces them one way or the other, almost relentlessly. Either fraternities should be reduced until membership in one is no longer a near necessity for even the most perfunctory social life outside of classes, or some means should be provided for those boys, growing in number, who are not fraternity members. There is too much good in the fraternity ideal to lose, an ideal which is preserved in the house plans of schools like Princeton and Yale where fraternities no longer exist, or are fast dying. Washington and Lee cannot afford to do away with fraternities, but for the benefit of its non-fraternity men, it should have a decent dorm for upperclassmen. The new Student Union building will provide a step in the right direction toward bettering their status—the next logical step is a dorm for them.

STUDENT ANTI-WAR STRIKES ARE GOOD PROPAGANDA

Insidious propaganda, rather than any real cause for war between the United States and the Central Powers, pushed us into the great catastrophe of 1914-1918. The same interested agencies which circulated propaganda just before the last war are busy today. The grave danger which their activities constitute to the young men of the country makes it imperative that they make some effort to save themselves.

The student peace strike has been demonstrated to be an effective method to crystallize the anti-war sentiment which is becoming more and more pronounced among the 'future veterans.' It serves to bring home to the executive and the legislators in Washington the wide-spread horror of war which exists among a large section of the voters. In the direct effect which it must certainly have on future national policy as expressed in the tenor of diplomatic correspondence with belligerent nations, and in the enactment of Congressional measures looking toward gigantic preparedness schemes, is the justification for calling the student strike more than a mere gesture.

Although tomorrow's strike will be the second on this campus within six months, it will be more significant than the previous one in that it will be participated in by a larger number of colleges, and will have the advantage of a nation-wide radio program. As part of a movement, rapidly gaining strength and recognition throughout the country, to agitate against the forces which would precipitate us into future wars, it deserves the enthusiastic participation of every student and professor on this campus.

THE FORUM

MISSING WHEN MOST NEEDED From the Michigan Daily

There was a time when the great of our nation were usually characterized by dignity, intelligence and a sense of humor. This was true of the period up to the Civil War, and you can check it in your history books. But it would seem like a Utopian dream to the Man from Mars were he to visit us today and study our great national leaders.

When a Princeton junior named Lewis Gorin, Jr., started a movement known as the Veterans of Future Wars, he had no idea that he had given birth to the "greatest publicity stunt since the World War." He started the movement as sheer burlesque and he is now astonished and bewildered by the reaction which it has caused among men of national importance.

In regard to the Ladies' Auxiliary of Future Veterans, Joe E. Murray, former national chaplain of the Disabled American Veterans of the World War, has said, "We would have laughed it off, but they have brought in the name of a group of women we hold sacred!"

James E. Van Zandt, commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, has said that the students were "too yellow to go to war," whereupon the future veterans replied that Mr. Van Zandt was a Red, and challenged him to debate.

At Rice Institute, Texas, a self-appointed group of strong-arm athletes attempted to prevent the formation of a VFW chapter with a barrage of mud-balls and cries of "Communists!" They were successfully repulsed.

In the House of Representatives at Washington Representative Fuller of Arkansas has announced that the Veterans of Future Wars is an organization "saturated with Communism, foreign influence and a total disregard of American patriotism."

All of these facts seem to indicate that the sense of humor for which Americans were once famous has gone the way of a number of other American institutions, and has left us a rather dull and barren folk. Furthermore, Mr. Van Zandt, Mrs. Burling, Dr. Fuller, et. al., are frightened, and in their hasty attempts to do something—anything—they have made themselves ridiculous, as well as the organizations they represent, by hurling such terms as "Communist" and "unpatriotic" at the Veterans of Future Wars.

Organizations which are secure in their knowledge that they are built on a foundation of impeccable ideals do not become panicky when they are burlesqued. They are able, rather to "laugh it off," and enjoy the humor of the situation. Instead, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Gold Star Mothers, call communistic an organization of American youths who have come to the realization that there is every possibility of their having to fight another war for America, and who, as any intelligent person would, are demonstrating their desire to avoid this unpleasant and unnecessary call.

That they have chosen burlesque as their medium of expression is wise, for it is the surest way of gaining attention. It may be difficult for Representative Fuller and Mr. Van Zandt to realize that true patriotism consists not of willingness to fight wars but to keep the nation out of war.

If they come to understand the purpose of the Veterans of Future Wars, they will, no doubt, blush and hang their heads in shame, or perhaps they won't, for the American sense of humor is not what it used to be.

History Reading System Defended By W & L Profs

The present system of collateral history reading will be retained at Washington and Lee, it was decided yesterday by the history department despite recent criticisms voiced in *The Ring-tum Phi*.

The subject was broached last week in the "Easy Chair" column when Cowl Rider pointed out certain inefficiencies in the system. According to Rider, the three-hour-a-week plan is unfair to those who read rapidly, the library facilities are inadequate, students frequently sleep their three hours, and careless skimming results. He concluded by suggesting that a syllabus be provided for the various courses in history.

Dr. W. G. Bean, head of the history department, when questioned for his opinion, stated that those students who could read most rapidly would benefit more than the others. He admitted that the physical conditions of the library are not very inductive to long reading, but the Honor System should prevent any student from sleeping the three hours and turning in the customary reading card.

"As to skimming over the work," added Dr. Bean, "wouldn't it be just as easy to skim over a definite number of pages, as proposed by Rider, as to skim over three hours? The ideal way to do the required reading is to budget one's time so that an hour every other day may be worked in with the regular schedule. In this way, the reading does not accumulate and is much easier."

Dr. Bean is already using a restricted form of syllabus in his advanced courses, and revealed that some modified form might be used next year in the sophomore classes; such as mimeographed sheets denoting the subject to be studied and suggesting books.

The history department, represented by Dr. Bean, Dr. L. C. Helderman, Prof. Ollinger Crenshaw, and Prof. A. W. Moger, discussed the matter in an informal meeting, and delivered the following report to *The Ring-tum Phi*:

"Collateral library reading in connection with history courses is required in all reputable institutions of learning. The department of history at Washington and Lee has no apology to make for conforming to such requirements. Constructive criticism of the methods, however, such as have recently been made in *The Ring-tum Phi*, are welcome and appreciated.

"The purpose of collateral reading is to stimulate the interest of the student in historical literature. The old notebook method is now generally regarded as obsolete in that it defeats this purpose. Departments now usually require either a specified number of pages per week or a specified number of hours. The history department at Washington and Lee requires a number of hours from a list of selected books placed on reserve, and the student is given directions for this reading in class lectures. The students' pledged report of work done is accepted by the instructor. It is the aim of the department to permit the largest measure of freedom consistent with our facilities, promptness of work, and the maturity of the student.

"The department has long been aware of the physical discomforts incident to reading in the seminar room. In the sophomore courses, however, due to the lack of duplicate copies, it is not clear how the matter could be handled otherwise. In advance courses with fewer students, the student is encouraged to visit the stacks and take books out, write book reports and term papers, and develop reading programs of his own. When the new library is completed it is hoped that facilities will be more ample and that work may be done along the line of directed reading on the student's individual initiative. It is well to remember, however, that regardless of methods or exactness of instructions, the value of collateral reading must depend largely on the individual student."

Rollins College Confers Doctorate on Roosevelt

WINTER PARK, FLA. (ACP)—In an impressive ceremony marked by praise for his past efforts, and a "pledge of our faith in the laws yet to be drafted, in State papers yet to be written," Rollins College conferred the Doctor of Literature degree upon President Roosevelt recently. Mrs. Roosevelt was also honored by the college.

Declaring that critics of his policies are invariably motivated by group interests, instead of striving for the good of the whole nation, President Roosevelt pleaded for the "good neighbor" policy.

THE EASY CHAIR

By COWL RIDER

English for the Masses

In the Friday issue of *The Ring-tum Phi* appeared a letter signed "Once a Lover of Literature" which dealt with the inadequacy and inferiority of English 103-4, or Sophomore English. The attack on the course was, in many respects, fair and just. Sophomore English, through its almost too rapid coverage of literature from Chaucer to Coward, is a difficult course to teach and probably a tougher one to learn.

Any course "... in which a lecture is given by one man, exposition by another, a quiz by another, and the same quiz is graded by still another ..." is going to be a tough course to handle. The quotation is from the letter. However, the department is faced with a problem almost all departments of the academic school have to face. You've got a hundred or so men taking the course. What are you going to do with them?

This is English for the masses with a vengeance. The assignments are carefully blocked off so that the material will be covered in the proper time; a quiz once a week keeps tabs on the boys so they won't loaf too much, and a theme once a week attempts to find if the material is sinking in and taking root. Considering that rapidly with which this culture is shoveled into a hundred different personalities, the amazing thing is that the course stands up at all.

The organization of the course might well be checked so that the different sections all have an equal chance to make good grades on the weekly quiz, since now, one professor may teach the answers to the quiz while another spends more time on the meanings or the aesthetics of the literature being studied. But since the course is so broad (and it is intended to be) there isn't much that can be done about it.

While agreeing with much the Lover of Literature said, we must question the remark about the weekly theme killing originality. Rather than killing it, it stimulates it, since when a theme is due on a particularly dry subject it takes originality to write a theme which sparkles, or whatever you want it to do. Granted that this is a hard job, usually, its very difficulty should give originality a push. It is the only place in the course where the students have a chance to be original.

Men have come into college English classes with a love for literature and have left so soured that they scarcely read at all—even detective thrillers which are often so excellent. This is often due to the meticulous heckling over this word or that to which they are subjected. A course such as the one in question, since it is so broad, has no time for quibbling over word study in detail. While to some, word study may be the gateway to appreciation, to most it is a grand waste of time.

The purpose of a course such as this seems to be the giving of a broad cultural background and presenting a great variety of material from which the student who wishes to continue English may choose some particular field of interest to him. The fact that so few men continue in English does not speak well for something. Whether it is the fault of the course or the fault of the student is hard to say.

Believing that fair criticism often brings constructive reforms, we hope that letters continue to come in which point out flaws in courses or methods of instruction. Such letters are a healthy sign and should be not only read but welcomed by the departments concerned.

Letters to the Editor

Disillusioned Female Replies

Editor of *The Ring-tum Phi*,
Dear Sir:
I really hadn't meant to cause all this current furore by my "Disillusioned Female," but it satisfies me just a little to know that a few of you "gentlemen" are indignant enough to answer my letter and even throw in one or two insinuations about us town girls, for good measure.

"Realist" was interested enough to say that he hadn't met a girl in this town who could match a boy of my requirements, and if I mentioned that he probably does not know me, Mr. Weinstein and the rest of you would mark it down as just one more case of colossal conceit and forget about it. May I explain: I don't smoke; I drink only to prevent any rumor that I am a prude (and where, dear W. & L. gentlemen, would I rate with any of you if such a rumor ever started?); I am as young as your average sophomore, and I have had two years at one of our country's leading universities; as for being clean cut, if such a term may be used in regard to my sex—my mirror testifies to that; my aestheticism is above the average W. & L. man's only, because I can see beauty in something besides a pint of Seagrams.

I'll admit lack of adroitness in my last sentence, but even if I had put it more gracefully, the meaning gleaned in the end would be equally cogent.

Just to please "Realist" and because he has put me in a position with my back against the wall, I'll modify my original advertisement and insert in place of "one who doesn't smoke or drink"—"one who smokes moderately and knows how to drink." Now, I've been as generous as my conscience will allow me to be about the matter, but I still wonder if any one of you can qualify. I didn't say I wanted a movie hero or the divinity of the intelligentsia; all I want is to regain just a little of the illusions I possessed when I came into this town. No matter where I have been, I have always heard of the merits of W. & L. gentlemen (note—no quotes around the word gentlemen), and I am afraid your impeccable reputation has placed your college on a pedestal that no one who is really human could adhere to—this much of your argument I concede.

I want to thank Mr. Editor, Mr. "Realist," and Mr. Weinstein (whom I have met) for their interest and solicitude.

I would gladly sign my name, but I'm too much of a "social" coward to be the object, personally, of any more wise cracks

heretofore directed toward town girls in general.

Won't you give in just a little bit and try to understand my point?

Meanwhile, I'll just go on being disillusioned and thinking that now that—"spring are come, hit jest hain't right."

Respectfully,
—d. f.

Defends English 103-4

Editor of *The Ring-tum Phi*,
Dear Sir:

I am not in the habit of writing letters to editors, in fact this is my initial attempt, but that little piece of last week which was published in this column concerning the course in English 103-4 is, in my opinion, a little too raw to escape notice—especially because of the effect it might create on freshmen who are contemplating the course for next year.

Probably one of the finest courses that this university has to offer; interesting, cultural, and capable of creating a taste for good literature in the minds of all but a few morons such as the author of that letter—that's my opinion of Sophomore English. It is the only sophomore course that I know of that uses the seminar method of instruction, in spite of what last week's writer stated about the anachronistic method by which it is taught. And I don't believe that my opinion is at all unique among those who have taken or are taking the course. In fact, the disgruntled author of last week's feeble effort is the first student I have yet her of who did not think that this course was one of the best in the academic school.

The purpose of this course is not, as are too many modern college subjects, simply to cram a heterogeneous smattering of elementary facts into an uninterested adolescent brain. Its aims, in the words of the head of the department, are to create an interest in English literature, a taste for good literature, and a habit of reading it—not out of compulsion—but out of pleasure. Through the weekly themes the critical faculty of the students are encouraged. Of course it isn't an easy matter for a college sophomore to criticize Shakespeare or Milton, and the results are often ludicrous and amusing for the instructors who correct them—but it is the best possible means of developing a constructive critical faculty. Why should it be easy?

It is the writer of the letter desires nothing but easy subjects, within even his intellectual scope, he should have stopped going to school two years ago.

BETWEEN SHEETS

By CHARLES CLARKE

Maybe it was just the influence of the dance week-end, but it seems to us that April 18 is a little bit late to be publishing an April Fool edition. We stopped getting most of them weeks ago from other schools, but College Topics of the University of Virginia didn't get around to issuing their annual funny sheet until last Saturday. Incidentally, the lead story was a purported investigation of the Maternity Ward of the University Hospital because of over-activity.

Progressive Education Note of the Week: "On the back of the salary checks received by the faculty at the University of Illinois appear the following directions: 'If endorsement is made by mark (X) it must be witnessed by two persons who can write, giving their place of residence.'"—From *The New Yorker*.

Voters at Emory University who go to the polls this week will have a chance of voting not only for their first choice, but for their second and third as well. This practice was begun at Emory several years ago to be used when any one candidate failed to receive a majority.

According to the Alabama Plainsman: "The difference between an old-fashioned girl and a modern dame is expressed by the difference between 'swoon' and 'pass out.'"

Another from *The Plainsman* (which carries more jokes than any other 12 papers south of the Mason-Dixon line)—"Ah, success at last," happily exclaimed the young artist as a horse-fly lit on his just-finished portrait of a jacksass.

Flash! The latest chapter of the Veterans of Future Wars has just been established at Lynchburg College.

For the benefit of those here who might be interested, the University of Alabama summer school will open on June 8 for the largest session in its history. Students desiring a nice quiet rest may get a catalog from Graves Hall, U. of Alabama; University, Alabama.

The ordinary Columbia University student is not quite 21, weighs 153, and would far rather have a Phi Beta Kappa key than an athletic award. Who wouldn't?

If you're interested in studying in France, keep your eyes on the daily papers these days. There is a committee of French and American educators now in Paris working out plans for a loan exchange for students between the two countries. At present, they are trying to make arrangements for around 1,000 such exchange fellowships.

Dr. Mandel Sherman, a Chicago psychologist, said the other day that people who bathe all the time may be suffering from a guilty conscience.

When Yale beat Harvard in a dual swimming meet a week or so ago, it was the one hundred and fifty-first successive victory in intercollegiate dual-meet competition for them. Another record for Mr. Twombly and Co. to shoot at.

When the curriculum of the modern college reaches the stage where any course that does not belong in a YMCA Business "College" is criticized as anachronistic and useless—that college has indeed reached a sorry state.

Cardinal Newman, many years ago, wrote an essay on the idea of a university. In it he exposed the evils of factual education, of schools that turn out pupils who are apprentices of many subjects and masters of none, who have learned in their higher education simply a mass of brittle, soon forgotten facts. He realized that it was in creation of a "devotion to the cultivation of the intellect—as an end in itself" that a university might best build its students the attitudes and ideals of the educated man.

This essay, far better than anything I might write, refutes the childish whinnings of such misguided souls as the one who wrote last week's letter.

Sophomore English is taught with a view toward creating that attitude which Cardinal Newman expostulated. If our criticizing fellow student has failed to catch any of the spirit through the lectures and discussions of seven months, the fault lies not with the teacher but in the amount of gray matter behind his forehead.

Sincerely,
C. F. C.

Frosh Crush Jefferson High Track Team

Harvey Stars in Half Mile As Brigadiers Win 82-35

Beating out the first quarter of a half mile in fifty-four seconds, "Flash" Harvey, Washington and Lee freshman track star, coasted home on the first lap to win the event in one minute and fifty-nine seconds during the freshman-Jefferson high school track meet held on Wilson field yesterday.

Other Blue and White athletes who were ringing up wins were John Beaire in the high jump and pole vault, Allen in the sprints, Bill Borries and Joe Ochsie in the discus and shot put, Ragon in the mile, Kately in the low hurdles, and Thurman in the quarter.

Summary Pole Vault: Won by Beaire, W-L; Frith, J, Braylor, J, Kately, W-L, and Ebner, W-L, tied for second. Height, 10 feet, six inches.

High Jump: Won by Beaire, W-L; Gilsdorf, J, second; Nicholson, W-L, third. Height, 5 feet, 7 inches.

Shot Put: Won by Ochsie, W-L; Gable, J, second; Beaire, W-L, third. Distance, 46 feet, 1 inch.

One Mile Run: Won by Ragon, W-L; Nielson, W-L, second; Pilon, J, third. Time, 4:48.5.

440-Yard Dash: Won by Harvey and Thurman, W-L; Hobson, J, third. Time, 55 seconds.

100-Yard Dash: Won by Allen, W-L; Neal, J, second; Collier, W-L, third. Time, 10.5 seconds.

120-Yard High Hurdles: Won by Via, J; Shafer, W-L, second; Ware, J, third. Time, 18.2 seconds.

Javelin: Won by McGraw, J; Humphries, J, second; Kately, W-L, third. Distance, 147 feet, 6 inches.

Discus: Won by Borries, W-L; Ochsie, W-L, second; Ring, J, third. Distance, 109 feet, 2 inches.

Broad Jump: Won by Woodson, J; Ebner, W-L, second; Nicholson, W-L, third. Distance, 20 feet, 9 inches.

Half Mile: Won by Harvey, W-L; Hillier, W-L, second; Ragon, W-L, third. Time, 1:59.9.

220-Yard Dash: Won by Allen, W-L; Collier, W-L, second; Legare, J, third. Time, 23.5 seconds.

220-Yard Low Hurdles: Won by Kately, W-L; Brooks, W-L, second; Via, J, third. Time, 28.5 seconds.

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Following the BIG BLUE

By CHARLIE WILLIAMS

The 1:59 half mile that Flash Harvey stepped off against Jefferson High deserves to rank as the outstanding performance of the year on the local cinderpath. The big freshman ran the first quarter of the half mile in exactly 54 seconds, which was faster than the time in which he had previously won the quarter-mile event. It was really a treat to watch the tall fellow breeze around that track. Give that fellow three more years and watch the records fall! Allen continued his fast traveling in the dashes yesterday too.

It's about the time of the year, now that the sun and the leaves are coming out, for the chronic complaint about the condition of the tennis courts. The inadequacy of the eight tennis courts to fill the needs of a racket-wielding student body is an acknowledged fact. Even if the courts were in good shape, which they are not, the eight are barely more than enough for the use of the varsity and freshman teams. At a conservative estimate, there are at least three hundred students who like to play tennis. Three hundred students—eight sorry courts, we don't know whose fault it is, but that's the deplorable situation that exists.

Fred Humphries, the Tarheels' ace pitcher, hails from Clifton Forge. He was the gentleman who was almost successful in getting his fellow-townsmen, Ray Craft, away from Washington and Lee. Humphries took the hard-running back down to the Carolina football camp last fall, and "once they're gone" like that, they seldom come back. Luckily for future Big Blue elevens Craft did.

Last Saturday while Duke was beating Washington and Lee, their arch-rival, North Carolina

U., was beating Virginia. This Saturday the two Carolina institutions meet in what should be the banner meet of the year. According to advance notices, North Carolina's infield is one of the smoothest in the conference.

The University of Richmond continues its winning ways. Navy is its most recent victim. William and Mary have also been going at a nice pace, but it's little Randolph-Macon who is leading the pack in Virginia. The Yellow Jackets have won eight straight, although their victory over the Generals was their only one over a large school.

Despite the size of the score against them, the performance of the Big Blue trackmen against Duke last Saturday was far from mediocre; for Duke has the best team in Southern Conference territory, and the times as a whole were the fastest recorded on the local track in many a day.

Jimmie Rogers looked mighty good as he skimmed over the high hurdles in near 15 seconds. Bob Kingsbury deserves lots of credit, too, for his brilliant exhibition in the half mile. Not so much for the good time he hung up, as for the fact that he gave literally everything he had in a driving finish to the grueling race. That's the kind of effort that wins track meets, and if the rest of the boys show the same kind of spirit, Washington and Lee won't have to worry about her track teams.

Joe Pette and Em Dickman had dinner last night at the Robber E. Lee hotel with the brother of Branch Rickey, head of the St. Louis Cardinal organization. I wonder if they could have talked about baseball!

Delts Still Top I-M Standings

Pi Kappa Phi's Second In Race; Handball Not Included

The Delta Tau Deltas lead the intramural race with the scores of the handball and horseshoes tournaments yet to be listed with a total of 130 points.

The Pi Kappa Phis are close seconds, and it is possible that the handball results may reverse the top standings. The Betas are running neck and neck with the Pi Kaps, according to the present score, but their representatives did not do so well in handball, and they may be relegated to fourth place by the S. A. E.'s who did pretty well in that sport. The Touring Tigers, last year's winners of the intramural competition, have felt the loss of Dick Dunaj and have dropped to fifth place.

Table with 2 columns: Team and Total. Lists various fraternities and their scores.

Varsity Golfers Defeat Georgetown and Boston

Although the golf team won two matches last week, Coach Cy Twombly yesterday said he was not certain who would be the fourth man on the team this year.

Both Georgetown University and Boston College were defeated during the past week. The linksmen had an easy time winning from the Massachusetts team, the final score being 18 to 0.

Led by Jimmy Watts, the golf team defeated Georgetown 12 to 6. Watts won all three points in his match and combined with Anderson to win all three points in a best ball match. Anderson defeated his man four up and three to play.

Against Georgetown, Simmons played fourth man but that po-

Duke Crushes Blue Trackmen In Fast Meet

Rogers, Kingsbury Take Only Firsts For Generals

Despite a cold northwest wind which blew across Wilson field last Saturday Washington and Lee's and Duke's track teams staged a fast meet which was won by Duke 88-38. Very creditable records were rung up in nearly every event with Mason Sheehan of Duke and Jimmy Rogers of the Generals leading the parade.

Sheehan pulled up in the 100-yard dash to finish in a dead heat with his teammate, Harold Woodward, in 9.7 seconds. Rogers, a Washington and Lee sophomore, came whining down the track a few minutes later to take the high hurdles in 15.1 seconds.

In the next event, the half mile, Bob Kingsbury of the Generals, and Kneippe and Pravitt of Duke staged a fight for first place all the way around the first lap with Kingsbury finally coming through to take the lead. Coming into the home stretch, Kingsbury and Kneippe put on a final battle with the former winning by about three yards in two minutes and three seconds.

High Jump: Won by Turner, D; Myers, D, second; Higgins, W-L, third. Height, 6 feet.

Pole Vault: Won by Teidy, D; Moore, D, and Higgins, W-L, tied for second. Height, 11 feet.

Javelin: Won by West, D; Tom Berry, W-L, second; Duane Berry, W-L, third. Distance, 195 feet, 3 inches.

Mile Run: Won by Morse, D; Davis, W-L, second; Naudin, D, third. Time, 4:45.

440-Yard Run: Won by Johnson, D; Ritter, D, second; Browning, W-L, third. Time, 51.6 seconds.

100-Yard Dash: Won by Sheehan, D, and Woodward, D; Skardha, W-L, third. Time, 9.7 seconds.

120-Yard High Hurdles: Won by Rogers, W-L; Steckel, D, second; Clark, D, third. Time, 15.1 seconds.

Half Mile: Won by Kingsbury, W-L; Kneippe, D, second; Pravitt, D, third. Time, 2:03.

Shot Put: Won by Fisher, D; Owings, W-L, second; Pickard, D, third. Distance, 44 feet, 5 1-2 inches.

Discus: Won by Clark, D; Brasher, W-L, second; Woodward, D, third. Distance, 122 feet, 1 inch.

Broad Jump: Won by Hackney, D; Gilpin, D, second; Brasher, W-L, third. Distance, 19 feet, 1 inch.

220-Yard Dash: Won by Sizemore, D; Skarda, W-L, second; Haynes, D, third. Time, 23 seconds.

Two-Mile Run: Won by Kropo,

Dickman Takes Lead In Team Batting; Cox, Iler Tied for Second

Emerson Dickman took the lead in team batting averages from his pitching mate, Joe Pette, by slugging at a .700 clip during the last three games. He has been at the plate 38 times and hit safely 16 times for a .421 average.

Layton Cox's recent batting spree put him in a tie for second place with Norman Iler. Both men had an average of .349.

Joe Pette, leader after the baseball trip, dropped from first to fourth place. His average dropped from .375 to .311.

The general team hitting has improved during the last three games.

The complete averages are:

Table with 3 columns: Player, ab, h, avg. Lists batting statistics for Dickman, Iler, Cox, Pette, Frazier, Moore, Howerton, Cochran, Jones, Tomlin, Hilsman, Breckenridge, Williams, Wilkerson.

Big Blue Netmen Beaten by Duke

Lack of Practice Big Factor in 8-1 Defeat By Devils

Duke University administered an 8-1 drubbing to the Washington and Lee tennis team on the local courts Saturday. The Generals, handicapped by lack of practice and the cold weather, were no match for the Blue Devils, who brought up a practiced, well-balanced squad.

The Big Blue dropped all of the singles matches by large scores. In the first game of the afternoon Ashby (D) whitewashed Bud Radcliffe, 0-6, 0-6. Kellmeyer (D) downed McCardell, 1-6, 6-8. Gill (D) stopped Reynolds, 2-6, 2-6. Belch (D) defeated Garber, 0-6, 0-6. Parson (D) defeated Meier, 1-6, 2-6. Wright (D) downed Kramer, 1-6, 1-6.

In the doubles, Radcliffe and McCardell came through to give the Generals their lone victory by defeating Reich and Wright, 6-8, 7-5, 6-2. Reynolds and Meier dropped to Kellmeyer and Caton of Duke in straight sets, 3-6, 7-5. Neill and Sudduth lost the final match to Ashby and Gill, 0-6, 1-6.

D; Edwards, W-L, second; McDonald, D, third. Time, 10:36. 220-Yard Low Hurdles: Won by Sizemore, D; Rogers, W-L, second; Hudgins, D, third. Time, 25.8 seconds.

Generals Down Virginia Team

Rally in Eighth Gives Big Blue First Conference Win

A two-run rally in the eighth gave the Generals their first Southern Conference victory over the University of Virginia, 5-3, Saturday afternoon at Labreth field. Several hundred Virginia fans braved the cold weather to witness the game.

Timely hitting coupled with two successful squeeze plays turned the tide in W. and L.'s favor. Captain Joe Pette hurled masterful ball to hang up his fourth victory of the season.

Both Eddie Howerton and starting lineup, refuting rumors that injuries would keep them out of the game. Indications are that both are back in shape.

Generals Score First

Washington and Lee was first to score. Norman Iler, first man up, beat out a bunt along the third base line, stole second and Cox's bunt.

Male stole home to even the score up in the last of the first. Male singled, went to second on Poindexter's sacrifice, took third on Todd's infield out, and then stole home.

The Generals forged ahead in the first of the third on two hits. Norm Iler lined out a single and stole second. Layton Cox's timely single brought Iler in.

Wahoos Tie Score

The Wahoos put the game on even terms in the last of the third. Todd was hit by a pitched ball and then stole second. Bouldin lined out a single, Todd scoring on the play.

A double and a single put Virginia back in the lead in the fifth. Male drove out a hit to right. Poindexter sacrificed. Todd doubled to drive in his second run of the day.

The Generals' scoring threat in the sixth was cut short. Cox singled, Jones walked, and Dickman beat out an infield hit to fill the bases with one out. Moore's fly to center was too short to bring in Cox. Howerton grounded out to end the inning.

Blue Takes Final Lead

Three hits gave the Generals a 4-3 lead in the first of the eighth. Joe Pette doubled over third and took third on Cox's deep fly to center. The squeeze play worked again with Jones doing the trick and Pette scoring on the play. Dickman doubled and came in on Preston Moore's single.

Washington and Lee brought total up to five in the first of the ninth. Frank Frazier singled and went to second on Max Breckenridge's sacrifice. When Abbitt threw wild into centerfield, Frazier came home.

Box Score

Box score table with columns: W and L, ab, r, h, o, a. Lists statistics for Iler, Pette, Cox, Jones, Dickman, Moore, Howerton, Frazier, Breckenridge.

Virginia ab r h o a

Box score table with columns: ab, r, h, o, a. Lists statistics for Male, Poindexter, Todd, Bouldin, Edmunds, Shoor, Schwartz, Carter, Abbitt, Cowgill.

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Advertisement for J. Ed. Deaver and Sons, Clothiers and Furnishers, featuring text about suits and hats.

Large advertisement for McCrum's Soda Fountain, featuring text about breakfast, lunch, dinner, and excellent ice cream.

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Advertisement for Peoples National Bank, featuring text about student accounts and contact information.

Advertisement for ROSE'S 5, 10 & 25c Store, featuring text about latest novelty and contact information.

Advertisement for MYERS HARDWARE CO., Inc., featuring text about house managers and contact information.

PREVUES

Thursday. The contiguous position of Thursday and Friday pictures is rather appropriate. Thursday, stark realism and Friday, stark idiocy. "Road Gang" is similar to "Fugitive From a Chain Gang," relying on the sadistic nature of the public for its appeal. Donald Woods may not be a Paul Muni, but then no subtlety of acting is required to portray suffering. However, the acting is reportedly well done. Some of the same tricks used in "Fugitive From a Chain Gang" are used in this—flogging, bestial cruelty, goading the men to revolt, etc. But also some new devices to create shudders are represented—electrocution on electrically charged wires and barrel hanging. But justice is done by blackmail and happy ending achieved.

Friday, those "Silly Billies," Wheeler and Woolsey, attempt to relieve the tenseness of the situation by their parodying frolics. The two intrepid adventurers who have laughed their way through Mexico, darkest Africa, and where would you, now dare to do and die in the wild and woolly west where men are men and steel themselves against the irony of fate. But if there is any steeling to be done against the irony of Wheeler and Woolsey being in the western brawls, that stealing is to be done by the boys themselves, as they steal everything from scalps to kisses. However, most of their stealing is away from danger.

Wednesday. "It Is a Great Life." The CCC is at last coming in for its bit of cinema glorification and propaganda. You might not believe it, but they have a love life and ambitious beyond their somewhat colorless uniforms. It is a great life, being one of the boys. And a uniform is a uniform, no matter of what unseemly tailoring, and you know the effect it has on some. "Chic" Sale is the only name of note in the cast.

Poem by Rider Published In Book of Modern Verse

A poem by Cowl Rider, Ring-tum Phi columnist and member of The Southern Collegian editorial board, has been accepted for publication in "Muse," an anthology of contemporary verse, it was learned today.

"Muse" will be published by the Straub Publishing Company of Chicago and will contain 2,000 selections by contemporary poets, the first edition being limited to five thousand copies. Publication date is as yet uncertain.

The poem accepted had been submitted to the editor of The Southern Collegian some time ago and had been rejected by him.

Officer Here to Examine Students for Marine Corps

Lieut.-Col. Noble of the United States Marine Corps will be at Doremus gymnasium tomorrow to examine all Washington and Lee applicants for the platoon leaders training class at Quantico, Va.

Medical examinations will be held tomorrow from 9:00 a. m. to 4:00 p. m. All seniors who attended the camp last summer and who expect to get their commissions this year are requested to be present.

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Today and Wednesday

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Wife vs. Secretary

THURSDAY

ROAD GANG
—with—
Donald Woods
Kay Linaker
Added: Band Short

FRIDAY

Bert Wheeler
Robert Woolsey
Silly Billies

LYRIC — Wednesday

It's a Great Life
—with—
Joe Morrison
Paul Kelly

Editorial Board



Above is the editorial board of The Ring-tum Phi which has directed the paper the past year. Reading from left to right its members are: Deverton Carpenter, managing editor; Latham Weber, copy editor; Parke Rouse, editor-in-chief; and Don Moore, news editor. This is the last issue of The Ring-tum Phi which will be published under the direction of this editorial board. The new editor, who will take over the editorship beginning with the next issue, will organize a new board to direct the paper the rest of this year.

Alumni Chapter Is Host To Parents of Students

The Charleston, W. Va., alumni chapter will play host to the parents of students attending Washington and Lee at a meeting to be held next Friday. Dr. Francis P. Gaines will be the principal speaker.

The practice of inviting students' parents to meetings is to be a regular feature of all Washington and Lee alumni clubs. H. K. Young, alumni secretary, said today.

Charleston now has more students at Washington and Lee than any other city in the country.

There are 22 boys enrolled here from the West Virginia city.

The last full month of work on N. Y. A. jobs ends May 12, Dean Frank J. Gilliam announced today. By that time an announcement will have been posted regarding part-time work.

Fifty-seven new books, devoted to literature, economics, fiction, journalism, and several other subjects, were placed into circulation today by the University library. It was announced by Miss Blanche McCrum, University librarian. The new volumes were purchased from the general operating fund of the library.

SPRING SPORTS SCHEDULE, 1936
Washington and Lee University

- Varsity Baseball**
- March 23—Ohio State (here)
 - March 24—Ohio State (here)
 - March 30—William and Mary (there)
 - March 31—William and Mary (there)
 - April 1—Randolph-Macon College (there)
 - April 2—Richmond Medical College (rained out)
 - April 3—Richmond (there)
 - April 4—Richmond (there)
 - April 10—Maryland (here)
 - April 11—Richmond Medical College (here) (cancelled)
 - April 13—William and Mary (here)
 - April 14—William and Mary (here)
 - April 18—Virginia (there)
 - April 21—North Carolina (here)
 - April 22—North Carolina (here)
 - April 27—Richmond (there)
 - April 28—Richmond (there)
 - May 1—V. P. I. (there)
 - May 2—V. P. I. (there)
 - May 6—Virginia (here)
 - May 8—V. P. I. (here)
 - May 9—V. P. I. (here)
 - May 14—Georgetown (there)
 - May 15—Maryland (there)
 - May 16—Navy (there)

- Freshman Baseball**
- April 11—Roosevelt High School (here)
 - April 17—A. M. A. (here)
 - April 18—Virginia (here)
 - April 22—S. M. A. (there)
 - April 25—Greenbrier (here)
 - April 29—V. P. I. (here)
 - May 4—A. M. A. (there)
 - May 6—Virginia (there)
 - May 9—Greenbrier (there)
 - May 12—V. P. I. (there)

- Varsity Track**
- April 11—Maryland (here)
 - April 18—Duke (here)
 - April 25—Richmond (there)
 - May 2—Virginia Polytechnic Institute (here)
 - May 9—State Meet (University of Virginia)
 - May 16—Southern Conference Meet (Duke)

- Freshman Track**
- April 11—Lynchburg High school (here)
 - April 20—Jefferson High (here)
 - April 25—Richmond (there)
 - May 2—V. P. I. (here)

- Varsity Golf**
- April 10—V. P. I. (Boonesboro)
 - April 14—Boston (here)
 - April 18—Georgetown (here)
 - April 27—Richmond (here)
 - May 1—Richmond (there)
 - May 2—Navy (there)
 - May 5—Virginia (there)
 - May 7—Duke (here)
 - May 9—Southern Conference at Hot Springs, Va.
 - May 14—Georgetown (there)

- Varsity Tennis**
- April 10—Richmond (here)
 - April 15—Lenoir Rhyne (here)
 - April 18—Duke (here)
 - April 25—Lynchburg College (there)
 - April 28—Wake Forest (here)
 - April 29—Davidson College (here)
 - May 1—William and Mary (there)
 - May 2—Richmond (there)
 - May 4—Maryland (there)
 - May 5—Georgetown (there)
 - May 8—Elon (here)
 - May 9—Lynchburg College (here)
 - May 11—Virginia (there)
 - May 12—Emory and Henry (here)
 - May 16—V. P. I. (here)
 - May 19—Roanoke College (here)

Politics

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"2. The Campus Activities Fee shall be \$8.00 for the University year. Payment of this fee shall entitle the student to the following: membership in the Student Body Organization, yearly subscriptions to The Ring-tum Phi, The Southern Collegian, and The Calyx; to admission to two Troubadour productions, all Glee Club and Band Concerts, and to all crew races.

"The Executive Committee shall have power to require payment of the Campus Activities Fee as the sole method of acquiring membership in the Student Body Organization in case such action shall be considered necessary to the financial welfare of the Student Body Organization, subject however, to the provisions of Article 11, paragraph 3.

"Article 11, paragraph 3 reads as follows: 'The Student Body, by a two-thirds vote of those present, at a meeting which has been duly advertised for three days, may rescind any action of the Student Body officers or of the Executive Committee.'"

Silas Mason, '99, Builder Of Grand Coulee, Dies

Silas B. Mason, one of the builders of the Grand Coulee dam and formerly a student at Washington and Lee, died last Thursday night at Mason City, Washington, following a heart attack.

Mason, head of the Silas Mason Company, a 108-year-old contracting company, and head of the firm which was awarded the \$63,000,000 Grand Coulee dam contract, was a student at Washington and Lee with the class of 1899.

Ring-tum Phi Subscriptions

All payments for subscriptions to The Ring-tum Phi are now due, Ernest Barrett, business manager of the paper, announced today. Anyone now receiving The Ring-tum Phi who has not paid for his subscription is requested by Barrett to send a check for \$3.10 to the business manager as soon as possible.



The bright, new look of the exterior of the new law building, pictured above, is being changed by the application of paint to make it match the rest of the buildings on the front campus. The paint will make the bricks of the building look older and give it the same exterior atmosphere of antiquity.

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Hospital Report

The annual report of the Jackson Memorial hospital here indicated that 326 students were treated during the year ending April 1. In all, there were 1319 patients admitted, with a daily average of 24 treated. There were 912 operations performed, of which 273 were major. Thirty-three deaths and 54 births were recorded.

The Pi Kappa Phi's house mother, Mrs. D. C. Randolph, is recuperating from a fall in the Jackson Memorial hospital.

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