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Faculty abolishes Washington Break

By THE NEWS STAFF

At its regular December meeting the faculty voted to strike the Washington Holiday from the 1967-77 academic calendar.

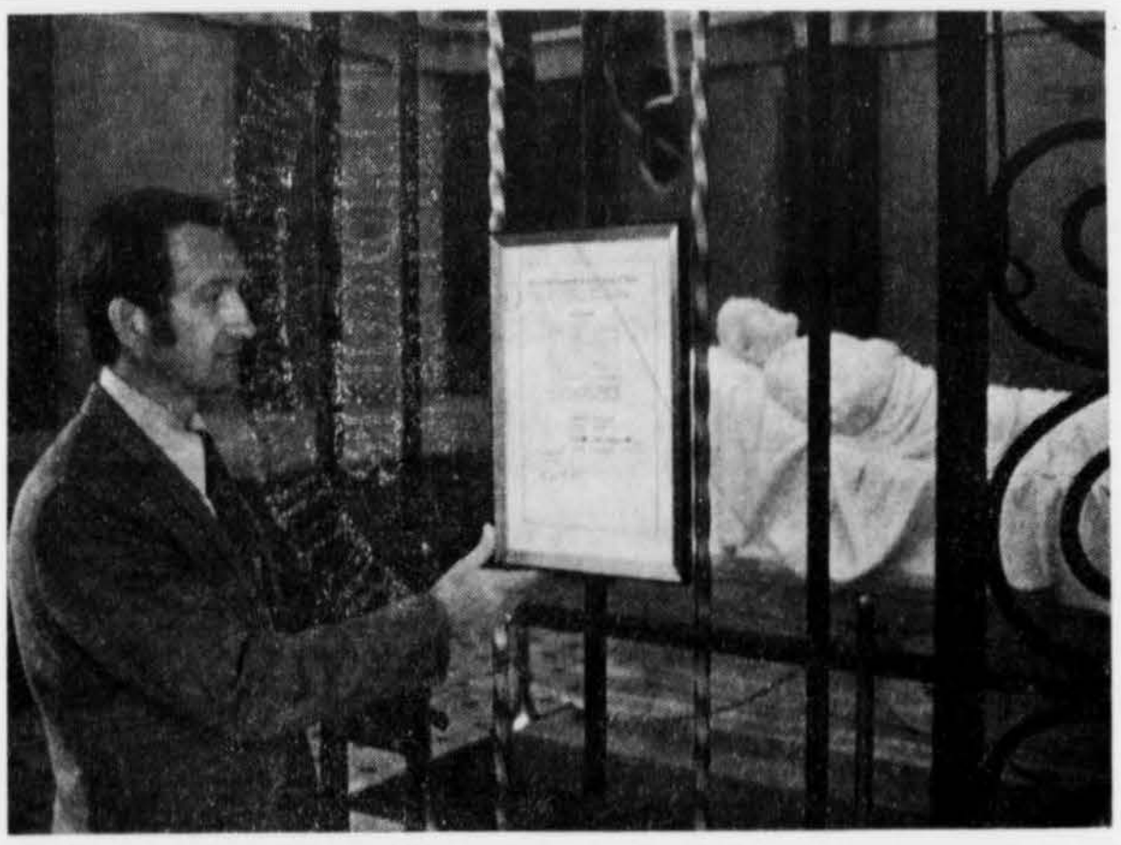
The vote followed the presentation of three proposals submitted by the University Council, which had discussed the topic at length in its meeting on November 19.

The faculty E.C. had recommended to the University Council that next year's Washington Holiday last 9 days and come after 8 weeks. The student E.C. asked that a 9-day break come after 6 weeks. The Student Activities Board wanted a 4-day break. The Athletic Department preferred no break at all.

Members of the U.C. expressed varying sentiments. Dr. Jay Cook suggested having no break and ending school a week earlier in May, arguing that this would help students economically. Seniors Scott Stevenson and Keith Crocker said that the students needed a break to relieve mental stress. Junior Ken Voelker pointed out that a 9-day break forced out-of-state students to go home and incur an unnecessary expense.

John Gunn said that moving graduation forward by a week might mean that the senior class could not graduate with the law seniors. Dr. John DeVogt added that financial aid students were burdened by the many breaks.

Six motions were made during the U.C. meeting, three of which passed. Voelker's resolution that the break last for 4 days was adopted 15-6. Crocker's motion that this break occur during the seventh week passed 12-4. The Council also approved 9-5 junior Woody Woodell's motion that the 9-day break proposed by the faculty E.C. come after six weeks.



Mondays are always terrible, right? One recent Monday, though, John Hughes, the curator of Lee Chapel, found a surprise in the mail that made his day. It was an elegant copy of the Congressional proclamation which restored posthumously full citizenship to Gen. Robert E. Lee, president of what was then Washington College after the Civil War. The proclamation was signed by President Ford; above, Hughes displays it, appropriately enough, in Lee Chapel. —University Photo

Capote signed for appearance here in March

By THE NEWS STAFF

Truman Capote has been signed for the Contact '76 symposium. He will appear on March 15 and speak on American literature and give readings from his three books, **Answered Prayer, Breakfast at Tiffany's,** and **In Cold Blood.**

He may also give readings from a book scheduled for publication in February. Capote's appearance also follows closely on the heels of a movie in which the noted author and playwright will make his first appearance as an actor instead of a director.

Capote's appearance was made possible by a last minute grant of $1000 from the E.C. The money given was $1100 less than Contact co-chairman Bill Flesher's original request.

Capote will be speaking in the gymnasium the same week as the visits of author George Plimpton and Chicago 8 attorney William Kunstler. Kunstler will speak on the subject of civil rights, a field in which he has argued several controversial cases in recent years. The lawyer will appear on March 16, preceding Plimpton on the 17th.

Other announced speakers in the Contact series include Fred Graham, Robert Edward Royall Huntley, Jeff McNelly, Charles McDowell, and Jimmy Breslin.

Graham, legal correspondent for CBS news, will speak on March 2nd on "The Impact of the Legal System."

Huntley, Washington and Lee University President, will speak on March 4th on "Honor in America Today."

McDowell, Richmond Times-Dispatch columnist and Washington correspondent, and MacNelly, Richmond News-Leader cartoonist, will speak on March 9th on an as yet undisclosed subject.

Breslin, noted author and social critic, will speak on March 10 on several topics of current interest.

Holiday thefts, check forgeries plague students

By JOE FITZGERALD

Several student residences were the scenes of burglaries over the Christmas break and several checks have been forged both on campus and in Lexington stores over the past few months.

Both problems are being investigated at present by University officials and the local police.

The burglaries occurred at locations on McCorkle Ave., several apartments on Jefferson St., and the large Gothic abomination known as the Munster House.

The burglars took mostly stereo equipment and calculators and stole at least $2500 worth of merchandise at the Munster location alone.

According to one of the victims, Doug Muir, police are checking fingerprints on certain articles

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Jackson's campaign gets face-lift

By PHILIP HATCHETT

The following is the first in a series of articles prepared by the Mock Convention on various contenders for the Democratic presidential nomination.

It seems that Senator Henry M. Jackson of Washington has been running for the '76 presidency for five years.

In 1972, Jackson ran a rather disorganized scream-a-thon campaign for the White House. "Scoop" seemed as arrogant as a George Wallace. Starting with 2% notoriety, Jackson was fighting an uphill battle for recognition from a hostile press. The media labeled him as wanting to buy Boeing, block the Russians and fight to the last man in Vietnam.

Although Jackson was a loser in Miami, he won what he needed more, national publicity.

The energy crisis in 1973 put Jackson again in front of the camera, this time as chairman of the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee. The Senator personally scolded the oil executives for pricing domestic petroleum out of the world market. His rhetoric may have won his political points, but the committee failed to write a comprehensive energy reform bill.

Today Jackson looks different. Not only has the 64 year old Senator undergone a surgical face lift, but so has his campaign style. Jackson is acting more personable while his staff tries to project a convincing attitude. "We've got to sell him to America," as one staff member put it.

To package that product, Scoop has surrounded himself with the oldest, most experienced and most expensive staff in Washington. But of course he can afford it, having raised more money than any other contender. The Jackson campaign strategy is handled by Director Bob Keefe (no relation to W&L's Director of Public Information) and National Coordinator Bill Brawley.

The Jackson brain trust has two basic goals: refining the political time clock so as to rise in early June and serve as the alternative to George Wallace.

According to staff members, the campaign is right on schedule.

Brawley is a veteran of five presidential campaigns and he looks it. With cold eyes and a cigarette constantly dangling from his mouth, the South Carolinian looks like the worst results from a voter opinion poll. Speaking from a cluttered office that was once a bedroom of a two-story home on 2nd Street, Brawley said he was not worried about winning or losing in the first primaries. "This is a race of staying power. The candidate who has the staying power, and that means some popularity but mainly the money to pay the bills the first week of June, is likely to be the one to go to victory."

"There are three or four men in New Hampshire (Jackson is not running there, but sticking primarily to the large industrial states) who are almost in a dead heat, and in a frantic effort to come out first spend their last dollar. And after that they are out of money . . . so I think you will find a drastic drop off after the New Hampshire and Massachusetts primaries."

After Massachusetts Jackson will concentrate efforts on the 540 delegates to be won on June 8 in California, New Jersey and Ohio.

To pose as an alternative to Governor George Wallace, Jackson will emphasize the economy with employment programs, energy by imposing mandatory reduction in consumption, and

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E.C. meeting tranquil

By THE NEWS STAFF

The Executive Committee of the Student Body took a serious break from legislative activity Monday night, taking a calm moment to look over their accomplishments of the last weeks of the fall term and to look ahead to upcoming matters of great importance such as the spring town-gown meeting, the coming of Truman Capote, and the ninety minutes preceding Super Bowl X.

Freshman reprsentative Billy Webster was astounded to learn that the wise and elder senior members of the committee could give him no significant answer to his question of what would be done on a mammoth hour-and-a-half program scheduled to precede the Super Bowl.

During the last E.C. meeting before the Thanksgiving break, the committee voted to form the Minority Affairs Co-ordinating Committee, and gave the Student Association for Black Unity $1000 to bring Tommy Scott Young, a black poet-jazzman, to campus.

The E.C. also voted to give the **Thymes** another $100 to continue publication through the month of January. The members of the E.C. all expressed great consternation at the fact that **Thymes** had printed the word "f*ck" in its second issue...

In other business, the E.C. voted to approve the annual Queen's English resolution, which threatens censure to anyone on the committee who dares use the sybernetic terminology, i.e., the words "feedback," "input," and "output," during an open meeting of the Executive Committee of the Student body of Washington and Lee University.

Speech to be delivered by black businessman

One of the nation's leading black businessmen, William T. Syphax, will visit Washington and Lee today to meet with students and deliver a public lecture.

Syphax wil speak tonight at 7:30 p.m. on "The Future of Black Business." His talk, which is sponsored jointly by W&L's Department of Administration and the Student Association for Black Unity, will take place in Lee Chapel.

Following his brief introductory remarks, Syphax will invite questions from the audience.

A self-made businessman, he is president of Syphax Enterprises of Arlington, the third-largest black-owned firm in the United States. The company includes an engineering and construction division, a consulting firm, and other subsidiaries.

Syphax is rector of Virginia State College's board of visitors, the college from which he graduated.

The Syllabus

Thursday

Chemistry Seminar—"The Chemistry of Prostaglandins," H. Cobb Alexander '77, and "Bioenegetics: Charge Dynamics," Sandy Stradtman Jr., Howe 401, 5 p.m.
Lecture—William T. Syphax, "The Future of Black Business," Lee Chapel, 7:30 p.m.

Friday

Law School Examinations Begin
Film—**The Sting,** duPont 7 and 9 p.m., $1.
Basketball—W&L Invitational Tournament. Lycoming College, Lock Haven State, and Salisbury State. Doremus, 8 p.m.

Saturday

GRE testing, morning and afternoon, duPont.
Film—**The Sting,** duPont 7 and 9 p.m., $1.
Basketball—W&L Invitational Tournament conclusion, Doremus, 8 p.m.
Swimming—W&L vs. V.P.I., away.
Wrestling—W&L vs. Duke, away.

Sunday

Chapel Service—The Rev. Noell Taylor and choir of Roanoke, Lee Chapel, 3 p.m.
Film—**The Sting,** duPont 7 and 9 p.m., $1.
Play Auditions—Lee Chapel, 2 and 7 p.m., see notice on page 3 for details.

Monday

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Tuesday

Slide Show—Scenes of New England and Eastern Canada, duPont 7 p.m.

Wednesday

Play—**Red, Black and Green,** with Leroy Jones, poet and playwright, Lee Chapel, 7:30 p.m.
Wrestling—W&L vs. Hampden-Sydney, Doremus, 7:30 p.m.
Basketball—W&L vs. Emory and Henry College, away.
Lecture—Transcendental Meditation, University Center room 112, 7:30 p.m.

Phillips named head of honorary society

Dr. Charles F. Phillips Jr., an economics professor at Washington and Lee has been elected president of Omicron Delta Epsilon, an honor society in economics with chapters on 330 college campuses in six nations.

His election came at the biennial meeting of the organization, held in Dallas in conjunction with the annual conference of the American Economics Association. Phillips will serve a wto-year term as head of the international college honor society.

In addition to recognizing academic achievement among economics students at both the undergraduate and graduate levels, Omicron Delta Epsilon publishes a scholarly journal, The American Economist, and sponsors panels, an awards program and similar activities to foster professional research and debate.

Phillips has been a member of the society's national board since 1967, was national vice president and editor of its newsletter from 1972 to 1974, and has been comptroller and president-elect the past two years.

He is a specialist in the economics of regulated industries and utilities and has published a number of books, including the widely used text "Economics of Regulation," as well as more than 30 research articles. Phillips is also a member of the White House blue-ribbon panel to review the nation's policies toward gambling and has been mayor of Lexington since 1971.

He is a consultant to many of the country's major utility firms and testifies regularly before state regulatory commissions. Phillips, whose Ph.D. is from Harvard, has taught at W&L since 1959.

Painting of 1800's to grace duPont exhibit

An important group of 19th-century American paintings will be exhibited in the duPont Art Gallery from now through Jan. 22.

The 18 paintings in the exhibition—which have never been shown as a group before—include portraits of George Washington, Robert E. Lee, President James Madison and Chief Justice John Marshall, all by well-known American artists.

Also part of the show are landscapes, seascapes, a still life, and several "genre scenes" — art which depicts everyday life — also by prominent 19th-century painters.

All 18 paintings are owned by W&L, and most were restored for this special Bicentennial exhibition.

The duPont Gallery show is the result of more than a year's work by an assistant professor of art history at W&L, Dr. Pamela Simpson, and nine students who participated in a seminar she taught.

Among the artists represented in the show are Gilbert Stuart (a portrait of Washington in the familiar "Athenaeum" style, from which the engraving of Washington on the $1 bill was derived), Chester Harding (the portraits of Madison and Marshall, both painted during the Virginia Constitutional Convention of 1829), and Rembrandt Peale, a son of Charles Willson Peale and a founder of the so-called "Philadelphia School" of art.

Painters of the "Hudson River" school are heavily represented in landscape work, with paintings in the show by George Inness, William Mason Brown, Jasper F. Cropsey, Paul Weber and John F. Kensett. The show also in-

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Silk-screen exhibit in bookstore

Silk-screen prints by Norbert W. Irvine, a Lexington native whose works are now included in major public and private collections throughout the country, will be on display through the month of January in the Bookstore.

Irvine, a 1961 W&L graduate with an M.A. from Claremont, is now an art teacher at Atlantic Christian College in Wilson, N.C. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Irvine of Lexington.

The artist describes his recent work as "an exploration of, and a participation in, nature." He writes that he examines "fragments of life" not only visually but also with the aid of an electron miroscope—and then allows the objective and emotional to blend together in the images he creates.

REVIEW *and* OUTLOOK

Editorial Opinion of The Ring-tum Phi

Thursday, January 8, 1976

Now you see it, now you don't

Using logic even Aristotle would have difficulty following, the faculty at its regular December meeting decided to abolish the mid-winter break, at least for the '76-'77 year. Rather than earning the displeasure of any small segment of the student body that would have been disappointed with the timing of the break no matter when it would have been scheduled, our professors have chosen to dispense with the holiday altogether, possibly earning the displeasure of all students.

True, without the vacation it will be no problem for the sciences to schedule the required number of labs, the athletic department will have no difficulty in arranging home games, and we students will arrive home one week earlier in May.

What concerns us is that there will be no break in the monotony of twelve solid weeks of academics during the most dreary part of the year. Many students we know had enough difficulty in retaining their sanity during the long haul preceding Thankskiving, a long haul at least punctuated with a few diversions such as Homecoming and Parents' Weekend. With only Fancy Dress to enliven the bleak winter months, the second term could be transformed into a more formidable period than it already is. Students will have more difficulty working efficiently throughout the term.

There was much discussion preceding the vote on whether to retain the break as it occurs this year, or to alter it in some fashion. There were proposals to shorten it to two school days, to keep it at its present length but place it in March, and to use a combination of the two. Some people thought a week too long; others saw no sense in a half-week holiday. Some thought there was much to be said for leaving the break in February, after mid-terms; others felt placement near the end of the term would help students gather their strength for a last lusty push toward examination.

Confronted with this bewildering array of opinions, the faculty was stymied. So rather than take sides in the issue, it chose to withdraw the issue altogether, ruling out the inclusion of any vacation during next year's winter term. The logic behind this action is obscure, if existent.

Twelve weeks plus one week of exams is an awfully long time to work diligently at studies, without at least a momentary pause to catch our breath. We sincerely believe that the faculty has erred. We personally saw nothing dreadfully wrong with the short winter break of years past—at any rate we feel that there is a definite psychological need for a holiday partway through the term. The faculty's action was taken in the name of expediency, and it resolved the Great Calendar Debate, temporarily. We nevertheless question the wisdom of the decision.

—S.C.Y.

Outside the classroom there are opportunities

It may almost seem impossible, but we are nearly half way through another academic year. The holiday went by too quickly, and we find ourselves suddenly confronted with a fresh set of courses, after having just dispatched with the last batch (or so it seems).

With the new term getting into full swing, we should stop for a moment and reflect on what we are trying to accomplish with our time here. Sure, we all attend classes and parties, but what else are we doing? Have we gotten involved in those organizations we "keep meaning to join"? Are we doing anything more than just drifting through, studying as little as possible but really learning much less than even that?

Most groups active on the campus would welcome new members heartily right now—some need more participants just to continue functioning properly. Several worthwhile activities that come to mind include the Mock Convention, the University Federation, music and drama groups, and of course publications.

We should strive to develop ourselves as completely as possible during our college years. Involvement in outside activities should be an integral part of this development. Is it?

—S.C.Y.

The Alexander-Withrow House

3 WEST WASHINGTON STREET

A restored historic landmark with five period-furnished guest suites. A different experience in overnight hospitality for those who love fine things. Students may make reservations for their parents and tour the house from 10-2 Tuesday through Saturday or write Mrs. Harriet Thomas.

Valiant waitress foils catsup heist

Several students dressed in plain clothes were foiled in an attempt to make Mother's restaurant the scene of an end-of-term larceny, when a determined unidentified waitress smashed their bizarre scheme in an admirable display of swift thinking, courage, integrity, and luck.

Several students were observed departing said pizzeria on the 12th of December. They were running stealthily toward their getaway vehicle at the corner of Jefferson and Washington Streets, and making a great deal of noise to draw the attention of passersby away from the catsup bottle one of the criminals had perfidiously swiped from an unsuspecting table.

The quick thinking waitress copied the license number of the offending vehicle as it sat in the middle of the intersection with its driver desperately attempting to start it.

As the robbers ran about in the street, some pushing the vehicle, some perusing the area beneath the hood and hypothisizing learnedly, the waitress boldly strode up to the villain holding the catsup bottle and siezed it from him in no uncertain terms.

Although the local constabulary had been summoned, the culprits managed to get the vehicle started at last, spraying the area surrounding the intersection with a near-fatal cloud of carbon monoxide and gravel dust.

When asked about the condition of the delinquents involved in the foiled attempt, the waitress replied that, "They were all drunk as Hell."

When asked about what police action she expected as a result of the incident, she speculated that the law might also be in a state of inebriation on the evening in question.

Lexington's leash law

All students and other members of the Washington and Lee community who may own dogs are reminded of the Lexington City Code concerning the licensing and control of dogs. Particular attention is called to the new leash law which was passed by the City Council in April 1975.

All dogs six months old and over must be properly licensed and must wear a "collar bearing a license tag of the proper calendar year." Dog licenses for the City of Lexington may be obtained from the Office of the City Treasurer on East Washington Street; fines are prescribed for failure to pay the license tax.

In addition, dogs are not to be allowed to run at large; they must be under the control of the owner or custodian by means of a leash, chain, or rope when off the owner's property. Section 4-6 of the City Code provides the following:

"It shall be unlawful for any dog to run at large in the City of Lexington. For the purpose of this section, a dog shall be deemed to run at large while roaming, running, or self-huntinf off the property of its owner or custodian and not under its owner's or custodian's immediate control by leash, chain, rope or other restraining device securely attached to the dog's harness or collar."

Fines, in the minimum amount of five dollars for the first offense and twenty-five dollars for each subsequent offense, are prescribed for violations of this ordinance.

If violations of these requirements of the Lexington City Code continue to occur with frequency on University property the remainder of the academic year, the City dog warden will be invited to the campus periodically, without prior notification, to impound unlicensed dogs and dogs found to be "running at large."

Study skills course offered

As a service to Washington and Lee students, the University has once again this year engaged Baldridge Reading and Study Skills, Inc. to offer on campus a special program designed to improve reading and learning skills in academic subjects.

The program is not merely a speed-reading course. Its techniques are designed to increase reading speed, to strengthen comprehension, to improve recall, to sustain concentration and to deepen analysis. A student uses his own classroom reading materals rather than mass-prepared instructional literature and mechanical training aids.

This program will be conducted on the Washington and Lee campus by an instructor from Baldridge Reading from January 12 through February 6. Scheduling will be flexible to accommodate individual student schedules, and classes will be small to permit necessary individual attention. Each student will attend a total of twenty sessions, five per week. Tuition for the program will be $75, payable by the start of the program upon receipt of a statement from Baldridge.

Further information and registration cards may be obtained from the Office of the Dean of Students, Washington Hall 25. Interested students should register for the course as soon as possible.

Ask Traveller

Dear Traveller: I am a freshman and am somewhat confused as to how to get good grades in some courses. Do you have any hints?

Signed, G.P.A. 0.01

Dear Academic Pro: I really can't give you much help—the ways of the wild and of the profs are beyond me. However, never let it be said that Traveller won't try. Here are some clues I gathered while in the Co-op one day disguished as a three-legged canine.

Art 100—Let it be known that you adore Helen Reddy.
Economics 102—Keep using Drop/Add forms until you get the right one.
Economics 219—Smoke a pipe.
Music 151—Whistle Beethoven's Fifth when you pass him on the walk, and sit next to Shills at concerts.
Politics 230—Get to know Mrs. Miller.
History 150—Join S.A.B.U. (a slight problem for some).
History 354—Purge yourself of your Southern drawl.
Anthropology 101—Go out for the team, you fool. If you don't play just carry a stick around with you.
Mathematics 102—Wear bobby-socks.
Military Science 102—Transfer to V.M.I.
Geology 120—Learn to play banjo and frequent the Paramount.
Philosophy 208—Fall asleep on the Front Campus while contemplating the Sun.
Greek 102—Go to the Toga Party.
Chemistry 101—Get your fraternity to nominate your date for Homecoming Queen.
Chemistry 241—Sorry, fella, there's no hope here.
French 112—Bleach your hair blond and smoke Eric cigarettes.
Drama 133—Make sure one of your friends is taking a course in directing.
Biology 110—In lab carry a surfing magazine and a Beach Boys album; at least one prof will be pleased.
Journalism 102—Throw a brick at the editor of the **Ring-tum Phi.**
Chinese 101—Squint.

Letters to the editor

Student finds Thymes appalling . . .

Editor, **The Ring-tum Phi:**

Upon reading the second issue of the "W&L Thymes" I was even more appalled than I was after I read the first issue. Articles containing phrases like "Amerika," "corporate pigs," and "macho-boozo-frat-dubyanel trip facade" belong somewhere else — anywhere else — besides the W&L campus.

The typical W&L gentleman is lambasted owing to his dress, speech, social concerns, etc., while the obvious minority is represented as the norm on campus.

Funds must not be appropriated for this "alternative" newspaper. Funding a newspaper that appeals to such an obvious minority would constitute reverse discrimination as well as be utterly foolish. A rag depicting W&L in such a light has no place on this campus. It is truly my hope that this "thing" ceases functioning before any prospective students obtain copies of it and judge the merits of W&L by it.

Respectfully,
Scott M. Stevenson, Esq., '76A

. . . but then, doesn't everybody?

Editor, **The Ring-tum Phi:**

Enclosed is a copy of a letter I sent to the **Thymes.** Since this past issue of the **Thymes** is probably the last we will see of it, I would appreciate it if you would print the letter in the **Phi.**

November 21, 1975

To the Editors and Staff of the **Thymes**

Dear Sirs:

GROW UP OR GIVE UP

After I had read the first issue of the **Thymes,** I had hoped that it would die of natural causes. Unfortunately, it did not; the second issue only goes to confirm my belief that it should have. Your "seasoned look at Washington and Lee"—which you so wittily call it—is nothing more than a piece of sophomoric trash.

Your stated purpose is "to bring before the W&L community the pertinent issues of today." Do you really think that Ms. Kellum's sugarcoated account of her perilous trek to the Beta house is "pertinent?" I am glad, however, to know that Ms. Kellum and the Betas lived happily ever after.

And what of your "on-the-spot look at W&L's fairer neighbors?" I fail to see anything of value in these adolescent "reports." Look at the pretentious sociological jargon you have used to conceal what is really a sick and infantile obsession with sex: "When asked a leading question about the development of a sexual relationship after the third or fourth date, about 15% of the girls said simply . . . "—gigle, giggle, **ad nauseam.**" In short, it seems as though your writers have just reached puberty, and are presently engaged in journalistic masturbation.

I do have some complimentary things to say about the **Thymes.** Rick McHan's article, "W&L Drama," was well written and informative, as was Mark Mendel's, "The Real World: New York City." But this type of writing does not need the **Thymes.** The **Ring-tum Phi** and **Ariel** are both available for such writing—although I am not sure that the **Ariel** staff would accept the immature prose and poetry that have appeared in the **Thymes.**

As for your present financial difficulties, I have absolutely no sympathy. Fools and their money are soon parted.

John Gray, Jr., '76

Former editor likes "excellent" editorial

Editor, **The Ring-tum Phi:**

My compliments to you, Sir, for your excellent and thought provoking editorial in your November 13 issue!

The Honor System has been one of the glories of Washington and Lee for over a century. A man either is honorable or he isn't—there is no middle ground. We have seen the sorry spectacle of a President of the United States forced to resign by public opinion because he lied about things which he felt were "a second rate burglary." The fact was he lied. There was no matter of degree.

I hope that the W&L students of today are not immersed in the cynicism of the market place and the United Nations. As leaders of tomorrow, respect for and governance by the Honor System, will furnish the basis of life long self respect and happiness in life.

As a former Editor of the **Ring-tim Phi** I read it with interest and congratulate you for publishing a newsy, well balanced paper under the trying conditions of 1975!

With best wishes, I am,
Sincerely yours,
Emmett W. MacCorkle Jr. '26

Letters-to-the-Editor are always welcome. They should be in good taste, refer to campus issues, avoid excessive length and present a coherent point of view.

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Basketball's record slips to 3-3

BY SAMMY THOMPSON

Washington and Lee's basketball team opened their season November 28 and 29 with victories over Washington College and York College of Pennsylvania by identical 86-67 scores. After that, however, the Generals lost three in a row before beating St. Leo's College December 18.

In the season opener against York, coach Verne Canfield started 5-10, sophomore Bob Forlenza and 6-2, senior John Podgajny at the guards while 6-4, junior Chris Larson and 6-5, senior Jeff Baum started at the forward positions. At center was 6-8, senior Norm Kristoff.

The Generals got the lead early in the York game as Larson hit on several jump shots. The biggest margin of the half came after eight minutes of playing time had elapsed, giving W&L a 20-10 lead. Junior Bob Flint came off the bench to grab nine first-half rebounds while Larson led in scoring with 14 points. York narrowed the W&L lead to four points with five minutes remaining in the half. At intermission, the Generals managed to stay on top 38-37.

The second half started slowly for the Generals as they missed shots and committed several turnovers. York scored four points in a row to take a 47-52 lead with 17 minutes remaining in the game. York's lead did not last long, however, as W&L's 6-8 center, Norm Kristoff, hit six straight points to bring the Generals back. After this, W&L led the rest of the game.

Larson, Baum and freshman Dave Leunig spurred the Generals' attack the rest of the game. Bob Flint did a good job for the Generals off the bench winding up with 13 rebounds and 6 points. Larson was the game's leading scorer with 25 points.

The General's second game of the season against Washington College gave W&L its second win in an exciting contest in which coach Canfield was slapped with two technical fouls following the injury of junior guard, Kim Sims. The incident occurred when Sims fell while dribbling down court. A Washington College player stole the ball as Sims lay on the floor in agony. Canfield protested to the official that play should have been halted when the injury occurred. The official continued play, however, and Canfield drew a technical foul after his heavy protest. Afterwards, in the locker room, it was determined that Sims had fractured the middle finger on his left hand.

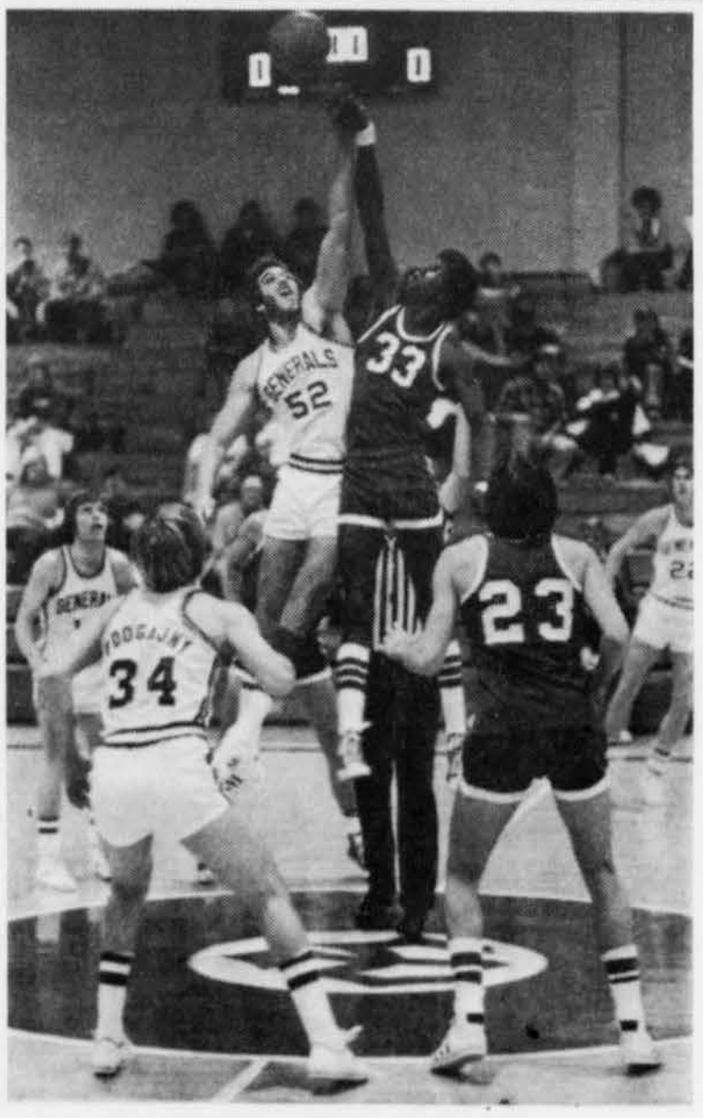
As coach Canfield sat on the sidelines with two technicals, W&L went on to outplay WC and led at the half 35-30. The game was tied in the second half at 35-35 with 18:09 remaining. Washington College went ahead briefly before captain John Podgajny hit a jump shot with 10:37 left that put W&L in the lead for good. Flint, Leunig, Mike Wenke and Don Berlin came off the bench to rally the Generals on to an 86-67 win.

Lynchburg College gave the Generals their first loss December 1, 85-84. W&L was behind the entire game and trailed by as much as 17 points at one point in the second half. The Generals fought back and actually took the lead with 16 seconds remaining but lost it as a Lynchburg player made a layup with four seconds left. W&L failed to score and lost by the narrow one-point margin. Podgajny and Larson were the leading scorers for W&L with 26 and 20 points.

December 3 brought the University of Virginia Wahoos to town in a game which saw the Generals trampled by a much taller team. W&L's first half field goal percentage was a meager 27 per cent compared to 58.6 for UVA. The Generals never led as a good Wahoo team won 101-57. The only consolation for the Generals that night was an earlier 45-44 victory against the UVA junior varsity team by a good shooting W&L JV team.

W&L split a pair of games over the holidays losing to Eckerd College 87-76 and beating St. Leo's College 60-54. In the St. Leo's game, W&L led all the way for a win that broke a three game losing streak and brought their season record to 3-3. Kristoff led the Generals with 12 points, while Podgajny and Berlin had 10 points apiece.

The Generals travelled to Bridgewater College yesterday and will host the W&L Invitational January 9-10 against Lycoming, Lock Haven State and Salisbury State.



Center Norm Kristoff jumps high for the ball in the season opener against York College as John Podgajny, Bob Forlenza and Chris Larson await the tip.

Matmen victorious so far

"This looks like the best team we've had in recent years," said Washington and Lee coach Gary Franke. "Barring any injuries we could go a long way."

Coach Franke's pre-season prediction has been accurate so far as W&L's wrestling team is off to one of its best starts in history with three victories by big margins in its first three starts.

The Generals opened their season December 2 in Lexington beating Lynchburg College and Virginia State, 41-3 and 34-6. W&L continued its winning ways the next day in Harrisonburg against Bridgewater College, 49-2.

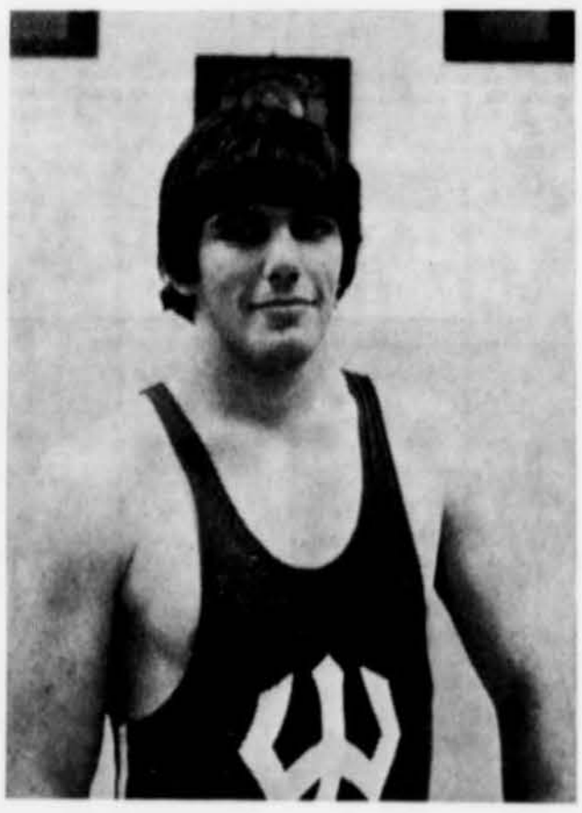
Twenty-one members are on this year's squad which includes six freshmen. Four of Franke's wrestlers boast 3-0 records. These include junior captain Jim Crytzer (158 lbs.), senior Lee Keck (126-134), junior Bill Cole (177) and freshman Dan Kniffen (heavyweight).

Senior Rick Heldrich (167) and freshmen Andy King (142-150) and Kevin McFadden (167) have won two matches.

The Generals are without the services of junior letterman, Steve Schweizerhof, who will be unable to compete until sometime in January due to an ear injury he received playing football.

So far the Generals have managed without him, however, and have a shot at the VCAA championship. Last year W&L finished second in VCAA competition with a 9-8 record. The Generals will compete in 19 matches this year including four home appearances.

Coach Franke's men travel to Durham, N.C. January 10 to face a strong Duke University team. The next home meet is against Hampden-Sydney January 14 at 7:30 p.m.



Junior captain Jim Crytzer was last year's most valuable wrestler compiling a 14-6-2 record.

Slatcoff predicts football turnaround soon

"Within the next two years the football program is going to be turned around, and Washington and Lee University is going to have a winner."

The speaker was not the college president soliciting funds from the alumni, nor a football coach trying to bolster the team's spirits after a 1-8-1 season. The speaker was sophomore linebacker Jeff Slatcoff, who is as enthusiastic about Washington and Lee—both the school and its football program—today as he was when he left Windber, Pa. two years ago to enroll here.

'A small school like W&L has a lot more to offer than many big schools," said Slatcoff, who was approached by several of the larger Pennsylvania schools about a football career there. "At W&L, you are simply playing for your own benefit and not being paid for it. And in my opinion you can't get any better education."

Slatcoff really does talk that way. And he "speaks" the same language on the football field, where he is the Generals' leading tackler by far. In W&L's 10 games this year, Slatcoff had 189 tackles and assisted on 33 others. That's a total of 222, or over 22 a game. Plus two passes broken up, two fumbles recovered, one fumble caused and a blocked kick.

And those are not padded by some publicity-happy statistician; they're taken from the game films by the defensive coaches, who don't give any credit for merely jumping onto a pile.

"Jeff's probably leading the whole country in tackles," opinioned W&L defensive coordinator Boyd Williams.

Some of Slatcoff's performances border on the incredible, such as the Sewanee game, when he made 8 tackles and assisted on four more, broke up a pass and blocked an extra point attempt. He had 24 tackles in November against Georgetown, 21 vs. Madison, 19 on another occasion and 18 in three other games. And so on. The **second** leading tackler for W&L had 89 for the **whole year.**

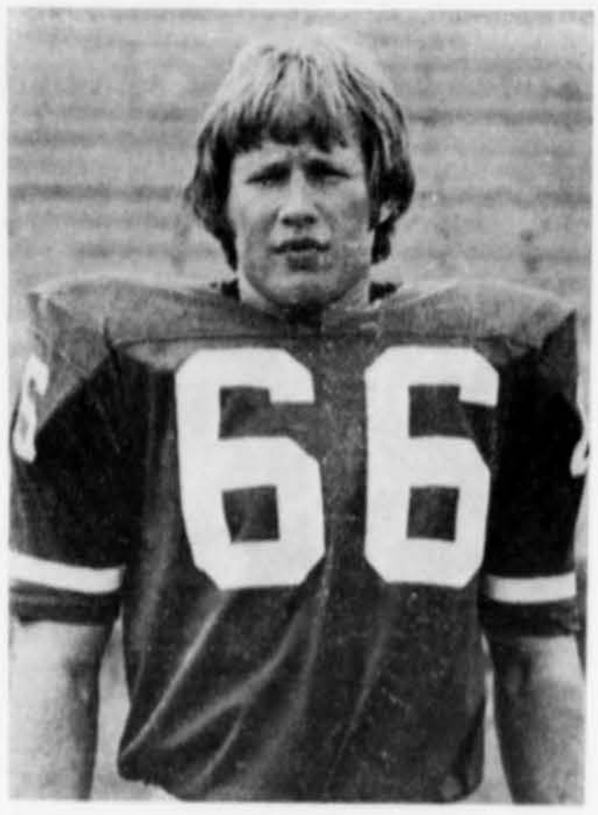
There's a great mutual admiration thing going between Slatcoff and defensive coordinator Williams, who recruited him from Windber Area High School. Williams, a native of the same Pennsylvania area who played for Syracuse and the Philadelphia Eagles, says "I wish we had more like Jeff. He's a hell of a competitor, he busts his tail on every play, and he doesn't know what the word 'loafing' means."

Williams feels Slatcoff could play football anywhere in the country, although his relative small size (6-0, 214) might be a handicap at a big football school. He's a winner, William notes. "He came out of a winning program in a tough area around Pittsburgh, he hates to lose, and he's not used to anything but winning. I think we can count on him to contribute more than his share toward turning this program around."

Slatcoff won't go far out on any limbs in predicting the turnaround. He simply says, "We may not have a winning season in my two remaining years, but before I leave it's going to be turned around in that direction. The kids that come afterwards are going to be winners."

Linebacker coach Chuck O'Connell attributes Slatcoff's success to his "nose for the football" and his upper body strength. "Lots of times he gets to the runner on the other side of the line before the linebacker on that side does," O'Connel notes. "And he uses his forearms very well to ward off blockers."

Perhaps the ultimate compliment comes from Mrs. Minnie K. Ellis, the seamstress who repairs the Generals' jersies after every game. "What's that no. 66?" Mrs. Ellis said after one recent game. "That's the most torn jersey I've had yet."



Sophomore linebacker Jeff Slatcoff compiled 189 tackles and 33 assists this year to lead the General defense.

Swimmers continue their winning ways

Washington and Lee's swimming team continued its winning ways November 20 and December 3 by defeating the Dukes of Madison 66-47 and V.M.I. 71-44.

The Generals are undefeated in the young season and five team members have been listed among the nation's top ten in NCAA competition. Sophomore freestyler John Hudson is listed first among the nation's swimmers in two events, the 500-yard and 1000-yard freestyle, in the latest NCAA Division III listings. Junior Tad Van Leer likewise is first in the 50-yard freestyle, while freshman Chip Hoke ranks second in the 200-yard backstroke.

Joining Hudson and Van Leer on the 400-yard freestyle relay team which ranks fourth nationwide are senior Gary Seldomridge and freshman Keith Romich.

In the meet against Madison, W&L set nine Madison school records and placed first in all but two events.

Sophomore John Hudson placed first in two events for the Generals, the 500- and 1000-yard freestyle, boasting times of 4:53.9 and 10:13.8. Freshman Keith Romich placed second in the 500 while senior Bill Tiers got third in the 1000 to further help the Generals.

Captain Rod Scott also won two events for W&L in the 200 individuals medley, 2:09.1, and the butterfly, 2:12.5. Freshman Chip Hoke placed a close second behind Scott in the 200 individual medley with a time of 2:10.3. Hoke did even better, however, in the 200-yard backstroke. By swimming the time of 2:06.5, Hoke broke All-American Billy Ball's old schoo' record.

Junior Tad Van Leer placed first in the 50- and 100-yard freestyle events. Keith Romich and William Gregg placed first and second in the 200-yard freestyle. Gary Seldomridge won the 200-yard breast in 2:30.

Billy Cogar led the Generals in diving with first place finishes in both the one and three meter dives. W&L's relay teams finished second and third in the 400-yard medley and 400-yard freestyle relays.

The Generals easily beat V.M.I. and will swim Saturday against Virginia Tech in Blacksburg.

University Theatre Auditions

Auditions for the musical **1776** will be held in Lee Chapel on Sunday, Jan. 11, at 2p.m. and at 7 p.m., and on Monday, Jan. 12, at 2 p.m. Please bring a piece of prepared music along with sheet music—an accompanyist will be available For further information call Lee Kahn, 463-9111, ext. 273, or Al Gordon, 463-9111, ext. 351.

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cludes marine paintings by James Hamilton and Edward Moran.

Painters of "genre" scenes whose works are part of the W&L American Bicentennial show are Robert Swain Gifford ("Seaweed Gatherer"), Arthur F. Tait ("Cows and Ducks"), Thomas Birch ("Ulysses on the Isle of Calypso") and John G. Brown ("Teaching Tricks").

With the support of a substantial grant from the National Endowment for the Arts, W&L has published a 48-page catalogue in which Dr. Simpson examines in detail the 19th-century changes in American art reflected in the paintings in the show, and in which the career of each artist and the specific paintings in the W&L collection are discussed in brief.

The public is invited to visit the exhibition without charge. The duPont Gallery is open weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Check forgeries prompt multiple investigations

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that were disturbed but not removed from the house during the Saturday night robbery.

The break-in was discovered Sunday morning by University Proctor C. F. Murray, who noticed a kitchen window and door standing open.

According to Muir, there is little or no way to protect a building constructed like the Munster House from incidents of this type.

A meeting is being planned by Leland McCullough, Bobby Pugh, and Dean John for sometime this week to discuss the checks that have been forged lately and what should be done about them.

According to John, there have been at least five checks forged in Lexington during the last month, four of them at the Co-op and one, for more than $50, at Pres Brown's.

Most of the checks were taken from rooms in the same general area of the old freshman dorms. The forger(s) took one check and cashed it for a small amount in the Co-op. The only exception to this form was the one used to purchase a lacrosse stick and other merchandise at Pres Brown's.

One of the victims of the stolen checks was Freshman E.C. Representative Bill Webster, who will be one of those trying the culprit in an honor trial if he turns out to be a student.

The check forgeries are being investigated at present by the E.C., the Office of the Dean of Students, and the Lexington police.

Jackson against detente, favors energy controls

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criticize the Kissinger detente with Moscow.

The Jackson campaign has the management and financial backing to sell anything from pet rocks to Presidents, but there is a critical lack of broad support. If Jackson is going to win the democratic nomination it will have to come from labor and assorted independents who have not made up their minds on which product to buy.

Deadline

Deadline for filing drop/add forms and pass/fail cards is Friday, January 9, at 4 p.m.

Notice

The Executive Committee is now accepting applications for appointment to the newly formed Minority Affairs Co-ordinating Committee. Applications are due in the E.C. room before 7 p.m. on Monday, January 19th.

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