

John W. Davis Named to Head Board of Trustees

Ex-Ambassador Succeeds St. Clair

Alumnus John W. Davis, New York attorney and former ambassador to England, was chosen rector of the Washington and Lee board of trustees at its Founder's day meeting this afternoon.

Davis will head the group in the stead of the late George W. St. Clair of Tazewell, Virginia, who died in October.

Graduating from W&L in 1895 with an LL. B., Davis served Washington and Lee from 1896 to 1897 as an assistant professor of law. He was elected to the West Virginia house of delegates in 1899 and the sixty-second and sixty-third United States congresses, 1911-1915, from which he resigned to take the post of solicitor-general of the United States in 1913.

From 1918 to 1921 Rector Davis acted as United States ambassador to Great Britain. He was the Democratic candidate for president of the United States in 1924.

Davis was born in Clarksburg, W. Va., in 1873. He holds academic and law degrees from Washington and Lee and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and the Phi Kappa Psi social fraternity.

Davis has been a member of the Washington and Lee board of trustees since 1921.

The rest of the trustee's session, which lasted from 9:30 this morning till 5:30 this evening, with time out for the compulsory University assembly and lunch, was concerned with routine matters.

Alumnus Davis was president of the American bar association in 1922, president of the West Virginia bar association in 1926, pres-

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Journalism Lab Work Exhibited In W&L Library

The University catalogue describes the Journalism Laboratory press as a print shop, "which is capable of turning out all regular kinds of printing." But this statement by no means describes the work that the press has turned out, especially since C. Harold Lauck became its superintendent seven years ago.

The story of W&L's print shop is better told by an exhibit of some of its best work now in the main reading room of the library. The exhibit was placed there by Mr. Lauck in cooperation with Librarian Foster Mohrhardt in observance of National Printing Education Week.

Pamphlets, dance programs, booklets, and even a full-size book are included in the exhibit. Most of the publications were issued in connection with school activities, but some were published for various printing organizations with which Mr. Lauck is affiliated.

One of the booklets, "Lee: The Final Achievement," by Dr. Francis P. Gaines, won the certificate of award in commercial printing for the year 1935, a contest conducted annually by The American Institute of Graphic Arts. The book in the exhibit is "An Estimate of Standards for a College Library," by Miss Blanche Pritchard McCrum, former University librarian.

A publication which Mr. Lauck considers particularly significant is one entitled "The First Printing in Virginia," issued several years ago. One of the most recent publications in the display is the Washington and Lee Law Review, a 156-page magazine, issued last week by the law school.

A library exhibit is an annual feature of Printing Education week observance here. This is, however, the first time that the work of the Journalism Laboratory press has been on display. Last year a number of examples of fine printing from Mr. Lauck's personal library comprised the exhibit.

Melvin McCaskill Elected President of Sigma Chi

Melvin McCaskill, Little Rock, Ark., senior, was elected president of Sigma Chi fraternity for the remainder of the school year at a meeting of the house Wednesday night.

In addition the following men were elected to four other offices: G. H. Forgy, vice-president; Paul Zunkeller, secretary; Lanson Ditto, goat master, and Ned Burks, editor.

All new officers took over their positions immediately.

Journalism Department Plans New Course in Photography

Because of the growing importance of photography in newspapers and periodicals, the Department of Journalism has established a course in Elementary Photography and Pictorial Journalism. Professor O. W. Riegel, director of the department, announced today.

The new course will be offered for the first time during the spring term of the present session and will include instruction in the use of standard photographic equipment, the theory and practice of processing of films and papers, qualities of good news and pictorial photographs, editorial treatment of photographs, the photograph and photographic layouts as channels of communication, and

other subjects. A variety of photographic assignments will be required during the semester, and an exhibition of the best photographs produced by the students on assignments will be held at the end of the semester.

"For professional reasons in an increasingly picture-minded world," Professor Riegel said, "the student of journalism must have more than a superficial knowledge of the processes and effects of photography. The purpose of the course is not only to develop a useful skill, but also to suggest more effective techniques whereby photography may aid in the journalistic process of communicating social and political data."

Professor Riegel will be in general charge of the course, assisted by Tom Fleming, an experienced professional photographer and a student at Washington and Lee. Experts who will lecture or conduct demonstrations on special phases of photography include Dr. L. J. Desha, W&L chemistry professor; Thomas E. Lothery, member of the physics department at W&L and an experienced photographer; and Lambert Martin, staff photographer of the Roanoke World-News.

Several other news photographers and picture editors in the region will also assist with the instruction, according to Professor Riegel.

The recently remodeled Camera club darkroom has been provided with new equipment for the course.



Kay Kyser, whose orchestra will furnish the music for Fancy Dress.

These Men Will Lead the Fancy Dress Figure



From left to right are Al Snyder, Jack Watson and Ernie Woodward, who are vice-president, president, and vice-president, respectively, of Fancy Dress.

Don Cossacks To Sing Here On February 5

"We are definitely bringing the Don Cossacks here on February 5, the Monday night after the dance week-end," announced Professor Varner, director of the Glue club. The plans have suffered many delays, due to conflicting schedules, but everything is now settled, he said.

The members of the club will undertake the ticket drive and expect little difficulty in disposing of 1,000 student and 600 regular tickets.

"This is the greatest musical treat that has come to Lexington," declared Professor Varner. The Don Cossack Russian Male Chorus is by far the best in its field and has sung to capacity audiences in such places as Carnegie hall in New York, he said. Led by Serge Jaroff since the days of the Russian revolution, this band of 34 men has been giving regular concerts for over 16 years, he added.

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Dance Set Leaders Will Portray Old Kentucky's Political Big Shots

Fancy Dress officers will play the part of Kentucky political big shots of 1875 on Friday night, February 2, in the pageantry of the 34th annual ball.

Jack Watson, president of the set, will lead the figure as Governor Preston H. Leslie of Kentucky, with Miss Mary Charlotte Garber accompanying him as the First Lady of the State.

Ernest Woodward II, vice-president of the set, will play the part of Col. John Rowan III, owner of Federal Hill, the mansion whose garden serves as setting for the ball on the afternoon following the first Kentucky Derby. Woodward will be accompanied by Miss Dolly Burks, of Lexington.

Al Snyder, co-vice-president, will go as Senator Thomas Clay McCreary of Kentucky, and will walk with Miss Ann Pendleton.

Lea Booth, secretary of the set, will be one of the members of the governor's staff, Col. James A. Dawson, Adjutant General of the state, Miss Louise Dibrell will play the role of Dawson's wife.

Arthur Mann, treasurer, and Miss Arlen Simmen will partici-

pate as Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. James. James was secretary of the state at the time of the original Derby.

Lou Plummer, business manager, will take the role of "Marse Henry" Watterson, rebrand editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal in the days when personal journalism was at its stormiest. Mrs. Watterson will be played by Miss Natalie Sanford.

Dodo Baldwin, business manager, will play the part of Major William H. Botts, assistant secretary of state and member of the governor's staff. Marcella Chandler will be Mrs. Botts.

General Fayette Hewitt, quartermaster general, will be played by Reid Brodie, costume manager, and Mrs. Hewitt will be played by Miss Chick Perrier.

Colonel H. P. McGrath, owner of Aristides, winner of the first Derby, will be Howard Dobbins, who will walk in the figure with Miss Virginia Ann Jones.

Booth, Mann, Baldwin, and Brodie will be costumed in the scarlet and blue uniform of the Governor's staff.

Dr. Carmichael Emphasizes Qualities Of Leadership in Founder's Day Talk

The qualities of a great leader are a spirit of learning, a spirit of service, and a spirit of truth, Dr. O. C. Carmichael, chancellor of Vanderbilt university, told students at the annual Founder's day assembly at 11:30 this morning in Doremus gymnasium. These three qualities were uppermost in the life of Robert E. Lee, he said.

Taking as his subject "The relation between learning and leadership," the speaker began with the question, what are the qualities of the true leader?

"The spirit of learning," he declared, "is the prerequisite of the true leader. . . . What we need is the scholar in action." It is of much more importance what the

college man wants to know on commencement day, Dr. Carmichael said, than what he already knows. "The acquisition of facts is merely a means to an end; the fundamental is the acquisition of an ability to think. . . . There must be intellectual initiative and imagination."

If we are to be leaders, we must have an interest in the problems of our day and a desire to make a contribution to the solving of these problems, Dr. Carmichael said, regarding the spirit of service. Our interest cannot be centered in one field or profession; we must have a respect and tolerance for the other fellow's point of view, and we must cultivate and acquire this

attitude of tolerance during our college and university days, if we are to have it in our later life, he said. If the more gifted and able young men of this generation do not take the lead in service to their community and to their fellowman, the speaker declared, the less able citizens of the country will assume the leadership, to the detriment of everyone concerned. "A spirit of truth and sincerity in our dealings is fundamental to the effective leader," Dr. Carmichael told the gathering. This sincerity involves not only being honest in our contacts with others, but also being honest with ourselves.

Singers Return From Capital

Weary but satisfied, thirty W&L singers returned to Lexington about four this morning. They had represented the Glee club in a trip to Washington where they were guests of the local alumni. The trip was made for two concerts and a broadcast but before they could leave they had given a second broadcast.

The first events were a meeting and dance given by the Virginia society. The group was well received by the 1200 members and guests in the Hotel Willard ballroom. Also on the program were speakers who used projected slides of W&L and VMI in illustration.

That night the group was split up and individuals were accommodated in the homes of W&L alumni. Thursday morning the first broadcast was given from the NBC studios.

Thursday afternoon the group toured Washington; but that night it reassembled at station WRC for a broadcast on the evening request program. Studio officials estimated the listening audience of this program to be in excess of 700,000.

Dr. Desha Suggests Frosh Divide Time

A student should devote one-third of his time to sleeping, one-third to studying, and one-third to recreation and eating, Dr. L. J. Desha, professor of chemistry, told the Freshman council Tuesday night.

Any course which a student can pass by not studying through the semester and "cramming" just before examination should not be included in the University curriculum, he asserted. He reminded the group that there is more to be gotten out of college than grades and said that how a student gets the grades is what really matters.

About 20 members of the council attended the meeting, last of the semester. President Bob Temple presided.

Hospital Notes

There were four University students in the hospital on Thursday. They were J. C. Snidow, Christiansburg, Va.; Dabney Kern, Paducah, Ky.; L. E. Clinton, Denver, Colo.; and W. J. Moonan, Pensacola, Fla.

Gaines Speaks To Boy Scouts

Dr. Gaines spoke to the Roanoke Area council, Boy Scouts of America, in Roanoke on Wednesday evening. The meeting, held in the ballroom of the Hotel Roanoke, was attended by 245 scout adult leaders and guests. It was the largest meeting of this type ever held by the Roanoke council.

Dr. Gaines, in his address, placed upon the scout movement the responsibility of moulding the characters of boys in their most plastic age. He also laid a great deal of emphasis on the early training that young boys need in morals and ethics, declaring that when a boy comes to college it is too late to change any of these things.

Of historical significance, Dr. Gaines told how Robert E. Lee, after his defeat at Appomattox, refused to live among his yesterdays, but became president of Washington and Lee so that he could live among boys and project himself into the future.

Dean Gilliam also journeyed to Roanoke with Dr. Gaines to attend the dinner.

Fancy Dress Ball Broadcast Possible; Set Rules Released

Late-Comers to Be Banned from Gym During Figure, Dance Regulations Say

Possibility of a broadcast of Fancy Dress ball was announced today by Jack Watson, Music Corporation of America, he said, is now in contact with the Columbia Broadcasting system, and definite arrangements are expected in the next few days. Negotiations have been in progress for the past week. Any announcement would be qualified, however, Watson said, since all schedule broadcasts are subject to change without notice.

Late-comers to Fancy Dress will not be admitted to the ball until the figure is over, according to dance board rules released today by Jack Watson, president of the set.

Doors will be open from 9 until 10 p. m., the rules said, then closed until sometime between 10:45 and 11 p. m., when ticket sales will begin.

Seating plans, admission restrictions, regulations on the use of cameras, costume requirements, hours for the dances, and balcony prices were also covered by the dance board statement.

Here are the regulations:

Hours—The doors will open at 9:00 p. m. and the music will begin at 9:30 but there will be no dancing before the figure. From 10 o'clock sharp until the end of the figure, at about 10:45, the doors will be closed and no one admitted above the basement floor of the building. It is expected that the broadcast will begin about 11:30. The intermission will be from 12:30 to 1:00 and the dance will close at 3:00 a. m.

Seating Plan—This will be substantially the same as last year. Freshmen and sophomores and their dates will sit in the balcony during the figure; juniors and seniors and their dates will be seated on the orchestra side of the main floor; chaperones, faculty members, parents, and all other invited guests will be seated on the main floor opposite the orchestra. Immediately following the figure, all chairs will be cleared from the floor except one row around the walls. In leaving the balcony after the figure, before the intermission and at the end of the dance, everyone will be required to do down the stairs at the south (pool) end of the gymnasium.

Admission—No tickets to the Fancy Dress ball will be sold at the door until 11:00 o'clock that evening except to alumni. After that hour, tickets may be bought, at five dollars each, by W&L students and alumni, VMI cadets, and other persons who are properly introduced and vouched for by in-

dividual students. There will be no general sale of spectators' tickets for the balcony at the Fancy Dress ball.

Alumni—Alumni may buy tickets, either by mail in advance, or at the door, but only for themselves and one lady. These may be either floor or balcony tickets; in either case, evening dress is required.

Cameras—As last year, the dance board has adopted the rule that all persons, both students and others, who wish to use cameras in the gymnasium during the ball, must secure permission from R. P. Carter in the publicity office. The purpose is to secure equal privileges for all and to prevent the misuse of cameras during the figure. Watson pointed out that the board will be glad to have anyone take pictures of the figure so long as they observe the few simple rules Mr. Carter has been asked to make.

Costumes—There will be no admission to the gymnasium on the night of Fancy Dress except to persons in approved costumes or in evening dress. According to the rules of the dance board, all Washington and Lee students who appear on the floor must wear costumes of the approximate period of the 'eighties, which is the time setting for the ball. Watson stressed the fact that makeshift costumes would not be tolerated. He pointed out that it is not obligatory for students and their dates to obtain costumes from the official costumier, so long as they comply with the period requirement. "But it will probably cost them less to get satisfactorily costumes if they return them through the Fancy Dress committee," he said.

Other Dances
The hours for the other dances are: Junior Prom, Thursday evening, from 9:30 to 2:00 o'clock, with intermission at 12 o'clock; Saturday afternoon concert and College of Musical Knowledge from
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Lexingtonians Use 'Red Squill' In Major Offense Against Rats

By NED BURKS
The Town council of Lexington is out to get every rat operating in these parts. And they're going about this business in a clever, cold-blooded fashion, for it has all resolved into a battle of brains to separate the mice from the men.

"Red Squill," which in the best rat circles means TNT, is the bait, and the town officials are going to mix up a tasty meal for the local cellar-dwellers. First course is oatmeal, followed by cornmeal and canned fish or meat—all generously seasoned with "Red Squill."

Now here is where the councilmen have outsmarted the rats. "Squill" sets up a partial paralysis of the lungs, and this, the councilmen confide, creates in the rats' minds the idea of suffocation. The rat thinks that his air is being cut off, so he packs up and takes a quick powder out of all the houses into the fresh air.

Just when it looks as if the fresh air has turned the trick, and the rats can mobilize to re-invade the households, "Red Squill" comes through with the clincher and the rats are gradually overcome.

With all the rats out of the way it seems likely that the ruthless "Red Squill" would also put away the local canines and pussies. However, the amount of bait necessary to kill the rats is insufficient to injure the dogs or cats, and even ten times the amount given the rats will only produce the sensation of swallowing a can-opener in the stomachs of the dogs and cats.

It looks like the councilmen win this time, for not only does "Squill" protect the domestic animals, but the rats leave no parting remembrances in the form of pleasant odors.

The bait is perishable and is not effective after 48 hours. The campaign against the rats will be held February 7, 8, and 8, at which time town employees will place the "Squill" in attics and cellars of local houses.

Fraternity houses wishing to root out the rats can cooperate by filling in application coupons which will be published in Lexington papers.



Ginny Simms, featured feminine vocalist with Kay Kyser.

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WE'RE NONE-TOO-WILLING SLAVES TO A SYSTEM

Just about examination time every semester, the eternal questions of why have exams and what good are they peep around the corner. The time is again opportune; and while other school papers accept the thing with a grimace, but accept it, we desire to offer some considerations which we feel important and true, come what may.

From the student's angle, examinations seldom prove anything. Should you do fairly decent work throughout the year and make a high C average, it's better than a 10 to 1 shot that your grade will not be affected by the examination. If you have been barely getting by, you will probably be far beyond help by the time the exam rolls around; but there's the possibility (and it's a very far-fetched one) that the exam may boost you over. But if any real boosting happens, it will probably be the result of a soft-hearted teacher, not your examination. To back up this point, we cite the statement of one professor in the University that out of over 100 students in economics, there were two whose grades changed as a result of the examination, one for the better and one for the worse. But both marks changed by only one grade.

The question is whether or not the examination is worth its salt. In many institutions examinations have been replaced by cumulative tests with no horrifying results. The examination period, too, is a waste of ten perfectly good days of classes which would probably mean more to the student and professor in the way of actual knowledge. Here our own experience has shown that our exam has made little difference in the way of our grade.

Eliminate the examination entirely? No, we shouldn't be so naive as to suggest that. Certain members of any student body will study only because of examinations or tests; and what little knowledge they absorb comes only from their partial attentiveness in class rooms and this unessential cramming. Our suggestion is that perhaps examinations could be eliminated in their existing form to be replaced by those above-mentioned cumulative tests, which would vary little from our present hour quiz. If this is not feasible, why not provide an exemption from examinations for all those students who make a B average? Then perhaps the more lethargic of our student body would raise themselves long enough to work for grades. Then good grades would bring a reward worth striving for.

If this proposal is too radical, there is still another way out long suggested here: At least eliminate second semester examinations for seniors who have made a

C average. This last set of examinations is often uncomfortable and a great deal more difficult for those who hang on the bring of graduation.

For the student, there's a problem; for the professor, there's the undesirable business of correcting piles of papers, which cannot often be given full consideration because of lack of time; for every one there's the nervous strain and physical wrecking. If you don't think so, just wait until Fancy Dress and see how you feel.

KEEP YOUR FINGERS CROSSED UNTIL FANCY DRESS

"Kay Kyser's talented versatility supplied the affair with music, mirth and merriment in equal shares, and those who came to scoff and jeer what they supposed to be an inferior band, doffed their Elizabethan bonnets and cheered the bespectacled impresario, who, in the short space of three entertaining nights, made himself a popular and much-liked figure."

So, rather rather naively according to our present standards, which frown on editorializing in the news columns, The Ring-tum Phi chronicled the Fancy Dress ball of 1936, an event which only a few long-lived law students now recall.

This year Kyser has a far stronger reputation to live up to, and it is Bob Chester who may prove the ace-in-the-hole of Fancy Dress.

Loud costumes, a colorful era, picturesque decorations plus good music and an entertaining Saturday afternoon promise to make the set—well, to make it what Mr. Goldwyn would call colossal.

Somehow, it can't be as good as it looks like it's going to. Something will happen. Everybody will flunk out, or it will rain, or there will be a scarlet fever epidemic, or too many Wahos will come, or something.

But these are not likely to happen, so consider yourself warned: If you don't have a good time it's your own foolish fault.

THE FORUM

A Tribute Due

... We have said more in our columns about VMI and less about Washington and Lee because of the fact one is military and presents a spectacle to be reviewed and discussed. The boys at W&L lead a quieter life but we want to say here that there are young men at W&L who have the true spirit of courtesy . . . and these young men are gentle and kind and sincere, true representatives of the conduct of gentlemen in the old south. Our door swings open with a right good will whenever they stand outside. We praise these young men and their faculty, too—and their president. . . . And just one more word, have you ever gone to a Troubadour play—there is seriousness there, and our hats go off to the young men who can produce such plays as "Winterset."

... Yes, upon that hill are two schools, W&L and VMI, and we see the one marching, carrying its colors proud, saluting and turning at set of sun. We see the other trudging about with books strewn on campus, with laughter and shout, but they are armed with words that speak of truth in the theatres, the class rooms, the pulpits and schools. . . . Hats off, we say, to the things that are created by both these schools, and the things they'll find to do for the world.—The Lexington Gazette.

Padded Schedules

Immediately after the holiday vacation, schedules of classes for next semester will be available and students will begin planning their work for next semester. For freshmen and sophomores and for those enrolled in colleges where their work is strictly dictated by degree requirements, the chore of arranging schedules is not hard. But for upperclassmen, particularly those in arts and sciences, the job of arranging a satisfactory schedule becomes a jig-saw puzzle with parts missing.

Many times students are forced to enroll in courses for which they have not the slightest liking because their schedules must be padded to include sufficient number of hours for graduation. A very considerable portion of the student body is at present enrolled in such courses.

Since this trouble is present, steps should be taken to correct it. The obvious solution seems to be in the institution of courses more general in scope, courses which are likely to appeal to the greatest number of students.—The Toledo Collegian.

The Ring-tum Phi Feature Section

CAMPUS COMMENT . . .

By WILLIAM BUXTON

Examination Time—And How!

The first thing to dispense with is the subject of examinations. For the benefit of those few who haven't been enlightened, the customary thing around Lexington about this time of the year is for the students to be subjected to a veritable barrage of examinations. We study, study, and study—so much so that sometimes we wind up with a chronic case of intellectual indigestion, perhaps combined with a bit of malnutrition.

But you must always keep in mind the basic idea that you are here for a college education regardless of the cost, whether it be of the physical, mental, or social aspect . . . or a combination of the three. What material difference should it make if you ruin your eyes and wreck your health, or lose your mind, or merely develop into a prize-winning introvert! The fact still remains that you are alive and kicking and that Fancy Dress is immediately following. And this, gentlemen, is the nice thing about it all—we have three days of Fancy Dress in which to regain our health. During these three days we sit around all day and do a bit of conservative dancing at night—thus we'll preserve our health and be all primed to begin the second semester. So you can see there's nothing to it.

Letters May Be Dangerous . . .

The age-old warning to the male sex has always been to the effect that you should never put in writing anything that might embarrass you later on—financially or otherwise. But there's a new angle developing at our nearby institution for females, Sweet Briar. This past week the girls were charmed by the visit to the campus of a handwriting expert who seemingly gave the impression he could tell all. The line formed on the right while the girls waited with a letter or two in an endeavor to learn the real, down to earth characteristics of the man of the moment. So you who have been writing intoxicatingly romantic epistles to the Patch, an incomparable domicile and emporium of delight, might feel less certain as to just where you do stand.

That Name, Mary Garber . . .

To elucidate more clearly, Mary is the beautiful and vivacious little thing who is to have the place of honor as the first lady of Fancy Dress. Ed Brown and Jack Watson compete with one another for her favor. Continuously they do this, but you could hardly blame them. The going was rather rough when last Christmas vacation arrived. Watson took her to the train and who should be there but Ed. She kissed them both good-bye so the score was still tied at the end of the first inning. Watson will be one up because of Fancy Dress, but Ed will even the score because he's going to the Sweet Briar Formal with her the following week-end. The pay-off came when she took specimens of each down to the handwriting "expert" to find what she could find. Now what do you make of that?

Ramblin' Round . . .

It is sure a pleasure to stroll into McCrum's for a slight nack shortly before midnight (or at most any time, as a matter of fact). The service is so speedy and courteous you are all but overcome. For example, you may want someone to take your order and you ask an attendant if he'd mind terribly. You're lucky if all you get is a gruff "Ah-h-h, shut up!" . . . The Sigma Chis are planning to give Ishkabbable a cocktail party one afternoon during Fancy Pants when Kyser's band arrives. He's a brother of the band so only the brothers will be invited. . . . Sam McCormick appears to have intentions of hanging out at the Patch looking wild-eyed at lovely Beth Thomas. But let's assure the law professors that this won't happen until the second semester is at hand. . . . Raymond Russell is still bragging that he has a date for the dances, but the Sigma Nu brothers are rather dubious, as are we all. . . . It looks as if the Kappa Sigmas will have another small get-together this Fancy Dress very similar to what came off a year ago. Very small and, of course, nothing pretentious. . . . Gordon Lloyd is having a queen down from the University of Illinois. Call her Virginia for short. . . . Kit Carson, the former demon of the ATO house, will be with us again this approaching semester Says he'll continue his past record of all studying and no playing. . . . Jimmy Hammett, Frank Martin, Lee Spaulding, and others went cruising again Thursday night endeavoring to permit the fresh air to excite them into a mood for further studying. . . . Charlie Curl probably has a date with a cute girl from Hollins for the dances. . . . Jim Roberts, among others, is pretty worried about statistics in the New York Times. . . . Cecil Taylor ate pork chops the other night at the ATO house and the incident was an unnecessary reminder of the column a week ago. . . . Syd Lewis says he hates nobody but the clique that opposed him last year. . . . Dickie Day has eliminated Macon temporarily until this veritable army of intellectuals have ceased firing (questions) at him. . . . Brad Dunson should be having Joyce Kirby down about the first of February.

The Troubadours are really getting hot. . . . According to Johnny Alnutt, ticket seller extraordinary, over half of the seats for the Fancy Dress version of "Winterset" have gone by the box-office. . . . Best seats left are in the tenth row. . . . And all this two weeks in advance.

Wanna' Do It In Style? . . .

Mr. Barnes, of the Political Science department, says that we ought to do Fancy Dress in style by cultivating a crop of side-burns to eliminate the application of a burnt cork the night of Fancy Dress ball. Whether you do or not is your own business, but we can agree on one thing and that is that Jack Watson has done a good job thus far. And there's no reason why this Fancy Dress shouldn't be the best they've ever had. Study hard, have a good time and we'll see you next semester. Good luck!

PERSONAL OPINIONS

John Dempsher is one of these varied chaps who can sit through two or three successive meals, where inane, pointless, and useless remarks fly with force enough to snap the best of eardrums, and say exactly nothing at all.

When you converse with him personally you are surprised at the aptness and occasional crackling wit of what he has to say. He spends his afternoons over in the chemistry lab, makes honor roll grades, and reads in his spare time. We didn't know, until we asked him for this column, that he wrote.

Here, in a mild but devastating way, he rebuts Dave Miller's sheepskin philosophy of issue before last.

BILL BUCHANAN.

Consolation for Flunkers And Rebuttal for Miller

A few days ago your editor wrote in his column that David Hartle Miller, A. B. M. A., Phi Beta Kappa, etc., was giving his "philosophical" answer on "the value of a sheepskin."

After reading David's column, I must agree with your editor—it was a "philosophical" answer, all of which reminds me of John Dewey's definition of philosophy as "something you already know, told in words you cannot understand."

I already knew what David was driving at, for my illiterate Uncle Nicolai gave me the same warning many years ago. But it didn't take him some 700-odd words and a two-hour meditation to get it over. Alexander Pope was evidently right when he said:

"Words are like leaves; and where they most abound,
Much fruit of sense beneath is rarely found."

Don't get me wrong now, for I like David Miller. When I arrived at Washington and Lee a friendless, meek and awe-struck lowly freshman, it was David's friendly chats and glittering Phi Beta Kappa key which made life again seem worth living.

But after reading his column three times, I was both surprised and disappointed in David.

He seemed to have adopted a cynical attitude toward life because of his immediate disappointment on going out into the world. Luckily his last few paragraphs give evidence that he is cured of this cynicism, and is now ready to fight the world.

Do you know, I also felt like David about life. But here is the way I figured it out: (This may help those who fear they may flunk out in the next few weeks.) If, after getting my degree I am a failure in life (you don't need to advance to this stage before applying the solutions) I will adopt one of two attitudes and explain my failure satisfactorily—I hope.

Solution One: I will adopt a cynical attitude toward life and picture myself as John Garfield in "Four Wives." Then I'll stick a cigarette stump in the corner of my mouth, muss my hair and say bitterly, "Do you think they'll let me win? They! The Fates! The Destinies!"

And if I wouldn't get sympathy from the family, maybe I would get the sympathy of somebody like Priscilla Lane—or somebody.

Solution Two: If my mother, who is very religious, is present, I will adopt both the philosophy of the Puritans and their pious attitude. I will wear my black suit, stand meekly before her and recite from Pope:

"What if the foot, ordained the dust to tread,
Or hand, to toil, aspired to be the head?

What if the head, the eye or ear repined
To serve more engines to the ruling mind?

Just as absurd for any part to claim
To be another in this general frame;

Just as absurd, to mourn the tasks or pains
The great directing mind of all ordains."

Thus in these woeful days preceding February 1 you have before you a "synthetic" philosophy which it may pay you to adopt.

You will, perhaps, immediately discount it because it is composed by a student. But let me assure you that if you mix together Nietzsche, Kant, Spinoza, and Schopenhauer and boil them down, you will get the above philosophy.

JOHN DEMPHER.

Addenda

Some school in Texas, whose name we forget, wanted to have Kay Kyser for their wid-winter dances.

So they sent him a telegram, signed by every member of the student body. It was a long telegram.

By-Gone Headlines

By BOB CAMPBELL

1939—

Joseph T. Lykes drafts new alumni set-up. Every chapter to be represented on alumni council. . . . South is America's last economic frontier, says John Temple Graves in Founder's day address. . . . Henry R. McGehee, '38, dies suddenly at Reidsville. . . . Richard P. Carter to address meeting of Virginia Press association. . . . Cecil Taylor baffled by mysterious radio bulletin about Fancy Dress band leader: "Hal Kemp seriously injured in air crash." . . . W&L in fourth place in state cage standings. . . . Journalism press issues Graphic Arts Education Bulletin. . . . ODK to hold 25th anniversary convention here March 23-25. . . . Frosh may discard caps after February 2. Fielden Woodward announces. . . . Trustees propose broad survey to athletic policy, oked Tex Tilson.

1933—

Warren E. Tilson to succeed Jimmy DeHart as football mentor. Cy Young appointed associate coach. . . . Bernie Cummins, signed for Fancy Dress, plans radio salute to W&L. . . . Generals open court season against St. Louis. . . . Survey shows fraternity presidents favor deferred rushing plan. . . . Technocracy is not a fad, Dean Glover Hancock says. . . . Newton D. Baker to speak at Founder's day assembly. . . . Contract bridge tournament reaches finals. Entrance fees going to Red Cross. . . . Walter J. Pound elected boxing captain.

1920—

E. P. Davis, alumni secretary, develops active program for work. . . . Ground broken for new dormitory opposite Lees. Building to be heated by steam heat. . . . At the New theatre: Baroness Rouskaya with Columbia band. Tickets at McCrum's for \$1.00 and \$1.50 plus war tax. . . . Fraternities initiate "goats" . . . Rupert N. Latture cited for valor "under the most perilous circumstances" by Marshall of France. . . . Alumni to erect Memorial gateway to war dead. Designed by B. F. Flournoy, '97. . . . Dr. Charles F. Myers addresses assembly.

1898—

The New Year's German, given by the Cotillion club on Friday the 7th was one of the most delightful we have ever held. The dancing was so inspiring that even after the second "Home, Sweet Home" one person was so full of irrepressible spirits as to make a hundred yard dash across the campus to the delight of all beholders. . . . Seven couples, nine stags, and nine cadets were present.

1819—

The establishment of a college or seminary of learning in any place, although highly useful in itself and beneficial perhaps to its citizens, is attended with evils sufficient to balance all its promised utility. . . . Ladies of Lexington—beware of the students . . . and do not encourage a race of young men—many of whose claims to distinction arise only from external elegance of dress, or excess of imprudence—unbounded vanity and pride, and profligacy of manners, that the lowest wretch who walks the streets would only desire to imitate. (Letter signed "Common Sense" in the Lexington News Letter, June 19, 1819.)

PREVIEWS AND REVIEWS

By AL FLEISHMAN

Well, don't say we didn't warn you about "A Child Is Born"—maybe it was good, but our taste (such as it is) said no. . . . So no it was—plenty dramatic—but we're of the escapist type.

The State theatre promises something for Saturday. . . . It's "He Married His Wife," with Joel McCrea and Nancy Kelly in the top roles. . . . The story is a screwy one, but should provide good entertainment. . . . It seems that McCrea is divorced from Nancy Kelly, but the two are still friendly. . . . There's a question of alimony which almost breaks up the friendliness, and McCrea's lawyer, Roland Young, decides to get Nancy married off to save the alimony. . . . With the aid of Mary Boland, Caesar Romero, and Lyle Talbot the foul plot is almost accomplished—but McCrea realizes he still loves her, so certain.

RKO's killer-diller of recent weeks, "The Hunchback of Notre Dame," produced by Pandro S. Berman (he's in again), is available for chilling purposes at the State on next Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, if there's not too much work connected with exams. . . . It's Victor Hugo's most famous story and most publicized in the U. S. . . . Also famous is Charles Laughton, playing the lead role; and Maureen O'Hara, one of those many finds (but good), doing the main female character. . . . Laughton plays good boy with bad face and does an awfully good job in a difficult part—he helps out Esmeralda (that's O'Hara), the gypsy girl, when she's almost hung for

a murder she didn't commit and proves that he's okay when he kills the villain. . . . Everything ends happily—there's plenty of action, but the show drags in spots. . . . Edmond O'Brien is good as the tattered poet, while Thomas Mitchell and Sir Cedric Hardwicke (Mr. Brink of "On Borrowed Time") provide a good bit of support. . . . It's not as good as it's cracked up to be—but that's one way to get out of studying.

Here's a summary of all pictures between the beginning of exams and Fancy Dress:

Next Thursday and Friday at the State is "Intermezzo. A Love Story," with Leslie Howard and another of those many finds, Ingrid Bergman. . . . Howard is a famous violinist, who, after returning home from a concert tour, finds that he no longer wants to remain settled with his wife and their two children. . . . He wants to get around and enjoy life. . . . He asks his wife to accompany him on their second honeymoon, but she refuses, saying her place is with her children. . . . Howard then proceeds to fall in love with his daughter's young piano teacher (that's Bergman) and takes her with him on his next concert tour. . . . More fun when the wife finds out. . . . It's some of that dramatic Howard coming out again—he's good, but we're afraid of the picture. . . . This Bergman gal isn't bad at all!

For Saturday's relaxation during exams, we'll recommend the "Cat and the Canary" as the scar-

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Blue Comets Rout R-M Jackets, 43-27; Pinck Paces Attack

Generals' Star Connects for 17 Points To Continue Scoring Spree; Cunningham Substitutes Freely as Game Is Clinched

By RAY WHITAKER
The Washington and Lee varsity basketball team registered its second consecutive victory in state competition Tuesday night in Doremus gym when they crushed an inferior Randolph-Macon five, 43-27.

With Dick Pinck continuing his hot scoring spree, the Generals outclassed the game visitors. Pinck bagged seven field goals and three digits from the foul line for a 17-point total.

Washington and Lee got the opening tip-off and moved down to score with Pinck counting on a one-hand toss from the corner. Randolph-Macon started to bring the ball down the floor but Pinck intercepted a pass and dribbled in for his second basket. The Yellow Jackets again took to the offense only to have Reinartz spear the

ball for W&L, pass the ball to Pinck, and the Generals had a 6-0 lead when Pinck dropped in a snowbird. Randolph-Macon never was able to recover from this early Washington and Lee offense. The Generals were ahead 18-9 at the half.

Leo Reinartz opened the second period for the Big Blue by sinking three set shots from well out on the floor. Pinck, Dobbins, and Gassman each added a basket, and the Generals were safely ahead 30-9. With this big margin making the outcome of the contest certain, Coach Cunningham substituted frequently during the remaining portion of the game.

As usual, Pinck was the big gun in the Blue Comets' attack. Besides being the evening's high scorer, he played an outstanding floor game.

FOLLOWING THE BIG BLUE

By DICK WRIGHT

Congenial Tex Tilson was in one of his rare moods last Tuesday night when he addressed the third annual father and son banquet at Temple Emanuel in Roanoke. Usually very hesitant in speaking of his past experiences in the world of sport, Coach Tilson cut loose with a couple of stories concerning himself that were a wee bit on the funny side.

It seems that when Tex was a student at Washington and Lee, he was on the varsity boxing team, a sport that was discontinued five years ago. "Sluggo" Tilson sparred off at 175 pounds.

One season the Generals traveled north to box a highly-touted United States Military academy team at West Point. The slugging Big Blue outfit failed to win a match in the early rounds, so tough were the West Pointers. Knockouts were as common as Coach Mathis' wrestling victories.

As Tilson put it, "I shuffled out of my corner and there standing before me was the toughest looking man that I ever saw." Tex and the bruiser slugged it out for two rounds, hitting each other with everything they had.

At the end of the second round both men were practically out on their feet and Tilson was very anxious to end it all. He asked his coach, Bill Brett, if he didn't think it would be a good idea if he were to clip his foe with all he had. Coach Brett agreed, and Tex walked out into the center of the ring. Evidently both boys must have had the same idea, because just as

the referee parted their gloves in the ancient last-round ring tradition, two terrific haymakers whistled through the air and, low and behold, they both had missed. This is their gloves missed. Their skulls crashed together with a sickening thud and both boxers hit the canvass.

Tex saw Coach Brett gesturing wildly outside the ring and even though he never has figured out how he did it, the Generals 175-pounder struggled to his feet while his opponent chose to take a nap. Which just goes to prove something.

The second story concerns a rather cold issue that Cy Young took care of one night. Cy was coaching his basketball team and smoking cigarettes by the bushel load. Someone handed him a glass of water just as a basket was made on the floor. Cy calmly shoved the glass of water into his pocket, thinking they were his weeds. There was quite a fogging match for about ten minutes.

While we're on the subject of stories, Cy Twombly let us in on the biggest thrills of his life the other day. After playing baseball for the St. Louis Cardinals and the Chicago White Sox for three years, Cy settled down and played ball for a club named Manchester somewhere in the wilds of Connecticut.

Before we go any further let us remind you that Cy is a pitcher, and pitchers are not supposed to be hitters. Anyway, brother Twombly.

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Frosh Courtmen Begin to Sizzle, Drop Shenandoah College, 70-56 Despite 32 Markers by Clear

Washington and Lee's freshman team, victors over Shenandoah college Wednesday night by the top-heavy score of 70-56, will meet Massanutten in Doremus gym tonight at 7 o'clock in what promises to be one of the fastest and closest games of the season. According to W&L Coach Bill Ellis, the Massanutten five downed Shenandoah last week 67-52 indicating that they will be an even match for the Brigadiers.

Every one of the 16 men on the freshman squad contributed to the beating handed Shenandoah's Bob Clear and company. Clear, with accurate shooting and skillful ball handling, kept his outclassed team in the game by rolling up 32 points, a mark only 2 points short of the local court record held by varsityman Dick Pinck. Clear is attracting considerable attention throughout the state by his excellent scoring record. In no game has he failed to score less than 25 points, and his average is far above this in most instances.

The General frosh took an early

10-1 lead, but mid-way through the first half Clear's scoring aided the Shenandoah boys in pulling up to a 13-13 tie. Halftime, however, found Coach Ellis' team ahead 33-19, and during the last period W&L pulled far ahead with a lead which Shenandoah never seriously threatened.

Eleven field goals by Jeff Hudson led the W&L cagers in scoring. Lanky Dick Ellis and Captain Johnny Ligon, with 11 points each, followed in the scoring parade.

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Cagers Head for Maryland And Decisive SC Battle

With one victory and one setback to their credit in Southern conference play this season, the Washington and Lee cagers will return to conference play tomorrow afternoon when they oppose Maryland's undefeated combination in College Park.

Regraded as the logical contender for the loop crown worn by Clemson, the Terps have been knocking over first-class teams all season. They dropped the Duke quintet for a 33-30 loss recently. Last Saturday they tripped Richmond's highly regarded outfit 35-19. Randolph-Macon, although not in a bracket with either Duke or Richmond, came out on the short end of a 47-16 decision with the Terps. Add to that the fact that Maryland has decisive victories to their credit over both Clemson and Princeton. The triumph over Clemson was gained when the Tig-

ers were without Banks McFadden, their all-American center, and Shad Bryant, regular forward. How Washington and Lee stacks up against Maryland tomorrow night should be a good indication of how far they will go towards the tournament at Raleigh this year.

The Generals left this afternoon by automobile for College Park. They will have a short workout there this evening. Tonight they will watch the Maryland-VPI clash and attempt to figure out some way of stopping the Old Liners' victory march.

There may be one change in the Washington and Lee lineup. Ronnie Thompson injured his leg in the Randolph-Macon clash Tuesday, and it may handicap him some. In the event of a change in the starting lineup, Bobby Hobson will take his place as guard.

General Matmen Grapple Wolfpack

Riding on the crest of a two-game winning streak, Coach Archie Mathis' Blue clad grapplers will pit their wrestling skill against one of the strongest teams in the South Saturday night when they tangle with the North Carolina Wolfpack at Doremus gymnasium. The match will get underway at 7:00 p. m.

After a decisive win over West Virginia at Morgantown last Saturday, Coach Mathis sent his squad through their hardest workout of the current season this week, in an effort to round them into top shape for the Wolfpack match. Eddie Wagg is still out of the starting lineup resulting from a bad cold that kept him out of the Mountaineer match. Wagg will be replaced by Charlie Lanier in the 155-pound class.

Tom Fuller will wrestle in the 135-pound class this week in place of George McInerney, who usually starts at this position. Both men weigh about the same, and Coach Mathis will alternate them during the remainder of the season.

The rest of the starting lineup includes Reed at 121 pounds, Hammett at 128, McInerney at 145 pounds, Lanier at 155 pounds, Parrier in the 165-pound division, and Captain Henry Braun at 175 pounds. Coach Mathis has not decided upon a heavyweight, al-

though Bob Schellenberg will probably start.

Last year North Carolina State was the toughest wrestling team that the Generals met, according to Coach Mathis. This year the Wolfpack will be twice as tough, and all indications point to one of the best matches of the season.

Beta's Rally Wins, 18-14 Over Gary's Sigma Chis

Beta Theta Pi's basketball team defeated Sigma Chi Tuesday evening 18-14 in the second round of the I-M basketball tournament. The Betas, behind 7-6 at the half, came back with a rush to win.

The winners, coached by Mack Wing, used a baffling zone defense that worked to perfection in keeping such stalwart Sigma Chis as Wadlington, Jennings, and Blanding from finding the hoop too often. Farrar, Shannon, Boyd, Gruesser, Jamieson, LaMotte, Barrie, Tyson, Lewis, and Lanier comprised the Beta team, with Farrar as high scorer for the game.

The Sigma Chis, coached by varsity cager Bob Gary, were brilliant in spots but seemed to be missing vital shots. Jennings, Wadlington, Blanding, Browning, and the Murray twins performed for the Sigma Chis.

Swimmers Oppose North Carolinians In Sophomore Duel

Captain Farber--Star Merman

Brent Farber, who will lead Washington and Lee's swimming team into action tonight against North Carolina State's mermen, has compiled an enviable record in three seasons as a varsity swimmer.

One of the best Big Blue tankmen in recent years, Farber swims in the 50- and 100-yard dashes and the free style relay. He captains Cy Twombly's outfit this year and figures to be one of the Generals' top scorers. In the 1939 Southern conference meet, Brent gained two second places for the best individual performance of any W&L entrant. In that meet Washington and Lee finished sixth after a four-year supremacy.

Farber was one of the mainstays when swimming in his freshman year, and has played a steady brand of lacrosse for the Big Blue for two seasons.

Besides his athletic achievements, Brent is a member of Sigma and ODK honorary fraternities, being tapped by the latter in his junior year.

Twomblymen to Open Season Against Powerful Wolfpack; Dashes to Feature Meet

Cy Twombly's varsity swimming team opens its 1940 season tonight at 8 o'clock, swimming against the strong North Carolina State Wolfpack in a meet in the pool in Doremus gymnasium.

Victorious in their first meet of the season with Randolph-Macon, the Carolinians, coached by C. R. Lefort, will be attempting to gain their second victory at the expense of a Virginia rival.

In winning from Randolph-Macon, the Wolfpack mermen ran up a total of 66 points to nine for the Yellow Jackets. One second and a third in every other event was all the losers were able to score.

Co-captain of the North Carolina State team, Bob White, is a dash man. His battle with Brent Farber, captain and mainstay of the Washington and Lee team, should be a highlight of the meet.

Tom Rowland, the visitors' other co-captain, will be swimming against two dependable breast stroke swimmers when he takes to

the water against Jake Warner, one of the few veterans on the Generals' varsity, and Freddie Pitzer, a sophomore who unofficially bettered Warner's pool mark in the 220-yard breast stroke swim in the frosh-varsity meet run-off last Friday afternoon.

The invaders will be counting on sophomores to carry them through to victory in tonight's meet. On his squad, Lafort has only five lettermen, the remaining members being men up from last year's freshman team.

Sophomores should prove important cogs in the Generals' swimming machine, too, as only four lettermen are expected to perform for the home outfit. In addition to Farber and Warner, only Jack Akin and Herb Friedman are letter winners. Akin won his monogram as a breast stroke swimmer, but has been changed to a distance swimmer this season. Friedman, due to the presence of Alec Thomson, a senior making

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Capt. Braun Leads Matmen To Third Straight Victory As Wolfpack Topples 25-5

Boisseau Highlights Successful Meet By Winning Decision in Colorful Bout

Led by Captain Henry Braun, the Washington and Lee wrestling squad played host to a strong North Carolina State team two Saturday nights ago, and came out on the long end of a 25 to 5 victory. It was the third start of the season for the Generals, and their third straight win.

After two successive victories over Richmond YMCA and the University of West Virginia, Coach Mathis' grapplers proved their worth against the Wolfpack in winning what was probably their toughest match of the current season. The Carolinians won only one match, in the 128-pound class; dropped two contests by falls, and lost five by decisions.

The match was high-lighted by the initial appearance of Football Captain Dick Boisseau, as a wrestler for the Big Blue. Grappling in the unlimited class, Captain Boisseau toiled and struggled with his State opponent, Woody Jones, for nine minutes and finally won on a decision. Several dynamic football tackles featured the unlimited match, with Boisseau the winner by a wide margin. Mighty Captain Boisseau jumped on his man in the opening moments of the contest, and never relinquished his position until the nine minutes were up.

Washington and Lee's two falls came in the 145-pound class, and the 165-pound division. Tom Fuller wasted no time with his State opponent, Bill Truslow, and pinned him with a single bar in 4 minutes and 19 seconds. Barney Farrer finally hit his stride as a 165-pounder, and pinned Brandt of State in five minutes and 12 seconds. Farrer pinned his man with a reverse figure eight.

The only other fall came in the 128-pound class, where Charlie Hunter disposed of the Generals' Jimmy Hammett in two minutes and 16 seconds. The flashy 128-pounder pinned his man with a half nelson.

Harold Reed, in the 121-pound class, defeated Nelly of State by a decision. Reed had little trouble in winning his third start of the season.

Charlie Lanier, wrestling in place of the injured Eddie Wagg, George McInerney, and Captain Henry Braun came through victoriously in their weight divisions. Lan-

ier, wrestling at 155 pounds, won a decision over Cornup; George McInerney at 135 pounds, defeated Troxler on a decision; while Captain Braun downed Lchworm of North Carolina also on a decision.

Next Saturday the Blue grapplers will meet the Apprentice school of Newport News. Coach Archie Mathis is very desirous of a win over the "Shipbuilders."

Archer Puddington will be out for the rest of the season as a result of his shoulder injury, while Bob Schellenberg, who pulled a "David and Goliath" against Richmond YMCA a few weeks ago, is also nursing a sore shoulder.

Frosh Avenged, Top VPI 51-41

The Washington and Lee freshman team downed the Virginia Tech yearlings 51-41 last Saturday night in a prelude to the Generals' tangle with the VPI varsity, avenging themselves for the only defeat of the season in the hands of the Tech frosh two weeks ago.

W&L's Hudson and Tech's Crawford finished in a dead heat for first place in the scoring race with 22 points each.

W&L Frosh	G.	F.	T.
Signaigo, f.	3	4	10
Whipple, f.	0	3	3
Gary, f.	0	0	0
Myers, f.	0	0	0
Ellis, c.	5	1	11
Ligon, g.	2	1	5
Hudson, g.	10	2	22
Kirkpatrick, g.	0	0	0
Nelson, g.	0	0	0
Totals	20	11	51

VPI Frosh	G.	F.	T.
Howell, f.	3	1	7
Montgomery, f.	0	1	1
Persinger, f.	0	0	0
Schneider, c.	0	2	2
Woodleton, c.	2	0	4
Crawford, g.	9	4	22
Cawthorn, g.	2	1	5
Sullivan, g.	0	0	0
Judy, g.	0	0	0
Totals	16	9	41

Half time score: W&L, 31; VPI, 24.
Officials: Twombly and Dangler.

Brigadiers Drop Wrestling Meet

Washington and Lee's freshman wrestling team lost its first match of the season when the Brigadier grapplers dropped a 19-11 affair to Woodberry Forest Saturday, January 27, in Doremus gymnasium. After losing the opening contest, the Foresters gained two falls and three decisions for their margin of victory, while the Generals were only able to register one fall and two decisions.

In the 121-pound class, Woodberry Forest's Richardson went the route with Red-headed Sammy Graham, but finally lost on a decision. The 128-pound division saw Curtis come through with a fall over W&L's Bob Lambert, winning in 5 minutes, 51 seconds.

One hundred and thirty-six pound Bob Wagg looked good in his first start for Brigadiers, but lost a close decision to the invaders' Tilbert. Eddie Robb, entrant in the 145-pound class, put the Generals back in the running with a one-sided victory over Woodberry Forest's McClintic, seizing the advantage at the outset and maintaining it throughout the greater part of the match.

Fran Russell, wrestling in the 175-pound class for the Generals, went the full distance with the leaders' Thack, but eventually succumbed to his opponent's superior skill.

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Victors Over N. C. State, Swimmers Travel To W&M

By AL DARBY

Washington and Lee's varsity swim team, victorious over North Carolina State, 42-33 in its first meet of the 1940 season on January 19, travels to Williamsburg Tuesday to swim against the William and Mary Indians.

Although the Indians lost their first meet Monday when North Carolina beat them, 44-31, they broke two William and Mary pool records, and gained five first places for four for the victorious Tarheels.

Tom Brennan, the Indians' outstanding swimmer, broke the 150-yard back stroke pool record in last Monday's meet, splashing to victory in the remarkable time of 1:49. When Ingram of North Carolina State won the back stroke in the W&L-N. C. State meet, his time was 1:51.8.

The William and Mary medley relay team of Brennan, Almond, and Purtil set another pool record in winning that event in 3:15.8. It is in the medley relay that Cy Twombly's mermen are weakest.

Brent Farber, captain and mainstay of the Generals' swim team, and Bob Schultz, sophomore distance swimmer, are counted on to give W&L vital points in the four free style events. The William and Mary forces were able to get no better than third place in each of these four races.

The battle between Almond of W&M and Warner of W&L in the 200-yard breast stroke swim should be one of the best of the meet. Both are veteran swimmers and were victorious in their first swim this year.

Rubin, Tribe diver, was William and Mary's other winner in the meet with North Carolina. Bob Boyce, Twombly's ace diver, likewise, was triumphant in the diving event in the North Carolina State meet. Their dual should be another close one.

Handicapped by lack of practice during exams and with Fancy Dress coming up this week-end, it is doubtful that the W&L mermen will give as good performances as they did in the opening meet with North Carolina State.

Flashing Blue Comets Meet Terps Thursday

Maryland, Virginia to Provide Climax For Generals Big Drive in Conference

Washington and Lee will launch its big drive along the Big Six and Southern conference basketball fronts next week with two major tilts which should indicate fairly well exactly how far they will go in the two circuits.

The "hot-and-cold" University of Maryland five will provide the first opposition when they invade Doremus gym next Thursday night. Then on Saturday night in the Lynchburg armory the Generals will renew their feud with the University of Virginia courtmen.

After an early season start which netted them triumphs over Clemson, Duke, and Richmond, Maryland was crushed in their fourth conference go 44-25 by Washington and Lee. Since that setback they have dropped decisions to South Carolina, Duke, and Clemson. The losses plummeted them from the top rung of the loop ladder to a poor fourth. If Washington and Lee can force the Terrapins to continue their race in the wrong direction, then the Generals will probably advance without much difficulty to the Raleigh tournament.

The present conference standings reveal the North Carolina White Phantoms to be leading the pack with six wins against one loss, along with Duke with the same record. Washington and Lee is precariously perched in second place with a 3-and-1 record. Should they lose to Maryland, they will drop down below Clemson and Richmond. This might prove to be very inconvenient, because the Generals have yet to meet North

Carolina, Duke, and Richmond. The state title should be in the balance when the Blue Comets collide with Virginia's highly-rated combine next Saturday. Both teams are undefeated in state competition. So is the University of Richmond, but the Spiders haven't met a Big Six team so far, and as their record is none too impressive in their other games.

VPI Crushed By W&L, 42-22

Showing a vast superiority in every department, the Washington and Lee cagers dropped Virginia Tech for a 44-22 loss in Doremus gym last Saturday. It was the second time this year that they have beaten the Techmen.

With a sure-fire passing attack that couldn't be stopped, the Generals hopped into an early lead at the outset and never were headed. Dick Pinck fired in set-shots from all over the court to capture high scoring honors with a 16-point total. He was closely followed by Howard Dobbins who tossed in six snowbirds and a pair of markers from the foul lane to gather 14 points. The marksmanship shown by Pinck and Dobbins was one of the most dazzling exhibitions ever seen in Doremus gym.

They were aided no little bit, though, by the accurate "feeding" of the ball to them by Bob Gary, Sid Lewis, and Captain Leo Reinartz.

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