

# More Cadet Leadership For ROTC

Maj. Edward Roxbury Calls for Mild Change

Major Edward Roxbury, Washington and Lee's professor of military science and tactics, called for a "mild change in direction" in the W&L ROTC program at a meeting last night of all juniors and seniors enrolled in the program. In effect, Major Roxbury's request for a change in the W&L ROTC program would place the entire corps of cadets under the command of cadet officers.

Stressing the fact that the ROTC program would be as good as the cadet leaders wished to make it, Major Roxbury urged the juniors and seniors to accept both the authority which the new change in direction offers, and the greater responsibility which must be assumed along with the increased authority.

The new change in direction in the ROTC program will place greater authority in the hands of cadet officers. The Washington and Lee regiment will now be under the direct control of Cadet Col. W. H. Gowen, Jr., the regimental commander, his executive officer, Cadet Lt. Col. W. W. Schaefer, and the battalion and company commanders.

After indicating what will be expected of the cadet leaders under the new change in direction, Major Roxbury discussed plans for activities of the corps during the year. He stated that plans are underway for a dance or party for the advanced course (juniors and seniors) and that corps day will be held this year before Christmas.

The meeting with the juniors and seniors last night marked a turning point not only in the general organizational structure of the W&L ROTC program but also was held at a time when the regiment is beginning the central phase of drill and training. This week, the regiment was inspected by Cadet Col. Gowen to mark the end of drill without arms. Next week, all cadets will begin drill and training armed with the M-1 rifle for most of the troops, and small arms and carbines for cadet officers. Training in the handling of arms at drill will be given and directed by cadet officers and non-commissioned officers of the corps of cadets.

Major Roxbury closed the meeting last night by reminding the assembled juniors and seniors that the detachment staff exists for the service of the cadets, and that while the detachment at W&L owes an obligation to the army and to the university, its primary obligation is to the cadets within its command.

# Party Planned By ROTC Dept.

The Annual Military Ball, discontinued three years ago, will get a revival of sorts this spring.

According to Major E. J. Roxbury, newly appointed Professor of Military Science and Tactics at Washington and Lee, a party will be held, probably during the first week of May.

In contrast to the previous Military Balls, it will be a party, off campus, with music, and will not be a uniform affair.

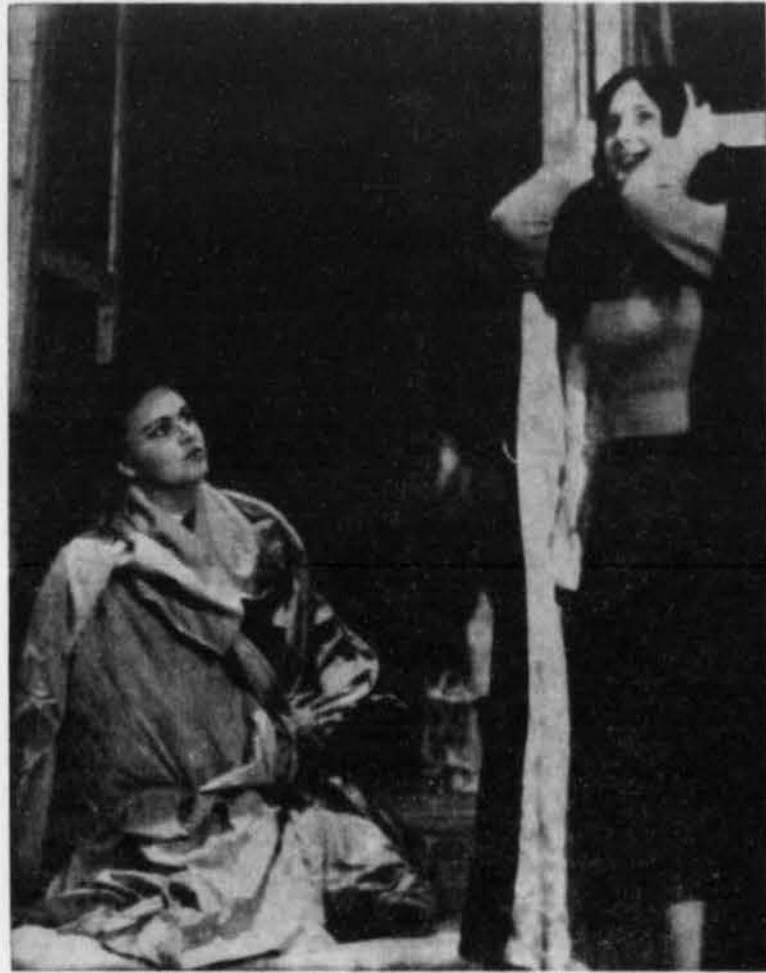
The announcement was made during a meeting of all junior and senior members of the advanced R.O.T.C. program, held in the Library basement classroom Thursday night.

The party, sponsored by Scabbard and Blade, will be for members of the advanced R.O.T.C. course only, which means it will be more of a sendoff party for the graduating seniors and honoring the juniors, who will be taking command of the corps next year.

The location of the party has not been set definitely yet, but probably will be either at the Lexington Country Club or the Mayflower Inn. The cost of admittance to the party for R.O.T.C. juniors and seniors and their dates will be \$5.00 per couple. This charge will cover the entertainment and drinks.

Among other business taken up, it was announced that Corps Day will begin before second semester. The first Corps Day of the year will

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Edna Birney, Debbie Silverman in 'Rashomon.' (See story on page 2.) —Young Photo

# 750 Visitors Expected For Parents' Weekend

By STEVE GUILD

The Fifth Annual Parents' Weekend will be held this year on this Friday, Saturday, and Sunday with Washington and Lee playing the role as host. The weekend will consist of discussion groups, meetings with advisors and faculty members, tours of the campus, and entertainment by the student body.

Registration for the some 750 parents and guests expected to attend will begin at 2:00 Friday afternoon and run until 9:30 that night. At 8:00 Friday night there will be discussion groups led by members of the faculty and student body.

In Room 8, Newcomb Hall, Dr. James G. Leyburn, Professor of Sociology, and Randolph Bulgin, Instructor in English will discuss the topic: "The Younger Generation (Beat or Square?)."

Henry Harrell, a junior, will be the student moderator of the discussion. In duPont Auditorium Edward C. Atwood, Associate Professor of Economics, John C. Gunn, Jr., Assistant Professor of Economics, and

Charles F. Phillips, Jr., Assistant Professor of Economics will hold a discussion on the subject "Inflation: Pickpocket of Prosperity."

The student moderator of this group will be John M. Bradford, KA.

These groups will run simultaneously and will last approximately an hour, after which there will be a coffee hour in the gallery of duPont Hall.

In the gallery there will be an ex-

**Students are requested not to drive their cars to class on Saturday morning so that all available parking space can be used by parents visiting the school.**

hibit of the paintings of Jean Milo and Van der Pas and the prints of Jonny Friedlander on display.

On Saturday morning there will be another registration period from 9:00 to 11:30 in Washington Hall at which time those parents who have expressed a desire to meet with members of the faculty will do so. These meetings have been arranged through the Development Office in response to letters sent out several weeks before. Also on Saturday morning and at various other times during the weekend the Student Service Society will conduct guided tours of points of interest on and about the campus.

Following the faculty meetings there will be a convocation for all parents in Lee Chapel at 1:30 at which time members of the faculty and student body will give a "Report to Parents."

Presiding will be W. E. Knickerbocker, Chairman of the Parents' Advisory Council and the invocation will be given by Milton C. Brown, University Chaplain.

The program will consist of reports given by J. Frank Surface, President of the Student Body; Frank J. Gilliam, Dean of Students; Leon F. Sensabaugh, Dean of the University; James W. Whitehead, Director of University Relations, and the President of the University, Dr. Fred C. Cole.

Following the meeting in Lee Chapel, buffet luncheon will be served from 12:30 to 2:30 in the Evans Dining Hall for all parents and freshmen. From 2:30 to 4:45 the parents will again have appointments with members of the faculty and administration and with the ministers to students. At 3:15 Saturday there is a cross-country meet with Catawba here at W&L to which all parents are invited.

At 8:30 Saturday evening the W&L Glee Club will present a concert in Lee Chapel. The program will consist of traditional and modern songs, show tunes, and a variety of other works.

On Sunday morning from 9:00 to 10:30 the last appointments with faculty and ministers will be held and afterwards all parents are invited to attend the church of their choice.

All of the details and arrangements of Parents' Weekend are handled by the Development Office, the Parents' Advisory Council, and the Student Service Society.

# Duke Professor Main Speaker For Religious Emphasis Week

Dr. Waldo Beach of Duke University will be the main speaker for this year's Religious Emphasis Week at Washington and Lee, Nov. 16-19.

Dr. Beach's theme will be "Christ on the College Campus," and supporting speakers for the week, which is sponsored by the University Christian Association, will be David W. Cammack and Dr. Carl R. Pritchett.

Bock Knickerbocker, chairman of the University Christian Association said that the subjects discussed by the speakers will be released at a later date.

This year's program will seek to adhere more closely to Christ—the meaning of Christianity to the individual student. The fundamentals of religion will be explored, according to Knickerbocker, in an effort to re-emphasize the word "Christianity," which he said has appeared only sparingly in past talks, interviews and discussions.

Last year's topic, "The Organization Man," in tending toward a discussion of student social frustration, touched only lightly upon religious problems.

"The theme this year is more down-to-earth," said Knickerbocker. "We want to grapple with the religious problems that face the student in every phase of his college life."

# Noted Chemist To Speak Here November 5, 6

Dr. Harry H. Sisler, head of the Chemistry Department at the University of Florida, will visit Washington and Lee on November 5 and 6 to deliver two talks on scientific subjects.

Sisler will speak on the periodic system of elements in duPont Auditorium on November 5 at 8 p.m. The following afternoon at 5 p.m. he will discuss recent developments in high energy fuses. This talk will be held in room 302 of Howe Hall.

Sisler's first lecture is reportedly non-technical in nature and should be of general interest to all students. The second talk, however, is directed primarily toward science majors.

Dr. Sisler is a noted chemist who has published more than 100 different papers. He is also the co-author of two textbooks. He has served as chairman of various committees of the American Chemical Society and has made many speaking tours for that organization.

He is appearing here through a grant from the National Science Foundation, and is sponsored by the Virginia Academy of Science.

Dr. Beach, the main speaker, is an authority on the subject of student religious problems, has, in his recent book *Conscience on Campus*, attempted to present and clarify the religious problems and frustrations which face the university man.

The speakers will arrive on the morning of Monday, Nov. 16. That evening they are scheduled to meet with members of the organizational board at a dinner. Attending will be chaplains from Lexington churches, University chaplain Milton Brown, Knickerbocker, and URC sub-committee chairmen Sonny Hess, Jack Hisley and Billy Giles.

(At 8 o'clock Monday evening, there will be a University reception in the Student Union where Knickerbocker will introduce the speaker to the Faculty, Deans, President of the University and fraternity housemothers.

Dr. Beach will give his opening address at 12:05 on Tuesday, Nov. 17 before a full University assembly in Doremus Gymnasium. Mr. Cammack

and Dr. Pritchett will be introduced to the student body at this time.

At 7:30 Tuesday evening, Mr. Cammack and Dr. Pritchett will hold a seminar discussing "Christianity and Race Relations" in the Student Union.

At 10:30 p.m. Dr. Pritchett will meet with the freshmen in the dormitory reading room for an informal discussion of the conference theme.

**Wednesday classes will be shortened to avoid conflict with Dr. Beach's address in Lee Chapel. At 3:30 p.m. private interviews will be held for those interested.**

At 7:30 Wednesday night, Mr. Cammack will lecture on Christianity and Communism in duPont Auditorium, while Dr. Pritchett holds a seminar on "Courtship and Marriage," in the student union.

Beginning Tuesday the speakers will participate in morning classes and will take their meals at various fraternity houses.

Dr. Beach will deliver his final address at 12:05 on Thursday.

# Randolph-Macon Faces Possible Ban of Sororities

By HARVEY ALLEN

A recent recommendation by the administration of Randolph-Macon Women's College may result in the removal of sororities on the Randolph-Macon campus by June, 1963. The administration recommendation specifically would mean that there would be no more rushing after June, 1960, and sororities would leave the campus by June of 1963, when the present freshman class graduates.

Sororities reportedly have never been wholeheartedly supported by the administration since their beginning on campus. This feeling on the part of the administration and a growing undercurrent of feeling against sororities by a minority of students are among the reasons why the recommendation comes at this particular time.

The most recent "official" poll of student opinion was taken in 1955, which showed the minority opposed to sororities to be increasing. Another poll has been taken this year, and shows 77 per cent in favor of retaining sororities. 650 of the 682 member student body voted, with seven abstaining.

No specific incident, or incident of any kind, has brought about this move by the administration. Rather it is simply the outgrowth of a feeling on the part of the minority of girls who do not belong to a sorority, as well as some sorority members.

Upon presentation of the recommendation by the administration, the Board of Trustees decided to ap-

point a committee of its members to serve as a study group to look further into the problem. On the basis of their study, a decision will be made when the Board of Trustees meets during the first week of May, 1960.

The administration feels that the minority of students wanting the change is now sufficiently large to warrant their action. Their basic views are that not having sororities would allow more time for study and avoid the emotional problems brought on by the pressure of rushing and pledging a sorority. In addition, the administration's view is that having sororities on the campus does prevent some girls from applying to Randolph-Macon. On the other hand, they do not feel that not having sororities would prevent any large number of girls from applying for admission that would otherwise.

The students' case was presented to the board of trustees by the president of the student body, Rita Miller, the president of the Pan-Hellenic association, Mary Gibson, and the president of the sorority president's council, Mary Dale VanSant.

The student representatives feel that the real problem involved is basically one of whether or not it is the place of the administration or the student government to present such a recommendation. Thus it is more a question of what is the role of student government than whether or not sororities will stay on the Randolph-Macon campus.

# Glee Club To Present Concert Tomorrow Night in Lee Chapel

Tomorrow night at 8:30 in Lee Chapel, Mr. Robert Stewart will direct the W&L Glee Club in its first appearance of the 1959-60 season. This year, the Glee Club will introduce an entirely new repertoire with the exception of the school songs and one popular holdover, **There Is Nothing Like a Dame**.

To open the concert, the Glee Club will sing W&L's Alma Mater, **College Friendships**, followed by **Brothers, Sing On** and a choral: **In the Word of God Enduring**, featuring Merv Clay as soloist. The club will then sing **I've Known Rivers**; **Orpheus With His Lute**; and **What Care I**, both of which date back to the time of Shakespeare; and **This Old Hommer**.

In order to give the singers a rest, and to display the talent of a new accompanist, Mr. Stewart will, at this point in the program, turn the spotlight on Mel Mervin, a freshman from South Carolina. Marvin will play two selections; one of which will be a duet with the Glee Club's assistant pianist, Walter Maupin.

Following this break, the Glee Club will again take the stage, singing three spirituals: **It's Me, O Lord**; **Nobody Knows but the Lord**; with a solo by Tom Sillan; and the lively **Rock-A My Soul**. Concluding the program will be: **There's Nothing Like a Dame**, with solos by Chuck Campbell and Ken Brethauer; **Fight, Fight, Blue and White**; and **The W&L Swing**.

The Glee Club has had only a short time to practice the program, but Mr.

Stewart feels confident that they will give an excellent showing in tomorrow night's performance.

# Group Picked To Plan Cole Inauguration

Washington and Lee University's Board of Trustees has authorized a five-man committee to recommend a date and draw up other plans for the inauguration of Dr. Fred C. Cole as the university's 14th president.

Appointed to the committee by Rector James R. Caskie were Homer A. Holt of Charleston, W. Va., James M. Hutcheson of Richmond, and Kennon C. Whittle of Martinsville, representing the board, and Prof. Charles P. Light, Jr., and President Cole, representing the university faculty and staff.

The board is expected to affirm the date for the inauguration at its regular meeting in late January. The inauguration tentatively is scheduled for next spring.

Dr. Cole assumed the duties of president of Washington and Lee on September 1. He succeeded Dr. Francis P. Gaines, who retired August 31 after 29 years in office.

# Harrell Named Managing Editor

Chris Harrell, an intermediate law student from Emporia, Va., was named to the post of Managing Editor of the Friday Ring-tum Phi today.

Harrell's selection was announced along with five other new staff appointments. Ned Ames, a junior from Accomac, Va., will take over the post as Executive Editor and Gerry Ouellette, a sophomore from Berlin, N. H., will assume the Copy Editor position.

Other new appointments include the naming of three Editorial Assistants to the staff—Bill Ashworth, Harvey Allen and Steve Danzansky. Ashworth resigned his post of Managing Editor earlier in the week.

Harrell and Ames had both served as Associate Editor. Named to the post of Photography Editor was Bill Young, a freshman from Lebanon, New Jersey.

# Parents' Council Meets Tonight

Tonight the Parents' Committee will meet to decide whether upperclassmen other than seniors will be allowed to drive cars this year and in the future. The possible result of the meeting would be a recommendation submitted to President Cole's office for approval which would prohibit sophomores and juniors from driving.

According to Dean Gilliam, however, the committee has not yet reached a point, in all probability, that would allow a justifiable conclusion. He doubts that any solid resolution will come out of the meeting tonight, but there is a chance that something will be determined.

# A Crisis Facing Fraternities

## Membership Bans Illogical

(Reprinted from the Hartford, Conn. Courant.)

A second fraternity within a matter of weeks at Wesleyan University has cut ties with the parent organization. Sigma Chi lost its Wesleyan chapter two weeks ago, when the national convention failed to remove discriminatory membership clauses. Now it is Alpha Chi Rho, whose Wesleyan members objected to the ritual that made all members accept a Christian theology.

This may seem to some a tempest in a teapot, but a matter of basic principle is never trivial. The trouble is that many fraternities still bear barnacles of other times, and the cultural anachronisms of other parts of the country or even of other eras. A college ritual that emphasized the superiority of the white, Protestant, male, preferably of northern European stock, would be accepted a century ago as a matter of course.

Fortunately a part of the human race has moved on out of this miasma of provincial ignorance. By now there are quite a few people who cannot accept the fact that one does not have to be white, Protestant, or male or any combination of the same, to be an effective and useful human being, quite as good as anybody else.

In sloughing off these ancient prejudices Wesleyan students are setting a good example. For there is an inconsistency in those who permit the existence of any kind of tyranny of the mind—and racial prejudices are certainly of the mind—in an atmosphere supposedly devoted to learning.

The new organization at Wesleyan that will succeed Alpha Chi Rho is to be known as EQV. This stands of the Latin "Esse Quam Videri"—"to be, rather than to seem,"—which is in itself an excellent rule of life.

## Free Association Only Just

(The following is reprinted from a national fraternity publication and is written by its national president.)

The college fraternity system is being subjected to continuing pressures seeking to deprive the members from the right to select their associates. This agitation originally emphasized that it was wrong to have any standards which would restrict membership in a college fraternity to individuals of any particular race.

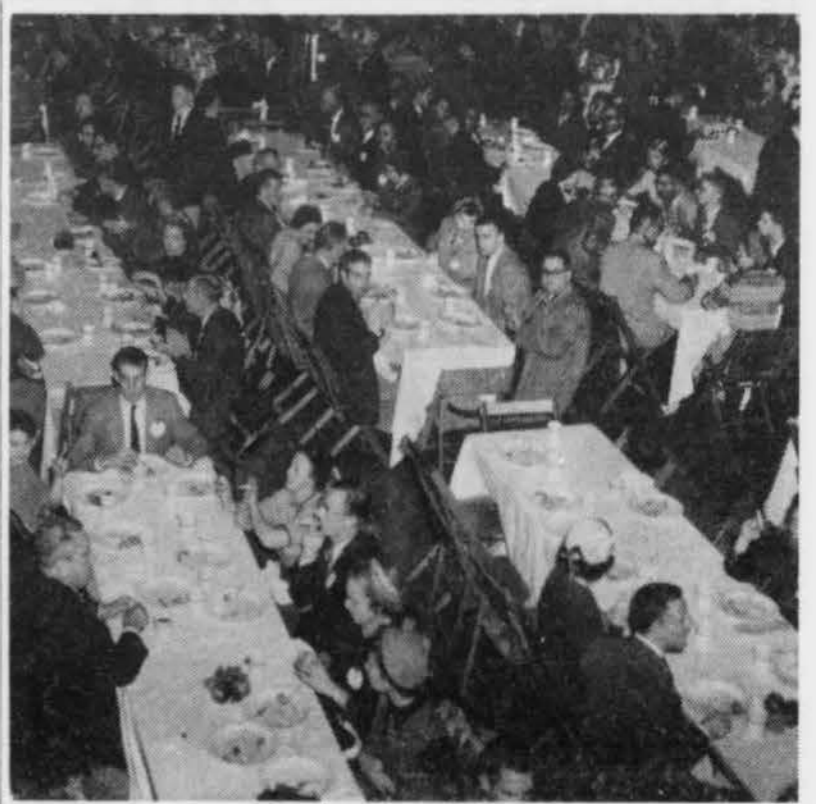
We note with concern further pressures to assign men in colleges and universities to membership in college fraternities, irrespective of whether or not the individuals would be compatible because of personal characteristics (other than racial characteristics).

The process of selection of membership in a college fraternity is a two-way street—the individual sought as a member must be compatible with the group asking him to join as to his general beliefs and personal characteristics; and the individual seeking membership must desire to be associated with men with whom he has common interests.

Demands that the elimination of free choice by which men shall associate together is not only disadvantageous to the individuals concerned but it makes impossible coordinated activities of men through association together.

You cannot make a good fraternity man out of an individual who does not want to participate any more than you can make a good fraternity group who can find no common basis of idealism or purpose.

I doubt whether any one can seriously challenge the right of men to associate together, restricting their membership to those who believe in God.



A Previous Parents' Weekend

# Parents' Weekend Growing Each Year

by DAVIS REED

University officials bustle around in a frenzy of activity, students suddenly become concerned about their studies, fraternity houses are cleaned up until they almost look livable, and Hollins and Sweet Briar girls wonder why W&L boys aren't coming to see them this weekend.

What's happened? The answer is very simple: it's Parents' Weekend, and Washington and Lee once again rolls out the welcome mat to the parents, relatives and friends of its students for three days.

Parents' Weekend has been a phenomenal success ever since its inception in 1955. The program is a joint venture sponsored by the University and the Parents' Advisory Council, a 56-member group which serves as a means of communication between the school and the parents.

For the first two years, Parents' Weekend was not really a "week-end," but only one day. In 1957, however, it was decided to expand the event due to its popularity and the large number of persons attending.

Now the program begins on Friday afternoon and continues through Sunday, with most of the time amply filled by a host of activities which include faculty appointments, panel discussions, a buffet luncheon, Glee Club concert, guided tours of the campus, art and science exhibits, and the annual report to the parents from the University.

In addition to the school-sponsored functions, the various social fraternities also do their part to make the weekend enjoyable by means of cocktail parties, smokers and banquets. All in all, the visiting parent is kept well occupied by the multitude of activities which are planned for him.

Statistics for the past four Parents' Weekends indicate the increasing popularity of the annual event. During each of the first two years, approximately 500-600 parents were on hand; in the past two years, the number has jumped to about 800 parents and guests, and this year's figure is expected at least to equal this mark. The wide geographic distribution of the parents attending is shown by the fact that an average of thirty states and one or two foreign countries have been represented each year.

Many parents have returned several times: last year, 77 parents were here for the second time, and 53 for the third time.

Parents have taken full advantage of their opportunity to talk with professors concerning their sons' work: last year during Parents'

Weekend more than 400 faculty appointments were made by mothers and fathers who were anxious to learn whether Junior was actually doing any work in college or was just playing around.

So welcome parents, and we hope that you go home on Sunday with more than just a pair of tired feet. After all, W&L wouldn't have a student body without your generosity, and this is the least we can do in your behalf.



By WYNN KINTZ

The Randolph-Macon men's college student newspaper the "Yellow Jacket" recently raised the cry for "more gentlemanly attire" on campus. The paper called for the students to abandon greasy levis and sockless feet and to apply razors to bearded chins.

The paper issued the statement along with an appeal to the students to consider their recent action (vote) and voluntarily wear coats and ties for assemblies when visiting speakers appear....

From Duke comes word that the freshman-sophomore scholastic honorary fraternity, Phi Eta Sigma, will tutor freshmen who are having trouble with their studies.... There will be a tutor available for every subject open to freshmen....

Duke upperclassmen recently learned that they may not be allowed to keep a car on campus next fall unless they maintain a "C" average. The action depends on the results of a car-grades study now being carried on by the Traffic Commission.

A Mary Washington Freshman, Miss Irla Phillips from Lakeland, Florida was chosen last week to represent the college as queen of the American Legion Bowl....

Longwood College is this year offering credit for televised classes in Physics and Chemistry. These classes are broadcast at 6 a.m. and are taught by national authorities. Three semester hours of credit are given for completed work in either course.

It seems that fraternities at Duke are having a bad week. SAE is being tried on a charge of holding an illegal party. Also the KAs face charges of a drinking violation. Both fraternities face a maximum penalty of suspension of chapter....

An old tradition is about to be restored at Randolph-Macon College. For the past two years the chapel bell has not been rung due to a weak bell tower. This bell served as a signal for classes to change, was used after football victories, and was the object of many pranks. Now the bell tower will be re-enforced and an old tradition will remain.

## The Ring-tum Phi

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## Absences Mean Failure?

Last Tuesday the faculty announced to the student body a new set of regulations governing the Automatic Rule which will go into effect with the freshman class of 1960.

The rulings covered several important phases of the rule which will be altered next fall—our particular attention was called to the clause which read "The new catalogue will be changed to read that any student who has two unexcused absences in a class shall be dropped with a grade of F in that class."

The present rule states that any student is on Final Probation if he has two unexcused absences in one class or an aggregate of five in all classes.

With the faculty revisions, Final Absence Probation will now constitute an aggregate of four unexcused absences in all classes.

The move, in effect, pulls even tighter the absence regulations which now govern Washington and Lee students. But we won't concern ourselves with that phase of the issue.

Our doubt is raised in regard to the method of punishment which will go into effect with the new regulations. Heretofore the matter of punishment for overcutting has remained nominally within the realm of the cut system itself. The penalty for overcutting was depriving a student of cuts.

The option for taking a quality credit loss for overcutting seemed to us to be more of a privilege for those who had surplus quality credits to exercise. At any rate, classroom work was not affected specifically by the cut situation except in extreme cases.

But the new ruling calls for a student to fail a course for cutting as few times as twice in a semester. It is inconceivable to us that the quality of a student's work can be appreciably impaired by two unexcused absences in a class. Considering the fact that a class meets approximately 50 times a semester, two absences hardly seem to merit failure in a course.

But here we are dealing with the specifics of the ruling. It is with the spirit of the ruling that we take more serious issue.

We fail to understand the reasoning behind imposing an academic penalty for an absence violation. If a student fails to abide by University rules, he should be made to suffer in the department in which he errs, and if he persists, he should be asked to leave the University.

This new ruling, it seems, falls under a spirit of punishment different from that which we have been happy to accept in the past. Not only is the rule stricter, the policy has taken a different twist as well. If this is an indication of a trend, then arbitrary classroom punishment could have a dangerous and somewhat unsettling effect on the academic atmosphere of this campus.

## A Freshman Reminder

This year, Washington and Lee's freshmen traditions have suffered significantly from negligence. This factor has been brought about through a combination of shyness and apathy. But there's no reason why improvement can't be made starting right now.

We refer specifically to the speaking tradition in this case, and ask that each student make a concerted effort to restore this tradition to its proper place of respect.

Play in November

# Troubs' 'Rashomon' Has Feminine Touch

By STEVE DARCY

Debbie Silverman, also known as Mrs. Mervyn Frank Silverman, will be seen in the role of Kinume, or the wife, in the forthcoming production of the Washington and Lee Troubadours, *Rashomon*.

Debbie, a 5'4" shapely brunette, hails from Washington, D.C., where she was born, grew up, and got married. She's twenty years old, and still blushes when her dainty freckles are made mention of, though they actually compliment her friendly, pleasing personality.

She completed two years of college at Penn State before she was married, and plans to complete college—not here at W&L, of course—but at the school where her husband attends to study medicine.

Debbie holds down a secretarial job over at Washington Hall in the Development Office, and plays the cello as well as the piano—her musical talents actually have nothing to do with her development office job, but we thought you'd like to know about them, that's all.

As for her dramatic experience, Debbie can list numerous plays that she took part in her high school days, and a couple of musical assignments at Penn State. She was more interested in dancing than acting, however, and landed many important dancing leads in top notch musicals such as *Pajama Game*.

Of all the dramatic productions that Debbie has been in, she frankly admits that *Rashomon* is the first true test of her acting ability.

The second member of our trio of three women in *Rashomon* has been in many plays and earned many plaudits for her fine performances.

She's Mrs. Adrian Birney (remember Adrian Birney as Kretion, the man from outer space in last spring's *Visit to a Small Planet?*).

Edna graduated from The College

of William and Mary last year with a B.A. in Fine Arts, and while she attended W&M, she was in just about every play the acting group put on in Williamsburg.

For instance, in *She Stoops To Conquer*, Edna had the female lead in the part of Mrs. Harcastle, she also did an excellent job as the comedy lead in *The Madwoman of Chollot*, but her crowning achievement came in the summertime when she performed in the *Common Glory* and the *Founders*.

For the past two summer seasons, Edna had the important and hilariously funny comic lead in *Widow Huzzitt in the Common Glory*, and she received nothing but praise for a job continually well done.

In *Rashomon*, Edna has a three-fold job: First and foremost, she acts as Kinume's mother; secondly, she's helping with the making of the costumes, and finally, she's been quite useful in helping construct the difficult set for *Rashomon*.

Remembering her experience under many directors, Edna Birney says, "I have never played under a finer director than Jack Lanich." Dr. Lanich is the assistant professor of Fine Arts, and a veteran director of Troubadour productions.

The third and final female member of *Rashomon*'s cast is an old favorite to Troubadour audiences. Many will remember her as Mrs. Dudgeon in *Shaw's Devil's Disciple*, and even more will recall her comedy role as the scatter-brained, but lovable Reba Spelding in *Gore Vidal's Visit to a Small Planet*. The reference is made to the PIKA's housemother, Mrs. Ruth Browne.

In *Rashomon*, Mrs. Browne, is neither mean nor funny, but plays the essential part of the medium—the clairvoyant through which a dead man speaks to give his testimony.

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# Generals Hope to Gain 3rd Win

## Little All-Americans Groner, Benson Clash in Petersburg Tilt

This Saturday, the Generals meet the Hampden-Sydney Tigers in what might be called the battle of the Little All-Americans.

Continuing the rivalry from last year, both Jack Groner and Bill Benson are likely little All-American candidates this year. Last year, Benson was placed on the second team of this select group, and Groner received honorable mention.

In last year's 12-6 defeat at the hands of the Tigers, it was Benson's 85 yard touchdown that proved to be the winning margin. So far this season, both have continued their fine performances. Groner even seems to be ahead of last season's performance statistic-wise.

Last year, he completed 59 passes in 107 attempts for 815 yards and 2 touchdowns. To date in 1959, he has thrown 55 passes, completed 31 for 579 yards, and has hit on four scoring strikes. These touchdown passes include plays covering 40, 27, 31, and 67 yards.

Benson leads his team in scoring and rushing, but in the last two games that the Tigers have played, his play has been overshadowed by the play of teammates Charlie Sears and Tom Davis. Both quarterback

Davis and fullback Sears were major contributors to Hampden-Sydney's 33-13 shellacking of Johns Hopkins last Saturday.

Although the Tigers are primarily a rushing team, there is a good chance that Davis will throw the ball more often against the Generals tomorrow than he has in the past.

Two weeks ago, Randolph-Macon proved that the Generals are vulnerable to enemy passing by gaining over 200 yards against them.

Coach McLaughlin has primarily put emphasis on ground defense in preparing for this contest, but he says that the Generals have attempted to remove some of this vulnerability to the opponents passing.

The Tigers from Hampden-Sydney have essentially the same team that compiled a 6-3 record last year; only the end positions and the center position will be occupied by newcomers. Linebacker Jack Harrington, a terror on defense all season, leads a formidable crew that held Johns Hopkins highly touted offense down to 13 points.

Coach McLaughlin hopes that the Generals will be at full (Continued on page 4)



Groner goes against H-S in last year's game.

## Booters Defeat Roanoke 4-3, Win Is Fourth in Five Starts This Year

The Washington and Lee soccer team surged ahead in the second half to edge Roanoke College 4-3 here Tuesday. This victory boosted the Generals' record to 4-1, their lone loss coming at the hands of the University of North Carolina.

Dave Knight gave the Generals a quick lead in the game as he scored twice from directly in front of the net in the opening minutes of play. However, Roanoke came back strong in the second quarter, scoring twice to make the half time score a 2-2 tie.

Early in the third quarter, Captain Bob Lathrop kicked in a goal to put the Blue and White back in the lead. Later on in the period, Chris Clarke headed in the fourth W&L goal on a pass from Pitt Burton. Roanoke end-

ed the scoring for both squads in the last quarter. The last 10 minutes of the contest saw most of the action centered around the middle of the field.

Lathrop and Knight are presently tied for team leadership in scoring with seven goals apiece.

The game Tuesday with Roanoke closely resembled last year's contest between the two clubs which W&L won, 2-1. Lathrop scored both goals for the Generals in this victory.

The next game for the Blue and White is an away-from-home affair with Lynchburg College on Nov. 5. The Booters will be out for revenge in this contest since Lynchburg upset the Generals last year 7-5.

### Words from the Coach

## Hampton-Sydney Game: Season's Turning Point

We look on the game coming up with Hampden-Sydney as the turning point of the season. Without a doubt the "Tigers" have a better team than any we have met this year.

We know that you are behind us. May we not disappoint you!

Coach Mae

They have good team balance. Any of the backs can hurt us and in Benson they have a back who has blinding speed that can put six points on the score-board with shocking suddenness.

We looked on the Johns Hopkins game as the acid test for the Hampden-Sydney team. The "Tigers" passed the test with flying colors.

Any squad that can score 33 points on the fine team from Baltimore must be regarded as a power among the small colleges.

We have been working hard to prepare for this game. It must be regarded as a prestige game in the state. We know that Hampden-Sydney would like very much to beat Washington and Lee. Our boys want this one especially. It is our last chance to show a state team what we can do.

By the way, I promised the team that we would go to a bowl someday. This weekend we go to two. The Freshman meet Ferrum Junior College in the "Halloween Bowl" in Bassett, Virginia, and the varsity game is billed as the "Rotary Bowl."

## Delts Win I-M Swim Meet; Phi Delts Lead in Tennis

Delta Tau Delta outdistanced all competitors in the swimming meet held last Tuesday and Wednesday to clinch first place with a perfect score of 100 points. Winning both relays, the Delts had 17 more points than the SAE's who edged the Kappa Sig's for second place by one point. This victory was sweet revenge for the victors, as the SAE's edged them to win the track meet by a narrow margin earlier this year.

In intramural tennis, the Phi Delts led by Rocky Gaut and Ike Smith have pretty well clinched the championship. Neither Gaut nor Smith have been defeated in play this year, and their team is leading in the play-offs, 2-0, with one game left. In the round robin play-offs, the Beta's and the Sigma Nu's are both 1-1, the DU's are 0-2. The finals are played today, with the Phi Delts playing the Sigma Nu's in the important match.

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## U. Va. Defeats Harriers, 15-42

On October 27, the University of Virginia defeated W&L in a cross-country meet. The score was 15-42 in favor of Virginia, and the winning time was 20:52 by Virginia runner John Sabanash.

Virginia took the first five places, while W&L was able to capture the next five spots.

Stoney Duffey, a freshman, was the first W&L runner to cross the finish line. He was followed by Mike Shank, another freshman, Jim King, Bill Loeffler, and Al Curran, in that order.

The meet was an exceptionally fast one with only two minutes separating the second place runner from the tenth.

As evidenced by the times, both teams ran well over this more than four mile course. In spite of this loss, the W&L team has a 5-2 record for this season.

Even if the team loses the next two meets, it will have compiled the best cross-country record since World War II. There is further encouragement in the fact that the first two W&L harriers were freshmen. As a result, prospects for the future seem bright.

The cross-country team has two dual meets left this fall. The next one is tomorrow against Catawba College from North Carolina. It will be held here at 3:15. According to Coach Dick Miller, we have a fine chance of winning these next two meets.

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Make-up individual Calyx pictures for those who did not have them at the scheduled time will be taken at Bothwick's on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons from 1:30 to 5:30.

**Time Features Alexander**

On the cover of this week's *Time* magazine appears Mr. Henry C. Alexander, father of DU senior Tom Alexander. Mr. Alexander is the chairman of the Morgan Guaranty Trust Company, the successor to the famed House of Morgan started by financier J. P. Morgan.

The six-page article accompanying the cover discusses how Mr. Alexander's personal efforts did much to rescue the House of Morgan from decline and restore it to the first ranks of U.S. finance. He is called "perhaps the nation's most prestigious banker," and his views on the country's economy are "the most eagerly sought" of any banker in the country.

**Generals Play Last Game Against In-State Opponent**  
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strength for this fray, but backs John White and Jim Russ and tackle Malcolm Brownlee are doubtful starters.

Both of McLaughlin's freshman tackles, George Grant and Dave Monroe, will miss this game because of injuries. To make up for this shortage at tackle, guard "Chief" Roundtree has been shifted to tackle for this game.

This is the Generals' last chance to prove that they can play with the best of the state small college teams. The week's layoff and H-S's decisive victory over Johns Hopkins will hurt W&L's chances in this contest, but if the Blue and White can get up to their early-season peak, it will be a real football game in the "Rotary Bowl" at Petersburg.

**Troubs To Sell Tickets On Reserve Seat Basis**

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mony. Mrs. Browne is also in charge of the making of the difficult, but strikingly beautiful tenth century Oriental costumes for the play.

Rashomon's opening night is Tuesday, November 10th at 8:30 p.m. The show will run through Friday the 13th, with a possible production on Saturday.

Again this year the Troubs are selling tickets on a reserve seat basis, so be sure to call in to the Troub's

**NOTICE**

There will be an extremely important meeting of all Friday Ring-tum Phi reporters in the Student Union on Wednesday night at 7:00. Anyone who is to do any reporting for the Friday Edition this year must be at this meeting or be excused by the editor.

box office sometime next week between 2 and 4 in the afternoon to reserve yourself a seat for one of the four performances of *Rashomon*.

**ROTC To Hold Party**  
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be held November 18, with one more following some time in December.

The exact date of the second Corps Day has not been set. These two will be the only ones before second semester.

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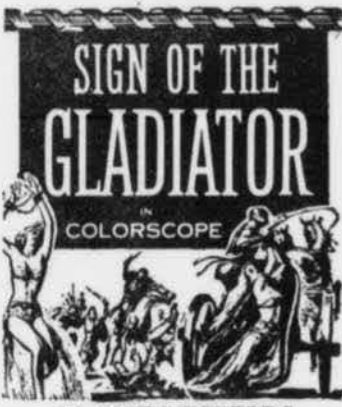
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