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## Davis 'Pleased' As 300 Register For Fancy Dress

### Married Students May Have Services Of 30 Baby Sitters

Nearly 300 students have registered for costumes for the 1948 Fancy Dress Dance set and approximately that many have signed up for advance tickets, Ralph Davis, President of the forthcoming Fancy Dress Ball, announced today.

Davis said that a few more students had registered for costumes than had signed up for the advance ticket sale. He attributed this difference to the fact that many married students will go to the Fancy Dress Ball and will pay the \$10 admission price at the door.

The set president said that he was pleased with the progress of both the advance sales and the costume registration so far, and expressed the belief that ticket sales and costume measurements would rise abruptly after the holidays.

Joe Vicars, vice president in charge of costumes, told the Fancy Dress committee that about 125 students signed up for costumes on Monday and Tuesday of this week. While Vicars did not have the exact figures at the time he presented his report, he said that the 125 students represented "a conservative estimate."

The costume chairman announced that the final dates on which selection of costumes could be made would be Monday and Tuesday, January 12 and 13. Vicars said that he anticipated "a rush business" on these dates because he felt that a substantial number of the student body would get dates for the social event while at home for Christmas.

"As January 12 and 13 are the final dates on which we can accept measurements," Vicar said, "I urge that all students get their dates when at home over the holidays and be ready to hand in the measurements upon their return to school."

"The measurements necessary for girls will be height, bust, waist and length of skirt to floor."

### Zinovoy Pleased

Shep Zinovoy, vice-president in charge of ticket sales, revealed to the Fancy Dress Committee that advance ticket sales had exceeded 250, which he termed a "most gratifying return." Zinovoy, like Vicars, said that he expected a decided increase in ticket sales during the first week following the Christmas vacations.

The Chairman of the ticket sales reminded members of his committee of the prize to the house with the highest percentage of tickets sold. The prize will be \$20 worth of records.

Zinovoy emphasized that the \$20 worth of records would go to the

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## Assimilation Committee Reports Only 14 Violations Of Rules During Entire Semester

A check through the activities of the Assimilation Committee in the past four months shows that there have been approximately 14 violations brought before the Committee.

Eight of the violations were from failure to comply with the conventional dress rules and the failure to speak on the campus. There were only two infractions of the freshman cap rule while the rule was enforced.

Judge Rhea, SAE, chairman of the committee announced that there have been no violations in

### A Christmas Message From Dr. Gaines

To my greetings for the season, I wish to add an assurance of my admiration and my appreciation. Thus far, I am confident, the session has been memorably fine. I thank all the boys for good work and for displaying to the world, individually and collectively, the qualities of the man of honor. I hope the students realize that only my duties to the larger future of this University have taken me abroad so much this fall; I venture to express my peculiar regret that one of these engagements in a distant city denies me the privilege of being at our little Christmas service, which I have always loved. May every Washington and Lee man have a holiday of safety and of joy, of inspiration and of deep renewals of faith.

Francis P. Gaines  
President

## Group Discusses Leyburn Plan

The Faculty Discussion Group met Thursday night in the Student Union. In addition to the faculty members there were present a small group of students chosen to represent the Student Body. There should have been more students there. They would have enjoyed it. It is not often that the undergraduates have the opportunity to blow off steam to their professors. They had this opportunity Thursday night, and the professors liked it.

The principal topic for discussion was the "Leyburn Plan." The faculty had discussed this plan among themselves and were interested in the student reaction to it. They got it, or at least a small part of it. Fred Vinson opened the informal discussion by asking if the Dean's effort to raise the scholastic standards would result in filling the school with lovers of classical music and statuary. He emphasized the point that scholastic activities are of primary importance in a liberal education, but that other functions are also necessary for the complete development of a well-rounded individual.

The question of afternoon classes was next raised. However, the students were told not to worry, the faculty does not want that kind of a schedule either. The discussion then moved to the all-important question of parallel reading. Is it necessary, and does it prevent the student from concentrating on text book material? Many views were explained and criticized; many systems and improvements were suggested; and although no definite conclusions were reached, history students and others may still count on their usual five hours per week.

In further clarifying his plan, Dean Leyburn expressed the feeling that the advanced student should be treated as an adult. He should not be required to take certain fixed subjects, but rather be allowed to develop his own interests under his individual initiative. This objective may be accomplished by permitting the juniors and seniors to schedule fewer hours. They may then devote their time primarily to in-

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## Palestine Speech To Be Given Here

The Rev. Malcolm R. Sutherland, Jr., minister of the Thomas Jefferson Unitarian Church, of Charlottesville, will speak on Palestine at the January 9 meeting of the Christian Council, according to Mr. James L. L. Price, Director of Religious Activities.

In addition to his religious activities in Charlottesville, Reverend Sutherland has been active in social work, slum-clearance and public housing administration.

During the war he served as regional supervisor of the Farm Security Administration in the mid-West.

He is a member of the Virginia Conference of Social Work and the Ministerial Association of Charlottesville.

As an undergraduate student, he held the presidencies of the Student Christian Association, State Christian Association, and the Lake Geneva Conference of WMCA.

Reverend Sutherland received his Bachelor of Divinity degree from the University of Chicago, after receiving his Bachelor of Arts degree from Miami University (Ohio) and his Master's from Western Reserve University.

He is a member of the Phi Delta Theta social fraternity.

## Spring Dance V Ps Named By Murphy

Spring Dances President Paul Murphy has named the following students as Vice Presidents of the Set: Bernard Kaplan, Publicity; Decorations, Tom Pressley; Tickets, Jim Morehead; and Housing, Charles Weeks.

Murphy noted that Dance Board regulations say that Spring Dances and Finals will have to be small dances if Fancy Dress is not a financial success. He said further that he would not be able to make decisions concerning the band until after Fancy Dress.

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## Local Last Resort Reserve Corps Celebrates 'Battle Of The Bulge' Day

Amid the cheers of the throngs of onlookers, Senator John McWhorter arrived in town late yesterday afternoon to attend Bulge Day ceremonies of the local unit of the Last Resort Reserve Corps held in Red Square.

Flanked by Secret Service agents, McWhorter and his party including General John McCausland and Lynwood King made their way across the field to greet the assembled troops. Saying that he was for all veterans and that he loved veterans, the famed legislator greeted the crowd before he began his inspection.

During the inspection, McWhorter greeted each man warmly and asked him how he was getting along in the service. All were reminded that next year was an

## Troubadours Announce

# Contest To Select Best Original Student Play

### Leyburn Plan Vetoed By Forensic Union In Heated Argument By Vote Of 17-10

With James Taylor debating the negative side of the topic "Resolved, that Dean Leyburn's plan be accepted at Washington and Lee University," the Forensic Union last week voted 17-10 in favor of Taylor's arguments and 14-13 against acceptance of the plan in its entirety.

Joe Kling debated the affirmative viewpoint for the Federalist Party.

Taylor presented three principal points in his opposition to the plan. He contended that freshmen should not be allowed to choose their studies for their first year because of their immaturity and lack of a definite study plan for the future.

He argued that a reduced number of courses in the junior and senior years—as the plan advocates—might be disapproved by leading graduate schools.

His third contention was that the plan would not prepare a student to make a living.

In his affirmative arguments, Kling asserted that the plan would raise the standards of education at the University. He added that comprehensive examinations would afford the student a better outlook in the field of his major.

A closer relation between the professor and student would be a result of the plan, he contended.

Kling's last point was that the plan would put more emphasis on student initiative in learning.

## Scholarship Fund Committee Meets

A meeting of student leaders, representing most of the fraternities and school organizations, was held Monday evening, December 15. John Fox announced recently.

The meeting was called by the Student Memorial Scholarship Fund Committee which is working to set up a scholarship fund of \$10,000 this year.

This committee is composed of chairman John Fox, Sigma Nu; Fred Vinson, Beta; Add Lanier, Beta; Dick Working, Phi Kap; Earl Vickers, Lambda Chi; Charlie McDowell, S. A. E.; and Fred Loeffler, Sigma Nu.

The entire group took part in a round table discussion, each representative expressing both the views of his organization and his own personal opinion. The difficulties encountered by this plan thus far are twofold.

Fox stated, first, the students are not acquainted with the plan, failing to realize that the student body itself is the final judge in the number and type of scholarships to be awarded, and second, there is some opposition from persons that think \$10,000 is too high a sum to attempt to raise in one year.

## Debate Council Holds Meeting

The Washington and Lee Debating Council held its first preliminary debate Wednesday in the Student Union, the first in a series of competitive debates to be held to decide who will be the varsity debating team at W&L when the current season opens after the holidays.

The debate was conducted under the Oregon system where members of the opposite sides cross examine one another at the conclusion of the constructive speeches. Debating on the Subject Resolved that a world federation government should be established were:

Affirmative—Alex Andrews, Charlie Farrington, and Ed Turner. The Negative side consisted of Sol Wachter, Dick Boggs, and Tom Glass.

Dr. Foster, debate coach, said that this was not necessarily the team that would represent W&L in inter-collegiate debates. Tryouts will continue after the holidays and a team will be announced at that time. He stressed that anyone interested in debate should contact him or Jerry Henderson, chairman of the council, as soon as possible.

### NOTICE

Students who have not turned in their Fancy Dress fittings are reminded that January 12 and 13 are positively the last dates that these measurements will be taken. Everyone is urged to make necessary arrangements while home on vacation.

## Five Hundred Hear Gyorgy Sandor's Bach-To-Debussy-To-Beethoven Concert At V M I

Approximately five hundred people heard pianist Gyorgy Sandor present the second of the current Rockbridge Concert-Theater series programs in '94 Hall at VMI, last Monday night.

Opening the program with Bach-Batok's Vivace, Sandor continued with the Sonata in C minor, Opus 13, of Beethoven. He ended the first part of the concert with three of Chopin's works: Valse Brillante in E Flat Major, Etude in F Major, Opus 10, and Polonaise in A Flat Major.

Following the intermission, Sandor presented Mendelssohn's Etude in F Major, and Song without Words, in honor of the hundredth anniversary of the composer's death. Sandor then rendered Funerailles, by Liszt, and Feux d'artifice by Debussy. He concluded the program with his own transcription of The Sorcerer's Apprentice which was written by Dukas as a symphonic poem. Mr. Sandor made this transcription in 1943 while stationed at W&L in the Army School for Special Services.

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## Merry Christmas

"Peace on earth, good will to men," sang the angels nearly two thousand years ago. This familiar phrase, which has opened the Christmas celebration to us each season since our childhood, seems a mockery today.

The greatest war of all time has left in its wake want, misery, starvation and worst of all bankrupt souls. Hatred flares and lives are taken in the land where these words were first heard. Meetings of the four great powers in the world end with nothing accomplished. We have a peace that is not a peace.

Yet in spite of all these things, this is not a season for cynicism or despair. The Christmas spirit is not tied to material things. Christmas was first given to an oppressed people under foreign domination. Today Christmas can live in the hearts of people everywhere. The spirit of Christmas can make the darkest days bright and bring happiness and courage to the most wretched of people.

Christmas is a time for rejoicing. It is a time when everyone should count their blessings, give what they can and lay aside their troubles for a period. Christmas has always meant a time for renewing of spirit for the tasks that lay ahead. This year, as in many years past, our tasks seem very great. Christmas can, as always, help us to bring renewed hope to these tasks.

To students, Christmas has a special meaning. It is a free time when contacts are renewed with the outside world. Free from the restrictions of pursuing an education, it is a period of delightful relaxation. Refreshed and renewed they can return after the holidays with a new vigor

## Just In Passing

One problem which we have heard discussed widely in connection with the Leyburn Plan has been the situation of extracurricular activities if such a plan were to go into effect.

As far as we can see, there need be no curtailment of either interest or activity in such fields of interest as the Troubadours, the Glee Club, or any other similar organizations devoted to ends that might be broadly construed as "cultural," though the term is unsatisfactory.

A key point in the program suggested by Dean Leyburn is the emphasis he would place on the interest of the student in what he is doing rather than in the credits he is getting for it. Both the Troubadours and the Glee Club are activities which have yearly attracted a considerable variety of talent in spite of the fact that no academic credit of any sort is given for participation in them. Both of them are educational and cultural in the broadest sense of the terms.

What should happen to this sort of activity is obvious. There should be much closer support from the University Administration, both financially and to the extent of having perhaps, departments on music and drama which could be welded into the sort of unity Dean Leyburn suggests that the student attain in his four years of college education.

## By Fred Holley

The present situation as to University support is pitiful. And it is a question of interest as much as it is one of support. Both organizations and others similar to them such as the International Relations Club, the Literary Societies and many others.

The position of campus publications is no problem. Already they provide a useful and valuable laboratory for students of journalism.

The real problem is that of the position of such organizations as Pi Alpha Nu, White Friars and the Thirteen Club. These groups have to date performed no useful function since we can remember. The other day the Ring-tum Phi carried a story to the effect that none of them, we forget which, not only voted unanimously to support the Student Body War Memorial Scholarship, but also, in a wave of magnanimity, voted themselves "bigger and better keys."

All this year we have heard repeated assurances that these organizations are really going to make some contribution to campus life for a change. So far as we can see, the plan consists largely of "bigger and better keys" for members.

Other colleges have revolted quite violently against the existence of useless organizations. From time to time there have been similar campaigns on this campus, unsuccessful.

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and a clearer vision of the goals that are being sought.

Christmas has many different meanings for many different people. May each of us find during this period the greatest good it can provide. As you go to your homes throughout the land, take with you our very best wishes for A Merry Christmas to all.

W.B.P.

## Letter To Mr. Gates

Mr. Bob Gates

Ring-tum-Phi

Lexington, Virginia

Dear Mr. Gates:

Your article entitled "Jabo's Right Behind Me," which appeared in the Ring-tum Phi of September 30th has just come to our attention. Naturally, we are delighted that our product is available at the Kappa Sigma Fraternity House at the University of Richmond, as reported in your article. Such references to the trade-marks of this Company are not only complimentary but they are really valuable in enhancing the popularity and prestige of our product.

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Cordially yours,  
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## Loeffler's Sad Christmas Tale: He Interviews S. Claus Who Burdens Him, Not With Presents, But With Woes

### By FRED LOEFFLER

A weary traveler dropped into our wretched lodgings last night, pushed aside some of the debris and collapsed onto a pile of old newspapers. It looked like Canclimo at first, but on closer examination the visitor turned out to be a fat old guy with a big white beard and dressed in a red suit.

"Tings, to coin a phrase sonny, are in bad shape," he moaned. "I've been in dis Sany Claus business for a long time, but dis is de woist dat I've seen," the fat one said with a sigh. It was a tale of woe, and no one would help. He'd been to see Lea Booth, Fred Holley and Bob Gates.

Booth was making a telephone call to the Batavia, Java, TRIBUNE and couldn't be bothered. Judge Holley was not in the Corner Store, and Cap'n Bob kept muttering something about a bulge and kept waving a red hat all the time.

"Sonny, you're the world's greatest stooge, the local Available Jones, and even though a second rate wheel, you can give me a hand, you know what I mean. They all want too much this year. Not only have I got to pass out candy to those br- excuse me kiddies up on Main Street, but I've got a mile long list."

The rotund redcoat had a list rolled up on an old telephone cable reel. He pushed an old packing case aside and passed the start of it over for scrutiny. It consisted of various letters pasted together, and included several letters from the Veteran's Administration explaining why Mr. S. Claus hadn't been getting his 52-20 checks.

## Campus Comment

### By SPENCE MORTON

As we leave the old campus for Christmas and the approaching New Year, with the Charm Factories standing idle 'till the lovely ladies return, we hear the beat of little feet homeward bound.

### Once and For All—

To settle the age-old question on the Civil War, or the War Between the States, you take your choice, your correspondent will attempt to brief you all for the Christmas season when going Yankee Land. It all happened when General Robt. E. Lee stopped at Appomattox for the evening, after a hard day in battle, to secure a room and bath at the best hotel. He had turned his faithful horse Traveler over to a stable boy, when upon entering the hotel lobby, he spotted a doorman dressed up in braid. General Lee turned and said, "Here boy, take my sword to my room." Well, the doorman turned out to be General Grant and the war was over—or was it?

### Long Way Around—

A friend sent us this following self-explanatory letter from his girl friend:

### Dear Mouse;

Thank you so much for the lovely birthday present. The Slippers were just what I needed to do dancing in, only they were a trifle too small, so I'm sending them back to you. Now, if you could get them in another style and color, that would be all right, too. That is, if it wouldn't be too much trouble. Or, as a matter of fact, a blouse would be very nice instead. Size 36, same as my measurements for Fancy Dress.

Thanks again for your thoughtfulness.

Love,

Hortense

### Love is Grand—

Leigh Smith pinned Beverly Briggs, copy girl on the Washington STAR Sunday night at the DU house after a whirlwind week end. Monday in journalism, he was asked to write a short personal about himself to go in the home town paper for the Christ-

The Flat Wheel Society wanted special keys this year. They had to be equipped with neon lights that read—For Acknowledged lack of leadership. The keys also were to have a built in bottle opener and ice pick and were to be given to each of the Vice-Presidents. That gang, it might be worth noting, has more Vice-Presidents than Fancy Dress—if that could be possible.

Farther on down the Christmas request scroll were some from fraternities. The Auto Club wanted 57 new convertibles, all cream with chrome trim. A flood project was high on the Beta list. The DUs had put in a bus line from their place to the campus, and the Kappa Sigs thought that they should be included in on Roanoke's new expansion program.

By now the list had completely covered the old laundry. The guest pointed to the next items saying, "ain't the half of it sonny; look at these."

Charley McDowell couldn't keep all his many engagements and newspaper deadlines. Choo-Choo's letter asked for a combination memo book and alarm clock—that way he'd be reminded a little better.

"Give a look at de list I got from Fran Russell," the old gent said pointing to a 46 page letter. Heading the list were a rhyming dictionary, a book of smart questions and bright answers and an atlas. It seems he has to find new places for 56 Phi Kaps to go on weekends.

"Where am I going to get all this junk from anyway? Have you any idea where you could get a 40 foot neon sign that would spell out the RAFFE DAVIS MEMORIAL DELICATESSEN. He also

wants a lapel vase to keep his carnation fresh. I'm telling yuz, sonny, there never has been a year like this one—where and what is a potlatch—Dan Pinck wants one what ever it is."

The list already knee-deep on the floor contained a request from some freshmen. They wanted some polka dot T-shirts to wear over at the co-op. Scurvy Malone wanted a megaphone. A microphone was needed by Fred Vinson so that he could make some fireside chats to the troops and then there was somthing about a library. Jim Morehead requested a briefcase and an alarm clock. Crisco Compton pleaded for a book on Dance Set Figure Leading.

"Well, Sonny, you can see what I'm up against. Some of this stuff can't be had, not even under the Leyburn Plan. Some Phi Deltas want a book that gives advice on keeping an orderly room. Where am I going to get an escalator for Ken Wacker? He wants one built from Red Square to Newcomb Hall.

Santa Claus started picking up his list. "Say," he asked, "Do you know where I can get a burglar alarm system?" He said Mr. Mattingly wanted one. Santa noted that perhaps they were taking one out of the Peoples Bank or maybe just pulling a job.

"Sonny, it's just getting too gross, that's all," he said pushing aside a pile of old magazines. "I've got a few others to worry about yet. You ought to see what Dr. Gaines, Dean Leyburn and Ad Lanier want."

"Merry Christmas, Santa Claus!"

"Ah, yur mudder wears combat boots!"

## Restaurant Owner Is Balkan War Vet, Native Of Greece

### By BRUCE WOODRUFF

There is more to this fellow Steve Neofotis than meets the eye.

Have you ever noticed the gold ring on Steve's left hand? It signifies that he is a member of the Royal Arcanum. There are 48 members, one per state, and Steve holds the honor of being the Virginia member. He is also a veteran of the Balkan Wars and once took a ride from Paris to the battlefield in a taxi during the first World War.

When Steve came from Sparta, Greece, to New York City in 1915, he took a job in a restaurant and began to learn the business. After the war, he was in a position to inaugurate his first diner, get married, and become the father of five children.

He soon had diners all over Long Island; but during the depression business was poor for some reason, and, upon the death of his wife and two children, he closed the diners and came to Virginia.

After seeing Natural Bridge, he decided that Lexington was the place to start anew. With fifty cents in his pocket, he negotiated a bank loan to move from Long Island the diner which now stands at the foot of Main Street.

Since then Steve has become (Continued on page 4)

### AT W & L

### FRED RUSH

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Fred says:

I like the satisfaction derived from every draw, and they are easy on the throat, too.

### Voted Tops!

Chesterfield the largest selling cigarette in America's colleges (by Nation-wide survey.)

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# Sports

Ring-tum Phi

**Generalizing . . .**

By JOHNSON McREE

The Yuletide season approaches and soon thereafter we run head on into the various bowl contests.

Millions will pack the nation's major New Year's Day pigskin attractions to view most of the season's finest grid aggregations for the last time this season, and many stars will be adding their final-collegiate twinkle to the glow of the grand old game.

Down New Orleans way fans will have the privilege of watching two of the nation's finest tossers vie in a game which promises to be a thriller from start to finish. Both Texas' Bobby Layne and Alabama's Harry Gilmore will be playing their last college ball game and you can bet that both teams want this game for that and numerous other reasons. Lots of scoring will take place on both sides, but we'll string along with the Longhorns by a bare margin.

Out in the fabulous Tournament of Roses, Michigan's powerful Big Nine champions, considered by many the best in the wide expanse of this old nation, meet the Pacific Coast leaders, the Trojans of Southern Cal. Such as Bob Chapuis and Bump Elliott will be leading the undefeated and untied Wolverines while USC boasts such stellar performers as Gene Cleary and John Ferraro. No quarter will be given here and in view of the defeat Leahy's Irishmen hung on the LA county lads, Fritz Grisler's warriors will be out to do their opponents in by a large score. We'll take Michigan by three touchdowns.

Deep in the Florida sunshine of Miami's Orange festival, Coach Bobby Dodd will bring his once-beaten Ga. Tech Engineering demons up against the Kansas U. Big Six champions. Here again, the stars of the current campaign are destined to romp. Tech will have All-American Bob Davis operating from the tackle slot while Kansas will star Ray Evans, another All-American and the back most sought after by the pros for next season's activity. Watch for Kansas to upset Ga. Tech by two touchdowns.

In the Cotton Bowl down in Dallas, Penn State's undefeated and unbroken combo bring their eastern tactics to meet the undefeated champs of the Southwest Conference, Southern Methodist. The home boys feature the all-around ability of Sophomore Doak Walker, to many minds the best back to covet on a football field this season while the Keystone starters depend on a big, fast line built around Guard Steve Suhey and a steady array of capable backfield stalwarts. Can't see the easterners taking the southwesterners brand of pigskin antics—SMU by

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CARLTON D. JOHNSON

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Carlton says:

"After a long day of classes and work, I smoke my 'Chesty' to relax. My girl smokes them, too!"

Voted Tops!

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**Phi Kaps Win, 31-17  
For Season's First**

In one of the final pre-holiday intramural basketball games, the Phi Kaps Tuesday night handed the DUs their second defeat, 31-17. It was the first Phi Kap win, following their loss to Beta, 32-35, and DU's second setback.

The action throughout was fast and furious, but the issue never in doubt. Jim McDonald and Chuck Iolt put their team well ahead in the opening moments. The DUs managed to bring the score to 1-7 at the half, but the Phi Kaps pulled away after halftime as Fauck and McDonald tallied repeatedly. Ollie Carter and "Rat" Ral could not offset Phi Kaps' edge in floorwork and shooting. Bob Mauek and Jim McDonald each had ten points for the Phi Kaps; Wildman and Carter led the DUs with five apiece.

**Jim Lukens Wins Fletcher Award**

Slender Jim Lukens, hailing from Swarthmore, Penna., last Wednesday night became the first man to receive the Forest Fletcher Memorial Trophy, to be presented annually to the best trackman at Washington and Lee.

The trophy was presented to Lukens, who was the high scorer of the 1947 squad, by Mrs. Fletcher, widow of the greatest track coach ever to coach at W&L and one of the best in the nation through the years. Fletcher coached at Washington and Lee from 1914 until his death in 1945.

50 touchdown.

Birmingham's inaugural Dixie pits the powerful Big Green of William and Mary against Arkansas. Jack Cloud leads the way for the fast-flying Virginians while Clyde Scott is Arkansas' big threat. Forced to stick with that Big Green power by one touchdown.

Florida's southern exposure plays host to another promising Gator Bowl contest pitting Maryland against the bulldogs of Wally Butts. Maryland's Lu Gambino ranks high among the nation's backs, but Georgia's stamina will tell in the end. Georgia to win this one by two touchdowns.

Another initial Bowl matches Southeastern titlists Mississippi and the Horned Frogs of Texas Christian in Memphis. Ole Miss, with a starting battery of Charley Connerly and Barney Poole, rates a seven-point nod over TCU.

Here's hoping for better luck on the premier 1948 contests. Happy Christmas and a Merry New Year. So long 'till we open the gate on '48.

**Rejuvenated Generals Upset Terps, 70-64;  
Bob Goldsmith Leads Blue With 17 Points****Blue Meets Duke  
In SC Go Tonight  
In Lynchburg**

By BRUCE SWAIN

After sputtering but failing to explode through the first four games of their schedule, Washington and Lee's Blue Comets made Doremus Gym jump last Wednesday night as they turned back a favored Maryland five, 70-64, giving them a 2-1 record in Southern Conference play to date.

It was a different team from the one that left W&L for the recent Tarheel tour. It was the same speed-laden team but this time out they displayed more drive and spirit than in any of their other games. The squad fought hard and they were on their toes most of the evening. Although the lack of height was still noticeable, the fight produced nearly an even split on the rebounds.

It would be impossible to single out a single star of the game. Rangy Bob Goldsmith led the way once more with a total of 17 points, which puts him nearly even with William and Mary's Chet Giermac in the state scoring race. He trailed Maryland's Bill Brown, however, who poured an even 20 points through the hoops.

Joe Auer and George Pierson, both of whom played scrappy floor games, were next in line with 13 points apiece. Acting-captain Steve Ulaki, while treating the spectators to some fancy faking, hit the baskets for 12 points. Big Don Fergusson, who played a bangup game under the basket, scored four field goals and Charley McDowell, playing a much better game than usual, completed the scoring with seven markers.

It was a nip and tuck battle all the way with the score even nine times, changing hands twelve times. It was a battle between two teams that were just about even in ability. The difference in the score came at the foul line, a place where the conscientious officials kept the game most of the time. The Generals were able to count 21 times at charity row while the Terps were only able to make nine or their good.

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It looked as if it might be Fergusson night, the way the game started. Johnny Edwards broke the ice with a two-pointer and Fergusson evened the score with a set shot. He then counted on a layup between a goal by Edwards and a pair of foul shots by Brown and Ed Waller. Fergusson sent W&L two points ahead with a pair of pretty hook shots. Al Lann broke in for a layup and then counted twice at the foul line, followed by Waller's tap-in of a rebound. Auer countered from the corner and made good two foul shots as compared to two foul shots and a jump shot by Brown. Goldsmith counted on a pivot shot and then Pierson broke the scoring ice with a pretty leaping push

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**Turkey Day Game  
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Four Starting Generals From W. Va.**

Plans for the annual Thanksgiving Day football game with the University of Richmond were unanimously approved yesterday by the Athletic Committee, according to Captain Dick Smith, Director of the University Athletics.

Immediately after the committee meeting yesterday morning, Captain Dick asserted that the success or failure of the project now rests with the student body opinion.

"We should like to have a Thanksgiving Day game and build up a rivalry," the director commented.

He added that the plans were originally introduced to Washington and Lee by the University of Richmond, and that the Richmond school is fully in favor of establishing the annual event.

This intended addition to Southern Conference tradition is a result of a decision by William and Mary College which asserted that the Indians will adopt a "Western" style schedule in the future of playing only on Saturdays, eliminating their annual game with Richmond on Turkey Day.

Since the William and Mary declaration came after the 1948 schedule had been drawn up, Richmond was forced to look for another Thanksgiving Day rival.

"Washington and Lee was the first school they turned to," Captain Dick stated.

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If a great many natives of West Virginia have suddenly shown an increase of interest in the fortunes of the Washington and Lee basketball squad, a reasonable explanation is that four of this year's starting five Generals basketeers were allowed to slip out of the hands of the state university there and on to the friendly hardwood of Doremus Gymnasium. With Bob Goldsmith, George Pierson, Steve Ulaki, and Joe 'Shining' Auer, all native West Virginians, currently the offensive and defensive standouts of the 1947-48 squad, a big vote of thanks is owed to our neighbors to the northwest who were so kind in their interest of the continuation of good basketball at Washington and Lee.

Also from Beckley (that town's colors, if any, must be blue and white) hails Steve Ulaki, the other half of W&L's returning regulars now in action. Ulaki, although hampered by a knee injury that requires four braces, was a consistent performer last year. Dead-

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**'Battle Of Bulge'**

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campus characters as Jim Cantler, Carroll Foulkes, Bob Gates and Warren Merrin. One platoon consisting of Phi Kap Pledges was commanded by Jim Roberts. A two piece band provided music for the occasion.

After the review was over, the Senator left the scene followed by the cheers of the many spectators that had gathered to witness the ceremonies. He was to attend a reception given in his honor and plans to leave town sometime tomorrow.

Another member of the unit who took part in yesterday afternoon's festivities was Bulge Veteran Bill Trigg. The Senator was very cordial to him also. Bill Doswell and Jim Fane also took part in the review. Bandleader Ahern and his two piece band performed excellently under very trying circumstances.

Secret servicemen assigned to yesterday's McWhorter visit included such crack men as Jim McDonald, Don Marsh and Dr. George Schleich. Last night all enlisted men were guests at the Officer's Club.

**Discussion Group**

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Individual study which is to take the form of a thesis on some topic of particular interest to the student in his chosen field.

The ever-present question of the "sub-standard" athletes was thoroughly bandied about, and some interesting points of view brought to light. The entire meeting was conducted in an informal down-to-earth manner, and it was evident that the members of the faculty were very much interested in what the students had to say.

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**SATURDAY****Fancy Dress**

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houses having the highest percentage, not necessarily the greatest number of tickets sold.

Incomplete reports indicate that three fraternities in Red Square vie for first place as far as the number of tickets sold is concerned. The Phi Deltas seem to be in first place with approximately 35 pledges, and are followed closely by the Betas and Sigma Nu's with about 30 pledges each.

No mention was made of the other two fraternities in Red Square, the Phi Kaps and the Pi KA's, but Zinovoy said that he thought that the Pi KA's were in fifth place among the five houses.

**Baby Sitters Available**

Girls from the junior and senior grades in the Lexington High School will be available as baby sitters for all nights of the Dance set, Davis informed the committee.

He said that High School Principal Brockwell had furnished a list of 30 reputable young girls who would be able to sit with children of married students while the parents went to the dance. The service will cost between 25 and 30 cents an hour.

Married students planning on taking advantage of this service are urged to contact Mrs. O. W. McClintock at phone 3173.

Davis strongly suggested that all students make necessary arrangements while at home in order to sign up for costumes upon their return to the campus and to take advantage of the advance ticket drive which is scheduled to close early in January.

**Campus Comment**

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The service was filled with the Christmas spirit, a violin solo, and lots of attention when S.B.'s lovely thirty-two year old president spoke.

Out Morning Side Heights way, John Fox, ex-president of the student body and his family moved into their new five room home with bath. John says the welcome is extended after New Year's.

As we end this week, the faint echoes of last Saturday's four campus house parties still ring through the air. The DU house up on the hill was lighted by fire light, the PiKA house was filled with a gentle glow, the KA house rang with good fellowship, and the SAE lodge rocked with the beat of a fine colored band, to the tune of "How High the Moon."

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**Steve**

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renown for his business ability. He now has a farm on which he raises most of the food served at the diner and is building a tourist court which he intends to call either "Lee's Camp" or "Steve's Town."

He is also a contributor to charitable organizations, and every day for a week last year he gave fifty cents out of each dollar he took in at the diner to the Red Cross.

As a story-teller, Steve is unequalled. The next time you see him, ask him about the time the students blocked the street in front of the diner to hold a square dance; or the time a student talked to Hitler on his phone; or about the sociology professor who who used to take his classes to the diner and lecture to them over a glass of beer.

**Turkey Day Game**

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be able to see a W & L grid game as the highlight of the holiday.

With both the W & L Athletic Committee and the University of Richmond in full agreement with the idea, only financial details remain to be worked-out if the student body here gives its approval.

"We can always depend on good relationship with the University of Richmond," Captain Dick commented.

He asserted that Richmond has

an "up and coming team, and within two years the game should become one of the best rivalries in the state."

The new coach at the University of Richmond, formerly head coach at Portsmouth High school, is Dick Esleek. Russ Crane is the line coach.

Captain Dick stated that although Washington and Lee had always desired a Thanksgiving Day game, the VMI-VPI, William and Mary-Richmond games and others had inclined W & L to abstain.

If the plan is adopted, Washington and Lee will have an open date next October 2—the date we were originally scheduled to play Richmond. Captain Dick said that an opponent for that date has not yet been decided.

**W. Va. Netmen**

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ly accurate on long shots, he is a constant threat to any ball club. He racked up ten markers Saturday night, mostly from way out beyond the foul circle.

And to complete this quartet from "the mountain country" is Joe Auer, a Ruch Creek product. Auer, after starring for West Virginia University in his freshman year signed up for army duty and after discharge decided a change of schools was necessary. He came to join the General forces in their hours of darkness and promptly earned the nickname of

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shot. Ulaki counted on a foul to even the score at 17-17 at the 10-minute mark.

Auer's brace of foul shots, a set shot by Pierson, Ulaki's five points, and layups by Goldsmith and McDowell between baskets by Lann and Brown gave the Generals an eight point margin before the Terps were able to get going again. Four doubletons and a singleton and Goldsmith's jump shot narrowed the score to 31-30. A two-pointer by the West Virginia freshman on a fast break and a basket by Waller plus a foul shot by Bernie Smith evened the count at 33-all. Ulaki then gave the Blue Comets a two point lead at the half with a pair of foul shots.

Coming back after the half, Auer raised the lead by two with a swisher, but the visitors quickly regained it on a foul shot by Brown and layups by Waller and Lann. Auer, Brown, McDowell, Lann, Goldsmith, and Murray matched baskets before Goldsmith was able to even the count with a charity toss. Edwards was fouled while making a jump shot and chalked up three points before Goldsmith and Auer both connected. A set shot by Smith and a foul shot by Auer evened the count at 49-all. Pierson, Ulaki, Brown, and Waller traded baskets to raise the score to 53-53. That was the last time the score was even, for Pierson then made good on a push shot and the Gen-

erals were never headed again, continually building up their lead, mostly at the foul line.

Tonight the Generals take on Duke University. The Dukes have split even on two games with Virginia opponents, winning over Hampden-Sydney while losing to the Wahoos. The Generals still have lots of room for improvement but the show that they put on last Wednesday night was a definite step in the right direction. They are not yet at their best playing condition but they give lots of promise of winning some ball games.

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