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Shenandoah's New Issue Features Novel By Davis

ter of Paxton Davis' new novel, "Nightwatch," editor Max Caskie announced today.

Also to be included in the publication will be poems by such well editor of The New Orleans Poetry leading poet.

The many other features included in the magazine range from articles, essays, and parables to book reviews by W&L students and a member of the faculty.

Article on John Ranson

Louis D. Rubin, a member of the Hollins faculty, is the author of an article on the poetry of John Crowe Ranson, editor of The Kenyon Review. Ranson has been considered a

F-D Costumes Selling Fast

Two hundred twenty-five Fancy Dress costumes have been sold as of yesterday afternoon, according to Joe Craycroft, Costume Manager for the Ball. Only 175 costumes are left and there should be little difficulty in selling them, Craycroft said.

Six types of costumes are on sale, one for each of the Gilbert and Sullivan operettas which form the theme of the Ball. The operettas are The Gondoliers, The Pirates of Penzance, H.M.S. Pinafore, The Mikado, The Yeoman of the Guard, and Patience. Two of the most popular costumes den as chairman; old members Marhave already been completely sold vin Perry, Marshall Fishwick and out, and two others have only a few orders left.

The costumes are being sold from 2 to 5 p.m. in the Student Union every afternoon, Monday through Friday, and will be on sale after the Christmas holidays, providing they are not all gone before then. They will be available at the same hours through the 10th of January. Junkin, William Mason, John Mc-All costumes can be rented for \$7.50 each with a Dance Plan and \$8.50 each without a Dance Plan. Payment need not be made until receiving the costumes in January.

Craycroft has attributed the rapid rate of costume sales to increased interest in the Fancy Dress weekend resulting from the Dance Board's contraction of big-name bands for both nights-Buddy Morrow on Friday, January 31, and Louis Armstrong on Saturday.

Pi Beta Phi Lodge Burns To Ground Sunday At RMWC

A sorority house at Randolph-Macon Woman's College was totally destroyed early Sunday morning by a roaring blaze which damaged another lodge nearby and threatened eight others before firemen were able I to put it under control at 6:30 a.m.

The sorority, Pi Beta Phi, was uninhabited, although the building had been occupied when dance guests were entertained there during intermissions and the previous evening until midnight.

No one lived in the wooden struc-

The damage caused by the fire was estimated at a cost of between \$10,000 and \$12,000, according to A. M. White, college treasurer, but he added that the building was covered by insurance.

The blaze was discovered by a pantry worker, who notified the college switchboard, which in turn promptly alerted the fire department at 5:32 a.m. and school officials.

Firemen were unable to discover the cause of the fire because the Pi Phi house was already covered with field of seven entries. DU came in flames when they arrived, although William F. Quillian, president of the college, ventured an opinion on the probable causes of the blaze. He listed these as a carelessly dropped Chi, Fhi Gam, and ZBT. Professors clarette, defective wires, or sparks Leyburn and Borden, and "Sazeracs" Dan Miller, Howard Wolf, Billy from a fireplace.

The Phi Mu house was damaged when flames broke out in the roof silver bowl and a keg of beer with Jon McLin, Hayes Gowen, and Ken gable, but they were checked quick- their two selections, "The Pope," Sadler.

At its height the blaze could be visible all over Lynchburg.

The Christmas issue of The Shen- | lyrical poet whose topics are not too andoah will publish the first chap- deep, but Rubin proves that there is a sense of tragedy in his poetry and that much of his irony is mistaken for facetiousness.

Desmond Stewart, British citizen living in Beirut, Lebanon, heads the known figures as Richard Ashman, list of essay writers. His subject will be Jean Cocteau, French poet. Journal, and Donald Davie, one of In the article Stewart shows the the prominent poetry writers of debt Cocteau owes to the Imagist modern times and probably Ireland's School and to Ezra Pound, an Amer-School and to Ezra Pound, an American poet who is considered the elder statesman of our modern poets.

> The short essay by Harvey Buchanan, who teaches humanities at the Case Institute of Technology in Cleveland, is on Herman Hesse's book, Pilgrimage, and has been included in commemoration of Hesse's eightieth birthday this year.

Also writing poetry besides Davie and Ashman will be Charles Shaw, who is noted for his light and humorous verse; and the author of the parable is a Chinaman, I Po Li, whose short "Parable of Crow and Mocking Bird" is an amusing and satirical piece.

ter, former Shenandoah editor who Ray Wooldridge, chairman of the must be "officers and gentlemen." will analyze three books of essays on event, announced today. Dr. Gaines They must possess the qualities of the South; Marshall W. Fishwick of will also conduct the meditation for the W&L faculty, who will review the service. two books of art prints-"New Art in America" and "Three Hundred Years the English Department will read lead to success in any field, military of American Painting"; and W&L ophomore Lennie Bryant, who will discuss a book called "Philosophies of India" by Heinrich Zimmer, Austrian professor of philosophy.

Caskie announced that the Shenandoah faculty board has been enlarged and expanded. The new Board of Publishers includes Dr. Ross Bor-James Farrar; and new members James G. Leyburn, John Harvey Wheeler, and Paxton Davis.

The editorial staff includes managing editor Russ Early, associate editor Jerry Susskind, and a large number of editorial assistants. Jack Freeman heads a six man business staff of which Robert Grady, Michael Murray, and Henry Paul are mem-

zine a greater permanence.



Dr. Gaines

Gaines To Talk In Yule Service Thursday Night

President Gaines will be the main speaker for the traditional Washington and Lee Christmas Service The book reviewers are Tom Car- Thursday at 10:30 p.m. in Lee Chapel,

Professor Fitzgerald Flournoy of from the Scriptures and senior John confession. The Glee Club will also participate in the service, with Sam Adams the organist and Werner Deiman at the piano.

This annual event is being held for the first time in several years in Lee Chapel instead of Robert E. Lee Memorial Episcopal Church. The reason for the change, according to the Christian Association, is to relate the service more closely to the

The purpose of the 1957 event is to present more effectively the true meaning of Christmas which is sometimes clouded by commercial-

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Notice

Dr. Ollinger Crenshaw will speak dergone a good bit or reorganization erary Society scheduled for tonight assets to the company and that their this year in order to give the maga- in the Student Union building at previous military records prove their

Moot Court Team Faces Penn In N.Y. National Meet Tomorrow

For the second time in four years, feating teams from the law schools dent lawyers to New York City for the national final rounds of the annual Moot Court competition on December 18-20.

The Washington and Lee lawyers by winning in regional competition at Durham, N. C., last month, de-

Scabbard-Blade Initiates Six

Cadet Major Bill Roberts, captain of the Washington and Lee company tiated into the National Honorary Military Society last week.

The new initiates are Lt. Col. Alpert Steves, Major Parkhill Mays, Capt. Frank Hoopes, Capt. Charles Nolte, 1st Lt. Sam Monroe, and 1st Lt. Hal Whitaker.

According to the rules of the organization, the ROTC cadets selected for membership in the organization leadership, patriotism, efficiency, loyalty, obedience, courage, goodfellowship, and honor-all of which and civil. Merit is the sole basis for Hollister will conduct a prayer of membership in Scabbard and Blade.

from San Antonio, Texas; Mays is also a KA and his home is Monticello, Florida; Hoopes is a DU from Wilmington, Delaware; Nolte is a Pi Phi from Baltimore, Maryland; Rhea Acclaimed Monroe is a Sigma Nu from Pelham Manor, New York, and Whitaker is an SAE from Baltimore.

Captain David Peacock is the faculty advisor to the local company. Eighteen members are presently associated with the local company, campus three years ago. Last year the company sponsored the first an- last Friday. nual Military Ball and will again

interest and leadership abilities.

Washington and Lee University's of Wake Forest University, the Uni-School of Law will send its top stu- versity of Richmond, and the University of Virginia.

First round opponent for Washington and Lee at New York will be the University of Pennsylvania. In all, 22 schools will be represented qualified for the New York finals there, including the University of Virginia which was runner-up to Washington and Lee in the regionals. Five elimination rounds are scheduled, with the finalists meeting at 8 p.m. on December 20.

Members of Team

The threeman team is composed of seniors Norman C. Roettger, Jr. Green Camp, Ohio; Patrick D. Sullivan, Lorton, Va.; and Charles S. of Scabbard and Blade, announced Gay, Halesite, N. Y. Sullivan was today that six new men were ini- a member of the 1956 team which was eliminated in the regional arguments

A fourth student, not actually a member of the team but a factor in its success, serves as chairman of the Moot Court Committee and will accompany the team to New York. He is Robert McCullough, a senior from Murfreesboro, Tenn., who is also editor of the Washington and Lee Law Review.

As chairman, McCullough helped stage intra-school competition for Party at a meeting of party represelection of team members, supervised the team's organization and its ceeds Bob Hawkins, who has served pre-regional argument preparations, as the party's chairman since last and handled all other incidental ar- April. rangements.

The team members themselves The new members are all seniors at have been concerned with prepara-Washington and Lee. Steves is a KA tion of a 39-page printed brief and party since his freshman year. After the various oral arguments they present before Moot Court judges.

SBA President

Bob Rhea, a senior law student from Staunton, Virginia, was elected president of the Student Bar Assowhich was established on the W&L clation for the second semester at a special meeting of the group held

Other officers chosen at the Assohold the Ball sometime this spring, ciation's semi-annul election were White Friars. He has served as stage In making the announcement of Jim Stump, intermediate the new initiates, Roberts stated Clarksburg, West Virginia, vice- for several productions last year and According to Caskie, "We have un- at a meeting of the Washington Lit- that the new men should be definite president; Charlie Gay, senior from this fall, and as Rush Chairman of Robert C. ("Gunner") Miller, inter- been a member of the IFC. mediate from Huntington, West Virginia, treasurer.

> ruary, was elected by acclamation. egal fraternity, and a former vicepresident of the SBA and member of the Board of Governors. He rewater College in 1955.

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Holleman To Be Head Of Univ. Party

Vernon W. Holleman, Jr., was named chairman of the University sentatives last week. Holleman suc-

An SAE senior from Bethesda, Maryland, Holleman has served as his fraternity's representative to the accepting the highest post in W&L's major political party, Holleman said that he hoped to "follow in the fine work done so far in the University Party." He stated that he looked forward to a clean sweep for the University Party in the elections next spring.

The party at present holds down most of the "Big Seven" student oody offices excluding the key posts of student body president and president of Fancy Dress.

A member of Sigma, senior honorary society, Holleman also holds membership in the "13" Club and the from manager of the Troubadour Theatre Halesite, New York, secretary; and the SAE chapter here. He has also

The University Party is made up of nine fraternities on campus: KA, Rhea, who will succeed retiring Phi Delt, Beta, Phi Kap, Sigma Nu, SBA President Pat Sullivan in Feb- PiKA, DU, ZBT and SAE. The Independents, at present the minority He is president of Phi Alpha Delta party on campus, contain the other ight fraternities: Delt, Sigma Chi, Lambda Chi, Phi Ep. Kappa Sig, Phi Psi, Pi Kappa Phi and Phi Gam. Pi ceived his B.S. degree from Bridge- Phi senior Bob Rappel is chairman of the Indepent Party.

The duties of the chairman of the didates to succeed Perry Mann as two parties are many, but primarily vice-president of the SBA. A grad- they are responsible for party ornate of W&L in 1953, he is a mem- ganization and planning. The chairer of Kappa Alpha and Phi Delta men usually organize the selection hi legal fraternity and is treasurer of party candidates for the elections of the latter group. In addition, he and supervise the nominations. One was an alternate member of this of the key functions of party chairmen is to retain party unity.

Abrams Recital Criticized For Lack of Feeling; Style Praised

By WERNER DEIMAN

from the top drawer were the hallmark of Mr. Daniel Abrams' recital ation. Obviously designed to be in Lee Chapel on Tuesday evening. December 10. A man who has complete control of his instrument, Mr. which left the pianist and listener Abrams exploits his piano with all exhausted and quite ready for interthe gusto of a musical wizard who mission. is justly proud to display an extraordinary technique.

The Purcell Suite in G minor immediately introduced the listener to this technique. A touch which can abruptly change from the most brill'ant staccato to the lightest feathery legato; understated, adept pedaling; precise tempo, even and controlled; superb power to accentuate and subdue-all of this impressed this listener and prepared him for what he each group, only two fraternities hoped would be a moving, wistful reading of Beethoven's "Les Adieux" After the second round of the ered in the Purcell and completely contest, Sadler presented the silver missed the nostalgia and exalted bowl and a card for the keg of beer sublimity which characterize this ponder.

The pianist's own work, the Fourth Craftsmanship and scholarship Sonata, continued this pattern which he continued to follow without devipurely a vehicle for the display of this technique, it is a frenetic mass

Dazzle and Sparkle"

Only in the Schuman Carnaval did Mr. Abrams attempt any expression and interpretation, of which there was a satisfactory amount. Still, it lacked inspiration and spontaneitybeing planned, not felt; produced, not transmitted. Nevertheless, the inherently magnificent lyricism and weeping grandiosity of this monumental work for the piano rendered the recital a spirited climax.

Mr. Abrams' uncommon technique and command is something to be sorely coveted and appreciated. At present, the man is blinded by its dazzle and sparkle. He will surely become one of the "greats" when he has fused the warmth and depth of radiance, which is now wanting, into his work. Music-making is hardly

John introduced Ken Sadler, the IFC Song Fest chairman, who serv-

The competition this year was unwere eliminated, and the ZBT's,

SAE Songsters Retain Title In Friday Night's IFC Song fest; DU's, Sigma Chi's Are Next

Sigma Alpha Epsilon retained its | Hundred Thousand Years Ago" and | year, only four fraternities entered. IFC Song Fest title last Friday night "The Fox." by winning first place honors in a second and Sigma Chi was third.

Other entries in the contest, which attracted nearly 200 listeners to Lee Chapel, were Sigma Nu, Lambda head Jerry Miller served as judges.

The SAE's won first prize of a and "The Persian Kitten." Winning | Before the Song Fest IFC presia pony keg of beer were the DU's dent Lew John expressed his appre- to Sowell, the SAE director. He also sonata, especially the second moveseen in sections of Amherst, Bedford with their presentation of "The Whif- ciation to the participating fraterni- presented a card for a pony keg to ment, marked "Andante expressivo," and Campbell counties, and was fenpoof Song." The Sigma Chi's won ties and hope for an even more ex- Max Caskie, director of the DU which Mr. Abrams would do well to

Sowell Director of Group

Dave Sowell, a sophomore from Baltimore, Maryland, was director of the SAE group. Other members of the winning group included Dave Schaefer, George Birdsong, Hal Sigma Nu's, Sigma Chi's, SAE's and Sonata. This it was not; rather, Mr. Whitaker, Jim Duckett, Peter Lee, DU's all had to sing a second time. Abrams continued his style engend-

third place with "I Was Born a tensive participation next year. Last group.

ed as master of ceremonies for the usually keen in view of the fact that after the first songs were sung by

The King-tum Phi

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U.S. Survival Imperiled by GOP

The challenge we face in this crucial era of our national history is the challenge of survival—the survival of federal government, the survival of democratic freedom, the survival of our security under the provisions of equal justice and equal

The question the nation is now asking is "Has Eisenhower provided the leadership necessary to meet this grave challenge?" First immune from the critics of his Administration, Eisenhower's leadership is now being questioned. Eisenhower the man may still be above criticism, but Eisenhower the leader may now be seriously criticized.

A verdict on the validity of the criticism now being directed against his Administration and the leadership he has given it will be decided by the American people in the Presidential election of 1960, although the final verdict can be rendered only by the historians of the future. Nevertheless, the following indictments may now, in the face of current events, be rendered against Eisenhower's Administration and his leadership during his term of office:

INDICTMENT NO. 1-The Shift of the Balance of Power in favor of the Soviet Union. Russia was four years behind the U.S. in the development of an atomic bomb and eight months behind us in exploring a hydrogen bomb. Now Russia is at least six months ahead of us in the development of space satellites and apperently two-three years ahead of us in the development of an intercontinental ballistic missile.

It is now evedent that the poor organization of our missile program has been an important factor in this shift. Futhermore, even in the face of the alarming reports of our Central Intelligence Agency, the Eisenhower Administration, over the protests of Vice-President Nixon, sponsored a Defense Department economy in the summer of 1957 in hopes that it would allow them to cut taxes before the 1958 Congressional elections. It has also been made quite clear that Eisenhower, who in 1956 cut the number of his personal conferences by one-third, was at best barely informed the crucial situation.

INDICTMENT NO. 2-The Alienation of Syria. For three years Syria cried in vain for assistance from this country in the form of economic and military aid. Receiving no favorable response from the Eisenhower Administration, the Syrians turned to the Communist world and provided the communists with a menacing foothold in the country which borders Turkey. Many Syrian nationals claim that Syria is pro-Syrian, pro-Arab League, but not pro-Communist, but that considerable antipathy toward the United States has resulted from our country's foreign policy in that area.

INDICTMENT NO. 3-The pending disaster in Guatemala. Since Castillo Armas was assassinated on July 26, Guatemala has had three caretaker governments in four months. The election of October 20 was declared a fraud after the communist candidate organized a protest demonstration. Fellow travelers have been allowed to enter the country and regain important government posts. The Eisenhower Administration has failed to take appropriate action to forestall these dangerous developments. The communists now exert a strong influence on Guatemala's largest union, on the army, and on the press. Another election has been set for January 19th, and a communist victory re-admitting them to power would once again jeopardize United States security in the Western hem-

INDICTMENT NO. 4-The pending loss of Indonesia and British Guinea. Eisenhower apparently failed to win Indonesian President Sukarno's alligence in the talks in Washington. Sukarno embraced a coalition government including communists, and the communists emerged from the recent elections there as the biggest party in Java, key island of the Indonesian Republic.

Also, a pro-Communist political party in British Guinea has just won a landside victory in the popular election. If the communists succeed in regaining Guatemala, international communism will pose us a double threat in an area once protected under the Monroe Doctrine. However, when the Administration appoints such men as businessman and campaign contributor Maxwell Gluck as our ambassadors abroad we can expect little more. In a Senate investigation interview, Gluck, appointed U.S. Ambassador to Ceylon revealed he didn't know the names of Ceylon's premier or foreign minister, or even India's premier, Nehru, much less the needs and problems of the Ceylonese.

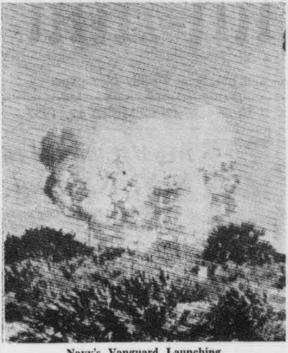
INDICTMENT NO. 5-The Completion of Japan's Trade Agreement With the Soviet Union. For two years the Japanese government has pleaded with the Eisenhower Administration to provide a market in the U.S. for goods produced by Japan's expanding economy. The Japanese premier said it was "a matter of life and death for Japan," particularly in view of the loss of capital expected as a result of the withdrawal of American troops stationed there. These requests were denied, and the Japanese government two weeks ago completed a trade agreement with the Soviet Union. Also, in Okinawa the communists emerged victorious in an election held for the specific purpose of ousting them from office.

INDICTMENT NO. 6-The Weakening of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. The lack of a unified policy was made quite apparent re-



cently when a serious dispute between France, Britain, and the United States occurred over shipments of arms to Tunisia. Britain s withdrawing her NATO forces from the continent leaving us glaringly short of manpower in the face of overwhelming numbers of Soviet troops stationed in East Europe. Also, the French treasury is empty, while the Algerian war is soaking France for a total of 2 billion dollars a year. Mass strikes are threatened. The French government, unable to maintain any semblance of stability since the end of the Second World War, has no place to turn except to the government printing presses. This alternative s a most unpleasant one, since inflation is already on the rampage in France. Furthermore, Secretary of State Dulles has admitted that They tell me I was present at one for consolidating NATO political-

INDICTMENT NO. 7-Eisenhower's Reversal on the Question of upon that. Next time, I shall take I turn this in I'm going to run down Tidelands Oil. In 1952, Eisenhower, gained the electoral support of Texas notes.(Continued on page four)



Navy's Vanguard Launching



USSR Future Satellite-Sovfoto

A Freshman Speaks Out

1954 Ruling Overstepped Constitution

(First of two articles)

Doubtless the most far-reaching and important domestic issue to confront Americans in almost one hundred years was precipitated on May 19, 1954. On that day the Supreme Court declared that nothing less than a way of life, namely the system of segregation, as it applies to public education, was no longer legally ac-

The decision met with varied reactions throughout the nation. Respected people of strong character and conviction found themselves on opposite sides regarding the merits of the decision.

The issue became very emotional. Those known as segregationists found in their midst a group of Kasper-style believers in violence and the actions of this unorthodox group were magnified by the communications media as being typical of all segregationists. A few well publicized incidents like the Emmett Till case and the Lake Erie boat ride that erupted into a fight between Negroes and Whites soon caused feelings to become even

The unfortunate results of this heightened state of emotion was the division of Americans into two distinct and rather hostile groups. One declared that the decision was "right" and must be obeyed; the other stubbornly said that they would never allow it to take place. The tragic thing was that both sides, in varying degrees, were basing their positions on personal like and dislike for the decision, and a very vital issue was being subordinated to personal opinion.

This will not be a statement of the pros or cons of either segregation or integration, but rather will be an question that transcends both. The decision should and will be excluded, emotionally and otherwise, from the consideration which is the subject of this article. If one desires integration, he certainly wants it to be achieved legally under the Constiargues in favor of segregation, he, too, should want to work within the framework of our Constitution.

In our American system of government the Supreme Court is bound to work under the specific provisions of the Constitution. When it fails to do so a dangerous precedent is set, a precedent which allows one branch of our federal government to usurp powers that are not delegated to it.

The next section of this article will not be an attempt to urge acceptance or rejection of integration, but will attempt to consider the constitutionality of the Brown vs. Board of Education decision. The purpose will be to acquaint the reader with the means employed by the court in formulating its decision, and tion is pondered carefully, an end to find there would be no opera that to ask whether or not the court should be allowed to employ these be achieved. means in any case brought before that tribunal.

Since the Supreme Court does not have the power under the Constitution to make the laws of the land, their scope being con- historic document.

fined to interpreting and ruling on the constitutionality of them, the question now asked is, "Did the Supreme Court of the United States, in rendering its decision, legislate the law and thereby overstep its constitutional powers?

Was its decision well-founded in

legal precedent and statute?"

By Jack Wilson

This thought-provoking, but generally ignored, question is one that tration to the opera-goers arriving needs to be resolved. If this ques- all dressed up for the occasion only to bickering over the decision can

In the next issue of the Tuesday edition on January 6th, we will look strike last Sunday night. At 9:00 at the decision, at the means employed by the court, and at some of the principles it advanced in that the actors were all made-up and

From Paris, France

No Warnings Are Given In French Strikes

By Joe Barkley

If there's one thing the French know how to do as well as toppling governments it's going on strike. When the French worker goes on strike, he knows how to gain the maximum effect from his lack of effort. During the last few months he has been demonstrating again and again his exceptional talent in making a mess of things. The reason for most of these strikes has been inflation. The worker wants more money to meet the higher cost of living, and the government, when there is one, wants to prevent a wage increase, feeling that it will only make things worse by inflating prices even more.

When the French workers go on strike, they don't always observe the nicety of giving an advance warning. This was the case last October, when suddenly at 6:00 one morning all things electrical stopped due to lack of power. The workers in the power stations had decided they were underpaid, and to get their point across, they deprived France of electricity for

Last week, the stage hands at the Theatre National de l'Opera went on strike one hour before curtain time, causing great anger and frusnight. The electricians at the Comedie Francaise didn't even give that much warning when they went on sharp, the curtain went up, and the stage lights promptly went out. Even

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Vinum daemonum

Honest Examination of Values of W&L Student Will Prove Failure and Danger of Fraternities

"We are one of the strongest is incapable of justification purely the failure and the danger of the



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is not perfect, in comparison to other schools, it is one of the best." This was the re-

assuring statement issued by Lew John, IFC President, upon his return from the recent National Interfraternity Con-

is any one universal fraternity sys- ternity becomes a necessity. And, tem. Each school, because of its own more importantly, these considerauniqueness, must plan a system to tions are, or should be pathetically tution of the United States; if one meet the needs peculiar to its own inane compared to the fundamental academic environment. For this rea- purpose of the fraternity-that of son it is misleading when writers influencing and guiding the personal like Sloan Wilson (The Man in the development of its members. So Gray Flannel Suit) stereotype a sys- far this has been the least of the tem and then accuse it of any in- fraternity's contribution to Wash- else. herent fallacy. However, at Wash- ington and Lee. ington and Lee there is this inherent deficiency in fraternities as they values inculcated in the W&L stuexist in the system. The system here dent would prove, without question,

and although our The importance of the fraternity has fraternity system been grotesquely magnified and distorted to cosmic proportions.

> THERE ARE many excuses for this, but there is not one substantial reason, except the reason of mistake. Where we have not acted rationally, we have rationalized.

First, fraternities have been valuable for the sake of expediency. They can provide regular and relatively inexpensive meals; they can offer lodging to a large number of their ference. His words were comforting members; they have been a means of ones, and doubtless, they were de- supplying transportation on weeksigned to inspire confidence in our ends; they are the convenient places attempt to lay before the reader a fraternity leaders. But the statement for social functions; and there are is, at best, only shallow comfort and many other similar benefits. Yet end result of the Supreme Court's only hollow reassurance, because it never should the tranquilizing pills of this nature be so absolutely con-First, it seems unlikely that there trolled by the fraternity that the fra-

An honest examination of the

By Russ Early

fraternity schools in the country, because it has become a necessity. fraternity, but such appraisals are hard to come by. Though the evidence is condemning, our lack of vision is much worse.

> Nevertheless, the values run something like this: We wear the uniform of ivy and we recite the catechism of subsidization; we dream of security, and all the while are depending on that inside chance for the gentleman's "C" on tomorrow's exam. We indulge in apathy to the point of exhibition, and are careful to conceal ourselves in the grey cloak of conformity. Our faith comes with fornication while hope, slightly more expensive, comes in bottles. As for charity we never had too much of that in the first place. As my colleague, Max Caskie, said in his column of last week, we ar the "disembowelled and dispossessed."

Of course these are not the only values; therse are the bad ones. But oddly enough these seem to be the ones the fraternity emphasizes-not to the exclusion of anything else but to the overshadowing of anything

What has happened is that the fraternity has over-extended itself. It has strayed into realms where it had no right, not yet, at least, to tread. Instead of providing the inspiration and motivation for maturity, it has degenerated into a synthetic substitute, and we are children still playing with toys when we are ready for weapons.

RIGHT NOW WE ARE inevitably headed toward the time of decision. We have dallied and procrastinated along the way, yet soon we must make the stand. We must realize that we have been "emasculated," but not entirely for the seasons given by Caskie last week. Our fathers are not guiltless, but neither are we. We can either change the fraternity system or we can maintain the status quo, still labelling our fathers with bad names-until the system is changed for us in which case fathers may not be so bad after all. But there is no use in deceiving ourselves. Fathers can help, but they can never replace us. And someday we will have the responsibility, whether we like it or not.

Notice

Classes Saturday, Dec. 21 will meet from 8 a.m. until noon, according to an announcement from the Dean's

Of Cabbages and Kings

Christmas Is In Need Of A New Set Of Symbols; Sputnik Might Replace The Holly and the Ivy

around the cam-

pus; you know, commentary in an Oily Wilson vein about who was doing what to whom and all that jazz (thank you, Hugo Hoogen boom). A very fine idea. Unfortunately, however,

have no material I do not remember the Christmas house parties.

he has come up with no proposals or two of them and that I had a fine time. This is hearsay, and a good journalist does not operate

This week I had intended to write | Christmas comes but once a year | I can charge things in Lexington beabout the Christmas house parties (from Thanksgiving on, if you can cause I am a W&L student; at home, believe the store windows) and it

cannot be denied.

The papers report that Estes Kefauver is sending out forty thousand Christmas cards this year. That should entitle him to a solid gold one from the Hallmark people. Estes, however, has missed the point. The true joy of sending Christmas cards consists in deliberately snubbing the people who snubbed you last year. This joy is increased by the knowledge that you can be a snob and save money at the same time; usually snobbery is right expensive.

Speaking of expensive things, Christmas presents are that. After to Pres Brown's (among other places) themselves. But I must remain seasonal; and buy all my presents on credit.

where people know me, it's strictly cash and carry. I don't know whom that reflects on.

By Max Caskie

End part one. Exit cynic. Now let's talk about what Christmas is and what it should mean.

THERE IS A NEW STAR over Bethlehem in 1957-Sputnik. It's a poor imitation of the original, but even at that it may be a better symbol than most people think.

The celebration of Christmas is replete with symbols: a tree for a cross, presents for love, carols for the mass of worship. They used to be pretty fine and effective symbols too. But somewhere along the way we have forgotten what they stand for and have made them ends in

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W&L Swimmers Drown Davidson For Fifth Win, 66-29

Tankers Set Records In Wins Over Catholic U. and Davidson

By TOM LOVE

Washington and Lee took a big step towards an undefeated season as it crushed Davidson, 66-29, Monday at Doremus Gymnasium.

W&L won nine events and Ship Rohnke set a new pool record as the team won its fifth straight victory of

Skip Rohnke set a new pool record in the 100-yard freestyle as he swam it in 50.8, two-tenths of a second under the old record. He also won the 50-yard freestyle and was a member of the winning 400 freestyle relay team.

Chuck Springer won three events to take top honors of the day with 15 points. He won the 200 individual medley, the 200-yard butterfly, and the 200-yard breaststroke.

Other individual winners for the generals were Art Blank in diving, and Pete Peterson in the 200-yard

Catholic University

Setting two new records in the process, Washington and Lee's swimming team trounced Catholic University 57-29, at Doremus Gymnasium, Saturday, December 14.

Diver Art Blank and backstroker Pete Peterson set new records as the Generals took first place in every event save the two relays. Blank accumulated 200.05 points in breaking his own record, set last year Davidson; Winn, Davidson, of 195.0 Peterson's 2:21 clipped a full (Continued on page for

four seconds off the record set last year by Duncan. The big freshman also took the 220-yard freestyle with a wining time of 2:27.

Other double winners were Skip Rohnke and Chuck Springer. Rohnke took the 50- and 100-yard freestyles. His times were 23 flat for the 50 and 51.5 for the 100. He coasted home in both races. Springer also had an easy time winning the 200-yard butterfly and the 200-yard breaststroke. In the buterfly he posted a time of 2:39 and was two seconds better in the the breaststroke with 2:37.

Davidson Results

400-yard medley relay - Time 4:21.8. (W&L) Peterson, Stull, Wagenheim, and Parker.

220-yd. freestyle-Time 2:25.2. 1. Hutchins, Davidson; 2. Hellier, Davidson; 3. Smith, W&L.

50-yd. freestyle — Time 23.0. 1. Rohnke, W&L; 2. Gable, Davidson; 3. Osher, W&L.

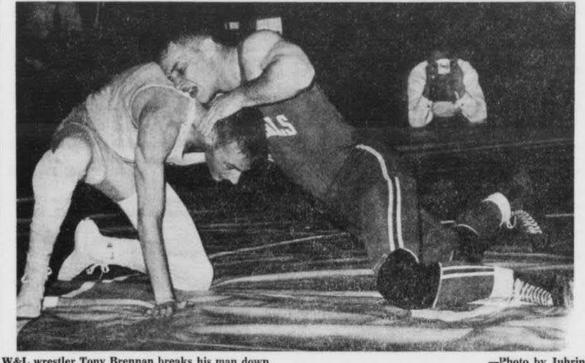
200-yd. individual medley-Time 2:23.6. 1. Springer, W&L; 2. Duncan, W&L; 3. Shell, Davidson.

Diving-Points 187.55. 1. Blank, W&L; 2. Myers, W&L; 3. Rose,

Davidson. 200-yd. butterfly—Time 2:42.8. 1. Springer, W&L; 2. Bell, Davidson;

3. Wagenheim, W&L. 100-yd. freestyle-Time 50.8 (new record). 1. Rohnke, W&L; Gable,

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W&L wrestler Tony Brennan breaks his man down.

-Photo by Juhring

Face Virginia Wednesday

Cagers Bow To West Virginia, 74-69

Powerful West Virginia was forced | for the Generals. Four Mounties hit | special praise to sophomore Frank to use freezing tactics in order to for double figures. stave off an inspired Washington and Lee quint as the Mounties eked out time at 11-10 and then increased points. a 74-69 victory Saturday night.

ing good possession ball, succeeded scored the Mounties but failed to beginning to do things better and in stopping West Virginia's potent overcome the 10 point margin. The are eliminating the mistakes that fast break and forced them into their Blue came within four points of the have cost us victories in our first toughest game to date. West Vir- Mounties with 5:37 remaining on games. By January we will be ready ginia has a 25 game winning streak two free throws by Mal Lassman. to put a few more wins in our ledgoing in the Southern Conference But West Virginia successfully ger." and is favored to repeat as league stalled for the rest of the game. champ again this year. The Mountaineers are ranked eighth in the

Virginia attack proved too much one played a fine game but he gave

their margin to 35-25 at the half. In

Surface who was second highest W. Va. took the lead for the first scorer for the Generals with 11

Miller, taking an optimistic view The Blue and White cagers, play- the second half the Generals out- of the team's future, said, "We are

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The Marlboro Man

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F&M Wrestlers Hand Generals Second Loss

Washington and Lee lost its second match of the season to Franklin and Marshall, 32-0, at V.M.I. last Saturday. Size and experience proved proved the big factors as F&M pulled a clean sweep, winning four matches by pins and the rest

In perhaps the best match of the evening, W&L's Dennis Patton lost to Steve Saltzman, 6-5, in the 130-lb. class. Patton held a 5-4 lead until the last few seconds when Saltzman pulled a reversal for two points and

The Generals' next match is not until after the Christmas vacation.

Results

123-lb.-Gleon Cassel (F&M) pinned Ron Rubin, 0:32.

130-lb.—Steve Saltzman (F&M) defeated Dennis Patton, 6-5.

137-lb.-Gordon Muse (F&M) deeated Pitard, 8-3.

147-lb.—Robert Rudisill (F&M) pinned Phyz Lemmon, 7:52.

157-lb.—Skip Taylor (F&M pinned Harry Alley, 2:31.

167-lb.-Dave Thomas (F&M) defeated Tony Brennan, 8-1.

177-lb.-John Hannan (F&M) deeated John Hollister, 6-0.

Heavywegiht-Charles Pfrommer F&M) pinned Gill Holland, 1.41.

JV Basketball

Washington and Lee's Junior Var-Tomorrow night the Generals sity Basketball team lost to Stauntravel to Charlottesville to meet an ton Military Saturday 81-52. The In speaking of the game, Coach "Weenie" Miller remarked that it unpredictable University of Virginia Junior Generals dropped their fifth ation.

was W&L's "best team effort to date.

Dom Flora led all scores with 32 It was anyone's game until the last

basketball coach, Billy McCann. "It's to Greenbrier Military Academy points, but the well balanced West second," he added. Miller felt every- always hard to beat a McCann 83-49. Duncan and Berman starred for the Generals.

Center Frank Hoss Named Week's Top Defensive Player By Coach

Frank Hoss was named the defen-sive player of the week Monday by Hoss leads the team in rebounds Washington and Lee basketball coach with 65, and has scored 64 points in Weenie Miller. The 6-5 center turned the last five games for a 12.8 per



mond, St. Johns and West Virginia. Hoss did well under the boards against taller men and did a good job

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in fine performances against Rich- game average. Last season Frank pulled down 339 rebounds to lead the Generals in that department.

Hoss is a three-year letterman and the other co-captain. He was a regular forward last season and started most of the year. He's a good bet to rank as one of the top rebounders and defensive centers in the Southern Conference. Hoss is a good scorer from the pivot, he has a fine jump shot and a good hook, and has deceptively quick movements around the basket for layups.

Coache Miller says, "He's a terrific worker who's going to do a great job in the pivot ... he's undoubtedly one of the best rebounders in the state and his attitude and spirit can't be beat."

NOTICE

There will be a meeting of all members of the Sports department of the Tuesday edition of the Ring-tum Phi Wednesday in the Student Union

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Failures of Administration Listed

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by advocating a return of the tidelands oil rights to the states involved. He stated that Texas should have rightful ownership of "the submerged area extending three marine leagues (10.5 miles) seeward to the Gulf of Mexico." With the support of the Administration, a bill was

Cagers To Face Cavaliers (Continued from page three)

coached team" stated Miller, Mc-Cann knows this team well but W&L knows his system of coaching.

The Cavaliers have lost to William and Mary and Richmond while beating Wake Forest in their opening games. The club had been a preseason favorite to win the state

Virginia will have 6-1 Paul Atkins at one guard spot. He led the UVa. frosh last year and is being compared to Buzzy Wilkinson, ex-Virginia great. The other guard will be Dick Stobbs, a fast ball player and one of the top men on the team. He is 6-3. The Cavaliers will have height under the boards with 6-5 Bill Metzer at forward and 6-7 Herb Busch at center. Metzer is one of the high scorers on the team, and Busch is one of the toughest men in the South under the basket. He has been hitting around 19 points a game. Virginia has Bob Martell (6-8) as reserve center.

Friday night the Generals will travel to Washington, D.C., where they will meet George Washington.

Assembly To Hear Gaines (Continued from page one)

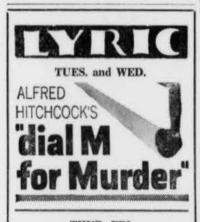
ism in modern America. According to the UCA, "We cannot do away with the Incarnation. We can, however, destroy the sense of encounter for ourselves.

"We do this destructive work in the name of the Incarnation. This is the usual process for religionists: the worst opponent of true religion being false religion in its breast. That is, the religion of Christmas threatens the religion of Christianity.'

In observing the birth of Christ, the Association expressed hope that the Worship Service at W&L will help make a meaningful inspiration for the entire year.

All students and faculty members are urged to attend.

Dr. Gaines said today that the service is "really one of the most important occasions of the academic year." Dr. Gaines said that the service was originated by students and has always been directed by them. He further stated that, "Naturally the administration wishes the students to have it in the place and at the time and manner which they



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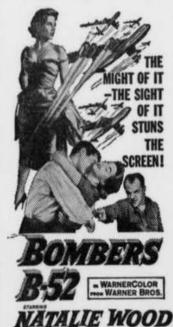
passed and signed into law returning the tidelands to the states. The Administration had apparently upheld its promise.

Continuing to uphold the policy he had promised to advocate, the President made a speech in Williamsburg, Virginia in July, 1957 on the subject of state rights. "I believe deeply in States' Rights," said the President. Yet, just last month, on November 7, 1957, the U.S. government filed a suit against Texas to recover for the federal government the tidelands between the three mile and 10.5 mile limits.

These are only a few of the criticisms that may well be leveled against the Eisenhower Administration. In this time of grave crisis for the entire free world, Eisenhower has nevertheless seen fit to reduce by one-third the number of his personal interviews with scientists, cabinet officers, and top government officials. An effective response to the challenge that faces us cannot be met by faltering or bickering on the part of our government leaders. This crucial era demands statesmanship, courage, and vigorous leadership.



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SO WHEN I SUGGEST Sputnik as a better symbol of Christ than what we have been using I mean that it can guide our thniking better. There it goes, out of our reach and command, making us look above and beyond ourselves. And who can deny that it is a lesson in huimility?

Stump Elected SBA Veep (Continued from page one)

year's Moot Court squad. Gay is a Sigma Nu and a member of Phi Alpha Delta. He is also a member of this year's regional Moot Court championship team and secretary of the senior law class. He defeated two other nominees for the right to succeed Lynn Lummus as SBA secretary. He received his B.A. degree from W&L in 1957.

Miller, a PiKa and also a Phi Alpha Delta, defeated one candidate for the treasurer's post, now held by Owen Neff. He is vice-president of ODK, and vice-president of his class.

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ins, Davidson; 2 Broaddus, W&L, 3. Gonsoulin, W&L. 200-yd. Breaststroke-Time 2:39.0.

1. Springer, W&L; 2. Bell, Davidson; 3. Stull, W&L.

400-yd. freestyle relay. Peterson, Osher, Parker, and Rohnke.

Catholic U. Results

220-yard freestyle: Peterson W&L), Smith (W&L), Frederick

400-yard medley: Cath, W&L (4:19.

50-yard freestyle: Rohnke (W&L), Osher (W&L), Walker (C). 23.0.

Diving: Blank (W&L), Paddock (C), Meyers (W&L). 200.05 (New

200-yard butterfly: Springer W&L), Waggenheim (W&L), Larrie (C).

100-yard freestyle: Rohnke W&L), Mudd (C), Bigelow (W&L).

200-yard backstroke: Peterson (W&L), Duncan (W&L), Beatty (C). 2:21 (New Record).

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RECENTLY, the ticket sellers and collectors of the Paris subway struck, which meant that for one hectic day nearly everyone enjoyed free subway rides, when and where there grandly sailed away with full crew, were trains running.

And this morning, thousands of civil workers went on strike for higher wages, with the result that there is no mail service today, all radio programs are replaced by continuous music, the newspaper didn't arrive, and British European Airways had to suddenly cancel 62 of its flights in and out of Paris.

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maritime history. It all goes to show what the French can do when they put their minds

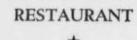
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