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By the Students, For the Students

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## NEW ELECTION SET-UP PROPOSED BY E. C.

### Phi Eta Sigma Grants Charter To Local Group

Honor Roll Sophomores Found Scholarship Society

### SHANNON IS NAMED CHAPTER PRESIDENT

### Fraternity will Honor High Scholastic Attainment Among Freshmen

Ten Washington and Lee sophomores were notified by telegram late last Tuesday that their petition for a charter in Phi Eta Sigma, national freshman scholarship society, had been approved by the general convention meeting at the University of Alabama early this week.

Edgar F. Shannon, Jr. who was elected to the presidency of the local chapter at a meeting last night, told a Ring-tum Phi reporter today that the purpose of the society was to recognize and to encourage scholarship among underclassmen and that membership in the society was based strictly on scholastic standing.

Charter members of the society, all of whom are listed on the honor roll for their first three semesters at Washington and Lee, include:

### Honor Roll

- Andrews, C. J.—All A's
- Basile, A. E.
- Bear, J. C.
- Brown, M. A.—All A's
- Brown, W. W.—All A's
- Buchwald, M. E.
- Burner, W. L.
- Burrows, E. F.—All A's
- Cassett, M.
- Clarke, C. F.
- Cochran, H. W.
- Collie, M. K.
- Comer, H. W.
- Darsie, P. H.
- Fenner, H. E.
- Fish, P.
- Forster, K.
- Gaddy, R. H.—All A's
- Garfield, Z. H.—All A's
- Guthrie, W. R.
- Hanes, L. B.—All A's
- Heatherington, D. F.—All A's
- Helm, T. K.
- Houston, N. T.
- Jamieson, A. D.
- Jenks, W. A.
- Jones, B. J.
- Kelsey, M. T.—All A's
- Lawton, B. R.
- Lehr, W. G.
- Logan, G. K.—All A's
- Lustbader, A.
- McCardell, J. M.
- McClure, J. H.
- McGehee, H. R.
- Miller, D. H.
- Miller, P. M.
- Milligan, E. J.
- Morrison, P. C.—All A's
- Nicholson, R. A.
- Philpott, H. M.
- Ritz, W. J.
- Roberts, L. J.
- Sartor, E. A.
- Shannon, E. F., Jr.
- Sherrill, J. H.
- Smith, G. M.
- Stewart, J. A. R.
- Surles, R. E.
- Tavel, W. S.—All A's
- Tompkins, S. F.—All A's
- Walker, D. H.
- Webb, J. L. A.
- Weber, L. B.
- Wilbur, W. C.
- Yonge, P. K.

### Graham Says 240 Students Sign For Set

### Barbara, Browne, Martha Houghton Will Lead Figures

Bob Graham, president of Cotillion Club, announced today that two hundred and forty students have already signed up for the Spring Dance Set. Tickets can no longer be purchased at the reduced price of six dollars.

John Shoaf, president of the "13" Club, and his date, Miss Barbara Brown of Mary Baldwin College, will lead the "13" Club dance Friday night.

### Troubs Open Petrified Forest

### Opening Performance Is Played Before Small Audience

In a most quiet and unobtrusive manner, the Troubadours' presentation of Robert Sherwood's "The Petrified Forest" opened at the Troubadour Theatre last night before a small audience.

As opening night dress rehearsal goes, the play was definitely well done, and while last night's performance was certainly not great, it gave tremendous promise of attaining heights of greatness throughout the remainder of its run in Lexington. Practically every defect was of a technical nature, and the Troubs can scarcely be condemned for an occasional failure to coordinate the difficult sound and lighting effects with their action. These flaws will almost surely be removed in subsequent performances.

The cast as a whole did very well, but several members were decidedly outstanding. Francis Sugrue gave a powerful characterization of the killer, Duke Mantee; one that should linger long in the minds of the audience. Jim Faulkner, playing the role of Alan Squier created by Leslie Howard.

### Faculty Resolution

That "incompetes" must be removed by any student incurring them in the next semester in which the student is registered in the University. In case the "incomplete" is not removed it becomes a "failure."

### Holt to Speak At Assembly In Lee Chapel

### West Virginia Governor to Talk in Peace Demonstration

### FAMED W and L MAN HAS GREAT RECORD

### Dr. Gaines Lauds Holt as Brilliant Statesman

In conjunction with the peace demonstration scheduled for April 22, the Executive Committee, has obtained as speaker Governor Homer Adam Holt of West Virginia. Governor Holt will address the student body at a voluntary assembly at 11:30 that morning in Lee Chapel.

The demonstration on this campus will be held at the same time as students throughout the nation hold "peace strikes." A similar demonstration was staged here on Armistice Day in November, 1935, the speakers being Amos Bolen, Joe Arnold, and Dr. Francis P. Gaines. No peace strike or similar program was held, however, last April.

Governor Holt is an alumnus of Washington and Lee. Today he is one of the youngest of American chief executives. Eleven years after he began the practice of law, he was elected governor of his state, having already served four years as attorney-general.

Besides being president of the student body, he was president of the Junior Law class, a member of the Executive Committee, and Adjutant of the R. O. T. C. during his student career.

He was a member of Phi Kappa Psi, social fraternity, and also of PAN, Cotillion Club, Sigma, "13" club, ODK, Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Delta Phi. He obtained an A. B. in 1918 and an LL. B. in 1923.

Dr. Gaines says of him: "In charm of personality, clear vision of issues, high principles, and courage of spirit, Governor Holt is counted one of the real statesmen, as distinct from the mere politicians, in contemporary public life."

### Foreigners

### Kidnapping

### Kid is Thwarted at 1 a. m. From Stealing Rocks

School trips, special tours, a horde of Florida "migrators," and several famous foreigners have swelled the visitors to Lee Chapel to almost mid-summer records, custodians of the Chapel said today.

Famous among the foreign visitors have been F. Fileston Wells, Roumanian Consul-General; Colonel and Mrs. Wyndhampton of the British Embassy at Washington, and Mr. T. C. Leach, a British Army officer from Tangiers.

The custom at this time of year for the senior classes of many high schools to take trips to Washington, has brought quite a flow of them through Lexington and the campus. Also special trips to the Chapel have been made by the Lynchburg Presbyterian Orphans' home, by twenty girls from Stuart Hall in Staunton, and by students of a history class from a high school in Pittsylvania County, Virginia.

A Tuack Tour brought a bus load of students from one of New York City's high schools. This same tour comes through Lexington every two weeks during the summer months, going on to Johnson City, Tennessee.

Florida tourists, to whom the term "migrators" has been given by several of the guides at the Chapel, have been coming through since before the Easter vacation. At this time of the year most of the visitors to the Chapel come from this group. Within the course of a month almost every state of the Union is represented.

### Board Names New Men for Publications

### Editor and Business Managers Recommended by Publication Group

### TWO MEN FOR EACH POSITION SELECTED

### Alternates Named In All But Two of Six Jobs

Candidates for the offices of editor and business manager of each of the three student publications were recommended by the publication board Wednesday afternoon.

Two men were recommended for each of the offices, the recommendations being of equal value. Where a third man is qualified for the office, an alternate recommendation has been made. Because only two men were deemed qualified by the board for the editorship of the Ring-tum Phi and of the Southern Collegian, no alternate was named for these offices.

The shortage of candidates available for these two offices led to the naming of the same men, Charles Clarke and Jay Reid, as the only candidates for the editorship of the magazine and of the newspaper.

In order to be eligible to run for any publication office, a man must receive the endorsement of the publication board.

The recommendations were as follows:

### Calyx

Editor—Ben Anderson, Sam McChesney; alternate, Joe Hazleden. Business Manager—Campbell Taylor, Murat Willis; alternate, Jack Bear.

### Ring-tum Phi

Editor—Charles Clarke and Jay Reid; no alternate. Business Manager—Jim Lamb, Harry Miller; alternate, Henry Pohlson.

### Southern Collegian

Editor—Charles Clarke and Jay Reid; no alternate. Business Manager—Paul Holden, P. V. Metcalfe; alternate, W. P. Reeves, Jr.

### Salaries for Associate Editors Demanded in Clique Platform

### Five-Plank Program Also Calls For Dance Reform

Salaries for associate editors of the Ring-tum Phi was urged in the platform released today by the Progressive Party. The five plank Clique platform, which also listed dance reforms, was adopted in a meeting of party candidates Wednesday night.

Despite the fact that the adoption of this platform will depend largely upon the attitude of next year's Executive Committee, Progressive Party heads today refused to announce Clique candidates for the Executive Committee.

Unofficial sources revealed, however, that the following men were picked in the cellar election on Tuesday night, March 16, as next year's Executive Committee: senior law—V. L. Tucker, Sigma Nu; intermediate law—G. W. Swift, Alpha Tau Omega; senior class—J. C. Bear, Phi Delta Theta, and S. N. Baker, Pi Kappa Phi; junior class—C. R. Hart, Lambda Chi Alpha; sophomore class—G. C. Baldwin, Phi Gamma Delta.

No candidate was named to represent the publication board on the Executive Committee.

A change in the Progressive lineup for the general elections April 20, was also announced. Birnie Harper will replace Bobby Long as candidate for the office of vice-president of the Athletic Council.

Other planks in the platform include proposals for organized cheering, for cheaper Fancy Dress costumes, for better Cotillion Club orchestras, and for opening up of Executive Committee meetings to the student body.

The plank for payment of salaries to associate editors was unanimously adopted by the Clique meeting and was regarded by Cliguenes as the strongest point in their party program. According to the proposal of the platform, associate editors would receive a small nominal salary subject to

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Publication Board to Elect  
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This amendment, as well as the others would not become effective until after the elections this year. The amendment was recommended to the Executive Committee by the publication board.

The amendments were drawn up by the Executive Committee, in co-operation with a committee of law students, who have been revising the Constitution.

Most of the revision has consisted of re-wording and minor changes designed to eliminate ambiguities in the Constitution and to simplify its interpretation, members of the committee said.

The first of the proposed amendments, the full text of which is printed below, concerns the so-called campus tax, technically known as the activities fee. It has been re-worded to conform with the amendment adopted by the student body in February.

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The second amendment provides for the deposit of all collections made by the check committee and further provides for a monthly report to be made by the chairman of this committee.

The third amendment provides for full and complete public notice of student body meetings, proposed amendments, and elections, or of any other student body notice. It calls for posting of such notices on at least four bulletin boards and for publication, whenever time permits.

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### Talks Feature Current Events

### Social Security and Progress Will Be Discussed Monday

The subjects of the addresses to be made before the Conference on Social Problems, to be held in Lee Chapel on Monday, April 12, were announced yesterday by the committee in charge. All of the talks will be on subjects of topical interest.

Dr. Basil Manly, Vice-Chairman of the Federal Power Commission, will talk at 10:30 in the morning on "Health of Nations." Mr. Vincent M. Miles will speak on "Social Security" at 11:30. Mr. Miles is a member of the Social Security Board.

At 7:30 in the evening, Mr. John M. Glenn, who is the former director of the Russell Sage foundation, will give an address on "Social Progress." At 8:30, the last speech of the day will be made by Dr. J. H. Dillard, former director of the Slater Fund and the Jeanes Fund, who will speak on "Race Relations."

All commerce classes will be suspended for the day and commerce students will be expected to attend at least three of the lectures. All other students are invited to attend.

### Work On State Theatre Begun

### Excavation Nears Completion As Contractors Rush Construction

Construction of the new Warner Bros. State Theatre was begun here last week on the same day—Wednesday—on which plans were announced for the complete modernization of the old Lyric Theatre. Thus completion of the projects will give Lexington two of the most modern and best equipped houses to be found in any community of equal or even larger size, theatre officials said today.

Excavation work is nearing completion at the State site, and a large section of concrete foundation has been poured. Additional workers are being employed each day, and actual construction of walls will be underway within a short time, according to C. G. Pearson, who is here directing construction for Associated Contractors, Inc., of Philadelphia. He has established an office in the basement of the Lyric building, from which the construction work is directed.

As was announced by J. E. Schwarz, Warner Bros. engineer, through the Ring-tum Phi last month, the new building will be of the most modern type theatres in the country. It will seat 715 persons, and will be constructed and equipped at an estimated cost of \$125,000. It is expected to be ready for operation by July 1, Mr. Schwarz said.

### Hogan Compares Fuels For Chi Gamma Theta

Under the sponsorship of Chi Gamma Theta, honorary chemistry fraternity, a lecture on the properties of Ethyl gasoline was given in room 302, Chemistry Building, last Tuesday night by Robert W. Hogan, a representative of the Ethyl Gasoline Corporation of America. Mr. Hogan demonstrated his lecture with about thirty lantern slides and a small portable one-cylinder gasoline engine.

### Ward To Address Church

Mr. William B. Ward, student at the Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Virginia, will speak at the Lexington Presbyterian Church this Sunday night at 8:00 p. m.

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## NON-FRATERNITY MEN IN POLITICS

It has become traditional here for the controlling clique to throw out, more or less contemptuously, one rather greenish chunk of meat to the large non-fraternity element. This gesture is not conceived to be a means of making the non-fraternity men feel that they have been fairly done by. It is only a salve for their own raw and bleeding consciences. (Haw.)

It has become traditional, also, for this lone non-fraternity man with the honor of a political office to gloat over, to be a regular member of the Executive Committee.

Well, it's a fine thing to think of there being at least one non-fraternity man having a voice in the regulation of student government. It would be nicer still if this man could be thought of as being truly representative of the group to which he belongs—the non-fraternity men.

But the unattached student whom the clique annually selects for the position can hardly be thought of as anything other than a bought man. He is the nominee, not of the non-fraternity men, but of the political interests which for years have squelched all political aspirations of that group.

If it is to become traditional for one non-fraternity man a year to hold office, what is so outrageous about demanding that he be elected by the non-fraternity men themselves, rather than picked by their political enemies? Let him be a student with a concern in and a voice for the non-fraternity interests, and no rubber stamp of his politically be-smudged backers.

Or let this silly travesty cease, and the clique continue to fill all offices in the student body out of the ranks of their own eagerly crowding forward would-be BMOCs.

## POLITICAL FARCE IN ONE ACT

Wednesday afternoon the publication board met with due solemnity to name men whom it believed qualified to edit and manage the publications for next year. Such recommendation according to the constitution of the student body is prerequisite to candidacy for any of these offices.

A month ago, however, these editors and business managers had already been "elected" to office—elected at a cellar meeting of campus politicians "representing" fourteen fraternities. At least one of the so-called elections at that clique meeting had been made without any consultation with the man now in office, either by political candidates or by clique bigwigs. The first knowledge that this man had of who his successor would be came when he read the announcement of Clique candidates—an announcement made before any recommendation had been given.

That each of the men chosen at the "election" last month received a recommendation Wednesday from the publication board is not a reflection upon the integrity of the board. It merely goes to prove that the Clique is never wrong—the Clique is infallible—the Clique shall rule forever.

## AN OPPORTUNITY GONE TO WASTE

Two months ago the Executive Committee announced the establishment of a "Court of Grievances"—an open forum at which any student would be free to voice his opinion of student affairs or bring any grievance into the open. No longer need students grumble about not having any opportunity to give vent to their personal feelings in regard to student affairs they would a least be given a sound-

ing board and an easy access to the Executive Committee.

The grievance sessions were to be held on the first Tuesday in every month. Two such Tuesdays have gone by, and to date not a student has appeared.

Wherein does the explanation for this apparent lack of interest lie? No student affairs, to the average man on the campus, appear so thoroughly imbued with Clique politics that any objection is wasted effort? Do the students feel that they would be talking to unsympathetic ears in addressing the Executive Committee at such a session? Or is this just another example of the almost traditional student lethargy?

We can't answer all those questions completely or satisfactorily. But we do not believe that student interest in campus government is completely dead, nor do we believe that any political organization has such a death grip on student government that a militant opposition would be entirely ineffective. (We will admit in this connection that the unsavory odor of campus politics—especially the current edition—would turn even the stomach of a bronze statue, but such a situation invites active resistance, not passive submission.)

But most of all we are convinced that any student who attends one of the sessions of the grievance court will find a very sympathetic audience in the Executive Committee. On at least one notable occasion this year, this committee has proved its independence of any political machine. The purpose of the committee has consistently been the betterment of life on the campus.

Perhaps in connection with the amendments announced today for ratification at the student body elections there will arise controversial questions which students will want to carry to the Executive Committee. Perhaps some student still harbors a deep-seated grudge of long standing against some institution or practice on the campus. In any case, let the objectors appear at the Court of Grievances to be held next Tuesday night—they will find a group ready to listen and to advise, and they will be doing much to restore to the campus the sort of intelligent opposition which is so necessary in democracy.

## THE FORUM

### A MAN WHO WAS "TOO PROUD"

Twenty years after America's entrance into the World War, Senator Norris of Nebraska still stands by his vote against the war declaration and is still, after all the battles he has had to fight for civil liberty and political decency in America—an incurable optimist. He doesn't think that America could be dragged into another European war by the pull of economics and the force of propaganda. America's memory of the conflict is too fresh.

Too fresh? Twenty years is a long time in the history of war and peace. Men who were in middle age when America entered the war now are gray-beards to the generation that has grown up since the Armistice—the generation that would be called upon to fight the next war. Few who would belong to the shock troops of that war, remember today that Senator Norris was one of only six members of the United States Senate who were really too proud to make America fight—in the rhetorical phrase of the Wilson campaign of 1916—because they did not believe that, having sent our treasure abroad, there was any reason why we should send our blood also. Nor do they recall that the screaming patriots pointed the finger of scorn at those men.

"Entering the World War was the greatest mistake we ever made as a nation," Senator Norris says today. "We didn't do any one, or any nation, any good. And we and our children are still suffering from it."

With a dictatorship in Germany more arrogant than the regime of the kaiser, it is so manifest that we did not win the war for democracy, that it is elaborating the obvious to say so. Nobody won the World War, but did our entrance in the theatre of war on April 4, 1917, change the final outcome? There are some today who are skeptics enough to say that it did not. They argue that we did not get our troops actually into line until Germany had lost her ability to drive and follow through; until the German offensive had collapsed behind the lines with the failure of the service of supply.

Yet if the new generation that has come along does not remember the old war propaganda very well it has grown up in a more scientific age and has been schooled in social psychology. The new generation will be more able to examine the war propaganda on its merits, and to counter it with propaganda of its own. The processes of immunization against war hysteria that are already at work, may be greater insurance against war than neutrality bills. —Richmond Times-Dispatch.

# CAMPUS COMMENT

By JIMMY FISHEL

### Rumors Fly . . .

More fun than listening to a band at dance set is the preliminary game of guessing who the orchestra is going to be. This department has fired so many wild shots in the past few weeks that we hate to tarnish its battered name still further by going out on the limb to any great extent.

Instead we will stay in our corner and watch the various bad guessers come out for the bell.

Current tale about the campus in regard to band selection deals with the trials of Finals dance leader, George Gilleland, who is rapidly finding out that being a dance leader means a great deal more than just prancing in a figure with a doll on the arm.

Over Washington's Birthday week-end, it is reported, Gilleland tried to contact Benny Goodman. Reported price he offered to the Swingmaster was about \$3,500. Benny snubbed his nose at our George, said \$8,000 was his fee, produced old contracts to prove that point. That ended Mr. Goodman.

Kay Kyser and Horace Heidt are the current best bets for Finals. That is what we heard. Don't place any bets with your roommate, though. Anything can happen.

### Foiled . . .

Rotound Charlie Middleberg, a gossip of note around town, passes this note along which puts a little humorous light on an otherwise dark spring baseball trip.

Seems that chunky Mickey Cochran, General outfielder, was having a bad day out in the field during the William and Mary game. Mickey just couldn't get his fingers to hold on to any of the flies that swished into his neighborhood, and if you'll take Mr. Middleberg's word for it, muffed around six of 'em. The last inning saw a lazy fly head out to the score board. It looked impossible for Mickey, to get under it, much less catch it.

Fate smiled and Mickey made up for his unfortunate past performances by snaring it off the board for a beautiful out. An indignant score keeper looked down from his perch on the score board and angrily hissed at Cochran. "Say, demon, I bet two to one that that ball would hit you on the head. What the hell's the idea of catching it!"

### Ramblings . . .

Paramount news shots of the valiant W. & L. crew in its losing battle with Rollins will be shown at the Lyric any day now . . . Dr. Gaines' approval of Sunday movies will see the eventual approval of the whole affair . . . The townspeople were waiting for Dr. Gaines to come out in print . . . Now they know what to say . . . Best Crack of the Week . . . Speaking on the proofs of evolution, Dr. Hoyt remarked to his Biology class that "the appendix is on the way out."

S. A. E. and the Betas have a corner on the beauty market with four boys from each of those houses selected for a crack at the "southern face" tryout in "Gone With The Wind" . . . Coach Tex Tilson still believes in Santa Claus . . . He's been taking those treatments for new hair at the Robert E. Lee shop . . . latest reports reveal no new outcrops of curly locks . . . tough, Tex . . .

## PREVUES

Saturday—"Men Are Not Gods," with Miriam Hopkins. The somewhat hackneyed story of a secretary who is in love with her boss. Like most British productions, it is heavy and slow moving. Distinctly second-rate entertainment.

Monday—"Outcast," with Warren William, Karen Morley, and Lewis Stone, is a story of a doctor who loses a patient.

Tuesday—Wednesday—"Swing" High, "Swing Low," with Corole Lombard and Fred MacMurray. The story of a crazy trumpeter and a night club entertainer who conduct a slightly insane romance in Panama and New York. The picture is filled with excellent comedy and a great deal of swing music. One of the outstanding comedy successes of the year.

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## THE EASY CHAIR

By EVERETT AMIS

### Time-Worn Subject

Sunday Movies! Are we going to get them or aren't we? That is one of the questions that we who are beginning to be tired of the constant wrangling over the matter are beginning to ask. For over a month now the Ring-tum Phi and the student body have been waging a forceful campaign to get Sunday movies legalized in Lexington. It has narrowed itself down to a fight between the ones who say they want them and those who say they don't. Then the matter just ends there with nothing more being done about it. It has been pointed out that Sunday movies would be advantageous in many ways, especially in giving the students something to do on Sunday afternoons, and keeping them in Lexington. And then it has been pointed out that under certain circumstances they would not be so advantageous, such as when interfering with church services, and the like. However, a compromise was worked out between these two beliefs which gave each side what it wanted. The compromise, however, just never got around to being adopted.

It might be interesting to some people to know just what the younger Lexington generation thinks of it. Over at the grammar school a few weeks ago the students there decided to get up a newspaper. Although the measure fell through, it was not discarded before thirteen-year-old Joe Moffatt, son of the Washington and Lee professor, wrote the following editorial:

"There's been a lot of talk over Sunday Movies lately, and it's getting rather disgusting. The whole matter is of particular interest to me for it is open for discussion. Some of the ministers of our fair city think it is a grave crime. Well, I think they are a little too strict."

"Suppose, for example, a student, not a cadet (for they are too strictly watched) knew there was nothing doing on Sunday, bought his gallon of liquor on Saturday, got drunk on Sunday, and certainly wasn't a credit to Washington and Lee. This student, if there had been any Sunday movies, knew that there was something doing and would go to the show instead of getting drunk. I do not think that the students of our Grammar School need Sunday movies, because Sunday is supposed to be a day of rest."

"And therefore, I think that the students and the cadets need Sunday movies to keep them out of harmful mischief. This subject, you know, is quite a touchy one, so if you feel inclined to, do not fail to give your views on this important matter. Maybe we can get the idea of Blue Laws prohibiting Sunday movies out of the heads of our city fathers. Until then, I leave Sunday movies open for discussion. Think it over."

Although there may be a few statements which are subject to refutation on the part of the "city fathers," at least we have an idea of what the city children think.

### Decision Desired

At least we'd like to have some sort of decision on the matter, whether it is in favor of or against. So far there have been only two objections which could not be remedied—one is simply the fact that Sunday movies occur on Sunday, and second, that it makes someone work on the Sabbath so that others can enjoy themselves.

In answer to the first objection, until some specific harm can be pointed out, going to a theatre on Sunday is no worse than going for a ride. Recreation and pleasure are the objectives sought after in both cases. And as to the idea that Sunday movies will make someone work on the Sabbath, how many such objectors can truthfully say that they never patronize drug stores, golf courses, and filling stations on Sunday? How many can say they never use the telephone for pleasure on Sunday? And yet don't these agen-

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### Coronet On The Air . . .

Due to a lack of interest in Smart Publications' new offspring, "Coronet," the editors have seen fit to put a new series on the air starring Deems Taylor as narrator and using material from the magazine as script. Incidental music which includes such novelties as the synchronizing of "Bolero" and "Yes We Have No Bananas" and the playing of all four movements of Grieg's "Peer Gynt Suite" at once is supplied by Robert Armbruster's orchestra. The program is the type which will either react positively or negatively on the listener, so tune it in over NBC Blue some Friday night at 9:30, and see what you think of it.

### Records . . .

One of the newer releases which has attracted a great deal of attention from the critics is Tommy Dorsey's orchestration of "Marie." New York has gone completely crazy over the number and the other night when Dorsey opened at the Commodore Hotel, he received so many requests for it that he had to play it five times during the one evening. Victor predicts that it will be their greatest seller for 1937 . . . Three years ago, Hal Kemp recorded a number entitled "Heart of Stone." The record did not achieve any remarkable success at that time, but in the last few weeks, the record buying public has suddenly become aware of it. Brunswick has been besieged with orders and as a result have had to drag out the old impression and make a new stock to take care of the demand. The new record has been termed "Kemp at his best" . . .

## Musical Monologues

By DICK SOUTHWORTH

### Coronation . . .

Both of the two great systems have this week completed plans for the broadcast of the coronation of the King to take place on May 12th. NBC has secured permission to place eleven microphones along the course of the procession and Columbia has done the same. The procession will be described from different points as the parade travels through the historic route and extensive plans for its induction into this country via short wave have been made. The broadcast will be heard at approximately 5:30 A. M.

### Cobb . . .

Irwin S. Cobb presents a thoroughly enjoyable Saturday evening show over NBC at 10:30. The program is fictionally located at Cobb's "Paducah Plantation" and has color, pace, a pleasantly light note throughout, and is well supplied with able talent. Cobb's bands have a quality which is unusual with the majority of present day comedians, humor which cannot be directly traced to the able but somewhat out of date hand of Joe Miller. Perhaps the most gratifying feature of the program is the intelligent handling of the commercials which for a change allows you to enjoy the program proper without breaking

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# Michigan, W-L Meet Here Next Tuesday

### Kim Williams Leads Pack Of Wolverines Into Lexington

### DART PICKED TO FACE BURT SMITH

### Invaders Were Big Ten Champions Last Year

#### Bulletin

Rain early this afternoon forced the postponement of the Washington and Lee-North Carolina baseball game. Officials of the Athletic Association said no date had been set for the game as yet.

One of the brightest spots on the spring sports docket this year will be cast upon Wilson field Tuesday afternoon when the University of Michigan will send its diamond ambassadors here to meet W. & L. in an intercollegiate contest. The game will be called at 3:45.

Champions of the Big Ten and Western Conference in 1936, eight lettermen from this great club form a profuse spread of experience for Coach Ray L. Fisher's nine. Fisher is a former Yankee.

The aggregation is led by Captain Kim Williams, the man who came back after doctors had given up all hope for his life about a year ago. Williams was inactive last year due to this near-fatal case of ulcerated colitis but a fine gesture by teammates last season made him captain for this year and after steadily climbing from the mere 113 pounds he weighed during the prolonged illness, Williams has built himself up with a steady fight and will be catching in Tuesday's game.

#### Strong Infield

Along with Williams, the invasion will boast of a keystone combination that bids fare to equal or surpass any the Big Ten has ever seen. Don Brewer at short, with Steve Urick at second, form this brilliant combine.

Also on this squad of champions is Mike Patanelli, football captain last season, John Gee, ace pitcher who captained the basketball squad, Vic Heyliger, captain of the hockey team. Thus Michigan has four captains on its squad. Other lettermen include Merel Kremer, outfielder, and Herman Fishman, another mainstay of the pitching staff who won eight games last year with an earned run average of .86 to lead the conference. Gee, the basketball captain and other top-flight hurler, stands 6 feet nine inches in stocking feet and is left-handed.

#### Peckinpahs Son On Team

Walter Peckinpah, whose father, Roger Peckinpah, former Cleveland manager and now contact man for the American League, recently visited this campus, is on the roster and may possibly see action at third base.

Nothing has come from the local board of strategy as to a possible hurler for the Michigan tilt. It is probable that Roy Dart, sophomore starboarder, will breeze 'em to the visitors.

## Frosh Will Face Lynchburg Hi

### Trackmen Select Team For First Meet of Year

After spending Wednesday and Thursday running time trials, the freshman track squad went through a light workout today in preparation for the meet with Lynchburg here tomorrow afternoon.

Coach Fletcher plans to run three men in each event, but all of the men who will run Saturday have not yet been announced.

The results of the time trials were:

Mile: Libby, Davis, Eckert, and Barber. 800 dash: Crocker, Hervey, Powers, and Fix. 440 dash: Turl, Gaddy, and Gutherie. 220 dash: Whaley, Curl, Melville, Stanford, and Braun. 100 yard dash: Stanford, Curl, Gist, and Braun. High hurdles: Whaley and Wynn (dead heat). Low hurdles: to time, Melville, Gwyn, Whaley, and Garges. Javelin: Braun, Melville, Boisseau, and Gist. Discus: Braun, Boisseau, Watson, Roberts, Harrier and Rouff. Shot: Boisseau, Watson, Braun, and Rouff.

Indications point to a fairly strong Brigadier track team this year, with several outstanding performers, among them Charlie Turl, who is the chief hope in the short distance events.



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## Crew Is Voted E. C. Support

### Showing in Rollins Meet Is Praised In Resolution

On the heels of a fine exhibition of fighting spirit and courage in defeat, the Washington and Lee crew was formally recognized yesterday by the Executive Committee of the Student Body, and was commended for its showing against a better equipped and more experienced Rollins College team. The resolution also promised to try to get further financial support for the sport.

The team recently received an invitation from the Asheville School for Boys in North Carolina to race against them. This invitation is now under the consideration of the Athletic Council. The Generals lost to them in a race last year.

#### Crew Invites Freshmen

The team also issued an invitation to all freshmen who are interested in crew, to report to the clubhouse on North River at 3:30 on Monday.

The actual wording of the resolution of the Executive Committee is:

Whereas, the Washington and Lee crew, in spite of inadequate equipment and unfavorable training conditions, having acquitted itself admirably in its recent race with Rollins College;

And whereas, the members of the Washington and Lee crew have received little encouragement and support in years past; be it Resolved, that we, the Executive Committee of the Student Body of Washington and Lee University, do hereby congratulate the University crew on its fine spirit and splendid efforts, and do further favor greater financial support and student interest to this group of sportsmen who have battled so valiantly in the face of almost overwhelming odds.

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## Harvey, Ragon Star In Varsity Track Trials

### Runners Turn In Fast Times; Field Trials Rained Out

Time trials were held Wednesday and Thursday for varsity track aspirants to decide the makeup of the team that will venture northward to College Park to take on the University of Maryland next Wednesday.

The runners did their stuff Wednesday with the field events scheduled for yesterday, but rains caused postponement of the field trials.

Harvey continued his outstanding performances in the middle distances by pacing the fields in both the 440 and 880. He nosed out Thurman in the quarter mile in 62.2 seconds, and came home in front in the half mile in 2:04, beating out Hillier and Kingsbury.

Allen's jaunt over the century distance was clocked in 10.5 seconds; Funk and Lowery trailed him across the finish. Lang Skarda received a slight leg injury during her running of the 100-yard dash.

#### Funk First in 220

Funk breezed in first in the 220-yard dash, with Allen and Lowery on his heels. The time was 24.3 seconds.

The mile duel between Ragon, Darsie, and Fey resulted in another victory for the veteran Ragon, but the margin was closer than last week's running. Ragon covered the mile in 4 minutes, 43 seconds, with Darsie winding up in second place, and Fey in third. Prater, Edwards, and Neilson strode through the two-mile event in 10 minutes, 35 seconds.

Rogers and Bagnal ran against time in the high hurdles, with Rogers turning in a time of 15.5 seconds. Kingsbury and Rogers ran the low hurdles, but no time was taken.

Ochsie, Brasher, Spessard, and Williams figured prominently in the tryouts for the weight events.

#### Crenshaw Calls Frosh

Mr. Crenshaw, coach of the W. & L. tennis team, issued an invitation to all freshmen who are interested in trying out for the squad, to report out for practice at 3:45 in the afternoon, as soon as the courts are put in playing condition.

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## Basketball Team Schedules Short Spring Practice

### Lettermen Will Attempt to Make Session Interesting

Kit Carson, co-captain of next year's cage team, announced yesterday that the varsity lettermen will conduct spring basketball practice this year, beginning Monday afternoon at 4:15, and continuing three times a week until May 1. Each practice session will be one hour long.

Attendance to these sessions will not be compulsory, but may be checked. The squad will not be limited to any definite number of men, so beginners can go out without any fear of being "cut." All students will be welcome at the practices.

It will not be the purpose of the coaches to drill the candidates for next year's varsity in the dry, tiresome fundamentals of the game, but to show the men most of the finer points in the complex game.

Strenuous work will be discarded and the art of feinting and footwork will be explained. The proper method for breaks and blocks will be shown to all the beginners as well as those men with previous experience.

The coaches hope to teach the men the inside tricks of the game that are not recognized by the usual spectator. Many plays will be worked out and then tried out in practice games.

#### Rain Halts First Frosh Baseball Game of Year

Because of a steady rain, which transferred Wilson Field into a sea of mud, the Frosh-A. M. A. baseball game, originally scheduled for Thursday afternoon, has been postponed until a later date, Cy Young, Freshman coach, announced Thursday.

Coach Young stated that while the postponement was a disappointment, it should work to the advantage of the yearlings, who had had very little regular practice this spring. No definite date has been set for the postponed game.

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## Star Footballer Fails To Return to School

### Bobby Long Stays Home Because of Illness Of Sister

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BOBBY LONG

Bobby Long, star varsity fullback, has temporarily dropped out of school it was revealed today. Friends of the ace defensive back said that he had remained at home following the spring holidays because of the serious illness of his sister.

Nothing could be learned as to Long's plans for returning to school here, but it was regarded as doubtful that he would be able to get back this spring.

At the Kappa Sigma house where Long lived while at school, it was learned that Long had planned to stay in Lexington over the spring holidays. However, he received a telegram on Easter Day, which called him to his home in Abilene, Texas.

Long was a star fullback on the varsity football squad last fall and had shown exceptional promise in spring practice. His performance in the last V. M. I. scrimmage was outstanding.

Friends of Long said they were certain that if Long returned to school he would come back to Washington and Lee. They assured a Ring-tum Phi reporter that Long was well satisfied with the school. Eddie Hiserman at the Kappa Sigma house said that he was almost certain Long would be back here.

Eddie Hiserman, a friend of Long, received a letter today which indicated he hoped to return.

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## Swimming Team Will Give Banquet in Honor Of Coach Cy Twombly

Washington and Lee's tank team, champions of the Southern Conference, will give a dinner at the Robert E. Lee Hotel Monday night, in honor of Cy Twombly, who has been coach at W. & L. since 1923. Ollie Gluyas, manager of the squad, announced yesterday.

Besides the usual speeches, certificates of the swimming monograms will be presented. The freshman team, and the varsity will be rewarded at the banquet. The team will discuss plans for a trip to the north next year during which they would race against many of the best swimmers in the country.

This will be the first real banquet that the swimming squad has had in several seasons. In former years, a get-together was held at Cy's home.

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### Glee Club Will Present Concert

#### Organization Offers Light Program At Stuarts Draft Tonight

Washington and Lee's Glee club, under the direction of Professor John A. Graham, will present a musical program of choral numbers tonight in Stuart's Draft, Virginia. A medley of Washington and Lee songs will feature the program, which will include solos by Bill Karkaker and Archie Turpin.

Next Tuesday night the Choral Club of Hollins College will be the host of the Glee Club for a concert at the Little Theatre on the Hollins campus. This will be the second program given by these two organizations.

The program will be identical to that of the recent concert with the exception of one selection which has been substituted for Schuman's "The Lotus Flower."

#### Executive Committee Resolution

The following resolutions of condolence were adopted by the executive committee of the student body at its last meeting in regard to the death of Robert Stitt.

Whereas, God in his infinite wisdom has seen fit to take unto Himself our fellow student, Robert Stitt, and whereas, we feel most grievously the loss to the student body of his congenial companionship, be it resolved:

1. That we, the student body of Washington and Lee University, do take this means of making known our bereavement and loss, and

2. That we extend to his family and friends our most heartfelt sympathy in their grief and sorrow, and pray that the sustaining power of God be with them in their trouble, and

3. That these resolutions be subscribed in the minutes of the Executive Committee, and copies be sent to his family, and also published in The Ring-tum Phi.

### Troub Play

Continued from page one had perhaps the most difficult part in the play and handled it creditably, although at times lacking force of expression. Miss Dolly Burks portrayed Gabby Maple with pleasant and convincing sincerity, and Ed Metcalf, Bill Burner, and Jack Pearson were particularly satisfying in minor roles.

The lunch-room set was most authentic and well-designed, and much credit is due Stanley Barrows for his fine work on the artistic Mesa backdrop. In addition, the sound effects were not, for the most part, discouragingly bad.

Last night's performance proved conclusively that "The Petrified Forest" is good entertainment, but, more important, that the play may very possibly develop into the hit production of the current year.

### Phi Eta Sigma

Continued from page one secretary; and Bill Jenks, treasurer. Morton Brown was selected as Senior Advisor and Dr. Larkin H. Parinholt as Faculty Advisor.

Shannon said that members of this year's freshman class who are eligible to membership in the society will be pledged within the next month. He also indicated that those who were not eligible at this time but became eligible later in the year, would be pledged next fall.

Baird's Manual of American Fraternities shows that Phi Eta Sigma is a national organization of 39 active chapters. It was founded at the University of Illinois to recognize exceptional scholarship among the men students at the University. At the present time it has chapters from California to New York. Chapters in nearby schools are located at George Washington University and at North Carolina State College.

Work toward establishment of a Washington and Lee chapter was begun by Shannon, Brown, and Nicholson shortly after the close of last semester. After receiving faculty approval of their program, these three and the seven other

### Election Change

(Continued from page one) that if a member of the committee is approached in behalf of any candidate, the candidate shall be withdrawn from consideration. It also provides for the removal from office of any Executive Committeeman who fails to disclose such solicitation.

The fifth and sixth amendments concern the oath of office which student officers take upon installation. A single oath is to be given to all officers instead of three different oaths as formerly.

#### Quorum Change

The seventh amendment changes the number of student body members required for a quorum at a student body meeting from one-third to one-half of the total membership of the student body.

The amendments will be voted upon at the general elections on Tuesday, April 20. A majority vote of the student body is necessary for ratification.

#### Text of Amendments

The text of the amendments is as follows:

1. Article IV, Section 1—To read: Payment of an Activities Fee of \$8.00 a school year, payable at the time of registration, shall entitle a student to yearly subscriptions to The Ring-tum Phi, The Southern Collegian, and the Calyx, to admission to two Troubadour productions, all Glee Club concerts, and all Debating meets.

2. Article IV, Section 8—To be added: All collections of any kind taken in by the Check Committee shall immediately be deposited in the Central Student Body Fund. The Chairman of the Check Committee shall submit written monthly reports to the Treasurer as to the number of checks turned over to the Committee and the amounts collected.

3. Article VI, Section 3(f)—To be added:

(1) When this Constitution calls for publication of notice to the Student Body, he (i. e. The Secretary) shall post such notices in writing on the bulletin boards at the following places: Newcomb Hall, Washington College, Tucker Hall, and the Student Union.

(2) When time permits he shall also have such notice published in The Ring-tum Phi.

4. Article VIII, Section 6 (b)—To be added:

(1) No solicitations addressed to a member of the Executive Committee by an applicant or by a student on behalf of such applicant for the purpose of obtaining the vote of any member of the Executive Committee in filling such vacancies shall be permitted.

(2) Such solicitations shall disqualify the applicant for that vacancy.

(3) The Executive Committee shall remove from office any member of the Executive Committee who fails to disclose promptly any such solicitation.

5. Article X, Section 2—To read: The following oath shall be taken by the officers of the Student Body, the members of the Executive Committee, and all students holding positions of honor as defined in Article IX: (Remainder of section unchanged).

6. Article X, Sections 3 and 4—To be stricken from the Constitution.

7. Article XI, Section 1—To read: Meetings of the Student Body shall be called by the President, as provided for in Article VI, Section 1 (b), of the Constitution. One half of the membership of the Student Body shall constitute a quorum.

8. Article IX, Section 1—To replace present section: (a) The following positions shall be filled as provided for in Article V for officers: President of Finals, President of Fancy Dress, and Cheer Leader. (b) The following positions shall be filled by the publication board: Editor of the Calyx, Business Manager of the Calyx, Editor of The Ring-tum Phi, Editor of The Southern Collegian, Business Manager of The Southern Collegian.

### Isaac Bledsoe, Alumnus And Friend of Lee, Dies At Age of Ninety

Isaac P. Bledsoe of Tulsa, Oklahoma, ninety-year-old Washington and Lee alumnus and one of the "Lee students," died Saturday in

### Students Interviewed For Future Enlistment In Marine Reserves

Major Selden of the Marine Reserve Corps, Washington, talked to a group of students last night in the Student Union on requirements for enlistment in the Marine Reserve Camp for platoon leaders at Quantico, Virginia. This new branch of the Marine Reserve Corps was inaugurated in 1935 for the training of college students for commissions in the Marine Reserve Corps. The present movement grew out of the Marine League, composed of commissioned officers in the Marine Reserve Corps during the war interested in the training of men in the Reserve Corps in case of another national emergency.

Those interested in seeking application for this six weeks training course at San Diego, California or Quantico, Virginia, must be

the Tulsa Hospital. Bledsoe graduated from Washington and Lee in 1871, which was only a few months after General Lee's death. Bledsoe was a personal friend of General Lee.

After receiving his degree in civil engineering, Bledsoe returned to Arkansas and taught school and farmed. Later, he resumed his work in the field of engineering.

completing their junior or sophomore year this June. Major Selden leaves tomorrow, but will return during the week of April 27 to give a physical examination to all applicants.

Upon completion of the two years summer training a candidate may resign with a commission of second lieutenant in the Marine Reserve Corps. The upper five per cent of the training students are granted a probate commission of Second Lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps.

Last year eight Washington and Lee students attended Quantico. All are planning to return this summer. There have been about fifteen applications turned in this year. Major Seldon will accept more applications upon his return the last of April. After this students may get applications from Frank Reese and Bob Thomas. The camp begins around July 1 and closes August 19.

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