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E. C. Will Pick New Fancy Dress Leader To Succeed Shively

Election Will Be First Test Of "No Politicking" Amendment

WRESTLER RESIGNS FROM UNIVERSITY

Applications For Post Due By Next Thursday, May 27

A special election to fill the post of President of Fancy Dress for 1938, vacated by Chester Shively yesterday, will be held next Thursday, student body president Fletcher Maynard announced today.

Shively, in a letter received yesterday by Registrar E. S. Mattingly, announced his resignation from the university, thus automatically vacating the post to which he was chosen in the last general election.

Applicants for the Fancy Dress presidency, considered one of the half dozen major campus positions, should hand in their applications to Joe Taylor, Secretary-treasurer of the student body, before next Thursday.

Hailed as an opportunity for testing the "de-politicking" amendment adopted at the general elections in April, the election will be held with this rule in force.

Full text of the amendment, which is supposed to prohibit campus officers from taking part in campus politics, is as follows:

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.

Maynard emphasized today the importance of observing the dictates of the amendment, pointing out the strict penalties involved for violation. He expressed himself as confident that this election would mark an excellent trial of the efficiency of the amendment.

Professor Walls Ends Lectures With Talk On French Chateaux

Climaxing a series of lectures on the development of architecture through the centuries, Mr. F. S. Walls of the Romance Language department last night gave a talk on the "French Chateaux." The lecture was accompanied by illustrations from a large selection of colored slides.

In his talk Mr. Walls stressed the fact that the royal houses and the country mansions of the nobility were of hybrid origin, being a cross between the medieval fortresses and the flamboyant Gothic styles, both of which were influenced by the neo-classical school imported by Charles VIII of France.

Architects of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, he said, tried to be very classical, but they could never break with the old Gothic styles. This flamboyant building is most noticeable in the steeply sloping roofs with their myriads of spires and chimneys.

It is hardly within the realm of possibility, Mr. Walls declared, that the world will ever again see developments in the chateaux, but there are now several societies in France devoted to their care and preservation.

It is not known definitely as yet whether or not Mr. Walls will deliver a series of lectures next year, and no announcement can be made until school opens next fall.

Welcome Home!

William Cabell Flournoy, young son of Prof. and Mrs. F. Flournoy, is making his first visit to Lexington today, having arrived with his mother from the University of Virginia hospital. He was born there on May 5.

Brown Chosen Senior Class Valetorian

Late yesterday afternoon, Fletcher Maynard, president of the student body, announced that Morton Brown had been chosen valetorian of the senior class by the executive committee.

Brown belongs to Sigma Alpha Epsilon social fraternity and has been a campus leader throughout his four years at Washington and Lee. He is a member of the Christian Council, and this year was president of his fraternity. In addition, he has been the holder of two scholarships and was the district winner in the Rhodes Scholarship competition. This year Brown won Omicron Delta Kappa and Phi Beta Kappa recognition.

The executive committee took over the selection of the valetorian for the third consecutive year in order to avoid the confusion which has resulted in the past, when neither the faculty nor the senior class officers would take the initiative in making the choice.

Ollie Gluyas Re-Elected As Head of Glee Club

Ollie Gluyas was re-elected president of the Glee Club at a meeting held last night at the Troub theatre. Arch Turpin was elected to the secretary's position and Gerry Lively was re-elected as business manager. Paul Miller was re-elected as librarian and G. Watson James was appointed as assistant librarian.

Plans for next year were outlined by Gluyas who said, "This year has left us in far better shape than other years, and we are better prepared to begin the new year."

The financial report was given by Lively who gave a detailed account of the expenditures of the club throughout the year. Mr. Graham was given a unanimous vote of thanks by the club for his untiring efforts as director.

Rollins Races W-L Tuesday

Crew Will Stroke Over Mile Course on North River In Second Match

Oarsmen from Rollins College and from Washington and Lee will cross strokes with each other on the North River next Tuesday in the first inter-collegiate boat race ever to be staged here. Two races will be held.

Early in April the Rollins crew swamped the Generals in an eight oared race at Winter Park, Florida. The races on Tuesday will be in four-oared shells over a mile course.

In the Washington and Lee lineup will be Joe Taylor, Chris Nelson, Bill Kesel, Bob Early, Al Lustbader, Howard Hickey, John Lebus, and Captain Erskine Sproul. Tommy Crawford will be coxain.

The mile course on the North River begins just above the old mill on the East side of the river. It finishes just above the covered bridge.

Through the courtesy of VMI, spectators at the race may get locations on the so-called "island" where cavalry practice is held. The "island" is right opposite the finish line and gives a view of nearly the entire course.

Sproul, who is captain of the General's crew, declared today that his squad was ready to give the Rollins crews a tough battle in both of the races.

Finals Booklets

The engraved Finals booklets, suitable as invitations, or souvenirs, have arrived and have been distributed at the Corner store, according to George Gilleland, president of Finals. Any student who has not yet received his may make arrangements to do so by calling Gilleland.

Two Fraternities Plan New Homes For Fall of 1938

Lambda Chi Alpha and Pi Kappa Phi Propose Construction

OTHER FRATERNITIES PLAN IMPROVEMENTS

Painting and Refurnishing Feature Work On Seventeen

Lambda Chi Alpha and Pi Kappa Phi plan to start work on new fraternity houses in the spring or summer of next year. Lambda Chi Alpha is thinking of building in Davidson Park, and Pi Kappa Phi is considering using a site on the new highway near their present home.

Both of these fraternities plan to live in their present house during construction work.

Most of the seventeen other fraternities are planning minor improvements in the near future. Kappa Alpha plans to refurnish their house completely with curtains, put in screens and screen doors throughout the house, purchase new porch furniture, new dining room furniture, and a victrola.

Beta Theta Pi is planning to purchase all new furniture for the living room. Delta Tau Delta will remodel their front room, several rooms upstairs, the stairway, and will possibly make a new lounge room. Phi Gamma Delta has been carrying on improvements that are expected to be finished by the end of the school year. They are building a new ping-pong room and lounge room in the basement.

Alpha Tau Omega plans to put in a new stoker, and paint all their outside woodwork. Pi Kappa Phi, besides building a new house, plans to paint the inside and outside of their present house, and buy a few minor furnishings. Zeta Beta Tau will buy new furniture and combinations for their downstairs.

Sigma Nu intends to do over all of their furniture in the front room, paint the outside woodwork, and put in a new kitchen floor. Sigma Chi plans to repaint their

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Biologists Hold Annual Banquet

Tau Kappa Iota Installs New Officers At Forest Tavern

Last Tuesday night, at Forest Tavern, Tau Kappa Iota, honorary biology fraternity, held its sixteenth annual banquet and installation of officers.

After the meal, Dr. Hoyt, head of the biology department, spoke briefly about the future of the senior members of the club and what he expected from them.

The main speaker of the evening was Major Carrol, a member of the VMI biology department, who spoke on what he considered a good pre-medical course should be and stressed the value of a liberal education along that line.

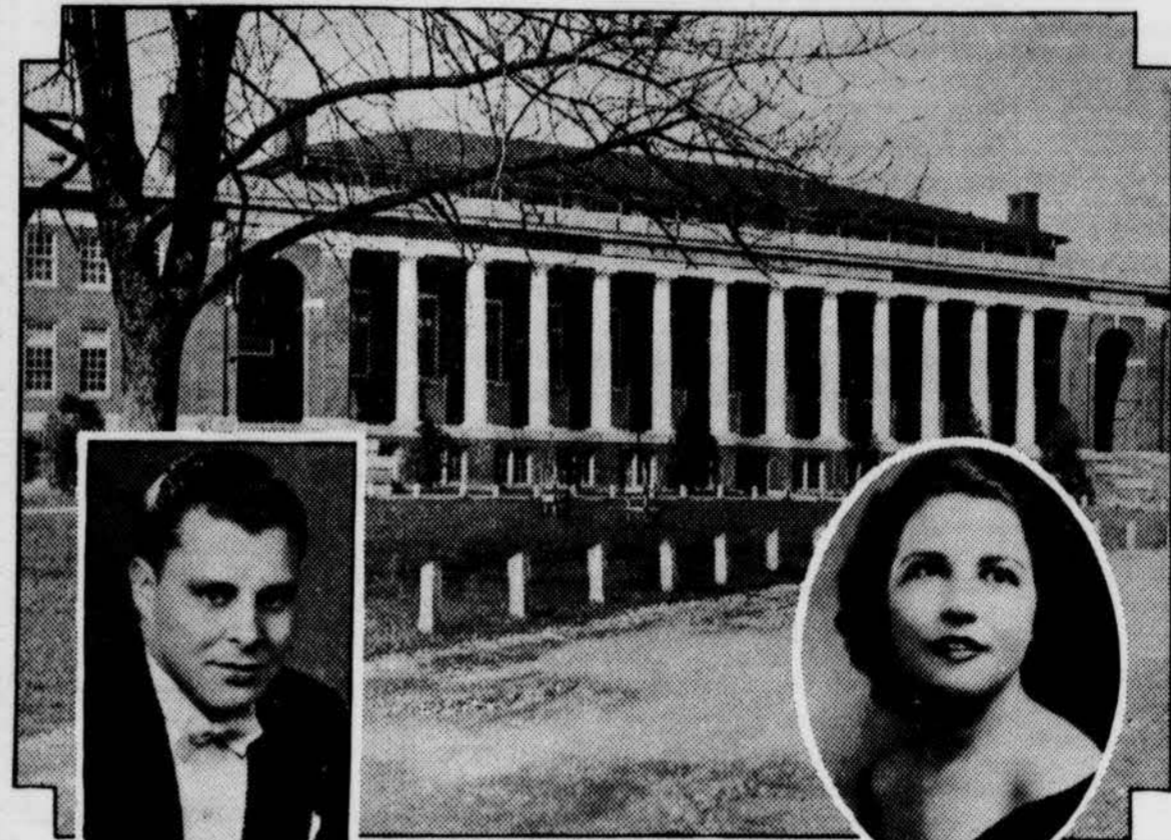
Mark Robinson, the new president; W. W. Grover, the new vice-president; Bob Sloan, the new treasurer; and George Vania, the new secretary were then officially installed by Souther Tompkins, retiring vice-president. Tompkins was substituting for Southgate Hoyt, the outgoing president, in the performing of this ceremony. Hoyt is at present in the hospital recovering from an appendectomy.

Rev. Wright Addresses W-L Christian Council

The Reverend Thomas Wright was the principal speaker at the annual banquet of the Washington and Lee Christian Council held recently at the Dutch Inn.

The general purpose of the banquet was to formulate plans for the Council of next year and after Reverend Wright's ten-minute talk, an open discussion was held by council members from which was drawn a brief outline of the activities of the next academic session.

Abe Lyman Signed By Gilleland Climaxing Lengthy Negotiations For Final Ball Orchestra Selection



George Gilleland, Finals leader, who today announced the signing of Abe Lyman for Final Ball, and Miss Peggy Sparks, who will lead the figure at Final Ball on the night of June 11.

Avery Picked Debate Head

Cannon and Schewel Also Elected Officers At Annual Banquet

At the annual debate banquet, held last Tuesday night at the Dutch Inn, six of the leading debaters of the society received recognition of their work in the form of debate keys. New officers were also elected, with Hugh Avery being named to the presidency, Emil Cannon to the vice-presidency, and Stanford Schewel, by virtue of his position as debate manager, to the secretaryship.

The debaters who received keys were: David Miller, Stanford Schewel, Dan Houghton, Hugh Avery, Bill Ritz and Emil Cannon. Professor George Jackson of the English Department was guest of honor at the banquet which was attended by about twenty of the leading debaters of the society.

Schewel stated that the society has had one of its most successful seasons, with about fifty students out for the team. He said that he was hoping for an even more successful season next year.

Numerous Scholarships Available to W-L Men For Meritous Standing

A number of scholarships and other means of financial assistance are available for Washington and Lee students whose records merit such recognition.

Most numerous of these awards are the endowed scholarships such as the Mapleson Scholarship, which is conferred upon the B. A. graduate who has the best record. The holder of this award receives \$300 and is expected to teach at Washington and Lee one hour each day.

Another scholarship is the Vincent L. Bradford award conferred on an undergraduate and based on the student's first two year's work. The holder receives an income estimated at \$300, from which the usual university fees are taken. The James McDowell Scholarship is another \$300 grant. The holder is chosen on the basis of his previous two year's work. The Young Scholarship is valued at \$100 and is conferred upon the student who attains the highest record in a selected course in Philosophy.

In addition to these endowed scholarships there are many departmental scholarships and the Inter-Fraternity Council Awards.

The last Finals Drive at reduced prices will be held tomorrow.

Ginia Simms Back With Kay Kyser for Finals Set

Virginia Simms, Bill Stoker, Harry Barris, and Sully Mason will be the featured vocalists with Kay Kyser when he makes his reappearance here on June 9th and 10th for the first two nights of Finals. Miss Simms, who was replaced by Nancy Nelson during her two months vacation from the bandstand, is back with Kyser again to pick up where she left off as one of the most popular female crooners in the business.

The one exception to last year's singers will be Harry Barris, delegated to fill the shoes of Arthur Wright, who was granted a contract with one of the major networks.

Literary Societies Plan Annual Joint Banquet At Hotel Monday Night

The Graham-Lee and the Washington literary societies will hold a joint banquet Monday night at 7:30 at the Robert E. Lee hotel. Professor Forest Fletcher will be the toastmaster.

The banquet is a yearly affair being given the week after the final contest for the literary society cup. This year the cup was won by the Washington society by a close 11-10 score. Members of both societies will be present, and Hugh Avery, president of the Washington society, said, "It is hoped that a large delegation from each society will be present."

Robert Hoyt, president of the Graham-Lee society stated that speeches by members of the society have been arranged and that both the outgoing presidents will give talks. The faculty will be represented by Mr. Gilliam, Dr. Tucker, and Professor Jackson, faculty sponsor.

McChesney Sets June 1 As Deadline for Contest

Deadline for pictures in the Calyx snapshot contest has been set as June 1. Editor Sam McChesney of the 1938 Calyx announced today. The winner of the contest will be posted in the Corner Store during examinations.

McChesney said, that while he had received some pictures, he hoped that many more would be turned in for the contest. He said that any pictures of the campus or of campus life were acceptable for the contest.

Dr. Gaines

Dr. Gaines will return from England June 8, and will deliver an address at the Commencement exercises to be held on June 11.

Calyx Named Virginia's Best

Press Association Praises Yearbook and Freshman Handbook

The 1938 Calyx won first place among Class A annuals entered in the student publications contest sponsored by the Virginia Intercollegiate Press Association, it was announced at Richmond yesterday. Washington and Lee's handbook received honorable mention in the handbooks division, according to the list of winners released by S. Frank Straus, executive secretary of the press association.

H. E. Sloan, Jr., served as editor-in-chief of the winning Calyx while John S. Beagle was business manager. The 1938 handbook, published by the Christian Council, was edited by William H. Hudgins with Douglas W. Lund as business manager. Hudgins is serving as editor-in-chief of the Calyx this year and was recently elected president of the VIPA.

Mary Baldwin College took leading honors in the contest with three first places, winning firsts among Class B annuals, magazines and Class A newspapers. In Class A annuals, with 250 pages or over, Corks and Curis of the University of Virginia trailed the Calyx with an honorable mention. Harrisonburg State Teachers College handbook was the only one to surpass W. and L.'s The Old Maid of Randolph-Macon Woman's College won first place among humorous publications.

According to Mr. Straus, nearly 75 publications were entered in the various contests at the recent VIPA convention in Richmond.

IRC To Elect Officers At Next Meeting, May 25

The Washington and Lee International Relations Club will hold their annual election of officers at a meeting Tuesday, May 25, at 7:30 p. m. in the Student Union. A round table discussion on the Spanish situation will also be carried on under the leadership of Dr. Helderman, Professor J. H. Williams, and several members of the club.

Spring Registration

All students who have failed to register for next session's work will be given the opportunity to do so on Tuesday, May 25, from 2:00 p. m. to 3:00 p. m. in the Old Chapel, Washington Hall.

All students who have not registered are urged to register at this time.

Popuar Coconut Grove Band Will Play On June 11th

PRICE OF TICKETS ADVANCE MAY 24

President Asks Full Cooperation From The Student Body

Abe Lyman and his Coconut Grove orchestra has been signed to play for Finals Ball, the night of June 11, it was announced today by George Gilleland, president of Finals.

Simultaneously with the announcement of the orchestra, Gilleland declared that a Finals drive would be conducted tomorrow at noon at fraternities and other eating places in town. Tickets for the set will be \$9.50, including the three dances June 9 and 10, with Kay Kyser playing. On Monday, May 24, price of tickets will rise to \$12.50, Gilleland has announced.

Members of the Finals Week Committee expressed themselves as well pleased at the selection of Lyman and his popular orchestra for the event. Officials of the Music Corporation of America were for weeks reluctant to sign the band for a trip to Lexington, due to its schedule of four commercial radio programs a week in New York. This is believed to be the only finals dance set which Lyman will be able to play for this year.

Subscriptions

On account of the increased outlay necessary to obtain Lyman, Gilleland has requested the Cooperation of the entire student body in obtaining 450 subscriptions. "Only 275 students have signed so far," he declared, "but I am confident the calibre of the band selected for Final Ball will impel many others to subscribe."

Lyman and his band first rose to fame playing at the famous Coconut Grove of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, smart rendezvous of the movie colony. His subsequent popularity, both in person and on the air, has resulted in engagements in Chicago, and New York, where he is now playing at a hotel, and making commercial broadcasts.

Will Play June 11

Gilleland pointed out that the difficulty and long delay in securing Lyman was occasioned by the fact that other schools in this vicinity, VMI and the University of Virginia, had already signed bands, both of which had commercial broadcasts scheduled in New York June 11, preventing their signing to play at Washington and Lee. The signing of Kay Kyser and Abe Lyman, he stated, "gives us what I believe to be the finest combination of bands for any final dances in the South."

Members of the executive committee and the floor committee will conduct the canvass of eating places tomorrow, and payment may be made by I. O. U., check, post-dated check, or cash. Any students whom the committee does not see should see some member of the committees before Monday morning to obtain the \$9.50 rate, Gilleland pointed out.

W-L Journalism Press Honors Local Educator

As part of the celebration to honor Harrington Waddell, head of the Lexington School System, the Washington and Lee Journalism Laboratory Press has printed for the County News office the story of Mr. Waddell's forty years as leader of Lexington schools in the form of a pamphlet entitled "Four Decades of Progress."

The booklet sketches briefly the history of education in Lexington as it is concerned with the grammar and high schools, and it mentions some of the many accomplishments of Mr. Waddell during the past forty years.

Included in the pages of the pamphlet are short histories of the various schools which compose the Lexington School System.

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NEW QUARTERS FOR THE CAMPUS PUBLICATIONS

Down in the basement of the Law building, poked into a small room with a telephone and half a dozen typewriters, is located probably the most important (at least we naturally think so) of all campus extra-curricular activities, the Ring-tum Phi.

Scattered in various fraternity house rooms or rooming house quarters of the editors, are the editorial offices of the two kindred campus publications, the Calyx and the Southern Collegian.

Athletes have their Doremus gymnasium and their athletic field, dramatists have their little theatre, even the Glee Club has its private room, all of which the Ring-tum Phi encouraged editorially and aided greatly, and none of which the Ring-tum Phi begrudges.

To many alumni, friends of the university, parents of students, other universities and metropolitan newspapers, the Ring-tum Phi is Washington and Lee. It becomes an eye through which they see this campus and watch its activities. In its columns are recorded the day to day history of the lives of some nine hundred young men in the formative period of their lives. And yet, the facilities for gathering all this information, correctly editing, publishing and printing it, are concentrated into one small room and a small adjacent print-shop, located over the university boiler room in an atmosphere which puts a Turkish bath to shame.

As for the Calyx, its editor must needs turn his private rooms into editorial offices, putting together a whole yearbook in the same quarters in which he lives, sleeps—and studies. The editor of the Southern Collegian, now turned into a monthly with a vastly greater amount of work to do, is treated to a similar fate.

Scarce is it to be wondered that from that hot print-shop where the windows must be kept closed to keep papers from scattering, there comes forth at times a Ring-tum Phi with obvious mistakes in typography and headline, though, we are proud enough to think, such mistakes are far fewer than in the average college newspaper.

There is no good reason why campus publications should not have decent quarters in which to work, as every other worthwhile campus activity possesses. There is no good reason why adequate space in the buildings proper of the university itself cannot be set aside for these activities, activities which come closer than any other extra-curricular work to resembling actual courses of instruction. The Ring-tum Phi, the Calyx, and the Southern Collegian deserve their rightful place in the sun, and for the life of us, we'd like to see them get it—and soon.

A NEW EXAM SCHEDULE AND ITS RECEPTION

Inauguration of three and a half hour final examinations this year, with the doubling up of various classes in the same subject into one general period, has met with varying comments on probable success or failure among the student body.

Many students, worried by the fact that exams now often come twice a day, sometimes even several days in succession, are eyeing the new plan with expressions varying from mild disfavor to howling protest. An unfortunate few, faced with the prospect of four, five and six examinations in less than a week, are baying to the moon in injured (and understandable) woe.

On the other hand, for the majority of students, the schedule is no more strenuous than previously, with, if anything, the promise of a slight let-up in the stress and strain of examination period.

Several professors, following the belief that many men find it mentally impossible to shine in a situation requiring sustained memory work above all other things, have welcomed the change as a method of de-emphasizing the importance of the final examination. They point to the fact that the memory expert, the concentration shark and the possessor of a photographic mind is consistently at the head of his class with strong final exams. Although this is true, to a greater or less extent, of all college grading, the use of all-important final exams simply emphasizes the golden opportunity for this sort of student. Consequently, final examinations this year have been cut in importance, in regard to the share they contribute toward a student's grade, as far as many professors are concerned.

If the move is truly in the direction of emphasis on reason and understanding rather than emphasis on memory of detail, it should be accompanied by examinations which are not memory tests.

It will be interesting to compare the general average of students' grades under the new set-up, with what they received under the old. Any marked variation in individual types should come up for strong consideration by the faculty when judging the probable success or failure of the new plan.

THE FORUM

2,000 Smart Guys

As one of the organizations cooperating with the Student Peace Action Council, we have always encouraged and supported its activities. We dislike to criticize an organization with such noble motives, but after attending the meeting held Monday night we feel that censure is necessary.

Held for the purpose of showing students why compulsory ROTC should be abolished on this campus, how this can be accomplished, and why it would promote peace, Monday's meeting was attended by sixty people, most of them members of the Council itself.

It required little thought to show that a meeting of this sort will accomplish little. Information must reach more than sixty people if it is to be effective.

What was the reason for this lax attendance? Why didn't Penn State's five thousand other students go to this meeting? What was wrong?

The first fault was in the choice of subject. No one can expect the student body to be interested in a subject which affects only about half its members. Instead of holding a meeting on compulsory ROTC the Council should have selected some topic of general interest such as "What Am I Getting Out of College?" "Lombardo vs. Goodman," or "Resolved: That the Country is a Better Place to Live than the City." Of course these things don't have much to do with peace action, but the important thing is to arouse student interest.

The time selected for the meeting was ill chosen. Jean Harlow and Robert Taylor were appearing at the local cinema and students could scarcely be expected to pass up such cultural opportunity to hear an address on something so unimportant as keeping this country out of war.

It is also possible that many students did not know about the speech. Of course there was a long article in this paper about it and signs were displayed down town and on the campus, but this was scarcely enough advance publicity. A sound truck, signs painted on the sidewalks, sandwich-sign men, and a sky writer should all have been used. No one can be expected to go to something that he doesn't know about.

Finally, a more prominent speaker should have been engaged. While the Reverend Rockel presented his talk well enough, few students had heard of him. They weren't interested. If some outstanding man of letters like Lloyd C. Douglas or a great philosopher like Will Durant had been scheduled there would have been a much larger audience. Commander Byrd and Mrs. Roosevelt are interested in peace. Why didn't the Council get one of them?

The motives of the Peace Actioners here was good enough, but they certainly were unable to handle Monday's meeting in the proper manner.

One other thing that was beyond their control perhaps had a little to do with the failure. Two thousand ROTC conscripts know that it's smarter to spend 200 hours finding out how to fight than two hours learning how to abolish their course and help to prevent a war.—Penn State College Paper.

Musical Monologues

By DICK SOUTHWORTH



Trudy Wood

Corn-fed is the correct adjective to apply to the Packard Hour which airs weekly on Tuesday nights over NBC at 8:30. The stanza makes the tragic mistake of starring Fred Astaire who hucks in his bathtub baritone whatever current ditties he happens to favor. It completely overlooks the only redeeming feature which it offers, delegating, comely, blond, Trudy Wood to the darker recesses of its studio. Miss Wood, who with her vocals could even render a successful plug of one of Billy Hill's dirges, is the real star of the program. If you are an exceptionally good mood and can stand the feeble quirks of said dancer and stooge, Charlie Butterworth, lend an ear to Miss Wood. You won't be disappointed.

PREVUES

By JOHN B. CLEVELAND

Internes Can't Take Money (Saturday) is a sordid melodrama with two skillfully blended plots. It is definitely for mature audiences, and is one of the better products that Paramount is beginning to put out. Quaint Barbara Stanwick takes the lead, as a laundry worker, and sober Joel McCrea, as interne, plays opposite her. Lloyd Nolan takes the part of a gangster and an adequate supporting cast takes the minor roles. The story portrays a serious side of life, with an appealing romance, and a little comedy. It should hold the attention of intelligent audiences, and provide good entertainment to those wishing to see a serious movie.—Paramount production.

A Doctor's Diary (Monday) is a savagely derisive expose of certain touchy points of the medical profession. The cast is made up almost entirely of unknown players. George Bancroft, Sidney Blackmer, John Trent, Ruth Coleman, and Helen Burgess play the more important roles.

History is Made at Night (Tuesday and Wednesday) is an entertaining, complicated romance concerning Charles Boyer and Jean Arthur. Leo Carillo provides the humor, and Colin Clive is a revengeful husband. A large cast gives a complete representation of the story. History is made when a transatlantic steamer crashes into an iceberg, which will remind most audiences of the Titanic disaster. England is the home of the plot as may be expected from Colin Clive. The talents of the three leading actors, Boyer, Arthur, and Carillo; and the iceberg scene are outstanding points in the picture. The show should hold audiences' attention well, and furnish first rate entertainment.

CAMPUS COMMENT

By TIM LANDVOIGT

Perhaps it is a little out of place that this columnist should wax constructive, but last week's editorial on "Filling Station Madness" struck a responsive note in my mind and I would like to get in my two cents on a problem as vital as any that has hit these pages in many a moon.

First, let's get it on the record that the students of this university bring to this small town every year, directly and indirectly, ONE MILLION DOLLARS. The percent of that amount that goes to Mc-Chums alone is enormous. We of Washington and Lee University have converted what would be a hole-in-the-wall soda fountain to what is undoubtedly one of the richest paying single drug stores in the South if not this entire country. Also, Mr. Greenlee Letcher's fine name is undoubtedly the result of illustrious ancestry and personal achievement, but for every cent of business success that he has had in this town, Mr. Letcher can on bended knee thank the students of this University.

This is not an attempt to humble the good people of Lexington. They are, as a lot, quite as fine as you would find elsewhere, but there does exist in this town a certain narrow vested interest of merchants and men of business. They tax student automobiles, but I have not heard of any representation for nine hundred odd students, who surely must be citizens, on their town council. I question the sincerity and integrity of a council that refuses a building permit once and then approves it. Another filling station rises on the PI KA front door step. What sort of building regulations or zoning laws has this town anyhow. In any clean and sanitary city, Mr. Letcher's imposing cleaning plant would have been condemned not only by the health commissioner, but also by the fire department, the zoning board, and public opinion in general.

The council lets an old and out-moded Blue Law, which is practically extinct, restrain them from granting Sunday shows, a move which would immediately lower the number of highway deaths and accidents among students taking flying week-end trips. Yet, this same council does not give a hoot about a much older unwritten law that dictates they shall not destroy the beauty of a university, which symbolizes the tradition of this small town and all in and around it.

Back to Abnormal . . .

Interest in the Finals band was as widespread as that in the coronation or at least for Dr. Gaines who left word with Penny to write him the minute George signed a band, which I hope he will do. With the signing of a band, the last of Final's jokes comes through with the rumor that Spence Kerkow has signed his band for next Finals.

If Dr. Tucker seems a bit tired these days, he is surely justified. It seems that right in the midst of registration, the annual squirrel made its visit to Dr. Tucker's home, supposedly by way of the chimney, and then proceeded to interrupt

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Walter P. Laird

Letters to the Editor

Editor's Note: Last week's editorial on the outlook of a certain percentage of Lexington's citizenry evoked the following two letters to the editor. The first is written by a lady long prominent in the affairs of the town. The second is written by a vociferous sophomore here, sublime in the infinite wisdom of his infallibility. Our editorial stands as it was written, and has been considered worthy enough to be reproduced verbatim on the editorial page of the Rockbridge County News this week.

The Ring-tum Phi welcomes any further comment on the subject.

From a Lexington Citizen

To the Editor of Ring-tum Phi,
I read with deep interest your editorial in the last issue of the Ring-tum Phi and wish to congratulate you on it.

The real Lexingtonians are absolutely against this filling station on Main Street as was plainly shown by a recent petition presented to the Town Council. Owing to this petition the Council vetoed the plan. They also knew what it would mean to this lovely old town. It was taken to Court and as the town refused to defend its stand, our case was lost.

We, the native townspeople, grieve deeply over the town being

made into what you rightly term an ugly American one but what can a group of civic minded people do against the powers that be?

Let me thank you again for expressing the true Lexingtonians' feelings so well and to the point.
Citizen.

In Which the Editor Is Censured By a Mr. Schewel

Dear Sir:

It was with a somewhat adolescent viciousness and a super-conceited sense of self righteousness that you launched a bitter and unwarranted attack in your last issue upon Lexington citizens in general and Mr. Greenlee Letcher in particular. Your editorial showed an abysmal ignorance of the many contributions Mr. Letcher has made to this community, and unexcusable indications of the fact that you made few investigations of ALL the facts before you wrote the editorial.

Even were it not for the fact that Mr. Letcher is an elderly gentleman of distinguished family and accomplishments, even were it not for the fact that he is deserving of some respect from young college students many years his junior, his valuable services to the town and citizens of Lexington and

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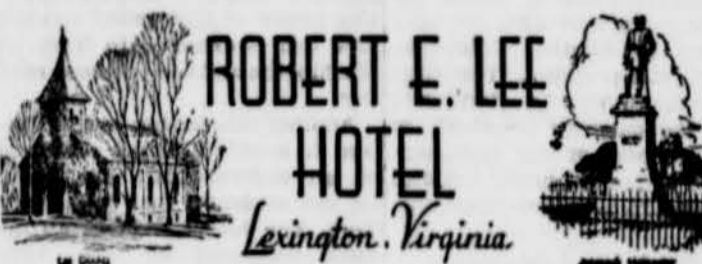
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Betas and SAE Reach I-M Baseball Finals

Delta Tau Delta Defeated By Beta, 8-1 in Semi-Final Round

FINALISTS TO MEET MONDAY EVENING

SAE's Win Close Game Over Sigma Nu in 9 Innings, 7-6

Although his wildness kept him in hot water throughout much of the later innings, Cal Thomas, ace twirler for the Beta aggregation, proved effective in the pinches, and his team-mates tendered him sufficient support to sink the Delta diamond emissaries by the conclusive margin of 8-1 on Wilson field Wednesday afternoon.

In the other semi-final game played Tuesday, the SAE's required nine innings to eke out a 7-6 victory over the ever-scraping Sigma Nu club. This game, which bore all the earmarks of a thriller, was completely in doubt until the final half of the ninth, when the SAE's pushed across the deciding marker, a clean two bagger which Sigma Nu converted into an error, enabling the SAE man to scamper home unchecked.

By virtue of their respective victories Tuesday, the Betas and the SAE's both advanced to the final round of the intramural tournament where they will meet in the deciding contest Monday afternoon.

Both Teams Outstanding

The capable exhibitions of both teams have noticeable dominated the picture so far. The Betas, last year's winners who were pre-tournament favorites, are banking heavily upon the educated flipper and proven mound lore of Cal Thomas to twirl them into their second consecutive intramural championship, while the SAE's will present a well-balanced lineup and latent hitting power in the attempt to shatter the Beta hopes.

The consolation race, for the ten teams which were eliminated in the first round of the legitimate tourney, will get under way this afternoon, with two games being played. The other seekers after consolation drew a first round bye until Monday afternoon.

Captain Dick Declares "No Intramural Field Before Next Year"

There is no possibility that an intramural practice and athletic field will be constructed before next year, it was learned from Captain Dick Smith yesterday.

Mr. Gavin Hadden, noted architect, is scheduled for a visit to this campus sometime in the near future, and it may be that plans will be further developed at that time.

Mr. Smith offered a new suggestion as to the possibility of surrendering the present baseball diamond to intramural athletics and seeking a field outside of town for baseball practice.

This offer came in view of the fact that the varsity teams could more easily secure transportation than the various competitors in intramural athletics.

when they will fly at each other with a vengeance.

In the Beta-Delta encounter Tuesday afternoon, the Betas found the offering of Vance Funk, Delta hurler, to their liking, and they unleashed most of their heavy artillery in early innings of the contest. The eight runs they amassed proved readily sufficient to allow them to coast to victory in the latter frames. Although Thomas allowed the Deltas only four hits, his inability to find the platter in the closing innings threatened to prove a stumbling block to the Beta success. Thomas' ability to settle down in the nick of time, coupled with good support, caused several potential Delta runs to die on base in each inning.

The close score and the fact that two over-time frames were staged gives accurate testimony to the struggle the Sigma Nu's and the SAE's waged. The game was marked by superior fielding and good all-round play. The score was tied throughout most of the customary seven inning period, and stood at 6-6 at the end of the seventh. After two harrowing innings of over-time play, the SAE's pushed across the winning marker, thanks to Sigma Nu's misplay on a screaming outfield drive.

Matmen to Meet Princeton, Duke Here Next Year

Kansas State Also Included On Schedule Released By Smith Today

Captain Dick Smith, Director of Athletics at Washington and Lee, today announced the schedule for the 1938 wrestling team. The outstanding event on the schedule is the re-match with Princeton University, this time to be held in Lexington.

Princeton trimmed the Southern Conference leaders this year when they wrestled in New Jersey. Capt. Carl Arenz and Bob Kemp won the only two bouts for the Generals.

W. and L. also has another crack mid-western team on their list this year. After noticing the success of the Blue and White on the northern trip last year, Kansas State signed up for a match on the 22nd of February.

Captain Dick is also looking for a match on February 16th, but he has not yet found an opponent for the Generals. He has two matches arranged for the frosh team. They are with North Carolina on Feb. 4th, and on Feb. 26 with VPI. He probably will get several other matches with prep and high school squads.

The varsity schedule is: Jan. 19 N. C. S. (H), Jan. 31—Duke (H), Feb. 4—N.C. (T), Feb. 12—Princeton—(H), Feb. 22—Kansas State (H), Feb. 26—VPI(H)

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I-M Net Battle Advances Into Quarter Finals

Robertson is Favorite With Borries, Iler and Reed Close Behind

As the intramural tennis tournament advanced into the quarter-final round Bill Borries was out in front with seven wins to six for the other contestants. Mr. Borries found himself to be the only man safely in the semi-finals.

Ten others followed Borries' example to make up the sixth round. They were: Nerosi, Phi Delta Theta; Iler, A. T. O.; Meem, Sigma Nu; Reed, Warner and Baker of S. A. E.; Wilson and White, Beta; Schull, Phi Psi, and Peck Robertson of Kappa Alpha.

Robertson has been winning all his matches with ease, and is the heavy favorite to take the crown left vacant by Roy Dart. He will be hard put to win from Norman Iler when these two tangle in the next match.

Too Many Semi-Finalists Cause Re-Drawing In I-M Horseshoes

Only five men remain in the intramural horseshoe pitching tournament that began last fall with a crowded field of 374 contestants.

The singular fact about that is that all five are in the semi-finals, a tangle that will be straightened out by another drawing and pairing for the climax matches between the premier horseshoe slingers of the school.

The five aces who have survived the long struggle through the packed brackets are Jack Jones, Sigma Nu; Henshaw, Sigma Chi; Schull, Phi Psi; Loeb, Z. B. T.; and Craft, Delta Tau Delta. All five have proved their ability by their presence at the top of the heap, but followers of the sport are stringing along with Henshaw and Craft as favorites.

Craft won his way into the semi-final round yesterday afternoon past Charlie Williams in a

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close match that sparked with fingers. Craft started fast to pile up an 18-9 lead in the first game, but Williams came from behind with a barrage of well-aimed shots to rally and win by 21-19. The second game, which Craft took by an identical score, saw five tosses in a row settle about the iron pole.

Sorry Following an error on the intramural bulletin board, The Ring-tum Phi last week printed the score of the SAE-Phi Delta Theta quarter-final intramural baseball contest as 32-20. The sports department here retracts the statement in giving the correct score as 7-6 in favor of SAE.

Greetings and Welcome from WHITE HOUSE CAFE Lynchburg, Virginia

Frosh To Meet Staunton In Final Tennis Combat

Tomorrow the Baby Generals' tennis warriors will play their last match of the year when they tackle the Staunton Military Academy netmen at 2:00 P. M.

The frosh have been practicing faithfully for the past week in the effort to close their short season with a victory. The match this week-end should give a line on the sophomore prospects for next year. Washburn and Douglas stand out as the most promising singles men on the squad and Kenna, Fuller, and Spaulding all show signs of developing into varsity material.

The match Saturday will start at 2:00 P. M. This is the last intercollegiate sporting event of the year to be held here.

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—WL— It's certainly all over and the spotlight of athletics here will find its way into the intramural circles. The best we've seen so far is that powerhouse gang from down at the Beta house . . . This boy, Cal Thomas, better known as co-captain of the Southern Conference champion wrestlers, is developing more speed with his fast ball every day. At this printing the Betas haven't been shellacked and if Thomas keeps chucking that softball . . . ???

—WL— Just reminiscing: It's all over but the shouting and we've strained ourselves trying to find that part of it. We caught several of the coaching staff of the University musing over "What Might Have Been" again, and this time it concerns our widely heralded baseball club. Suppose every man that was due to return to school this year had returned, where would our ball club have been? Here's the answer: Emerson Dickman is one of the by-words in Little Rock where they play Class A ball. Russ Peters is doing well with Philadelphia's recently unleashed elephant in the American League, and we don't know what Layton Cox is doing. These three, along with possibly Norman Iler in that infield (when Dickman wasn't burning some catcher's hand, he'd have probably been at first) would have put some ginger in this league . . . The Virginia newspapers are ballyhooing Buck Jacobs as far as the coast of China. There's one consolation. No one picked up their morning daily to find that Bucky had victimized the Generals among others . . . Following his latest no-hit feat, Bucky was seen in consultation with Gene McCann, the noted ivory seeker who rates a place on the New York Yankee payroll . . . Nothing has yet been confirmed of Bucky's bright future. Scouts have been rather dubious of his physical size but they completely forgot that requisite of a professional when they watched him burning that beautiful curve ball across the corners, and that's where he usually puts them . . . But we've been told that Bucky's no-hit games have made the scouts temporarily forget a boy down at Duke named George Barley whose record on the Southern Conference mounds rates the top . . .

—WL— The happiest man in the state: That's Bus Mide at Virginia. We won't see Bus again but we'll remember him. He competed against Washington and Lee in three sports for five years or more. Before he saw his freshman schedule at the Wahoo institute, he was with S. M. A. And here's why he's happy. For four years at Virginia (he says) he trained the year round to accomplish that supreme task of beating Washington and Lee in some sport or another. This was the highest accomplishment that he could attain, so it has been drilled into the head of every good Cavalier patriot . . . Finally, with his collegiate career on a decided wane, Bus took a major role in beating our baseball club, just in the nick of time, because he shakes hands with a sheepskin next month. Just another little thing our baseball club let in this year . . . and so it is that the Big Blue is almost tired of being followed. O. K., we hit the home stretch next week . . . Watch our smoke.

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Latham Weber to Talk to Freshmen About W-L Honor System

Plans for the conduct of the 1937 Freshman Camp were formulated this week by camp councilors and Mr. Gilliam at the latter's home. Speeches were assigned and Dean Gilliam outlined the councilor's duties during the brief period of orientation for the summer camp freshmen.

Fielden Woodward, making the keynote speech, will introduce members of the faculty and the attending councilors to the freshmen.

Head Councilor, Saxby Tavel, in cooperation with Dean Gilliam, will be in charge of all administrative duties; he will address the freshmen on the benefits derived from the Student Union.

Latham Weber, alumni representative, will make the main address, speaking on the Honor System. Weber will augment this talk with one on the general topic of "If I were a Freshman." Substitute assignments on the subjects of Honor System and "If I Were a Freshman," have been assigned to Edgar Shannon and Ed Rankin respectively, with the possibility that Weber might not be able to return to Camp in the face of his approaching studies at Harvard.

Bill Brown will speak on the functions of Phi Eta Sigma, freshman honor society. Fred Bartenstein will talk on the Glee Club. Jimmy Fishel will address the freshmen on the Washington and

CAMPUS COMMENT

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Dr. Tucker's sleep for a few nights. Among other Men of the Week is Fletcher Maynard. It seems that the lowest office in the S. A. E. house is the Eminent Herald. His duty, it is rumored, is to sit in the corner during fraternity meetings and hold the members' umbrellas or something equally important. Anyhow his appreciative brethren nominated Mr. Maynard to the office of Eminent Herald by acclamation the other night.

Maybe So . . .
Professor Light is still trying to convince the boys that on the morning of the Coronation while he had his ear pressed very close to the radio, he heard someone say, presumably to the king, just before the ceremony started. "Take it easy, old boy, don't get nervous." Who knows, maybe it was the spiritual advice of George V.

Richie Simon is still looking for the practical joker among his fellow ZBT's who bribed a little colored lad to pull a "Father, dear father, come home to us now" in the dining room the other evening.

Fun in Class . . .
Morton Kelsey, DU Phi Beta material, came into class the other day much put out. While sitting peacefully on the campus, five dogs had attacked him and nicely

Lee publications, while Charlie Guthrie will talk on the work of the Christian Council. Vaughn Beale will outline the new rushing plans and Dean Gilliam will climax the activities with his annual talk on fraternities.

orn his clothes. We could make some nasty crack about dogs being afraid to attack a human being.

This week's prize, however, goes to the student in Mr. Crenshaw's history class, who, when asked what Senator defeated Hughes' election in California, replied like a flash, "Hiram Walker."

Improvements

outside woodwork and to redecorate their chapter room.

Phi Delta Theta will repaint their outside woodwork, and Lambda Chi Alpha, in addition to planning their new house, will furnish work on their present house, which includes, repapering the walls, fixing up their chapter room, and repainting the outside.

Delta Upsilon's laundry will build them a new back porch, and the fraternity will buy new furniture and redecorate and furnish their downstairs. Pi Kappa Alpha has renovated its bar and plans to refurnish two lounges. Phi Kappa Psi will buy a new stove and repaint the inside of their house.

Phi Epsilon Pi plans to renovate the interior and exterior of their house, and Phi Kappa Sigma plans to refurnish and redecorate their first floor. Sigma Phi Epsilon plans to redecorate their upstairs.

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to the state of Virginia make him deserving of more consideration than he has received from the Ring-tum Phi.

For the past six years Mr. Letcher has been instrumental in the construction of decent rural highways in this section of the state. Many times, out of his own personal fortune, he has contributed to the building of these roads that have brought comfort and a higher degree of prosperity to the country people whom the vastly superior college students condescendingly term "the natives."

Mr. Letcher has been a large contributor to charity and a leader in many civic movements. As one prominent Lexington merchant told me, "For the past six years since the last Chamber of Commerce was dissolved Mr. Letcher has been the Lexington Chamber of Commerce all in himself. His disinterested and energetic services to the town of Lexington have justly earned for him the respect of his fellow-citizens. The college newspaper was totally unjustified and distinctly in bad taste when it made this attack upon a gentleman whom the entire town recognizes as one of its most valuable citizens."

I suggest that the next time the Ring-tum Phi makes such an attack that it be more certain of the ground upon which it stands.

Yours truly,
Stanford Schewel.

BETWEEN SHEETS

By ALEX LOEB

Darkness in Sewanee . . .

Sewanee, University of the South and Breeder of Gentlemen, has been having lighting trouble lately. Although they have a "strictly enforced" honor system, it's evidently not against the rules to pick up what one can from the university buildings. For when government

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Hash . . .

A fraternity at William and Mary knew that they had an old chapter house dating from the 18th century; but they didn't know its former usage until recently. It seems that back in the old days it was used as "commitment house for debtors and offenders." Which only shows us that fraternities haven't changed through the years. Purdue's charter stipulates that there must be on the Board of Regents "one farmer, one woman, and one man of good moral integrity." . . . Football at the Cheyenne School of Colorado was recently abolished and rodeos substituted.

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Crew Race

The annual crew race between Washington and Lee and Albert Sydney will be held on the North River at four o'clock, June 11.

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