

Trustees OK New Dorm, Library Rebuilding; Buy White Farm, Elect Rocky Holt to Board

Americans Must Retain Morale, McKissick Declares

USC President Cites Courage Of People in Past Crises

The people of the United States need to retain their ability "to fend for themselves" and must not become dependent upon their government, Dr. J. Rion McKissick, president of the University of South Carolina, told a University assembly in Doramus gymnasium this morning.

The occasion was the annual Washington-Cincinnati society convocation in observance of the 142nd anniversary of George Washington's \$50,000 bequest to Liberty Hall academy.

Introduced by President Gaines as "one of the most versatile men who has ever spoken here," Dr. McKissick cited the action of the people in past periods of distress in American history, declaring that "in the greatest crisis which the people of the South have suffered they did not turn to the government for relief."

"Morale, spirit, will, self-denial, self-reliance, and unmovable faith in country and God are needed now as never before, not only by the Southern people but by all Americans," he said.

He quoted Grover Cleveland: "The people must support the government, but the government cannot support the people."

The morale which our nation needs, he stated, is that of the colonial pioneers, the Revolutionary heroes, and the Confederate men and women who showed unflinching

courage and devotion to the cause in which they believed. Dr. McKissick cited the difficult days of the Reconstruction period as illustrating the tenacity of the Southerners in their time of distress.

He mentioned the way in which General Robert E. Lee gave up offers of more lucrative positions to accept the presidency of Washington college and "teach the young men of the South to do their duty."

"The character of the citizen is the strength of the state," he concluded, declaring that upon every one of us there is an obligation of embodying in ourselves the qualities which have made America great.

'13' Club Formal Committees Named

Frank Nichols, president of the "13" club, announced the committees today that will be in charge of arrangements for the "13" club formal which will be held on the Friday night of Spring dances.

Nichols also stated that the favors had been selected and that he felt that they were as fine a favor as had ever been used by the "13" club.

The committees appointed by Nichols are as follows: Executive committee: Chairman Bill Ayers, Dick Day, Jack Watson, Cecil Taylor, and Derrell Dickens.

Decorations committee: Chairman Al Snyder, Terry Blandford, Ed Brown, Steve Stephenson, Bob Gary, and Henry Roediger.

Favors committee: Chairman Bucky Stoops, Cameron Dean, Sims Trueheart, Jack Jones, Bob Howard, and Emil Rassmann.

Floor committee: Chairman Charlie Curl, Howard Dobbins, Ed Wagg, Bob Hutcheson, Cliff Walters, and Homer Jones.

Dance committee: Chairman Charles Chapman, John Campbell, Porky Dickinson, Bill Whaley, Pete Crook, and Jim McConnell.

State to Play Records

Fifteen-minute "concerts" of latest records by Woody Herman and Gene Krupa, W&L's Spring dance bands, will precede 2:00 and 7:00 o'clock shows at the State theatre next week. Manager Ralph Daves announced today.

1200 to Attend VMI Dances

Nearly 1200 visitors are expected to attend the Spring hops week-end at VMI, which began this afternoon with a baseball game against William and Mary, and will continue through the final dance tomorrow night. Glenn Miller and his orchestra, including vocalists Marion Hutton and Ray Eberle, arrived in Lexington this afternoon in order to play at the formal hop at 10 o'clock tonight, and will stay through the swing concert at 4:00 tomorrow afternoon and the informal dance tomorrow night.

A parade was held at 5:00 this afternoon, following the baseball game. Tonight the Second class show, a minstrel entitled "Gentlemen Be Seated," will be given in J. M. hall. At 9:30 tomorrow morning, Miss Martha Ann Merchant will present steel engravings of Robert E. Lee and Jefferson Davis to the Institute. This ceremony will be followed by a garrison review.

Although Miller has not yet given his consent for a swing concert instead of a dansant tomorrow afternoon, there is a strong possibility that he will do so.

Waring Salutes W&L

Fred Waring's Chesterfield program tonight at 7 p. m., Eastern Standard time, over the National Broadcasting Company's red network will feature Washington and Lee songs, according to an announcement sent to the W&L Glee club. A rebroadcast of the program will take place at 11 o'clock over Central Standard time stations.



MISS ANNA MAE FEUCHTENBERGER, Sweet Briar senior from Bluefield, W. Va., who will lead the Cotillion club figure at Spring dances with Billy Buxton on Saturday, April 12, with music by Gene Krupa and his orchestra.

Mock Convention Moves to Forefront

Eclipsed during the past two weeks by campus politics, the forthcoming mock Republican convention again pushed its way to the forefront as student body President Cecil Taylor announced a meeting of all convention committees next Monday night at 7:30 in this week's Executive committee meeting.

Work on the convention is progressing rapidly now, Taylor stated, although there have been some hindrances in the way of obtaining information from state chairmen of Republican committees. Most of the state chairmen, according to Taylor and credentials chairman Buddy Foltz, don't commit themselves, saying their delegates are uninstructed. Accurate forecast of country-wide opinion will thus be more difficult.

Other committee reports indicated that Al Snyder's decorations committee had arranged with Fred Lynch, decorator of the gym for the coming Spring dance set, to leave and add some of the decorations remaining from the dances, plus material boosting Republican candidates, to give the Doramus gymnasium a distinct convention atmosphere.

Taylor added that the members of the Republican party had been "cooperating to the hilt" with the Executive committee and the chairmen. Publicity and decorating material is pouring in from national campaign headquarters of all Republican candidates for president.

Taylor and Republican higher-ups are trying to arrange a broadcast over a nation-wide hook-up of the opening session of the convention and of keynoter James Wadsworth's speech.

The meeting of all committees and all persons working on the convention will take place Monday night at 7:30 in the big room in Newcomb hall.

The Speakers' committee headed by Fred Bartenstein and Brent Farber has its speakers lined up for nominating and seconding speeches and are engaged at present in determining political and economic beliefs of the respective nominees. Leo Reinartz's platform committee is working along the same lines, trying to clarify and establish the leading issues of the campaign in a crystallized platform.

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Betas, Delts Win Opening Round Of I-F Sing Over Eight Entries

Selected as the two best singing groups on the campus in the first annual Interfraternity Sing held Wednesday night, Beta Theta Pi and Delta Tau Delta will compete in the final round to be held at the dansant of Spring dances next Saturday.

In addition to "College Friendships," which all competing clubs were required to sing, the Betas sang "The Loving Cup," while the Delts sang "Delta Shelter."

Phi Gamma Delta, singing "Here's to Good Old Delta," and Phi Delta Theta, singing "Tell Me Why," were awarded honorable

mention by the judges, Mrs. G. J. Irwin, Miss Mary Monroe Penick, and Professor J. A. Graham.

The other competing fraternities and the song which they sang in addition to "College Friendships" were Delta Upsilon, "Sweetheart of DU"; Kappa Sigma, "Drink to Me Only with Thine Eyes"; Lambda Chi Alpha, "In the Evening by the Moonlight"; Pi Kappa Alpha, "I've Been Working on the Railroad"; Sigma Chi, a combination of "Liebestraum" and "Sweetheart of Sigma Chi"; and Sigma Nu, "I Had a Dream."

Dormitory Construction Will Begin This Month

The Board of Trustees yesterday afternoon:

1. Approved plans for a \$250,000 dorm-building program, to start within two weeks.
2. Planned enlargement of Carnegie library and expansion of services, to cost about \$140,000.
3. Agreed to purchase land north of Wilson field, to be converted sometime in the future into an intramural field.
4. Elected Governor A. (Rocky) Holt of West Virginia to the board.

The Dormitories . . .

Within the next two weeks construction will begin on Center dormitory, the building that next year will link a rebuilt Lees dorm with a rebuilt Graham, and increase the capacity to 263 men.

Only the outside walls of the present structures will remain untouched. The entire interiors will be entirely reconstructed, with new arrangements of rooms.

Work on these buildings will start immediately after examinations, and the whole unit will be completed when school opens next fall.

"Not luxury, but the maximum in durability and the minimum in upkeep cost, incorporating the latest developments in fireproofing and soundproofing." That is the way Dean Frank J. Gilliam, who led in planning and campaigning for the buildings keynoted the program.

The new building will connect the Washington street ends of the two standing dormitories, forming a U-shaped structure, which will be divided into five units. A courtyard will occupy the hollow of the U.

An archway will cut through the first floor of Central dorm, but it will not be constructed for auto traffic. The driveway which now goes between Lees and Graham will be torn up, and replaced by brick walks and grass plots.

Automobile traffic will follow a new drive which will lead around the rear of Graham.

Acoustical plaster to cut down noise, tile lavatories, and showers, reading and reception rooms, asphalt-tile floors, similar to those in Washington college, and smaller student units are the outstanding innovations planned.

Architects for the job are Small, Smith, and Reeb of Cleveland, who planned the renovation work in Washington, Payne, Newcomb, and Robinson halls.

The Library . . .

Librarian Foster E. Mohrhardt said the building will be substantially enlarged, but work will probably not be started until the end of school.

The central section of the present building will be extended forward to the point where stakes now mark the lawn. The wings will

be extended both toward the dormitories and toward Newcomb hall, leaving the building in a rough U shape.

There will be no steps in front of the building, but users will enter through a columned front into a foyer on the ground floor.

A few steps higher will be the lobby, where the circulation desk will be located. Reading rooms will occupy either wing, with separate rooms for reference and reserve books. The stacks will take up a space to the rear of the present reading room between the two wings.

The dome of the library will be removed.

These plans, Mohrhardt said, have been developed by intensive work during the past two years. It will be "primarily a students' library," he said.

"This means that in deciding all questions of arrangement and organization the factor of first importance has been convenience to the students."

The new building will be completely fireproof, and present plans provide for smoking in nearly all parts of the building. Public conveniences not now available will also be provided.

The White Farm . . .

The board agreed to accept the price named on the White farm, north of Wilson field and adjoining the Liberty hall ruin.

The land will be used some time in the future as a site for an intramural field, but no plans were made as to when the field will be built.

The University does not at present have funds for the grading and construction work necessary, which would cost about \$10,000, but will begin work on the field whenever the money becomes available. It is probable, however, that the field will not be built for several years.

The new tract will increase the grounds owned by the University by 210 acres, and will provide enough room for all possible expansion of intramural athletics.

Governor Holt . . .

Governor H. A. Holt of West Virginia, an alumnus of Washington and Lee, was yesterday

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Ingenious Politicians Pull Blitzkrieg Campaign, Startle Stolid Lexingtonians

Campus politicians and their enthusiastic backers pulled off a blitzkrieg on the unsuspecting town of Lexington yesterday afternoon as parade after parade, complete with swing music and brilliant colored streamers, swept up and down local streets. Onlookers crowded the curbs to witness the antics of the wildest election at Washington and Lee in recent years.

A check up on the day's activities showed several new twists in local campaigning. Best stunt of the day was observed on Nelson street across from the State theatre. Jean Friedberg supporters had posted a lad of Lexington's darker gentry on a doorstep who wore a sign reading: "Elect Friedberg as Your Secretary." Van Wagoner, Friedberg's opponent for the job, was not to be outdone. Van Wagoner grabbed himself a sign and took a post next to his colored friend. The sign read: "Van Wagoner Opposes Child Labor!"

Al Snyder introduced a new idea by handing out cigars (quality unknown, but no casualties at press time). On the band of each cigar was an inspiring bit of philosophy: "Lighter for Snyder."

It remained, however, for Fancy

Dress candidates Charles Chapman, and Junie Bishop to do a complete campaigning job. Chapman had napkins printed for the local houses and lapel cards for his supporters. But that wasn't all. Charlie even had cards printed to be placed in students' laundry bags. The cards stated quite poetically:

"Here's your wash.
All clean and white;
Vote for Chapman
Before tonight."

Bishop had "place cards" at fraternity breakfast tables this morning bidding all a sundry "Good Morning." Junie's picture appeared on many of his posters because of the perseverance of Sam Ames. Ames turned out a large number of proofs from a single snapshot negative, and Bishop's boys spent the afternoon pasting them on his posters.

Yesterday afternoon it became evident that Mr. Mattingly had been drawn into the conflict. Whether for better or worse the following bit of handiwork was seen fluttering from a local telephone pole:

"Moss won't grow on a rolling stone."

Chapman's smart but he just won't bone;
He'll kid 'em along with a "C" or two.
But when June comes around his grades won't do."

Signed: The Earl, Mattingly.
Supporters of Bob Gary and Bill Murray put on the noisiest parade of the day with G. H. Forgy slamming the cymbals and Lanson Ditt to socking out a drum solo. Gary's "advertising" included windshield stickers.

A freshman was curious to find out about Henry Roediger after observing posters reading—"Henry Roediger WORKS."

Campaigning had the University print shop working at full speed. Mr. Lauck, superintendent of the shop, took time out yesterday to figure that the local shop had handled 36 different jobs involving 15,000 pieces of printed matter for today's election. The jobs ranged from printing napkins and blotters to heavy placards. Mr. Lauck indicated this year's printing easily surpassed that of last year.

Final pre-election "blast" was heard last night about 11 o'clock when someone stepped out on Lee avenue and gave one last blast on a trumpet.

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THE DORMITORY WORK—STEP TOWARD AN IDEAL

If institutions didn't grow they would soon vanish. That is a truism.

From an academy to a college to a university, Washington and Lee has been growing for a long time. In the last few years it had outgrown a couple of dormitories, and now it is getting new ones, and good ones.

Dorms are of more than casual importance. One-third of the students live in them half the time, so they should be comfortable. But there is more to it than that, for many a great scholar has spent his life in miserable surroundings.

Next year's freshmen will not be met with the sight of a couple of disreputable, ramshackle buildings. They will rather start of their college careers in the best that modern planning and structure can offer.

We predict that this will be reflected in their spirit, and that the assimilation committee will have an easier job than any time in the past couple of years.

Socially they will be more at ease, for they will have greater privacy in their rooms, they will have a lounge to which they can bring visitors, they will occupy smaller segments and hence exhibit less of the herd instinct.

Physically they will be more comfortable—which is obvious to anyone reading a news account of the plans.

Scholastically they should make better averages than any recent class, for they will have the benefit of soundproof walls and more pleasant surroundings, the latter of which is considered of tremendous importance by the psychologists.

Above all, they can feel secure against fire, something which no class in many a year could boast.

Bricks, window sashes, and acoustical plaster, however, are fundamentally lifeless and materialistic things, even when enclosed in a shell of as much potential beauty as the exterior of Lees dorm.

But when viewed through the eyes of their planners as another step toward an ideal—a means of better inspiring a group of men to the achievement of all that Washington and Lee is and creates through teaching and tradition—they take on a more inspiring aspect.

"We will give the student of the future an environment worthy of respect," they say.

It will be a pretty sorry man who does not react in kind.

WHAT IS WRONG WITH STUDENT POLITICS?

One hundred and thirty-odd students wasted an afternoon Wednesday at the third annual nominating convention. Nothing was accomplished, not a candidate was eliminated, the assembly was seldom amused, and near half the delegates left before the dreary business was finished.

The first convention was interesting. Candidates were eliminated at almost every ballot, the voting was spirited.

Last year the delegates went through the entire empty process, but the rigamarole's only accomplishment was to prevent one candidate from running for vice-president of the student body.

This year's convention reached the acme of uselessness, for there were never enough candidates to make elimination of even one of them possible.

The speeches, as everyone knew, changed opinions of only a tiny minority of the audience, if they did that, for practically every mind was already made up.

In those cases where there was only one nomination the voting by roll call was even more pointless than an acclamation would have been, although that cannot be blamed on the chairman, for the whole business would have been illegal if the student body constitution had not been followed.

The voting in the contested elections indicated little, for it has been proved long ago that the convention vote—in public—bears small relation to the actual vote—by secret ballot.

Three years ago there may have been some point in the assembly. That was when there were more than two candidates for a job.

But today, when the biggest political problem is to get men to run for office, and not to eliminate them, the whole convention system shows a sad lack of logic.

If the nominating convention contributed one whit to keeping politics clean, or to improving the calibre of the candidates, the afternoon idled away, though dates, the afternoon idled away would be.

The present political system is so much improvement over clique politics, however, that there should be caution used in tampering with it.

The greatest fault right now, strangely enough, is the dearth of candidates, and consequent lack of opposition.

The cause of this has been defined as a lack of competitive spirit, and there has been weeping, wailing, and gnashing of teeth, and much pleading for candidates—any sort of candidates—to appear.

This seems sort of a superficial explanation of the matter. In the first place, it never should be said that there is any lack of desire for hot elections. No spirit manifests itself here or anywhere else without a cause.

The real cause seems to be temerity, with one candidate appearing for a job far in advance, and nobody daring to oppose him.

When this fault has been cleared up others matters will take care of themselves, and the convention will again serve a purpose.

THE FORUM

A "Classical" Education

St. John's college has the best curriculum of any school in America—so its president is fond of saying. During some weeks he even implies that St. John's four-year course in the hundred best classics is the only college education worth while. Consequently it was with surprise that we received this week one of the first reports on the results of the St. John system. Perhaps "surprise" is too mild a term for our emotions.

According to the Associated Press, the clapper of the bell in historic McDowell hall was stolen, and when its return was demanded the thief posted on the college bulletin board a note offering to restore the clapper for a quart of whiskey. He signed the note "Hic Hic." When the offer was refused by the faculty, the thief made his "final" offer: to return the clapper if the Dean would hurl a brick through his own office window in the presence of the whole student body. He argued, however, that the window repairs would cost more than a bottle of whiskey.

It would be unfair, of course, to judge the St. John's system by this one instance. We promise to withhold judgment if the faculty will tell us just what classic or classics the culprit had been studying before he had his inspiration.—Wake Forest Old Gold and Black.

The Ring-tum Phi Feature Section

CAMPUS COMMENT ...

By PETE BARROW, JR.

Our editor, Ernest Woodward-Woodurd, is a fine fellow.

He certainly can take it. And certainly does.

It was, I believe, his idea to announce the marriage of one Dolly Burks to one John Alnutt, as a joke, in The Ring-tum Phi April Fool issue.

This issue appeared one week prior to Friday, April 5, on which memorable day, these two lovely young people actually were married.

Ernest, it seems, has a penchant for impish pranks. This would have been an impish prank to end all impish pranks. At the moment, Our Hero is matching wits with the local intelligentsia in a spelling bee at Lexington high school, trying to Forget by burying himself in intellectual activity.

It's a shame his idea was not executed. All his life he would have blamed himself for giving them the idea. The Ring-tum Phi could advertise: "If it isn't true when we print it, it soon will be."

Woodward is a remarkable person. He knows jiu-jitsu, has eight gold teeth, drives an air-cooled 1919 model Franklin, actually enjoys reading Edgar Guest, was born in the Ubangi sector of Africa, and has an uncle who can get a whole basketball in his mouth.

He is well-liked by all of his friends, who often comment on his unique personality.

I, however, am not one of his friends, and will be glad to tell the truth about him to anyone interested.

Donnie Scott Department ...

Donnie was dormant this week. Bowles, Hernandez and Soule were also dormant. No trouble at all. No more form letters, confusion or disagreement. Something big should break on this front next week. Things are too quiet.

Randomettes ...

Where in the name of hell did Bobby Hobson get a title like Colonel Cuddley? ... Also, what happened to Newt Harmon's ring? ... Some of his fraternity brothers say he forced it on Mary Robbins, Sweet Briarite. ... Jack Read will be sorry to hear that his old flame, Doris Pettijohn, announced her engagement last week. ... Wagg spoiled a nice Packard for his brother-in-law while spending the holidays in Florida. ... Ernie Watson, the newest campus Cassanova. ... I agree with my office boy, Southworth, that Murray Smith vastly overestimated the gullibility of his comrades. ... Getting out of an upper berth indeed. ... And I was kidding about Southworth. ... he isn't exactly an office boy. ... which is unfortunate, for the reading public. I try to make my columns as rotten as possible so as not to embarrass him. ... and, as he will probably admit, I generally succeed. ... Larry Himes is looking more chipper these days. The Jersey trouble must have been ironed out. ... Schellenberg spent his vacation in a place called Bear Creek. ... he left a week early, and got back almost a week late. ... what the hell kind of attraction could there be in Bear Creek for a heavy-weight wrestler? ... Probably some woman involved. ... Torrington and Goodheart are thinking of transferring to Charlottesville. ... Goodheart wrote his Dad last week. Said he needed three hundred dollars and asked Mr. Goodheart to raise the rents in their tenement buildings. ... Who is this Hitler? ... Bobby Hobson's choice of favors for finals is splendid. ... Fred Farrar's explanation that the picture of his girl on Johnny Rucker's bureau was four years old doesn't sound so convincing to me. ... I would advise Freddy to go find himself an "almost constant companion." ... "Dickey Darling" Easley steps into the Glamour Boy department this week with Foltz, Clark, Watson, Breckinridge, and McCorkle. ... the latter being number one on my list. ... Glomour Boy McCorkle. ... sounds fine. ... Which reminds me: There was a story in the Sunday Roanoke Times about someone named McCorkingdale. Intriguing name. ... There is a reporter on The Ring-tum Phi named Browder. ... I demand an investigation. ... an amazingly small number of students attended the first showing of Primrose Path. ... During the holiday period Breckinridge had five dates with Ro Dameron of Hollins. ... Any day now I'm going to risk another item about Dickinson.

Recent Dispatch ... We have just had word of Woodward's spelling bee venture. Our editor was eliminated on the word "epitaph." Professor John Graham won, giving a beautiful performance. Dr. Howe was also impressive. We were unable to learn, at this writing, how Woodward spelled epitaph.

Troubadour Department ...

The next venture of our dramatists, it has been rumored, is to be Of Mice and Men. In casting this show, the Troubs will be faced with a temptation that has constantly dogged the heels of their colleagues in Hollywood. In fact, by succumbing to this temptation, Hollywood has lost the respect of a good many artists.

Type casting, I mean. From the standpoint of personality, reactions, physique and mentality, Sluger Sugrue is Lennie. No acting would be necessary. Likewise with Alnutt and George. Why not let Alnutt be Crooks? Let Sugrue be Curley. Let Woodward be Lennie's dog. The one that gets killed.

It is my theory that Charles Laughton could be a much more convincing Romeo than could Robert Taylor. Actors seem to work harder, seem to more completely escape themselves, when portraying characters unlike themselves. The present arrangement somehow seems too perfect.

If the Troubs take my advice on this, however, I'm going to be awfully disappointed.

PERSONAL OPINIONS

After reading in the various college newspapers received by The Ring-tum Phi about the political campaigns going on at other colleges and universities in the country, it seems a shame to turn to the political situation which now exists on the Washington and Lee campus.

It's hard to imagine that, out of 950-odd boys on this campus, we can find only one who is suited to be president of the student body. I don't wish to cast aspersions on the character of the one candidate, but it's difficult to comprehend that there's only one boy willing to serve the school as president.

Other schools have organized parties, and when a campaign rolls around, each party nominates a slate for the election and then proceeds to try to elect all its candidates.

Why can't that happen here? It's true we have two candidates in the race for president of Fancy Dress and for secretary of the student body, but then we come to president of Finals and here again we find no opposition. The same was true last year when only one candidate was in the running for president of Fancy Dress and Finals.

For example, take the nomination convention held Wednesday. There wasn't a single candidate eliminated for any office. In other words, the whole convention was a mere formality, or to put it more expressly, a joke. Who cares who polls the most votes in the convention? After all, it's the student body vote two days later which decides the issue.

And in this student body vote, there are three offices for which there is only one candidate. The student body doesn't get much opportunity to pick a president when there's only one man running. The same might be said about the president of Finals.

All of which leads one to wonder just what is wrong. Other schools put on campaigns with two or three outstanding candidates for each office; they put on political rallies and make speeches from all vantage points on their campuses. Yet here we are with another election and no opposition for three important student body offices.

Which brings us to the increase in tuition for next year to \$300. And we wonder why such a move has been made.

Dr. Tucker explained in some of his economics classes that after the World War, when enrollment fell off, the Board of Trustees was considering lowering the tuition. However, on a suggestion they raised it instead of lowering it. This immediately brought an increase in the number of applicants.

Since that time the tuition has been raised three or four times, each time with a resultant increase in the number of applicants who wish to enter Washington and Lee.

And again we wonder where this new increase is leading. With the plan to increase the size and renovate the dormitories this summer, could it be that the administration is counting on another increase in applications with the student body increasing proportionally?

Now that everybody is sick and tired of the war, it seems time to reminisce a little over the situation and thank our lucky stars that we live in the United States instead of Europe.

From all indications it appears that not even Chamberlain's umbrella is safe any more with Hitler still on the loose. The interesting thing to follow now is which self-sacrificing German will make himself a world hero at the cost of his own life to remove a certain black-mustached gentleman from the scene.

Without the leading player, all dramatists generally agree, the play can't very well go on. With Hitler out of the way, it would seem that the present drama would come to an end unless he has been smarter than most leading men and already picked himself out an understudy who can fill his shoes.

Oh well, we should worry as long as Hitler stays on his own side of the ocean and doesn't try to break up Roosevelt's ambitions for a third term. And it would be a shame if somebody stepped in and blasted all FDR's fondest hopes. Let's hope it isn't Hitler.

At any rate, after taking a look at the pictures of the new Army bomber, it would be to Hitler's advantage to stay over there.

MARSHALL JOHNSON

THE GOVERNOR

Snyder says those cigars were Garcia Babes.

What we wonder is: Were they legitimate?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

(All contributions to this column should be limited to 150 to 200 words. No anonymous letters can be accepted, although writers may remain anonymous if they wish. All correspondence should be addressed care of Letters to the Editor, The Ring-tum Phi.)

Staunton, Virginia

April 8, 1940

Editor of The Ring-tum Phi:

I have just seen a back number of your paper in which the Campus Comment columnist complained of encountering a chilled atmosphere while attending a dance on the Charlottesville campus. He failed to state whether he was a dance-crasher who could hardly expect to be welcomed with open arms, or whether he was merely an invited guest who has the bad taste to knife his host in the back.

It would be difficult to explain the reserved atmosphere of some schools to your columnist who was forced, by regulation—and even by threats, if I may quote one of your skull-capped freshman—to form the habit of speaking to everybody he passes, whether or not he wants to, and whether or not they want him to.

Assuming, then, that he did not receive a back-slapping welcome, it might be well to ask just what The Ring-tum Phi in general, and this columnist in particular, has ever done to promote a better feel-

ing between the two schools.

Not only in your columnist's dirty digs, but also in your news stories, you refer always to the "Wahoos"—a term obviously intended to convey ridicule. A ten-minute conversation with any W&L student will prove the efficiency of your system for creating ill feeling toward Virginia, but if you have succeeded in your apparent efforts to build up a reciprocal lack of friendship, College Topics has at least had the good taste not to continually fan the flame. They still call you "Generals" instead of "Minks."

Since you won't publish this letter, would you please pass it on to the Campus Commenter, as well as to any other Wahoo-baiting members of your staff who do not seem to know that it should be beneath the dignity of the "Best College Newspaper in the South" to traffic in cheap wit that is intended to hinder, rather than promote, good will between two great institutions.

Respectfully,
LARRY WICK.

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W & M Indians to Baptize Hennemier's Trackmen In Williamsburg Saturday

Curl, Murrays, Boisseau Muller, Crocker Head List On Generals' 23-Man Squad

By AL DARBY

Jack Hennemier's varsity track team opens its 1940 season tomorrow afternoon in Williamsburg when the Blue trackmen meet the William and Mary Indians.

Hennemier's 23-man squad will face an Indian aggregation which lost to VMI and defeated the Apprentice school in its first two meets. William and Mary had just returned from spring vacation when they lost to VMI, 71-56, two weeks ago. Against the Newport News team, W&M won 12 of the 14 events and overwhelmed the Shipbuilders, 95-32.

Pacing William and Mary will be Claude Kelley, winner in the 220 and 440 in the Apprentice school meet last Saturday, and Waldo Matthews, who triumphed in the discus and the high jump.

Against Kelley, the Generals will send Co-Captain Charlie Curl and Russ Browning, up from last season's frosh, in the 220.

Dick Boisseau and Hank Woods will throw the discus for W&M in Saturday's dual meet, and Gilbert and Gwyn will attempt to best Matthews in the high jump.

Masters and Glick, who finished in that order in the Apprentice school meet last Saturday will run against Curl, Ed Samara, and Bud Yeomans in the 100-yard dash.

Bill Murray and Bob Rice are expected to carry the Generals' hopes against Kelley in the 440.

In the 880, Cason and Scripps of W&M will run against Cliff Muller, one of W&M's finest half-milers in recent years, and Bill Jennings.

Jim McConnell and George Mur-

ray, the varsity's milers, seem to have a good chance of victory in that event. Against them William and Mary will run Alley, who got no better than second in a five minute mile against Apprentice.

Mike Crocker, W&M's other co-captain, Walt Harrod, and Frank Martin are expected to run the two-mile event at Williamsburg. Alley won that event for the Indians last Saturday.

Maisch won the high hurdles for W&M last week in 16.6. Opposing him for the Generals will be Gwyn and Soule, both letter-winners. Maisch also runs the low hurdles for W&M, but was second to his teammate, Callahan, in the Indians' last meet. Yeomans and Browning are expected to run the lows along with Gwyn and Soule.

Whitehouse of William and Mary and the Generals' Boisseau are counted on for a close battle in the shot put tomorrow.

The javelin was one of the two events which the Indians were unable to win in the Apprentice school meet. Kent finished second in that meet. Two veterans, Herb Friedman and Tyke Bryan, will represent W&M in this event.

Five capable broad jumpers are making the trip to Williamsburg. They are Samara, Soule, Adams, Yeomans, and Trueheart. Against them W&M will jump Glick, who won the meet last Saturday with a jump of almost 20 feet.

George Foote and Charlie Gilbert, both lettermen last season, will pole vault for the Blue. Rawls, winner last week with an 11 foot 9 inch jump, is the Indians' best in that event.

Lacrosse Men to Play

Washington and Lee's lacrosse team will swing into action twice within the next three days. The Generals will meet Swarthmore on Wilson field tomorrow afternoon at 1:30, then will play hosts to the Westchester State Teachers' college ten Monday afternoon.

Blue Golfers Sharpen Shots For W&M Meet

Trounce Freshmen Linksters 13 1/2-7 1/2 In Form Exhibition

Washington and Lee's varsity golf team began tuning up for its encounter next Wednesday with the William and Mary strokers by trouncing the freshman linksters Wednesday afternoon, 13 1/2 to 7 1/2. The Big Blue golfers showed fine form in downing the yearlings.

Coach Cy Twombly used a five-man team in an effort to whip the Generals in shape for the approaching match against the Indians. Two foursomes and one individual match composed the afternoon's play.

Low scorer of the day was Bill Noonan, freshman, who posted a one over par 73. Captain Earl Morgan turned in a 75, while Mac Wing compiled a third-ranking 76. Ed Brown and Buddy Bowie, sophomore transfer playing with the freshmen, both toured the course in 78 strokes. Lup Avery had a 79.

In the first foursome, Mac Wing whipped Bowie, 2 1/2 points to 1/2, while Bill Noonan took all three counters from Lup Avery. Bowie and Noonan annexed the best ball match, three points to none.

The Big Blue club-swingers swept all possible points in the second foursome. Captain Morgan beat freshman Dan Wells; Paul

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Whips golfers into shape . . .



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Big Blue Courtmen Succumb To Cavalier Rivals by 7-2 Count

The Washington and Lee tennis team journeyed to Charlottesville yesterday afternoon and went down to defeat at the hands of the high-riding Cavalier courtmen by a 7-2 count. The only Big Blue points were garnered by virtue of lone victories in the singles and doubles matches.

Jack Mallory, co-captain of last year's frosh team, was the only General courtman to come through with a victory in the singles matches. Playing in the number four position, Mallory defeated Jim Strang of Virginia in straight sets, 6-3, 7-5. Mallory's smashing game was no match for the Virginian.

Dick Spindle teamed with Mallory in the second doubles match to defeat Strang and Land, 6-4, 6-3. Both Mallory and Spindle were undefeated in doubles competition on last year's freshman squad.

Dick Pinck lost the opening match to the Cavaliers' Buchanan in straight sets, 6-3, 6-2, while Co-Captain Willie Washburn bowed to Feuille of Virginia in the sec-

ond singles match, 6-3, 4-6, and 6-4. Washburn pushed Feuille to the limit before bowing to his opponent.

Co-Captain Peck Robertson was easily defeated by Channing in straight sets, 6-1, 6-1, in the third singles match. The Big Blue fifth singles courtman, Bill Douglas, succumbed to Lerner of Virginia, 6-4, 6-1, while Dick Sindle was defeated, 6-2, 6-4, by the Cavaliers' Bud George.

Robertson and Washburn almost won the first doubles match but faltered in the waning moments of play to Feuille and Buchanan. The General courtmen won the first set, 6-2, but lost the two finales, 6-2 and 6-4.

Dick Pinck and Bill Douglas lost the third doubles match to Virginia's Channing and Lerner, by scores of 6-4 and 6-3.

The Generals will swing back into action tomorrow afternoon when they play hosts to Wake Forest's squad here. Meets with George Washington, William and Mary, and Richmond are on tap for next week.

General Nine Tangles With Virginia Tomorrow

By DICK WRIGHT

After a disastrous Spring trip which resulted in five straight losses, the Washington and Lee baseball team will swing back into action Saturday afternoon when they meet the University of Virginia in an attempt to break back into the win column. The game is scheduled to get underway at 3:15 on Wilson field.

According to Coach Dick Smith, inexperience was largely responsible for the poor showing the Generals made on their spring tour. Plagued already with a definite lack of reserves, Jack Mangan pulled up with a sore arm which combined to bring about the Big Blue slaughter.

This Saturday the Wahoos from over Charlottesville way will bring one of the finest teams in Virginia baseball history to face the Big Blue nine. At the present time, the Cavaliers are the only real contenders for the State diamond crown currently worn by the University of Richmond.

Coach Gus Tebell will bring a

team to Lexington that is composed of several potential Big league performers. Veteran Walter Smith will probably toe the slab for the visitors. Smith is a big raw-boned right-hander who has done more than his share of good pitching in Old Dominion circles for three years. Football player Jim Gillette will hold down the initial hassock, while Billy McCann will play the keystone sack. McCann has been the subject of many a big league scout's future plans and is one of the best second basemen in the South.

The Cavalier ace basketball player, Bill Harman, will handle the hurler's slants, while Frank Gosney will hold down the short-stop position. The rest of the team is composed of sophomores.

Captain Dick Smith will probably throw Bob Gregerson at the visiting Wahoos, while Jack Fisher and Pres Brown will probably see relief service. According to Coach Smith, Dick Smith will start against William and Mary on Monday, while Lea Booth will

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Six students left Lexington yesterday on the two final debate trips of the season, one to three Virginia colleges, and one to the Grand Southeastern tournament at Rock Hill, S. C.

Those who went on the Virginia trip were all freshmen—Joe Ellis, Ramsey Taylor, Dick Roberts, and Bill Armstrong. Debate Manager Bill Burner and Debate Captain Jack Jones went at their own expense to the forensic tournament, where they will meet teams representing about 10 of the 60 southern colleges which are participating.

Last night the first contest of the Virginia trip was held at Farmville with Hampden-Sydney college. The topic was the United States foreign policy, with Wash-

ington and Lee opposing economic and military isolation.

Tonight W&L will meet William and Mary college at Williamsburg, upholding the affirmative of the isolation question. Tomorrow night at 8 o'clock two of the debaters will participate in a radio contest with the University of Richmond over WRDQ, Richmond. They will return to Lexington Sunday.

At Rock Hill Burner and Jones will debate ten times in 48 hours. Last year W&L was represented by Hugh Avery and Charles Hobson who won more than half of the contests in which they participated. Such schools as Pittsburgh, Florida, Georgia, and Georgia Tech were represented last year, and are expected to send speakers to this year's tournament.

Graham Wins Spelling Contest

By FRANCIS SUGRUE

Professor John A. Graham, language teacher and musician extraordinary, added a new distinction to an already distinguished career when he took undisputed first place in the community spelling bee held at Lexington high school last night.

Dr. Graham spelled three words after the women's champion, Miss Albertina Ravenhorst, had finally missed after almost two hours on the platform. He finished in a blaze of glory, spelling mnemone, erysipelas, and another for which there are not enough characters in the linotype machine.

Ernest Woodward II eked out a fifth place, a second in the men's division. He missed on "epitaph," which, as he says, might happen to anybody. Mr. Lauck, professor of journalism, was fourth in the men's division. He missed on

TRUSTEES

Continued from page one elected to the Board of Trustees of W&L at the board's meeting here. Holt received his A. B. here in 1918 and his LL. B. in 1923. He was an instructor in mathematics here from 1920 to 1923 and a professor of law from 1923 to 1925.

Governor Holt is a Democrat and belongs to Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Psi social fraternity, Omicron Delta Kappa, and Phi Delta Phi.

"avoidrupois," which after all is inexcusable practically. Dr. James Lewis Howe met his Waterloo on a nautical term, when he added an extra "h" in "gunwale."

Stuart Moore acted as master of ceremonies, and mispronounced the words to the general confusion of all concerned. Dr. H. V. Shelley acted as referee, and also composed the list of words. He was runner-up in the contest last year.

As a general rule, the university men did very well, but some of them couldn't spell so well.

AP Wire Open To Student Body

Any member of the faculty or student body of Washington and Lee is invited to come to the Journalism library in Washington college at any time in order to watch the Associated Press printer tape out the latest news. Professor Richard P. Carter said today.

Information given by the wire, which stays open from 7 a. m. until 3 p. m., is supplied by the Associated Press from the state headquarters in Richmond, Va. The Lexington wire is on the same line that services 12 Virginia newspapers.

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mount the mound in the Generals' encounter with North Carolina-State on Tuesday.

Jack Mangan is nursing a sore arm and Jack Dangler will be moved from first back to his old catching assignment. In the case that Mangan does not start, Bob Cavanna will hold down first base. The rest of the team will be composed of Eccleston at second, Thompson at shortstop, Gary at third, with Melville, Keim, and Pres Brown patrolling the pastures.

Blue Golfers Beat Frosh; Meet W&M Wednesday

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Williams, Brigadier, was downed by Ed Brown, Morgan and Brown took the best ball.

In the individual encounter, Claude Walker, varsity golfer, scored two points to one for freshman Bob Lambert in a close match. This gave the varsity a total of 13½ points over 7½ for the Brigadiers. Twombly plans to hold such a varsity practice match with the freshmen each week throughout the golf season.

Pi Alpha Delta Initiates

Pi Alpha Delta, honorary law fraternity, last night formally initiated six pledges at the law school. Professors R. T. Johnson, Charles R. McDowell, and R. H. Gray gave talks during a banquet at the Robert E. Lee hotel, which followed the initiation. The new members are: Elvin D. Plaermo, Charles F. Heiner, Billie B. Armstrong, Samuel B. Read, Jose A. Luina, and Howard W. Wilson.

PREVIEWS and REVIEWS

We hope you're satisfied. . . . "Northwest Passage" was happily entertaining—not boring and exciting enough to keep up interested. . . . We hope that you haven't let local politics, such as they are, disconcert you—for we're sure you must have gotten some amusement out of the show. . . . The colors were pretty if you didn't like anything else.

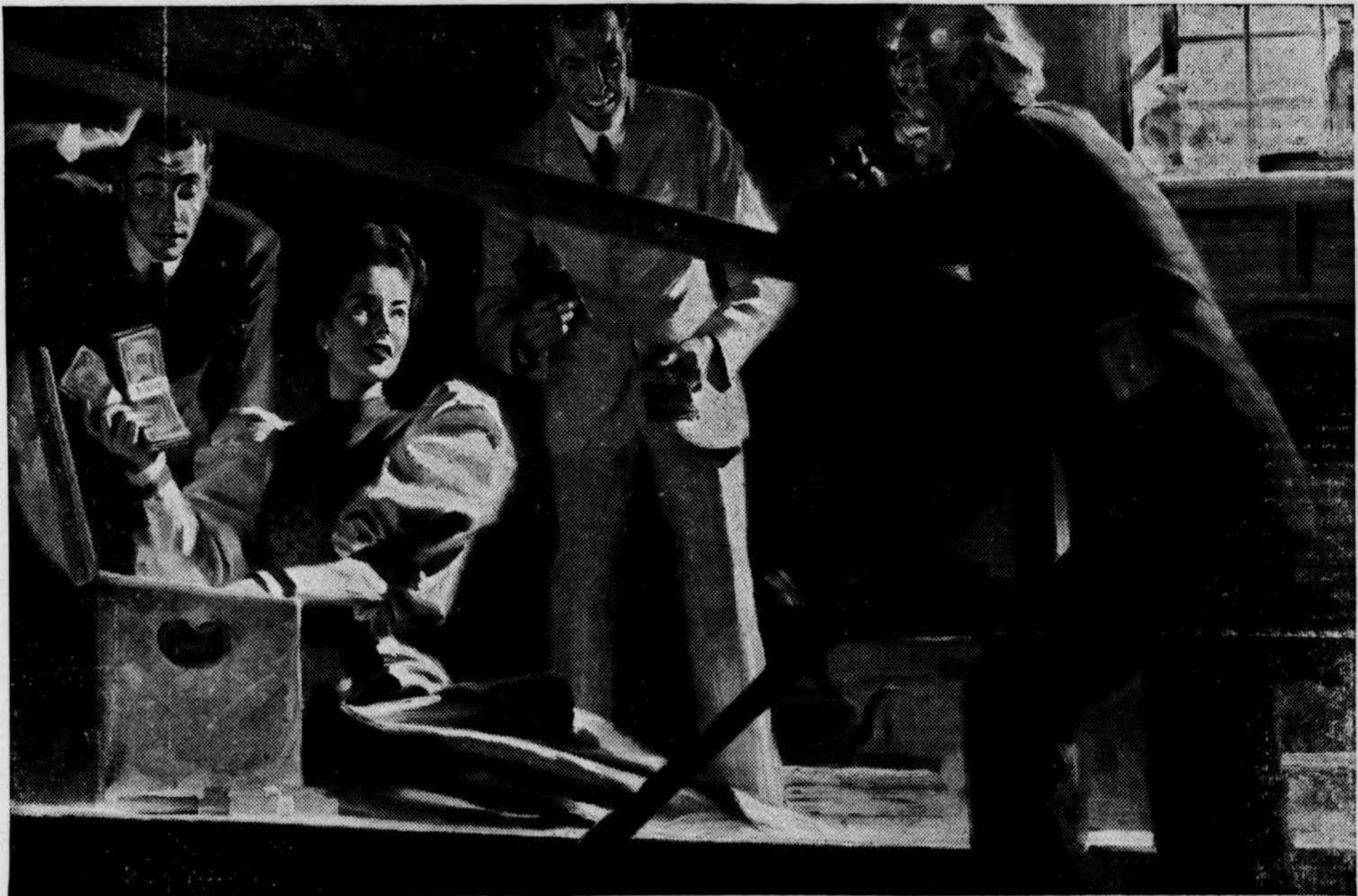
And speaking of Ekes and dislikes, we liked "Primrose Path." . . . It was kinda dramatic and had plenty of what-it-takes. . . . It takes Ginger Rogers for us every day. . . . But this was a new Ginger—the first time we've seen her play a real dramatic role. . . . And she proves she can do it, too. . . . The story concerned some of our worst element, morally, mentally, and physically, and a girl who didn't believe in the ways and means of her gold-digging, immoral family. . . . Joel McCrea does the handsome hero job and takes Ginger out of all this mess. . . . But they can't stay together for any length of time because of Ginger's family—lots of trouble—reconciliation. . . . Fade-out. . . . Wasn't bad at all.

Well, we hate to say it—and in spite of the trailer and in spite of that kiss Vivien Leigh pasted on the Joe late one evening per trailer, we think that perhaps it's going to need a little shelf in the refrigerator. . . . Yep, "Sidewalks of London" at the State Saturday is odorful. . . . Vivien Leigh's performance in this show, though, was what made possible her GWTW spot. . . . And she wasn't exactly bad here. . . . Charles Laughton was fair and a little crazy in an English comedy role. . . . The picture was made in England and released here.

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Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday will find noise and gunfire in the State once more. . . . Reason: "Virginia City" and the Civil war.

We call it a mild "Gone with the Wind" plus "Dodge City" plus some Indians, plus some gold, plus a faint touch of Miriam Hopkins (what a draw-back). . . . Still it's pretty good. . . . Handsome Errol Flynn is a nasty old Yankee captain and spy (of all things). . . . Handsome Randolph Scott is a nice Rebel captain and spy (of all things). . . . Miriam Hopkins is a Rebel spy (of all things). . . . The story concerns the Confederacy late in the Civil war and its attempt to get gold necessary to carry on the war. . . . So Nevada offers the mines and inhabitants of neutral Virginia City the people willing to give up five million smackers in gold. . . . Randolph Scott goes West to bring the money East, and Errol Flynn goes West to stop him. . . . Gets pretty interesting here and there—and Humphrey Bogart as badman Murrell helps it out one whole lot. . . . We call it a pretty good show—except for Miriam Hopkins. . . . We liked Alan Hale, Guinn Williams, and Bogart—c'est ca.



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America's mind, stretching, pushing out its horizons, called for more news . . . more kinds of news . . . news from beyond the railroad depot. And the news poured in—from the just-hatched wire services, from specialists of all kinds, from the syndicates, the feature writers, the correspondents.

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