

# Ring-tum Phi Poll Reveals LBJ Weaknesses

By FRANK FAIRCHILD and ADDISON G. WILSON  
A surprise Ring-tum Phi Poll taken yesterday revealed that W&L students are badly split over both the domestic and foreign policies of the Johnson Administration. Although the five hundred students polled expressed a definitive opposition to the President's fiscal policies (five to one), opinion concerning the Administration's Viet Nam policies was divided. Two hundred and seventy-four voted approval of Johnson's handling of the War in Viet Nam, while 229 expressed disapproval. The Administration's approach to the Civil Rights Question also was viewed negatively, as students voted two to one against Johnson's Civil Rights ac-

tivities. The final vote was 153 in favor and 350 opposed.  
**Johnson's Appointments**  
Student Response to recent Presidential appointments reflected that well over half polled felt that Johnson was "putting politics ahead of quality" in his selection of cabinet and subcabinet posts.  
Surprisingly enough, the Poll showed that W&L students tended to support the current student draft policy. Two hundred and sixty-one viewed the present system of conscription favorably, while 219 expressed disapproval.  
**General Rating**  
Ranking the overall status of the Presidential Administration voters rated the President generally as medio-

cre. The final figures revealed the following rating: Excellent (16), Good (105), Fair (195), Poor (161).  
**Presidential Prospects**  
In response to the question concerning the prospective nominees for the Democratic Party in 1968, students polled expressed a preference for President Lyndon Johnson (159), followed by Senator Robert Kennedy (97), and Governor George Wallace (36). The incumbent Hubert Humphrey received a decisive vote 107 over Senator Kennedy (44) in the vote for Vice-President.  
Governor George Romney (140) edged out former Vice-President Richard Nixon (138) as tentative candidate on the 1968 Republican ticket. While Governor William Scranton re-

ceived 26 votes, Romney (67) was favored two to one over Nixon (36) and Percy (36) in the Vice-Presidential spot. Mayor John Lindsay of New York, California Republican Ronald Reagan, and Governor Scranton also received token support for the Vice Presidential nomination.  
**Reaction To Poll**  
Reaction to yesterday's poll elicited varied response. According to Dr. Milton Colvin of the Political Science Department, "the poll accurately reflects the economic and sociological background of the students at Washington and Lee."  
Commenting on the 8 percent of the students who voted for Governor Wallace for President, Colvin noted: "This merely goes to prove that some peo-

ple can resist getting an education, even at an institution of higher learning."  
Student comments frequently reflected the sentiment that "LBJ is first a politician and second a president." Although some were critical of his "egotistical ambitions" and his desire to "dominate all phases of government activity," the opinion was expressed that "his rigid control of all aspects of federal power provides the best possible organization in an era of millions of diversified interests."  
**Political Bias**  
Most remarks tended to reflect bluntly the political learning of the individual being polled. Political bias was apparent in such comments as "the Great Society is slowly chip-

ping away at the rights of the individual" and "Johnson is too much of a politician and not enough of a President."  
**Frank Sinatra**  
Obviously Democratic comments include: "The President should be praised for uniting a complicated bureaucratic government into a useful instrument of national policy." Finally, one student wryly observed: "The Democrats could support Frank Sinatra for President and still beat the Republicans."  
Another student observed: "His idea of quality can closely be correlated to politics since most of the men who hold his high esteem are both his cronies and men who have the same unreal ideals."

TOP SECRET!!!  
A comprehensive study of Washington and Lee's exotic "secret societies" has been made by the Ring-tum Phi.

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# FACULTY CANCELS OPENINGS CLASSES

## Hartman States Policy Changes On Cold Checks

A basic shift in policy emphasis by the student Cold Check Committee will mark the handling of students who have been found guilty of passing cold checks. In the past the Committee has chiefly concentrated on protecting the student from any legal action the merchant might take. This year the protection of the merchant is to be the central policy point.  
Committee Chairman Bill Hartman also noted that through insuring the merchant's protection, the liberal check-cashing and charge account policies of Lexington businessmen will remain open to W&L students. In order to implement this policy, the committee has proposed a general tightening of its existing regulations.  
**Tightened Regulations**  
Hartman stated that if a student fails twice to be present at a Cold Check Committee meeting after having been called, he will be sent before the E.C. with recommendations for stringent action. The Committee has obtained the support of E.C. President Bill Jeffress in this policy. Hartman added that if a student should have an excuse for his not being at a Committee meeting to which he has been called, he should contact a member of the Committee immediately and explain the reason for his absence.  
The fining system functions basically as it has in the past. The fine for a first violation is \$1.00 and for a second violation up to \$5.00. For the third violation in a two year period, the fine is up to \$25.00 and appearance before the E. C. The E.C. then has the power to impose a penalty, such as social probation, on the student. Chairman Hartman also stated that the Cold Check Committee plans to send all intentional violators before the E. C. as a violation of the honor system.  
In regard to this new program, the Committee plans to conduct a meeting with freshmen to better acquaint the freshmen with the policies and aims of the Committee. Also, a letter is now being sent to all Lexington merchants informing them of the Committee's new policy. Through this letter the Committee hopes to insure the maintenance of the liberal business policies which most area merchants now have with regard to students of Washington and Lee.



Information Services Photo  
Prohaska's Famous Painting, "My Friend Ted"

## Prohaska Exhibit Begins In Lynchburg at R-MWC

A one-man show of recent oil paintings by Washington and Lee University artist-in-residence Ray Prohaska will open Sunday, Oct. 9, at the Lynchburg Fine Arts Center.  
The show consists of approximately 25 paintings, some figurative but most of them "lyrical abstractions."  
"I get my ideas from rocks, from reflections in the water, from things I see at the shore," says Prohaska in explaining his paintings.  
"These are the dynamic shapes of my ideas," he continues, "but they are often softened by the soft hues of color and sometimes they are strengthened by brilliant colors."  
"I interpret nature in my own personal way: I do not imitate nature. My paintings are a personal statement of the things around me that I enjoy."  
When Prohaska isn't teaching art classes or painting at the university, one of the things he enjoys most is fishing, especially surf fishing.  
Thus one of his favorite art subjects is the surf fisherman, and several representatives of this will be in the Lynchburg Fine Arts Center show.  
Prohaska's works have been exhibited in a number of collections. He also is well-known as an illustrator for fiction stories in such magazines as Good Housekeeping, McCall's and Redbook.  
A native of Yugoslavia and a naturalized American citizen, Prohaska studied at the California School of Fine Arts in San Francisco. He joined the Washington and Lee faculty as artist-in-residence in 1963 and maintains a summer home and art studio

at Bridgehampton, N. Y.  
The Fine Arts Center show will continue through Oct. 30, and will be seen again in Lynchburg at Randolph-Macon Woman's College from Nov. 6-22. Most of it will be displayed at Hollins College during December.  
Ray Prohaska came to Washington and Lee in 1964.

## Troubadours Present Cast In First Play

With the casting of its first play already completed, the Troubadour Theatre has opened its doors for a very busy season.  
The first production slated for the 1966-1967 season is Becket by Jean Anouilh, and will be presented November 9-12. Mr. Lee Kahn, director of the Troubadour Theatre, commented that there was a "fantastic turnout" for the reading held last week. The play will feature Don Baker as King Henry and Jeb Brown as Becket. Dr. Shillington will portray King Louis with Tim Webster as the Archbishop of Canterbury and Ellen Barrett as Gwendolen.  
Mr. Kahn urges all students who may have any interest in dramatics to come down the hill to the Theatre. The more students that work on Troubadour productions the better the plays will be. Backstage positions are still available for Becket.  
In addition to Becket, other Troubadour productions this year will include The Country Wife, The Medium and Murat Sade.

## Crenshaw Petition Passes At First Faculty Meeting

By MIKE HUGHES

The much-anticipated Faculty endorsement for cancellation of Saturday classes during Openings and Springs weekends was granted yesterday.  
The announcement was made by Dr. William Pusey, Dean of the College, Monday after a general Faculty Meeting. Nominations for Rhodes Scholarships were also approved at the meeting, which was held in the new Science Building.  
Dean Pusey said that the pros and cons of the abolition of the Saturday classes were discussed before a Faculty vote was taken. Details of the discussion were not released.  
**Controversy Settled**  
The faculty vote was the last in a series of stages through which the cancellation measure had been taken. Herb Crenshaw, President of Openings weekend, first presented the petition for cancellation to the Student Body Executive Committee.  
Grenshaw, a SPE from Forest City, North Carolina, cited three reasons for his recommendation:  
a lack of student participation in Saturday classes on dance weekends;  
a lack of student interest in the material covered during these classes; and  
the inconvenience to professors who must hold their courses days when many students elect to "cut" the classes.  
Crenshaw also referred to the report of the Self-Study Committee, which advocated the abolition move.  
**Executive Committees Approve**  
The petition received the unanimous support of the Student Body Executive Committee, which passed the motion on to the Faculty Executive Committee. The Faculty E.C. in turn advanced the petition to the consideration of the first general Faculty meeting of the year.  
By the time the measure reached the faculty at their Monday meeting, student opinion had been molded into virtually unanimous backing of the petition. In an editorial in the Tuesday edition of the Ring-tum Phi, Saturday classes on the dance weekends were termed a "farce."  
Student Body President Bill Jeffress summed up the student consensus when he said:  
"Everyone cuts classes that day anyway. They (the Faculty) might as well go ahead and make it legal."



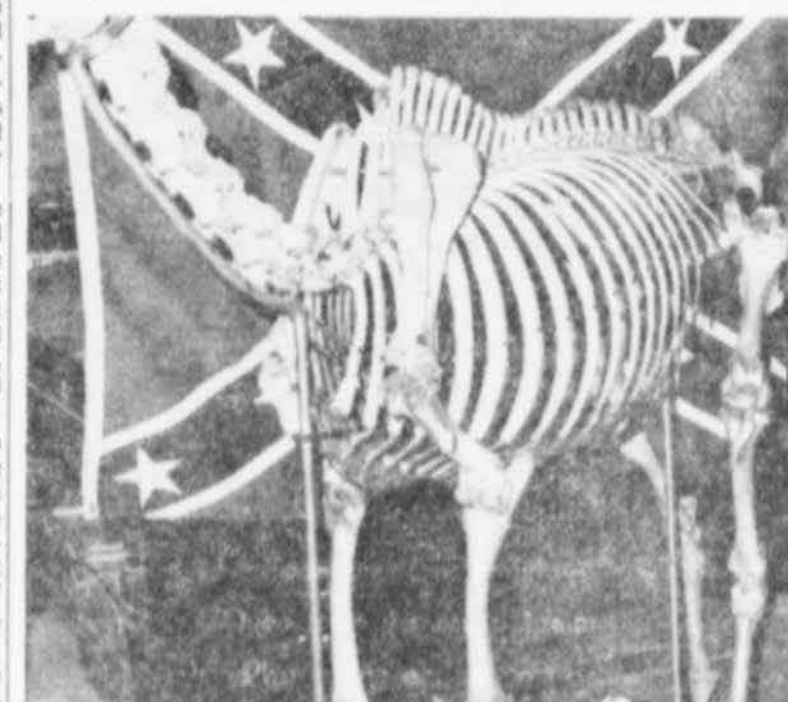
The First Faculty Meeting

## Research Reveals Revered Relic

# Traveller Hidden Under Dorm

By RANDALL WEILL  
The famed warhorse of General Robert E. Lee is as much a part of University tradition and legend as the statue of 'Ole George' atop Washington Hall. However, as thousands of angry school-children can testify, the remains of old Traveller are not nearly as visible as 'Ole George'. Those tiny tykes who go searching in vain through Lee Chapel for the fabled bones of Traveller, are doomed to disappointment. Where is Traveller?  
After Lee's death in 1870, Traveller was maintained by the University and he held an honored position on the campus. In 1872, while grazing on the front campus, Traveller stepped on a rusty nail and quickly developed a bad tetanus infection. Medical treatment being what it was, Traveller succumbed in short order, and was buried by the General's saddened family on University land not far from the campus.  
And so Traveller stayed for the next thirty-five years, peaceful and undisturbed. That is, until some bright-eyed publicist got the idea that traveller's skeleton would be just the thing to spice up dreary old Washington and Lee. Consequently, in 1907 the bones were exhumed and his skeleton displayed.  
The resurrected Traveller was then placed in the room now connecting Robinson Hall, which was then a dormitory, with Washington Hall. He shared the limelight with other, equally unusual pieces, including a stuffed baby elephant and the skeleton of a colt that was often introduced as "Traveller in his youth."  
Things remained peaceful in the Colonnade menagerie until some undetermined date when Traveller was moved to the basement of Lee Chapel.

Here he spent many years in a small room separated from the other exhibits which constituted the University's museum.  
Lee Chapel underwent a complete renovation during 1961-1963, and when the Chapel, with its basement museum, reopened in September 1963, Traveller was nowhere to be found. The hodge-podge museum had been reorganized into a permanent exhibit centering on Lee's life, and there was no place for Traveller's bones. Since 1963, busloads of screaming school-children and irate teachers have noticed the omission with much snarling and gnashing of teeth.  
Where, then, is poor Traveller? He reposes peacefully again, yellowed with age, in the basement storage area of the New Freshman Dormitory. His once-proud head is now separated from the rest of his magnificent frame, taken off to facilitate moving. There is some sentiment among several members of the Administration to return Traveller to public view, but they have been blocked by horse-lovers anxious to see Traveller remain undisturbed by the vulgar stares and macabre interest of screaming school-children and idle students. His fate is still uncertain, but Traveller has time to kill. Requiescat in Peace.



Staff photo by Brown

Traveller's Bones Lie Yellowing Under Dorm

## Independent Union Meeting Will Determine Constitution Of Club

By ALAN COOPER  
The Independent Union will meet tonight at 7 p.m. in the Geology Lecture Room in Howe Hall.  
Independent Union President Jack Chaffin said that he called the meeting "to decide the form of the Independent Union in the future."  
He will make his recommendations for the IU based on the results of the poll taken last Monday regarding social opportunities for Independents.  
He also stated that he had found an

eight-room frame house at 205 McLaughlin Street which he considers adequate for Independent purposes. If the Independents approve of renting the house, tentative plans are to rent the two upstairs rooms to students and use the first floor for Independent social functions and meetings.  
Chaffin emphasized the importance of the meeting, since the position of the Independents on the W&L campus could be determined for a number of years.

## NEWS BRIEFS

On Friday morning at 10 a.m., a representative of the U.S. Army Recruiting Service will be present in the classroom in the basement of McCormick Library. Seniors graduating in June who are interested in joining the O.C.S. Recruiting Programs should attend. The program is designed for seniors not in the ROTC program.

The organizational meeting of the 'W&L Club' will be held Thursday night at 7:15 p.m. in duPont Auditorium. The schedule change from tonight to Thursday was necessitated by tonight's meeting of the Independent Union.



## The Ring-tum Phi

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### The Last, Best Hope

The Independent Union votes tonight on President Jack Chaffin's proposal establishing three levels of membership for non-fraternity men in the organization. Several recalcitrant old-timers have already tried to sabotage the reform measures, and probably will continue their obstruction at tonight's meeting. For the sake of the Independent Union, we hope they fail.

One of the biggest problems faced by the Union is the inane and almost totally useless set of by-laws imposed on the organization last year, apparently when nobody was looking. Ill-suited for a democratic organization, the by-laws require near unanimity to pass most substantive measures, including suspension of the by-laws.

The die-hards will undoubtedly try to emasculate Chaffin's proposals through manipulation of this incredible document. All independents should join with the Union's leadership in suspending these severely constrictive by-laws. The Independent Union might also consider throwing the whole mess out when the current controversy has cooled, and adopt a proper constitution.

Social facilities are desperately needed. The independents have located several likely buildings around Lexington, and have made plans to conform with the Virginia state law which requires that mixed drinks be served only in a private home, which is defined as a structure inhabited by one or more permanent residents. This is no flight of whimsy, but rather a serious well-thought-out plan to alleviate the social crisis in the life of the non-fraternity man. It is the Independent Union which must resolve this crisis and not a separate "independents club"; it is the only opportunity unaffiliated students have for concerted assault on common problems.

The Friday Edition suggested that the Independent Union arrange joint parties with fraternities for big weekends, thus eliminating the need for separate Independent Union facilities. Opining that this would help reduce the "mutual dislike" between fraternity men and independents caused by the "fish-lizard-turkey syndrome," the Friday Edition noted that any solution must be temporary because of the major investment being put into the new Student Union.

We disagree with these suggestions on several counts. First, the Student Union will be for all students enrolled at Washington and Lee, and definitely not the private preserve of non-fraternity men.

Second, since the Student Union will presumably be owned by the University, no alcoholic beverages will be served or consumed there unless the Board of Trustees does a complete about-face.

Third, that very same false pride of social superiority which fosters the "fish-lizard-turkey syndrome" among fraternity men will prevent any house on campus from arranging a joint party with the Independent Union without losing face.

The late Adlai Stevenson once described the United Nations as the "last, best hope" for a troubled world. The Independent Union is the last, best hope for unaffiliated men at Washington and Lee. Their pride and sense of dignity hang in the balance as they vote tonight on Chaffin's reform measures. We strongly advise all independents to attend tonight's meeting in Howe Hall and support the changes necessary in their own organization; their last, best hope.

### Self-Study Pays Off

We commend and thank the faculty for abolishing Saturday classes on Openings and Springs Weekends. The petition, originated by Sophomore Class President Herb Crenshaw, went through the Student Body Executive Committee, which unanimously endorsed the idea, and then to the Executive Committee of the faculty, which decided to bring the matter up at the general meeting held yesterday afternoon.

It is a moot point whether the Faculty was favorably inclined toward granting the petition because of the orderly manner in which it was presented, the vociferous student support for it, or—which is more likely—the recommendation made along the same lines by the Self-Study Committee.

Much valuable material of bread-and-butter concern is contained in the voluminous Self-Study Report, and the recommendations offered in the report quite obviously enjoy the respect and attention of the Faculty. Campus leaders, reformers, malcontents, and assorted rabble would do well to consult the Self-Study Report before leaping upon their chargers and tilting with a windmill.

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# History Of W&L Secret Clubs

By JOHN CARRERE

Washington and Lee seems to have developed quite a few traditions over the last century of its existence. The school administration is quick to point out the lasting effects of the honor system and the gentlemanly conduct of a General Lee man. However, rarely ever pointed out is the success which secret organizations seem to have on our campus.

These organizations began to develop around the turn of the century. No one has really ever known why they established themselves on this campus nor what their purpose has been over the years. They range in years of existence from one over sixty years to another formed but just last month. Some follow their claim to secrecy in so far as their rites and various other activities are revealed only to their members, while others have revealed nothing but the existence of their club. Names of members are usually listed and some activities of the clubs are public.

#### Background of Societies

A small bit of background information might give some insight into the formation of the original societies. Around the years 1900 to 1930, Washington and Lee was extremely isolated. This was a time when not more than half a dozen boys had cars at school and even B.V. was a major survival



Staff photo by Brown

This easily recognized insignia is the sign of The Cadavers, one of the many secret organizations on the W&L campus.

hike. If a person wanted to make a "road trip" to Hollins, he would be forced to hop a train which ran at inconvenient hours. (This period seemed to be the heyday of the town-ic.) Consequently, there was not much

social life on campus. In fact, the fraternities, in order to give their members some recreation on the weekends, used to hold their weekly house meeting at 11 p.m. on Saturday nights.

These secret social organizations therefore possibly arose to fill a void on the campus at that time. During these years they had much prestige and the clubs each year would elect new members. The Sigma Society holds the honor of being the oldest of the organizations which is still on

campus. It was formed around the year 1895 and picked as its members the twelve or fifteen students it considered the elite on campus. Their choices at that time were not necessarily based on an individual's O.D.K. or Phi Beta Kappa potentiality, but on the person's overall strength. As it turned out, it was dominated by athletes for the first few decades.

#### Sigma Brands Members

Sigma's trade mark is the Greek capital sigma which is branded on the abdomen of each member. This brand seems at times to have caused a little trouble. One time a graduate of W&L who was also a Sigma member was attempting to enter the Navy's Officer's Cadet program. However, when the sergeant saw the sigma branded in his flesh, he thought that he had before him an authentic member of an anti-American organization from the East (Asia). The matter was finally straightened out after university pressure was applied.

#### Thirteen Club

The Thirteen Club, another organization still active on campus, was formed somewhere around 1910. Its constitution originally allowed each of the thirteen fraternities on campus at that time to nominate one rising junior to the club. When other fraternities came they were not allowed to submit members.

Around the Thirties this club was especially prominent. The sophomores that each house nominated were the most promising and often were successful in campus politics. Today, the organization has taken over the nomination of its members. These pledges (Continued on page 4)

## Athletic Subsidy Opposed; Recommend No Change

By DAVE SCHWENDEMAN  
Tuesday Sports Editor

Every two or three months the topic of subsidized athletics arises. When the football or basketball team seems doomed students cry for a return to the old W&L days of glory. But, students who want "big time winners" often fail to understand the massive complications involved in a subsidized athletic program.

In his inaugural address President Cole said, "All too often, college sports no longer serve the needs of the student, but those of a multiplicity of other interests. When athletics become apart from—rather than a part of—a college's educational program, then the threat of loss of integrity is very real indeed."



Schwendeman

The most obvious of the "multiplicity of other interests" is the victory-hungry alumni. When a university gives athletic scholarships, the money usually comes from alumni. And since no one "bites the hand that feeds him," the alumni begin to control the athletic program. In addition to support from alumni a subsidized athletic program depends upon gate receipts to help pay for itself. Wilson Field is far too small to draw size-

able crowds. Consequently, our football schedule would be similar to VMI's with seven or eight road games a year.

Dean Atwood has said this, "It would be a disaster to return to a subsidized program. To do so would drain our academic subsidization. Farther, it would mean a lowering of our entrance requirements and discrimination against sports which were not given financial support."

It is extremely naive to believe that a university of high academic standing can have a controlled, subsidized program whereby athletes must meet the same academic standards as other applicants. Those who believe this controlled program is feasible point to Davidson as an example. Well, one all-American basketball player at Davidson was not accepted at a hometown school of supposedly lower entrance requirements.

In the Friday, September 23, edition of the Ring-tum Phi an editorial called for a return to subsidized athletics. The editorialist and other advocates of change seem to connect losing with an unsubsidized program. The 1960-1962 football teams proved that this isn't so. The Generals three year record was 25-1-1.

In the November 6, 1961, issue of Sports Illustrated the W&L football team was featured in an article entitled "A Sport for Gentlemen." In it Walter Bingham said, "This year's (Continued on page 4)

## Proposals To Be Presented Before Independents Tonight

By JACK CHAFFIN

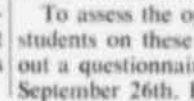
President

The Independent Union

There is some misunderstanding among independent students about my proposals concerning the reorganization of the Independent Union.

Some students feel that I am gathering together those unaffiliated students who want to join a social group, thus splitting the Independent Union into two different "clubs, one devoted to intramural activities and the other organized along social lines. Such is not the case. In the September 23 issue of the Ring-tum Phi, I merely made several proposals which, I believed, if put into effect, would make the Independent Union a live alternative to the fraternity system.

To assess the opinion of unaffiliated students on these proposals, I handed out a questionnaire at our meeting on September 26th. Having evaluated the



Chaffin

response to this poll, I can now suggest a compromise which will bring the varied interests together and at the same time make the Independent Union a force in fact.

#### Two Conclusions

The results of the questionnaire indicate the form that most unaffiliated students want the Independent Union to assume in the future. Figures are based on a total attendance of 83. The social program (sponsoring parties on big weekends) drew the favor of 66 per cent of those answering the questionnaire. The other 34 per cent represented those who wanted only to participate in intramurals and those who wanted no affiliation with the Independent Union.

These figures indicate two conclusions: 1) That all unaffiliated students should not be members of the Independent Union; 2) That some representation be given to those interested in intramurals only since this is an undeniably important part of the organization. The same percentages represent the response to the question of renting a facility for meetings and parties. Approximately 75 per cent voted to base membership in the Independent Union on the payment of dues—at least \$3.00. Sixty-six per cent were interested in constructing a homecoming display.

These figures show that the majority of the unaffiliated students want to do something for themselves, and that they are willing to work to make something of the Independent Union—60 students were interested in working on one of the six committees. It is evident that whatever program results from the meeting tonight all independent students will not be satisfied. But it is also evident that a much larger percentage of the unaffiliated students will be represented by the Independent Union with the institution of a social program.

It is in light of this fact that I shall bring the following proposals to a vote tonight:

1) There should be three buses of membership in the Independent Union:

a. A membership for those who are (Continued on page 4)

### Four Fraternities Get New Housemothers

## W&L Housemothers Welcomed

By ROBERT YEVICH

In four Washington and Lee fraternities, the housemothers were recently treated to their first rush week and combo party, and not one deplored.

The four new housemothers are: Mrs. Ruth Browne, Beta Theta Pi; Mrs. Ellis Shively, Phi Gamma Delta; Mrs. Rucille Smith, Sigma Chi; and Mrs. Stella Fisher, Sigma Phi Epsilon.

#### No Stranger

Without having ever been a housemother, Mrs. Shively at Phi Gam is not exactly a stranger to the fraternity system or the job of housemother. During the Second World War, Mrs. Shively served in Taunton, England, as the Director of the Red Cross Officers Club. Her duties there were in many ways similar to her duties here as a housemother.

Prior to the war she gained similar experience as an instructor and counselor at Florida State University. Since both her husband and her son are fraternity men, she has been exposed to the actual system before coming to W&L. Of the fraternity system she said, "Fraternities can have a very vital place in college life and can provide many things for a complete life." Mrs. Shively likes the peaceful atmosphere of Lexington so much that she would like to make her permanent home here.

#### Apprehension

At the SPE house Mrs. Fisher of Richmond, Virginia, is new to organized fraternity life. She claims that in raising her three children she operated her own combination fraternity-sorority. On a spur of the moment decision

late in August, Mrs. Fisher decided to come to W&L. When she arrived, she was nervous and apprehensive about the whole idea. But her apprehensions soon vanished and she says she enjoys every minute of being a housemother. She stated, "The fraternity establishes a bond between the boys and thereby provides a family life that the boys miss away from home."

Of all the new housemothers Mrs. Smith at Sigma Chi is the least acquainted with fraternity life. But after one month of being a housemother, she can only say that she "loves it." A resident of Clifton Forge, Virginia, Mrs. Smith has traveled so much that her baggage is always light. She came to Sigma Chi with merely a grand piano in tow. Being a true lover of music, especially jazz, she just couldn't

tolerate being away from her piano. She believes, "The versatility of the young men is one of the most outstanding traits of the fraternity."

Neither being a housemother nor being at Washington and Lee is new to Mrs. Browne at the Beta house. For no less than six of the past seven years, she has served as a housemother. For the first four of these years she was at W&L. Then, after a year off and two years at Northwestern University, she decided that Virginia was the place for her. So, Mrs. Browne is back again. She feels that she gets great satisfaction and enjoyment from being a W&L housemother. However, this oldtimer at the business commented, "A fraternity housemother must have the temperament of a dove, of an ostrich and of a serpent."



Staff photo by Brown

New Housemothers on campus this year include Mrs. Stella Fisher (SPE), Mrs. Rucille Smith (Sigma Chi) and Mrs. Ellis Shively (Phi Gam).

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

In regard to Mr. Parker's article concerning fraternities, it seems that he is badly misinformed about the "ideal" system at Amherst. Rushes there who have not received bids place their names on a list and are assigned to different houses. The sad truth is, however, that once these unwanted men get into their houses, they are generally given so much unmitigated manure that they drop out on their own accord. So this is what we should pattern our system after?

Yours truly,  
J.C., '69



Cary Boots 20 Yard FG

Mac Praises Defense in 3-3 Game

# Green Rallies Generals To Tie

By DAVE CRAWLEY

Cary Green must be wondering what it takes to make a field goal. Booting the ball 42 yards through icy rain, only to miss the uprights by a narrow margin, was discouraging enough—but hitting the goal post itself in the final quarter was tantamount to a traumatic experience. Fortunately for the snake-bit Generals, however Green's second of three kicks was true to the mark, enabling them to gain a 3-3 tie with favored Hampden-Sydney.

Coach Lee McLaughlin felt that the inclement weather was a definite factor in the low-scoring game. "I'm sure that there would have been

more scoring on a dry field," he said. "Both teams had trouble keeping their footing, and the receivers were having difficulty holding on to the ball."

"Our defensive team, nevertheless, deserves a great deal of credit. They faced a team which had scored 35 points in its opener against Shepherd College, and prevented it from crossing the goal line. We intercepted one of their passes, and held them to one short completion."

Turning to his offense, however, Coach McLaughlin admitted that

there was a lot of work to be done. "Our main problem is a lack of a sound running game. We had to punt a number of times in fourth-and-one situations and our offense was unable to generate any kind of attack until the fourth quarter. Of course, we did have some bad breaks. In addition to the two narrowly missed field goals, we barely missed a chance to score in the closing seconds of the game. Hampden-Sydney's quarterback was dropping back to pass, when Scott MacKenzie hit him from the blind side.

The ball hit the turf and bounced to the one yard line as time ran out.

"Next week we'll be going against what appears to be the finest Centre College team we've ever faced. They rely on ball control, and, although they rarely pass, they are still a threat through the air. I think that our defense will be equal to the task, but I doubt if we'll get by again without a touchdown. We're grateful for the timely field goal provided by Cary Green, but I'd much rather see him kick some extra points."



Cary Green kicks 20 yard field goal in fourth quarter to give Generals 3-3 tie with Hampden-Sydney.

## Booters Beaten 7-1; Encounter Lynchburg

By DAVE SCHWENDEMAN

After a 7-1 drubbing by Randolph-Macon last Friday, the soccer team hosts unbeaten Lynchburg tomorrow. Coach Joe Lyles expects a tough game.

"Lynchburg will be our strongest opponent of the year. They are big, fast and have three outstanding players:

Rick White, center forward, scored 33 goals last year and was selected the most valuable player in the state; Rusty Taylor, center halfback, was all-state last year; Rick Sheridan, left fullback, recently

kicked a 65 yard goal on a free kick. "If we are to win we will have to contain White and penetrate Taylor and Sheridan with a strong passing attack. The game should be close because Lynchburg beat Belmont Abby, 3-2, and we beat Abbey, 3-1, in our opener.

Lyles feels the winner will be the team that has the best short passing attack. "We must pass well. They have more depth than we do so we will have to control the ball and maintain constant pressure on them. Crisp passing will be the key to controlling the ball."

Hustle seems to be lacking in the Macon defeat. Lyles listed three reasons for the lopsided score.

"First, the victory over Pfeiffer, last Tuesday in the rain took a great deal out of us physically.

"Secondly, some of the starters were still suffering from bruises incurred in the Pfeiffer game. Finally, we were unable to have a good workout last week because of the weather."

The Generals problems boil down to a lack of depth. Lyles is unable to depend on substitutes to fill in for a tired or injured starter. Consequently, starters have often remained in the game when they should be resting.

Lyles thinks the team may have learned a lesson in the crushing defeat. He said, "After winning the first two some of the boys seem to have forgotten the importance of improving at each practice session.

"We passed well against Pfeiffer so they assumed we'd automatically pass well all year. Well, they know different now."

## Freshmen Top Hargrave, 6-0

W&L's freshman soccer squad, having posted a formidable 6-0 victory over Hargrave Military Academy last Tuesday, travels to Augusta Military tomorrow.

Coach Dave Redmond, W&L '66, and first year law, is enthusiastic about the team's opening performance.

"I believe the prospects are good for an exceptionally fine season" was Redmond's post-game remark. He pointed out that many mistakes were made in the contest, but that continued practice should firm up the attack and defensive operations.

"The line is surprisingly good for a group of freshmen," commented the former All-American. "Our two goalies, Harrison Smith and Larry Hilliard, are excellent."

The frosh booters bombed Hargrave's goal keeper with 27 attempts, six of which scored. In contrast, W&L's defense took much of the pressure off Smith, who was forced to make just seven saves.

Leading in the scoring column for the Generals was leftwing Rick Antell, who tallied twice. Single goals came from Lloyd Bromley, a rightwing; Jeff Martin, halfback; John Yow, right-inside; and Whitney Kemper, rightwing.

### Notice

The Lynchburg College cross-country squad came to W&L last Saturday talking as if they were going to be victors. Instead, the boys from Lynchburg suffered a stunning loss.

The harriers travel to Washington, D.C. next Saturday

## Freshmen Learning System Despite Loss To W. Forest

Freshman football coach Dana Swan called his team's 7-0 defeat to Woodberry Forest "a typical first game."

The frosh lost the game when they failed to score from two yards out with less than a minute to go. But, Swan was quick to point out that the score doesn't show everything.

"It was our first game and we made mistakes, missed assignments, and there was hesitation on the part of the boys.

"But the boys made a good start. They have a pretty good concept of what they are trying to do.

"In freshman football we try to familiarize and train the boys in the terminology and system of W&L football.

"So, the first game is, in a way, a shakedown cruise. It went about as expected. We need work offensively on our passing attack and on crispness of execution by the backs.

"Defensively, some of the boys didn't charge and apply the constant pressure we require. For most boys this is a new concept."

The W&L defense is not a "reading" defense. That is, we do not let

the play unfold and then react. The W&L defense charges at key spots when the ball is centered. This, hopefully, forces the opposition into confusion and errors.

Swan was pleased with the play of his offensive line. "John Whitney, Leslie Fenton, Mike Thornton, Ed Coslett, Bill Lisle, and Lee Moffit did a fine job on our line play, both offensively and defensively.

"Jim Meriweather and John Fox, our guards, completely dominated

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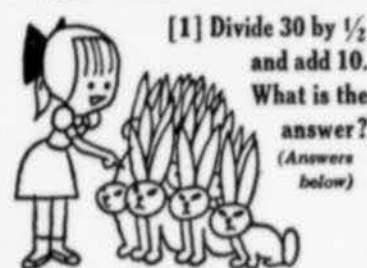
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## W&amp;L Secret Societies Reviewed

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have line-ups every spring in front of the colonnade where they humble themselves and chant a short between-class ritual.

## White Friar and P.A.N.

There are two other groups which got their start at the start of the century. The White Friars and Pi Alpha Nu (P.A.N.) were sophomore ribbon societies. They originally elected their own members from the rising sophomore class. Both clubs pledged about fifteen rising sophomores. Entering one of these was a great honor and only the best freshmen were chosen. However, around the Thirties, the fraternities took over the job of nominating by picking two of their boys for each of them. In the eyes of the contemporary students, this took a lot of the prestige away. However, they continued to be respected until they were abandoned around 1950.



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One of the practices of the P.A.N. pledges was recalled to be thus: Whenever they would come to an old man, they were to take off their hats and make a deep bow. They would put down their books and say: "Praise the great god Pan, it is now 11:10 a.m. (or whatever the time was)."

(This article will be continued next week with more contemporary examples of secret societies. Some of the important campus organizations yet to be discussed include the Mongolian Minks, the Gauley Bridge Hunt Club, and of course the most secretive, Cadavers.)

## Chaffin Proposes Changes To Independents Tonight

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interested in participating in intramural activities only, to be granted upon the payment of \$3.00 dues per semester.

b. Those who wish to take part in the social activities shall become members by paying dues of \$15.00 per semester.

c. A combined membership for those wishing to participate in both intramural and social aspects of the Independent Union shall be granted upon the payment of \$18.00 per semester.

2) Separate accounts should be kept for each type of membership, and dues should be applied to the specific activity for which they are intended.

3) Anyone who joins the Independent Union by either method will have a voting membership.

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team, made up purely of students who play football rather than football players who study, is proving that winning football on an unsubsidized basis can be as much fun to play and as exciting to watch as any football anywhere.

Coach Canfield is in the process of building a strong basketball team and he is doing so without the use of scholarships. Last year's improved showing appears to be the foundation for the rebuilding program. This year's freshmen, who Canfield calls, "the best group of freshmen basket-

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4) Any freshman who plans to go through deferred rush should be able to join the Independent Union on a monthly basis without a commitment for the entire semester. These freshmen would be committed only for the time they remain unaffiliated.

The meeting will be held tonight, October 4, in Howe Hall (Geology lecture room on the ground floor) at 7 p.m. I urge all interested Independent students to attend this meeting.

## Coach Swan Lauds 'Heart' Of Fresh Football Players

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their men. Denny Kumpuris and Ken Clayton shut off the Woodberry running attack from their linebacker position.

## Athletic Subsidies Shown To Be Unpopular Here

ball players in the history of the school," will help the program. Next year's basketball schedule will feature two teams of national prominence, promises Canfield.

Canfield also refutes the idea that without scholarships and national promise W&L has nothing to offer a high school basketball star. "I feel that we have a great deal to offer a boy. Our academic standing is excellent and a degree from this school means something to a boy after he leaves W&L. Also, the tradition of the school and the chance to play varsity basketball for four years appeals to many boys.

Canfield's beliefs are typical of the entire athletic department. Athletic director Cy Twombly points out, "Most of our coaches have been here a number of years so they must believe in our unsubsidized program or they would have left."

"Our program is directed entirely towards the betterment of the boys involved. If the participants benefit from the program, who cares about someone who graduated 25 years ago.

"A subsidized program costs more money and you have to go on the road and get your brains beat out.

"We try to give each boy and each team fair treatment. If we were subsidized, there would be discrimination and many boys participating in unsubsidized athletics would be overlooked. We believe that our athletic program fits into the general image of the school, and that is the goal of our program."

Finally, the recently compiled self-study guide made no suggestions for change in the basic athletic policy of the University. It says, "The philosophy underlying the current Washington and Lee intercollegiate athletic program is believed to be the proper one within the context of overall University policy and goals."

In the form of a general evaluation of the policy the committee writes, "Criticism is still heard from occasional students or alumni who desire a return to the days of subsidized 'glory', but the overwhelming consensus strongly supports the current program."

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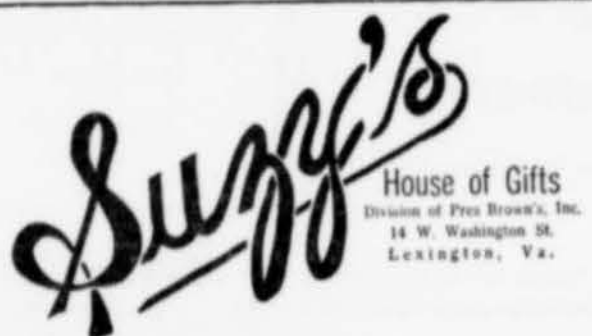
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