

## W-L Winner In Glee Club Competition

### Local Group Victor In Fred Waring's College Contest

### Club Sings Over National Radio Hookup And At Theatres

The Washington and Lee Glee club returned from Washington today, the possessor of a gold-finished loving cup, presented by Fred Waring for winning his music festival, in which five other clubs participated.

The organization sang twice over the radio and had three engagements with Waring at the Capital theatre and sang at lunch Thursday in the Hourglass cocktail lounge.

Each of the 35 Glee club members who made the trip received a medal, according to a telegram from Ross Hersey, president of the organization.

The two radio broadcasts included a commercial Washington program from 7:30 to 8:00 o'clock Tuesday night, and a concert from 9:00 to 9:30 the same night over a southeastern NBC hookup of 15 National Broadcasting company stations. Both programs originated at WRC in Washington.

### Sang the Swing

After receiving the trophy last night the Glee club sang the Washington and Lee Swing as an encore number, led by Professor John G. Varner, director, who was in charge of the trip.

Hersey's telegram read: "Won contest and cup. Sang again tonight with five other Glee clubs and sang Swing after we got the cup. Each lad got a medal for winning and a swell time. Back to Lexington Friday. Sang at lunch Thursday in Hourglass cocktail lounge, also twice on radio Wednesday night. Hersey."

The W-L club went the longest distance of the six clubs in the contest, the others being from the vicinity of Washington.

Numbers rendered by the organization were "The Night Is Young" and "Li'l Black Baby," a negro spiritual. The contest selection was an a capella rendition of the former song.

### Accompanied by Band

Third selection on the theatre program was "Ave Maria" by Arcadelt. In all of these selections they were accompanied by Waring's Pennsylvanians.

The director of the Waring organization drilled the members for five hours before their radio concerts, the first of which was before a studio audience of 160 people.

The cup, about 18 inches high, carried the inscription:

Fred Waring Glee Club Award  
In recognition of excellence in interpretation

"The Song Is the Thing"  
Presented to the Washington and Lee Glee Club.

Each of the individual medals was inscribed "Fred Waring Glee Club Award—1939."

Among those competing in the festival were several college Glee clubs, one from American university in Washington and a semi-professional organization.

This was the first time a W-L club had appeared in theatre engagements or radio broadcasts.

## Blackstone College Glee Club Will Give Program In Lee Chapel Saturday

The Blackstone college Glee club, composed of 32 girls, will give a program of sacred and secular music in Lee chapel at 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

The choral group, which is brought to Washington and Lee under the joint auspices of the Christian council and the Methodist church, will include in their program Manney's "Were You There?" and Burleigh's "Deep River."

The Glee club is under the direction of Miss Agnes Bothne and the members represent 14 states. The quartet, which will also be here, consists of Misses Elsie Lee Meredith and Barbara Conner, sopranos, and Misses Sarah Beth Dail and Ruth Chapman, altos. Miss Hazel Mayer will accompany the Glee club at both the piano and the organ.



John G. Varner, who directed the Glee club this week when they won Fred Waring's 1939 music festival.

## Troub Comedy Will Be Staged By Next Week

### 'Squaring the Circle' Presents Mixture of Com- munism And Love

Within a week the students of Washington and Lee will be permitted to view the tribulations of young love in the colder climes where spring has not yet come, for Tom Tennant, president, has announced that "Squaring the Circle" is ready for production Wednesday and Thursday of next week.

This play has been in rehearsal for several weeks now, and according to advance reports is living up to the fine things that have been expected of it. Those who have witnessed the rehearsals declare that it will compare very favorably to former Troubadour successes.

"Squaring the Circle," as its title indicates, is a farcical representation of what happens even to good communists when they start juggling with girls and boys in love. All the Red tape in the soviet union is said to be unable to restrain their affections.

### Moxley Builds Sets

During the past week the Troubadour stage crew under the direction of Ken Moxley has been busy building the sets. Although the room depicted in the action of the play is not as stately as the baronial castle in "Criminal at Large," it is in its own modest way just as large a success in stage designing.

As in the previous Troubadour production this year, president Tom Tennant will do the directing of the play. His cast includes several of the most experienced of the dramatic club's players, as well as several newcomers of promise.

Johnny Alnutt and James Faulkner have the male leads as the two roommates who decide that marriage may even have certain advantages. Abram, the former, is a good serious communist, while Vasya prefers to be a draftsman.

Their respective spouses, who learn about marriage also, are played by Esten Cooke, a newcomer to the organization, and by Dolly Burks. Miss Cooke plays Tonya, a leader of the communist youth, and Miss Burks is Ludmilla, still non-partisan.

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## Rules Announced For Second Annual W-L Salon Exhibit

Camera club members indicated last night at their weekly meeting that at least 25 pictures will be submitted to the second annual Washington and Lee salon exhibit, which will be on display in the Student Union building during spring dances, Bob Harris, head of the salon committee, said.

All pictures must be in the hands of the committee by next Thursday, at which time they will be hung for exhibition. Only Camera club members may submit photos, all of which must have been taken by the person showing them, and must be mounted on regulation white cardboard backing.

First, second and third prizes will be awarded by a committee of three judges which have not yet been selected.

Other studies include landscapes, still lifes, portraits and genre pictures. Any type of photograph may be submitted.

The club will hold its regular meeting next Thursday night at 7:30 in the Journalism library.

## Publications Elections Set For April 25

### Board Passes Resolution Changing Distribution of Campus Tax

### Editors, Business Managers To Be Named By Board

As the publication board set April 25 as the date for the election of publication officers for next year, the board approved a resolution of a special committee to reallocate the campus tax distribution to the several publications for next year.

Buddy Foltz, board president, said that this resolution would be referred to the executive committee for consideration and approval at their next meeting.

The resolution calls for the following distribution of the campus tax to the publications: Calyx, \$3.30; Ring-tum Phi, \$1.50; and Southern Collegian, 65 cents. This division represents the same total as during the present session with 55 cents being taken from the Calyx and added to The Ring-tum Phi.

### Basis For Revision

Basis for this revision was explained by the board as the widely unequal profits earned by the two publications during the past two years. The Calyx, it is expected, will earn well over \$1500 for the year, while The Ring-tum Phi is not expected to earn over \$700.

In conjunction with the notice of publication elections on Tuesday, April 25, president Foltz warned all candidates for publication officers against any form of solicitation to the members of the board. He said the penalty for violation of the anti-politicking provisions of the board's by-laws was ineligibility any publication office.

The procedure of election will be the same as last year, the first under the new system of publication board election. Editors and business managers will submit their reports on the prospective candidates. Each candidate will be permitted to present his case to the board, after which the board will vote with a two-thirds vote being required to elect.

The committee which drafted the resolution reallocating campus tax funds of the publications consisted of James Fishel, Allen Snyder, Buddy Foltz, and Dean Gilliam.

## Seniors' Measurements Will Be Taken Next Week

Senior cap and gown measurements will be taken in the Student Union building Wednesday and Thursday of next week, Charlie Hart, agent for the class of '39, announced yesterday.

Measurements will be taken Wednesday, April 19, from 2 to 6 and Thursday, April 20, from 2 to 3 and from 7 to 10.

## Troub Play Is Labeled Propaganda By 'Loyal American' Letter Writer

### Letter Calls Coming Show 'Beautiful Piece Of Propaganda'

Dear Sir:  
The other day I chanced to get hold of a copy of what I understand is reputed to be a play, in fact, a "comedy." The name of this beautiful piece of propaganda is "Squaring the Circle."

I call it a piece of propaganda for the obvious reason that it is part of the Communist plan of attack on the foundations of American society. It is merely a sugar-coated pill of Soviet principles, made palatable to the discriminating taste.

Of course, our country is flooded with such propaganda all the time, and usually we do not notice it. But this particular "play" has come to our notice because the Troubadours on our own campus announce that they will give us a lesson in communist ideology.

Perhaps Mr. Tennant and his associates are unmindful of the fact that this is nothing but propaganda that they plan to give us, and not entertainment. I prefer to think that they are ignorant of the mistake they are making, and honestly believe it is a pleasant comedy. Surely they would not use money from the campus tax and from the proceeds of ticket sales to attack the foundations of our government.

It is true that "Squaring the Circle" is a funny offering, but I question the worth of such a production. Most of the humor seems to lie in the fact that there are a few communists who take themselves too seriously and so are objects for ridicule. A stupid poet, a young Jewish organizer, a kindly old Bolshevik, all depend on their characters for laughs, although the leads do seem to have some clever lines. But there will undoubtedly be many who will see the play who will not laugh at the excessive zeal for communism, but will instead be influenced deeply by it. And that is just what Mr. Stalin would like. He well knows how much good con-

# Protest Against One-Candidate Politics Registered As Campus Waits For Convention Tuesday

## Spring Dances Sales Campaign Ends Tomorrow

### Stephenson Urges Men Giving IOU's To Settle Up At Bank

Steve Stephenson, president of the Cotillion club, announced today that the advance ticket sales drive would close tomorrow afternoon with the number expected to sign to reach the 450 mark. No organized drive is being conducted, Stephenson said. However, any student wishing to take advantage of the advance price of \$6.00 for the entire set can do so by contacting Sam Rayder at the Rockbridge National bank.

Stephenson urged all students who have given IOU's for their Spring dance tickets to take them up at the Rockbridge National bank by tomorrow afternoon.

### '13' Club Formal

Starting the Spring set will be the "13" club formal on Friday night with Harry James and his orchestra furnishing the music. Individual tickets for the dance will be \$2.50. On Saturday afternoon in place of the traditional dancant, a concert by Benny Goodman will be given with student tickets entitling them to a seat either in the balcony or on the dance floor, will be \$2.00. Cadets who must return to the barracks before the concert is over will be admitted at a reduced price.

Present plans call for a horse-shoe of chairs about the orchestra stand with available room behind the chairs for those who want to dance. Completing the two-day set will be the Cotillion club formal on Saturday night. Goodman will play, and the tickets will be \$3.50. The "13" club dance will be led by Bucky Stoops and Miss Lois Leer of Sweet Briar. Leading the Cotillion club formal will be Steve Stephenson and Miss Kitty Lawler, also of Sweet Briar.

Decorations for the set will be in charge of Frederick W. Lynch of Philadelphia, veteran decorator for W-L dance sets. Theme of the decorations will be a spring motif.

### Non-Fraternity Delegates

All non-fraternity delegates to the political convention will meet tonight in the lounge of the Student Union immediately after the Religious Emphasis discussion. The discussion will begin at 7:30, and delegates will be sworn in at 8:30.

## Buck Considers Campus Political Line-Ups, Explains Own Views

By ART BUCK, JR.

Some time ago we mentioned the fact that several of the more important offices to be filled were uncontested, as we said, for the simple reason that everyone recognized the fact that the unopposed candidates were the only logical men for the positions. It would seem that the student body took it all as a matter of course, ceded the point, and in general withdrew from further intention of making the coming elections other than a low-classed farce.

It is not our intention here to berate the unopposed men. What we said still goes. They are the logical men, but we are only one individual. Is it possible that the whole campus agrees on a point at last? Frankly, such a situation is ridiculous. Out of nine hundred people how can there fall to be the semblance of opposition?

Take a look at the line-up. No need for us to name all the candidates for you again, but it is obvious that there are hardly enough to go around. Three of the largest and most important offices on the campus are already ceded to the three men who have announced their intentions of running for them. That shows one of two things: Either everybody else is scared of the consequences of opposing them, or all interest in politics on the campus is gone.

The amendment that was passed last year was to have the effect of giving more candidates opportunity to participate. Can anyone show us the difference in the appearance of the present line-up and a typical one under the reign of the big clique? Maybe the average underclassman or other eligible possibilities have become so imbedded with the elements of a boss rule that, like the "Nutziens," they feel their bound duty to support a system for the simple reason that it is their system. In that case why have an election at all? Why not merely allow the outgoing officers to appoint their successors? That would cut down on the time the boys waste campaigning, and it would save all of that ten minutes you waste when you go to the polls—if you go.

Take a look at the situation from the other side of the fence. What possible honor can there be in getting into an office through an acclaim that you know is not a wholehearted feeling of all the campus? When you know you are getting the office simply for the reason that you have it "all lined up" and not because a majority of the voters picked you in preference to some other man who was strong enough to make your winning a real achievement, could you be very happy about the "honor"

bestowed upon you and feel that you had really done something? Pardon us if this seems to have turned into a discussion of the ethical values of winning an office over no opposition. Anyone could do that.

In another view it would seem to speak poorly of the capabilities of the student body as a whole to say that there is only one qualified man for each position. That indeed shows that the average run of man or mouse here is about one-third as grown up as his old man thinks he is. Do you mean to try and convince us that there are only three men in the whole university that are capable of holding these offices? Sure you don't. You could hold them yourself, in fact your future will be slightly shady if you couldn't hold them all at once and do a fair job.

However, in spite of the fact that you are capable you won't run because either you wouldn't put yourself in the boots of what you aptly call the little tin lords, because you realize that the other candidates' "qualifications" would make you look about as capable as a one-legged baboon, or because you do not have the blessing of the great god that controls the destiny of the select.

Everybody be sure to take your individual rubber stamp with you next Tuesday—it's going to be a very tight race.

## Avery and Hobson Debate in Contest At Winthrop College

Hugh Avery and Charles Hobson are now at Winthrop college, Rock Hill, South Carolina, representing Washington and Lee in the Grand Eastern forensic tournament. The contest began yesterday and will continue through tomorrow.

### Delegates Re-elected

Two houses were forced to reelect their delegates during the past week after members had registered protests against the procedure of appointment of delegates. Any discrepancies discovered in the election of delegates can disqualify the members of that house from participation in the convention.

The convention is scheduled to open at 2:00 next Tuesday afternoon with Vaughan Beale as temporary chairman. A permanent chairman will be elected from the membership of the convention.

Voting in the convention will be by open ballot and by delegates alone, although the convention is open to the entire student body. Members of the executive committee, although they may not serve as delegates this year according to a resolution of this week, may have all the other privileges of the floor through their office.

Men are nominated from the floor and each delegate casts his vote for the man he wishes to be a candidate for the office. Two men are nominated for each office by the convention; and they will oppose each other in the general student body elections on next Tuesday.

Throughout the convention and election, the executive committee will investigate any reports of vote trading or bargaining. Penalty

## Arnold Lineup Seen Sure Bet To Sweep Slate

### Executive Committee Dis- approves Of Existing Conditions

As nineteen fraternities and the non-fraternity union today named the one hundred delegates to the student body nominating convention next Tuesday, a rising protest of student opinion against one-candidate politics was registered in every quarter of the campus.

Lethargic acceptance of the dicta of upperclass politicians seems to be shading away into a questioning of the purpose of the newly-formed campus-wide political ring, which has so far been able to hack down all formidable opposition by one method or another.

General opinion seemed to indicate that a lineup under the skillful direction of Bob Arnold of Phi Kappa Sigma would slip into office without a ripple of opposition. The men, favored by Arnold, include Cecil Taylor for president of the student body, Leo Reinartz for vice-president of the student body, George Melville for secretary of the student body, Jack Watson for president of Fancy Dress, and Bobby Hobson for president of Finals.

### Arnold's Favorites

Discussion of the athletic council offices has been shoved into the background by the more important talks over the big jobs, while Arnold's blessing is favored to give Brent Farber the presidency of the Cotillion club, Herb Garges the presidency of the senior class, Jimmy Price and Bill Shannon the junior class offices, and Jack Fisher and Arthur Koontz the sophomore offices, in other approaching elections.

Members of the executive committee said today, however, that while they did not approve of the condition which existed, they did not believe anyone was actually violating the provisions of the reform election amendment, and that they would probably accept the credentials of all the delegates as submitted by the fraternities. They pointed out, however, that any member of a fraternity could protest the delegation if were not chosen in accordance with the constitutional provisions requiring open ballot and proportional guarantee to minority groups.

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### Benes Sees W-L

Lexington was surprised today by an early morning visit of Dr. Edward Benes, president of the late Czecho-Slovakian nation, who stopped here for breakfast and viewed the campuses of Washington and Lee and VMI.

Benes, accompanied by his wife, was en route to Charlottesville, after speaking in Richmond last night.

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### Hospital Notes

Edward H. Trice is the only student ill at the Jackson Memorial hospital this week.

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## CALM ON THE POLITICAL SEA

Underneath the surface calm which promises to be the keynote of this year's student body election next week, there has risen in the past few days a growing storm of resentment against the streamlined "reform politics" which subtly eliminates all competition for the key positions in the student body.

The Ring-tum Phi as a force of independent political thought is hopeful that this storm may blow into a veritable hurricane of votes to override the few men who are supremely confident of their ability to politically slaughter the students like lambs.

Most marked resentment has grown out of the article written in last Friday's Richmond News-Leader, stating to the world that the politicians at this university already had things all lined up. This article was not written by any student in the university, however, but by an alumnus of last June.

In the interest of the university and its student institutions, we deprecate this unsolicited contribution to the News-Leader, and we also correct the impression created by columnist Buck in last issue that the local News Bureau was the source of the article. Neither Mr. Carter or Lea Booth was in any way connected with the story.

In normal circumstances we would urge students to be careful not to pledge their votes to any candidates, to live up to the amendment. We do not have to worry on that score this year, because "things are all lined up." There won't be more than one candidate for an office. Or will there?

## RELIGION TODAY

In this day when men are given to view religion with a skeptical eye, it is encouraging to note the efforts of the rising generation to find a new basis for religion, which may have a utility in modern life.

In this matter of skepticism, it is not that college men want to disbelieve in religion. It is merely that they cannot believe in the revivalist, church-ridden religion, which has been perpetrated on the Christian faith in so many regions of the nation.

And just as college men scoff at the incompetency of the church today as a suitable agent of vital religious experience, they must necessarily applaud constructive efforts to find a solid basis for that experience, which they recognize as a necessity in the so-called "fuller life."

At Washington and Lee this attempt to

discover a new basis for religion has been embodied in a annual religious emphasis week under the sponsorship of the non-sectarian Christian council. And such men as Doctor Poteat and Doctor Kinsolving have served to provide students here with the kind of stimulus the students want.

We cannot feel that the public press is the place to air opinions on religion or churches, but we do feel that the Christian Council, and particularly Harry Philpott and Bill Read, are to be highly commended for the religious emphasis week on the Washington and Lee campus. It should strike hard at the mists of skepticism, which must surround the religious attitudes of students, until religion itself is freed from the grasping tentacles of incompetence in the church.

## REALLOCATE THE TAX

Wednesday of this week the Publication Board by unanimous vote approved the recommendations of a special committee of that board for reallocation of campus tax distribution to the several university publications in an effort to equalize the profits according to the amount of effort and time expended.

The recommendations, which must receive executive committee approval to be effective, provide for a reduction in the allocation to the Calyx and an increase in that to The Ring-tum Phi. Under this year's provisions the Calyx has netted an anticipated profit of nearly one thousand dollars more than that of the paper.

In addition to equalizing the profits of these two publications, the new move should provide the additional income necessary for carrying into effect the executive committee provisions of last year for the payment of salaries to associate editors of the paper. Under these provisions, junior editors are paid from \$25 to \$75 for their work during the junior year upon the recommendation of the editor, subject to the approval of the publication board.

The allocations are necessarily not retroactive and The Ring-tum Phi can only support such a move, which increases the possibility of paying salaries to the junior editors of the paper—a reform which is badly needed in the publications field.

## THE FORUM

### The Right Side of the Atlantic Ocean

Six months after Hampden-Sydney was founded a group of men representing the thirteen original colonies—among them the founders of Hampden-Sydney—drew up a document which was to proclaim to the world that the land west of the Atlantic was to rule itself—that it was free and independent, that it would govern itself, that it would not tolerate oppression by an English king.

In the one hundred and sixty-three years which have passed since that historic declaration of policy Americans have had a great many times to be thankful that the wide Atlantic separated them from the Continent. One such time exists right now.

The world situation is vital to students such as we at Hampden-Sydney. We are to be the next soldiers—the next A. E. F.

Americans do not want to fight. Despite war propaganda which has been spread in this country ever since the European crisis began, Americans are still unperturbed. They prefer to sit tightly at home and let Europe's Li'l Adolph and Thundering Mussolini go hang. They have their own home worries.

We are a lucky people and don't know it. When we look up we look up to find out the weather, not to see a bomber; when we scurry for safety it is from a thunderstorm, not a bombing attack. We can look into a blue sky not full of smoke from conflict, not a perpetual danger. We can live in safety.

We must make ourselves aware of our safety and how precious it is to us before we let ourselves be carried away by sensational reports of dictator atrocities from abroad. Europe has dragged us in once too often. Now it is our turn to stay home.

We are fortunate to be at Hampden-Sydney. The class of 1918 here wore uniforms for Kaleidoscope pictures. The class of 1940 desires no such costume.—**Hampden-Sydney Tiger.**

## Personal OPINIONS

Hamilton Hertz, regular writer of Personal Opinions, presents another guest columnist while he is covering the student mortality survey. Today Bill Buchanan opines in this space. Buchanan is an editorial assistant for The Ring-tum Phi.

There is a boy whose name was on the honor roll, which took up six inches on the front page of last week's Ring-tum Phi. But this boy's name, in addition, was among those that had "All A's" in parentheses alongside.

During spring holidays that gentleman was overheard to say, "I am counting on staying here in Lexington and reading eight hours of parallel a day, every day until school starts. In that way I can get all my advance reading done and can take a real two weeks vacation after everybody comes back, with nothing to do except my daily assignments."

"And when I'm playing ping-pong everybody will stare at me and say 'Cheez, look at that fellow. He never does any work, goes to all the shows and still gets straight A's. My, he must be smart.'"

Then he gave a loud, fiendish laugh.

All of which must be very significant psychologically.

Another Grade A student was watching the correction of weekly quizzes.

"Gosh, you're marking those easy," he commented. "If I had to do that I'd make all those C's into D's and all the B's into C's. The way you're doing it, it's not fair to the fellow that studies hard and gets A, because those others get high grades, too."

That, no doubt, is equally interesting psychologically.

There is a little school located way up on a cloud bank. Its name is Utopia university, and it has a beautiful view.

It probably doesn't have a Class A rating, but that doesn't bother anybody. The students and professors go along just as happily as though it had.

One odd thing about this school is the matter of hours. Classes start at 8:25 p. m. and last until 1 a. m. when everybody goes home and goes to bed. The students are pleased with this arrangement. They can give all of the best of their day to enjoying themselves, a perfection of civilization that other colleges have never considered.

Nobody has to get up at ungodly hours of the morning like 8 o'clock. Nobody has to stay up late at night studying, because he has the whole morning to spare. Nobody comes to a first period class with half a shirt on, out of breath, and with an empty feeling where his breakfast ought to be. Everybody has time to sleep as late as he wants to, get out of bed calmly, as it should be done, eat a peaceful breakfast and still have time to make the afternoon show.

And when they do get to class they are comfortably tired and can sit in their places comfortably, without wiggling, a great boon to the professors. They wouldn't want to shift about much anyway, because the seats are beach chairs, those canvas-and-broomstick creations which cause a pleasant curvature of the spine and are much cheaper than hard wooden benches.

But the best feature of this college is the curriculum. The subjects are like other schools, but there are no unit requirements, no grades, and everybody gets a diploma.

Anyone can take any course he prefers, study if he pleases, cut when he wants to, and figure out tests to give himself if he feels that is necessary. The registrar stays around for two weeks until he collects all the tuition he can get, then departs for the rest of the year (leaving the tuition behind, of course). For the administration takes the odd attitude that after a student kicks in it is his own business whether he gets his money's worth.

Some students work hard, take courses they think are important, whether they like them or not, and get what they consider an education. And a diploma, printed on the best grade of sheepskin in blue and red and gold, truly a beautiful thing.

Others work moderately hard at subjects they find interesting and get what they consider an education. And the same kind of a diploma.

Others never go to classes or study and carefully abstain from anything that resembles work, and get what they consider a swell time. And the same kind of a diploma.

BILL BUCHANAN.

## Campus Comment

By "ANYBODY"

### Brains and Football . . .

Now that Dick Boisseau has had his appendix out, we can all breathe a little bit easier. But our stellar hero has recently found out that all his troubles along the line of illnesses are not over.

We have it on very good, albeit secondary authority, that this proud goer-wither of one of the most beautiful redheads in existence has recently had one of the most harrowing experiences that can come to a man of twenty-three summers.

Undoubtedly, the circulation of this dirty sheet is not limited just to us boys, and so, like so many more experiences of the Phi Kap's, we will have to refer you to the interested party himself for the further details, in fact, for all of them. Suffice it for us to say that the scene was at the Jackson Memorial hospital, that the other character was just a kid named Sam, and that Dick is now a sadder but wiser man.

We recommend that you track Dick down and make him tell you the whole story. Who knows, it might happen to you some day.

### More On Morals . . .

Today, children, we come to the second episode of the famous serial, button, button, or who is moral? Of course, I know you don't care anything about student morality, but Buddy Hertz doesn't, and so he has asked me to once again give you the results of my years of investigation at close hand on the question of student morals.

As you remember, last time I told you something of no importance, which you quite justly forgot as speedily as possible. Now I will give you something else not to read.

As a general rule, boys who come from prep schools are either more or less moral than those who come from either high schools or from reformatories. This fact we ascribe, after mature deliberation, to the unprecedented circumstance that they have had an education which seems to fit them the better to make a poorer job of not doing what they don't seem to want to do more of the time than ever before.

We trust that this satisfactorily settles whatever doubts you may have had about this great and fundamental question of student morality. Next week, Personal Opinions. (Come back, Karraker.)

### Plug For a Friend . . .

Since we're all comrades in the Soviet union, it seems only fitting that we should tell you something about the play which the Troubadours are going to give next week, and which you will probably not see because of your good sense and judgment.

However, Tom does seem to be doing a good job on the play, despite the fact that there is a certain individual who is apparently incapable of learning anything. After seeing the rehearsals, we can give our expert opinion that in spite of this person and in spite of Tennant, the play may yet be worth seeing.

There is only one thing which we definitely cannot understand. Some of the Sem girls are planning to come over and see it, and all the time we thought they were going to give it in English.

### Trains Rolling . . .

Charley Chapman and Oscar Dunn (or Ozark, Arkansas) have decided they don't like trains so well. Leaving Danville they hopped aboard the train a little late, in fact so late that the doors were closed. Dodging mail catchers and water towers, they traveled clear into North Carolina before a kindly porter found them and opened the door.

Gasping and scared half to death, they decided to resolve henceforth to travel like other people. It has its advantages, boys.

### Dull Things For Dull People . . .

A. V. Wood and Tom Bradley are busy comparing notes on the clothing business. Tom thinks there is quite a profit in it, especially on herringbone suits. . . . And then there is the man who took his dog out for a herring. . . . Phew. . . . The Glee club sure did themselves proud. Ross Hershey kept the paper posted with daily accounts from the front. . . . Spence Kerkow and Jimmy Burkholder meet this afternoon in the semi-finals of the golf tournament over at White Sulphur Springs. Quite a school affair. . . . The members of Phi Delta Phi held an initiation last night. . . . Some of them seemed well pleased with the meal. This makes a dinner Moses owes to the whole staff, and he'll meet all the boys on the editorial end of The Ring-tum Phi Saturday night at 7 o'clock at the Dutch Inn.

## The Governor Says

The cornerstone on the law building says 1899. Perhaps time flies faster than we thought it did, but it seemed to us that the building was going on just a few years ago.

Politics seem to be coming down the stretch. The rest of us have been yawning and stretching for some time.

Elmer X. Toplasm is dead, according to the newspaper. Too bad, but maybe he can now be persuaded to write Campus Comment (someone ought to).

For the benefit of Jimmy Fishel, we wrote this column with two hands. How do you like it, Jimmy?

We see by The Ring-tum Phi that the information for Buddy Hertz's last student mortality story was obtained from files in the Dean's office.

Europe goes to war while American college boys dance in unconscious oblivion. This is a pleasant world we live in.

## .. Student Mortality At W-L..

(Editor's Note: This is the second and final article to be published in The Ring-tum Phi on student mortality in the class of 1933-37 at Washington and Lee. The articles are based on data obtained and tabulated from the University's files by an advanced education class.)

By HAMILTON HERTZ

Modern international diplomacy today has made the world appeasement conscious, drumming into the heads of the people the belief in "a second chance." Such policies may be novel in dealing with political crises, but they have long been practiced by American college administrations. At present, the world is waiting anxiously for the outcome of the appeasement policy experiment in international affairs, while the failure of the "second chance" policy in higher education has been ignored.

Somewhere, sometime, our colleges were led astray by the golden rule—"If at first you don't succeed, try, try again"—and as a result the student mortality rates have continually increased. The rule may be a good one in other parts of life, but it has been a destructive factor in American education.

In the freshman class of 1933, University records reveal that seventy-four students fell under the automatic rule or were deficient in quality credits and left Washington and Lee before graduation. Of this number, forty-three or more than half were granted a second chance and reinstated. Approximately four years later, on graduation day, there were but four of these second-chancers numbering among the graduates; while thirty-nine had dropped out of school a second time, thus discrediting the golden rule. These figures clearly indicate that the advocates of reinstatement have not a leg to stand on. If a student fails to "make the grade" in his first attempt, there is no earthly reason for believing that the Gods will be more gracious to him when he "tries again," and will see to it that he succeeds in obtaining a degree. In short, the number of reinstatements should be reduced to a fraction of the present figure; instead of reinstating more than half, raising their passing requirement to a "C" average, and praying for the best.

### The Entrance Tests

To every new student, upon entrance, Washington and Lee gives three comprehensive examinations to get some idea of the student's mental ability. The three tests given each fall to the entering class: The American Council Psychological Examination, Holts' Algebra Test and Cross' English Composition Test. The student mortality survey turned to the school's files once again with the aim of establishing the relationship, if any, between the mortality of the entering class of 1933 and the scores made by the class on the tests. Their findings of the survey were recorded on charts and graphs, and clearly point out the effectiveness of these examinations, as well as the respective predictive value of each.

When scores of the psychological test had been divided into deciles and checked with the files, the results showed that the highest decile graduated 65 per cent of its number and the lowest but 34 per cent. At the same time somewhat more than 50 per cent of the students on the top third of the scoring list completed the four-year course and received a degree. Scores on the algebra examina-

tion show that only 18 per cent of the lowest decile graduated, and the highest graduated 58 per cent. The English test scoring deciles showed a range in the number of graduates from 9 per cent in the lowest to 72 per cent in the highest. Putting this a slightly different way in the psychology test the ratio between graduation in the highest and lowest deciles was 2 to 1; in the mathematics test 3 to 1; and in the English test 8 to 1.

The Washington and Lee entrance committee combines the three scores that a student makes on these tests in an effort to predict the mental possibilities of the student graduating, and they have usually found a comparatively close relation between the two. In the entering class of 1933, 30 per cent of all students falling in the lower third of the combined score standings graduated from this institution. On the other hand, more than 50 per cent of those in the upper third received degrees.

### Graduation Denominator

The percentages disclosed by the survey indicated that the tests were a fairly accurate denominator of graduation possibilities of the class of 1933-37. From the scores one can predict, within reason, the odds for or against a student graduating. But why these tests are not given before a student's application is accepted, was a question that puzzled members of the investigating class. With these scores on hand, the entrance committee can choose students from the higher deciles, and save the University the arduous task of trying to save those in the lower deciles from the automatic rule. It seems logical that such a plan would be instrumental in reducing the mortality rate at Washington and Lee.

One student of the research class was assigned the project of uncovering the relationship between secondary school training and success in college. If such a relationship could be ascertained, some preference could be given to students from the type of school which is the best builder of foundations for high education. The schools studied were separated into prep, high, and military categories, and students were placed accordingly.

In the case of the prep schools, there were thirty-one representatives of this type in the class of 1933-37. Of this number, ten, or 32 per cent, received degrees and ten were caught by the automatic. Military schools trained 40 members of this class, and only eight graduated while 15 succumbed because of the automatic. At the same time, there were 166 students who had graduated from public high schools, of which 69 received Washington and Lee degrees.

Due to the large number of students with public high school training, the survey scrutinized the geographical location of these schools, in quest of finding some bearing on the general mortality rate. From the northern high schools came 54 students to Washington and Lee, and 23, or 42 per cent, left after four years with a degree. The South sent 88 students, of which 42, or 47 per cent, graduated.

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In the Press Box with Sonny Heartwell

# W-L Lacrosse Team Easily Beats Wahoos To Stay Undeclared

### Ed Boyd Leads Blue To Second Straight Win, 7 To 4

### Generals Take First Contest In New Dixie League

The Washington and Lee varsity lacrosse team journeyed to the University of Virginia yesterday afternoon, and came out on the long end of a 7 to 4 score over their traditional rivals from Charlottesville.

Fresh from a win over the Navy B team during the holidays, the Big Blue team encountered little trouble in beating a Cavalier squad and is yet to be beaten in two starts so far this year. It was the first start for both teams in the new Dixie league, which was won by the Virginia team last year.

### Scores Four Goals

Ed Boyd, a freshman, was the outstanding man on the field. Playing with uncanny skill, Boyd dodged his way to four of his team's goals and was instrumental in the scoring of two more. Two of his goals came in the last period when the count was but 5 to 4 in favor of the Generals. Playing center, Boyd continually kept the ball in Cavalier territory and paved the way for his team's startling victory over the favored Virginia squad.

### Henderson To Boyd

Virginia came through with a timely goal at this point, but the Big Blue came right back, as Henderson fed to Ed Boyd, who scored the first of his four goals. The half ended with the General squad out in front by a 2 to 1 count.

From this point on Ed Boyd covered himself with glory as he scored his second goal on a dodge a minute after the start of the second half. Wasting no time, the General squad once again pushed on to a score as the reliable Boyd fed o Henderson for the point.

### Third Period Rally

Virginia rallied near the start of the third quarter to score three goals, which put the score at 5 to 4. At this point the Blue team shifted into high, as Ed Boyd went on a scoring spree to sink two timely goals, which put the game on ice for the Generals.

Captain Johnny Alnutt and Paul Gourdon were outstanding on the defense, staving off numerous Virginia scores.

Next week the team will journey to Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, to play a very strong Swarthmore college team. For two years Swarthmore has been at the top in lacrosse, and should the Generals come through with a victory, they will rank high with the best in the east.

The following stickmen started for W-L: In home, Berghaus; out home, Farber; first attack, Read; second attack, Henderson; center, Boyd; first defense, LaMotte; second defense, Alnutt; point, Ruoff; cover point, Gourdon; and goalie, Young.

### Stuff . . .

The Johnson who was at short-stop for Maryland here a couple of days ago is a son of Walter, the Washington Senators' mound great of a few years back. . . Also with the Terps was Charley Keller's kid brother, who hit in the cleanup spot and patrolled right field. . . The elder Keller, who was a mighty cog in last year's Newark International league championship club and is currently on the Yankee roster, played with Maryland not so long ago. . . On hand for the game was Billy Doyle, veteran Detroit scout who is on his annual swing of southern schools. . . Doyle has been digging up Tiger prospects for 26 years. . . Headed this way is Sammy Graham, a school-boy wrestler of no mean ability. . . He's now a senior at George school, alma mater of varsity wrestlers Barney Farrer and Eddie Wagg and of Larry Himes, an all-university champ last year. . . Babe Spots, coach of the Adelphi academy ball club which trounced the freshmen yesterday afternoon, is a Washington and Lee alumnus. . . Major league scouts are camping on Wake Forest's campus these days. . . They're after a couple of the Deacons' pitchers. . . Don't forget the Generals' game with Carolina this afternoon. . . Bob Gregerson will pitch, and he is right these days.

# General Linkmen Lose Match Here To Boston College

### A well-balanced Boston college golf team downed the Washington and Lee linksmen 11 1/2 to 6 1/2 on a frigid, windswept course here Wednesday.

The icy blasts handicapped both combinations immensely and prevented either of the two teams from showing their true wares. Cold hands and bodies were responsible for poor work on the greens, while their drives in the face of the wind were seldom accurate or gauged correctly.

The Generals got off to a fine start, but could not maintain the pace. Avert of W-L defeated Shelly in the Number 1 match 2 1/2 to 1/2. Roddy retaliated for Boston college by tripping Morgan of W-L, 2-1. Boston college made up their one point deficit in the best ball match for the foursome by edging the Big Blue 2-1. This knotted the count at 4 1/2 all.

### Loses Second Foresome

In the second quartet, however, Washington and Lee did not fare so well, and it was here that they actually lost the match. Martin literally burned the course up in one of the best exhibitions of the day when he snowed Wing, of W-L, under 2 1/2 to 1/2. Lynch followed this up for the invaders by upsetting Captain Bill Brown, of the Generals, 2-1.

Going into the best ball match for the final foursome, Washington and Lee needed all three points to win. But consistently outdriving the Generals and playing a steady close game, the invaders garnered 2 1/2 points to a slight 1/2 point by the Big Blue to clinch the decision.

Coach Cy Twombly announced that the Generals scheduled clash with the Richmond university clubmen here yesterday had been postponed until a later date. The match will be played sometime in May but nothing definite about the engagement has been established yet.

# I-M Tennis Tournery Entering Second Round

The intramural tennis tournament is now in the second round, and is moving along nicely. There are quite a few men who have advanced as far as the third round. The second round is expected to be completed early next week.

Winners of Monday's matches are: Saltsman, Beta; Bradford, SAE; McEwan, KA; Taggart, Phi Psi; Jones, Pi Phi; Dorsey, SAE; Stein, ATO; and Thurman, DTD.

Winners of Tuesday's matches are: Powers, KA; A. Loeb, ZBT; Renick, SPE; and Rogers, KA.

Winners of Wednesday's matches are: Deyo, Phi Gam; Wilkinson, KA; Pridham, SAE; Crawford, DTD; J. J. Davis, Phi Psi; Summerall, Pi Phi; Murphy, SAE; and Mallory, DTD.

Thursday's scheduled matches are: Weidmann, SAE, vs. Melville, DU; Von Kalinowski, DTD, vs. Crane, Beta; Saunders, DU, vs. P. Yonge, KA; Gurkin, ATO, vs. Guthrie, PKS; Moses, Beta, vs. Kerr, DU; Yeomans, Phi Psi, vs. Hersey, DTD; and Harrod, Pi Phi, vs. L. Young, KA.

# W-L Frosh Bow To Adelphi 11-3 In First Game

### Morris Looks Good, But Weakens In Late Innings

### By HERB FRIEDMAN

Holding an impressive three run lead at the end of the first inning, Washington and Lee's yearling diamondmen finally yielded to Adelphi academy 11-3 yesterday in the season's opener.

Harrell Morris, right-hander, started for the Little Blue and made quick work of the Adelphi sluggers the first time at bat. However, Cook, visiting twirling ace, ran into a good deal of trouble during the first canto. After striking out Brigadier outfielder Baugher, Ray Whitaker smashed out a long three-bagger to put the Little Generals in scoring position. Cook then fanned Murray, and gave a walk to Fischer. Both Whitaker and Fischer tallied when Cavannah slashed a single over the second-sacker's head. The Little Blue continued to hit Cook, and the initial inning was brought to a close with three Bluemen left on base.

### Cook Finishes Game

Although Cook had an extra long first inning, his control and deceptive slow ball enabled him to last the entire game. Not only did Cook pitch eight scoreless innings after the opener, but he yielded only one more hit. Although he did not show much speed in the first inning, during the remainder of the game he kept the Bluemen guessing.

### Morris Impressive

Morris, who started the game for the Brigadiers, held the Adelphi club scoreless for four innings, but ran into a sea of trouble when he toed the mound in the start of the fifth. Jim Kelley, Adelphi catcher, opened the fifth inning rally when he poled out a long home run scoring two men. Adelphi held a 5-3 lead at the end of the fifth. They completed their scoring by tallying once in the seventh and five times in the eighth.

Considering the short time that the Brigadiers have had to get into shape, their appearance yesterday seemed quite encouraging. Aside from the good pitching of Morris and the strong hitting of Whitaker, Korry showed up well in the role of relief pitcher, while Dowling did a nice job at short-stop.

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# General Netmen Lose Two Sets In Trouncing Manhattan, 9-0

### Blue Tennis Team Looks Impressive While Avenging Earlier Defeat To Michigan; Four Singles and Three Doubles Matches Are Easily Annexed By Victors

Washington and Lee's tennis team whitewashed Manhattan college's touring netmen, 9-0, on the W-L courts yesterday afternoon.

Coach Ollinger Crenshaw's charges won all six singles matches, four of them in straight sets, then romped through to easy wins in the doubles engagements to register their first victory of the season, which opened earlier in the week with a surprise 6-3 defeat at the hands of Michigan.

Captain Dick Clements started the Blue team on its way when he disposed of Manhattan's number one man, carrot-topped Ed Caterston, in forty minutes. Clements won the first set, 6-3, then took six straight games from his erratic opponent, who featured an unorthodox two-handed serve and a strong but not-too-dependable two-handed backstroke.

Bill Washburn, number two man, scored a convincing 6-1, 6-2 triumph over the invaders' Harry McGrath, while Peck Robertson was extended in taking a straight set win over Ray Mazur, Manhattan's number three player. Robertson copped the first set, 6-4, then put on a strong finish to take the second, 9-7.

Dick Pinck scored over Frank Murphy in a long duel. Pinck got off to a good start with a 6-3 triumph in the initial set, but ran into trouble in the second set and dropped it, 6-8. He came back to take the third, 6-3. Charlie Middelburg, who replaced the ailing Bob Porter, topped Manhattan's Don Weinheimer, 6-0, 6-3, while Tom McCutcheon rallied to defeat Stan Tomasiewicz in the number six singles engagement. McCutcheon had little difficulty in running off a 6-1 win in the first set, but faltered late in the second and lost it, 6-8. He regained his stride, however, and copped the rubber set, 6-1.

Clements and Robertson downed McGrath and Weinheimer, 6-1,

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# Blue Trackmen Meet Indians Here Tomorrow

### Fletcher Expects Generals To Be Stronger This Year

Washington and Lee's track squad will take the cinders here Saturday against William and Mary in their initial tilt of the season.

The Indians come to Lexington fresh from a narrow defeat at the hands of VMI. In this, their only previous meet, they showed themselves to be well balanced but particularly strong in the quarter mile, low hurdles and high jump. Although the Generals are as yet untried, Coach Fletcher considers them improved considerably over last year by the addition to the ranks of 13 members of the powerful 1938 freshman aggregation.

Las year the Generals defeated

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# Convention Delegates Are Named

### Ammerman Releases List Of 18 Fraternities And Non-Frat Group

### Over 100 Men Are Chosen To Be Present At Convention

Sydney Ammermann, secretary of the student body, released an unofficial list of delegates from 18 fraternities and the non-fraternity union this afternoon. The list follows:

Alpha Tau Omega: Herb Woodward, Fielden Woodward, Emory Cox, Bucky Stoops, Bill Swift, Sam Ames.

Beta Theta Pi: Bill Shannon, Tom Moses, Harry Redenbaugh, Bob Watt, Tom McClure, Doug Jamieson.

Delta Tau Delta: George Nielsen, Leo Reinartz, Al Wyson, Bill Perkins, Frank Hankins and Sonny Heartwell.

Delta Upsilon: Bill Saunders, George Braun, Chester Eccleston, George Wickerham, Don Buck, and George Melville.

Kappa Alpha: Reid Brodie, John Campbell, P. K. Yonge, Hugh Macfarland, Bob Powers, Cliff Walters, George Foote.

Kappa Sigma: Hugh Hulsey, Charlie Chapman, Henry Braun, Dick Herndon, Bill Soule, Townes Lea.

Lambda Chi Alpha: Hugh Avery, Gus Sombok, Tom Garten, Larry Carson, Dick Southworth.

Phi Delta Theta: Johnny Davis, Jack Gillespie, Dick Day, Heartsill Ragon, and Lloyd Cole.

Phi Epsilon Pi: Sydney Lewis and Stanford Schewel.

Phi Gamma Delta: Tom Bradley, Shack Parrish, Dodo Baldwin, Homer Jones, T. K. Helm, and Chris Barnekov.

Phi Kappa Psi: Tom McCutcheon, Bill Pittipoldi, Pete Schla-bach, Charley Gilmore, Charlie Gilbert, and Arch Puddington.

Phi Kappa Sigma: Bob Arnold, Bill Breckinridge, Brooks Young, Harry Mason, and Sam McCorkle.

Pi Kappa Alpha: Chris Keller, Bob Howard, Bob Peery, Leonard Newcomb, Barney Foreman, Bill Barrows, and Cassell Adamson.

Pi Kappa Phi: Flash Harvey, Marshall Picard, Charles Steinhoff, Bob Summerall, and Stan Nastri.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon: Homer Weidmann, Bill Brown, Jack Robinson, Ames Saunders, Dave Galt, and Larry Bradford.

Sigma Chi delegates unavailable at press time.

Sigma Phi Epsilon: Sam Tyler, O. C. Ferrell, Al Krieger.

Sigma Nu: Buck Ward, Neil Houston, Harold Gaddy, Roy Thompson, J. C. Snidow.

Zeta Beta Tau: Jimmy Fishel, Alex Loeb, Jean Friedberg, Charlie Thalmer.

Non-fraternity: Bill Buchanan, Kelly Litteral, Ted Bruinsma, John Parkins, Tom Bruce, Clinton Van Vliet, John Weathers, Herb Sigvartsen, Gwynn Merritt, Louis Plummer, Bud Schriver.

Dave Miller, Ed Burrows, Hugh Thompson, Bob Harris, Tom Christopher, Tom Marshall, Fred Bar-tenstein, Tom Fleming, Gus Bernd, Murray Smith, Leonard Devita, Emile Cannon, Dick Radcliffe, Dan Lewis, Jimmy Webb, Jack Kately, John Brittingham, John Hawkins, Leslie Price.

# Twelve Apply For Quantico Training Camp

### Applicants To Undergo Medical Exam For Marine Camp In May

Twelve Washington and Lee students made application last Tuesday for the platoon leaders training course of the Marine corps reserve which will be held this summer at Quantico, Virginia, from July 3 to August 14. Major McHenry of the United States Marine corps received the registrations of the following men:

Lupton Avery, Bayard Berghaus, Oscar Emmenga, George M. Foote, Richard Herndon, Fritz Knust, Curtis Montgomery, Marshall Picard, Samuel Pruitt, Theodore Snyder, Robert Summerall, and Thomas Sweeney.

Three of the men registered will be returning for their third summer to receive commissions in the Marine corps reserve. They are Warren Edwards, Art Buck and Bob Nicholson.

Men who registered for the second summer of work include John Cleveland, Bob Davis, Burt Shafer, Bob Hutchison, Jack Gillespie, Dick Smith, and Reid Brodie.

Any students who wish to take the course and did not register Tuesday may see Bob Nicholson, John Cleveland or any of the other boys who have attended the camp in past years for information.

Major McHenry will return to W-L with a medical officer on May 8-9, at which time applicants will be given physical examinations. Additional applications will be taken at that time.

Training, which includes field and classroom preparation, covers two years. Men who successfully complete the course become commissioned second lieutenants in the Marine corps reserve and will receive \$30.00 per month. In addition, the Marine corps provides free transportation to and from the camp and pays expenses of medical attention, clothing, meals and room at the camp.

Men may resign at any time during the training period if they wish.

# Blue Trackmen Meet Indians

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W-M in Williamsburg, sharing several records.

The line-up: 100 and 200 yard dashes: Charley Curl, Butch Thurman, and Clarence Ferrell.

440 yard run: Heartsill Ragon, Flash Harvey, and George Melville.

880 yard run: Flash Harvey, Bill Murray, and Cliff Muller.

1 mile run: George Murray, Jim McConnell, and Ross Hersey.

Two mile run: Mike Crocker, Frank Martin, and Bill Delaplaine.

High hurdles: Bill Whaley, Bill Soule, and Hunt Collins.

Low hurdles: Bill Whaley, Hunt Collins, and George Melville.

High jump: Bill Gwyn.

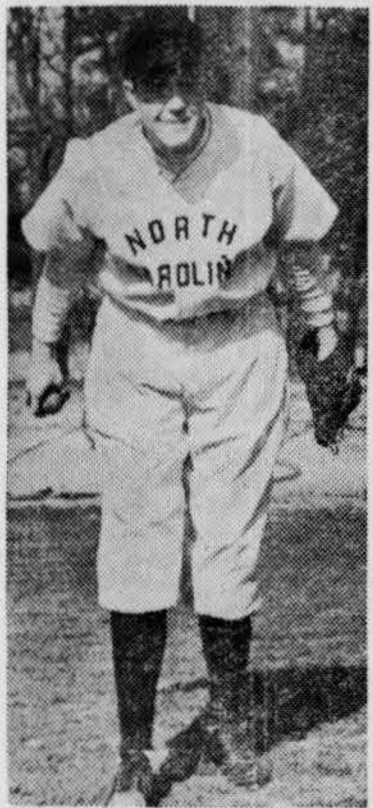
Pole vault: Charley Gilbert, Jack Kately, and George Foote.

Broad jump: Charley Gilbert, Jack Kately, and George Foote.

Broad jump: Bob Nicholson, Bill Soule, Cash Skarda, and Bob Adams.

Shot put and discus: Joe Ochse and Jack Watson.

Javelin: Herb Friedman, Tyke Bryan, and Saul Weinsier.



Above: Sam Davis, star North Carolina pitcher.



Right: Harold Bissett, Tarheel first baseman.

# ... Student Mortality At W-L ...

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And from the public high schools in the West 24 members of the 1933-37 class hailed, while only 5, or 20 per cent, completed their educational aspirations at Washington and Lee. Exactly what effect the sections of the country have on student mortality at the University is hard to say, but figures and percentages of several classes might show from what part of the country "those most likely to succeed" come.

### High Schools Highest

The public high schools had the highest percentage of graduates—41 per cent, while 32 percent of the prep school students graduated. One cannot help but conclude from this that the public high schools give a superior brand of training. Maybe there is something to free education after all.

What percentage of students leave this university at various age limits? This question was the basis of another individual project of the student mortality survey, and the answer was computed on the basis of the number of boys in the various age groups who left from that particular group. The most striking figures were found in the extreme groups, where 76.6 per cent of the group of 20 years of age and over withdrew from school. At the opposite end of the ladder only 20 per cent of the 17-year-old and under group left school. The

graphs on this subject pointed out a steady increase in the number of students withdrawing from school as the ages increased.

The advanced education class that completed this survey a short time ago has started work on a later class.

# Troub Comedy To Open Soon

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Playing comedy roles are Johnny Friedlander, who portrays Rabinovitch, a young organizer who still believes what he says, and Francis Sugrue, as Emilian Petrovitch Tonkonogov, the "poet of the masses." Ernes Woodward II takes the part of Novikov, an old Bolshevik, who seems to be generally lost in the shuffle.

# Dr. Hinton Reports On Findings In Study In Child Psychology

By HAMILTON HERTZ  
A survey of the literature of psychology and psychiatry shows an increasing recognition of the part played by learning and training in early childhood as factors in later mental disorders. Professor William M Hinton, of the Washington and Lee education department, told members of the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology meeting at Duke university last week.

Professor Hinton delivered a report on his study of the adjustment behavior of elementary school children, having recently completed an extensive experiment among Virginia school children.

Outlining the results of his experiment, he said, "Marked individual differences were found in the adjustment tendencies of elementary school children, but no difference was shown between boys and girls in such tendencies."

Professor Hinton explained that the subjects of the investigation were 119 school children with one to three years of public school experience in Richmond and Lexington. Experimental tests were given to these children and they were rated accordingly.

Recorded ratings revealed there was "no significant relationships between mental age and any type of adjustment tendencies," he told society members, "while several variations of behavior tendencies according to the year in school were shown."

The experiments employed in this investigation are recognized by education leaders as valid measures of the subterfuge, regression and tension behavior tendencies of elementary school children.

"This investigation," Hinton explained, "has shown that elementary school children manifest in varying degrees behavior tendencies."

"The extremes of these tendencies characterize certain types of mental disorder, and suggest that carefully selected experiments are sufficiently valid as tendency indicators to justify a large scale investigation."

Professor Hinton believed that "additional study of the adjustment behaviors of elementary school children is desirable in order to describe these behaviors more fully and to discover the causal factors in their development."

# James R. Caskie Speaks At Annual Phi Delta Phi Banquet, 12 Are Initiated

The annual initiation of new members of Phi Delta Phi, honorary law fraternity, was held last night followed by a banquet at the Robert E. Lee hotel. James R. Caskie, charter member of the fraternity and W-L alumnus, was the principal speaker at the banquet. Thirty-five members attended the affair and 12 men were initiated.

Edward Whitehead, president of the fraternity, announced that new officers would be elected at a meeting to be held next week, probably on Wednesday afternoon. The fraternity is toward teaching new and old members legal ethics in the law profession.

Other officers at present beside Whitehead are Steve Stephenson, secretary, and Bucky Stoops, treasurer.

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