

Applications for admission are down 40 per cent

by Paul Daugherty

Applications for admission to Washington and Lee University are down more than 40 percent from last year, according to Ken Ruscio, assistant director of admissions.

As of last Friday, the school had received 516 applications, compared to 918 by the same date last year. W&L has received an average of 1,320 applications each year, said Ruscio, but will be hard pressed to

reach that figure this year with the Feb. 15 application deadline only 2½ weeks away.

Ruscio attributes this substantial drop to several factors, most notably the addition of an essay to the application form. The applicant is asked to "develop an essay of 400 to 600 words discussing what individual, living or dead, you would most enjoy talking to for an evening and state precisely why."

Dave McLean, one of two students who help with admissions, said he believes the question has been more a delaying factor and by the time all applications are counted there will have only been a 20 percent drop. He says that the question will have to be dropped, however, because students who use W&L as a back-up for Ivy League schools may not take the time to answer a long essay question. W&L has a history of

being able to attract "Ivy League rejects," he added.

The question was included "primarily to gain a better understanding of their (the student's) writing ability, but also to get some insight into the individual himself — what he's like, what his interests are, that sort of thing," he said.

The essays also will be given to the faculty advisors of those students who decide to attend W&L, Ruscio said. After

reading the essays, the advisor will be better able to tell the student whether he should take a course in basic English grammar.

There have been a wide range of responses to the essay, including several Ben Franklins, Thomas Jeffersons, Jesus Christs and even a Donald Duck.

"We're hoping that the addition of the essay is the main (continued on page 11)

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E.C. to question McNider's tactics

Jim McNider, chairman of the Student Control Committee, may be asked to appear at Monday's Executive Committee meeting to explain certain procedural irregularities of his committee, EC President Jim Underhill said Tuesday.

Underhill said McNider is in the habit of pursuing Student Control matters himself rather than consulting the whole committee. Underhill said McNider is on his own personal crusade and confirmed reports that

McNider has been turning many Student Control matters over to the EC for honor trials.

Underhill originally said Student Control had taped a hearing, but after learning of McNider's denial of doing so Underhill admitted he had no first hand knowledge. He said that McNider had requested and received a tape recorder which McNider wanted to use to tape a committee hearing which he thought might later reveal discrepancies in

testimony serious enough to be brought before the EC.

McNider admitted asking some students if they would mind having their proceeding recorded, but said no student agreed to such an arrangement.

McNider also admitted that he had asked students caught for smoking marijuana in the dormitories to sign a statement admitting to certain facts in the case. McNider said the students signed the statements "of their own free will."



photo by Plater Robinson

Minorities given special preference

by Ben Keesee

Minorities, sons of alumni, and local students are given what Lewis G. John, Dean of Students, termed as "special preference" when being considered for admission to Washington and Lee. In addition, minorities are given preferential treatment in the area of financial aid.

In a recent interview, Dean John stated that after applicants deemed academically qualified are determined, students identified as "special preference" category members are "offered admission without competition with others (applicants)."

When questioned about the "special preference" policy and its effects, Associate Dean of Students and Coordinator of the freshman year, H. Robert Huntley, replied "We do identify them and that's about all." Huntley did, however, say that once a "special preference" category student is identified, "We make every effort to accept him."

Also, when the admissions committee considers the application of a minority student Scholastic Aptitude Test score are played down, while class rank and grade point average are emphasized, Huntley said. Board scores of minority applicants are consistently lower than those of non-minority applicants, but this difference is what he termed a "cultural

phenomena." Huntley said SAT scores are not considered reliable indicators of academic ability and "do not reflect native intelligence."

Dean John further stated that Washington and Lee does "make some special efforts" to

secure attendance of minority students. When asked for an example of those "special efforts," Dean John stated that "blacks do get a more favorable portion of grant." (Grant refers to financial aid awarded

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James Bond Image Repudiated by Colby

"The CIA has not been a rogue elephant over the past three administrations," former Central Intelligence Director William Colby told a packed house in Lee Chapel last night. "It has been a reflection of presidential policy and congress-

sional acquiescence."

Colby, who served as CIA director from 1973 to 1976, told of how recent intelligence in the past years have shocked Americans more than surprised them.

Fictional characters like James Bond have provided Americans with the image about intelligence gathering, he said, but added that the CIA is now becoming better understood.

"If the CIA did something wrong, let's correct and control it," he shouted over the podium, "not do away with it because of some disastrous incidents that I personally believe were few and far between."

In that light, Colby, a Princeton and Columbia law graduate, said that former CIA Director Richard Helms should not have been prosecuted or indicted for his false and inaccurate testimony to a Senate committee.

As for Frank Sney's new book, *Decent Interval*, which describes the bungling of the Saigon evacuation of American and Vietnamese civilians during the final days of the Vietnam war, Colby said Sney was overly critical and that all of the American civilians got out of Vietnam along with 130,000 Vietnamese civilians.

Colby said the CIA is still a necessity despite recent newspaper reports to the con- (continued on page 12)

Dissatisfied with social life

Students want coeducation

Washington and Lee students are in favor of coeducation according to a poll taken by the Ring-tum Phi Monday. Thirty-six percent of the student body participated in the poll in which 56 percent of those voting favored coeducation.

In the same poll, 55 percent of the students were unsatisfied with the social life. Of those who voted for coeducation, 81 percent were unsatisfied with the social life while 80 percent of those who voted against coeducation were satisfied with the social life.

Fifty-one percent of the fraternity members were in favor of coeducation, while 62 percent of the independents favored it. At the same time, 67 percent of the independents were unsatisfied with the social life yet only 56 percent of fraternity men think the social life is satisfactory.

The seniors were the only class to vote against coeduca-

tion. They did so 62-51. The juniors, sophomore and freshman classes voted for coeducation 63-34, 73-59, and 96-48 respectively.

A computation of chi square showed the results of the survey to be significant. The chi square of 5.9 indicates there is only a two percent chance that the results are insignificant and do not reflect the opinion of the entire student body.

In February, 1976 the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to remain an all-male institution. The trustees indicated that considerations of size, curriculum and traditional character were primary factors influencing their decision. A study undertaken indicated coeducation would require an increase in the university's size. The trustees felt an increase in the student body should be avoided. Coeducation, they felt, would mean a possible change in the curriculum which would

lower the quality of education here. Coeducation would practically destroy the traditional nature of Washington and Lee. Washington and Lee is the nation's oldest all-male institution.

In 1975, the faculty voted 53-49-5 recommending that the trustees adopt coeducation. In their statement to the trustees they said, "The faculty, having considered the impact of coeducation without regard to economic considerations, believe, coeducation would have a favorable effect upon the academic program at Washington and Lee."

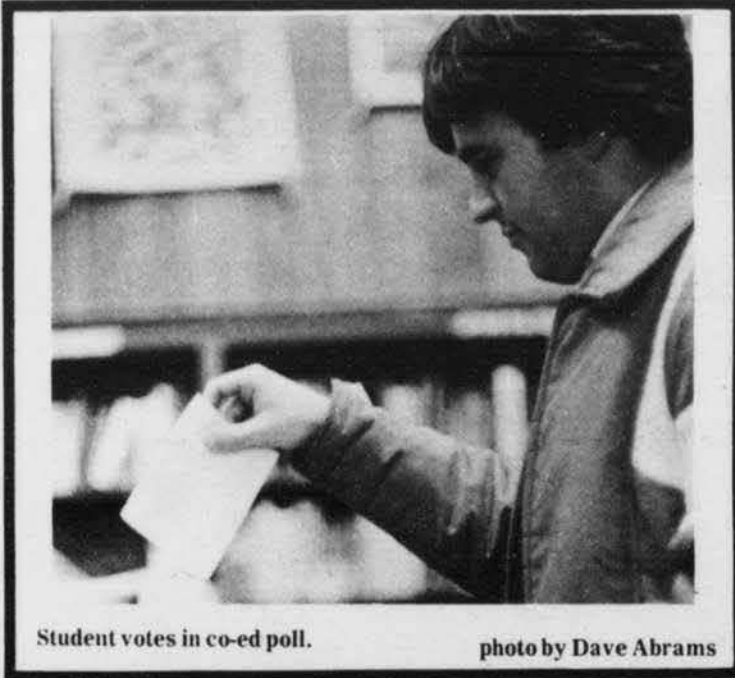
Dissenting faculty members at the time had some interesting things to say about coeducation. "Coeducation is a betrayal of serious education." Coeducation is "typical rather of Soviet Russian and Red Chinese society." In "Western countries...nothing much is at" (continued on page 7)

Mark Bradley,
*and a scholar
 and a gentleman,
 works in
 a factory*

by Galen Trussell
 Mark Bradley, a very atypical senior at Washington and Lee, has been awarded a Fulbright scholarship to study in Germany.
 The Fulbright scholarship is the most recent of Bradley's laurels, but not his most impressive. Bradley is also the first Rhodes scholar Washington and Lee has produced since 1973.
 Bradley said he didn't feel he was your typical man about campus, whose social life centers around fraternities and grain parties. He admitted he was "kind of a loner." Mark credited his attraction to W&L not to the social life here but to

the teachers he has had in his four years here.
 "It was the professors here at W&L that helped me get motivated to do really well," Bradley confessed.
 Professors Machado and Dickens were the two out of a list of about ten teachers Bradley credited as helping him the most. Bradley also said that his being the first member of his family to go to college added to his desires to do well.
 "The reason I've done so well at Washington and Lee is because it was such a big deal for me to go to college," Bradley said.
 Even with his job at Roanoke Iron and Bridge Works, where

he puts in about 30 hours a week, Mark has maintained a 3.8 GPA. He laughingly denied he was a "work-aholic".
 Being chosen for a Rhodes scholarship was an incredible honor Bradley admitted. He said he felt like he was in a state of shock when it happened.
 "When I learned I had been selected for the Rhodes, my first thought was how pleased all my professors at Washington and Lee would be," Bradley said.
 Bradley began his successful bid for the Rhodes honor last year by submitting a 1,000 word essay about his goals in life. The Rhodes screening board then
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Student votes in co-ed poll. photo by Dave Abrams

RtP Series on Fraternities

Frat houses deteriorating

3rd in a series

by Randy Smith
 Complaints from alumni have pressured the Fraternity Inspection Committee to recommend that a checklist be sent to each of Washington and Lee's fraternities, on a monthly basis, to insure that interior and exterior maintenance work be performed on fraternity houses. Failure to comply with the maintenance requests on the checklists will result in punitive action.

Concern for the structural condition of many of W&L's fraternities has also been registered by the school's administration, town residents, and a fire and safety survey conducted by an independent investigation firm.

The fire and life safety report, conducted by the National Loss Control Service Corporation last fall, said in part: "The respect for fellow students' life and safety is very lax..."

In a strongly worded conclusion, the survey went on to say that "the present conditions of the fifteen fraternity houses visited are such, that in no way can a reasonable level of life safety be assured for the students."

Dr. Thomas C. Imeson, chairman of the recently formed Fraternity Inspection Committee, said that the past "grievous neglect" of fraternity members for their chapter houses has

resulted in structural damage and deterioration. "We're not interested in dictating to fraternities how they protect the health and welfare of their members," Dr. Imeson explained, "but we must assure minimum safety standards."
 "The Alumni Board expressed a real interest" in the apparent structural deterioration of many of W&L's fraternities, said Dan Murphy, Assistant Dean of Students and Coordinator of Fraternity Affairs. "They felt that something should be done (about the struc-

tural condition of many fraternity houses) because the fraternities are a reflection on Washington and Lee."
 Dean Murphy characterized past fraternity maintenance efforts as "somewhat negligent in the appearance and upkeep of their houses."
 Four different options were reportedly considered by the Fraternity Inspection Committee to remedy chapter house conditions: (1) do nothing and let the present structures collapse from misues; (2) turn
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Go Wild Turkey
Students turn themselves in after causing \$1400 damage

A fifth of Wild Turkey whiskey mixed with an assortment of other mind-expanding concoctions was what sparked the much-publicized sign-tearing incident last Saturday night, according to one of the students involved.

Police Chief J. A. Kirby said 26 street signs in downtown Lexington had been torn down and that damage was estimated at \$1,400.

The students, both Washington and Lee freshmen, said they only were responsible for 10 signs.

"I'm not heavy enough to do all that damage," one freshman said.

Both students said they turned themselves in to the police and were charged with a violation of Section 21:25 of the City Code that states it is unlawful to damage public property.

The two freshmen said they were sorry for the vandalism and that they were willing to accept the consequences.

"Whether it was right or wrong, it still was illegal," one of the freshmen said.

The case was brought before the Executive Committee, but

was forwarded to Student Control. The hearing will be held on Thursday, according to the two students.

Michael T. Cleary, senior member of the Student Control Committee, refused to discuss what, if any, punishments will be assessed.

Both freshmen will testify in Lexington General District Court on February 28.



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Law students cite honor code problems

by Lee Howard

It was "no declaration of independence," as Derek Swope said, but the open hearing on the honor system in Lewis Hall Tuesday was an opportunity for law students to express their dissatisfaction with honor trial proceedings.

The main complaints focused on the EC's procedure of conducting inquisitorial hearings as opposed to adversary hearings, the absolute honor violation sanctions and the appeal procedure.

Some specific White Book changes were also suggested. One student said that a white book section which states that the EC recognizes no physical or geographic power. The student said that if he chose to lie, cheat or steal in Illinois he should not be subject to EC discretion. He suggested that the White Book make it clear that the EC only have jurisdiction on the W&L campus.

The same student excoriated the appeal procedure. He said the fact that a student does not have an honor trial go on his written record if only the EC hears it, but does have a trial go on record if he appeals for a public Student Body Hearing is a deterrent for appeal. He said it would be equivalent to the Supreme Court requiring a \$1,000 fee to hear an appeal. He suggested that all trials be off the record.



Law students hold honor code seminar.

photo by Lee Howard

The law student went on to say that the White Book does not include any safeguard against double jeopardy. If new evidence came up a year or so later, a persons could be retired, yet key witnesses may have graduated. He suggested a White Book change which would require that a student could not be tried twice for the same offense.

Another student said that he thinks the EC has too much

power. He suggested that the executive, judicial and legislative powers which are all invested in the EC be broken up among three student organizations, one of which would be solely responsible for honor trials.

These, however, were the only substantive changes suggested. Most of the meeting was involved with clearing up misconceptions which law students have about the honor system. Many law students thought that honor defendants were not presented with evidence against them before the honor trial, were not presented with charges before the trial and did not screen out bad cases. Some even thought the EC gave less than 24 hours notice before a trial.

Actually, the EC is required to give at least 24 hours notice, and is in the habit of giving more time if necessary. Also,

when defendants are told of the honor trial, they are given an explanation of the charges both orally and in writing and are given copies of all physical evidence against them. Furthermore, before this process can proceed, a screening process does take place, in which three EC members decided whether there is enough cause to bring a case to trial.

Because of the many misconceptions evinced at the meeting, one law student said he has strong feelings that much of the dissatisfaction shown by law students toward the honor system is a result of ignorance of standard honor trial procedures. Many students agreed with him, saying they had not been properly informed of the honor system during orientation.

Tom Healy, the new EC law representative, suggested that the EC present a program to

law freshmen during orientation that would help clear up such misunderstandings. The idea seemed to be universally accepted and Swope, head of the Board of Governors, said the honor system presentation will be incorporated into the freshman orientation program next year.

There were some highly philosophical arguments discussed at the meeting. For instance, one student asked "What is a peer?" She said that the EC is not really a group of her peers because she is about five years older than most of them. Given that an honor violation is basically whatever is deemed dishonorable by the student generation involved, she said she wondered how the younger undergraduates could judge her actions.

Other law students disagreed with her point of view, saying they thought undergraduates and graduates probably have the same view of honor. It was more a disagreement between them as to what methods they should use to conduct honor trials, many law students said. Law students seemed to agree that they prefer an adversary trial in which the defendant can be advised by a specially-trained third year law student. They also want more time to be able to prepare a defense; a matter of two or three days rather than one day, said one Lewis Hall man.

Law students also seemed distressed by the lack of codification of the White Book. One particularly animated student identified as John Frazier said the EC is relying too much on "folkways" rather than on precedent. He said such reliance left students with no way to "pattern their conduct."

Another Lewis Hall student
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E.C. gives its OK to M.C. beer blast

by Randy Smith

Tentative plans for a nickle-beer night, to be sponsored by the Mock Convention Committee sometime in March, were approved by the Executive Committee Monday night.

Mock Convention's request was merely for permission to have the beer function, not to solicit funds from the EC. The nickle-beer party is budgeted for \$75.

Representatives from the Mock Convention Committee said that the purposes of the beer night are to "generate interest" for the 1980 Convention and "get as many people involved as possible" in the initial planning of the mock political convention — still two years away.

In the only other action during the EC's brief Monday night meeting, Jackie Boyden and new law school representative Tom Healy clarified the law school's stance with regard to Washington and Lee's honor system.

Miss Boyden explained that the law students are "not advocating separation" from the undergraduates, but want "procedural changes" in the manner in which honor cases are conducted. The Student Bar Association has formed a steering committee to review procedural reforms' Miss Boyden

said.

The suggestions of the steering committee will be referred to a "student-wide" committee for additional comments; both sets of recommendations will then be sent to the EC.

Healy added that the SBA's suggestions for improving the honor trial procedures should not be viewed as "an attempt to take over the honor system, but an effort to improve it"

Jim Underhill and George Griffin, president and vice president of the EC, respectively, will be involved in the SBA reform suggestions, it was noted.

Raffle off to Mexico

Tickets are still available for the Glee Club's "raffle off to Mexico." First prize is a trip for two to Mexico City and Alcapulco. Second prize is a \$25 gift certificate good at the University Record Shop. Tickets are \$1 each, a savings of 33 percent over two years ago. Tickets are available in the Co-Op and from Glee Club members.



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Okay, here's a first rate challenge to people who think they don't like classical music, and who also think that if classical music is dull, chamber music is the dullest of the lot. You are cordially challenged to listen to Schubert's "Trout" Quintet or Dvorak's string quartets. I'm fairly sure after hearing any of these pieces that you will discover a new joy in music you never knew before.

To ensure my challenge's success, however, allow me to recommend a few recordings of the above pieces. As far as Schubert's "Trout" goes, there are several good performances available, but one of the best is performed by the Alexander Schneider Chamber Series on Vanguard records (VSD-71145).

This performance truly "sings." It'll make you tap your foot, or whatever, and it's pretty much guaranteed to please.

There are some recent performances of the Dvorak quartets, recorded on Deutsche Grammophone, which are truly noteworthy. To date the Prague String Quartet has recorded five of the quartets, performed beautifully, and featuring superb recordings. You will be surprised by the total sound produced by just four instruments. Especially good are quartets number 8 and 10, both on one record (DGG 2530-719). Listen to these, and if you still find chamber music dull, which is unlikely, you probably always will.

"Hugh Sisson"

ENTERTAINMENT

UT Plans return to the 1890's in Spring program

by M. Gray Coleman
Entertainment Editor

Dr. Albert Gordon, head of the Department of Fine Arts, has announced tentative plans for the spring term, Drama 139 (total theatre) course to be offered this coming April. A meeting has been announced for next Monday, February 6, at 3:30 in the Troubadour Theatre.

Dr. Gordon, who will be directing all the shows in this program, is starting a tradition that many hope will be repeated in succeeding years in Lexington — that is, summer theatre for the many tourists who visit Lexington during the summer. All those who sign up for Drama 139 will have the option of staying in Lexington for roughly the first half of the summer, and continue to present the plays.

The point must be stressed that there is no obligation to stay in Lexington over the summer, once one has signed up for the course. The grade in Gordon's course will be based upon work in the six weeks; money, in the form of a proposed "profit-sharing" plan, will be the incentive for the summer part of the program.

The general theme of the spring presentation will be remembering theatre of the 1890's. The Drama Department will attempt to bring back the flavor of the period through three plays. Opening the season will be *Little Mary Sunshine*, the well known musical parody of all those "Student Prince"-type operettas of the age. This play will be rehearsed with an eye to opening before graduation, for the W&L community. The two other productions will open in June: *Rip Van Winkle*, a

famous 19th century rendition of the Washington Irving story; and *Dirty Work* at the *Crossroads*, a typical melodrama of the time. All the productions will be presented in the Troubadour Theatre, which will be air-conditioned for the summer.

Tom Ziegler's impressive talents of *Beaux' Strategem* fame will be called into action once again for this project. The attempt will be to turn the Troubadour into a Lexington variety theatre of that time. Upon completion, it will be christened "The Henry Street Light Opera and Melodrama Company."

Dr. Gordon has sent out a special call for musicians to fill the proposed small orchestra, women to fill the necessary

parts, and interested backstage workers. It should be noted that those who want to do technical work in the course and no acting, will find more work available than ever before. Special areas which will need large staffs during the term itself will be public relations-publicity, and all the regular backstage crews. Even with two of the shows technically ready by the end of classes.

This is an exciting opportunity to help what very well may become a yearly Lexington tradition...But help is certainly needed, from actors to poster-hangers. Even if you are still uncertain, go to the meeting next Monday and find out more. If you are unable to attend information may be obtained from Dr. Gordon at 463-9111, ext. 351.

Weekly Calendar

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2

5 p.m.—Biology Seminar: "Membrane Transport." Randy Thomas, researcher at the Medical College of Virginia. Parnly 305.
8 p.m.—Basketball: W&L vs. Eastern Mennonite. Warner Center.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3

7 & 9 p.m.—Movie: "Logan's Run." duPont Auditorium, admission \$1.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4

LSAT (Law School Aptitude Test-1582) testing. duPont Hall.
2 p.m.—Swimming: W&L vs. Morris Harvey and UNC/Wilmington. Warner Center.
8 p.m.—Basketball: W&L vs. Maryville College. Warner Center.
7 & 9 p.m.—Movie: "Logan's Run." duPont Auditorium, admission \$1.
8 p.m.—Play: "Desire Under the Elms," by Eugene O'Neill. Reservations at Box Office, 463-9111, ext. 371. Troubadour Theatre; admission for non-W&L community \$1.50.
Away Athletic Events—Wrestling: W&L at the Brave Invitation.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

7 & 9 p.m.—Movie: "Logan's Run." duPont Auditorium, admission \$1.
8 p.m.—Play: "Desire Under the Elms." Troubadour Theatre.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6

4:30 p.m.—Faculty meeting. Parnly 305.
8 p.m.—Play: "Desire Under the Elms." Troubadour Theatre.
8 p.m.—Lecture: "Journalism Ethics." Robert P. Clark, executive editor of the Louisville Courier Journal. Sponsored by Society and the Professions. Lee Chapel.
8 p.m.—Basketball: W&L vs. Shenandoah College (this game was also postponed because of last week's snow). Warner Center.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

7 & 9 p.m.—Movie: "M. Hulot's Holiday." Reid 203.
8 p.m.—Wrestling: W&L vs. Hampden-Sydney. Warner Center.
8 p.m.—Play: "Desire Under the Elms." Troubadour Theatre.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

8 p.m.—Basketball: W&L vs. Emory and Henry. Warner Center.
8 p.m.—Play: "Desire Under the Elms." Troubadour Theatre.

"Desire Under the Elms": Ellen Jervey (as Abbie) and David Chester (as Eben) in rehearsal. The O'Neill drama will run from Saturday through next Thursday at the University Theatre. The Washington and Lee University Theatre will present Eugene O'Neill's "Desire Under the Elms" this weekend and next week — the first major production at W&L in 14 years of a play by America's premier dramatist. The production will open Saturday, Feb. 4. Performances will be offered each night through Thursday, Feb. 9. Curtain time is 8 p.m., and reservations should be made in advance with the theatre directly, 463-9111, ext. 371. O'Neill's play treats the themes of incest and child-murder — so controversial when "Desire" was first produced in 1924 that it was banned in many cities. Even now, however, "the power of the play has not diminished," according to Chris Willett, the director. Willett is directing the play as his senior drama thesis.



photo by Dave Abrams

Cable Nine: new schedule announced

Two new shows, two already established shows and specials throughout the year highlight the new Cable Nine schedule for this term.

According to Tom Williams, production co-manager of the student television station, the new schedule is an attempt to appeal to both Washington and Lee students and townspeople.

Williams said the schedule has not changed that much from this past term, but an effort has been made to provide stability.

"Last term we had some shows, produced in our studios, that would be ready one week and then not the next. We have shows this term that we can count on every week," said Williams.

Rob Hedelt, program director and co-manager, said he was especially pleased with two shows Cable Nine will be offering this term.

"One of these is the 'Cable Nine Interviews,' where we take a visiting speaker or faculty member and interview him for a half-hour show. Shaun Levesque has been working hard to get this show off the ground."

Hedelt said he was also pleased to have Restrospect, a half-hour show featuring nationally syndicated columnist and journalism professor Clark Mollenhoff, continue this term.

"That show was done very well by Ken Mastrilli this past term, and Meegan Hanrahan is (continued on page 10)

Musical Mainstream

by Mark Mainwaring
Associate Music Director
WLUR-FM

This week in Mainstream, you'll find a counterpoint to last week's favorable Elvis Costello review, plus information on a concert that should leave ears ringing for days.

My Aim Is True.
Elvis Costello Columbia JC 35037

Costello's lyrics are only average, the instrumental work is fair, and the vocals are irritating. My Aim Is True is, quite simply, one of the most overrated records in recent memory. Why is this man getting so much media exposure?

Reason A: He has an odd stage presence and is downright funny-looking. Obviously, this isn't the only reason (after all, WLUR Music Director Leslie Gillen isn't famous yet), so we move along to Reason B: Costello sounds a lot like the second most overrated artist in recent memory, Bruce Springsteen. Reason C: His music is "real," it "comes from the streets." Music from the streets is big these days, even if it's not played very well. Reason D: All the previous reasons (especially the resemblance to Springsteen) have combined to attract the support of the powers that be in rock-journalism, and par-



ticularly the New York-based media. The resultant hype campaign has convinced a lot of otherwise intelligent people that Elvis Costello is the future of rock and roll. I don't pretend to know what the future of the genre may be, but this ain't it. My Aim Is True is a waste of good vinyl. Concert Note: Ted Nugent will appear at the Roanoke Civic Center this Friday, February 3, at 8 P.M. Since his emergence at age sixteen with the Detroit-based Amboy

Dukes, Nugent has been putting out some of the best hard-hitting rock around, and his concerts are high energy affairs to say the least. Says Nugent of his audience: "If they ain't foaming at the mouth after ten minutes then we've screwed up." The show will have the added attraction of two first-rate opening acts, Sammy Hagar and Golden Earring. For true rock and rollers, this is a show not to be missed.

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In Your Pit

by Galen Trussell
We've got a really big show for you music enthusiasts this Friday in the Cockpit. The Second Hand Band will be pickin' and scratchin' for your musical delight into the wee hours.

Plans have been made to contact several bands out of the Lynchburg area to play in the Cockpit. I say plans because nobody on the UCC has been able to borrow my news editor's

cattle prod to make me call them.

Last weekend Washington and Lee might have experienced a new and totally unknown phenomena: two good bar bands in a weekend. I realize some of you may scoff at me and say: There couldn't have been two good bar bands around Washington and Lee in one weekend, BUT I counter you by saying neither the Cockpit, nor SAB, were ever responsible for them.

Yes, folks, believe it or not, I'm giving the SAB a pat on the back for acutally using student funds to get a good rock band. The Good Humor Band played what could only be tagged as excellent southern boogie at the grain party Saturday. Even with my grain and God-only-knows-what-else buzz I was heard to remark: "Gee, these

guys are good." At one point my date shook me back to reality and I was good humored to hear the band playing "Jessica" lick for lick like the Brothers, God rest their souls. It sounded like they had come back from the dead. This was the extent of my memory of that party.

Dan Scott deserves credit for getting an excellent band, The Allstars, in the Cockpit last Friday. How Dan ever got them down there when the Cockpit's budget is so, so lean because of such a big overhead I'll never know, but the band was tight. The Allstars did mostly their own creations, and the dollar cover charge didn't seem to deter too many people. I ask you benevolent reader, don't you think the EC should start letting us charge a cover more often for that kind of entertainment?

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THE RING-TUM PHI Sports

Swimmers push record to 6-1

For the 32nd time since 1929, the Washington and Lee swimmers defeated William and Mary, winning 70-43 last Saturday in the Cy Twombly pool. The W&L win avenged a 1976-77 Indian victory, and gives W&L a 6-1 record in 1977-78.

Now in his twelfth season as head W&L swimming coach, Bill Stearns labels this edition of the Generals "the best since he's been here." Not only are the mermen again very strong in the freestyle events, but they also have more depth this year than ever before. That depth was evident in the W&M meet at W&L won nine of the 13 events.

Senior John Hudson was a triple winner capturing first in the 1000 free (10:39.78), then coming right back in the next event — the 200 free (1:49.17), and also winning the 500 free (4:54.52). Freshman diving standout Jay Diesing won both the one (1:51.19) and three meter (2:14.60) diving events.

Single winners for W&L included Keith Romich with a new school record in the 200 fly (2:02.29), Scott Duff in the 100 free (50.59), David Kent in the 200 individual medley (2:06.93), and Bob Newcomb in the 50 free

(22.93). Stearns points to the strength in the diving events — freshman George Irvine was second in the one meter and third in the three meter vs. W&M, and depth throughout the lineup as the factors separating this year's team from other very successful W&L teams.

Transfer David Kent gives W&L a consistent threat in the individual medley and backstroke along with Drew Pillsbury, while senior Peter Meem has done well in the breaststroke all season. Kent broke the W&L 200 backstroke record held by Pillsbury on Saturday (2:04.49) but was edged out by W&L's Jack Phillips for first (2:04.11).

Stearns is quick to point out that the finishes of the last two W&L teams — 8th nationally and six All-Americans in 1975-76 and 9th nationally and five All-Americans in 1976-77, will be difficult to surpass this March 2-4 in Wheaton, Ill.

Kent is not eligible to compete in the nationals due to transfer status, and the lack of a strong medley relay team will hurt the Generals chances to move up. But Stearns vows that the team will give it their best to do just
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Grapplers defeat VMI Keydets

by Mark Paterson

For the second consecutive year the wrestling Generals won the city championship as they smashed Lexington rival VMI 27-9 on Wednesday evening. The victory, which raised the team's record to 4-2, came on the heels of last week's equally impressive victory over Eastern Mennonite and helped restore any confidence the team might have lost on their recent trips through the Carolinas.

After losing the first two matches at 126 and 134 pounds (both teams forfeited at 118), the Generals came alive with their dynamic middleweight power and took control of the match. First, Ray Gross, one of the top wrestlers on the team at 142 pounds and Jim Flippen (150) registered pins, turning a 6-0 deficit into a 12-6 lead. Then, the Generals scored 6 more points at 158 pounds when tri-captain Ed Rodger's opponent suffered an accidental injury and had to default the match. With the score now standing at 18-6 freshman Dave Stoeffel iced the match with a convincing 12-1

victory at 167 pounds. Following Stoeffel's strong showing Tom Oxendine (177) and tri-captain Dan Kniffen (190) ran the Generals victory streak to six before the Keydets scored their final victory in the heavyweight match.

Following the victory over VMI, Coach Gary Franke took several of his wrestlers to the highly competitive Virginia state meet at Old Dominion University. Competing against such powerful Division I schools as William and Mary, Virginia, and Virginia Tech the Generals gave a most creditable showing with Ray Gross winning his 11th match of the year and Ed Rodgers his 12th and 13th.

With the team's confidence and enthusiasm at their peaks, the Generals now prepare for a difficult part of their schedule. Following the Jan. 31 meet against powerful Liberty Baptist the team competes in the Pembroke Invitational on Saturday, Feb. 4. The Generals return home on Tuesday, Feb. 7 to battle conference rival Hampden-Sydney.

W&L nips Lynchburg in final minutes

by Ken Mastrilli

W&L co-captain Bob Forlenza hit four foul shots and made a crucial steal in the last minute and a half of play and Pat Dennis, W&L's other co-captain, scored 21 points to lead the W&L basketball Generals in a 78-74 victory over Lynchburg College here Monday night. It may have been W&L's best game of the year.

Forlenza, who sparked the Generals with eight points in a

one-point victory over Hampden-Sydney earlier this season, stole an errant Lynchburg pass during a Hornet stall and streaked down court. He almost hit an amazing layup despite being clobbered by two Lynchburg defenders.

It looked like a two-shot foul, but Forlenza was only given a 1-1 situation. It didn't really matter, however, because Forlenza calmly hit both shots despite the electrifying tension

caused by the screaming of 1,000 Lynchburg and W&L fans.

With nine seconds left in the game, Forlenza again made the big play. He came up with a loose ball after a flurry of shots by Lynchburg, any of which could have tied the game at 76-all. Forlenza was immediately fouled again, and he iced the game for the Generals with two more shots from the charity stripe.

Forlenza, who says he shoots "thousands of foul shots in practice" said he wasn't really surprised that he made them. "It's all a matter of getting your rhythm," he chuckled, "then it's no problem."

One problem the Generals did have was making their first basket of the game. They went the first three minutes without making a shot' missing their first seven attempts. It looked like they might get blown out of their own gym as Lynchburg jumped to a 8-0 lead.

"But we didn't get impatient," said head coach Verne Canfield. "We know Lynchburg is an emotional, up and down team and I'm really satisfied with the way we came back."

Canfield was especially pleased with the play of his "super-sub" Bob Smitherman and Bruce Williams, who always manage to get the Generals going when they come in the game. Williams scored eight points, all layups off of great passes from Mike Wenke and Bob Forlenza, the two point guards who played superbly. Smitherman came in, performed well and drew four Lynchburg fouls in the space of about two minutes, which enabled the Generals to get into the one-and-one situation.

Leunig, who up to this point seemed to have been the forgotten man, played probably his best game of the year. He scored 16 points while pulling
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Piranian attends coaches convention in Boston

by Phillip Timp

Rolf Piranian, the amiable second-year head soccer coach at W&L, recently spent an enjoyable and informative three days in Boston attending the 38th annual National Soccer Coaches Association Convention.

Piranian, one of about 500 coaches from around the country making the trip on Jan. 18, attended the convention for the first time and was impressed both by what he saw and by what he learned.

Meeting a number of very successful college coaches whom he has admired for years is what Piranian considers the highlight of the weekend convention.

Piranian said he was able to meet such reknowned soccer coaches as Jerry Yeagley, who guided Indiana University to second place in the National Collegiate Athletic Association soccer finals, and Lincoln Phillips,

Howard University's winning coach.

Piranian said that he also attended several coaching clinics and was fortunate to hear three lectures given by Charles Hughes, the director of soccer coaching in England. He discussed modern coaching techniques.

In addition, Piranian was able to learn how other coaches recruit players, and run their programs. He added that he picked up some tips from the clinics which he will apply to his coaching strategy. Piranian said he learned of some man-to-man defensive tactics which he hopes will help his team better its 6-10 record of the past season.

Piranian said he also learned of the psychological aspects of soccer which he hadn't given much thought to prior to the clinics. He said he plans to apply psychological thinking to his coaching efforts next year.

Although he learned a lot, Piranian said some of the lectures he heard convinced him that various soccer techniques he has stressed to his players at W&L have been correct.

In addition to the many clinics and lectures, Piranian said that a number of other activities kept the coaches busy. Playoff formats and possible rule changes were discussed, business meetings were held, and exhibits were set up by various manufacturing companies trying to sell equipment.

An awards banquet was also held honoring the past-season's All-American soccer players. Piranian said that one All-American from the Elizabethtown College soccer team began hitchhiking Friday at 5 p.m. along the snow-covered highway from Elizabethtown, Penn., and arrived in Boston at 2 a.m. Saturday so that he could receive his award at the banquet.

Cagers dismember Eagles

by Mark Mitchell

The Washington and Lee basketball team gave the Bridgewater Eagles a lesson in team basketball while thrashing the Eagles 105-77.

It was the second consecutive 105 point game for the Generals, who played well in front of a sparse crowd of approximately 150 people. W&L did not even have to use an extraordinary amount of defensive pressure in order to score their 105 points since their new offense was working so well.

In the new set up, Pat Dennis played point guard. The offense got the ball into the middle of the Bridgewater zone with amazing consistency. Even when the shot was missed, the Generals usually came up with the offensive rebound. Thus, even though the Generals shot only 44 percent for the game, they scored most of the time they came down the court. They put up more shots than

Bridgewater 90 to 64, and outrebounded them 62 to 37.

The game was close only when it was 7-6, Washington and Lee leading. Then, Ardith Collins scored two unanswered baskets to give the Generals an 11-6 edge. The Generals maintained that five point margin until there were just under ten minutes left in the half. The Generals then switched to a half-court pressure defense which totally overwheeled the 2-16 Eagles. The W&L lead ballooned to fifteen points at 41-26 before the Generals mercifully stopped their pressing. The cagers went into the locker room with a comfortable ten point margin 47-37.

After intermission, the Eagles were able to cut the lead to eight at 57-49, but were unable to launch any serious threat.

They could not stop the Generals from scoring and con-

trolling the offensive boards. Specifically, they could not stop Larry Meyer, who finished with 25 points and 12 rebounds and Ardith Collins who finished with 19 points and 17 rebounds. Collins played an inspired game, jumping out of bounds to make several saves of loose balls. Meyer was unstoppable when he got the ball down low, hitting on 11 of 19 attempts from the floor, including an amazing double-pump shot.

In short, it was a good victory to have coming into the Lynchburg game. The Generals played with enthusiasm and executed a new offensive pattern amazing well, reflecting not only the fact that practices have been very intensive, but also the improvement in Dennis' ball-handling and passing skills.

Dennis had only 4 turnovers, while scoring 17 points and dishing out 5 assists.

Generals beat Hornets

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down seven rebounds.

Most importantly, he kept the Generals in the game for the first three quarters, scoring when All-American candidate Pat Dennis couldn't.

Dennis, although he scored 21 points and was the game's leading scorer had a streaky night from the floor, sometimes forcing shots, but also bringing the crowd to its feet with 30 foot jump shots.

Sophomore Larry Meyers, who finished with 15 points and 9 rebounds, helped the Generals pull out to a 37-36 halftime lead by scoring 10 points in the first ten minutes. Moreover, he helped Ardith Collins keep the ODAC's leading rebounder, Ed Schechterly, from dominating the boards and clogging up the middle. Collins had eight rebounds and put in a nice turnaround jump shot over the outstretched arms of the 6'9" Schechterly at an important point in the game.

The Hornets held the lead throughout the first three quarters except for the few times the Generals were able to grab a one or two point advantage.

Then Lynchburg's Wayne Davis and W&L's Pat Dennis started trading baskets. The Hornets played the entire second half without the services of their star forward Crawford, who had been on a 30 point per game scoring binge in his last couple of games. In the first half Crawford had scored eight of the Hornet's first 17 points, but then apparently he re-injured his ankle which has been bothering him all year. He limped up and down the court until Lynchburg coach Wayne Proffitt took him out of the game in the first half.

Lynchburg still managed to hold the lead most of the game without him, but it's the end of the game that counts and Lynchburg began to tire and get in-

to foul trouble. Coach Proffitt only substituted when he had to. W&L's coach Canfield substituted every three or four minutes with the likes of "T.J." who made a nice move inside on the towering Schechterly. Schechterly went for the block on the dippy-doodle layup by Jeffries' but got nothing but a sore hand from slamming it against the backboard.

The Wayne Davis-Pat Dennis matchup proved to be the game's offensive highlight. With Davis dogging Dennis all over the court, he made Pat force some shots. Much to Davis' frustration, however, Dennis would hit some of those patented long bombs.

The Generals are now 6-1 in ODAC play. Lynchburg slipped to 4-2. The Generals with a win over ODAC foe Eastern Mennonite here tonight, could wrap up that all-important first place in the ODAC.

In the ODAC tournament, to be played in March, the first-seeded team, probably W&L, plays the fourth place team. The second and third place

teams also play with the winner facing the victor of the other encounter. This makes it tough on the second and third-seeded teams because one of them will end up playing two good teams on two consecutive nights. The first place team has a slight advantage, playing the usually weaker fourth-seeded team.

Students want coeducation

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stake in education for women beyond high school." One professor believed college age women are more prone than men to "dwell on pseudo-philosophical and...moralistic aspects of...problems" and are "unwilling to deal with tangible elements." Finally, a professor summed up the sentiments of his colleagues by saying "teaching women would be exceptionally difficult and painful."

"Special preference"

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without obligation as opposed to loan, which must be repaid.) John also said that grants are often awarded to minority students without the usual academic stipulations placed on non-minority student scholarships.

In a telephone interview, Van Haigler Pate, Assistant Dean of Students and Director of Student Financial Aid, confirmed John's statement about academic stipulations saying that in spite of the large portions of grant awarded to minority students, "There's not really an academic stipulation."

A non-minority financial aid recipient risks having his grant reduced significantly if his grades fall below a two-point average.

Pate also stated that the portion of grant awarded to any student is based entirely on financial need, and not race or ethnic origin. He said that the majority of minority students are from substantially disadvantaged backgrounds.

In reference to the "special

preference" given to minority applicants, Dean Huntley explained that it is justified by the valuable diversity of background it aids in lending the student body. He claimed the administration feels preferential treatment of sons of alumni is justified as an expression of gratitude for the invaluable role alumni play in the financial support of Washington and Lee. Lexington and Rockbridge County area residents are given what Huntley termed "a break in tuition," in addition, to "special preference" category status. He explained this policy as a "public relations action" which fulfills the University's "obligation to the community."

Asked if efforts to recruit minority students could result in cases of reverse discrimination, Dean Huntley acknowledged the danger of that possibility, but said, "I have never known of any student who didn't get here simply because there was a less qualified Italian, black or Indian who entered at that student's expense. I say that flat out."

Dennis...again

by Ken Mastrilli

It's beginning to sound like a broken record.

Paced by Pat Dennis' 31 points and 10 rebounds, W&L's basketball Generals rolled over the hapless turnover-plagued Bluefield Rams here Thursday night, 105-75.

Obviously determined to rebound big from their loss to Hampden-Sydney two days

earlier, the Generals' Dennis started off the farce with a 20-foot jumper, on his way to a 23-point first half. The sparse crowd of about 200 persons, seemingly used to watching the Generals decimate opponents like the Rams, grew complacent as the team jumped off a 52-39 halftime lead, capitalizing on numerous Bluefield turnovers.

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Editorial Opinion of The Ring-tum Phi

Antibody or Anti-body?

The Admissions Committee is a school's antibody. It is supposed to fight off the disease of quality applicant decline. Yet, this year's Admissions department has failed to do so, as indicated by the virulent 40 percent drop in applications. And that is only the official estimate. One Admissions Committee faculty member has told the Ring-tum Phi that the number of applications has plummeted by 56 percent.

No matter what Admissions people say, a decline of that magnitude will affect the quality of next year's freshman class. As Dave McLean, student member of the Admissions Committee, pointed out, W&L has traditionally been a back-up school for students rejected by the Ivy Leagues. He believes that much of the admissions slump can be attributed to prospective Ivy Leaguers' unwillingness to fill out a new 500 word essay question. His argument seems logical because there are many schools of W&L's caliber which have less demanding forms.

But don't believe the essay is the only reason the number of applications and the quality of the applicants are down. The quality of applicants (as measured by SAT scores) has been falling for years. While declining scores is a national trend, W&L's SATs over the past 10 years have dropped by 70 points, while the nation's have dropped by 50 points. And, while Ken Ruscio says this year's SATs are up, it must be remembered that a large portion of those students who have submitted their SAT scores so far are early admission candidates. Early admission applicants normally have significantly higher SAT scores than students who turn in applications near deadline time.

Over the same time period in which quality of applicants has been declining, the number of applicants has also dropped off significantly. While W&L used to reject more than half its applicants, it now accepts close to 60 percent.

Declining numbers and declining quality are related. It is like the formation of a vortex: Watered down numbers of applicants start the momentum of the vortex until W&L is ultimately pulled down into the vacuum of declining quality. For, no matter what the caliber of teaching is, it is ultimately the intelligence of individual students which determines how effective that instruction can be. But before W&L can avoid the vortex of declining standards, traditional admission criteria must change.

The Admission Committee should still act as the school's antibody. But its traditional stance "anti" only to one type of body should change; women should be allowed into W&L. Besides opening up a new pool of quality female applicants, more men would apply here. Ever since W&L started worrying about declining numbers, it has sent a survey to those who were accepted but decided not to come. And every year the major reason for rejecting W&L has been the lack of not because they were accepted by another school. Not because they decided to take a year But because this school doesn't accept women.

Well it's time this school enter the 20th Century; time this school accept women. They're here on Earth. They live. They breathe. And yes, Board of Trustees, they even think. What's more, they would improve the academic quality of W&L by attracting more male applicants and by adding their own intellectual powers which Administration officials, faculty members, and students too often calumniate.

K.L.H.



LETTERS TO EDITOR

Responses to editorial outcry

Law News editor replies

Dear Editor:

Your honor editorial in last week's issue of the Ring-tum Phi may have created a misconception regarding the results of the Law News honor survey. The article seemed to portray law school dissatisfaction with the present honor system as a product of a belief that trial by the EC is not a trial by "a jury of peers." If the Law News survey is a valid sampling, concern over whether honor trials are before our peers is, at best, minimal. By emphasizing this minor question, you have given undue attention to an aspect of the problem that is capable of eliciting emotional, rather than reasoned, responses.

As reflected in the survey, the law school's dissatisfaction with the honor system focuses primarily the question of fairness. The fairness question involves concern over ambiguity in standards to guide conduct, concern over procedural problems, and concern over consequences of conviction.

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Law school sentiment supporting a separate honor system reflects a desire to be governed by a fairer system, not fear that a trial before the EC will not be before a jury of peers. The principal question is fairness, not separation or juried of peers. Future discussion about the honor system might be more fruitful if fairness was the focus.

Tom Trezise
Editor, Law News

Virtuous qualities desired

Dear Editor:

Often I have sat in my room pondering upon the virtuous qualities desirable in a woman, even upon the gentle methods ideally I would use to enchant and beguile a lovely child into going out with me; that is, if I had the riches, and the guts. Of course, I would like to make it perfectly clear, however, that my pondering takes up nowhere near 30 percent of my wakeful hours, nor any of my conversation, otherwise my thoughts would greatly infringe upon my academic duties. No, these revelations only come to me when I have become totally disenchanted with my studies, or else when I have reached the pits of mental anguish.

Anyway, to those of us of the weaker sex who are awkward,

immature, unobtrusive, and just plain chicken, the situation is hopeless. We sit alone in our rooms night after night waiting for that one in a million chance that a beautiful girl will walk up the stairs, look into our eyes, and FLASH! ecstasy prevails. Our lives will have meaning again.

Impossible.

Are there any miraculous remedies for those of us trapped by our own inadequacies without female companionship? I doubt it. Let us look at the facts sifted from a typical survey of stereotypical women. One, there are no brave, new, liberated women who walk down the street with an all conquering glint in their eyes and a pert "je ne sais quoi" in their step; none who will assert themselves and lead us poor, cowering fools aright, nor even any who will make a simple telephone call to help remedy an evil situation. NO! It appears that 90 percent or so of the women are sheep who go to parties they hate, and date people who make them sick to their stomachs. Why? Simply because it's expected of them, cause it's the "in" thing to do. They must join the crowd; to be ostracized (no matter how unconsciously) is a horrible fate. Besides, they can't think of anything better to do.

Who could ever find a good book to read where they come from? There certainly are no facilities for any physical activities; it would be impossible to get a volleyball game going. The flicks in that vicinity of Virginia are dull and disgusting, even more so than their prospective dates. Face it,

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the poor women are stuck in a city where nothing's happening.

Unfortunately, the women aren't the only ones in such bad straits, there truly isn't very much going on in Lexington, either; except those cursed frat parties, also one could always lounge around the Cockpit to wait for a good band. While living in this limbo, almost everyone seems to have a strange desire to be around people of the opposite sex, which I'll call normalcy. Meanwhile, they also enjoy complaining about any thing that does or does not occur during their monotony, which action I will classify as a spoiled attitude. Why complain? Perfection is not just around the corner. All things considered, we chose the life we now lead; and we can unchoose it, if we so desire; or we can create from it something a little more appreciated by our own senses.

Some necessary changes are blatantly obvious (a change in attitude, for example, as my father once said, "Don't be a loser just because everyone else is.") If girls don't like parties they should suggest someplace else for their dates to take them, and create a location for mingling. I'm sure the Fairfax Lounge could be used to discuss the virtues of Bertolt Brecht and Karl Marx. Maybe they could recruit some boys for some sporting activities, like a

volleyball match. A committee should be formed to organize mixers and other asexual events between campuses. And most important, women must have the strength of their convictions to go on a hike instead of to a party, become a vegetarian, or to do what pleases them with who pleases them. Life is not a bed of roses, but if you do what you want to you can't complain. Men are awkward, immature, inconsiderate, indifferent, shallow, selfish and totally tedious. This just means that women must work all their harder employing all their charms and virtues which they possess in such abundance to reform us hapless fools.

As for me, life continues. I remain the quiet, considerate, bouyant, boyishly handsome young man I always was. Living in the dreams I always lived in. Let others find themselves, for my life will never be fulfilled. I'm afraid that scenario was played out for the last time around 20 years ago.

Wistfully yours,
Ivan de Bussy
Class of 1901

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SENIORS: Please come by the Calyx office in the University Center and pick up your informal pictures. Thank you.

We all know how responsible committee co-chairmen are, right? And how they're entrusted with thousands of dollars of student money? And how many of these guys are in Who's Who, ODK and the Deans' hip pocket. So get this: there's a sign on Contact's office door which says, "Mr. Janitor, please do not lock this door. We have lost our keys. Thanks, Contact."

Steve Abraham was not included in an honor trial hearing Sunday night. Steve was quite upset about not being invited. Rumor has it that the case will be hard again so he can be there.

A recently graduated administration figure reportedly had his first date in a long time Saturday night. No one is quite sure how the date went, but we do know who took care of the kids.

EC officials will soon request Student Control chairman Jim McNider to account for some of his overzealous investigative practices. Signing statements and taped hearings under the auspices of the honor system could be a violation of one's constitutional rights if some of our law students know what they are talking about. Many nerve-wrecked students have likened the "knock in the night" to the KGB.

Speaking of "knocks in the night" a certain dorm counselor

who likes to take bus trips down the road has some interesting stories to tell. The only problem is no one believes him.

A junior EC member has been in the hospital again, or at least that is what we have been led to believe. Actually, he disappeared from campus so he can make a grand appearance and campaign announcement at the same time. He has his sights on the presidency. He won't have an easy campaign though. The law school is secretly grooming its own candidate. Don't know officially who it is, but the money should be on Jackie Boyden. Matt Calvert, an alumnus, is also frequently mentioned.

Dum-dum-de-dum. The Math and Art departments may unite soon if Fate continues uninterrupted. Enough said. Let Nature go its way.

Advertising in the Ring-tum Phi is worthwhile. The news staffs' appeal for dates for the weekend was deemed a hug success by the staff. They weren't available for comment. They still hadn't returned from their illicit romps. (And they called Parker Potter's Ariel "campus comedy!")

Who should W&L's basketball team have been playing last Saturday instead of Bridgewater's Eagles. There are reports that a certain nationally ranked college basketball team from the D.C. area called and desperately wanted to play the Generals. It's reported that coach Stern Verne

said that there was no way he'd reschedule this "crucial" ODAC contest.

Flash: The peyote shipment will not be coming in this weekend.

Hate to bring up closed meetings again, but knew you would be interested. The reason a KA-EC member voted against open meetings was a SAB co-chairman is a friend of his. "I agree with the motion, but Bill's a friend of mine."

Swimming

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that. The coach lists defending champ Johns Hopkins, Monmouth and Whitier as the top teams this year.

According to the latest NCAA Division III Top Ten release, four W&L swimmers are ranked nationally. Hudson is second in the 1000 free, third in the 500 free and sixth in the 200 free. Romich is ranked fourth in the 100 free, fifth in the 200 free and ninth in the 200 fly. Meem is ranked fifth in the 200 breast while Hoke is ranked fifth in the 500 free. W&L's two relay teams are also ranked with the 400 free relay being the nation's best, and the 400 medley relay ranked sixth in the country.

Before competing in the nationals, W&L will host UNC-Wilmington and Morris Harvey this Saturday at 2 p.m., and swim at V.C.U. on February 10 and at Old Dominion on Feb. 11.

Traveler From Altruria

Thought the Traveler had gone on a sojourn? No, actually he has been busy compiling a list of his fearless predictions for the coming year. Here they are:

Dean John's voice will become so bombastically low, they'll ship him off to the North Sea to become a fog horn.

The Student Activities Board will change its name to capture more accurately its essential contribution to W&L life. It will be known as the Student's Actually Bored.

Parker Potter's red hat will be stolen by a very hungry seagull. He'll yell and curse at the bird, saying, "No, not that. First my gatefold, then my vaseine, now my hat."

Charlie Hulfish will become as successful as Bert Lance.

The EC will throw everyone out of school, declare that honorable men like themselves

don't need an EC, and use the rest of the Ring-tum Phi's funds to throw a party. It will be closed.

Mike Gallagher will become assistant dorm counselor. Or else.

Dr. Futch will become a radical. He will require leisure suits for all his classes.

Student Control will have a meeting at which they don't turn in a possible honor violation.

The math department will start an algebra class, but no one will know how to teach it.

Dave McLean will become a politician.

"The Nose" will be bloodied by an SAE prep. And that ain't just whistling Dixie.

Dan Scott will stop playing pinball long enough to listen to the groups for which he signs contracts.

"Woodward and Bernstein"

will not write for the Washington Post. They will start their own paper called the Midnight Tribunal.

Contact will have receptions for the rest of its speakers.

The Ring-tum Phi office will be burned down. Arson suspects will include all forementioned persons.

Registration set

Registration for Spring classes will be held the week after mid-winter break. Seniors register Monday, February 29, Juniors—Tuesday, Sophomores—Wednesday, and Freshmen—Thursday. The registrars office will be located in the southwest section on the bottom floor of Reid Hall.

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Tuesday 5:30—Consultation 6:00—Cable Spotlight 7:00—Cable Nine News 7:30—Retrospect	Thursday 5:30—Consultation 6:00—Modern Home Digest 7:00—Cable Nine News 7:30—Cable Nine Interview 8:00—Sports Update

Cable 9 Schedule

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doing a good job with it this term. It's probably our best show."

New to the schedule this term is "Sports Update," with host Chuck Strome. Strome will be talking to W&L coaches and sports personalities each week.

"Rockbridge County Music" will continue in the new schedule, bringing Lexington viewers such local favorites as Ace Weems and the Fat Meat Boys, Rooster Ruley and friends, the Buffalo Chips and Jeffrey Smith.

Specials in the works are dance improvisations, comedy, and drama specials, public affairs shows and even a game show. A high school news show is planned for the spring.

Cable Nine news is on each night at 7 staffed by broadcast news students and volunteers and produced by television production students.

Syndicated programs including Cable Journal, Sports Travel, Modern Home Digest and the medical series, Consultation, are again scheduled.

M.C. plans activities, speakers

by Jim Parker

The Mock Convention may not have any speakers this year, but they could very likely have a distinguished senator as speaker next year. Senator Howard Baker of Tennessee, campaigning for Congressional re-election, will not speak at W&L this year, but he promised the Mock Convention that he would lecture here in 1979. He is one of three people contacted as potential speakers to be sponsored by the Mock Convention this year, according to Jim McNider, chairman of the 1980 Mock Convention. McNider said the two potential speakers besides Baker are not likely to speak this year, although the decision on one is still pending. If there is a Mock Convention sponsored lecture this year, it

will occur most likely in March or May.

This year the Mock Convention may fail to bring a speaker to W&L, but the organization is promoting some other activities. In March, there will be a research seminar in cooperation with the research assistants in the library. The seminar will acquaint members of the Mock Convention with how to conduct political research. Furthermore, there is an idea formulating that the Mock Convention sponsor internships for its members. Most likely the internships would be political in nature, such as working for a Senator or Representative, whether national or state. If this suggestion

is used, the operation of it will begin during the Spring of 1979.

The culmination of the Mock Convention's work occurs, of course, in 1980, the year of the presidential elections. Work has already begun towards 1980, but Jim McNider said it is never too late to join the Mock Convention, and he is encouraging people to enlist as soon as possible. For anyone interested in working on the Mock Convention, contact one of the administrative assistants. They are Craig Cornett, Dick Schoenfeld, and Sid Simmons. Efforts by these and other people will finally result in the 1980 Mock Convention, a revealing prelude to the actual presidential elections in November.

Bradley — scholar, gentleman

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selected Mark as a competitor for one of the two slots to represent the state of Virginia in the competition. Bradley traveled to Richmond for the first phase of elimination, and was selected over 11 other applicants to represent Virginia. Mark then traveled to Atlanta for the final regional competition for the scholarship. In Atlanta Mark was subject to the 12 hours of intensive interviews and questioning.

"The Board even asked me questions about Lexington and Washington and Lee. They went so far as to ask me who a street was named after, and why," said Bradley.

Bradley said he was confident that he was as prepared as his competitors for the Rhodes. He said he knew coming from Washington and Lee, he would be on an equal footing in the competition.

The last W&L man to become a Rhodes scholar was Ralph H. Smith, in 1973. The Rhodes scholarship was first awarded in 1904, and is named after the British philanthropist Cecil Rhodes. Rhodes scholars are chosen on the basis of scholarship, athletic participation, character and leadership.

Bradley will study for two years at Oxford in England on the scholarship. Mark said his first choice of college at Oxford was Corpus Christi. He plans to study modern history during his stay.

"You have a tutor you meet with every week. You both sit down and design your schedule. I'm really looking forward to the independent study program after having to get up for 'B' hour for four years," Bradley admitted.

Mark said he wouldn't be studying the whole time he is in England. He plans to travel as much as possible.

"It boils down to about six months of study and six months of travel each year," he said.

Bradley said his selection for the Fulbright scholarship would not be official until April. He was selected as one of approximately 150 students to receive a Fulbright scholarship in Germany.

Bradley said he first learned about the Fulbright award two weeks ago. He said the first thing he did when learning about it was to write to the Fulbright board to ask if he could delay the scholarship until he finished at Oxford. Mark said that in his letter he asked the Fulbright board to give his scholarship to someone else if they couldn't delay it.

"I wanted someone else who wouldn't be able to have the Fulbright to have it if I couldn't. The Rhodes is the big thing," Bradley explained.

Earlier in his life, Bradley was known around Virginia not as a scholar, but as a boxer. Bradley said he had a 65-1 record as a welterweight from 1972 to 1976. Mark got interested in boxing through a high school football coach.

Mark said the high point in his boxing career was knocking out the champion from Puerto Rico. His low point came when he knocked out an opponent in a

tough match, but suffered a broken nose and hand, and a cracked rib in the process.

Bradley says he plans to box when he goes to Oxford and has already started training. He says the only boxing he does now is in connection with teaching kids how to box at the Roanoke YMCA.

"Boxing is a good way to get kids interested in self-respect. I learned a lot of patience dealing with the kids, and I learned how lucky I am by seeing children from really poor homes," Bradley said.

Between graduation and starting at Oxford, Bradley plans to engage in the romantic old Anglo-Saxon dream of running off to sea.

"I'm going to go to Argentina for a little while, with the Merchant Marines, just for a change of pace. It will let me do some reading and I'll come back refreshed and ready to roll," Bradley explained.

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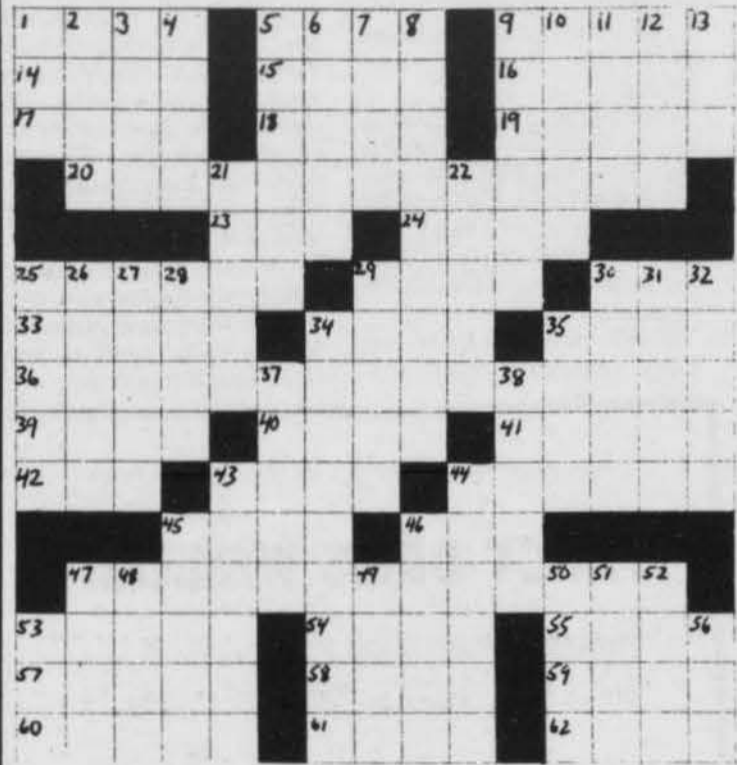
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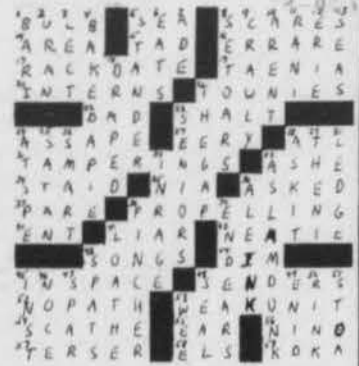
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- ACROSS**
- Tree: French
 - Retarded
 - 1976 World Series HR hitter
 - Phone
 - Worry
 - W&L Literary mag.
 - Singer Fitzgerald
 - Chance
 - Baseball teams
 - W&L favorite singer
 - Orange (NJ) Police Dept.
 - Famous elegiac poem place
 - Good numbers
 - Gods (Greeks)
 - U.S. Staff Corp (abbr.)
 - With it
 - Prefix meaning "sun"
 - Knee
 - Voted down in W&L straw poll (2 wds.)
 - Bay feature
 - _____ European
 - Courageous
 - W&L political group members (abb)
 - Also I (2 wds.)
 - Main arteries
 - Oil Cartel
 - Poetic contraction
 - Recent Cockpit performers
 - Persona-non _____
 - Can't be done (2 wds.)
 - Twelve
 - Polish tennis star
 - Come out slowly
 - Kansas Senator
 - Verse writer
 - Japanese monies
 - Pack

- DOWN**
- Lemon drink
 - Brook
 - Indonesian island
 - Impetuous ardor
 - Small pieces
 - Former Sec. of Defense
 - About (2 wds.)
 - _____ God; All genuflect for God (3 wds.)
 - Poem parts
 - Members of superior race
 - Peel
 - Vegetable
 - Suffixes for chemical derivatives
 - You don't think I know (2 wds.)
 - Impassionate
 - Wimpy
 - Hendricks, Baltimore catcher
 - Swerves
 - Formerly
 - Comic strip character
 - Obtain (2 wds.)
 - Tom _____ Former race driver
 - Heals
 - Give a sweet "gram" (2 wds.)
 - Onomatopoeic word when angry
 - Eats
 - Stop
 - Vertical positions
 - Fable tellers
 - _____ home; baseball slang (2 wds.)
 - Baylor
 - Zest
 - The Bible
 - Traditional knowledge
 - Also
 - Tree part
 - Singer's dream
 - General Funding Program (abbr.)
 - Unusual

Last Week's Answers



Try again
next week...

Correction:
Last week No. 5 should have been No. 6.
No. 36 was mistyped. It should have read
"Stein: _____; Pen: _____ (syllogism)"

W&L admissions applications down 40 percent

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reason applications aren't coming in as fast as in previous years," Ruscio said. "We think it (the essay) is more of a delaying factor than an inhibiting one."

The athletic department has also cut down on its recruiting this year, cited Ruscio. Athletic Director Bill McHenry, who normally does the bulk of the football recruiting, has devoted much of his time this year seek-

ing someone to succeed him as head football coach. Athletic recruiting has suffered as a result.

Other factors, such as the new national standardized financial aid forms not being available until Jan. 1 and the decline nationally of college-age students, also have had some effect, Ruscio believes.

"Also, there are some who argue that the lack of coeduca-

tion has finally caught up with us," he said.

Statistics lend some support to that statement. Of 194 students accepted to W&L in 1976 who did not attend the school, 57 percent gave as their main reason the lack of coeducation.

The large drop in applications has put more pressure on the school's admissions department. This has resulted in longer and more frequent recruiting trips outside the state. Ruscio represented Washington and Lee at college night in Chicago and Philadelphia in November and December.

The other assistant dean of

admissions, Danny Murphy, has traveled to Atlanta, and H. R. Huntley, assistant dean of students, has made recruiting trips to Winston-Salem, N.C., Charlotte, N.C., and Columbia, S.C.

The Student Recruitment Committee, headed by senior Mark Putney and junior Steve Jones, also has been working harder. Two scholarship weekends, when the school's top academic applicants stay with a member of the committee for a weekend at school expense, are planned for March.

Washington and Lee accepts an average of 700 students annually, but Ruscio doesn't feel

the decline in applications will affect the quality of next year's freshman class.

"That's the logical conclusion, that the drop in applications will result in our being less selective," he said.

"But, in fact, the average SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test) scores of this year's applicants seem higher than last year's," he continued. "We've even received an application from a guy with 800 on his boards who has us as his first choice of schools," he said. A mark of 800 on the test is the highest one can score.

"We'll just keep our fingers crossed and hope for the best," Ruscio said.

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W&L Rumors... Rumors...Rumors

Was W&L ever listed as the top drinking school in the country? Yes, according to Bob Keefe. In the early 1960s W&L made it on that list of dubious distinction. Playboy printed the list, however W&L has not appeared since.

Ever hear that W&L was ranked as the seventh best school in the country by the New York Times a few years ago? Well it's not true.

According to Bob Keefe, News Information Director, in 1954 W&L was listed as one of the best schools in the country. It was listed in the Chicago Tribune as the sixth best male undergraduate school in the United States. Keefe pointed out that was when there were quite a few all-male colleges.

As far as he knows, there has been no similar list printed

recently, he said.

Lots of people seem to think that the only reason we have a spring semester is for the lacrosse players to run around in their shorts without having undue academic pressure placed on their macho shoulders. But the real reason, according to Keefe, is that W&L has found a short term in the middle of the year to be totally worthwhile. Keefe says this is particularly true for the science departments.

How could the geology department tour the countryside during the winter, he says. Also the archaeology department goes on its digs. Besides, says Keefe, the foreign language trips to Europe are made more worthwhile by virtue of the fact they can stay there for the entire summer.

Law Students chew the fat

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agreed, saying there should be "strict criterion" as to what constitutes an honor violation. He said it should be made as clear as possible what specific actions would initiate honor trial proceedings.

George Griffin and Jim Underhill made clear their position against codification of the honor system. They said that honor has to be decided by the student generation in question and any attempt to codify it would hinder changing student generation perceptions as to what is honorable.

Griffin and Underhill were also against suggestions of a graduated system of honor penalties. Griffin said he could

not possibly decide whether plagiarism is worse than stealing, yet that distinction would have to be made if the honor system is to include graduated penalties. Underhill added that he believes absolute penalties have a deterrent effect that graduated penalties would not.

Despite all the afternoon's rhetoric, little was accomplished except a clearing of the air and the opening up, to a certain extent, of the lines of communication between undergraduate and law school leaders. The law school cannot adopt its own honor system, according to Swope, unless the Board of Trustees grants it permission to do so.

Colby and Bond

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trary. "There are many countries that keep secrets that are harmful to the United States' that cannot be photographed or learned," he said. Colby also said, "Our advanced technology has enabled us to overcome many barriers and gather much-needed information."

Colby said in the 1980s and '90s, we'll be sharing our planet with not only the Soviet Union and China, but with many other superpowers as well, notably Brazil and Iran.

"The Soviet Union now produces more oil and steel than any country in the world, including our own," Colby reiterated. "Besides," he said, "great power is becoming available in small packages—nuclear, biological, and chemical. Without our careful surveillance, these packages could fall into the hands of a reckless despot, seeking his share of the world's goods." If

this were the case then the world "will not be safe for our democracy," he said.

"With knowledge we'll be able to solve upcoming problems," he said, "and be able to defend ourselves against a threat before it occurs."

Colby said he thinks the effect of good intelligence gathering will help us get problems to the negotiating table with the Soviet Union or anyone else, so we can solve them together.

One example of this is the SALT I agreement in which the United States and the Soviet Union agreed not to develop a nationwide anti-ballistic missile system, Colby said, "and neither of us have, at a saving of \$50-100 billion for taxpayers."

Colby also said CIA abuses in the past four years have been exaggerated and sensationalized in the press, giving the American public a confused and clouded image of the CIA's purpose.

Frat houses deteriorating

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over all maintenance of all the fraternity houses over to Buildings and Grounds; (3) recommend that all fraternities donate their houses over to the care and supervision of the University; and (4) create a checklist maintenance system with a punitive mechanism to insure compliance with maintenance recommendations.

"University policy has been to allow as much freedom to the individual and fraternity as possible," Dean Murphy said in explaining why the fourth option was chosen. He emphasized that the University is supportive of the fraternity system, and that under the checklist option the fraternities "will still retain their independence."

"But there must be a good-faith effort on the part of the fraternities," Dean Murphy continued. He noted that last year a list of maintenance recommendations were presented to each fraternity and that one year later, many of the Priority I (most important) items still had not been attended to.

The exact nature of the punitive measure for fraternities that do not correct maintenance deficiencies outlined on the monthly checklists has still not been determined.

One suggested method of administering the new fraternity maintenance system is that the checklists be submitted to the Judicial Board of the Interfraternity Council. Failures to comply would be reported to the IFC for corrective action, allowing the IFC to administer the entire program.

The Fraternity Inspection Committee, which is supposed to make two official inspections a year, would then make unannounced spot-checks of selected fraternities to guarantee compliance with the checklist recommendations. They will

also make additional recommendations concerning more major structural problems (such as plumbing and heating).

Fraternities caught during the spot-checks for having given false information on completed checklist forms may be referred directly to either the Student Control Committee or the Student Affairs Committee for punitive action.

In reference to some of the costly remodeling recommen-

dations made in the fire and safety report, Dean Murphy said that the administration realizes that all fraternity houses met fire and safety standards at the time of their construction, although those standards may have changed since then. The desire is, however, for minimum safety standards to be met and further structural deterioration be arrested.

"We're trying to support the fraternities as much as possible," Dean Murphy said.

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