

Stephenson Sees Contract With MCA

Moss Says Kyser Not Available At Price W. and L. Can Pay

Jimmy Dorsey, Glen Gray, Benny Goodman Are Mentioned

Throwing out the hope that a settlement of spring dance orchestra contracts could be reached within ten days, Steve Stephenson said late today that he had a very satisfactory conversation with Harry Moss of Music Corporation this afternoon.

"We didn't arrive at any agreement, but Moss promised me he would see that we would get a band as good as VMI for spring dances," Stephenson told a Ring-tum Phi reporter. Larry Clinton is the band signed to play at VMI.

Kyser Out

The dance leader said that he could definitely report that Kay Kyser was out as a possibility. He said that Kyser was already under a long-term contract covering the dates of Washington and Lee dances, and that he could only be brought here at a price far above the sum he had been provided by the Dance board.

Stephenson pointed out that, while he was disappointed that Kyser was out, he could not see the way clear to asking for permission for a more expensive orchestra contract. "The cost of dances here now is too much," he said. "I couldn't feel that it would be fair to the students to raise prices for spring dances. With Moss' corporation, I think we will get a good band that will well repay us."

When asked if he had any definite possibilities lined up, Stephenson declared that Moss had mentioned several bands who would probably be available around the date. Among them were Jimmy Dorsey, Glen Gray, and Benny Goodman. The Cottillion club head said Moss promised him he would be sure Washington and Lee got a good orchestra.

Stephenson reported that he had been in constant touch with orchestra sources for the last week and that the help from Moss had been offered quite surprisingly today.

No Explanation Offered

He said he could offer no explanation for this attitude but that he had submitted a report of orchestra expenditures at Washington and Lee during the past six years to MCA pointing out to them the amount of money spent by the school on their four sets of dances each year, and argued for special consideration in securing an orchestra.

Both Stephenson and Bucky Stoops, president of the "13" club, are cooperating to get the arrangements for the dance completed by March 15, in time to begin the subscription drive. No announcement was made on the price of tickets beyond a summary: "We are against any advance in price."

Col. Couper To Publish Book On VMI History

After twenty years of work, Colonel William Couper, VMI executive officer, is preparing to publish his history of VMI.

Un-named as yet, the book will be released in time for the Centennial celebration next fall.

The viewpoint of the book, Col. Couper says, is a tie-up with Virginia and national history, endeavoring to present as complete a picture of VMI as possible.

Many illustrations, some of them drawings by Col. Couper, and photographs, will be included in the volume.

Hospital Notes

At present there are only five Washington and Lee students confined at Jackson Memorial hospital. They are all victims of the recent change of weather which has left many mild cases of flu in town.

The students now in the hospital are: Bradford Dunson, J. Roland Camm, William A. Buntin, George McInerney, and R. F. Burke.

Law Faculty Favors Minimizing Campus Activities For Lawyers

Professors Light, Williams, and Johnson Agree That Less Participation In Campus Affairs Would Be Beneficial From Law School Standpoint

Three Washington and Lee law school professors said today they would favor some means of minimizing the participation of law students in campus activities. Dean Moreland and Professor McDowell could not be reached for interviews.

This was the first in a series of interviews to determine if some satisfactory method could be developed for providing a more equitable distribution of offices among the students to prevent the centralization of offices and powers in a few individuals.

Each of the three professors was asked if he felt some means of limiting student participation in activities could be applied with value to the law school. All agreed that a minimization of law student participation would be valuable from the law school standpoint.

Of the professors interviewed, Mr. Williams was most definite in his comment that "the law school would be improved if participation of law students in campus activities were minimized."

Doctor Raymon Johnson feels

that participation of law students should be minimized because, he pointed out, men who undertake major campus jobs invariably suffer in their work.

Both Mr. Williams and Doctor Johnson pointed out that while Washington and Lee law students are in a peculiar situation which brings them into closer relationship to campus activities, the law school is after all a professional school, whose students should be primarily interested in preparing for their profession.

Professor Light supported this position. His comment was that "a person studying law hasn't time to do things other than study law. It is inadvisable for a law student to engage in multifarious activities outside while studying a profession."

He also pointed out that a law review—were it to be introduced into the law school—would be a professional activity, which would tend to give the law students some work outside the classroom. The Ring-tum Phi noted the possibility of a law review in an editorial last fall.

Collegians Have New Songstress

Anne Balthus, of Southern Seminary, To Sing With Orchestra

The Southern Collegians orchestra, through maestro Charlie Steinhoff, announced the acquisition of Miss Anne Balthus, petite blond songstress from Southern Seminary, today.

Miss Balthus, a native of Gastonia, North Carolina, made her debut with the Collegians during the orchestra's engagements at the Seminary, while playing for the annual Colonial ball there.

At the same time Steinhoff disclosed that he was negotiating a deal with the Cunard White Star ship line, to book the orchestra on a trans-oceanic steamer during the summer months. "At present I am not in a position to say any more concerning the deal, as it is still in an early stage," Steinhoff said, "but the possibilities seem most favorable."

Tomorrow night the Collegians will play for the Sigma Nu house-party and each consecutive Saturday thereafter until the spring holidays, they are signed up.

Following their appearance at the Sigma Nu house, they play at the Phi Kappa Psi, Delta Tau Delta, and Pi Kappa Alpha houses, culminating the present series of engagements on March 24, when they will play for the Omicron Delta Kappa dance in the Doremus gymnasium.

Three College Glee Clubs To Give Programs Here

Vesper services at the Presbyterian church here for the next three Sundays will be taken part in by three Glee clubs from nearby colleges.

Sunday, February 26, the Southern Seminary Glee club, under the direction of Miss Frances Hatch will participate. The following week, March 5, the VMI Glee club, under the direction of Mrs. M. G. Ramsey, will sing. Robert Goodale, director of the Hollins college Glee club, will provide the music the next Sunday.

All services will be at five o'clock. Washington and Lee students are cordially invited to attend these services, Miss Mary Monroe Penick, director of the Presbyterian choir, said today.

Moseley Will Criticize Camera Club Pictures

Colonel T. A. E. Moseley of the VMI faculty will inspect and criticize the pictures of the Third Virginia Salon exhibit at the meeting of the Camera club on Thursday, March 2.

Colonel Moseley is an authority on art and has delivered many lectures on the subject. The criticism will feature a preview showing of these pictures exclusively for the Camera club. This will be the first meeting of the club during the second semester.

Dr. Gaines Given Invitation To Join Washington Society

President Francis P. Gaines has accepted the bid of the Washington Literary society and will be initiated with the other new members of the near future, Hugh Avery announced last night after Dr. Gaines had notified the society of his acceptance.

This society has been recently reorganized into an honorary organization and Dr. Gaines is the first person to be pledged under its new policy.

"The Washington Literary society," said Avery, "has just adopted a policy of recognizing after-college achievements of men. And, although our activities are confined to the Washington and Lee campus, we don't intend to limit our selection of members to this campus alone. We will also honor those men who have gained distinction elsewhere."

A committee composed of Harry Kincaid, Stanford Schewel, and Hugh Avery offered Dr. Gaines the bid.

Seven members of the student body will also be issued bids, Avery said.

Freshman Honor Society To Hold Reception Soon

Phi Eta Sigma, freshman honor society, will hold a meeting next Tuesday evening at 7:30 in the Student Union lounge.

This meeting was postponed from last Tuesday. Plans for a reception in the near future will be discussed.

Harold Gaddy, president of the club, urged that all members attend.

Dramatists To Try Out On Monday

Parts To Be Awarded For Troubadour Play, 'Squaring The Circle'

Production Will Be Presented Before Spring Vacation

Tryouts will be held Monday night at eight o'clock for all men interested in working on the forthcoming Troubadour production, "Squaring the Circle," Tom Tennant, president of the dramatic club, announced today.

All those who are members of the newly-formed Troubadour organization, drawn up during the last few weeks by members of the club, and all those who are interested in joining this organization, are also requested to attend, Tennant added.

Comedy By Kataev

According to advance reports, "Squaring the Circle" is a sort of Russian "Able's Irish Rose." It concerns, more specifically, the trials and tribulations of young love in one room of a Russian cooperative apartment. In such a situation both the climate and the evils of the capitalistic system are said to make a young man's fancy lightly turn.

This comedy is by Valentine Kataev, an outstanding continental dramatist, who is as yet relatively unknown in American dramatic circles. Ken Moxley, who designed the settings used in the production of "Criminal at Large," which was presented by the Troubadours earlier this year, will also design the sets for "Squaring the Circle."

Production of this play is planned sometimes before spring holidays, probably late in March.

In discussing the new Troubadour organization, Tennant explained that any students who have taken part in one or more of the club's productions are now eligible for membership. However, no man may be a member of the business, stage, or any other staff, without being a member of the organization and attending the meetings. This is done, he said, in order to give the Troubadours a more permanent and efficient working force. This new organization is designed to be a permanent thing, he added.

In regard to tryouts, it was emphasized that no previous experience is necessary to be given just as much chance as anyone else gets. In every production several freshmen are usually included, and it is hoped that a large number of students will be on hand for the tryouts Monday.

Forensic Union

The regular meeting of the W-L Forensic Union for Monday, February 27, will be held at 5 o'clock in the afternoon instead of at the regular time.

Art Buck Promises Outsiders Look Inside At Campus Political Set-Up

By ART BUCK, JR.

Across the pond of public apathy waits the essence of the inevitable political pollution. According to the Friday issue of The Ring-tum Phi, yours truly found that because of his "skeptical (due to lack of votes on one historic occasion, I hasten to assure you) views" on such matters he had been "secured" to report the coming political orgy to you—the politician's would-be dumb-driven cattle. The immediate reward for such a position is spontaneous evacuation from all social, intellectual, and especially political functions. In other words I become the roving, friendless waif of the campus comparable only to the renowned Bismarck.

Before donning hip-boots and raincoat let's get together on the real purpose of this column. As this is to be the only bit of political comment in said "rag" it is obvious that the column should act as a clearing house for all that happens between now and the elections, whether good, bad, or worse. With this in mind it is evident that

in order to be well known to the "peepul" (if we are to believe the circulation department) the would-be political big shot must appear in it, and in a favorable light. (After this we shall expect free shows and a minimum board bill.)

Then there is another angle. Perhaps you are one of those unknown and unusual souls who has no aspirations for either yourself or anyone else, but who would like to see the whole works or some particular mongrel completely inundated. In this case, my friend, you are not a soul but a condition, and with hat in hand, I welcome you.

Merely drop us a note, anonymous or as you like it, or tell us in person and we shall make it a point to run the guy into his own dirt. Address box 224. A bunch of you guys have been doing a lot of barking about "dirty politics"; now let's see you stand up and bite!

Over the years politics (to recall a painful subject) here have been run on the dark room basis from which those inside could see

I-F Council Considers Co-operative Buying As Economic Measure

W-L Debaters Lose To Duke; End Trip With Atlanta Meet

Washington and Lee's debating trio, William L. Burner, Homer Weidmann, and Thomas Christopher, entered on the last half of their southern trip last night after meeting Duke university, Davidson college, and Furman college, each on its own campus. The debate last night was with Clemson college at Clemson, South Carolina.

Tonight they will debate the University of Georgia at Athens, Georgia, on the question of government spending for the purpose of stimulating business. After completing their tour Saturday with a radio debate with Atlanta law school they will return to Lexington on Sunday.

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Permit Needed To Sell Goods At Fraternities

Each House Required To Elect Alternate Delegate To Council

Plans for the proposed consumer's cooperative as a means for combating the high prices charged by the local merchants were discussed at the meeting of the Interfraternity council last night, and Professor J. Alexander Veech, superintendent of grounds and buildings, will present a detailed outlay for the cooperative store at the next meeting of the council.

Tentative plans were also drawn up for requiring all outside firms selling merchandise in fraternity houses to secure a permit from the council before they will be allowed to display their goods. The present plan calls for a committee of three men from the council, who will investigate the firm as to its reliability and integrity.

Similar Plan At Virginia

H. T. Dickinson, president of the council, stated that a similar plan was now in operation at the University of Virginia and seem to be working satisfactorily. The University of Richmond is also adopting similar measures.

A motion was passed last night providing that fraternities will include as a regular part of their meeting, a report from their Interfraternity council representative. It also provided that an alternate Interfraternity council representative should be elected in order to assure representation from each house at every council meeting.

A detailed financial report was given last night by Jack Dangier, secretary and treasurer of the council. Copies are being made and will be turned over to the respective fraternities.

Financial Report Given

Plans for a convention of representatives of the Interfraternity councils from the various colleges and universities throughout Virginia were discussed by the council, and a committee, appointed by Dickinson, will further investigate the possibilities of bringing such a convention into reality. Lea Booth was named chairman, with Billy Buxton, Ames Saunders, and Bob Sumner also serving on the committee.

Dickinson said a meeting of the council will be called next week at which time Professor Veech will present the plans for the cooperative. Final plans will also be adopted for the check on business firms selling goods in fraternity houses.

"No definite plans for the year have been made yet, although several speakers are to be gotten later on in the semester," said Whitehead.

Van Wagoner Addresses Negroes On War Topic

Robert Van Wagoner, assistant director of the W-L Speakers' bureau, spoke this morning on "Youth and War" at the Lexington colored school. In his talk he outlined the history of past wars and listed events which have led to war and may lead to a future war.

Van Wagoner also defended British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain's policy of "peace at any cost."

Tomorrow Pedro Rodriguez, a native of Puerto Rico, will talk to the Junior Woman's club of Clifton Forge on "Puerto Rico, the Island Beautiful." This talk was also arranged by the Speakers' bureau.

On March 7, Harry Philpott, director of religious activity at W-L, will speak on "Vocations" at a combined meeting of boys' and girls' Hi-Y clubs of Clifton Forge, Covington, and Hot Springs.

Ring-tum Phi Meeting

The editorial staff of The Ring-tum Phi will meet Monday afternoon at 4:00 p. m. in the paper's offices in the Student Union building.

Blue Ridge Meeting Sponsored Tonight By Christian Council

Bill Brown, Charlie Guthrie, Bill Read, Charles Hobson, Bob Lee, and Harry Philpott will address joint meeting of the Christian council and the Freshman Friendship council this evening.

The meeting will take the form of a rally, and the speakers will give personal accounts of their attendance at the last Blue Ridge conference.

It was arranged primarily to interest those students who expect to attend the conference this year.

Sponsored by the Southeastern student divisions of the YWCA and the YMCA, Blue Ridge is an annual ten-day conference on religious affairs. The convention opens at Blue Ridge, North Carolina, on June 8, culminating on June 17. It is open to men and women students and faculty members in colleges of the ten Southern states.

"We expect to increase the number of Washington and Lee students attending the conference this year to at least twenty," Harry Philpott said. "These conferences are designed particularly for students, and besides proving beneficial they should be enjoyable to those who attend."

Attendance at the camp this year will cost each individual \$27, of which the University will furnish seven dollars.

Phi Delta Phi Pledges 18 Men

Honorary Law Fraternity May Secure Price As Banquet Speaker

Ed Whitehead, president of Phi Delta Phi, announced yesterday the names of 18 men who had pledged the honorary law fraternity.

The new men are as follows: John Alexander, Phi Kappa Sigma; Charlie Bowles, Delta Tau Delta; Bill Breckenridge, Phi Kappa Sigma; Allen Brombacher, Alpha Tau Omega; Bill Burns, Phi Gamma Delta; Emery Cox, Alpha Tau Omega; Phi Beta Kappa; and Sigma; Porky Dickenson, Sigma Chi; Omicron Delta Kappa, and Sigma; Buddy Foltz, Phi Delta Theta, and business manager of the Calyx; Ralph Keene, Sigma Chi; Arnold Marcum, Alpha Tau Omega; Bert Roby, Pi Kappa Phi; Rufus Shumate, non-fraternity; Allen Snyder, Phi Kappa Psi.

Other Pledges

Cecil Taylor, Alpha Tau Omega, Omicron Delta Kappa, and Sigma; Lanier Thurmond, Sigma Chi; Stockton Tyler, Sigma Chi; John White, Sigma Chi; and Mass-ey Yulle.

The Phi Delta Phi initiation is to be held during the last part of March, at a date to be set. For the initiation banquet, the honorary law fraternity is attempting to get Governor James H. Price as speaker.

"No definite plans for the year have been made yet, although several speakers are to be gotten later on in the semester," said Whitehead.

VMI Midwinters Open Tonight; Berigan Plays

Bunny Berigan's hot trumpet and his orchestra will be featured tonight in the opening dance of VMI's Midwinter Hops. Tonight's dance marks Berigan's first appearance in Lexington.

W-L students are reminded again that only seniors or law students are admitted to these dances. Any lower classman who is seen on the floor will be asked to leave, and later be brought before the Executive committee for violation of the rules.

Prices for the entire set are five dollars, or if bought separately, \$3.50 for Friday night and \$2.50 for Saturday. The dance from four to six tomorrow afternoon which may be attended by all students will cost one dollar.

Berigan's outfit will entertain from 9:30 until 2 tonight. The Saturday session will last from nine until midnight.

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NATIONAL EDUCATION

During the past month proposed Congressional action to provide financial assistance to level out the inequalities in educational opportunities has received a severe storm of protest from the administrators of private educational institutions.

The Larrabee Bill as it is called seeks to provide \$500,000,000 of national funds for educational purposes. At first it was directed at leveling opportunities on the grammar and secondary school levels, but recently has aimed at establishing junior colleges in cities of sufficient size, in order to provide all with the benefit of free college education.

That there are definite inequalities in opportunity existing is apparent when one looks a few block off at the Lexington school system. In grammar school county children must pay tuition to attend classes, while town children attend free. In high school the situation is reversed. Town children must pay and those county children, who have had enough money to pay them through eight years of grammar school, attend free. There is no one who can say that the county child has as great an educational opportunity as the town child.

Such conditions make some leveling seem almost a necessity. We question, however, that national education is the means for accomplishing this end. For in the first place, there remains too much danger of political interference in the schools of the entire nation. Under state supervision control is at least distributed.

Secondly, on a selfish ground we question the purpose of the bill to provide additional college aid. Private institutions, such as Washington and Lee, will find it difficult to compete with heavily subsidized public colleges, which can buy professors and attract not only students, who are unable to afford education in a private college, but also students who can afford this education.

There can be no question that national control of education through the junior college level can only result eventually in a national educational system, subject in a democratic nation to the changing whims of those in control. If this is the kind of education Americans want to replace the last few bulwarks of individual thought, let the Larrabee Bill be passed. We will then have 10,000,000 more inflated college students a year with an inflated sense of their values.

JUSTICE HAGUE

We have read with interest during the past week of the appointment of Frank Hague, Jr., recent Washington and Lee student, as a justice in the highest law tribunal of the sovereign state of New Jersey. And whatever our opinion of New Jersey state politics be, we duly commend young Mr. Hague for the success marked by this appointment.

As a student here during our freshman year, we knew him as one of the more quiet members of a small but noisy senior law class. He tried and almost made

his degree with his class—then turned to Princeton to complete his education. Frankly our only regret for him as a student was that he attended the University of Virginia.

It is infrequent that a man so young as Hague is honored with such a position of responsibility and prominence. We celebrate as a former fellow student this success, just as it must be applauded by Hague's father, who in addition to his paternal duties controls the political destinies of his state.

Men of Hague's class will admire from a distance the classmate they once knew as a fellow student. We of Washington and Lee are justly proud that one who attended here has so early proved himself. It is no little honor to be appointed as a justice in the highest court of the great democratic state of New Jersey.

PAINT ON BRONZE

From the traditions of former freshman nights, some occasional marauders borrowed this week the idea of bedecking campus figures with a coat of paint. The victim this time was the bronze statue of old Cyrus McCormick.

No one knows who gave the inventor of the reaper his fresh coat, but the close proximity to hell week and the significant "42" point to a freshman hell week prank, which should not have been committed.

In general we have no point of contention with pranksters or those who send them on their way. A bit of fun is all right when it results in no damage to persons or property. But a bronze monument is not easily replaced and paint is not easily removed from its verde surface.

In former days it was George Washington atop Washington College who received the bath of paint. But George is just a block of wood and was easily restored to his pristine pure whiteness by another coat of paint, applied by the grounds attendant after the departure of those who decorated George.

If the freshmen must paint, there are no doubt fraternity house pillars which need retouching; or perhaps Mr. Veech would be glad to give a job to these enterprising craftsmen, so that they might devote their efforts to decoration instead of mutilation.

THE FORUM

Can We Do Away With Rushing and Rush Week?

With the return to normalcy following the seemingly endless past week of strained hypocrisy, it is well to review the period critically, and try to decide whether or not it was all worth the trouble. What constructive good has been done?

Freshmen are gazing at their pledge buttons with pride and in a positive state of nebulous fog. Fraternity men are viewing their depleted treasuries and their accumulation of unfinished school work with, to say the least, misgivings. Yet every year the same procedure is followed with ludicrous seriousness to the same end. What is the answer?

Can we do away with rushing altogether? An idealistic answer, and perhaps an impractical one, yet with a little thought it is seen as the only possible solution to a definitely nefarious system. A concentrated week of rushing has as its inevitable result only confusion and regrets.

How then could the problem be dealt with? Do away entirely with rushing. Allow the men to have any contact with fraternities during the first semester that they want. Permit them to associate with fraternity men in the dormitories or chapter rooms as much as they desire. In short, live together just the same as if there were no difference between them at all. Some regulations might be necessary; they could be worked out easily. Pledging could be deferred until mid-year as it is now to eliminate hasty decisions, but the essence of the plan—to do away with rushing in general and rush week in particular—would automatically be accomplished in such a way as to make our system of fraternity invitation to membership the envy of all colleges and the salvation of our own peace of mind and general state of well being.—The Duke Chronicle.

Personal OPINIONS

It is comparatively easy to launch an attack upon the administration when you find they are to blame for something going wrong, or for not doing this or that thing. But when your investigation leads you to the conclusion that the student body is at fault, and they are the ones to blame, it is a safe rule to forget the whole matter and run for the nearest exit. When you start blaming the students, you are likely to wind up in a dark alley some night in a precarious state of health. A word to the wise should be sufficient, but then we were never considered wise.

This column stepped on the end of a rake the other day and the handle flew up and hit us in the eye. We were criticizing the Washington and Lee Troubadours, and, upon investigating the matter, found that we along with the other 990-odd members of the student body were to blame for the present condition of this organization. The findings could lead us to no other conclusion than that the students themselves are responsible for the decline and fall of the dramatic club on this campus.

The basic weakness of the Troubadours is the lack of support and prestige, and both of these factors must come from the students. Ample financial backing has been provided by the University and talented actors are admittedly present at Washington and Lee; but the incentive to encourage students to devote their time to the rehearsing of plays is sadly missing. Likewise is the wholehearted support of the students lacking when the final production is presented, as indicated by attendance figures. In short, the Troubadours are on the downward path because you haven't given them the prestige they so justly deserve.

This year the club started out with a serious handicap, when it began work without a faculty adviser. Tom Tennant undertook the tremendous task of running the organization, and while he has done admirably well with one production this season, it is too much work and responsibility for one student who has five courses to handle at the same time. But there is no reason for the school to pay for a professional adviser or for a member of the faculty to devote his time to Troubadour plays, when such a damnable attitude of indifference exists among the students.

At present, the Troubadours is a haphazard group with little or no organization. It needs a strong hand of guidance to separate it into the component divisions whose work in their specified fields makes or breaks a play. It needs the assistance of every student who possesses any talent in acting, stage managing, scenery construction, or publicity campaigns. The success of a play depends upon how efficiently the work of each of these groups is done. So far, the Troubadours have struggled along without this organization and without this student aid, and, as might be expected, their progress and success has been retarded.

There has been some cry among students about the selection of plays presented by the Troubadours in the past few years. There should be a number of original plays, written by students, submitted to the club; from these let the season's presentations be chosen. It is ridiculous to say there is no talent for playwriting here. The real reason for the absence of original productions is the lack of initiative and encouragement given to the organization by the students. Although these conclusions strike home, as we said they would, no logical reasoning can divert the blame from the students. The Troubadours is a student organization, run by the students and for the students, and without proper student support there can be no hope for a change for the better.

About this time of year newspapers are carrying stories of the elaborate plans and productions of college theatrical groups in various sections of the country. You hear about this school touring the country with its dramatic production, or the students of that school playing before capacity audiences on Broadway. Is there any reason why the Troubadours could not produce a play which would fill theatres in Roanoke, Lynchburg, Richmond, and Lexington?

Next time you hear or read about the stupendous achievements of the dramatic clubs of other colleges, and wonder why the Troubadours are not on the same level as the Triangle club, Mask and Whig club, or Hasty Pudding club, think about the support you have not given them. If you can place the blame on anyone but yourself, you are either a fool or a contortionist.

HAMILTON HERTZ.

Campus Comment

By TOM MOSES

Signs of Spring . . .

Besides the weather which will probably shade off into slush in the next day or two, there have been several harbingers that indicate that the spring social season is about to begin. Today coming down from the college we noticed a crowd gathered around a Buick. Among those present were Nicholson (Publications), Buck (Non-Fraternity), O'Connor (Now it's your turn), and Taylor (The Boss). They were eating cheese and crackers on the Boss, who claimed that they were left over from a picnic Sunday evening. The alibi is passable but the whole affair had a rather ominous portent, especially considering the personnel.

Goodman and Gains . . .

Colliers carried an article by Benny Goodman in the last issue entitled "No Take the Jitterbug." The too obvious crack that we could make on that subject would be that we don't want him, but having gained some reputation as a cat in local circles perhaps this would be treading on a bit too thin ice.

What we are really trying to get at is the fact that a man in the picture that was with the article bore a very striking resemblance to our own Dr. F. P. Gaines. If you can't take our vote for it look in the upper right-hand corner of the picture on the second page and see for yourselves. If our surmise is true we intend to check with the administration and see if Benny is really the sender that we think he is.

Troubs Play Square . . .

The Troubs swing into action some time next month with a little opus entitled "Squaring the Circle." Tom Tennant says that this is the best play that the Troubs have had for a good many years, so far as the play itself goes. If the cast works out as is hoped, we are in for a lot of good entertainment.

It has been a long time since this column has had an opportunity to push a book into the best-seller list, but "The Education of Hyman Kaplan" by Leonard Q. Ross is too hot to escape our notice. If you are not acquainted with Hyman it is high time that you met him and really roared at his murderous sophistry and absolutely amazing misconstruction of the English language.

We Swat "The Fly Swatter" . . .

Randolph-Macon Woman's College has a newspaper that they call the Sun Dial. With a rather limited knowledge of journalistic values we would venture the opinion that on the whole it is a pretty good college sheet, but for sheer assinnity nothing could possibly surpass the column that they call "The Fly Swatter." In the first place, why any column could be named "The Fly Swatter" is far beyond a meagre comprehension, but even more important how girls of supposedly advanced intelligence can stomach that tripe remains even more of a mystery.

Just so our clientele can know what we are driving at we will present a reasonable facsimile of one of their more potent efforts.

"Who was the smooth Wahoo we saw Mary with last night. Sorta letting Jimmy down, aren't you?"
(C. C.: That was no Wahoo, he just walks that way.)

"Josephine Glotz had three bids to Carolina last week. Kinda popular, aren't you, Josephine?"

(C. C.: What some guys will do—)

"Betty sure is lonesome since Al went back to Harvard. Sure must be love for him to come all the way to old Virginny to see his little snookums."

(C. C.: Al sure must have something besides two heads to get them to let him out of that formaldehyde bottle.)

"Who was that smooth Wahoo we saw Alice with last night? Kinda cheatin' on Percy, aren't you . . . tee hee."

(That was no Wahoo that was her Grandfather. There are limits to some things even at U. Va.)

Notes For the Trash-Can . . .

What has the Impresario up his sleeve for the spring set. . . . Lup Avery broke out his brown and whites. . . . Ah, to be in England. . . . What no more surveys. . . . Hamilton (Call me Buddy) Hertz has taken over the Dead Letter Office and is carrying on its fine tradition. . . . One more fireside chat and you and Roosevelt both get the axe. . . . Put that gun down, Shreve, friend Ernie is responsible for the last insult.

The Governor Says

The appointment of Frank Hague, Jr., as a New Jersey judge is further evidence to support the contention that we still have a little bit of politics in the country.

Art Buck has been secured to commentate on politics. After his estimates on last spring, we wonder how accurate he'll be this year.

For spring dances we'll have to consult Stephenson, although he doesn't seem to know much more than we do about bands and such. It's a rough racket, this one.

Colonel Laird up Main street saw Jesse James in the mid-west way back when. He was the fellow hooting for Jesse and the pictorial representation of our crusading editor.

Senator Pittman sounded off again Monday on our foreign enemies. If we don't stop Pittman, he'll certainly have us some foreign enemies.

Two more on the chin for Cy Twombly's swimmers. The motto of our opponents must be "Remember Meem."

Sigma weathered its annual storm on Wednesday night. And Lexington weathered its hurricane.

. . . Student Opinion Poll . . .

Shows Students Slightly Favor Arms Sales To Democracies And Not To Dictatorships—South Most Favorable To Sales

By Student Opinion Surveys of America

Austin, Texas, February 24. — American foreign policy has flared in headlines recently with President Roosevelt's announcement that the United States is helping the democracies of the world to keep in stride in the European arms race. American public opinion approves, 3 to 2, according to the Gallup poll. But college students are pretty well divided on the issue.

By the very slim majority of 2.8 per cent, American collegians last week voted in favor of selling war planes to democracies and not to dictatorships, it is pointed out in a national referendum conducted by the Student Opinion Surveys of America for The Ring-tum Phi and other cooperating college newspapers.

Although students have been found usually more liberal in their views than the average citizen, this time they have registered their opinions in the closest poll of the twenty-four subjects used to date by the Student Opinion Surveys. Perhaps students are more apprehensive of the fact that if such a policy leads this country into war within the next few years they will be among the first to be called to the front.

The question asked of a carefully-selected cross-section every-

where over the nation was, "Do you approve of the United States selling planes to the so-called democratic countries and not to the so-called dictator countries?"

Approve—52.8 per cent.

Disapprove—47.2 per cent.

As January ended the President blankly told the senate military affairs committee that the United States should aid Britain and France in thwarting the objectives of the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo axis. Shortly before it had been disclosed that with the President's blessing France had been sold 600 latest-type military planes.

Students who agree with the President state that the democracies must stay together at any cost in stemming the tide of Fascism. Others believe the sale of aircraft will help economically and will aid the industry.

On the other hand the majority of those opposing say we should sell war materials to no one because strained relations and entanglements are sure to be the outcome. Almost none at all favored selling planes to the dictators to the exclusion of democracies. Dividing the ballots sectionally, the Middle Atlantic, West Central, and Southern states showed approval of the question more than other sections by a few percentage points.

Washington and Lee University THE CALENDAR 1938-1939

Monday, February 20—Saturday, March 18

Thursday, February 23

4:30 P. M. Glee Club Practice—Troubadour Theatre.

Monday, February 27

7:30 P. M. Forensic Union—Student Union
7:30 P. M. Band Practice—Troubadour Theatre
7:30 P. M. Basketball—Washington and Lee vs. University of Virginia—Doremus Gymnasium

Tuesday, February 28

7:30 P. M. Glee Club Practice—Troubadour Theatre

Thursday, March 2

4:30 P. M. Glee Club Practice—Troubadour Theatre

Monday, March 6

3:45 P. M. Faculty Meeting
7:30 P. M. Forensic Union—Student Union
7:30 P. M. Band Practice—Troubadour Theatre

Tuesday, March 7

7:30 P. M. Glee Club Practice—Troubadour Theatre

Wednesday, March 8

8:00 P. M. A. A. U. P. Meeting—Student Union

Thursday, March 9

4:30 P. M. Glee Club Practice—Troubadour Theatre

Friday, March 10

7:30 P. M. Lecture: "World Trade in the Age of Science and Technics," by Erich W. Zimmerman, Kenan Professor of Economics, University of North Carolina—Lee Chapel

Monday, March 13

7:30 P. M. Forensic Union—Student Union
7:30 P. M. Band Practice—Troubadour Theatre

Tuesday, March 14

7:30 P. M. Glee Club Practice—Troubadour Theatre

Thursday, March 16

4:30 P. M. Glee Club Practice—Troubadour Theatre

Saturday, March 18

8:15 P. M. Virginia State Symphony Orchestra Concert—Lexington High School Auditorium

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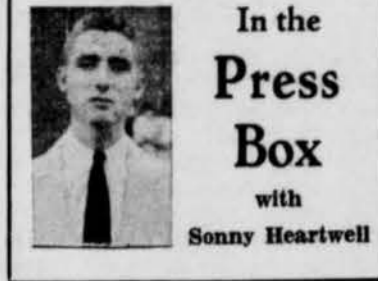
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In the Press Box with Sonny Heartwell

Comets Can Do . . .
Dear Gal Friday:

Just returned from a two-day trip that saw our coming Comets come from behind on two consecutive nights to down William and Mary and Richmond. The trip proved the Comets can play ball in their opponents' backyard as well as their own. Honest, Friday, those boys have begun to hit their stride and it looks like they will enter the tournament right at the top of their peak. I guess you knew that if the boys take VPI Saturday night they will be tied with Maryland for second place and will be seeded.

I see by the papers that Wake Forest has cooled considerably and that Duke is pulchritudinous and may get to the tournament yet. If they do I can't help but feel that the Dookers and Comets will be the teams to watch despite their present standings. Citadel has not proven its calibre as yet against the ranking teams; Carolina is hot, then cold; Carolina State is slipping fast as is Maryland. Richmond, who will probably be the eighth team, has fallen twice before the Comets and I believe chances for a Blue championship are better than they were last year.

About this trip. The boys at W-M and Richmond stuck on Pinck like glue but that didn't keep Romantic Richard from turning in the best floor game he's played yet—against Richmond. Bobby Gary has found that the easiest way to become a two digit man is to use one hand and scored 24 points during the two games, and Ed Cuttino really is beginning to hit his stride after a temporary case of stage fright, injuring the Indians immensely with one handed swisharoots. . . . Ronnie Thompson, Bobby Stein, and Leo Reinartz are as dependable as you'd ask for with their steady play. Howard Dobbins ran wild down at Williamsburg and really clinched the game with Richmond with his two closing goals. Nifty Nellie Park is still as flashy as ever and has added a Frankenstein nose guard for local color.

Well, Friday, the boys are right and I'll see you next Thursday in Raleigh and we'll celebrate together Saturday night.

Sincerely,
Your Corner Zeke.
P. S.—Lewis didn't play again and was he mortified. . . .

Aha, An Optimist . . .

Tuesday this corner dropped by to watch William and Mary's footballers taking their spring workouts under their new coach, Carl Voyles, and his assistants, McCray and Douglas. Incidentally, Douglas is the only one of the old guard left and he has taken over the job of trainer. Things are not the same in Williamsburg. W-M has been in West Virginia and picked up quite a few transfers and junior college men, to say nothing of "bargaining" for the cream of Old Dominion prep crop. The students are all agog over the "New Deal" but may do well to remember a similar but sad case of the very same thing at N. C. State. Voyles is determined to give W-M a football team and caused sports writers to drop their teeth in a recent statement when he said he would try to put W-M on an even basis with her "natural rivals," which he not only considered state teams but schools such as Navy, Princeton, and Dartmouth (the latter has been scheduled for 1940-41). What an optimist!

According to a reliable source at W-M, Mr. Voyles was told the Indians could get what Tennessee left over in picking West Virginia products and Mr. Voyles told this source that he would be glad for Tennessee to pick up what he left over. Nothing second handed. What an optimist!

Yet, from the looks of things he does have plenty of big fast material available that were not members of last year's outclassed squad. So maybe Voyles will perform a "New Deal" and take on the Ivy Leaguers. Only time will tell but the students are behind him—for Mr. Voyles is an optimist—and how. . . .

Generalizing . . .

The Yanks have sent a first class pitcher named Raschi down to Williamsburg for training and he has been performing brilliantly on the Papoose basketball team. . . . Dick Gillis, sports editor of Randolph Macon's Yellow Jacket, was a visitor in town this week and says the Yellow Jacket baseball team will carry plenty of sting this spring. He also expressed the hope that Lea Booth would toe the slab

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Comets Whip Spiders; Favored Over Va. Tech In Bid For S.C. Honors

To Meet Mediocre Gobblers At Blacksburg Tomorrow Night

Victory Will Cinch Third Place In Final Conference Standing

Washington and Lee's fast-stepping passers, who clinched a berth in next week's Southern conference tournament by downing two league foes in as many nights this week, will swing back into action tomorrow night when they tackle VPI's mediocre quintet in Blacksburg.

Their fray with the Gobblers will be the next-to-last on the Generals' 19-game schedule. Coach Cy Young's charges will bring their regular season's activity to a close on Monday night when they square off with Virginia on the boards of the Doremus gym, and then will turn their attention to the conference tourney, which is scheduled to get under way in Raleigh next Thursday.

Generals Are "In"

The Generals are "in" and sure of being seeded as far as the tournament goes, and the importance of tomorrow night's tilt with Tech lies only in the fact that the Generals, by winning, can wind up no worse than third in the final conference standings. The Citadel, holder of second place at the start of the week, suffered an unexpected loss at the hands of Clemson Monday night, and Maryland took over the No. 2 rung. The Generals are right on the Terps' heels, but must win tomorrow night in order to finish higher than fourth.

Cagers Look Better

Coach Young yesterday said that his cagers "looked better than they have at any time this season" on their road trip this week, and indicated that he would stand pat on the starting lineup which he used against William and Mary on Tuesday and against Richmond the next night. Dick Pinck, who failed to hit his usual scoring pace on either night but turned in fine floor games, will share the forecourt positions with Bob Gary, who scored in double figures two more times this week. Howard Dobbins, whose 18 points paced the Generals in their rout of William and Mary, will be at center, while Ed Cuttino, who came into his own on the trip, and Ronnie Thompson, will be at the guard posts.

Revenge will be the Generals' motive when Virginia invades Lexington for Monday night's engagement. The Cavaliers upset the Blue passers, 30-25, in a rather dull affair at Charlottesville last Saturday night, and the Generals are anxious to square things in no uncertain terms in next week's meeting.

Feldman To Lead Wahoo's

Leading the Cavaliers will be Armand Feldman, their high-scoring southpaw forward, who is highly regarded in state court circles. Captain Leroy Strickler, Bill Harmon, rangy center, and Guards Bill McCann and Walter Smith will round out the invaders' starting lineup.

Monday night's game will determine this year's mythical "Big Six" champion. The Generals, defending champions, are ahead of the field at the present time, but Coach Gus Tebell's Cavaliers are making threatening gestures and can take the make-believe crown away from the Generals by winning Monday night.

Statistics			
W. and L.	G.	F.	T.
Pinck, f.	3	0	6
Cuttino, f.	1	0	2
Park, f.	1	1	3
Dobbins, c.	4	0	8
Gary, g.	6	1	13
Reinartz, g.	0	0	0
Thompson, g.	1	0	2
Totals	16	2	34
Richmond			
G.	F.	T.	
Sears, f.	0	0	0
Jones, f.	6	1	13
Humbert, f.	1	1	3
Burge, c.	1	1	3
Standard, c.	0	0	0
Wright, c.	0	0	0
Hoskins, g.	5	0	10
Ely, g.	1	0	2
Bragg, g.	0	0	0
Totals	14	3	31

Carolina, Duke Defeat Mermen

Conference Hopes Dim As W and L Swimmers Lose Twice

The hopes of Washington and Lee's varsity swimmers to retain their Southern conference title received a severe jolt yesterday when the Generals' North Carolina invasion ended in a loss to the Tarheels, 42-33. The Blue and White mermen bowed to Duke the day before, 50-25.

The two defeats suffered at the hands of the Carolina schools put the Generals' season record at three losses to two wins. One more dual meet is on the Blue tankmen's card before the conference tournament on March 3 at Raleigh. Both varsity and freshman teams engage Virginia in Charlottesville on Monday.

Generals Take Beating

The Generals took their worst shellacking of the trip on Wednesday afternoon, from the Blue Devils. W-L salvaged only three first places, three seconds and two thirds. In the 220-yard free style Captain Charlie Hart earned a dead heat for second place and split four points with his opponent.

Hart and Brent Farber were outstanding for the W-L outfit. Farber took two of the first places, in the 100 and 50 yard free style events. Hart gained seconds in the 220 and 440.

The NCU meet was a much closer and more speculative affair, and was held in the Tarheels' beautiful new 50-meter pool, the Bowman Gray memorial. W-L started off well and led the Carolinians up to the 440-meter free style, the next-to-last event.

However, in the 400-meter event the Tarheels took first and third, Hart winning second, and pulled ahead for the first time.

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Gary And Dobbins Share Scoring Honors To Down UR 34-31

Dick Pinck, Heavily Guarded, Leads Generals' Floor Attack

By BOB STEELE
Undaunted by a nine-point deficit at the half, Washington and Lee's tournament-bound Comets turned on the pressure in a rousing second half rally to turn back the University of Richmond, 34 to 31, in Milhiser gym Wednesday night before a rabid throng of Spider rooters.

With speedy Bob Gary leading the attack with sensational one-handed shots, the Generals overcame a 20 to 11 lead at the intermission to take the heart out of a Richmond offensive which had the Blue Comets buffaloed in the opening period.

Gary Breaks Loose

While the Spiders were concentrating on holding in check Dick Pinck, who racked up 34 points against U-R in their last meeting, it was Gary and Howard Dobbins who broke through during the final stanza to sink shot after shot and keep Washington and Lee's record against the Spiders unscathed. Gary topped the scoring for the Generals with 13 points and the Dobber followed with eight.

Trailing by nine points as the last half got underway, the Generals began to hit the meshes with consistency and Pinck knotted the score at 23 to 23 with a long shot midway in the period. A free throw by Nellie Park and successive goals by Gary and Pinck put the Blue out in front by five markers.

Jones Leads Spiders

Forward Art Jones led the Spiders in a wild effort to get back in the ball game, but Dobbins matched him goal for goal in the last thrilling moments.

Pinck, although held to six points by Stukie Hoskins' alert guarding, turned in a brilliant floor game.

Washington and Lee gave Richmond fans one of the most perfect demonstrations of ball-handling and passing seen in Milhiser gym this year, but faulty basket eyes in the first half accounted for Richmond's early lead.

Hoskins opened the scoring for the evening with a mid-court effort which swished neatly through the hoop. Four other shots from deep court in the first half found their way through the Spider nets.

This uncanny caging of long shots ceased in the second half, however, and the Pittmen were forced to batter themselves against an impenetrable W-L defense. Most of the Spiders' second half points were chalked up on wild follow-up shots.

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Grapplers Face Crucial Meets This Week-End

Southern Conference Title May Hinge On Davidson and Tech Meets

Washington and Lee's varsity wrestling team will bring their highly successful campaign to a close with a pair of tough tests this week-end. Tomorrow the Big Blue trek to Blacksburg where they will engage the Virginia Tech matmen, while on Monday the Davidson grapplers are due in Doremus gym for a date starting at 7:30.

Brigs To End Season

The Brigadiers will write finis to their season against the Tech frosh on Saturday prior to the varsity fracas.

The Generals will be forced to go to bat in these last two engagements minus the services of George McInerney, their crack 136-pounder. McInerney is in Jackson Memorial hospital suffering from a skin infection. He will be replaced in the lineup by Rudy Hanna, a product of last year's freshman combine.

For three of the eight regulars, these last two matches will be their final collegiate tries. McInerney is also ending his wrestling career this season.

Kemp At 118

Crane, at 121, Captain Kemp, at 118, and Szymanski, unlimited, will be wrestling their finale.

There is a possibility that W-L will be represented in the state AAU tournament, but Coach Archie Mathis expressed doubt as to their participation. Should they escape from the Davidson and Tech fetters unscathed, the Generals will have a substantial claim to the Southern conference title. And in the opinion of Coach Mathis, "this is enough to ask of any team."

Dangler, Guthrie Reach 4th Round In I-M Handball

The intramural handball tournament has just finished the third round of competition and is now going into the fourth round. So far two men are in the fourth round. Those two are Dangler, the ATO star, and Charlie Guthrie. Guthrie, the pre-tourney favorite, went into the fourth round by defeating Steve Hanasik of the Pi Phi's.

The results of Monday's and Tuesday's matches are as follows: Spindle, DTD, defeated Jamieson, Beta; Funk, DTD, beat Logan, DTD; Perry, DU, won over Morgan, Beta; Taggart, Phi Psi, defeated Friedberg, ZBT; Ayers, Beta, beat Harper, PDT; Chamness, DTD, defeated E. Shannon, Beta; Roberts, DTD, won over S. Watt; Steinhoff, Pi Phi, beat Smith, SAE; Fisher, KA, defeated Best, PDT; Szymanski, Pi Phi.

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JACK BROOME

W-L Comeback Stops Indians

Dobbins Leads Blue To 46-37 Conference Victory

Putting up a determined fight to remain in the race for a bid to the Southern conference tournament, a gallant band of William and Mary Indians extended Washington and Lee to the limit in Williamsburg Tuesday night before the Comets could gain a hard-fought 46 to 37 victory.

The Royalists threw the full force of a tight defensive against Dick Pinck and succeeded in denying the sophomore ace a single field goal, but tall Howard Dobbins broke threw at opportune times to keep the Blue in the running throughout the close contest and topped the scoring for the evening with 18 markers.

The victory definitely sewed up a tourney berth for W-L's fast five.

Starting off fast, the underdog Indians took the sails out of the Comets' attack in the first half and held a 16 to 14 advantage at intermission. The Generals dominated second half play, however, and came back strong to win the game with a safe margin.

In holding Pinck to six converted foul shots, Vince Taffe, W-M guard, became the first man this year to hold the high-scoring forward absolutely goal-less. Taffe's over-zealous guarding caused him to foul his way out in the second half.

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Coach Thinks W. and L's Chances In Conference Meet Are Slim

Melville, Murray Twins, Curl Hold Generals' Indoor Track Hopes

Washington and Lee's indoor tracksters wound up their pre-season training yesterday and prepared to invade Chapel Hill, North Carolina, tomorrow for the annual Southern conference meet. They will face an array of conference champions on the boards of Raleigh, depending upon six veterans and four sophomores to keep the Big Blue in front.

Coach Forest Fletcher was not very optimistic last night about the Generals' chances of placing in the upper brackets.

One of the mainstays of the team will be Charlie Curl, who is expected to set a hot pace in the 440-yard dash. Curl clipped the conference indoor record in the quarter-mile to 52 seconds in his sensational run last year. He will also run in the 60-yard dash and the relay.

George Melville will step over the low hurdles for the Generals, while Flash Harvey is entered in the 880-yard dash and relay.

Coach Fletcher is banking on Bill Gwynn in the high jump, and Bill Whaley to capture the high and low hurdles.

W-L's twin distance runners, George and Bill Murray, will fight it out against keen competition in the longer runs. George is entered in the mile and relay, while Bill

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Alumni Magazine To Appear Monday

Dr. Gaines Discusses Independent Colleges On President's Page

Forthcoming Sports Seasons Are Described By Lea Booth

The February issue of the Washington and Lee Alumni magazine will be off the press on Monday, according to C. Harold Lauck, laboratory instructor in journalism, who is in charge of the printing of the magazine.

The cover of the present issue bears a photograph of the W-L Carnegie library, and the frontispiece is a picture of the Memorial foot-bridge, looking toward Doremus gymnasium from the football field.

"Shall the Independent College Survive?" is the topic discussed by Dr. Francis P. Gaines on the President's Page. Dr. Gaines sets forth arguments in favor of independent schools and tells of their struggles to survive.

Football Article

An interesting article by Lea Booth tells of prospects and outlooks for next year's football team and for this year's baseball team. Booth tells of the addition of Riley Smith to the W-L coaching staff. He also writes about basketball, lacrosse, swimming, and other sports at Washington and Lee.

"Fancy Dress, Colonial Style" features a full-page cut of Cecil Taylor, president of 1939 Fancy Dress, and his date, Miss Margaret Alexander Tomlin, both dressed in the costumes in which they appeared at the ball. The article tells of the origin of the theme of this year's set, and describes the impressive Fancy Dress figure.

Glee Club Story

Robert Espy is the author of an article entitled "Story of the Washington and Lee Glee Club." He gives the history of the organization, tells of its advance under the direction of Professor J. G. Varner, and gives a list of the members of the club.

Many short items, such as "University To Get Lee Letter" and "World's Fair Exhibit for W-L," are interspersed among the more important articles.

Local alumni association notes and eight pages of class notes, telling of activities and present occupations of W-L graduates, complete the issue.

Richard P. Carter, managing editor, is in charge of publication of the magazine. H. K. (Cy) Young, alumni secretary, is the editor.

Fayetteville, Ark.—The College of Agriculture at the University of Arkansas has developed a refrigerator capable of holding a temperature of 20 degrees below zero. This extremely cold ice-box was made from commercial equipment and will be used for research work by the department of horticulture and forestry in connection with studies to determine the resistance of fruit plants to winter killing.

Jesse James, Sigma, Washington Stage Mid-week Weekend

By NED BURKS

George Washington started it and it's going to take the VMI Keydets to finish it off. We have had a lot of mighty fine week-ends around here, but this is the first one that started on Wednesday.

The sterling Sigma clan took advantage of the holiday Wednesday to hold their now famous initiation. In the past, the Sigmas have spread havoc as they went merrily on their way, causing the general public as well as the police no little trouble.

This year, the goats gathered on the campus lawn and made their annual reverence to the state of "Old George" atop Washington hall. However, the famous Sigma litany is gone forever.

In the old days, the day of the Sigma initiation was one when the professors stayed at home while Sigma orators wreaked mighty vengeance on the dominating dictators of the classroom.

The ritual, which in those days stamped Sigma as one of the wildest clubs on the campus, always took place before "Old George" and before capacity crowds.

A bit of the old Sigma spirit cropped out Wednesday when the new goats attacked the gym and threatened to toss the whole baseball team into the swimming pool.

Added to the excitement, usually engendered by the birthday of the father of his country, was the horse-opera, "Jesse James" at the State, in which terrible Tyrone Power at times rivalled the great "Lone Ranger." Bad-man Power was finally captured by the G-Men and fascinating Nancy Kelly.

The VMI dances got on the merry-go-round just where Jesse James and the outlawed Sigmas got off, and time staggers on. Bunny Berigan will be featured with his hot trumpet and his orchestra for the set.

George Washington started it—and we leave the Keydets to finish it.

We would rather leave it to somebody else, if there was anybody around that could take care of it. But George didn't remember to provide for that in the Constitution.

Wedding 'Ideal' Not Good Idea, Prof Maintains

Article In Sarah Lawrence College Paper Lists Marriage 'Don'ts'

Bronxville, N. Y.—Sarah Lawrencites are warned by a member of their faculty never to marry their ideals in a recent news article in the Sarah Lawrence "Campus." The teacher, a science professor, suggested the following "don'ts" for girls choosing a prospective husband:

Don't marry your ideal because you will always try to fit him into a picture he can't get into.

Don't marry a man to reform him. It can't be done.

Don't marry the first man you fall in love with.

Don't marry a man to prove you can get one.

Don't forget a man usually puts his job first, his wife second.

Don't forget it takes imagination to fall in love—and stay in love.

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against the Ashlanders when they meet Cap'n Dick's charges this spring. . . . Bill Lashley, Hampden-Sydney columnist, continues to ride Pinck by saying Jeter Barker has proven much more outstanding since the Emory and Henry flash has been played on a losing ball club. Well, Lashley, look at the calibre teams the Wasps have been playing and keep quiet. . . . The Wahos come to town Monday night and the fur will fly. . . . Bobby Gary visited Jamestown for the first time last week and was so impressed he kissed the ground where our country began. . . . "Dear Diary, tonight I met Richard." See Dick Pinck for details. . . . Nomination: The fairest, squarest, straightest shooting referee that ever toted a whistle—Gummy Proctor.

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Rudyard Kipling's 'Gunga Din' To Show at State Next Week



Pictured above is burley Victor McLaglen in a typical scene from RKO's super colossal "Gunga Din" which hits the State Monday.

By HAROLD GADDY
Playing at the State theatre on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday is RKO's \$2,000,000 version of Rudyard Kipling's "Gunga Din"—the most expensive RKO picture produced to date.

Gunga Din, played by Sam Jaffe, seems to have very little to do with the goings on going on in his namesake film. At the beginning he heroically wobbles around with his goatskin waterbag, and in the end he inspires Rudyard Kipling to write his immortal poem.

Outside of this, however, the plot is mainly concerned with the exploits of three young, agile, and devil-may-care sergeants: Cary Grant, Victor McLaglen, and Douglas Fairbanks, Jr. Two of these three are continually trying to persuade the third that he should re-enlist when his time expires.

This effort requires strenuous fights with a gang of religious fanatics, the Thugs, whose principal occupation is murdering people or throwing them to the cobras. "Gunga Din" is a funny, exciting, and spectacular Anglo-Indian "Three Musketeers."

"Blondie" the movie version of the familiar comic strip, appears at the Lyric on Monday and Tuesday. Penny Singleton plays the leading role of Blondie, Arthur Lake plays Dagwood, her husband, and Larry Simms plays Baby Dumpling. If you go in for this tender,

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Guthrie Enters Fourth Round

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beat Lehr, SAE; and Winter, ZBT, defeated Saltsman, Beta.

The matches scheduled for Friday are as follows: Boyce, SAE, and Stoddart, DU; Puddington, Phi Psi, and Hertz, ZBT; Kerkow, SAE, and Natri, Pi Phi; Stephenson, PKS, and Wile, PEP; Buck, NFU, and Nielsen, DTD; Melville, DU, and Perry, DU; Taggart, Phi Psi, and Ayers, Beta; Chamness, DTD, and Ballard, DTD; and Gilmore, Phi Psi, and Harvey, Pi Phi.

'Sigma' Shines Again As 15 Good Joes Join

Fifteen Sigma society pledges were initiated last Wednesday in the honorary senior fraternity's annual ceremony.

Initiates included: Ed Brown, SAE; Dick Boisseau, Phi Kap; Bob Hutchinson, KA; Stocky Tyler, SX; Bob Barr, ATO; Charlie Hart, Lambda Chi; Ed Whitehead, Phi Kap; Reid Brodie, KA; Jim Lindsey, Phi Kap; John Campbell, KA; Sam McCorkle, Phi Kap; Tom Bradley, Phi Gam; Jack Watson, Phi Kap; Harold Cox, ATO; and Bud Farber, Phi Kap.

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W-L Boardmen Leave For UNC

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Among the sophomores who will see action are Hunt Collins and Charlie Gilbert in the hurdles and pole vault, respectively.

Three freshman runners are expected to take part in the conference meet, and carry the Brigadir colors on the boards tomorrow. The yearlings are: Art Koontz in the high hurdles, Ernie Corrick in the 60-yard dash, and Bill Jennings in the mile.

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