

## New Troubadour Play, The Front Page, Opens Tonight In Red Square

McNeer, Schiefly, Marsh  
Cast in Leads of Drama  
About Newspaper Life

"The Front Page," the first Troubadour production of the current season and a comedy-melodrama of newspaper life as it was in the gangster days in old Chicago, opens tonight at 8:15 for a five-day run at the Little Theatre of Red Square.

A fast-moving, tightly plotted piece of dramatic writing by two veteran newspapermen, Ben Hecht and Charles MacArthur, the Troubadour production of "The Front Page" will star Judy McNeer, Jack Schiefly and Wesley Marsh in leading roles as Peggy Grant, Hildy Johnson and Walter Burns respectively.

Tickets, which are covered by the campus tax, went on sale Saturday morning in the colonnade and around town at McCrum's Drug Store, Wayland's Drug Store and Weinberg's Music Store. Ticket Manager Delaney Way stated today. Regular ticket price is \$9.00, Way noted, adding that a special price of \$5.00 for students' wives has been made possible.

"The Front Page," now almost twenty years old, is directed by veteran Troubadour Leonard Wild, who not only appeared in last year's "The Petrified Forest" but also produced the Olympia Workshop series of radio dramas over a Roanoke radio station last year.

Lesser parts are taken by such Troubadour old-hands as Peggy Boykin, Bill Romaine, Everett Easter, Joe Moffatt, Russ Thomes, Jim Brewster, and many others. Also appearing in female roles are Leila Nance Moffatt, wife of English professor Dr. James Strong Moffatt, Mary Pearson, and Jean Moseley, who directed the Lexington production of Gilbert and Sullivan's light opera, "Trial by Jury."

The play deals with the dilemma faced by ace reporter Hildy Johnson (Jack Schiefly) when he is torn between his love of his fiancée, Peggy Grant (Judy McNeer), and his loyalty to his profession and his managing editor, Walter Burns (Wesley Marsh).

"The Front Page" is an exciting and amusing combination of drama and comedy, all of which takes place in the Press Room of the Criminal Courts Building in Chicago during the escape of a condemned murderer from the jail. Through this press room

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## Faculty Opinions on 'Leyburn Plan' Are Voiced; Some Criticize as all Agree on Value of New Program

By SAM MILES

An academic bombshell was set off by University Dean James G. Leyburn in a faculty meeting November 20 when he proposed comprehensive modifications in the university's faculty, student body, and curriculum. The implications and potentialities of these reforms have since been reverberating in the minds of the student body and faculty. Since the faculty, as a whole, is the most informed group on the campus in educational policies, several faculty members were asked to give their opinions on some of Dean Leyburn's proposals.

A few of the outstanding points of Dean Leyburn's program which were presented to this group for comment are these: The principal goal of college life is intellectual accomplishment, not extra-curricular prominence. Students should be allowed a wider choice of subjects in the two years before graduation. All efforts should be directed towards work in a general field, rather than an accumulation of credits in unrelated courses.

A degree of honor should be offered as an incentive to the better students. A closer association of students and faculty is desirable. More philosophy and fine art courses should be taken. Gen-

### Calyx Schedule

Final shots of organizations and groups for Calyx pictures will be taken tomorrow afternoon, Bill Leedy, photographic editor, announced today.

The pictures will be taken in accordance with the following schedule on Wednesday, December 10:

3:30 p.m.—Southern Collegian Business Staff, Student Union.  
4:00 p.m.—Monogram Club, Doremus Gymnasium.  
4:30 p.m.—Officers of Junior Class, Washington College.

Leedy said that the informal shots of housemothers would be taken for the last time tomorrow.

## Advertising Man Tells Methods To Journalists

DuPont Executive Speaks  
In Washington Chapel

Russel A. Applegate, advertising executive of the DuPont Company, addressed Journalism students last night on the practical aspects and problems of DuPont advertising. His speech, the third in a series of programs to be presented by the Lee Foundation, was given in Washington Chapel.

Applegate said that DuPont advertising is divided into two major parts, Product Advertising and Background Advertising. The former is addressed to different branches of industry and segments of the public. Its purpose is to inform these groups how DuPont products are of specific service to them.

The Background Advertising was begun in 1935, and came as a result of studies that disclosed desire on the part of the general public to know things other than actual costs. Applegate went on to say that the main objective of this campaign is to inform both business and the public of DuPont's many contributions to their welfare.

After explaining these two factors, Applegate showed his audience, by means of a series of charts, exactly how an advertising campaign is planned out and executed.

At the end of the speech, DuPont plastic hair combs were distributed to the audience, illustrating the practical use of public relations.

### NOTICE

The Treasurer of the Student Body requests that all outstanding IOU's be paid before the Christmas holidays. These accounts may be settled in the Treasurer's office, Student Union between the hours of 2-5 p.m. every day, Monday through Friday.



## Maddin Lupton, Sweetbriar Editor, Will Speak on Post-War Europe

Adding more than a touch of feminine pulchritude (see cut) to the usually austere Christian Council, Miss Maddin Lupton, of Sweet Briar and Chattanooga, Tennessee, will be the principal speaker at the Council's meeting, Friday, December 12 at 7 p.m.

Miss Lupton will address the group on "Currents of Student Lives in Post-war Europe." Her talk will deal with one phase of the Christian Council's main topic for the year, relief work in Europe.

The attractive Sweet Briar student, sister of Tom Lupton, Phi Delta Theta, spent this past summer at two conferences in Europe as her school's delegate. The meetings were held in Oslo, Norway, and Aarhus, Denmark. The discussions in which Miss Lupton took part dealt with the present problems facing European youth.

A very active member of the Sweet Briar student body, Miss Lupton was recently elected for the 1948 "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities." She is at present the editor of the Sweet Briar News.

As guest speaker Miss Lupton will appear as a part of the Program Exchange which is currently being carried on between Virginia schools.

In order that the Council program will not conflict with the Troubadour presentation of the

"Front Page" and the later Glee Club recital, it will begin promptly at 7 p.m.

Christian Council spokesmen emphasized that although Miss Lupton is speaking at the regular monthly meeting of the organization, all students and faculty members are cordially invited to attend. It has been the feeling in the past, they said, that these meetings are only for members of the Council itself but stressed that any and every student or faculty member is invited.

## G-L Lit Society Lays New Plans

Support of the memorial scholarship sponsored by the student body was voted in the recent meeting of the Graham-Lee Literary Society, President Rush Webb announced yesterday.

"We had a short meeting immediately preceding Dean Leyburn's address to the International Relations Club," Webb said, "and did not have time to go into the full details of just how we could support the project. However, a committee has been appointed to consider methods by which this organization can best advance the plan."

Webb admitted that he had had no suggestions as to how the members might raise money, but said that the committee would include that point in its report, which is to be presented to the Society at the meeting this Thursday.

### Holley's Proposal Adopted

An outline of projects suggested by Fred Holley for consideration by the literary society, was also adopted by the group. Holley's suggestions included the publication of the manuscripts which have won literary awards in English. This award is given by the English Department for outstanding ability in creative writing.

Investigation and preparation of reports on different phases of campus life were also recommended by the organization. President Webb said that at the forthcoming meeting he would appoint a committee to study and prepare a list of phases of campus activities on which reports should be written. Webb expressed the desire that the reports which were prepared by the members could be published in order "to enlighten the student body on certain aspects of campus life."

Webb said that he had made tentative arrangements to initiate Dean of the University James G. Leyburn at the next meeting. Dr. Leyburn is to give a short talk which will be followed by an informal discussion of his plan for renovating teaching methods at Washington and Lee.

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### Dyke Norman Honored

Dyke Norman, Washington and Lee's star football center, was, along with Lucien Gambino, Maryland halfback, unanimously selected on the annual all-opponent eleven selected by the University of Delaware football team, according to a recent announcement from the Delaware public relations office.

## Law Fraternities Fully Active, Spokesmen Say

Phi Delta Phi Initiation  
Is Set for December 12

Both Washington and Lee legal fraternities, Phi Delta Phi and Phi Alpha Delta, are now in full activity, it was reported by their spokesmen yesterday.

John Sherman Cooper, junior senator from Kentucky, will be the guest speaker at the initiation banquet to be held by Phi Delta Phi, Friday evening, December 12, in the Robert E. Lee hotel, members of the fraternity announced.

Initiation ceremonies, which will take place at 4:30 p.m., will include 22 pledges: Hugh T. Verano, John M. Miller, Jr., Garland M. Harwood, Jr., Jack E. Russell, Wm. H. Wade, James G. Kinchloe, Luther W. White, Wm. N. Shearer, Jr., Jack B. Coulter, Howard M. Fender, H. H. Walker Hawthorne, Wesley H. Jolly, Lee R. Redmond, Jr., Jim Holloran, Jr., Leon Harris, Jr., Jack B. Porterfield, Jr., Henry J. Foresman, Robert P. Haley, Robert S. Irons, Niles Grosvenor, Steve Rockwell and Harry Hill.

Senator Cooper, who has served a number of years as circuit judge in Kentucky, will be initiated in an honorary capacity, it was acknowledged. The senator is a Yale graduate and has spent two years in the Harvard Law School.

At its last meeting, Phi Delta Phi members formulated plans to resume the practice of holding mock trials in Lee Chapel, a spokesman said. The last trial attracted campus-wide attention and packed Lee Chapel. As performed last summer, law students enact a realistic trial under the supervision of a faculty member who acts as judge.

### PAD Stresses Legal Writing

A program calling for weekly talks from a member of the fraternity is being perfected, Jim Porter, president of Phi Alpha Delta, asserted. Additional emphasis has been placed on student participation in the legal-writing contest sponsored by the fraternity, he added.

Someone is designated to speak on some legal topic at each weekly meeting, Porter said, and an informal discussion in which the whole fraternity takes part caps each speech. Meetings are held every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Union.

Jim Ballengee spoke about the challenges of jurors at the last meeting of the fraternity, Porter

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## 'No Sunday Beer' Law Passed; Dealers Behind Plan 100 Per Cent

Last Sunday, many frequenters of our local restaurants were surprised to be told "Sorry, no beer today." This same phrase will be heard again in the future, however, and was not just temporary.

The reason for the "no beer" speech by your favorite waitress, is that at the last town council meeting a new town ordinance was past, forbidding the sale of beer on Sunday in Lexington.

The reason for passing this ordinance, according to Mayor Engleman, is that the council has been anticipating for several weeks a visit from local churchwomen, requesting such a move. For this reason, they felt that it was imperative for them to take action.

By the actual terms of the ordinance, no beer may be sold from midnight, Saturday night, until six o'clock on Monday. In commenting on this, the Mayor stated that he believed that the ordinance will be "highly beneficial to the townspeople."

## Ticket Sales For Fancy Dress To Increase Before Holiday

\$20 Worth of Records  
Will Be Given to House  
With Highest Percentage

By BILL SHIERS

Indications at the present time are that advance ticket sales for the Fancy Dress dance set are lagging. The sale, however, has just begun and is expected to continue until January 20.

As an added incentive for fraternity men to purchase their tickets early, a prize is being offered to the house that has the highest percentage of pledged members. A \$20 account will be set up at Weinberg's to allow the lucky fraternity to buy records.

This offer is to the fraternity which has the highest percentage of dance commitments, not necessarily the highest number. Every house has a chance.

For various reasons it was impossible to contact all the representatives to get a statement as to how the drive is going in each house. Yet, a large enough cross-section has been interviewed to indicate that, though the drive got off to a slow start, sales are generally expected to pick up as Christmas approaches.

Sigma Nu is at present among the top contenders for the \$20 record account. According to Paul Murphy, Sigma Nu sales chairman, 19 pledges have been received, with prospects for a considerably larger number. There are a total of 57 men for Murphy to canvass.

Jim Ottignon, PIKA representative, stated that no appreciable number of men have committed themselves. Ottignon said that trouble contacting girls was the principle reason for the current lack of success, but that the 65 members of PIKA are expected to rally favorably before the deadline.

From Stan Kamen it was learned that pledging at the PEP house is "coming along fair." Kamen said that though PEP has only 29 members, 9 of whom are law students, he is hoping to exceed the 10 pledges he has thus far received.

Dick Boggs, Lambda Chi representative could give no accurate listings concerning that fraternity's 30 members, but stated that approximately 10 commitments have been secured from the brothers, with no results yet available concerning the Lambda Chi pledge class.

Sonny Switow could make no statement about the ZBT response but expressed optimistically that he expects good results from ZBT's 29 members.

From SAE, Norm Snelgrove reports that he is undertaking the task of seeing each of the fraternity's 55 members personally. Though he believes the drive came

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Engleman further stated that he expected this move to rid the town of many people who come in from surrounding parts on Sunday merely to obtain beer. He pointed out that it is not a sudden move, but has been under consideration for quite a while, being brought to a head by this recent threat.

When asked what his reaction to the newly passed ordinance was, the well-known Mr. Morris (Jabo), stated that he considers it "a good thing. All of the surrounding communities are dry for this reason," he added, "to get the riff-raff off the streets." He also said that most of the dealers he had talked with likewise considered it a good thing.

Doc, proprietor of the Corner Store, says that he is going to attempt temporarily to remain open on Sundays, despite this move. If business drops off because of the "no beer sales," however, he says that he will close on Sunday.

# Troubadours Bring Weeks Of Rehearsing To End As "Front Page" Opens Tonight In Troub Theatre

By TONY WOODSON

Long hours of rehearsals; hard work on sets and plenty of worry for all—such is the case of the Troubadours whose first play of the year, *The Front Page*, opens tonight at the Troub Theatre on Henry Street.

Give credit when and where credit is due is an old adage, but it sometimes goes unheeded. Very few people realize the great amount of time and effort that is expended before a top notch performance can become a reality. The production is not spontaneous and unrehearsed and doesn't just happen that way. *The Front Page* represents many hours of self-sacrificing work. Many of the Troubadours have put in eight hours a day, seven days a week for many weeks.

It is difficult, it not impossible, for many of the Troub staff to have a date on a weekend because of the heavy work schedule. Many of them, as a result, had to forego last week's house parties. Classes have to be missed. Rehearsal hours eat up spare time completely. If they are to put on a good show, the cast can not devote as much time to their studies as they would like. This doesn't help them get their Phi Beta Kappa Key either.

Working conditions are not the most desirable to be found. The theater has no central heating system. A few small gas heaters have to suffice. They take a long time to heat up. Each one at the conclusion of work, has to be turned off. This doesn't make for the warmest place in the

world. Often an overcoat is needed.

An inadequate and temperamental lighting system complicates matters further. A burned-out dimmer almost ruined last year's production of *Angel Street*. Head Electrician Charlie Lemon had to devise a Rube Goldberg device before the show could go on. The theater also doesn't have running water and plumbing facilities are non-existent. Lack of a central heating system is the cause of this.

The Troubadours also have precious little money at their disposal. The amount received from the campus tax is all that they have to go on unless gate receipts are good. They are usually not too high. The dramatic group had to dip into their meager budget this year to buy a dimmer to replace last year's worn out one. Yet despite all these troubles, Washington and Lee's drama group had a very good season last year. They were one of the most successful student organizations on the campus, showing a profit at the end of the year. Electrical requirements caused the profit to disappear.

The business staff has other problems. Their prime one is trying to make both ends meet. Often, the Business Manager has to veto plans because the organization can not afford too many expenses. To add to their troubles, the Business staff has trouble recruiting men to help them.

The Troubadours have been hoping that some form of academic credit could be given those who give

their valuable time towards making a successful play. They all feel that there would be greater student interest if some slight reward could be promised.

The Troubadours are hoping that the Bicentennial drive will be so great a success that a little theater can be included in the new auditorium. New facilities would make the job a lot easier. Yet despite all their difficulties, the drama group are presenting their first production starting tonight. It represents many hours of dreary, hard work.

## 'Leyburn Plan'

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their own type of courses, they both said that they thought these subjects deserved a place in the college curriculum.

Dean Leyburn's suggestion that general courses be given in the senior year to relate all of the student's past courses met with varying opinions. One faculty member stated, "I'll go along with Dean Leyburn on this idea. I think an integrating course during the senior year is an excellent idea. We should get away from departmentalism." The opposite view was taken by another professor who commented, "The general courses, I think, are better during the freshman year because they give the student a good introduction to all fields."

The importance placed on making Washington and Lee unique was acclaimed by one professor. This professor stated, "This school has no reason for existing if it is not unique. We have achieved a degree of uniqueness through the Honor System, the speaking habit, and student self-government. If we get the reputation of high academic standards along with these other things, we will have achieved that uniqueness."

## Henderson Chosen Pres. Of Reorganized Debaters

Reorganization of Washington and Lee's Debating Council, inactive since the war, was announced today by Public Speaking instructor and debate coach George Foster.

In elections held by the group last week, Jerry Henderson was chosen president for the coming year.

Primary purpose of the council is the training of a debate team and the scheduling of intercollegiate matches. Dr. Foster said that discussion last week was devoted to methods of selecting a team. He stressed that the selection of the team would be on a competitive basis and that anyone interested in debating would be eligible.

Topic for the year, chosen by the group, is:

"Resolved: That a World Federation Should Be Established."

Henderson has announced that a meeting of the council will be held Wednesday afternoon at 4:30 p.m. on the second floor of the Student Union. He urged that all interested students be present.

Present active members of the Council include Charles Farrington, Dick Boggs, Gene Blankenbicker, Bill Leedy, Sol Wachtler, Ed Turner, Herb Peters, Vic Dalmas, Alex Andrews, Mitch Harris, Marshall Ellis, and Henderson.

## CALYX NOTICE

All lawyers, seniors and juniors who have had pictures taken may make corrections or additions to their activity cards between 2 and 5 p.m. on Wednesday, December 17, at the Calyx office, second floor of Student Union.

## LETTER

Mr. E. S. Epley  
Chairman of the Charity Chest  
Washington and Lee University  
Lexington, Virginia  
Dear Mr. Epley:

As chairman of the Lexington chapter of the Virginia Cancer Fund, I am writing to thank you for the subscription of \$268.10, with an additional amount to be paid later when all pledges to the Charity Chest are fully paid, which you sent me in your letter of November 30.

The Lexington chapter of the Cancer Fund is deeply grateful for the generous response made by the students of Washington and Lee to this particular need, and for the fact that the large subscription made by the members of the student body in designating the causes to which their subscriptions should go shows their realization of the seriousness of the cancer problem among both young and old in our country. The Lexington community, and the Virginia cancer drive as a whole, if it matches the generous subscription made by the Washington and Lee students, will make a conspicuous success of the effort to gather funds during the coming year for the fight against cancer.

I am sending a copy of this letter to the Ring-tum Phi, with the request that, if possible, this letter be published in its columns.

Sincerely and gratefully yours,  
(Leila Nance Moffatt)  
MRS. JAMES S. MOFFATT

## DISC DIGGERS

By JOHN FRENCH and JOHN STURGES

Judging from the teeming mass of holiday shoppers in the heart of downtown Lexington, we've reached the conclusion that the Yuletide Season is almost upon us. For this reason, we feel it is time to prepare our avid readers for the forthcoming festivities. In order to do this, we have prepared a list in which we will try to give you an idea of the better versions of your favorite Christmas songs.

A perennial favorite, Fred Waring's Christmas Album, naturally heads this list. Included in this album is his novel arrangement of the old story, *'Twas the Night Before Christmas*, which covers both sides of a disc, either of which is sure to put you in the holiday spirit. The other three records in this group features the choir singing the best of all the old carols.

Ray Bloch, Monica Lewis and Johnny Long join forces under a Signature label to give us the best new Christmas album we've seen so far. Ray Bloch and Miss Lewis together present such old favorites as *The Christmas Song* and the perennial *White Christmas* in extra fine arrangements. Brother Long comes out with the best of the plates, however, in his version of *Jingle Bells*. This record is sung in the *Shanty Town* style, and all in all its original content is very entertaining.

For all of you classic lovers, there is really only one album along this line which is worth considering. This is *The Messiah*, which features the 300 voices of

the Augustan Choir, along with 4 soloists and a beautiful organ background.

Getting away from the albums now, we enter the individual disc field. Of course, leading off this list would have to be the ever-popular *White Christmas*, of which we were able to find no less than six good recordings, and a multitude of bad ones. The best male recording is naturally that of Bing Crosby, who is closely followed by Eddy Howard and Frank Sinatra. On the female side are such favorites as Monica Lewis and Jo Stafford, whose version we actually consider best. Aside from vocalists, however, there are three notable platters which are well worth more than a mention. Topping this group is the remarkable and distinctive styling of Ethel Smith at her organ. Another organist, Jesse Crawford, presents a sweet adaptation of the song, while Carmen Cavallero, believe it or not, has a fairly good rendition too.

Another Christmas inevitable, *The Christmas Song*, also has quite a few versions marked up to its credit. In this case, all honors are taken up by the King Cole Trio, who sing it as only they could. Besides them, Bing Crosby, Dick Haymes, and Eddy Howard have the best of all the rest.

The only new popular Christmas ballad is Dick Haymes' *Christmas Dreaming*, which we're sure will make a hit with anyone who likes the previously mentioned songs.

## FRATERNITY ROUNDUP . By Fran Russell

Weekend festivities were given a boost by the initial win of the Blue over the Danville Danmasters;

the latter squad was never in the game with the more spirited collegians.

The Lambda Chi's entertained the campus, initiating Christmas spirit for the festivities. Gene Greise handled party arrangements, and Dick Boggs utilized a Christmas theme in decorations. Guests were served snacks, salted nuts, and various beverages, dispensed by Gene Blankenbicker, Jim Taylor, Clay Thompson, and Dick Lewis. Chap Boyd's band furnished the music.

The Miami Triad, consisting of the Beta's, Phi Delt's, and Sigma Chi's got together for a party at the Natural Bridge Hotel. A cocktail party and dinner preceded the dance held in the hotel ballroom. About 250 people attended.

Pi Phi's are congratulating Pooch Landrigan for pinning Joan Reynolds of the Sem. Ed Pickett took Teddy Taylor to the Christmas Dance at the Sem; other Semesters included Landrigan, Howie Wentley, Phil O'Connell, and Dean Stewart. The Suzy Switzer-Dean Stewart romance has phifft.

Jake "Mother" Cheatham rolled his big Buick up to Washington for a little Christmas "shopping".... Gil Brooks is flashing a bad eye as a result of an encounter with a door in the Sigma Nu house.... W. C. Bolen was exuding charm and personality at the Lambda Chi soiree.... Fred Johnson, Nickels Farrar, and Nate Adams played a little basketball at Steve's around three ayem Sunday....

KA's in the vicinity of Jacksonville will gather with Damon Yerkes for a celebration during the holidays.... Walt and Nancy Hannah gave a little party for Bill Smith and Barton Gilliam.... Bill Brotherton is pinned to Barbara Edgar of Charleston and Randolph-Macon.... Harry McCoy will have an open house for all KA's taking in the Dixie Bowl at Memphis.... Bob Irons has switched to Hollins.... "Mountain Music" party at the KA house Saturday....

DU happenings of the week included an open house by Tim and Rosa McDonald Thursday nite; lavish eats and cordial hospitality prevailed.... Friday the pledges presented the annual Pledge Show, written by Dave Arentz and directed by Bill Walton.... Bob Jones and Jayne Allen, instructor of dramatics at the Sem, have announced their engagement, the marriage to take place December 20 in the Robert E. Lee Episcopal Church, Bob's pneumonia permitting....

The Phi Kap's announce that Lee Carter will marry Mary Wood December 23 in New York.... Bones Jones will marry Harriet Hale of Richmond at Ashland on the 27th.... Congratulations. Bob Gates finally got a date with a Waynesboro girl; apparently the girl works for his father and wants to retain her job.... Sandy Richardson and Bill Barton attended the Hollins Prom....

The PEP's were haunted by characters.... McWhorter did a song and dance routine accompanied by Pee Wee Fischer on Pete Palmer's string bass; Dan Pinck sauntered through a couple of times; a spectre with a candle waxed to the palm of his hand sang Christmas carols; Levin sat in the shadows.... Saturday afternoon was spent in supporting "Life in the American Scene".... Stan Kamen will entertain PEP's at his home on Manhattan Beach the weekend preceeding New Year's....

The Phi Delt's moved the Auto Fleet in a southerly direction to swoop down on Natural Bridge; all attended except Bill Toney who worked on his thesis. Pete Muhlenberg left the chem lab, George Bryan forgot the house books, Paul Sanders imported another date; everybody went.... Nancy Sears came down from Balto to see Bud Smith.... Jon Carmichael was conspicuous by his good behaviour, but Jack Kanopell gets the Good Conduct Medal of the week....

Kappa Sig's taking in the dance at the Sem included Sam Miles, Fletcher Sisk, Cliff Sperow, Jim Singleton, and Larry Garvin.... Al Kregar was at Baldwin again.... Dale Johnson, Jack Taylor, Bob Brown, Dick Pruitt, Andy McFall, and Earl Campbell picked up their respective dates from Macon and the Patch and met at the Bon Ton to discuss relative merits, or—"we can get away with more than you can"....

Phi Psi Chick Daniels will be married to Ruth Pleasants at Charles Court House, Virginia, December 20.... Congratulations. Ed Waddington forgot his Svenska in Phillie and attended the Christmas Dance at the Sem; Arch Alexander, Don Lyton, Bob Kearse, Jack Snyder, Charlie Forbes, Dan Woolridge, and Al Gardner also made the trip; Kearse found that his date had taken a sudden interest in uniforms.... Charlie Lemon spent the weekend with Louise Curry at Sweet Briar....

The Sigma Nu's kept things humming in Red Square. The party started in the afternoon at Mike's, which was rented for the event. The throng moved to the house for dinner, where the party was continued. Tom Pressley, in charge of decorations, developed a French theme to set the mood. Arrangements were handled by Nelson Newcomb, who pinned Jane Shvesmith of Sweet Briar over the weekend.... Best costumes were worn by Bill Byrnes, Cliff

Latta, and Ken Wacker....

The weekend was rough on PIKA Joe Auer; his parents drove 150 miles from Rich Creek, Va., to see Joe play his initial game for the Blue, but did not arrive until Joe was out of the game with nine stitches over his eye. Jackie Ingraham was on hand after the game.... Bud Howland got dates for Bill Hannafin, Walt Jackson, and Tom Watkins when four cute tricks dropped in from Trinity College in Washington.... Al Seal was very much impressed with Mary Elizabeth Auer....

SAE's attending the Junior Prom at Hollins included John Stuart, Bud McKenzie, Barney Barnard, Bob Wright, and Bert Kyle.... Bud McKenzie is pinned to Christy Armstrong, and that Hollins cabin party was largely responsible.... Houstie Hart, Cub Bear, and Bland Terry were seen in the vicinity of George's, Rockbridge County's only nite club.... "J. T." Ederington, Will McKenzie, and Joe Sanders went to the Sem....

Sonny Switow, Artie Josephs, and Shep Zinovoy of the ZBT house went to Richmond for a party at the John Marshall.... Don Hillman escorted Lyra Brin to the Hollins prom.... Sam Silverstein washed his car: the National travelling secretary is expected.... Bernie Kaplan was loose at Sweet Briar after a rather monastic life; he has doffed his casual manner, and finds himself more effective.... Wexner, Friedlander, and Schlessinger visited their neighbors, the Lambda Chi's....

Phi Gam patter includes the information that Barbara Gallagher of Mary Washington and Twink Mallory of Sweet Briar were in town over the weekend wearing Jack Nichols and Tom Cox's fraternity pins.... "Aphrodesia" has gained weight since taking the pledge.... Ken William, Bob Olds, and Lew Williamson took in the Hollins prom.... Ray Hoffman went over to Baldwin to meet Petty Finch's parents; begins to look serious.... Bill Kennedy is having trouble with Wahoo competition.

Don't forget the Troub presentation of "The Front Page."

## BRAIN FOOD . By Brian Bell

Residing in a corner of the Physics building, surrounded by typewriters, press releases, a student assistant, and a beautiful secretary, is a six-foot-three, 135-pound string bean of energy. Incongruous as it may seem, in the erudite atmosphere of Newton's laws, vacuums, and wind velocity is the publicity department ruled Lea Booth, LLB (Long, Lanky Bull-Shooter).

Booth has the job of seeing that the nation hears about Washington and Lee—and in the way Washington and Lee wants to be heard about. His office is usually a pandemonium of action with the vortex Booth, himself, pounding the typewriter and shouting he's too busy to talk to anyone, his story is overdue now, and if *The Richmond Times-Dispatch* doesn't get the news on Working's in-grown toenail immediately, it will be bad for the University.

Not always was Booth publicity director, and if we go far back into the school's history we find a 6-foot 3-inch 135-pound W&L freshman who not only developed himself in the class room but on the baseball diamond. Capt. Dick says Lea had plenty of stuff on the ball, fine control, but one little fault hampered him—he always managed to throw the ball right down the heart of the plate in home-run style. In fact, Booth holds the W&L record of most home-run pitches ever thrown.

The story in illustration of his fatal weakness can be told about an important W&L game with North Carolina which might decide the Southern Conference title. oBoth was on the mound and had been hurling stellar ball. Finally the ninth rolled around and still the Generals held a commanding 7-4 lead.

Right down to the final moment when with two out and no one on base he had only to retire the batter and victory was his. Then, catastrophe struck—two hits and a walk filled the bases.

Capt. Dick called time and walked out to the mound for a

conference. "How do you feel, Lea," said the coach.

"Don't worry, Cap," said Booth confidently. "One more pitch and we can all go home."

Reassured Capt. Dick left Lea on the hill and Booth fulfilled his prediction. The Carolina slugger hit the first pitched ball out of the ball park and everybody went home. Cap says the ball was hit so far no one ever found it!

In later years, though, Booth has found his rightful spot on the diamond. Because of his remarkable ability to find the heart of the plate at all times, Booth makes a perfect batting practice pitcher. Dressed in a fragrant sweat suit of indeterminate age, Booth toils for hours with machine-like precision.

Game days find him on the home bench where he performs as official scorer. His post is the scene of constant bickering when lean-hitting Generals dispute whether hard-tagged grounders were errors or hits. Booth's fair scoring in which the hitter is given the benefit of the doubt has made him a popular man with the ball-players.

Though Booth is not completely overworked and harried as he likes the world to think, he does turn out reams of material. Bicentennial advertisements, program data, feature stories, university booklets all are the product of his office. In addition he personally goes with the football team to see that we are well taken care of in the matter of publicity. This evolves tiring work like four days in New York, and a Florida or Georgia southern trip now and then.

Booth, under cover of a humorous line and much horseplay takes care of a valuable University function. He claims he is divorcing himself from sports publicity after basketball season but we hope this will not be so. Good newspaper coverage is important, and it needs the work of an experienced athlete.

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# Sports

Tuesday, December 9, 1947

## Generalizing . . .

By WALT FRYE

The past four or five days have been most productive from a sporting viewpoint, with a boxing match in New York, a basketball game in Lexington, and, we are told, a bit of sport took place in a town not too far from here.

The Louis-Walcott scrap earns top billing in the tongue-wagging league. The majority of the student body planned to allot about ten minutes to the fight broadcast, feeling that this period would be ample for Louis' needs.

Apparently, however, Jersey Joe didn't believe the many self-appointed experts who predicted his early KO. His performance against Joe the Jolter was a god-send to the promoters—now they have a "logical" contender. While the closeness of the verdict verifies Walcott's surprising showing, we are anxious to view the fight films.

A few years ago, Tommy Farr stepped into the ring with Louis, absorbed the Brown Bomber's most lethal wallops for 15 rounds, and apparently won the title on points. Clem McCarthy broadcast that scrap, and it is significant to note that Mr. McCarthy has been airing horse races ever since. After seeing the movies of that one, we can easily understand Clem's demotion. Louis would land four or five stiff jabs, often tilting Farr's head back. Then the Welshman would retaliate with a wallop of his own. The crowd screamed for the underdog, and McCarthy allowed his imagination to run wild. The result was a distorted description which fooled most every listener.

At any rate, this decision has been disputed more than any since the Sharkey-Schmeling brawl in which Sharkey captured the heavyweight crown from the German. Several people in the audience believed Schmeling should have been given the nod that night, and one of these positive souls was Joe Jacobs, Schmeling's manager, who is said to have made a major contribution to the English language, especially in his use of the verb "to stay." When asked for his opinion of the fight, Jacobs' only comment was, "I should have stood in bed."

The basketball team, affectionately and perennially dubbed "The Blue Comets," took on the Danville Danmasters last Saturday. The General quintet occasionally pressed their fast break attack to good advantage, but often an errant pass or a missed crisp shot would bring groans from the spectators. The absence of Fred Vinson and the injury to Joe Auer didn't help the cause either, since both these boys are good play makers and ball handlers. For sheer artistry, however, Danville's Chuck Tuzzio was the man to watch. Most of the time, Tuzzio was content to let his teammates do most of the heavy running, but whenever he decided to turn on the heat, this former All-American was positively dazzling.

As to the home forces, Steve Ulaki, Bob Goldsmith, Howard Bratches, George Pierson and Auer found no trouble in piercing the visitors' defense. Chris Compton looked much improved from last year. Don Fergusson and the effervescent Charlie McDowell kept the spectators in a happy mood.

Coach Harry Broadbent's varsity grapplers officially swung into action this afternoon with the opening of the all-university championships. Tomorrow afternoon, the limb twisters will go at it again, and Thursday night the finals will be held. There seems to be considerably more interest in this sport than was exhibited last year, and it is hoped that a large crowd will be on hand to cheer on the finalists. The boys guarantee plenty of thrills and action. Just watching these bouts makes a man feel as though he's had his exercise for the week.

# Blue Routs Danville Team, 88-44, In Opener

## Pierson Scores 20 Points; Joe Auer Injured

Washington and Lee's Blue Comets jumped into an early lead, and although derailed momentarily at the start of the second half ran over the overaged Danmasters of Danville, 88 to 44 to officially inaugurate the 1947 basketball season last Saturday night in Doremus Gym.

As it was expected, the Generals relied largely upon their speed and it was in this department that the difference in the two teams was most noticeable. The play of the Blue could be termed as not bad, not good. The Danville team can not be used as a yardstick because of their age. The fast break was working well at times but sometimes it got too fast for the good of the club.

The win, however, was not without its drawbacks. Coach Carl Wise, previously faced with the problem of replacing Freddy Vinson, must now find someone to fill the shoes of Joe Auer, who suffered cuts above and below his left eye. He had to be taken to Roanoke where nine stitches were taken and will be out indefinitely.

Auer, who played at West Virginia in 1945, was the best man on the floor for the Generals in the first half. His floor play was noticeably outstanding and his ballhawking set up several fast breaks which resulted in baskets.

George Pierson, who scored 24 in his first game last year, hit the nets for a total of 20 last Saturday night to lead both sides in scoring. Freshman Bob Goldsmith dropped in 17 while acting Captain Steve Ulaki rang up 13. Auer scored nine points in the first half, including five for five at the foul line. Les Pugh at Hampden-Sydney last year, led the Danmasters with 16 points.

Ulaki got W. and L. off to a good start when he counted twice on a layup and a set shot. Bill Hailey counted from the corner and then Auer raised the count to 10 with a pair of foul shots, a layup, and a set shot. Pugh and Al Mathes both counted and then Goldsmith and Pierson sank four straight foul shots. Pugh got three straight before W. and L. found the net six times to run the score to 26-11. Cris Compton batted in a rebound and Halley and Chuck Tuzzio followed with seven points between them. Pierson, Auer, Howie Bratches, and Goldsmith rang up 8 to end the first half with the Generals out in front 36-18.

Coming back in the second half, the Danmasters counted 14 points

## Delta Tau Delta Nips KA 30-24; Kappa Sigma Drops the DU's by 24-14

One game has been played in each of the four intramural basketball leagues since December 2. The closest and most important game was between the KA's and the Deltas, two powerhouses in the B League. NFU, last year's champions, hasn't played its first game yet.

In the B League play on December 2, the Deltas, last year's runners-up, beat the KA's 30-25, although they had to come from behind to do it, since the KA's led 15-11 at the half. High scorer for the game was KA Whittaker with 12 points, followed by Corbin with 10 for the Deltas.

On December 3 the Kappa Sigs took possession of the C League with a 24-14 win over the DU's. No one man had a monopoly on the score of the game, in which the Kappa Sigs led all the way.

The next night the PIKA's chalked up the first victory in the D League with a 39-18 win over the ZBT's. The score was 18-3 at the half in favor of the PIKA's, who, led by Seal with 10 points, won easily.

The Phi Gams joined the SAE's at the top of League A with a 30-21 win over the Lambda Chi's on December 5. The score was tied 17-17 at the half, but the Phi Gams went on to win. Smith of the Phi Gams was high-point man of the game with eleven points.

to the General's singleton to come within five points of tying up the ball game. After that, however, the Generals, with Pierson hitting the hoop with regularity, moved into a commanding lead and were never threatened in running up 44 points in the latter half. Pierson led the way with sixteen of them to live up to his pre-game reputation while Wise experimented freely with the line-up.

There were several glaring weaknesses with the lack of height being the most noticeable. During the entire game, the Generals batted in only two rebounds, and this was against a team that did not have a capable man in the bucket. On one occasion, they had

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## Generals Meet Tenn. Tonight At Bristol

By BILL CLEMENTS

Washington and Lee's Blue basketball team will face three of the toughest opponents of its entire season as the quintet tangles with the University of Tennessee, Davidson and Clemson this week.

Today the Generals traveled to Bristol to meet a talent-laden Tennessee team, which has rolled over Lincoln Memorial University by a score of 56-41 and Milligan College, 76-31, in their two opening games of the season.

UT, which is rated second only to Kentucky in the Southeastern Conference, is coached by the former University of Indiana mentor, Emmett Lowery, who has emphasized speed and the fast break for his squad in early practices.

Friday the Big Blue will face Davidson in Charlotte, North Carolina. Davidson has won two victories so far this year. The Wildcats boast four returning lettermen headed by Buddy Cheeks, 6'3", all-state, pivot man who swished the grand total of 287 points through the nets last year. Four of the Davidson starting quintet are above six feet and will force the diminutive Generals to the limit to gain rebounds from the board.

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## Delts Battle NFU's for I-M Volleyball Title

Play for the intra-mural volleyball championship went into its final stages this week with the Delt six needing only a victory over NFU tonight to clinch the title.

If NFU upsets the league-leading Delts the tourney will be thrown into a three-way tie between these two teams and the KA's.

The powerful, once-beaten KA's gained new hope in their fight for the volleyball championship Monday night by defeating the Betas, 15-3, 8-15 and 15-11.

In the first game KA captured a five-point lead early in the contest. Then, after dropping, they took ten straight for the 15-3 victory.

Beta came back hard in the second game, however, looking like an entirely different team. Good setting and a consistent defence gave the Red Square aggregation an early lead which they held the remainder of the game.

The third and deciding game was a thriller from start to finish. KA jumped to the lead, but Beta lost no time in catching them. Then the lead changed hands several times before the KA's surged forward to take the game and the match.

Throughout the game, Blackburn, KA, was a standout with his hard, consistent spiking and well-placed setting. Fox and McCor-

mick also played well for the victors.

Beta, relying on stellar defensive play during most of the match was sparked by Early at the net with Waters doing some fine setting.

If NFU beats the Delts tonight, the tournament will be thrown into a three-way tie between KA, NFU and the Deltas. If the Delt bunch wins tonight, they will be crowned tournament champions.



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Tuesday, January 20 9:00 a.m.	All classes in Block D—T.T.S. 9:20, except as otherwise scheduled
Tuesday, January 20 2:00 p.m.	All classes in Block F—T.T.S. 10:15, except as otherwise scheduled
Wednesday, January 21 9:00 a.m.	All classes in Block H—T.T.S. 11:10, except as otherwise scheduled
Wednesday, January 21 2:00 p.m.	All classes in Psychology 101 and Commerce 205
Thursday, January 22 9:00 a.m.	All classes in Block J—T.T.S. 12:05, except as otherwise scheduled
Thursday, January 22 2:00 p.m.	All classes in English 1 and History 107
Friday, January 23 9:00 a.m.	All classes in Block A—M.W.F. 8:25, except as otherwise scheduled
Friday, January 23 2:00 p.m.	All classes in Economics 101 and Economics 219
Saturday, January 24 9:00 a.m.	All classes in Block C—M.W.F. 9:20, except as otherwise scheduled
Saturday, January 24 2:00 p.m.	All classes in French 1 and French 151
Monday, January 26 9:00 a.m.	All classes in Block E—M.W.F. 10:15, except as otherwise scheduled
Monday, January 26 2:00 p.m.	All classes in Mathematics 3 and Political Science 101
Tuesday, January 27 9:00 a.m.	All classes in Block G—M.W.F. 11:10, except as otherwise scheduled
Tuesday, January 27 2:00 p.m.	All classes in English 151 and English 157
Wednesday, January 28 9:00 a.m.	All classes in Block I—M.W.F. 12:05, except as otherwise scheduled
Wednesday, January 28 2:00 p.m.	All classes in Spanish 1, Spanish 151, German 1, and German 151
Thursday, January 29 9:00 a.m.	All classes in Block B—T.T.S. 8:25, except as otherwise scheduled
Thursday, January 29 2:00 p.m.	All classes in History 1 and Accounting 101

The hours for examinations in the Academic, Commerce and Science Schools are 9:00-12:00 and 2:00-5:00. Any student more than five minutes late for an examination must present a satisfactory reason for lateness to be allowed to take the examination.

#### Law Fraternities

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said. Stan Williams will discourse on taxation at the next meeting.  
A convention of member delegates of the American Association of Law Schools held in New York last summer, attention was called to the fact that only those students who wrote for the Law Review were receiving experience in writing about legal affairs. Porter continued.  
This condition to a great extent was responsible for the decision to hold a writing contest, he said. While still confined to members of Phi Alpha Delta, eligibility to enter the contest will be extended to the entire Law School student body in the near future.

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#### First Glee Club Concert Will Be Given, Dec 12

In their first public performance of the season, the Washington and Lee Glee Club will present a concert in Lee Chapel Friday evening, December 12, at 8:15.  
The program will include a group of piano solos by Dr. James G. Leyburn, dean of the University.  
The Glee Club renditions include secular and religious numbers as well as a group of Christmas carols. Professor Paul Meadows, director of the club, will be heard in solo, singing "Cantique de Noel." Mr. Meadows is a former member of the famed Fred Waring glee club and soloist with leading choral groups in New York and Louisville.  
The concert is open to the public, with no admission charges.

#### White Friars Vote Support To Scholarship Plan

The White Friars, honorary sophomore society, solidly supported the Washington and Lee Student Scholarship Fund at its regular Thursday meeting, Cub Bear, President, revealed and said that the vote of the organization on this subject was practically unanimous.  
Announcing their plans for the future, Bear stated that the organization is planning a cocktail party for Saturday, January 31, during Fancy Dress week-end.

The party will be for members, their dates and guests. Final arrangements are not definite, however, and the time, place and formality of the affair will be announced in the near future.  
Also on last Thursday's agenda was a plan by the group to design "bigger and better" keys for the members. This idea is in its early stages, too.  
The other campus honorary sophomore society, PAN, has no definite plans for activities at the present time, President Dick Yankee said. He added that the campus will "undoubtedly witness a great deal of activity on the part of this organization next semester."

#### Fancy Dress

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too soon after Openings to expect immediate cooperation, Snelgrove stated that another week will probably see an appreciable increase in sales.  
Pi Phi's Ed Pickett reported 8 sales from the 24 members and expects at least 50 per cent of the Pi Phi's to commit themselves before the deadline.  
Shep Zinovoy, in charge of ticket sales, said that he would present a report at the next meeting.

#### "Front Page"

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there appear to pass the toughest characters in the world: tarts, scrubwomen, society dames, reporters, cops and criminals.  
Technical direction for "The Front Page" is performed by old-time Troubadour Charlie Lemon, who pulled "Angel Street," final production of last season, out of a tough lighting problem with a Rube Goldberg invention that kept the entire cast feeling somewhat jumpy through the night.  
"This year," Lemon says, "we finally have managed to get a rheostat that is a lot safer and more efficient. But we always have some problem or other."  
Publicity Director Fred Holley, who is assisted by John French, Jack Hardesty and Bill Gregory, told reporters today that "the Troubadours have been and still are working under the worst conditions imaginable."  
"All we need is sanitary facilities, a sufficient heating system, a new set of lights and more room, and we'll be able to put bigger and better shows each year. The theatre right now is in pitiful condition during rehearsals, although it will be perfectly comfortable for spectators during the five nights that the play is put on."

#### Danville Game

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four chances to bat the ball in and finally lost it. This will have to be remedied before the big ones roll around.  
Tonight the Blue Comets move into big time competition when they take on the University of Tennessee at Bristol. They are not ready for them and the loss of Auer added to Vinson complicates matters no end. Tennessee is year in and year out one of the better teams in the country and this year the sportswriters have tabbed them as darkhorses in the Southeast, a conference that includes mighty Kentucky.

#### Basketball Preview

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Clemson will be the last hurdle for the Blue five on Saturday night. The Tigers' offense is centered around Halshouser, their 6'6" bucket wizard whose stellar play off the board netted him 235 points last season.  
Clemson will also be looking for a win in retaliation for last year's 103-54 defeat at the hands of the Generals, which set an all-time Southern Conference scoring high.

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