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College presidents give W&L top ranking

By NELSON PATTERSON Staff Reporter

A "U.S. News and World Report" survey of college presidents placed Washington and Lee as the most frequently cited 'smaller comprehensive university" east of the Mississippi.

The survey of 662 college and university presidents, published as the cover story in the Nov. 28, 1983, issue, noted that Washington and Lee distinguished itself by its small size, scholarly atmosphere and wide range of course offerings.

In the survey, education editor Lucia Solorzano and staff writer Barbara Quick

used classifications of institutions of higher learning developed by the Carnegie Council on Public studies in Higher Education in sending out nine separate surveys to 1,308 four-year college presidents. Each president received a survey with a list of schools in the same classification as his/her respective college, and, where applicable, in the same geographic region.

W&L was named as one of the top rive smaller comprehensive universities in the country by 47.6 percent of the presidents, far ahead of the second-place school east of the Mississippi, Lafayette College (Pa.), which received 28.6 percent of the votes.

"Presidents of national universities

were given lists of national universities and were told to choose the top five." Ms. Quick said during an interview this week.

Presidents of regional liberal arts colleges east of the Mississippi were given lists of similar liberal arts colleges east of the Mississippi and were told to choose the best five colleges in that list or to add to that list in a blank at the end of the survey," she said.

Ms. Quick said some college presidents were offended by the idea of rating themselves, but she noted that most responses showed the presidents "tooting their own

The survey responses in the comprehen-

sive university category cited W&L for its keen adherence to a liberal-arts curriculum while offering a wide range of professional programs such as journalism and business administration.

'We found Washington and Lee was, " 'a very strong place — at once scholarly and collegial.' as we quoted one man, said Ms. Quick in reference to a quote in the story by Harvard professor-emeritus David Riesman.

Ms. Quick said the diverse responses they received seemed to point to one conclusion - there is a school out there for every prospective college student.

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Saturday classes

The first week of classes winter term will begin Tuesday an end Saturday so students won't have to drive back on New Year's Day.

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In the wings

An architectural firm has designed a 33,000 square foot theatre for W&L which would be located at the old train station.

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Your weekend weather

Friday: Mostly sunny with a high in the upper 40s.

Saturday: A chance of precipitation. High in the upper 40s and low in the

Sunday: Partly cloudy with same temperatures as Saturday.



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Open exam plans postponed until winter

By G. BRUCE POTTER **News Editor**

Time has run out on the open exam policy - for this semester, at least.

The policy may still be approved in time for winter semester exams, though, according to Cole Dawson, junior representative to the Executive Committee, who headed up a subcommittee to investigate open exams.

Dawson reported at the EC's regular meeting Monday night that he had not had time to draw up a detailed proposal - one that he said was warranted -for Monday afternoon's meeting of the faculty Executive Committee.

In order for the open exam policy to have been approved in time for this semester's exams, the faculty EC would have had to make a recommendation this week in time for the entire faculty to make a final decision during the regular faculty meeting Monday afternoon.

"There's a lot of detail that we really have to define," Dawson said. "We have to work out the logistics of each department and exactly which secretaries will be on duty "

The open exam policy would provide for students to sign up only for a particular exam time, rather than both time and date, as is done now.

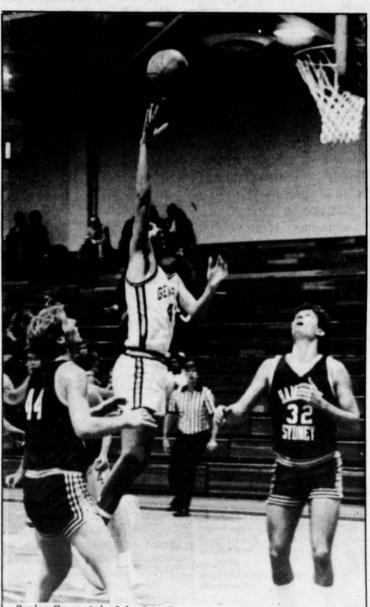
A student could then take the exam any day during the exam week at that time - either 9 a.m. or 2 p.m.

Scott Mason, junior representative to the EC last year, had initiated the investigation but met with opposition from the Commerce School. Mason, who did not run for re-election, reported to the EC on his finding earlier this year.

"This really is an important aspect of the future of the school, the honor system and the exam policy," Dawson said.

However, he said he had wanted to be able to present the faculty EC with a comprehensive proposal.

"The faculty EC's vote will probably carry some weight with the faculty. I have been talking to several professors, and if we can draft a good proposal, they feel that we'll be able to get it through for next semester," he said.



Senior Co-captain John Lee Graves puts in two in the Generals' 63-52 ODAC victory Tuesday. Graves had 24 points on the night. (Photo by Eric Campbell)

83% against plus/minus for upper classmen

By G. BRUCE POTTER **News Editor**

An overwhelming majority of students voting in yesterday's poll cast ballots against the plus-minus system's affecting upperclassmen.

Of the 458 sophomores, juniors and seniors who voted in the poll, 379, 83 percent, voted against the new grading system affecting upperclassmen, 57, 12 percent, supported that system, and 22, 5 percent, said they were indifferent or undecided.

The plus-minus grading system, which would enable professors to grade students scale that would add .33 grade points to a grade for a plus and subtract .33 for a minus, was approved by the faculty in May

The faculty decided last year that the system would affect upperclassmen as well as entering freshmen.

The faculty committee on courses and degrees voted Tuesday not to recommend to the entire faculty that the plus-

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Review and Outlook

Not too late

While the referendum movement against the new plus and minus grading system is a worthwhile one, it has been said that it has come too late. When the faculty voted to adopt the system in the spring of 1982, the change was reported but little else was mentioned of it. Not until this fall, when students realized that they would be affected by the change, has concern arisen about the system, which, some argue, is being applied unfairly to the upper three undergraduate classes which did not enter the university under such a rule. As with other changes in the academic realm such as the increased credit requirement, this new policy should only affect the freshmen who will be graded by it for four complete years.

Wednesday's referendum, which showed that 83 percent of those who voted did not favor the imposition of the new grade scale on the upper three classes, was a special opportunity for the students to voice their opinions on the issues. It was a rare chance for the faculty and the administration to discover the student sentiment on a subject over which the students have no control but are greatly affected. The Executive Committee is to be thanked for providing such

an opportunity.

Four hundred and fifty-eight of the sophomores, juniors and seniors voted in Wednesday's referendum. That is roughly half of their number. At a school which has become marked by its apathy and which usually turns out at the polls in numbers closer to 20 or 30 percent, the high voter turn-out is significant. It proves simply that this is an issue of great importance to the students who will be affected by it. And for 83 percent of those students to vote against the move is a fairly clear indication of where the student's opinions fall.

The faculty will meet Monday to decide whether this new grade system will indeed be applied this fall. Although the movement against the referendum comes at the very last minute, a substantial impact

can still be made.

If students seek out their faculty advisers and their professors, they can have their voices heard in Monday's meeting. This could further their involvement in a matter which is otherwise out of their hands.

Although it could be too late to make an impact, it is nevertheless vital that the students have their voices heard.

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'Losing with class'

To the Editors:

During the weekend of November 19 and 20, I attended the games of the Washington and Lee Tip-off Basketball Tournament. A relatively inexperienced Washington and Lee team lost two close games, and thus Saturday night's championship game did not include the Generals. The sparse crowd

at the championship only made more conspicuous the absence of the Washington and Lee coach and players, presumably the tournament hosts. After the

game, trophies were presented to the first, second, and third place teams, and to members of the all-tournament team. Again, no members of our team were there to congratulate the winners. I believe this to have been an embarrassment to Washington and Lee.

In a period of many suggested changes for our institution and much talk of tradition, let's not abandon the tradition of winning — and losing — with class.

H.T. Williams Associate Professor of Physics

Bumper sticker is reactionary

To the Editors:

Recently I saw a bumper sticker avowing the predictable sentiment "Better dead than Co-ed." The slogan continued and urged one to "preserve the W&L tradition."

I had always believed that the "W&L' tradition" was of greater substance than the mere issue of single-sex education.

I had believed that W&L's traditions were rationality, intelligence and informed judgments: all hallmarks of a fine liberal arts education.

The reactionary sentiments reflected by that bumper sticker connote bigotry and egoism, and many students insinuate, through buzz words and association with the university, an unimpeachable authority to speak preemptively.

The coeducational issue will be decided upon not by the student or the alumni, but by President Wilson and the board of trustees. It will be resolved not on the basis of emotions, preference or sentiment, but upon clear rational thought.

The president of the Grenada

medical school spoke against the need for a rescue before he knew the facts. He later recanted

Perhaps those who are spurred by emotion and "tradition"

in the issue of coeducation should take heed and refrain from speaking to the issue until they can do so in an informed and intelligent manner, in the true Washington and Lee tradition.

> Hunt Brown Class of '79

Academic, not social

To the Editors:

It has come to my attention that a problem is arising concerning the noise in the University Library. The issue was originally raised by the Library Advisory Committee, but I am writing this letter from my own experience. Studying in a dorm room or fraternity house is close to impossible if you have serious work to do. The library is the only place where many people, myself included, can study in peace. So if there are too many distractions to work even there, those of us who use it as our sole place of study are out of luck.

One of the biggest problems with noise arises when groups of friends sit together at tables or adjoining carrels; especially when a group of fraternity members gather to study. This is fine if they do so in a side room. But when they gather in the open part of the library they can cause a great disturbance. Don't kid yourself. If you really want to get something accomplished, study by yourself. This is what carrels are meant for. Then you can go elsewhere and

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The Ring-tum Phi invites readers to submit Letters to the Editors but reserves the right to edit letters provided the meaning remains unchanged. Letters to the Editors are not the stated views of the Ring-tum Phi or its editors but solely those of the letter's author.

Because of the increasing number of Letters to the Editors received each week and the limited amount of news space in each newspaper, The Ring-tum Phi has been forced to initiate a policy of publishing one letter per publishing month per person or group of persons. In addition the Phi reserves the right to save Letters to the Editors from one week to the next in the interest of space.

No clear advantages in semester system

Students should fight for this one

By Scott Mason

It's as if John Wilson has laced up his boxing gloves and stepped into the ring. He's hurled blows at issues involving fraternities and single-sex education, and students, buckling under the force of his onslaught, fear W&L's future may be on the ropes.

Wilson's most recent target is W&L's six-week spring semester. Upon recommendation from the committee on courses and degrees, Wilson appointed eight professors to determine if the spring semester should be dropped from the school's undergraduate calendar.

Professors have complained that the six-week semester isn't enough time in which to teach an entire course. The material has to be crammed in, and because teachers are rushed for time, much of it isn't gone over as thoroughly as it should.

Besides that, most faculty see spring term as a joke, a sixweek vacation for students to enjoy afternoons at Goshen and late-night fraternity parties. They see the course load as being too low and spring fever as being too high.

Reader's Advocate

The six-week spring semester follows a 12-week fall and 12-week winter semester. The newly-formed calendar committee is thinking about dividing the 30-week school year into two 15-week semesters. That would get rid of the six-week "vacation."

The committee is keeping its options open. It has some viable alternatives. The two 15-week

semester system however isn't one of them.

Under this system, students would be required to take at least 15 credits per semester instead of 12. The added course would presumably mean added work and an extra burden on students to study.

Competition among students is often intense. The competitive student places a heavy emphasis on class standing. It's important that he make good grades, but it's essential that his grades are better than the next guy's.

The heavier course load

under a two 15-week semester system would seemingly make it harder to get good grades in all subjects. Students would now have to put studying time into a fifth course which before they didn't have to worry about.

Because grades are so important to the competitive student, he must somehow alleviate this extra burden so that his chances of making all As are as high as they were before the fifth course was added. Therefore, he may enroll in "gut" courses where an A can be gotten easily.

Gut courses don't require a lot of "intellectual stimulation." The competitive student is generally more apt to go for the easy A.

The added work under the two 15-week semester system is likely to drive students to gut courses. Consequently, they won't be getting as much out of their education. They'll be sacrificing good courses for easy courses, intellectual stimulation for an A earned without having to think. When that happens, it's unfortunate for students but also unfortunate for the school which fails in its responsibility of properly educating those students.

Another drawback to the two 15-week semester system is that it doesn't provide for offcampus studies. Internships can be extremely valuable. They give students a chance to gain working experience in the "real" world. The current sixweek semester is ideally suited for that purpose.

Whether or not President Wilson and the calendar committee decide to adopt the two 15-week semester system in place of the six-week spring semester, it's a sure bet that students will voice their opinions loudly. They've suffered unexpected blows by what they see as attacks upon the fraternity system and single-sex education. Now, the school calendar is under siege. It's time to fight back. Another round has begun.

Scott Mason, the Reader's Advocate, operates on a separated basis from the editorial board of the Ring-tum Phi. His job is to analyze the Phi's news coverage and address any consequent questions.

Communism vs. Colonialism

Who has the right?

Communism is a dirty word in the United States. In recent decades, we have even seen fit to commit our men and resources to resist the spread of communism. For this, the communists we oppose have called us imperialists. Are they right? Imperialism is generally defined as the practice or policy of forming and maintaining an empire by the conquest and/or colonization of other lands. With this as a working definition, let's draw a few comparisons.

My View

Why did countries have colonies? The various reasons can be grouped in three categories. The first used to be called the 'white man's burden.' Westerners saw those they colonized as morally inferior and took upon themselves the task of "enlightening" the natives. The second is mercantilism, the use of colonies as sources of raw materials and as markets for finished goods. The third is geopolitics, the hunger for more absolute power and greater strength in international strug-

Now then, let's examine our own foreign policy in terms of the goals of colonialism. First of all, we have postured ourselves as the world's moral leader, insisting that the American system should be the world's system. In countries such as

China and Vietnam, we have supported leaders unpopular among their own people but loyal to the United States. We're doing that even now, most notably in Central America. Part of our concern with hostile takeovers is a concern for loss of strategic materials such as petroleum, bauxite, rubber, as well as for American business interests whose markets in the revolutionized nations would disappear. Therein lies our mercantilist motivation. Our desire for military bases abroad and our deployment of missiles on foreign soil should

make our geopolitical motivations obvious. Although there are differences, our foreign policy does come disturbingly close to the colonialist model. International communism is a threat to our "colonialist"

goals, and therefore we combat it. That is, we oppose communism because it opposes our empire-building, not because we have moral difficulties with communism.

That makes U.S. foreign policy seem awfully petty, and many will fight the conclusion Americans would like to think that we oppose communism because it runs counter to the freedoms we cherish. Yet we have supported unrepresentative monarchies in Saudi Arabia and Iran, military governments such as that in Guatemala, brutal dictatorships in nations like the Philippines, state religion in Israel, and racist governments like

South Africa. Morality was never an issue in our dealings with those countries, yet we have tried to characterize our dealings with communists as moral struggles.

So far this has been an article with apparent leanings but no real conclusion. In considering the information and comparisons, what can be concluded? Perhaps that our nation's leaders have been misleading the public as to the true motivations behind our foreign policy. Perhaps they've been misleading themselves. Whatever the case, the lesson to be learned is that in order to have a consistent and reasonable foreign policy, we must be a little more honest with ourselves. If we want morality to be a foreign policy issue, let's demand that morality equally from our friends and our foes. If we wish to maintain the status quo, then we must stop characterizing our clashes as moral struggles and call them what they are: simple struggles between opponents, characterized not by great moral questions but by self-interest. Either way, a more honest presentation of our foreign policy aims will stimulate more productive discussion of our foreign policy by our policy-makers and by the

At a time when American resources and American soldiers are such active agents of our foriegn policy, we need to be a little more honest with ourselves about what we're doing and why we're doing it.

Letter writers charge Admissions Office

To the Editors:

The question at the heart of the coeducation issue is the following: Given projections of a 22 percent decline in its pool of applicants, can Washington and Lee continue to attract a sufficient number of high quality students while remaining allmale? Thus far, opponents of coeducation have, to the extent possible, tried to avoid this question. We, therefore, take this opportunity to respond directly to the question of whether W&L can survive without coeducation.

After a detailed examination of admissions statistics compiled on the fifteen most recent freshman classes, including the numbers of applicants, the numbers of students admitted, and the numbers of students enrolled, and of the responses to questionnaires sent to all students who are admitted, we must answer this question with a definite yes.

Consider, first, the admissions picture in 1976, the last time the Board of Trustees considered coeducation. The number of applications had dropped to around 1,300 from slightly more than 1,400 in 1966. While this figure was not static, the yearly dips and rises had tended to be small and to offset each other. The Board concluded, wisely, that the number of

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really enjoy yourself without feeling guilty. If you can't study by yourself or you study better with someone find a side room where you can close the door and study without disturbing others. I realize that everyone needs a break now and then just to talk; but even this can be done quietly, just whisper.

Another problem arises in that underclassmen seem to be afraid to ask upperclassmen to be quiet. Everyone has the right to use the library regardless of class. It is the upperclassmen's responsibility to honor this right. Last year all you had to do was snap your fingers and people would quiet down. There is no reason why this cannot continue.

This noise problem is really serious. With exams coming up

people will start getting really uptight, and a great many of them will flock to the library. This could be hell unless we are all courteous and respectful of others' rights like the gentlemen that we are supposed to be. The administration is really serious about this. There has been talk about closing the library at night. It has even been suggested that monitors be placed in the library. Come on guys, we already have a great deal of freedom in the library. How many other libraries do you know of that let you sleep in them and put your feet up on the desks? Let's not jeopardize this freedom. We simply need to be responsible and monitor ourselves.

Ken Lindeman Sophomore EC Representative



EC members (left to right) Darby Brower, Jim Messer, Dave Judge. (Photo by Eric Campbell)

EC examines adviser system

By G. BRUCE POTTER News Editor

The Executive Committee formed a subcommittee Monday night to explore the possibility of upperclassmen serving as registration advisers.

Citing a general student opinion that some faculty advisers do not offer much help in choosing particular courses, senior representative Jim Messer said, "but someone who could devote a little more time during registration.

"It might run into problems with the faculty, though."

The EC discussed the possibility of students in particular majors helping other students interested in taking a course in that major.

Also discussed was the possibility of compiling course critiques to which students could refer when selecting courses.

Such a system already exists at the law school, where each student critiques his courses, and the critiques are compiled and bound in a publication available to all law students.

"Some times a very good professor might have lousy students who give him a lousy critique," upperclass law representative Jim Green said.

"I think the faculty might be kind of sensitive to it."

Freshman representative Andrew Caruthers, sophomore representatives Ken Lindeman and James White and senior representative George Youmans were appointed to serve with Messer on the subcommittee.

In other action Monday night, the EC decided to recommend to the faculty Executive Committee that all classes be dismissed Friday, May 11, the first day of the 1984 Washington and Lee Mock Democratic Convention.

Steve Lewis, co-chairman of the Mock Convention, requested the action because the Mock Convention parade will be held at 10 that morning and the first session will begin at 1 p.m. He said classes on that day were dismissed for the 1980 Mock Convention. A final decision must be made by the faculty.

Lewis also said that 25 states have now raised money for the Mock Convention. "I'm reasonably optimistic (regarding fund raising)," he added.

The EC also relieved itself of any immediate responsibility in dealing with the Independent Union. After a meeting among the EC's committee on independents, the Independent Union and the Student Activities Board, the organizations decided that the Independent Union would work with the SAB and would come to the EC only if problems arose.

Classes will meet on Saturday first week back

Washington and Lee students who stay out too long on New Year's Eve this year and don't make it back to school until Tuesday will be relieved to learn that they will not have missed classes that Monday. But, in turn, they will be obliged to attend classes the next Saturday morning to make up for the lack of Monday classes.

Because Jan. 1 falls on a Sunday this year, classes were pushed back one day in the first week of Winter term to allow students an extra day after the first of January to get back to school.

"We never make students come back on the first," said Edward C. Atwood, dean of the Commerce School and chairman of the Faculty Executive Committee Atwood said that since the 12-12-6 school calendar was adopted in 1970, it has been necessary to schedule Saturday classes whenever the first falls on a Sunday, about every six years. He said the move was necessary to get in 12 complete weeks of classes before the Winter exam period.

He explained that the daily class schedule would be thrown off one day during that week and that the Saturday classes will actually be classes scheduled for Friday.

"On Fridays there are really no afternoon classes," said Atwood, "so we are really only talking about Saturday morning"

Atwood also said that the first week of Winter term for the 1984-85 academic year has been pushed back one week and will begin Jan. 9.

McDonald's looks over Lexington

McDonald's fast food chain is eyeing several sites in Lexington, according to a story in Wednesday's Lexington News-Gazette.

The chain is seeking to build a restaurant here but is being held up by complications over

the proposed site.

One site on East Nelson Street, where a Kroger grocery store once did business, is being considered by McDonald's officials in Raleigh, N.C. Another site under consideration is the College Square Shopping Center adjacent to the present Kroger store, the story reported.

While the restaurant site is still uncertain, McDonald's officials hope to begin the new construction this winter.

A contigency contract for the real estate for the restaurant has been signed and construction could begins as early as Jan.1.



Mrs. Marjorie Poindexter dead at 50

Funeral services for Marjorie Poindexter, secretary to University Secretary James W. Whitehead, were held Saturday, Nov. 26, following her death on Friday, Nov. 18, after a short illness. She was 50.

She had been a member of the Washington and Lee staff since 1968 and had been clerk of the Lexington City Council since 1977. She was also a member of the Ladies Auxilliary of the Lexington-Rockbridge Fire Department and a member of Randolph Street United Methodist Church.

"Words can scarcely express the deep sense of loss that everyone at Washington and Lee feels," said Whitehead after her death. "Marjorie Poindexter served in many capacities in her 15 years at the university, but the role which everyone knew her was as a friend."

"We are going to miss her," he said. "We really are."

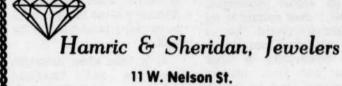
Mrs. Poindexter formerly occupied the desk adjacent to Mrs. Mohler's in the receiving area of Washington Hall. Other W&L men may remember her from her part in the 1982 W&L University Theatre production "Look Homeward, Angel."

UC to meet this afternoon

The University Council will meet on Thursday afternoon, December 1, 1983, at 4:15 in the Student Executive Committee Room of the University Center.

Among the subjects on the discussion agenda will be the plus and minus grading system. A committee of the council will also be selected to present nominations for the Edward L. Pinney Prize.





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Watches and Jewelry Repairs Gifts for All Occasions

We have class rings as well as watch and jewelry repair,

Sentencing dates set for convicted students

by JOHN CLEGHORN Chief Editor

After taking three months to examine the details of each case, a Rockbridge County Circuit Court judge has set the sentencing dates for two suspended Washington and Lee students and one former stu-

Rohrig, a former W&L senior who was suspended for three years, will be sentenced Dec. 12 for his conviction in September of selling marijuana and possession of marijuana with intent to distribute.

William L. Dederick, who has been suspended from the university for one year, will also be sentenced Dec. 12 for his September conviction of selling cocaine, possession of cocaine with intent to distribute and possession of marijuana seeds and plants with intent to grow

A third man, Marc Ham, a former W&L student who withdrew from the university after his September conviction for possession and sale of cocaine, will be sentenced Dec. 19.

In a related matter, the attorney for a Lexington man convicted of selling marijuana has filed for a new trial of his client, stating that the exclusion of Washington and Lee and Virginia Military Insitute students from the jury lists is unconstitutional.

The right to a jury that is reasonably representative of the community in which one is convicted is provided for by the Sixth Ammendment of the Constitution, according to Michael Morchower and Eric White, the Richmond-based attorneys who defended Robin Sensebaugh.

According to figures drawn from the 1980 census report, the total county and city population is 17,911. The W&L and VMI student populations combined totals about 3,300, or about 18 percent of the area population.

Jury lists in Rockbridge County are drawn from lists of registered voters, of which students account for about 3 percent, according to Bruce Patterson, Rockbridge Circuit Court clerk. Patterson said that there are probably very few W&L or VMI students who have registered in Rockbridge Coun-

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Proposed site for the new theatre would adjoin the old railroad station on U.S. 60. (Photo by Eric

New theatre plans studied

By STEVE POCKRASS Staff Reporter

Washington and Lee University has "made some preliminary studies" into the possibility of constructing a new theatre on the parking lot east of the U.S. 60 overpass, according to executive assistant to the president Frank Parsons. Parsons is quick to point out, however, that these are only preliminary studies and that there is currently no source of funds for the project.

"There are other possible sites," Parsons said, "(but) this site does lend itself to the development of theatre.'

Advantages of this location include a large parking area and the availability of the old railroad station building, to which the theatre would be jux-

"In general, as the concept has been developed, it would incorporate a three hundred seat proscenium theatre, 33,000 square feet in all." Also included would be a black box theatre, a scene shop, rehearsal areas,

dressing rooms, classrooms, and offices.

"Keep in mind that this is a teaching theatre," Parsons said.

Plans for the theatre, which would cost about \$5 million were drawn up by the architectural firm of Ford, Powell, and Carson of San Antonio, Texas.

"We don't have the money for it yet," Parsons said. "We are exploring the possibilities of funding it. Parsons also stated that a couple of other alternatives are being explored, but he said he was not at liberty to discuss them.

If funding were available, Ford, Powell and Carson would associate with architects in this area to supervise the construc-

"If we had a green light today, we could develop the theatre in two years," Parsons said. "Because of funding problems, there is no green light today. This said Parsons, is why there has not been more news about the theatre, and why he cannot say if or when the theatre will be built.

While there are other projects under consideration, such as an activities pavilion and more student housing, "at the moment, it (the theatre) is a very high priority need for us." Parsons said. "We've needed one for quite some time," explained Parsons, whose role as the executive assistant to the president includes the responsibility for coordinating physical planning. During the fifteen years he served under President Huntley, about \$35 million in construction was completed.

Dederick gains work-releaseprogram

By G. BRUCE POTTER **News Editor**

A former Washington and Lee student serving time in Rockbridge County Jail after being convicted of selling drugs has received approval for an archeological work-release pro-

William L. Dederick, who was convicted in September of selling cocaine, possession of cocaine with intent to distribute and possession of marijuana seeds and plants with intent to grow the drug is in jail awaiting completion of a pre-sentence report.

(A pre-sentence report is designed to give the judge a more thorough knowledge of the defendant's background before the sentence is handed down.)

Following a meeting with Commonwealth's Attorney Beverly C. "John" Read and Thomas C. Spencer, Dederick's attorney, Rockbridge County Circuit Court Judge George E. Honts III approved Dederick's proposed work-release program Nov. 14.

Under the supervision of Washington and Lee anthropology professor John McDaniel, Dederick will conduct research and perform some archeological work at a former lime kiln site west of Lexington just off U.S. 60.

The purpose of the research, McDaniel said, is two-fold: it will provide more information on the 19th century economic history of the area, and there is a possibility an ampitheater may be constructed on the site.

McDaniel emphasized that he

cleared the project with both William Watt, Dean of the College, and Lewis John, Dean of Students, and that Dederick will receive no W&L credits for his

Dederick has been suspended for one year by the Student Affairs Committee.

"Because of the sensitivity of the issue," McDaniel said, "I cleared his being on campus and in my office using the library and research facilities.

"This is not something that W&L has supported institutionally. His status as far as W&L is concerned has not changed at all," McDaniel add-

McDaniel said he felt the project was worthwhile, both for the community and for Dederick.

"There's not a great deal

known about the lime kiln," he added, "And there really is a great deal that could be learned out there

"It seems to me to be something for him to do...to indicate that he has some talents in this sort of thing."

In approving the workrelease project, Honts told Dederick, "I think the project is worthwhile. This is an opportunity for you to do some useful work during your incarceration."

Among the conditions set by Honts for the work-release program were that Dederick must return to the jail by 5 p.m. each day and that he should not let the project interfere with his appearances before the special grand jury investigating drug trafficking or his presentations at local high schools.

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1956 Mock Con was marked by tragedy

By JOHN WILTSE Mock Convention Correspondent

A keynote address — the focal point which sets the tone for any event.

In 1956, the W&L Mock Democratic Convention almost didn't carry out its responsibilities because the keynote speech cloaked the convention in a temporary shadow of gloom — a shadow darkened by tragedy.

But it was not the keynote address itself that enveloped the convention in darkness — words of inspiration actually filled Doremus Gymnasium that day. Instead, it was the loss of a public servant that was felt by all.

It was April 30, 1956, the opening day of the Mock Convention, and unusually warm Spring temperatures topping 90 degrees baked the City of Lexington. Washington and Leestudents crowded into the gym to hear the address of the keynote speaker, one of the most experienced statesmen of the era, Senator and former Vice President Alben Barkley of Kentucky.

Barkley had given 50 years of his life to public service, reaching his highest office as Vice President under President Harry S. Truman. After the administration's defeat in 1952,

Barkley returned to Kentucky and became one of its Senators.

It was this change from occupying the second highest office in the land to becoming Kentucky's junior Senator that the fiery and deliberate Barkley addressed after concluding his prepared speech in front of an excited and responsive audience.

Barkley: "But I no longer have any personal interest (in standing for highest office). I have served my country and my people for half a century...I went into the House of Representatives in 1913 and served 14 years; I was a junior Congressman; then I became a senior Congressman; and then I went to the Senate and became a junior Senator and then I became a senior Senator, and then I became majority leader of the Senate, and then vice president of the United States. And now I'm back again as a junior Senator. (laughter). And I am WILLING to be a junior. I'm GLAD to sit on the back

"For I would rather be a servant (his voice booming by now) in the house of the Lord than to sit in the seats of the mighty."

As the crowd roared its approval, the 78-year-old Barkley stepped back from the podium — and collapsed. Within minutes he was pronounced

dead of a heart attack.

John Jennings, W&L Professor of journalism, was a student here in 1956 and was the sole reporter broadcasting the Mock Convention on station WREL when Barkley collapsed.

"I didn't know what to think. I was stunned... sort of bewildered. I did not know what was going on — like everyone else," recalled Jennings.

This is how Jennings described the tragedy over WREL in 1956: "Senator Barkley has just collapsed after saying he would 'rather be a servant in the house of the Lord than to sit in the seats of the mighty.' He is now being being fanned by the chairman of the convention...the delegates are standing...there is just an air of disbelief here."

All convention proceedings came to an end. Only Barkley's widow could make the student delegates return to their task.

"You have unfinished business," she told convention officals

A week later, the students reconvened and correctly predicted that Adlai Stevenson would once again be the Democratic nominee.

Although Barkley's keynote address ended in tragedy, his final words are regarded as one of the meaningful and reflective declarations of all public ser-



Professor John Jennings covered the 1956 Mock Convention for WREL. (Photo by Eric Campbell)

W&L helps City with Christmas

The Washington and Lee Interfraterinty Council will help the City of Lexington launch its Christmas celebration tomorrow night when the city presents its annual Christmas Parade and lights the city's tree in front of the county court-house

The tree, which members of the IFC cut this week and hoisted in front of the building on Main Street, will be lit at 8:00 p.m. directly following the parade which begins at 6:30 p.m.

The parade which will be lead by a W&L color guard and will be routed down Main Street, will feature local bands and

The Washington and Lee Glee Club will sing at the lighting of the tree.

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Admissions Office should recruit more actively

(continued from page 3) applications had not reached the "alarmingly low levels" cited by Davidson in its decision to become coeducational; nor had applications "receded to near disaster levels," as they had at Sewanee in the years immediately preceding the decision there to admit women. Please remember that, in 1976. the Board was informed of projections of "a levelling off (of college-age populations) in the late 1970s and a decline in the 1980s," in the report of the Trustee Study Committee on Coeducation, which was chaired by Trustee Frank Brooks. Why, then, did the Board decide against coeducation?

In the press release announcing its decision, the Board cited "considerations of size, curriculum, and traditional character" as the factors influencing its decision. Interestingly enough, in an Admissions Office survey of this year's freshman class, tradition, size, and academic standards were the factors most often cited as influential in a student's decision to attend Washington and Lee.

As we approach a period of declining numbers of applicants, President Wilson has asked the trustees to again consider the question of coeducation. Recent admissions figures reveal that the University is in better shape, with regard to the number of applicants, than it was in 1976. The number of applications for this year's freshman class was 1,562, a considerable improvement over the low of 975. More importantly, however, since 1978, the year in which Mr. William Hartog came to W&L as director of admissions, the number of students who have enrolled here, as a percentage of those students offered admission, has nosedived, from 57 percent to 42 percent. It would seem as though Mr. Hartog has become

complacent, and sees coeducation as the way to attract students to W&L without altering his current recruiting practices.

We feel that the significant decrease in the percentage of student enrolled is not justification for admitting women. Rather, it is an indication that the Admissions Office is not working hard enough to attract students to Washington and Lee. Please consider a few more statistics. First, the distribution of freshmen by high school rank is almost identical this year to that in 1969. But in 1969, 47 percent of the applicants who were admitted actually enrolled. This year, only 42 percent enrolled. Some would argue that this is true because students do not want to attend an all-male college. Questionnaires distributed to all students admitted prove otherwise. The Trustee Study Committee on Coeducation reported in 1976 that "almost 50 percent" of admitted students who chose to go elsewhere did so based partially on a desire to attend a coeducational school. The results of this year's survey show that only 34 percent of the students who decline offers of admission here consider the lack of coeducation to be a drawback. We must conclude, therefore, that the inability to attract students to Washington and Lee is rooted not in a desire on the students' part to attend coeducational colleges, but, rather, in less-than-vigorous recruitment practices on the part of the Admissions Office.

In a recent poll of 1983 freshmen, conducted by the Admissions Office, 48 percent of the respondents reported that they had first become interested in Washington and Lee through alumni (19 percent), parents (16 percent), or current students (13 percent). In only 15 percent of the cases did the university initiate contact, through student search. More

applicants found out about W&L through college guides and other reference books than through their high school guidance counselors! The message contained in these statistics is that many students are not applying to Washington and Lee because they don't know about it. While we agree that alumni and current students are an important arm of the admissions process, we conclude that this arm has become gangrenous. A representative of the Alumni Admissions program, with whom we spoke, indicated that there is virtually no cooperation or communication between the Alumni Admissions program and the Admissions Office. The Student Recruitment Committee is designed primarily for the benefit of students who have already applied. Clearly, both of these organizations are in need of strengthening and expansion.

We recommend, therefore, that the Admissions Office adopt and practice a policy of actively recruiting students that is, getting them to apply, and, more importantly, getting them to attend W&L once they have been accepted. There is, currently, no member of the Admissions staff whose full-time job is to travel to schools and recruit top-notch students. One should be hired immediately. This person need not fly to Idaho or South Dakota in search of students; rather, he or she should concentrate on attracting students from nearby states. While W&L is well respected in areas of high alumni concentration, it is virtually unknown outside these areas. As a result, Washington and Lee has only a total of 165 undergraduate students from the nearby states of North Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky, South Carolina and West Virginia. Surely an intense recruiting effort in these states could add at least 150 more high calibre students to the W&L population during the lean years ahead. We further recommend that the Admissions Office strive for closer cooperation with the Alumni Admissions program and that they work to expand the role of this program. Additionally, we recommend that the Student Recruitment Committee be enlarged, and that its role be expanded.

We recommend to the Board of Trustees that they recall the conclusions they reached in 1976, namely, "that coeducation would almost necessarily require a substantial increase in the size of the W&L student body," and that coeducation would represent a significant break with tradition; and, further, we hope that they will consider the fact that it is the small size and rich tradition of the University which attracts students to Washington and Lee. We further recommend that they consider that, as President Wilson has reported, demographic trends will reverse by 1992 and the period of crisis will have passed. We urge the Board of Trustees to keep these factors in mind, to recognize that any decision made at this time would be irreversible, and ultimately, to reject any proposal for coeducation at Washington and Lee at any time in the forseeable future.

We conclude, finally, that a go-get-em admissions policy, even without the projected reversal of demographic trends by 1992, will ensure that Washington and Lee can remain all-male and academically excellent long into the next century.

C. Bradford Stengel Class of 1986

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EC should regard honor not conduct

To the Editors:

I must take serious issue with the recent decision of the Executive Committee to consider the sale of drugs for profit as a violation of the Honor System. While I do not disagree with the premise that one dealing in drugs should be expelled from the University, I do not see the wisdom of placing this transgression under the auspices of the Executive Committee.

Last year's White Book emphasizes that the Honor System is designed to foster a mutual trust within the Washington and Lee community. Our student government makes a clear distinction between honor violations and conduct offenses. The former are handled by the EC, while the latter are under the jurisdiction of the Student Control Committee and the Student Affairs Committee.

One could most simply define honor and conduct offenses in the following manner. Honor offenses are those that in the words of the White Book "indicate a student is not worthy of trust by his peers." Conduct violations prove that a person is unable to conduct himself in a

legal or civilized manner, or that he poses a threat to the safety of a member or members

of the University community.

While our White Book says (and I wholeheartedly agree) that honor cannot be codified, it goes on to explain that lying, cheating, and stealing are obvious violations. I do not think that anyone has been convicted of an honor violation for any other type of offense since I have been at W&L. Yet, an EC which finds it necessary to elicit student opinion by a poll on issues such as coeducation and grading policies, does not seem to feel the need to do likewise when considering a drastic reinterpretation (not revision) of the Honor System. This reinterpretation is even more radical in light of the fact that last year's EC voted against such a change while this year's voted unanimously for the new policy.

I have always heard and believed that the single sanction is justified by a belief that honor has no degrees. Yet during its debate of the issue of drug sales, the EC found it necessary to say that the use of drugs is different from the sale of drugs, because a drug dealer has a profit motive. If the state of Virginia were suddenly to reinstate Prohibition, one must wonder if the EC would feel the same duty to prosecute industrious minks who wanted to make a few extra dollars by importing out-of-state liquor to the W&L campus.

In conclusion, I believe that it is necessary for the student body to let the Student Control Committee and Student Affairs Committee know of its displeasure with drug dealers. The SAC has expulsion power; it should have the courage to use it. There are inherent dangers

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Stones show new outlook

By EDWIN BELL Staff Reporter

Several facts must be mentioned before the album can be discussed. First, Mick Jagger turned 40 last summer and Keith Richards turns 40 on Dec. 18. Bill Wyman and Charlie Watts, are even older. Only Rob Wood, 31, is still a young man. I do not point out this fact to join the masses in saying the Stones are too old. The Who did not break up because of their ages, but because of personal differences. Their music was still very much to be admired.

The reason I point out this fact is that the Stones' recent album, Undercover, is also a great album. Their age would lead one to believe that the Stones are too old to be thinking of politics, girls and debauchery. To the contrary, the Stones aren't too old to think about these things only their perspective has changed. Once known for their reputation as degenerates and outlaws, they now have become mature adults with families of their own. But the band has not forgotten its roots, they still like to write about sex and violence.

Undercover is the album the Stones have always wanted to record. The work is steeped in violence, sex and macho chestbeating of the male ego. Yet the Stones deal with these subjects in a unique approach, not the straight-forward approach of others. Jagger has often said that these themes are only meant to poke fun at the intended objects of attack. Songs about girls are the Stones favorite with Some Girls, T&A, and Brown Sugar. Also the Stones albums are beginning to be easily identified by structure 10 songs, mostly uptempo numbers (thank God, all uptempo this time), one Keith song, and one reggae tune.

The best songs on the album are Undercover, She Was Hot, Wanna Hold You Too Tough, Too Much Blood and It Must Be Hell. The album, unlike others, has a number of good singles. An interview in the December 1983 Musician Magazine with Keith Richards picks the single to be She Was Hot, but it turns out to be Undercover. Undercover is definitely a step forward for Richards and Jagger.

The song features the steady and always precise backbeat of Charlie Watts and mixes the guitars in a pseudo-reggae rhythm. Undercover is the Stones contribution to current politics. What is going on in South America? they ask.

Too Tough is also in this genre. Here the Stones again assert infallibility of the male ego. The cut features some great guitar work from Ron Wood. It Must Be Hell again finds the Stones questioning the world. Jagger calmly asks the East, "What's wrong with your world?"

Richards' song on the album, Wanna Hold You, is not as good as Happy or T&A, but then again, it is different. The song seems to be his declaration of love for his girl, Patti Hansen. Unlike most Stones songs, here Richards says he'll be the lover and slave.

Now for the Mick Jagger explanation of love, Tie You Up (the pain of love). Jagger should know a lot about the subject seeing how he has been divorced from two wives, accounted for a bastard child and is expecting a new child from his live-in-partner Jerry Hall.

Overall the Stones new album is great. It gives us fresh songs that reflect the current musical trends of today, but also reUNDER COVER BINDER COVER BINDER

mains true to the Stones' classic R&B sound we all love. Also the album addresses current issues of our world such as South America and the East-West tensions, as well as the problems of violence and "too much blood" on the screen.

Yet the Stones do not overdo their political feelings like The Clash nor do they fall in the Rolling Stone Magazine's classic five star category, which considers deep, political thought a must. Instead they address the problems from a different view, they raise the issues as questions for the public to decide.

Undercover is a fine example of what a band can do even though they are supposedly "over the hill." The Stones are very much like the musicians they admire. Rhythm and Blues greats such as Muddy Waters and rock and roll's founders such as Chuck Berry still play their music today as they did when they were 20. Nothing is wrong with playing music when you're 40 as long as you respectfully pass something on to the next generation. Surely the Rolling Stones have done this.

W&L grad to perform for Concert Guild in Lee Chapel

Metropolitan Opera basso Philip Booth, a 1964 graduate of Washington and Lee, will appear in concert at his alma mater as the next presentation of the W&L Concert Guild tonight at 8 p.m. in Lee Chapel.

Ever since his Met debut in "Un Ballo in Maschera" in 1975, Booth has demonstrated his versatility as a featured artist in Metropolitan Opera producations of "Otello," "Die Meistersinger," "Fidelio," "Carmen," "Ariadne auf Naxos," "Rigoletto," and "Aida."

Tonight at 8:00

His program for the W&L Concert Guild presentation will include two arias by Handel, two arias from settings of Bach's "Magnificat," two concert arias for bass by Mozart, two sacred pieces for bass, brass quartet and continuo by Heinrich Schutz, two opera arias by Giuseppe Verdi, and five old American songs by Aaron Copeland.

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could feel free to give some background to an opera aria or shed some light on why I consider a particular piece significant or appropriate."

Film Society presents Devil's Playground

The Washington and Lee Film Society's third presentation of the 1983-84 season will be the 1976 Australian film "The Devil's Playground" (107 minutes), directed by Fred Schepisi. The film will be shown at 8 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 2 and Saturday, Dec. 3 in classroom "A" of Lewis Hall in the Law School. There is no charge for admission.

"The Devil's Playground" is director Schepisi's (The Chant of Jimmie Blacksmith, Barbarosa) semi-autobiographical account of life in a Catholic seminary school in Australia in the early 1950s. Not surprisingly, considerable tension is created by the conflict between the developing sexuality of the adolescent boys and the teachings of the Church, administered by the school's

monks. This conflict and the resulting problems are exacerbated by the school's isolation and the exclusively-male character of the student body and the clerical teaching staff.

Schepisi's treatment of these themes is tactful and balanced. He does not oversimplify or misrepresent the characters as stereotypical innocent schoolboys or as dogmatically oppressive clerics. Instead, there is sympathetic understanding

for both the boys and the teachers, who, after all, are subject to many of the same frustrations and constraints.

"The Devil's Playground is an intelligent and sensitive attempt to portray the problems of growing up naturally in an unnatural environment. Indeed, few films have so well captured the sheer embarrassment of growing up.



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New duPont exhibit features photographs

The works of four Virginia photographers make up the new exhibition in Washington and Lee duPont Gallery.

The photographers whose works will comprise the exhibition are W. Patrick Hinely of Lexington, Nancy Lensen-Tomasson of Richmond, Terence Roberts of Blacksburg, and Steve Zapton of Harrisonburg.

The exhibition will remain on view through Dec. 16. A reception for the artists will be held tomorrow from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Hinely is a native of Jacksonville, Fla., and a graduate of Washington and Lee. He has exhibited in group and one-man shows in his home state of Florida as well as in Virginia, South Carolina, Washington, and Alberta, Canada. Currently university photographer at W&L, he will show images of Florida in black and white.

Lenson-Tomasson is a native of Washington, D.C., and received her undergraduate degree from Wellesley College with graduate degrees from the University of New Mexico. She is assistant professor in the department of photograph and film at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond. Her works have been exhibited in several shows and one-person exhibitions. She will be exhibiting Ektacolor prints of her magnolia series.

Roberts received his bachelor's degree from the University of Virginia and studied photography at Corcoran School of Art in Washington. During 1983 he has been commissioned to create two installations for businesses in Washington. The recipient of the \$1,000 Award of Excellence at the 27th Annual Virginia Beach Boardwalk Art Show earlier this year, he will exhibit hand-tinted photographs.

Zapton is a native of Detroit and received his bachelor's degree in fine arts from the University of Michigan and his master's from the Pratt Institute. A member of the James Madison University faculty since 1970, he will exhibit photocollages.



Magnolia Series: Rock singer, one of the photographs by Lenson-Tomasson. She is one of four photographers on display in duPont Gallery.



Education and athletics

By MIKE STACHURA **Sports Editor**

All Lexington is disgruntled about such a monumental topic as high school football with the off again, on again, off again soap opera featuring Ron Pyles and a cast of thousands. It's the cast of thousands that I'm worried about. What I think we have here is alot of missing information. (Are you listening out there at the Committee for Joint Control and the School Board?) Missing information, it would seem, only heightens tension. Something that the problem at Lex High didn't need any more of. Coach...er ex-Coach Pyles obviously had something to say Monday night, but the School Board refused to hear it. In the earlier meeting of the Committee for Joint Control, more questions were left unsolved like why was Pyles actually reinstated, or for that matter, why was he ever removed? Also, why was Principal Glen Stark, the man who heard the original complaints against Pyles, not called to testify? Not to say that answers to any of these questions would immediately rectify the situation, but a little pertinent would certainly have gotten matters back under control and pointed in the right direction. As it is, Pyles has resigned, this time for good, and those who are saying the matter is best left undiscussed perhaps fail to see the effects such an unresolved

Time out...

situation can have on the community and the relationship between athletics and education, a relationship that must remain strong and pure if education, as a whole, is to be meaningful and productive....

... Back at the colonnade, it appears Verne Canfield has that right chemistry he was looking for a couple couple of weeks back. Freshman Keith Brideweiser and Scott Shannon are complementing very nicely thank you the play of steady John Lee Graves to illustrate a point. The key to the Generals' success is that they know what they can and can't do, and they're very good at putting this knowledge into practice. One other thing, the Generals are often going to be outmanned talent wise. That is, except at

shaw (who?) and Chuck Noll

have resolved their differences (Chuck said Terry was wasting (continued on page 11)

the one position that counts: Coach...

...While we were away there was that "fight" extravaganza staged by NBC. Let's face it, the only man who wanted the title fight in the ring was the one who couldn't win it, namely Joe Frazier. It was all Joe could do to keep himself from jumping in and taking over for his quickly fading son. Maybe it's time, by the way, that Mr. Holmes retire or fight someone of stature instead of someone who's there based on who he is (or sounds like) rather than on what he has done in the ring ...

... Now that Mike Rozier is assured the Heisman trophy -anybody who rushes for over 900 yards in four games has got my vote - I'd like to put in a commendation for Boston College's Doug Flutie. At 5'9" Flutie is the Horatio Alger of the 1983 college football season. Flutie, not unlike the Generals' hoopsters, doesn't wow you until you realize he's already beaten you...In a related story, Notre Dame decided to play in the Liberty Bowl against the Golden Eagles, despite their unholy 6-5 season. Gee, Gerry Faust sure picked the wrong way to try to save face

....Good to see Terry Brad-

All-American cross country runner Angus McBryde is congratulated by Athletic Director William McHenry and Coach Dick Miller in ceremony at halftime of the W&L-Eastern basketball game. (Photo by Eric Campbell)

McBryde earns A-A status

Senior Angus McBryde earned All-America status in NCAA Division III cross country when he finished tenth in the national meet at Christopher Newport College in Newport News, Va., on Saturday, November 19.

McBryde covered the 8,000meter course in a time of 24 minutes, 19 seconds.

A week earlier he had captured the regional qualifying meet on the same course with a

time of 24 minutes, 36 seconds.

"We had to be happy that Angus improved his time by 17 seconds from the regional meet to the national meet," said W&L cross country coach Dick Miller. "Angus had a genuinely sensational season progressed. I couldn't be happier for him."

Earlier this season McBryde captured the ODAC individual crown and was named the Runner of the Year in the ODAC.

Franke sees success

Washington and Lee's head wrestling coach Gary Franke is very optimistic about this year's team. "We have the opportunity to be very competitive in all 15 meets this year," said Franke. "We have good wrestlers in most of the weight classes, and if we stay free of injury we should have another successful season," according to Franke.

The team, which posted a 9-2 record last year, welcomes seven returning lettermen. The team is led by seniors Carlton Peebles and Tim Valliere and junior Jeff Dixon. Both Dixon and Valliere were undefeated in last year's dual-meet action.

The Generals will open their season in Lynchburg against Lynchburg College on Nov. 30. When the teams met last year W&L won by a score of 22-21.

On Saturday, Dec. 3, the W&L Tournament will be hosted by the Generals. The tournament will include Hiram College, Gettysburg College, George Washington University, Longwood College, University of Scranton, Virginia Military Institute and York College. Last year W&L placed seventh in the competi-

fall short to Hopkins **Swimmers**

By DAVID NAVE Staff Reporter

The Washington and Lee swimming and diving team lost a dual meet to Division III national powerhouse Johns Hopkins, 57-56, on Nov. 18 at W&L's Cy Twombly Pool.

W&L coaches labeled the defeat a disappointing one. "We were disappointed that we came so close to beating Hopkins but just couldn't quite do it," said head swimming coach Pago Remillard. "You can look back over the meet and find many places where we could have picked up the necessary point to win it.'

The Generals (1-1) outscored Hopkins in the swimming events, but suffered a 16-2 setback in the diving competition. In NCAA competition, swimming and diving scores are combined to produce an overall

Diving coach Bob Newcomb said, "I am not disappointed with the way that the divers performed." According to Newcomb, the divers, freshmen Joe Donovan and Matt Divito, displayed their best performances of the season.

Sophomore Tim Stanford and senior Gary Meyer led the Generals with outstanding individual performances. Stanford established a new school record for the 100 meter butterfly with a time of 52.36. Stanford also won the 200 meter individual medley. Meyer captured victories in the 50 and 100 meter freestyle events.

Tim Rock (1000 meter freestyle), Jay ReVille (100 meter backstroke), and the 400 meter freestyle relay team (Stanford, Meyer, Bobby Pearson, and Tabor Smith) also captured victories for W&L against Hopkins.

Several W&L swimmers have already qualified for the NCAA Division III National Championships (March 15, 16, 17 at Emory in Atlanta, Ga.). Generals qualifying for the nationals are: Tim Stanford, 100 meter butterfly; Jay ReVille, 400 meter individual medley; and Gary Meyer, 50 meter freestyle. The W&L 400 meter freestyle relay team has also qualified for the national championships.

The W&L swimming and diving team will compete in the Virginia Collegiate Championships this weekend at James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Va.

The Generals next home meet will be Jan. 8 at 6 p.m. against Shippensburg State.

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Cagers bounce back, go to 2-2

By PAUL FOUTCH Staff Reporter

The Generals' basketball team defeated Hampden-Sydney, 63-52, Tuesday night in Warner Center, evening their record at 2-2 after losing both games of the W&L Tip-Off Tournament to start the season.

For the third game this season, 6-5 senior forward John Lee Graves led the Generals in scoring, getting 24 points in the ODAC-opener against Hampden-Sydney.

In the Tip-Off Tournament W&L lost the opener to SUNY Old Westbury, 55-51, and the consolation game to Eastern College, 47-45. "(In the tournament) the opposition was extremely strong and we were very young and inexperienced," head coach Verne Canfield commented. But he added, "We did more things right than wrong."

W&L's first victory of the

season came at UNC-Greensboro, 43-42, on Nov. 22. In this game the Generals applied some of the lessons they learned in the Tip-Off Tournament, according to Canfield.

"We found that on offense we had to control the ball rather than just run up the court," said Canfield.

Against Hampden-Sydney, the Generals did just that, making 25 of 40 field goals (62.5%) to the Tigers 21 of 44 (47.7%). W&L also hit on 11 out of 16 free throws, all in the second half.

The second-leading scorer behind Graves is 6-2 junior guard Lex Fitzenhagen, with 9.75 points per game. Fitzenhagen had 15 points against the Tigers, including two three-point plays late in the second half that helped put the game out of reach.

Junior guard Kevin McClat-

chey added 10 points and junior forward Scott Shannon had six points and led the team in rebounds with eight.

The Generals' next game will be against Ithaca College in the Ithaca Tournament on Dec. 3. The other teams participating will be Lehman and Western New England.

According to Canfield, all three of the other teams are strong, coming off winning seasons and returning all their starters.

"When you play the host team in the first game, you can expect the other teams to be stronger than you," said Canfield. This is because the host team tends to make sure it invites less-talented teams to its tournament, and to make sure it plays the weakest team in the first game, according to Canfield.

He also noted that the fact that W&L came last in its own tournament is an indication of the strength of the Generals' schedule this season.

"This is the toughest schedule we've had in the 20 years I've been coaching here," said Canfield.

The Generals' next home game is against ODAC-opponent Catholic University on Dec.



Junior guard Kevin McClatchey tosses in two of his ten points in Tuesday night victory over the Hampden-Sydney Tigers. (Photo by Eric Campbell)

Pyles resigns at Lex High

By PAUL CLARK Staff Reporter

The saga has ended. Or maybe it has just begun. That seems to be the question these days at Lexington High School where head football coach Ron Pyles has left his job for the second time this year, this time for good.

As reported in the Nov. 10 issue of the Ring-tum Phi, Coach Pyles had come under considerable pressure from reports that he had mistreated his players. After being dismissed from his coaching duties by the county superintendent, Pyles was re-instated in a hearing last month by the Committee for Joint Control, at which point his assistant coaches resigned.

This past Monday Pyles

resigned offically when the school board refused to allow Pyles to "name names" in his defense. Pyles apparently felt, and many people seem to agree, that he should have had an opportunity to name people in his defense.

When the board refused to let Pyles speak, he walked to the front of the room and presented his resignation.

"I think it's a shame that...he couldn't name people in that hearing. He basically pleaded for an opportunity to give his side of the story," said Gerald Darrell, W&L Food Services Manager.

Many Lexington High parents and football players say they feel like they've lost a good coach and a good man. On the other side, though, many parents feel like it is time to move ahead and start anew. Glen Stark, Lexington High Principal, has said, "it's all history now...talking about it won't do any good." It would appear that ex-coach Pyles feels differently. In a report in the Lexington News-Gazette, Pyles said that if he could raise the money he would take legal action against the persons who tainted his name. He feels that because of the "stigma" hanging over him he will not have an easy time finding a job.

Perhaps Genevieve Friedman, mother of team co-captain Frank Friedman, summed up many of the parents feelings best in an Associated Press release "If he has to take other people down with him, if what he has to say casts bad things on other people, then it's better off not said."

At this point, Lexington principal Glen Stark has started an advisory committee of school board members, teachers, parents, and players to help heal the wounds caused by the football melee. However, the tension still leaves Lexington High torn apart.

Time Out

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the team's time. Terry said, But, gee, Chuck, I don't understand.) Limited rumor is Terry may play Sunday. The way I see it, Cliff Stoudt's run the James Watt routine...end of usefulness....

....For those interested, the Jersey Prince will be in next week to bring his holiday bowl tidings....

....A closing thought for those ponering career decision: Larry Holmes' wage rate for Friday night's work was a paltry \$800,000...a minute....

Coach Verne Canfield ponders late first-half action in the Generals 63-52 win over Hampden-Sydney. (Photo by Eric Campbell)

The Executive Committee

reminds the students that the library is for studying. Please respect the rights of others.

Grades-

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minus system be changed so as to only affect freshmen. The University Council was to debate the issue at its meeting at 4:15 this afternoon, and the faculty is expected to make a decision Monday.

EC President Bob Jenevein will ask the faculty Monday to reconsider implementing the plus-minus system for upperclassmen.

"I hope one of the considerations (the faculty takes into account) is how the students want to be graded," Jenevein said.

"The students don't think they should be subjected to it, either for fairness or because they think it might hurt them. They don't agree with what the faculty wants to do," he added.

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"I'm sure that (the 3 percent) is local students who grew up here, registered and went off to school," Patterson said. "I don't imagine we have any W&L or VMI students who have registered here."

Patterson said that for a student to register in Rockbridge County, he must show some intent to remain in the county such as paying local property taxes or registering an automobile here.

Morchower and White maintain that by state law any citizen who resides in the county six months out of the year is eligible for jury duty.

Voting Regulations Board Chairman Burns Newsome described the turnout as "pretty decent" and added that he felt it was a significant random sample.

This year's EC has received some criticism, Jenevein acknowledged, for taking up the plus-minus issue nearly a year and a half after its adoption by the faculty. He pointed out, however, that the initial decision was made too late for the 1981-82 EC to act on it, and that last year's EC was caught between the time the policy was adopted and its implementation

Rating-

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"The general feeling was that there was something out there for everybody, not that one was any better than the other," Ms. Quick said.

Willamette University of Oregon won the smaller comprehensive university category west of the Mississippi with 39.5 percent of the votes.

Among national universities, Stanford edged out Harvard with 48.8 percent of the votes to Harvard's 47.6 percent — the same percentage as W&L.

Mary Baldwin College tied for third among regional liberal arts colleges in the South and the border states. Two other Virginia institutions — the University of Richmond and James Madison University — placed sixth and seventh, respectively, among comprehensive universities east of the Mississippi.



Todd Smith (left) and Ted Fletcher argued the affirmative side in a debate Nov. 16 on whether W&L should go coed. The debate was sponsored by WLUR-FM and Cable 9 T.V. Markham Pyle and Mike Shelton argued the negative side, that W&L should not go coed. (Photo by Peter Cronin.)

Conduct decision, not honor

(continued from page 7) in passively allowing the boundaries of honor to stretch beyond lying, cheating, and stealing. First, it makes one wonder what new interpretation the EC will issue next, Suppose that the University receives bad publicity because a freshman dies in an alcohol-related accident due to intoxication induced by liquor which his dorm counselor obtains for him (not an unknown practice). Would the dorm counselor's actions suddenly become, to use

freshman representative Andrew Caruther's words, "dishonorable and disreputable?"

Secondly, in handling what were previously conduct offenses, the EC finds itself in the precarious position of making gradations among certain acts. For example, it is not dishonorable to demand drugs, but it is dishonorable to supply them. With the varying penalties at its disposal, Student Affairs is more capable of discussing such issues. In the cases involving students convicted of selling drugs earlier this year,

the SAC not only did not expel the students, it also assessed different penalties. There must have been a good reason for the SAC's decisions. An honor conviction, however, provides only one penalty. I do not believe that a drug dealer deserves to stay in the university any more than I believe that a petty thief deserves to be a student. I simply assert that different bodies should expel them. I know that I cannot trust a thief; a drug entrepreneur who provides what in some circles is a desired commodity, has only proven that he is ungentlemanly and capable of committing a very serious violation of the law. Illegality and dishonor are not necessarily synonymous.

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