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Advance Sale For October 25 Dance To Begin This Thursday

"Homecoming" Alumni To Celebrate Grid Win At Informal Student Hop

Advance sale tickets for the annual "Homecomings Ball" will be sold for one week, beginning Thursday, October 16, Dance Board spokesman Bev Fitzpatrick announced today.

Smiling when reminded that the Openings band, Randy Brooks, had cancelled its tentative engagement here (see page 1, col. 6). Fitzpatrick stated:

"The Vagabonds will be here. We're expecting to set a new record for attendance at informal dances here on the 25th. Student interest plus a larger than usual influx of "Homecoming" alumni and the music of Angelo Perry's popular Lynchburg orchestra should make this first major social event of the year a rousing

Ticket Sales Start Oct. 16

Tickets to the frolic will be sold from October 16 to October 23 for \$2.00. This sale will be carried on by members of the Monogram Club and the "13" Club.

"We'd like to see as many students as possible buy tickets during this period," Fitzpatrick said. "It will enable us to make a preliminary estimate of the crowd and at the same time will mean a saving of 25 per cent to those who buy advance tickets."

Tickets at the door will be \$2.50. previous expectations.

An annual affair before the war, the "Homecomings Ball" has been in years past one of the most popular social events of the year. dances, its purpose is to provide an evening of entertainment to the immense crowds which yearly pack Wilson Field to watch the Generals play their Homecomings rival.

Last year's game with the University of Richmond, played on the Saturday of Opening Dances, was not one to inspire much celebration by the local troops. On a soggy field the Spiders methodically trounced the Blue, 20-0, in a contest in which color was conspicuous only by its absence.

This year's dance should really be an occasion for merriment and festivity, however. Having already avenged last season's loss to Richmond, the Generals now are batting a thousand in Southern Conference and Big Six contests and cannot fail to enter the Dayidson fray with a won-lost percentage above .600.

Students who danced to the sweet-swing strains of "The Vagabonds" during the past two summers will vouch for the music supplied by the Lynchburg combine. Fitzpatrick stated this week that the Hill City orchestra had been signed for this dance because the Dance Board believes the group can supply the best in local dance music.

Catering to the sweet music currently considered most danceable. Angelo Perry's 14 instrumentalists specialize in standard arrangements but also liven up their repertoire occasionally with novelty selections.

Featured Vocalist

Featured vocalist is Miss Nancy Ferguson whose thrilling trilling adds beauty and charm to many of the orchestra's stock arrangements, according to Bev Fitzpat-

Reports now indicate that October 25 will be the largest Homeville Saturday.



JIM BREWSTER, Troub director-president, shows leading characters how it should be done during rehearsals for the forthcoming Troub presentation, "The Front Page," which will be shown here in the near future. Bob Gilbert has been chosen to play the role of Hildy Johnson, Ace Reporter. Left to Right: Mrs. Bob Gilbert, Bob Gilbert, Jack Martin, Mrs. Pearson, Cal Hanks, and Jim Brewster

Chartered Bus Will Take 40 To West Point By Chap Boyd

Greyhound Promises Two Sections if Local Demand Is Sufficient

Announcement was made this of a special Army game chartered consisting strictly of W. and L. bus for Washington and Lee students to travel between here and West Point and back.

The announcement came as indications continued to run high that attendance at the General's big game this year will exceed

All 900 advance tickets for the Nov. 1 tilt have been sold, according to Athletic department officials. However, tickets can be had Largest of the few informal by W. and L. students by writing Col. E. W. Amick, USA Ret., Assistant Graduate Manager of Athletics, U. S. Military Academy, West Point, New York, Requests should be made for tickets in or near Sections 29-30-or 31—the assigned W. and L. sections.

> No more tickets will be sold here because the school doesn't 'officially encourage" students to travel and take cuts for the game. The Athletic Department stated also that tickets could in all probability be bought at the gate.

> The bus, which can be chartered by contacting campus representatives, will take 40 students direct from Lexington to the scene of the game. After a night layover in York to permit student game-goers to rest up, the bus will return to Lexington Sunday morning.

It was pointed out that if sufficient interest is shown in the venture a tandem travel unit will be arranged. Chartering details were completed late last week when negotiations with the Atlantic Greyhound Co. in Roanoke came to a close. The company is granting a special rate for the bus, which will contain only W and L. students travelling to the

for short intervals. However, no Hall immediately. other passengers will be permitted to board the bus at any of

the stops. Agents in the venture said the only stipulation in the low rate is that only the first 40 students will be taken unless double that number indicates a desire to make the trip. Then two busses will be used.

NOTICE '

.The Lecturn Club, of VMI, invites all W. and L. men to a leccomings weekend in Washington ture on The Cultural Appreciaand Lee's 198-year history. Pres- tion of Architecture by Col. T. ent estimates will, of course, have A. E. Moseley, of the VMI faculty, to be revised if the Blue pulls a on Thursday Oct. 16, at 7:30 p.m. win out of the fire at Charlottes- in the Nichols Engineering Build-

W&L Orchestra Reorganized

Student Musicmakers Offer Five-piece Combo For Small Bookings

Organization of a five-man band musicians who will specialize in "society music" was announced this week by Chap Boyd, veteran "Southern Collegians" player of last year.

The new group, to be called 'Chap Boyd and His Southern Collegians," plans to play for smaller functions. The group combo made its debute on the campus at the Phi Psi formal Saturday night.

gatherings," the quintet features Boyd, a Beta, on the trombone, Berry Hall, also a Beta, on the piano, Ray Coates, Phi Kap, on the drums, Al Hoeser, NFU, play- which boasted almost 100 per cent ing guitar and Phi Delt Bob Reid holding forth on the alto sax.

lads and light popular and semi- from one to 20. classical arrangements easy to dance to.

to a mimimum," the new leader said." but we have some specialized versions of the more popular swing tunes.

the now defunct "Southern Col- president of the organization. legians," former W. and L. instrumentalists, the new five-piece clubs of a smaller nature.

At present Boyd is arranging near future.

NOTICE

All men who play band instru-On the northward leg of the ments but who need instruments held in the Student Union and is journey, stops will be made in on which to play are requested to for the purpose of electing officers School Lunch Fund, which pro-Washington and New York City contact W. W. Jones at 23 Payne for the coming year. Rowe urges vides hot lunches for the Lex-

Kappa Sigmas, Phi Psi's, DU's Supply Parties

375 Dates Attend First W&L Party-Football Weekend of '47 Season

The first big party weekend on the campus opened for W&L revelers last weekend with approximately 375 dates attending all sizes and shapes of open and closed, formal and informal cocktail parties, dances and housewarmings, lasting from 5 p.m. until the official closing time of midnight.

Heading the list for size and all-around brightness, the DU housewarming and the Phi Psi formal topped all others. These were the only two registered parties on campus, although numerous other houses provided guests with gaiety throughout the week-

Immediately following the football game Saturday afternoon, the Kappa Sigs held a small invitation cocktail party from 5 til 7. The affair was attended by about 90 students and dates.

At eight the social season at W&L opened officially when students whose number eventually reached "over 500" according to party Director Dick Shimko, began trooping to the DU housewarming. Dancing and entertainment lasted until midnight.

At nine the formal at the other end of town commenced. Music by "Chap Boyd and His Southern Collegians," recently formed student band and unusual decorations highlighted the three-hour up. affair at the Phi Psi lodge.

Phi Psi representative Spence 400 students and dates attended the function.

According to figures supplied attended the first big football party weekend on campus. The DU and Phi Psi houses, both of Defining "society music," Boyd increased by other fraternities

"We are keeping the jump stuff | Phi Eta Sigma To Meet; Freshman Award Revived

Phi Eta Sigma will hold its organizational meeting Thursday at Organized this fall to replace 5:00 p.m., according to Joe Rowe,

Rowe states that the purpose of the honorary fraternity is to recoutfit is not designed to compete ognize scholastic ability in freshwith fraternity houses and other 2.5 average during their freshman Griffith, mayor of Buena Vista.

Of special interest is the redates with fraternity houses which vival of the custom of giving a cup are planning house parties in the to the fraternity whose pledge class has the highest average. plenty of keen competition for the honor this year.

The Thursday meeting is to be all members be present.

Emergency Committee Considers Henderson, Sherwood, Chester

Calyx Pictures Falling Behind, Editor Says

At the end of the first week 293 men had their pictures taken for the Calyx, or signed up to use their old picture. The estimate for the first week was made at 350. "The result has been disappointing," said Ben Brown, editor, and added, "at least 800 men must have their pictures taken to insure the present plans of the Calyx.

This week each fraternity has been given a scheduled time for appointments. All fraternity men who have not had their pictures taken are requested by the Calyx staff, if possible, to appear at the time allotted their fraternity.

All ATO members and NFU men will come at their conveni-

Those men who intend to use old pictures will also have to appear in order to fill out the necessary card. The charge for using old pictures is \$2.00.

HS Cheerleader Is Beauty Queen

Lexington High School's Sally Christian is "Miss Lexington of 1947." Winner of last Friday's P.-T. A. beauty pageant, Miss Christian was the judges' final choice after 76 candidates for the honor were viewed.

Running the blond beauty queen a close second, Phyllis Blackwell, of Rockbridge Baths, was runner-

Looking very beautiful and very thrilled as the judges rendered Morten estimated that more than their final decision, Sally was presented a silver loving cup and a bouquet of red roses. The formal presentation and naming of Lexic at reasonable costs for small by fraternity and girls' schools ington's beauty queen was acofficials, approximately 375 dates cented by a blaze of flash bulbs.

Miss Blackwell received as her second place award a sterling silver compact and a corsage.

of their members had dates, con- | High's Scarlet Hurricane, Miss tributed about one-third to the Christian is 16 and a sophomore. date total, but this was greatly She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Christian, of 307 S. said that the group will use bal- with number of dates ranging Main Street. She was sponsored Cafe.

Miss Blackwell is an employee School and turns 21 in a few months.

with existing larger groups, but men. Membership is offered to Natural Bridge Hotel, Wert Faulkwill concentrate on bookings sophomores who have attained a ner, of Glasgow, and Mr. A. W

A dance held immediately after contest, was attended by both con-

Randy Brooks and his orchestra, tentatively signed last September to play for this year's Opening Dance set, will be unable to appear, according to a telegram received Saturday by Ringtum Phi Editor Walt Potter.

The telegram, sent by Brooks' New York booking agent, Howard Sinnot General Artists Corporation, stated that the popular bandleader's option has been picked up by the Paramount Theatre. He will open there for an extended ran on November 12.

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WALTER POTTER EDITOR RING-TUM PHI

CANNOT ARRANGE RANDY BROOKS AND HIS ORCHESTRA NOVEMBER TWENTY-ONE AND TWENTY-TWO DUE TO FACT THE PARAMOUNT THEATRE NEW YORK HAS PICKED UP THEIR OPTION AND BROOKS OPENS THERE ON NOVEMBER TWELVE FOR AN EXTENDED RUN. REGARDS.

General Artists Corporation, Howard Sinnot

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A cheerleader for Lexington in the contest by the Virginia

of Bierer's Pharmacy and was Shewell's Furniture Co. Brunette. she is five five and a half. She is graduate of Brownsburg High

The judges whose pleasant but difficult job it was to choose a winner from the 76 beauties were J. M. Faulkner, manager of the

testants and spectators.

Mrs. O. W. Riegel, publicity head for the P.-T. A. groups Rowe asserts that he expects sponsoring the contest, estimated that four to five hundred dollars would be realized by the well attended event. The money raised by the pageant will be used for the ington school children

Experienced Soprano Engaged for 'Trial By Jury'; Baltimore Star, Faculty Member Take Male Leads

sional appearances throughout chosen for the cast. the East and Midwest, has been

28-31.

Helen Wood, of Lynchburg, Monroe Penick, musical director pany doing operetta in Toledo,

Mrs. Wood will come to Lexingengaged to play the leading fe- ton for the four-day production male role in the Lexington per- after completing a full week of formance of Gilbert and Sulli- directing and singing the leading van's "Trial by Jury" October role in the Lynchburg Little Theatre's staging of Johann Strauss' The announcement of Mrs. opera, "Die Fledermaus." Mrs. Wood's acceptance to sing the Wood's last professional performrole of Angelina, the beauteous ance was at Kimball Hall in Chiplaintiff, in the fun-filled operetta cago in May. Before that she had was made today by Miss Mary appeared with a professional com-

whose soprano voice has been of the performance, who recently Ohio. A veteran radio artist, she heard in more than 30 profes- made known other principals now has her own weekly radio show on station WWOD in Lynch-

> Playing opposite Mrs. Wood will be Col. Flournoy Barksdale, whose tenor voice will carry the role of Edwin, defendant in Angelina's breach of promise suit. Col. Barksdale has scored past successes in Gilbert and Sullivan works with the Baltimore Civic

> > (Continued on page four)

Ralph Davis, one of a threeman emergency committee telephoned Charlie Rowe, Set President, late yesterday afternoon and settled upon further plans to be followed in procuring an orchestra to replace Brooks. Davis announced last night

that he is considering these name bands for the replacement: Skitch Henderson, Bob Chester, and Bobbie Sherwood. Said Davis: 'We are sparing no effort to contact a band that is as good as Brooks-or better- and still remain within our original budget. Although the pledges that were made earlier are not now binding, we are estimating attendance from them in the event that the Openings band is as good as

Rowe had announced last September in the Ring-tum Phi that even though a drive for 400 commitments had fallen short of its goal, the Dance Board was going ahead with arrangements for Brooks' appearance.

Approximately 350 pledges were received by the Dance Board in this early drive. The Board had decided that this number plus expected late-comers would swell the number purchasing tickets sufficiently to meet their tentative budget.

Committees for the November set have already been appointed to work out detailed arrangements for the dances. All except last-minute plans had been practically completed by these groups.

Pledges turned in on the assumption that Brooks would appear are apparently invalid. The statements, signed by 350 students said:

"I pledge I will buy an advance set of Opening Dance ticekts at \$8.00 a set, provided Randy Brooks and his Orchestra are engaged to play for the set.

"It is understood that I am released from this pledg in the event that Randy Brooks and his Orchestra are not engaged to play for the set.'

Paul Murphy, Dance Board member, said that due to the failure of Brooks to appear and the definite wording of the pledges it will be necessary to hold a new drive for the set.

The "Pledge Plan" was adopted during the 1947 summer session in an effort to insure this year's dance sets against financial losses similar to the ones incurred in the 46-47 season.

The announcement that the signing of Brooks had not been final came as a distinct shock to the student body. It had been the generally accepted opinion that negotiations were completed before the pledge drive was begun. In the Ring-tum Phi issue of September 28, Rowe announced that Brooks could be signed "at a very reasonable price.'

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Short Saturday Classes

Already this year 532 persons have been fatally injured in accidents on the highways of Virginia. Countless others have been injured less seriously and the cost in heartbreak is beyond computation.

It is anticipated that large numbers of students will make automobile trips to the University of Viginia football game in Charlottesville this weekend, the V.P.I. game in Lynchburg and the William and Mary game in Roanoke. It is unnecessary to point out that danger on the highway increases when the flow of traffic is heavy.

It is a natural tendency for a person to try and save a few minutes when there is a narrow margin in which to meet an appointment. This tendency may well have unfortunate results on a crowded highway.

Dr. Gaines in the opening university assembly made a plea for safe driving. There is a way that the University can help bring this about. If holidays are impossible on these game weekends, then it should be possible to have shortened class periods and begin classes earlier so, that a greater margin will be available for football-bound students.

To be on the safe side at least three hours should intervene between classes and game time. It takes at least a hour and a half to drive to these cities (longer in the case of Charlottesville), a half-hour to get to your seat, and forty-five minutes to an hour should be allowed for lunch.

By allowing sufficient time for travel, the sense of urgency will be reduced to a minimum. It will then be up to the students to reply to Dr. Gaines' plea to drive safely.

Our Slip is Showing

Students of Washington and Lee read last year with concern of the near collapse of the honor system at Virginia Tech. There must have been a sense of genuine pride felt by W&L men as they thought of the tribulations there, with sympathy for those who struggling to maintain that very old tradition at VPI.

Not without a little smugness did we return home and boast about the solid foundation upon which our honor system rests.

For every known conviction of an honor system violation, there is also a sudden departure from the limits of Lexington and Washington and Lee has rid itself of another chink in its armor. Any student who proves himself not to be of the expected calibre is immediately eliminated.

We are usually able to swell with pride as we think of this system, but we can't swell this time because, at the present, our collective slip is showing.

There occasionally arises a situation in which faith in the W&L honor system is not shared from both ends of the lecture room. Or, to dispense with subleties, there are occasions when an instructor does not trust his students. It is not often, and it is never a general tendency.

When an instructor compels his students to Lee spirit, we should pray for a take alternate seats for a quiz and then remains in the room for no other reason than to watch for cheating, those students are kidding. Let's try for twice as justified in considering themselves grossly insulted. For those students, the W&L honor system has lost its essence.

One student recently observed that no one has anything to gain by relaxing the rules on the part of either student or instructor. This is based on the logical premise that students, if they choose, can always do more cheating than an instructor can do catching. Of course, everyone would lose by such a contest.

But the concern goes deeper than the mere practicality of our honor system. We are provided that element so necesconcerned with the apparent fact that the rary in all things. strength of the honor system has been greatly underestimated in some quarters. This is little short of ridicule, and ridicule is the seed of abuse.

We further maintain that such an attitude is not of the expected calibre, whether it be of student or faculty.

If the W&L honor system is to keep its meaning it must be observed and respected by more than just one agent on this see-saw of higher learning. It must be universal to

If this small and isolated, but glaring flaw has not been remedied by now, we hope that it will before it makes an illustrious background of two hundred years look rather artificial.—J.D.J.

Pep Pays Off

Congratulations are in order both for the fine game that our football team played last Saturday and the enthusiasm displayed by the Student Body in support of the team.

Coach Jaffurs gave the formula for success last Friday night when he said that the team has the ability to win and only needs determination which can be supplied by the Student Body. How well that determination was supplied Saturday was reflected in the way the Big Blue pushed a heavier opponent around almost at will.

No small amount of credit for the success of coordinated cheering must go to the band. There was marked improvement in the singing of the Swing and the lift of music was very evident. The cheerleaders are to be commended for decorating the stadium and the goal posts with blue and white streamers.

Yes, the pep rally last Friday and cheering at the game were all that could be desired but it must be remembered that one pep rally and one game do not make a season.

There is and never has been any question about whether students at Washington and Lee have pride in their school and like to see it excell in all things. There has just been an absence of vocal evidence of this spirit in support of athletic teams that has been missing. Last week indicates that this vocal support will be present in the future. It is up to each of us to see that it is.

Letter To The Editor

Editor, Ring-tum Phi

Dear Sir:

Under the heading of "Pep," I notice the following: "Surely the creation and perpetuation of an enthusiasm, an attitude, a spirit is as important to this campus as the winning of a minor political office." But, and I ask you in all sincerity, how can we, and how can you expect us to all pitch in on the spirit, all get out to pep rallies and yell our heads off, and coming our journalism school is, then have the football team play three games throughout the year that the average W&L student can attend?

If you really want the pep both at the pep meetings and at the games, then devise some method for letting the average W&L student see the games, either a couple of days off per season which you suggested earlier in the season, or play at least two and preferably three more games at home each year.

In my home town, Miami, Florida, both the high school and the university play all except one, possibly two games, at home, and the spirit built up over the years is unsurpassed. If you want some more school spirit at W&L, let the students see more games!

> Very truly yours, J. ALAN CROSS, JR.

Jabo's Right Behind Me

Saturday was complete in every respect. If humidity has anything to do with the Washington and slight drizzle every afternoon of a Of course, Art Lewis game. wouldn't like this, so we're only much noise next week, regardless of the weather.

Boots Dashiell, collegiate reactionary, added color to the stands when he appeared in a raccoon coat. Carrying a pennant-tried-tocane in addition to other necessary items, he reminded us very much of life in the year that Washington and Lee won the Southern Conference title. Jack Ahern did a fine job of trumpeting the prelude to "FIGHT." Whether they understand the game or not, a galaxy of dates

As afternoon waned into night, there were some who didn't even notice the difference. Suburban life at Delta Upsilon took on a not of gaiety.

In an atmosphere of candlelight, music and formally attired Phi Psi's, one could observe the nocturnal habits of almost everyone worth seeing, and of some who weren't. Chap Boyd, his trombone, and his Southern Collegians made a very satisfactory debut as they played for polite dancing from nine 'till twelve.

When the Phi Psi had been filled to capacity, a secret passage was discovered that led into the Sig Alph lounge. Those troops fortunate enough to have found the passage were entertained royally and, in the beaming presence of Charlie and Jo Belcher, we played sang songs and games and thought quite seriously of contributing to the Bicentennial fund.

The "Red Square Late Supper at Steve's Club" returned to find only one house contributing to the night life of that famous intersection. Upstairs at the Auto Club, Jack Burger was directing the dress rehearsal of "In a Persian Market," and downstairs, Bill McCausland and some alumnus were engaged in a conversation concerning the relative mer-

Editor of The Ring-tum Phi

Mr. Larry Garvin has written very forceful letter lamenting the lack of school spirit among the students of Washington and

Just what is Mr. Garvin's definition of school spirit? I believe all W. and L. students will agree that the vocal support of the lootball team is notoriously poor. And if we are going to have a football team at all the student body support of it must certainly

But I bitterly resent Mr. Garvin's statement that anyone who doesn't support the football team it not only not a gentlemen but it over. . . George is the only should resign from school. No doubt in the best of ra-ra-ra enthusiasm, Mr. Garvin is guilty of making loose statements. But if he is serious then I can only add that he is puerile as well. Whether we have a good football team or don't have one at all can't make the slightest bit of difference, in my opinion, as to the personality and character of a Washington and Lee student.

When I tell some outsider about Washington and Lee I never feel any need to brag about or apologize for our football team. To me its a hell of a lot more important to tell people what a good law school we've got, how beautiful our campus is, how up-andhow everybody speaks to everybody else, and of course all about the traditions with George Washington and R. E. Lee.

Now granted that such things as these are the subject of much joking etc., among the student body-but show me the student, Mr. Garvin, who won't agree that our old traditions, our first rate academic curriculum and beautiful campus are far more important than whether we beat Siwash or not. That's my idea of school spirit, Mr. Garvin.

So suppose you take your ideas of school spirit, Mr. Garvin, and go to Podunk State Teachers Col lege where you can take 3 hour courses in Cheerleading and leave those of us who are at Washington and Lee to get a serious education in Peace.

HOWARD BROOKE

Washington and Lee-At Home | its of Jeffersonian and Jacksonian | stature to be such a terrific foot-Democracy. W&L men are learned ball player.

right up to the hour of retirement. The singing Betas want Woogin's name mentioned.

Innocents Abroad, or Salome, Where She Danced

Posing as the Ringo (Va.) State Teachers' College football team, a delegation of otherwise colorful people spurned Lexington afterdark entertainment and journeyed to the Hollins date mart.

Hollins freshmen are confined within a room and strictly guarded. That is, until some unsuspectyells, "Draw five," and all hell objectively as possible. breaks loose. They cut on the what? It's girl-break dance, Whee! Ugh!

At least one of the young lovelook like a football player. When in determining the recipient. told by Sandy that he had intercepted a pass from center and raced one hundred and one yards ers' College this coming Saturday. served that he was very slight of play in his native habitat.

By BOB GATES

"You think I'm little," cried never-to-be-taken-aback Sandy

Look at Ted Bowie over there. he's our fullback. Puny Jim McDonald posed as

manager of the Ringo team. Long Car Harlan can get you such a deal anytime.

Great Expectations The Gauley Bridge Hunt announces that a small trophy will be awarded to the fraternity making the most constructive noise at the Wahoo game. Members of the ing college boy appears over the club will judge the competition as

A medallion will be awarded to lights, carry away the props, and the player contributing the most to team spirit throughout the season. The Hunt will make this award at the end of the season, lies proved to be inquisitive. After and Coach Lewis will be consulted Sandy Richardson doesn't as to the method he thinks fairest

All men are urged to attend the festivities at Darden State Teachfor a touchdown, the lovely ob- Observe the Wahoo at work and

Fraternity Roundup

By FRAN RUSSELL

The game Saturday proved to and Chet and Anne Evans of be quite a social event; hundreds of dates from the surrounding girls schools were there, the Gauley Bridge Hunt Club made an appearance, and Boots Dashiel failed to materialize, spent the was present with his summer collection of moths. The Phi Psi's the brothers. and the DU's were congenial hosts dressed for the Phi Psi affair but in the evening, and all in all, it never did seem to get there. The made a very successful weekend. Mouser brothers have been spend-

The Betas broke into festivity after the game; beaucoup dates. Bruce West and Virginia Lee Cusick of Washington are that way about each other. Freddy Vinson, sporting a red cap that smacks of a famous Hunt Club was leadfestivities. Addison "The Leer" Lanier spent the weekend in Philly; reasons not mentioned

The Delts and their twentyodd dates were seen in various spots about campus. Roger Kimball and Frank Brooks helped the Phi Psi's in their merrymaking. Russ Applegate is proving eligible for the title of "Man about Town and Nearby Cities." Dave Bien is receiving his initiation into the ways of college. Doug Easterberg says it's a lie.

The DU's were congenial hosts to the campus. Dick Shimko did a swell job of arranging the soiree. Mike Hill became the father of an eight pound boy, Harry H. Hill, III. Approximately fifty dates for the weekend. Lawyers Bob Jones, Andy Powers, Grant Wildman and Steve Rockwell are back. Big delegation for the game against the Wahoos in Charlottes-

Out in the environs of North Roanoke, the Kappa Sigs celebrated the victory with a cocktail party from 5-7. All hell seemed to break loose when Bob Brown exhibited his talents on the bagpipes. George Losey seems pretty wrapped up in his girl, Ruth; that's quite a job, when you think Kappa Sig that gives the impression of wolfing his own date Charlie Blackburn making the rounds with Jean as absorbed as usual. Jack Taylor didn't do that damage to his date; it was an automobile accident that broke her nose and blacked her eyes. Look for the Kappa Sigs in Charlottesville; they just moved.

The Phi Delts celebrated the game Saturday with a party. Paul Sanders doesn't even date any more; probably advanced old age. Bill Toney and friends made the rounds Saturday night. Bud Smith is giving Nancy Sears of Baltimore the pressure. The Phi Delts have a block of sixty seats for Saturday

The KA's gathered in about twenty dates for the weekend. Phi Psi houses. "Deacon" Gregory Don Murray is reported pinned to Nancy Vaughn of Sweet Briar. Bob Vroom is having competition from Yale over Doodie Alliott. T Beale will lead the delegation into Wahooland on Saturday.

Down at the PEP house, a bagpipe serenade by a VMI instructor was the feature of Saturday evening. Jerry Henderson spent the weekend in Norfolk. Merv Dorfman swears he almost went over

a cliff while on the way out to the DU house Saturday night. Mickey Abrash has just been released from the hospital after two weeks with virus pneumonia. Phi Ep house will be deserted for the weekend: call Charlottesville.

The Phi Gams celebrated the weekend with the return of Walt and Martha Aberg of New York

Richmond. Bob Thompson is currently engaged to Mary Elsie Crossan of Dover, N. J. Bob Olds and Mac Farris. weekend in wolfing all 22 dates of Ralph ing a legal holiday at the Phi Gam house. Phi Gams will be partying in Charolttesville this weekend.

John McWhorter spent the veekend selling Confederate war bonds to the Phi Psi's and the DU's. Bob Gates exerted his talents leading the band at the Phi Psi house. Ed Thomas and the Mouse spent their time scampering from one house to another. Sandy Richardson is working on his tunnel so that he can wolf Fred Loeffler's dates. Don Booker is president of another new organization, the Fluff Club; club "They can't make a nickel." The Gauley Bridgers will meet in Wahooland.

About twenty dates attended the football game and social functions with PiKA's. Bill Rouse, who enters law school this fall with Bud Howland, Fred Rush and Tom Watkins, finished his academic year in September and decided he wanted to see his girl in California. He hitch-hiked out in six days and back in five and onehalf. PiKA's will be found in Charlottesville

The Pi Phi's attended the wedding last week of Roy Witte at Hagerstown, Making the trip were Dean Stewart, Bob Landrigan, Ed Pickett and Phil O'Connell. A fall house party is being planned but no definite date has been set. Bill Latture is the heavy interest of Perry Adams of Hollins. Charlottesville next weekend.

The Phi Psi's, Len Wilde and Spence Morton proved to be very hospitable hosts on Saturday. Some of the lovelies included Henrietta Hill, Betsy Libby Halston, etc. The of the house, due to Charlie Lemon, was a subdued blue, Chap Boyd and his Southern Collegians furnished very danceable music. Al Snyder was back in town for the game. Mrs. Forest Fletcher is the gracious, new housemother. Next week? UVa.

The Lambda Chi's imported some dates from Farmville and the neighboring Sem in a party for the pledges. Gene Blankenbicker made advances to all interested, including the chaperones. Jim Taylor, Dick Boggs, Lew Lash and Ed White covered the distance between the DU and the sets up some sort of a new high with four dates over the weekend. Wahooland Saturday.

Wise money in the Sigma Chi house has it that Max Johnson and "Hedgie" Wolfe are sure altar aspirants. "Billy-Buck" Armistead has set the day with Hollinsite Martha Saunders. "The Three Bees," Pledges Barton, Barryman and Beall, are turning away bookings after initial success as a vocal unit. Bruce King is slated for a suit of Navy blue in February: Uncle Sam and the Navy Dept. Sigma Chi's will be on hand in Charlottesville

SAE's held an informal jamboree after the game Saturday. Barney Maynard and Jinx O'Rear of Hollins are making it a pretty

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Tuesday, October 14, 1947

Generalizing . . By Walt Frye

Most of us can recall that bleak ball team play-

Boston College,

ranked number

one in the

country at that

because we sat

in a dull stupor

listening to a

member



fighting Holy Cross eleven pile up a score of 55-12, smashing B. C.'s hopes for an undefeated season.

The sports pages described the details the next morning. They told how an undermanned, but bitterly determined Holy Cross team viciously outplayed their confident opponents. The papers also carried the shocking news of the Coconut Grove fire. The B. C. team was to have celebrated their victory at that place, but Holy Cross altered the arrangements.

This game will go down in history as one of the most startling up-sets ever recorded, but there have been many other formreversals just as startling.

We need only to turn back the football pages to last year. Princeton was having rough sledding. and all Tiger-land trembled at the thought of the impending clash with powerful Pennsylvania But Princeton played Penn right off their collective feet that day, and registered the up-set of the season.

We can remember Navy's grand fight against Army last year. The Middies failed by an eyelash to snap the winning skein of the Black Knights.

We relate these instances to remind every reader of a well-known fact. Mental preparedness is of utmost importance in this game of football. The newspapers refer to a mentally prepared team as being "up" for a particular contest. Whatever term one uses, this element is of vital significance, How else can you explain W. and L.'s brilliant performance last year against William and Mary. and the dismal let-down against Richmond in the very next game?

This Saturday we play Virginia, and we believe that every W. and L. student should look beyond the season's records of these two schools before conceding defeat.

Never before have we been in a better position to confound the experts. Virginia has beaten GW, VPI, and Harvard. Last week against Harvard, all Wahoo-land was whooping and hollering, not to mention imbibing. This was the homecoming game for them and they meant it to be a success. They were "up" for the Crimson as the lopsided result showed.

The Generals, on the contrary, have had a tough fight for four consecutive contests. We have tasted defeat, and that in itself is sufficient to subdue any over-confidence. Now we have an opportunity, and a golden one it is, to puncture the Wahoo balloon.

This party isn't going to climb out on that already crowded limb and predict a W. and L. victory. Virgina has the superior talent and manpower and, on paper at least, should stomp all over us. No ball game is won on paper, however.

Some of our pre-war cynics will read this last statement and remark, "Yeah, I've heard this line before. We got our hopes up every year, but we always lost." Maybe so, but we've got a scrappier ball club this year than we've had for some time and, given a few breaks early in the game, the Big Blue could convert this mental advantage into a superiority on the field. Holy Cross did.

No, we aren't predicting a W. and L. victory, but we are predicting that it will be a mighty interesting afternoon over there in Charlottesville, provided the entire student body gets to thinking and believing we have a chance.

Out of the Frye-ing Pan

The scoreboard looks swell, even though we can't read any of the numbers

Fighting Generals Splash Over Colonials In Muddiest Contest of Current Season

DYKE NORMAN

throughout the remainder of the

initial half was at midfield where

defensive play stood out. It was

on the second half kickoff that

W. and L. manufactured their

next scoring opportunity. Kline,

of George Washington, received

Jim Fahley's high kickoff and got

back only as far as the 15 where

he was tackled viciously by Bell.

1942 was held with the University

Team captain Pete Mitchell,

first man out of the gate at Wilson

Field, where the run started, led

all the way, finishing over 200

yards in front of his nearest op-

the finish line at the football field

14 South Randolph

Michaels, Bennett Score In 15-6 Win; Ed Tenney Kicks Angle Field Goal

By BRUCE SWAIN

Breaking into the scoring column before the game was three minutes old, Washington and Lee's Big Blue Generals went on to defeat George Washington, 15 to Saturday afternoon back in 1941 6, last Saturday for their second when a mediocre Holy Cross foot- conference win in a game slowed up somewhat by the muddy state powerful of Wilson field.

The outcome of the contest was never in doubt as the Generals scored and then set up a defense that stopped the heavier Colonials cold all afternoon. Using a seven man line against the strong day very well. GW running attack, the freshman - dominated forewall did themselves proud as they held the visitors to a net gain of 67 yards rushing.

Dyke Norman, moving into the center of the Big Blue Line, played his usual bangup game. Norman was the most outstanding lineman on the field but the entire General line comes in for their share of the praise. In the backfield, Battlin' Brian Bell was again outstanding - particularly defensively-as he rang up several spine-tingling tackles, two of which resulted in fumbles.

Coming into the limelight for the first time this season was Walt-Michaels. Michaels was the General's most consistant ground gainer during the game and also played a good defensive game. Also outstanding on the defensive side of the ledger was Jim Stark.

It was the last warmup before their journey into Wahoo-land come this Saturday and the improvement over the playing their opening games was greatly notice able. The way in which the linemen handled the much heavier George Washington boys was chiefly responsible for the win. Their best plays, reverses and end arounds, were turned in except in several instances by the fine play of the W. and L. ends.

Michaels started the General's touchdown drive, which started from the visitors' 48, when he took a hangoff from Dick Working and hustled to a first down on the 31. After Bell had cracked the line twice, Working hit him with a pass on the 15. Michaels then took the ball off tackle and went the remaining distance, sidestepping would be GW tackler on the 10. Ed Tenney's attempted conversion was wide and the Generals led 6

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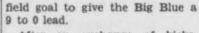
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After an exchange of kicks, George Washington made their only serious march of the day. Dugoff took Mike Boyda's kick on his own 16 and ran beautifully until he was brought down from behind by Charlie Harrington on the General 33. A double reverse carried them to a first down on the nine. The Big Blue line buckled down then, however, and on Friday, October 24. held for four yards in four downs.

In the last quarter, the Generals began to open up with their vaunted passing game. After Jim Stark had intercepted a GW pass on the 41, Working threw two passes, the first incomplete and the last to Gene Bennett for 41 yards and the last W. and L.

Minutes later, George Washington received their touchdown on a fluke. The whistle blew in the middle of a play that started on the GW 33. Joe McCutcheon centered the ball straight up in the air and Butkus, GW tackle, caught it and ran unchallenged for a touchdown. The game ended soon

The win kept the General's He fumbled and it was recovered Southern Conference slate clean by Tom Ciancutti. After several at two wins and no losses. They line plays had failed. Tenney came out of the game uninjured came in and kicked a 12 yard and that much more experienced.

Chandler, respectively. The en-

Bill Flanagan, and Jack Marsh,

was in before nearly half of the

There wasn't much jockying

for position after the runners hit

the highway. Mitchell was way

ahead followed by four Richmond

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Richmond group.

Crew Elects Silverstein, Glasgow to Positions; Plans Made for Race

At a meeting of the crew members last week, Phil Silverstein was elected captain of this year's eight, with Wink Glasgow to serve as senior manager.

After the elections, plans were made for a crew race to be held

The Richmond Boat Club has been invited to come here to row against the Blue. If they find it impossible to come here, the Old Dominion Club of Alexandria will be invited. If neither of these two boat clubs can be present, another Albert Sydney-Harry Lee race will be staged.

There are still openings for any aspiring oarsmen. Practices are held daily, with all crew members meeting at the Student Union at 2 o'clock every afternoon.

SOCCER GAME TODAY

Coach Norman Lord's W. and L. soccer team, the first in the history of the school, this afternoon opened the 1947 season by playing Roanoke College at Roan-

fact indicating that rivalry among fraternities is up to par, and also showing that plenty of pressure is being exerted by the heads of different teams on their players

> to get them off to a good start. One of the most nerve-racking games of the tournament thus far was the Beta vs. SAE game last Friday. The first tally was made midway in the fourth quarter when the SAE's Jim Gallivan intercepted a Beta pass in the flat on his own forty and raced up the sidelines for the score. The try for extra point was no good and things looked black within the Beta ranks. Then, with about a minute left to play, the Beta's Bob Moody started connecting on his passes and the team marched from its own twenty to the SAE forty. With twelve seconds left in the ball game, Moody faded for a long pass and finding a receiver in Fred Vinson, let fly a long beautiful pass which was gather-

Betas, NFU Win

To date the I-M football schedule has furnished thrills galore, a

In I-M Games

Another thriller was the NFU vs. KA game last Wednesday, in which the NFU nosed out the lat-

was "sewed up."

ed in by the waiting Fred, who

raced the remaining fifteen yards

to a TD. The extra point pass to

Bob Early was good and the game

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of Richmond here Saturday dur- tire W. and L. group, composed

ing the first half of the W. and of Mitchell, Hare, Stilwell, Chand-

L.-George Washington football ler, Ellison Gaulding, Gordon Iler,

Two Richmond runners crossed men and Hare and Stilwell. The

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I-M Football (Continued from page one)

ter 7-6 on their ability to make their extra points.

following teams are stand-outs in their various leagues and show promise of being qualified to play in the "round-robin" playoffs at Play House and several stock and their fast, accurate-passing back- operettas. field and their heavy line. They have won their games by the British Relief under the sponsorscores of 18-0 and 45-0. League ship of the Blue Ridge Garden "B" is thus far entitled to two Club, the production will include able contenders for their cham- an all-star community cast bringpionship. The Betas who have ing together for the first time in Phi Kaps who have won two and tic and singing talents of many lost none. In the limelight in accomplished local artists. league "C" is PiKA which has won two and lost none. League "D" is shared in a previous local producdominated by the NFU's who have two victories and no defeats.

leagues will enter the "roundrobin" playoffs to determine the courtroom charwoman. winner of the whole tournament. The first-place team will get a place team 30, the third-place team 20, and the fourth-place team. 10.

'Trial By Jury' (Continued from page one)

Opera Company

Col. Herbert Dillard, director of the VMI glee club and an accomplished performer in many ama-Judge, trying the case from the bench of the Rockbridge County courthouse, scene of the operatio proceedings.

Paul Meadows, who sang with the Fred Waring glee club before joining the faculty at Washington and Lee where he directs the university glee club, has been engaged as Counsel for the Defense. Mr. Meadows gained a round of light opera experience while singing with the Schubert Company in Louisville, Ky. He has also been heard on radio shows in New York, Detroit and Columbus, Ohio.

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soloist, will keep the court ses- | made the rounds Saturday night difficulty.

Rehearsals have been in progress for several weeks under the Up to the present time, the direction of Mrs. Jean Moseley. Mrs. Moseley's experience with theatrical endeavors includes work with the Pasedena (Calif.) the end of the season: In league summer theatres. She has been "A," the Sigma Nus stand head active in the direction of a numand shoulders above the rest with ber of other Gilbert and Sullvan

To be staged for the benefit of won three and lost none, and the many years the combined drama-

Among Lexingtonians who tion of "Trial by Jury" several seasons ago, now cast in their The winners of their respective former roles, is Mrs. George Derbyshire who returns to the role of

Warren E. (Tex) Tilson, Lexington businessman, and Jim score of 40 points, the second- Dunlap, town manager, have been "deputized" for service on the stage police force to handle the large crowds expected to fill the Courthouse gallery for the judicial

Fraternity Roundup (Continued from page two)

serious affair. Wedding bells in the near future: could be. Houstie teur productions, will serve as Hart and others will probably be

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See you in Charlottesville.

Cross-Country (Continued from page three)

entire W. and L. team passed two of Richmond's men on the infamous mile long hill on the course. Otherwise, the same positions were held throughout with the exception of Her and Flanagan's dead heat at the finish.

Mitchell's time for the race was 31.9 minutes, which was considered good since rain had slowed up the course.

W. and L. won with twentythree points to Richmond's thirtytwo, the low score winning.

NOTICE

Tickets for the Army game November 1 at West Point may be obtained by W. and L. students by writing Col. E. W. Amick, USA Ret., Assistant Graduate Manager of Athletics, US Military Academy, West Point, N.Y.

The ticket price is \$3.00 plus 25 cents with each order to cover handling charges. It was announced however, that tickets may

which have been reserved for W.

PAN, Friars To Begin Again

Once again W. and L.'s campus will be filled with red-capped and Dick Hurxthal, Kappa Sig; Art scarlet-socked sophomores dragging baby toys and other parafanalia behind them as both Pi Alpha Nu and White Friars announced this week that pledge pranks will take place for new members beginning next Monday.

Keeping with past traditions, each fraternity house on the campus will pick two of its most outstanding sophomores to be initiated into each group this year. The new White Friars will be anrounced at a meeting to be held this Thursday afternoon, and the new PAN members were announced last night.

They are: Jim McDonald and Ed Thomas, Phi Kap; Pete Muh-

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lenburg and Tim Bryan, Phi Delt; Kaplan Will Address Students should request seats Paul Bennett and Tait Trussell, in or near Sections 29-30-31, Beta; Walt Jackson and Len Newsmen in Washington Pease, PIKA

Others are: Bill Clements and Jim Connelly, Sigma Nu; Irvin Switow and Barney Robinson, ZBT; Bob Pickett and Dan Little, Lambda Chi; Jack McCormick and Jim Gardner, K.A.; John Edreington and Hale Barrett, SAE; Al Warner and Bob Van Buren, Phi Psi; Fletcher Sisk and Marenstein and Bud Laupheimer. PEP; Bill Corbin and Ed Gaines, Delt; Hank Barker and Al Faris, Phi Gam; and Buzz Fraier and

The initiation proceedings for both groups will begin on Monday, October 20th, and will last throughout the week, ending at

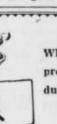
A. L. Close, DU.

Bernie Kaplan, as president of the W.and L. Chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, will address representatives of the entire national professional journalistic fraternity when it holds its convention in Washington, D. C. during the four days of November 11-14.

The Washington and Lee Chapter is acting as a co-host at the convention. The other co-host is the Washington, D.C. professional

Kaplan stated that he expected almost the entire membership of the local chapter to be present at the convention. The group will be received by President Truman at the White House.

half time of the football game of-war at this time between the that Saturday with Davidson. The pledges of the two societies, which climax will be the annual tug- PAN won last year.



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