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## Christian and Harman Elected to EC Posts In Senior-Law Voting

**Harwood, Harris, Heard and Pettus Are Class Presidents**

By Owen Easley

Members of the freshman law and senior classes named Lynch Christian, Delt., and Jim Harman, PiKA, as Executive Committeemen-at-large in elections held in Lee Chapel Monday night. Fourteen other class positions were also filled by the balloting.

Senior class presidencies were won by Garland Harwood, Jr., Phi Kap, academic; Dick Heard, Kappa Sigma, commerce; and Leon Harris, ATO, science. Reg Pettus, Kappa Sigma, was named president of the freshman lawyers.

Senior class elections were delayed from the first Monday in October, in order to permit the freshman lawyers to attend. This election completed the selection of class officials for the current school year.

Harman, an academic student from Tazewell, Va., authored the recent fraternity expense reduction petition to the University Board of Trustees. Prior to entering the Army Medical Corps with the ERC in 1943, he served as manager of the university debate team. While overseas he participated in campaigns in Africa, Italy and France with a Seventh Army medical battalion. He is president of PiKA.

A veteran of nine months overseas duty as a B-24 pilot, Lynch Christian saw action in the Philippines, China, New Guinea and Borneo. Before entering the army he served as business manager of *The Calyx* for a few months, was elected president of his house as a junior, and was a member of the varsity swimming team. He is from Lynchburg.

The senior commerce class elected Dick Heard, Kappa Sigma Air Forces veteran and senior executive committee man during the 1946 summer session, as president. Other Commerce officers who were elected are: Ed Waddington, Phi Psi, vice-president; Bobby Seal, PiKA, secretary; and Bill Atlee, PiKA, historian.

Garland Harwood, former Phi Kap house president and veteran of 27 months of overseas duty with the 31st Infantry division, was named senior academic president. The class also named Cliff Hood, SAE, vice-president; Bob Gates, Phi Kap, secretary and Stan Carmichael, Phi Delt, historian.

Freshmen lawyers named Reg Pettus, Kappa Sigma Air Forces veteran, as class president. They also elected Earl Vickers, Lambda Chi, vice-president; Albert Pitcher, NFU, secretary, and Lynwood King, ATO, historian.

Members of the graduating science class chose Leon Harris, retiring president of the ATO house and another ex-B-24 pilot, with ten months service in the Pacific, as president. Jack Schofield and Ray Dovell, vice president and secretary, respectively. Alain McAllister, SAE, will serve as the class historian.

## Weekly Dances Begin Saturday

An informal dance to recorded music will be held Saturday night, November 16, on the first floor of the Student Union building, according to an announcement of Bill Chipley, president of the non-fraternity Union. This dance will inaugurate regular Saturday informals, if the students show their approval, and the Student Union will be open to all who care to drop in. The NFU, working with the University, the Wives Club, and Dr. James L. Price, Director of Religious Work, have formed plans to make a social center which will take care of the problem of "Where to go this weekend?" which is often heard about the campus.

Plans call for a pool table and ping-pong table, which will furnish a game room out of part of the basement. Card tables may be procured later, and a "jukebox" or phonograph with loudspeakers will be played on the first floor. After dinner will be the scheduled start of dancing, and it is hoped that faculty members, students, and wives will drop in and

### Va. Leads in Number of Students Here—Directory

The new Student Directory indicates the following facts and figures regarding the part of the student body of Washington and Lee enrolled in the College of Arts and Sciences:

First of the states in number of representation in the University is Virginia with 292 men. New York follows Virginia not too closely with 82 students, and West Virginia takes third honors with 59 representatives.

Maine, Nebraska, New Hampshire, Oregon, Vermont, Washington and Wisconsin are represented by one student each, and Hawaii, Norway and Panama have honored the University with one apiece.

Following is a complete classification of the students by residence. This list includes only the 1003 students registered in the College of Arts and Sciences and not those attending Law School:

Alabama, 23; Arkansas, 16; California, 6; Colorado, 2; Connecticut, 19; Delaware, 2; District of Columbia, 35; Florida, 34; Georgia, 29; Illinois, 23; Indiana, 10; Iowa, 2; Kentucky, 45; Louisiana, 9.

Maine, 1; Maryland, 50; Massachusetts, 5; Michigan, 10; Minnesota, 2; Mississippi, 10; Montana, 3; Missouri, 17; Nebraska, 1; New Hampshire, 1; New Jersey, 49; New York, 82; North Carolina, 16; Ohio, 36; Oklahoma, 2; Oregon, 1.

Pennsylvania, 52; Rhode Island, 2; South Carolina, 16; Tennessee, 31; Texas, 12; Vermont, 1; Virginia, 292; Washington, 1; West Virginia, 59; Wisconsin, 1; Hawaii, 1; Norway, 1; Panama, 1; Puerto Rico, 2.

## Jim Stanfield To Direct Play

### Tentative Cast Chosen After Recent Tryouts

Jim Stanfield, 1943 president of the Troubadours and guiding light in many of the organization's pre-war productions, was named this week as director of the forthcoming play, "The Petrified Forest." Troubadour President Jack Lanich announced this week.

Stanfield, who has returned this fall to Law School after three years in the Navy, was director of the highly successful Troubadour production of "Arsenic and Old Lace" in 1942. He played major roles in "Margin for Error," "Room Service," and had the lead in the 1942 Varsity Show.

Lanich also announced that, as a result of last week's tryouts, tentative selections have been made for most of the roles in the "Forest." He would not, however, definitely indicate just who would fill which parts.

"We have made no final selections as yet," he said, "and would prefer to announce the filling of the leading roles after another week or so."

Listed as having been promising

### Doctor Gaines Inducted Into Literary Group

Dr. Francis P. Gaines, President of the University, was initiated into the Washington Literary Society at a meeting of that organization called for the purpose last Monday afternoon. Following his initiation, Dr. Gaines made a short speech to the members of the society on "The Value of a Literary Society to the University."

He pointed out that the potentialities open to a literary society on a university campus were second to that of no other organization. The development of a literary atmosphere on the campus and the forwarding of cultural projects in the student body by the students themselves is an essential addition to the work of the faculty, and it is an addition which he faculty itself cannot make. "For that reason," said Dr. Gaines, "I wish to help this society in any way possible that I can."

The Washington Society discussed several other business matters at the meeting, and *The Calyx* picture was taken immediately afterwards.

## Journalism Meet Total Success States Riegel

### Pres. Gaines Welcomes Delegates to W. and L. With Opening Address

The 56 delegates from 36 scholastic annuals and papers throughout the state of Virginia made the Conference of Sponsors of Scholastic Publications held at Washington and Lee University last weekend a complete success, according to Prof. O. W. Riegel, head of the University's school of journalism.

Under the leadership of Prof. Riegel, the visiting representatives gathered in Payne Hall Saturday morning to hear the opening address and welcome given by President Gaines. Dr. Gaines stressed the importance of the gathering, and of school publications in general.

Prof. Riegel followed with a statement of conference objectives. He said that the first goal would be to provide useful suggestions to secondary school journalistic enterprises, and that the conferees were gathered to share their experiences in meeting and overcoming problems. Professor Richard R. Fletcher, executive secretary of the Virginia high school league, terminated the opening session with a short talk on "The Publications Program of the Virginia High School League."

Concurrently, Prof. E. W. Withers of the Lee journalism foundation, conducted a round-table discussion on editorial problems faced by scholastic publication boards. Mary Sully Hayward, from Jefferson High School, Roanoke, led another round-table meeting concerned with "the role of the sponsor."

Later in the day, after a luncheon for the visitors, Prof. Riegel conducted the third scheduled round-table talk, based on "standards of evaluation of school publications" and headed the final discussions pertaining to "Business Management Problems."

Administrative executives of the Lee School of Journalism expressed

## Calyx Student Pix Reach 900

Work on the 50th edition of *The Calyx* was progressing favorably this week according to editor Jack Ganong. Some nine hundred portraits, by far the greatest number of student pictures ever to appear in the publication, will help to make this year's *Calyx* the biggest and best in W. and L.'s history, Ganong stated.

Concerning student portraits Ganong pointed out that approximately 450 men have not returned their proofs to the photographer and many students have neglected to pick up their proofs as yet. If the pictures are not picked up or returned, *The Calyx* staff will select a pose for the book.

He added that literature must be taught "as a critical interpretation of man and his destiny."

John Cook Wyllie, curator of rare books at the University of Virginia, also addressed the meeting.

Doctor A. C. Jordan, Duke University, in a speech to the study of grammar in freshman English courses. He advocated "old-fashioned grammar and rhetoric" since high schools no longer emphasize it. Dr. Jordan did not approve of the English handbooks now in general use at colleges and universities.

## 10 Student-Families Have Moved Into 'Splinterville' Apartments

### Fancy Dress In '47 To Be Gayest Yet Bands To Be Picked Soon for 3-Night Set, Marable Says

Washington and Lee's 38th Fancy Dress Ball will top all previous ones in color and gaiety. Gene Marable, president of the 1947 Fancy Dress Set, predicted late yesterday afternoon. Marable has several themes under consideration and promises to announce his choice in the near future.

Plans are being laid, Marable said, for a gala ball to highlight the revival, after a four-year suspension, of the colorful dance set which has long ranked as one of the South's outstanding social events.

The names of the students who will take charge of arrangements for the three-day set will be announced next week. Marable de-

clared.

Negotiations for two name bands have been underway for some time with the Horace Fitzpatrick booking agency of Roanoke, which engaged Johnny Long for Opening Dances this year. Marable expects to have one orchestra play for the Thursday night dance and the other to provide music for the gaily-costumed Fancy Dress Ball, the Saturday afternoon concert and the dance Saturday night.

"All profits from Openings have been earmarked for the Fancy Dress treasury," Marable pointed out, "and I intend to use this money, plus proceeds from the ticket drive, to hire the best bands available."

Costumes for the ball will be furnished by Van Horn & Son of Philadelphia, who have provided Washington and Lee Fancy Dress costumes in previous years.

Marable has not yet signed a contract for the decorations, but expects to complete the details with Fred Lynch & Co. of Philadelphia soon. Lynch has provided decorations for Washington and Lee dances for many years.

The first Fancy Dress Ball was held over 40 years ago and was originated by Miss Annie Jo White, Lexington matron. The ball was held annually thereafter, but was suspended after 1943. Fancy Dress is the top event of the Washington and Lee social season and attracts widespread attention.

The Fancy Dress theme in 1941 was Mardi Gras in Old New Orleans. In 1942, Dick Spindie, now an intermediate lawyer and president of ODK, presided over the Court of Napoleon III and in 1943 Set President Bev Fitzpatrick, also a law student at present, chose The American Spirit as a theme.

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### On the Front Burner



Mrs. Walter B. Potter tries out one of the many modern features of the recently occupied pre-fabs as her husband kibitzes. Built-in cabinets and an automatic water heater are other kitchen features.

## 'Blithe Spirit' Given at Bridge; State of Union' Here Next Week

By Matt Paxton, Jr.

The Virginia Barter Theatre, of which ex-Broadway actor Robert Portfield is the guiding light, gave a performance of Noal Coward's "Blithe Spirit" at Natural Bridge Saturday evening.

The Barter players are now making Natural Bridge their headquarters and are giving performances in their repertoire at all the major localities in this section of Virginia. They presented Shakespeare's "Much Ado About Nothing" at the high school auditorium in Lexington on Oct. 23 and are giving the Lindsay and Crouse Pulitzer prize play "State of the Union here on Wednesday, November 13.

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## CC To Sponsor 4 Frosh Meets

Four freshmen conferences sponsored by the Christian Council and to be held this month at the Council Cabin in Goshen Pass, have been announced by Robert G. Patterson, president.

Each camping trip, in view of cabin space, will be limited to 20 freshmen. Therefore, all interested men are asked to register at once at the council office, located at the Student Union or to sign the bulletin posted at the Dormitory.

The overnight parties will leave the Student Union at 3:30 p.m. on Fridays and will return to Washington College around 8 a.m. on Saturdays. Conferences are scheduled for November 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23, 29, 30.

The Selective Service office is on the second floor of the Court House, corner of Main and Washington Streets. The office is open from 8:30 to 5 Monday through Friday.

Students who reach their 18th birthday on Saturday or Sunday may register on the Friday preceding or the Monday following their birthday.

### Long Waiting Ends For Lucky Few as Units Finally Open

#### Occupants Express Satisfaction With Most New Features

By Leigh Smith

General approval of conditions in their new homes was expressed by most of the tenants as the first ten families moved into the newly completed pre-fabs this week.

With feelings which ranged from surprise to disbelief, all ten student occupants said that the units were much cozier and more homelike than they had anticipated. Moving went off, for the most part, without incident.

Although the University has promised all essential furniture, the most common complaint was the lack of furnishings. Several couples have had furniture in storage awaiting the opening date and are now adequately supplied, but many new apartments had only the bare essentials—beds, dinette sets and bureaus.

"I'm completely satisfied with the place," asserted Mrs. John Moore. She and her husband moved in Monday. "After some of the other places we've lived in during John's four years in the army, this seems like heaven."

Mrs. Hanes Lancaster, another occupant, said she was more than pleased with her new house. "I was particularly delighted to see how clean it was," she said.

Others apparently weren't so fortunate in this respect, and said they found the windows, baseboards and walls very dirty. They were busy with scrub brush and Oakite when interviewed.

Mrs. B. L. Wesson made two concrete suggestions for future improvements, saying that larger enamel sinks would be needed, and that rust should have been scraped out of the stoves.

She added, however, "I'm not complaining. We think it's marvelous. I just thought I might save somebody else some trouble."

She is now waiting for word from the maintenance man as to whether the wiring system will stand the use of her new electric stove.

High spot on the list of pleasant items was the abundant closet space found in all apartments. Most couples declared that they had been living out of wardrobe trunks and suitcases.

Electric outlets were ample enough, according to most new occupants, and the showers evoked praise from all. The gas heaters seemed to be working in all homes and the only complaint was that the places are kept too warm. Hot water heaters have been installed, and with only one exception, are functioning normally.

Husbands were the most ill-tempered half of the families last week, virtually all complaining about there being too much to do. They said they were neglecting their mid-semester exams.

From a sitting position in one corner of their apartment where he was busy scrubbing out the icebox, John Forker said he should have known there would be a lot of work to it. One husband said

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## Speak Your Mind

When we first started out this year, it was our hope that we would be able to use this column as a means of stirring up interest, and occasionally excitement, about things going on around the school. But while we have tried earnestly to make that hope a reality, there is nothing to indicate that we have been successful. Letters to the editor have been few and never of a controversial nature.

It is true that we have been absorbing dirty look after dirty look for several weeks now; but by no stretch of the imagination can we classify that in itself as proper response. There should have been follow-ups in the form of positive criticism and suggestion.

We do not believe in creating controversy merely for the sake of filling up a column once every week, but certainly there are enough issues being discussed on the campus today to warrant an occasional commitment, in print, from the ranks of the student body at large.

When you neglect studies to get in a bull session it's because you feel that you have something to contribute to the discussion. Everyone of us must have views on subjects of campus or national interest, but the medium for their best expression is not through bull sessions and Corner Store oratory.

Looking through a pre-war copy of this paper we noted that its slogan was "by the students for the students." That is the way we would like to have it once again, but students this year seem to be sealing themselves in ivory towers and letting the rest of the world roll on as it will.

An editorial writer does not merely expect criticism. He frankly invites it—and is disappointed when none appears. Being human, he also likes to hear occasionally that there are those who hold with him on some particular point. We must qualify all of this, however, and say that, whether praise or criticism, it should, for the benefit of the largest number of people involved, be made public. Nothing is more distasteful than someone who cynically criticizes anything in private but refuses to speak openly and venture his suggestion for a correction or a solution.

If you feel that your suggestion or criticism has any real merit, it should also be realized that the best way to attract the attention and consideration of the students and the administration is through the medium of the *Ring-tum Phi*. And we sincerely extend an invitation to make use of that opportunity to every person who is in any way associated with Washington and Lee.

For the general good, speak your mind.

## Lost and Found

Because large numbers of lost and found notices tend, periodically, to give our bulletin boards all the aspects of Christmas trees or May poles, and because a personally conducted check-up has convinced us of the ineffectiveness of the system, it has occurred to us that an old-fashioned lost and found department would be far from out of place here. Under our Honor System it would have to be nothing more than a room—or closet—where recovered articles might be carried. Then if someone had the misfortune to lose a fountain pen, a wallet, or a date, he would have only to go to this place (given, of course, a reasonable amount of time for it to be returned) and it would be there waiting.

Speaking of "ineffectiveness," we do not mean to imply any willful failure to cooperate on the part of students. Some do not read bulletin boards regularly. Others, in posting a notice or a reply to a notice, neglect to give their address. One we know, in the excitement of losing and attempting to recover a valued article, forgot even to give his name. There are undoubtedly other examples, but these suffice to show that the system is cumbersome when it could be simplicity itself.

An ideal example of our point is that of five men who lost track of their gabardine topcoats during Opening Dances; but there is no effective means open to them of locating the other five whose coats they have and of getting back their own.

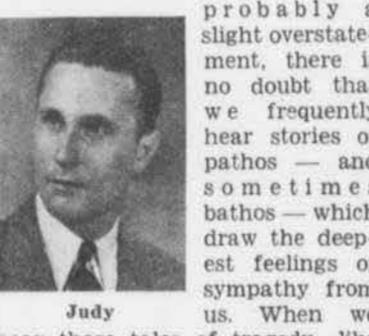
We put this matter of a lost and found department up merely as a suggestion; we cannot establish it.

If the students think this idea a good one, then they must indicate it by responding properly.

## THE RING-TUM PHI

### On the Other Hand . . .

By B. Judy



"Life," said that old sponge diver, Euripides, "is not truly life, but only misery." While that is probably a slight overstatement, there is no doubt that we frequently hear stories of pathos—and sometimes bathos—which draw the deepest feelings of sympathy from us. When we hear these tales of tragedy—like those of the little urchin whose dog got run over by a beer truck, or the old lady who forgot to pay her poll tax, or the man who jumped off the Empire State building only to have his garters catch on a I.W.W. flagpole—we are inclined to compassion because of our natural feeling of pity for such victims of adversity.

Over the past few weeks, a series of these heart-rending incidents have occurred in London which have touched the entire world, with the possible exception of Russia. I am referring, of course, to the wave of thefts which have swept the tenement section of old London, in many of which the victims were relieved of substantial sums. The police, Scotland Yard, and even the *London Times* have confessed failure to apprehend the perpetrators of these dastardly filchings.

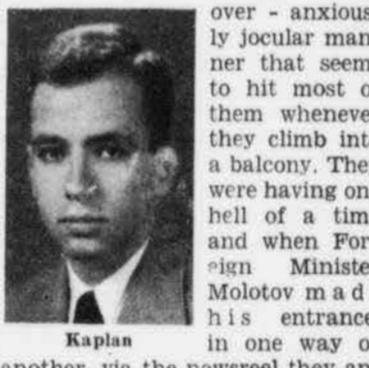
**Personally, I believe I can see in them the cunning touch of those two old Marxists, Gemmill and Blodgett, who are merely using these disruptions as a means to their avowedly-communistic end or affecting a more equitable distribution of wealth.**

The most renowned incident thus far is the disappearance of an estimated \$80,000 worth of jewels from the boudoir of the Duchess of Windsor. Included in the haul was a 58.2 caret aquamarine (sort of a greenish color) ring, a pair of diamond and sapphire earrings, her famous diamond stork-shaped clip, and other assorted trifles. This was a crushing blow to the Duchess, as it would be to any of us who had been left with only an estimated half-million in jewels. In expressing her appreciation of the many words of condolence she received from fellow workers, one of whom

Frankly, I find it a trifle difficult to hold an optimistic view of the international situation in the light of the wave of jewelery rapacity. One of these days someone is going to rise in Parliament and ask the Government what the hell these people were doing with all that ice and fur when millions in the empire are homeless and barely subsisting. The Government, embarrassed by the question and nettled by the chorus of "Hear! Hear!" that will roll down upon its head, will mumble something about the benefits of free enterprise or something like that, and will then fall. Amid the chaos we can expect the Communists, led by Gemmill and Blodgett, to seize control of the government, bring forth these culprits, and reward them for their efforts by appointing them to high posts in the Exchequer.

### Look Who's Talking

By Bernard Kaplan



One evening last week a group of students were enjoying the movie at the State Theatre in that

over-anxious-jocular manner that seems to hit most of them whenever they climb into a balcony. They were having one hell of a time and when Foreign Minister Molotov made his entrance, in one way or another, via the newsreel they applauded furiously.

Somewhat they had thought that the intonation of their applause would give the people sitting around them in the darkness the idea that it was all meant to be highly satirical (Molotov, after all, is a Russian). It didn't turn out that way, however; perhaps they didn't use their hands as subtly as they should have. For immediately someone in the row below turned around with a leer. "Ah," he said, pointing a luminous finger, "intellectuals!"

To the extremely naive, to those for whom Greenwich Village is simply a name, this incident might seem puzzling. Could admiration or, more likely, a strained sympathy for Mr. Molotov be in itself a sign of—ugh—intellectualism? Obviously, Mr. Molotov with his dull, flattened, headwaiter's face is no intellectual. But the initiated know that it really has nothing to do with the flabby little foreign minister.

It is instead all part of the elaborate ritual of the day. You applaud a Russian, therefore you are pro-Russian. This, of course, is just another way of saying that you are a communist and if you're a communist, you wear flaming ascots with corduroy shirts, use a cigaret-holder, read the poetry of E. E. Cummings and never come out in the daytime. You are, in short, an intellectual.

Once you're in the know about these things, the portent is not difficult to grasp. It means there are two Americas and that the line of division is, though vague, irreparable. The folksy, "regular" kind of Americans vastly outnumber the Greenwich Village kind. But the latter are an insidious group, often disguised as simply introspective citizens, and they are found in all sorts of out-of-the-way places. They are dangerous.

### BOOKSHELF

By H. H. Hicks

**The Random Harvest**  
The Iceman Cometh: The publication of Eugene O'Neill's first play in thirteen years. The production is currently featured on Broadway. (Random House \$2.50)

**Viking Portables:** To the already distinguished list of Viking Portables, add Mark Twain, Rabbe-

lais, Thomas Wolfe, Emerson, Blake, Russian Reader, and Elizabethan Reader.

These portables are the best works of outstanding writers in an easy-to-carry volume. (Viking \$2.50)

**Aphrodite:** Pierre Louys' classic about ancient Egyptian love, prostitution, and life now published in an economical edition. Indicative of the more liberal trend of American publishing. Just a few years ago, the only available copies of Aphrodite were privately printed or smuggled in from France. (Hartsdale House \$1.50)

**The Devil Is A Lonely Man**

There is something rather weird about reading an author's only novel. The reader knows that he must grasp as best he can in one

work whatever message the writer has to bring the world. There is

## Campus Comment

By Wally Clayton

**Lexington Saga:** For many years before the war, every W. and L. student counted as his personal friend a wizened old character called Herb the Dog Man. Herb passed away a couple of years ago, no doubt broken in spirit and discouraged by the dearth of dog-buying students on the campus; in Herb's passing the town

lost one of its most colorful personalities.

Now, however, Bill Giese has come up with a tale about one he calls Harold the Horse Man.

According to Bill, this latest purveyor of animal flesh was first seen early this week, riding a flea-bitten nag into the Kappa Sig front yard. Harold wore a long white beard, and had perched atop his head a dirty gray cap more than faintly reminiscent of the headgear worn by the defense in the famous American intra-mural contest of a hundred years back.

Foah a minute, I thought it was a ghost of one of de great Generals," drawled Giese, who comes from a small town in Pennsylvania noted principally for its monuments to Union heroes.

Bill added that Harold tried to sell his horse to the housemother: having failed to make a deal, he mounted his fiery steed and crawled off at a determined gallop, headed for the other housemothers on the campus. Who ever told him the housemothers at W. and L. were forming a Riding Academy, Bill didn't know. We've checked, and can't find anyone who has put a horse-to-be-ad in the local gazette. But regardless of the gag, a new character has to town, and we'd like to be the first to establish the tradition of Harold the Horse Man.

**Add Roanoke News:** The Kappa Sig lodge last Saturday night held a joint party with the Chi Omegas from Randolph Macon. This sounds to us like a swell idea, and it is strange no other crew on the campus has teamed up with one of the sororities in the Hill City to toss an informal house party.

**Hallowe'en:** Last Thursday night was Hallowe'en, in case anyone wondered what those shrill screams and high school yell were all about. Some of the merry-makers decided to give a rough time to a few of the fraternity houses. But the ZBT's were ready for them, with darkened house and full pails of water. After a long ordeal of waiting and hoping Neil November finally spotted a dark form creeping across the porch. "I'll get the dirty so-and-so," November yelled, and tossed a pail of water at the suspicious object. "What inahell are your guys doing?" the suspicious form gurgled back, and made a break for the front door.

If you haven't guessed it, the "suspicious form" that Dead-Eye Neil November spotted was a pledge, out to spend a sociable evening with his would-be brothers.

That November is the same Dead-eye Neil who has failed three weeks running to drop the school colors from his plane onto the field where the team is playing.

**Predictions:** We finally hit, and so did the Lewis Lads. Both the R-T P sports editor and this columnist agreed that the margin of victory last Saturday would be three touchdowns. Our only difference of opinion was on who would rack up those three touchdowns! The VPI tilt tomorrow will give the rejuvenated Generals a chance to show that the magnificent football they played against William and Mary was no fluke. Contrary to many campus opinions, we didn't "play over our heads" in Roanoke. We merely played, for about the only time so far this year, the brand of football this club of ours is entirely capable of playing. From

no referring to a previous or subsequent novel to compare the underlying themes in an effort to find out what type of person the author was, or what his objective was.

This is the case with **The Devil Is A Lonely Man** because the novelist, Morrison Wood, will produce no other work. He died in a Japanese prison camp in July, 1942, after fighting on Bataan and Corregidor. The manuscript was found inside a trunk, which was shipped through error to the U.S. aboard one of the last transports to leave Corregidor.

The novel is the story of Anthony Wayne, who left ruined Alabama after the Civil War and went West. In California he gained much power and wealth, with the traditional accompaniment of political influence, indifference to others, and the women whose hearts are swayed by love of pomp.

Throughout the narrative, Morrison Wood displays his uncanny mastery of atmosphere and de-

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## Student Suggests Rating Plan for Local Eataries

By Fred Loeffler

Well, recently while reading one of the Roanoke papers, we ran across an item that is worth passing on. A proprietor of a restaurant there received a \$25 fine because of filthy conditions in his place of business. This writer, and many others, have wondered just exactly what sanitary ordinances are in existence in Lexington with regard to the maintenance of eating places.

There are many students who have criticized the local eataries in one way or another, and one of the main gripes has been the lack of cleanliness in those places. It has been our observation that if there are any sanitary codes, they are not being enforced. It is not necessary to cite any examples as the notorious spots are well known. The point is rather that something should be done about them.

North Carolina has a system whereby it inspects and grades eating establishments at frequent intervals. Such a system with modifications should be instituted in Lexington. Besides sanitary conditions, general ones such as the type of service should be included on the rating. All restaurants should be forced by law to display their rating in a prominent place.

**Our Big Idea:** Considering the flood of new postage stamps now appearing, we wonder if it wouldn't be possible to interest the post office department in putting out, some two years hence, a stamp commemorating the two-hundredth anniversary of Washington and Lee. Might be some legal complications, but to us it's a great idea. And think how Princeton would feel!

**Final:** Perhaps our exchange desk isn't run too well, but anyway we missed the issue of the *Madison Breeze* in which the editors reportedly accepted our invitation to come down for a "Let's Put The Paper Out" party, based on "The Southern Collegian Goes To A Paper-Warming" idea. Anyway, the staff of *The Ring-tum Phi* is serious in its invitation, and would be interested in hearing from the gals up the valley on the subject. Publication day is Friday, and refreshments will be served. P.O. Box 1117, ladies.

**P. S.** In response to the three people who said if they saw Bob Tyson's name in this thing again, they'd never read the column anymore, we are this week omitting his name. As a favor, you understand, as a favor.

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He was very enthusiastic in his approval of Washington and Lee and Lexington. He says it's almost like the wide-open spaces after his war years in Washington.

Mr. Duckett said he was particularly impressed with the friendly atmosphere of the school and the courtesy and cooperation extended by both the students and faculty members. He especially commended *The Ring-tum Phi* for its campaign in behalf of the speaking custom.

Although Mr. Duckett is still unmarried, he admits that he hasn't given up hope altogether. He refused, however, to commit himself on the subject of women.

Mr. Duckett plans to continue work next summer on his doctor's degree at the University of North Carolina. It was suggested that he might also be writing a book in his spare time. However, he flatly stated that he was not writing even a pamphlet and he denied having an old manuscript tucked away in his desk drawer. (That's what he said anyway.)

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## Non-Speaking Outranks All Other Violations

The non-speaking epidemic, which has spread unleashed through the ranks of Washington and Lee freshmen, still persists without improvement, in the opinion of Assimilation Committee Chairman Ralph Davis.

Everyone brought before the Assimilation Committee last Monday night was an offender of the speaking rule. Two yellow hats, restriction from movies and restriction to Lexington were handed out to the violators.

From now on penalties will steadily increase in harshness in an attempt to stamp out the unparalleled number of violators of Washington and Lee's most treasured tradition, Davis stated. Unless the student body cooperates in reporting non-speakers, he added the whole system will go to pieces.

Davis said that a new supply of freshman caps have been received at the Co-op. Therefore, no excuse will be accepted for not having a cap.

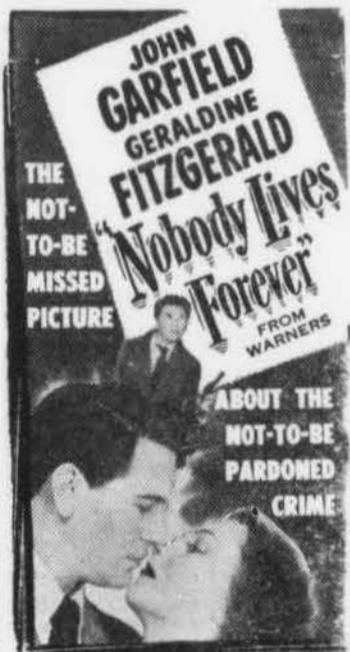
### NOTICE

An important meeting of the Troubadours will be held in the Student Union Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. All members and all others interested in set-building, stage crew, lighting, makeup, costuming, publicity and ticket sales are urged to be present.

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## Bookshelf

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scription. He minimizes the major points in Wayne's ascent to power, but to good advantage. For instance, only seven lines are devoted to Wayne's campaign and election to the senate. But several pages describe the circular room, a sanctuary where Wayne's decisions were made. The purpose of this is to emphasize not so much the cruelty of Wayne's thoughts but the kind of atmosphere which was conducive to his thinking, and atmosphere is an all-important factor in concentration.

After running the gamut from pauperism to "tycoons" and bequeathing vengeance to all who opposed him, Anthony Wayne passes out of the picture, disillusioned because the gods are no longer with him. Perhaps he should have remembered that whatever the gods give, they also take away; and for what they take away, and for what they give, they make us suffer.

(Thos. Y. Crowell \$3)

### McLeod Sets December 1 As Collegian Deadline

An urgent plea is being sent out by Web McLeod, editor of *The Southern Collegian*, to all men with ability either in the fields of art or creative writing to turn in their contributions to the *Collegian* before their dead-line which will be December 1.

According to McLeod, the next issue of *The Collegian* will be out just before Fancy Dress and is expected to be a bigger and better edition than the last issue, that is if enough students turn in their material on time. The next issue will be a thirty-two page publication, which is eight more pages than the last issue.

All art material can be turned in to Bob Gates, Art editor.

There was a slight mix-up on the delivery of the last *Collegian* to the students, McLeod noted, the result being not all men received their copies. For all those who did not get the last issue, a copy will be available for them at the Student Union Building.

McLeod, according to a statement made yesterday wishes to thank all those who contributed their fine works to the *Collegian*, and wants to again urge all men to turn in copy on or preferably, before December 1.

### Guthrie Attends PES Meeting in Iowa Today

Dave Guthrie left Wednesday to attend the two day national convention of Phi Eta Sigma, freshman honor society, at the University of Iowa in Iowa City, November 8 and 9.

Members from the 48 chapters throughout the nation are expected to attend the meetings to elect national officers and discuss plans for the year. Dean Frank J. Gilliam, faculty advisor of the local chapter, was unable to attend the session.

With a current strength of 17 members, Phi Eta Sigma plans to initiate 16 men who are now eligible. To attain membership in the society, freshmen must have a scholastic average of 2.5 for their first semester or for the year as a whole.

### Troubadours

(Continued from page one) in the tryouts, however, were: Mrs. Peggy Boykin, Mrs. William Hamilton, Bob Gray, Vic Dalmas, Jack Schifley, Russ Thomas, Joe Moffatt, Charlie Robertson, DeWitt Beckner, Leonard Wilde, Ned Canzalone, Dave Douglas, Bruce Parkinsen, Bill Leedy, Fred Rowe and Jim Brewster.

No date has been set for the opening as yet, but the play will be presented some time in December.

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### Dr. H. Holmes Here on Nov. 15

#### Dean Desha Announces Lecture on Vitamin "C"

It was announced yesterday by L. J. Desha, Dean of the University that the Department of Chemistry is bringing to the campus on November 15, Dr. Harry N. Holmes who will speak in the Washington Chapel at 7:30 p.m. on "Recent Developments in Vitamin C." Dr. Holmes has been for many years head of the Chemistry Department at Oberlin College and has held many positions of distinction, including membership on the National Research Council and the Presidency of the American Chemical Society. He is the author of many widely used Chemistry text books and works on Chemistry intended for the general reading public. He is especially well known for his fluency as a speaker and his ability to present complex subjects in simple fashion. All members of the student body, the faculty, and the public are invited.

1. Counseling service established on the campus to aid the veteran in overcoming difficulties encountered in college life;

2. Veterans seeking course or school changes must have prior approval from the Regional VA office in Roanoke.

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### Informal Dance

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Owen Easley, John Moore and Bill Gregory were elected to serve as the executive committee of the Camera Club for the coming year, it was announced after a meeting of the club last Friday night.

Although members have not been active this semester, plans have been made for resuming the club's pre-war activities. Along with the proposed revamping of the Chemistry Building's darkroom, the group intends to keep itself informed on all advances in the photographic field.

Local photographers will be invited to speak to the club. Their talks will include such subjects as darkroom technique, indoor shots and portrait work.

Newly-elected committee member Easley stated that the club feels there is a tremendous interest in photography on campus and the organization extends a cordial welcome to all men who are interested in the shutter art.

Easley said that although the next meeting has not been scheduled, he will see that adequate publicity is given to the future meeting date so that all interested men may attend.

Places for social activities on week-ends have heretofore been taken care of by the fraternities, but it is felt that the increase in the student body, the greater number of non-fraternity men and married students warrant full utilization of the Student Union building.

### Calyx

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Photographs of the various student organizations on the campus are being completed and anyone who has taken snapshots of groups or activities around the campus, is asked to save these pictures until they are called for later by the staff.

Garong announced also that there will be an important meeting of the editorial staff of *The Calyx* in the Student Union at 8 o'clock, Tuesday evening.

### Forensic Union Defeats Statehood for Alaska

The Forensic Union voted against statehood for Alaska Monday night at its regular session in the Student Union.

Art Marenstein, speaking for statehood, stressed the rich resources of the far northern territory and the benefits to be derived from admission of Alaska. He accused the U. S. government of slowing down development of the area by minimizing Alaskan representation. Marenstein said it is not the pioneer spirit which lags; it is government action.

Criticizing the arguments of the affirmative, Larry Jarchow, negative speaker, pointed out that the population is low and that the territory is isolated. He emphasized the problems which a state government would face.

### Scholastic Conference

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satisfaction with the results of the conference, which had an unanticipated attendance figure.

Prof. Riegel also announced after the meeting that many important suggestions had been obtained which should make the meeting of the Southern Interscholastic Press Association, scheduled for the Washington and Lee campus, a success. When the SIPA meets in Lexington next spring delegates will represent scholastic publications from throughout the South.

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