

## Cotillion Formal Will Open Spring Set

### Hamilton, Wild, Beckner, Thomes Will Take Leads In 'Drink Deep'

#### Student Written Play Will Be Given in May, Director Gilbert Says

Under the management of Director Bob Gilbert, the Toubadours held tryouts last Tuesday night for all the parts in their last production of the year, "Drink Deep."

The play, which was written by W. and L. students Bernie Kaplan and Irwin Safchik, will be presented on the campus the first week in May.

The four leading roles in the production have been given to Sherry Hamilton, student wife star of last year; Dewitt Beckner, veteran Troub of the last two years; Leonard Wild, director of "Front Page"; and Russ Thomes, who has taken some part in all plays of the organization this year and last.

#### Minor Roles Assigned

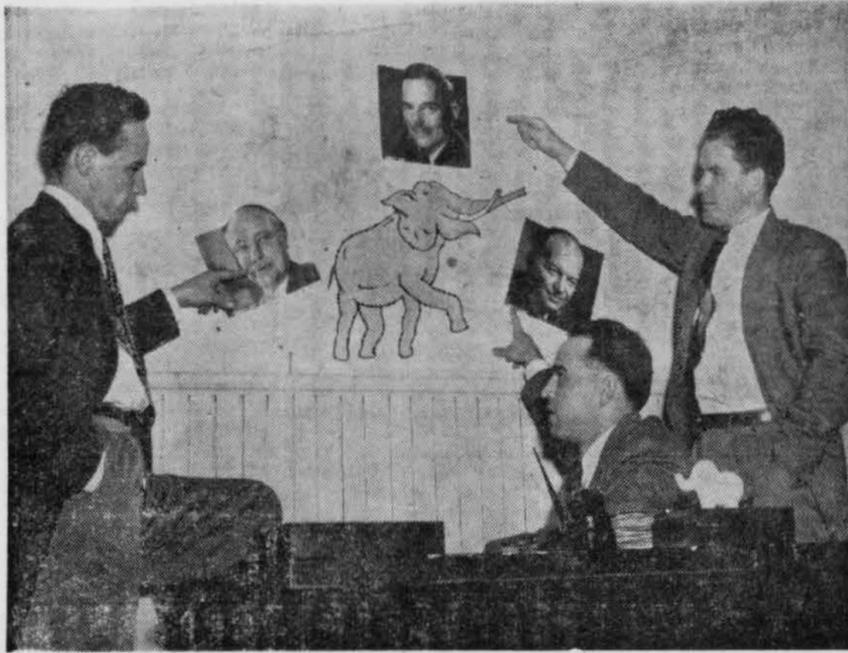
Two of the minor male roles will be portrayed by Joe Moffatt and Ev Easter, both of whom will be remembered for the parts they took in the first play of the year, "Front Page." Also appearing in a minor role will be Shorty Murray.

The three minor roles for girls are to be played by wives Mary Martin and Judy McNeer, and by Fairfield high school student Betty Anne Swink.

Rehearsals for the play began on Wednesday night and Director Gilbert has announced that the cast will be completely ready for presentation by the first week of next month.

The play is a story about life on a campus which might well be W. and L. or any other school in the country. It deals with the problems encountered, and the campus characters which go along with them.

The work was picked by the Executive Committee of the Troubs in connection with the plan which was laid last year for presenting the play a year which has been written by a student.



### Students Are Required To Attend Two Sessions of Mock Convention

Bev Fitzpatrick, Republican Mock convention general chairman, announced a list of temporary floor officials and corrections in the state delegations as published in the March 23 Ring-tum Phi.

Jack Coulter was appointed convention secretary with Jack Taylor, Stan Sacks, Damon Yerkes and Hugh Verano as assistants.

#### Other Officials Named

Chief sergeant at arms, Bill Chipley and Mike Boyda and Ed Thomas, assistants.  
Parliamentarians: Dr. Olinger Crenshaw, Mr. R. N. Latture and Mr. J. H. Williams.  
Official Reporter, Walter Potter; assistant, Jerry Hoken; chief doorkeeper, Dick Working, Jim Lukens, assistant; assistant sergeant at arms in charge of the press, Owen Easley.  
Chaplains: Dr. William Morton, Mr. David C. Wright and Mr. James Price.

Jim Harmon, chairman of the state delegations committee, urged all students to check a list of delegation corrections and additions contained in this story.

"All state chairmen and students should check the list of corrections, deletions and additions to state delegations because it is important that each state's roster be correct at the convention," Harmon said.

Attendance records for the registrar's office will be turned in by the state chairmen for compulsory sessions, the delegations chairman explained.

All state chairmen will meet Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Washington Chapel to make final changes in their delegate lists. Each chairman should bring five typewritten copies of his delegation list to the meeting, Harmon said.

A list of state delegation delegations, corrections and additions follows:  
The following men are deleted from their respective delegations and placed in the convention

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WHICH ONE?—Student officials of Washington and Lee's Mock GOP nominating convention, which begins next Tuesday, try to pick the candidate who will carry the Republican colors into the presidential campaign next fall.

### John A. Graham To Be Honored

#### Late Composer's Works To Be Performed Here

Local and out-of-town musicians will take part in a music festival in Lexington May 1 in honor of the late John Alexander Graham, Professor at W. and L. from 1919 until 1947.

During the afternoon nationally known concert artists will perform some of Mr. Graham's compositions before an invited audience in Lee Chapel.

In the evening several of these musicians, with members of a community chorus, will sing Gabriel Faure's Requiem at a public program in the Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Graham, a graduate of Washington and Lee, taught romance languages here from 1919 until his death in 1947. He founded the University's department of fine arts, taught the first courses in music appreciation, directed the Glee Club, composed and arranged works for the campus drama.

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### Gala Weekend Will Feature ZBT, Sigma Nu, Phi Ep Open Houses

Featuring the melodious tunes of Johnny Archer and his orchestra at what probably will be the best attended dances of the year, Washington and Lee will swing into its big spring weekend Friday afternoon.

### Cabaret Dance Nets Over \$350

#### Event a Success Despite Loss of Ball Game, FP

By DICK HUBBARD

Washington and Lee's Student War Memorial Scholarship Fund is richer by \$350 as the result of the "Weekend in Lynchburg" which featured a W&L-U.Va. baseball game Saturday afternoon and a cabaret-style dance that night.

Although W&L lost the ball game which was held at the Lynchburg Stadium, this disappointment was offset by the dance at the Lynchburg Armory, from eight until midnight.

Sparking the dance was the music of Chap Boyd and his Southern Collegians, who had already established a campus reputation.

Other entertainment for the evening was supplied by an unknown thespian from North Carolina who provided many laughs with his imitations and jokes.

All of the arrangements for the dance were in charge of Gerry Stephens, Secretary of the War Memorial Scholarship Fund Committee and was jointly sponsored by PAN and White Friars. It was the third of a series of events which have been planned to raise money to set up scholarships in memory of W&L men who were killed during World War II.

The two previous events were a beauty contest and a special Troubadour production. The next event to be held for the fund will be an intercollegiate horse show which will take place in Lexington on Saturday, April 24.

#### 500 Couples Attended

"Attended by approximately 1000 persons, the dance proved to be a definite success from both a social and financial viewpoint," said Secretary Stephens.

"Because of the tremendous amount of work done by Bill Chipley, President of the Scholarship Fund Committee, and others, everyone seems to have had such a good time at this, the first dance to be held for the fund that plans are already under way for dances on the same order to be held next year."

#### PEPs To Initiate Weekend

Musicians for the weekend, Johnny Archer and his orchestra, come to Washington and Lee from engagements in Baltimore, Washington, Miami, Boston, and at the Cavalier Beach Club at Virginia Beach. They played at the society wedding of John Roosevelt.

Ushering in the gala spring festivities will be the Phi Epsilon Pi open house at the Mayflower Hotel from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Friday afternoon. The "13" Club will have its invitation cocktail party from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday evening.

After leaving these events, partiers will attend the Cotillion Club Formal dance which starts at 10 p.m. The Cotillion Club Figure, led by the President of the Set, Paul Murphy, Co-President of the Cotillion, will be at 11 p.m. The members of the figure are to assemble at 10:45 p.m.

Tickets for the Friday evening dance will be \$3.50 while the Friday night dance will cost \$2.50. Intermission of the Friday Formal will be from 12 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Continuing the fast tempo of the weekend will be the Sigma Nu open house party at the Mayflower Hotel between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. on Saturday afternoon. Adding a different flavor to the afternoon fun will be the Zeta Beta Tau's Annual Purple Passion open house party between 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. at the Zeta Beta Tau house.

#### CALENDAR OF SPRING DANCES

##### Friday, April 16

5-7 p.m.—Phi Epsilon Pi Open House at the Mayflower Hotel.  
7-9 p.m.—"13" Club Cocktail Party, invitation only.  
10-2 a.m.—Cotillion Club Formal.  
10:45 p.m.—Assemble for figure.  
11 p.m.—Cotillion Club Figure.  
12-12:30 a.m.—Intermission.

##### Saturday, April 17

4-6 p.m.—Sigma Nu Open House at the Mayflower Hotel.  
7-9 p.m.—Zeta Beta Tau Purple Passion Open House at ZBT house.  
9-12 p.m.—Sigma Nu Formal.  
10:15-11:15—Intermission.

This dance set will not include an afternoon concert.

The final dance of the weekend will be the Sigma Nu Informal dance on Saturday night between 9 p.m. and 12 p.m. Intermission will be from 10:45 p.m. to 11:15 p.m.

Regulations at the dances are as follows: Smoking will be permitted only in the rooms provided. Students and their dates will enter the dances from the north side of the gymnasium. The cloak room will be the north balcony. The basement of the gymnasium will not be used during the dance.

The exterior traffic regulations will be the same as usual. There will be one-way traffic in front of Doremus Gymnasium, no parking.

Advance sale Spring Dance tickets may be picked up Wednesday and Thursday in the Student Body Treasurer's Office in the Student Union between the hours of 2 and 5.

#### NOTICE

Mr. Gerhart H. Seger will speak in Lee Chapel Thursday night at 7:30 on the subject, "An Analysis of the European Crisis."

Mr. Seger has had long experience in European journalism, is a former member of the German Reichstag, and has lectured extensively in the United States during the past twelve years. The public is invited to attend the lecture.

All seniors and prospective graduates who have not ordered caps and gowns and commencement invitations and announcements, should contact Lou Shroyer or Judge Rhea before Saturday.

### Two More Professors Included In Fiftieth Edition of Who's Who

With the addition this year of Professors M. Ogden Phillips and Clayton E. Williams, the current edition of Who's Who in America contains the biographies of ten Washington and Lee faculty members.

Professor of economics and commerce at Washington and Lee since 1941, Dr. Phillips attended the U. S. Naval Academy in 1919-1920. He received his A.B. degree from Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, in 1924, A.M. from the University of North Carolina in 1926, and a Ph.D. from the same university in 1937. He did graduate work at Columbia, the University of Chicago, and at the Nat. U. of Mexico.

Dr. Phillips was an instructor in economic resources and foreign trade at University of Florida in 1926-1927 and assistant professor in 1927-1928. He came to Washington and Lee as an assistant professor in economics and commerce in 1929.

He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Delta Kappa Epsilon, and Beta Gamma Sigma.

He is the author of Report of U. S. Maritime Commission on Tramp Shipping Service, published in 1938; North America (with J. Russell Smith), 1940; and Industrial and Commercial Geography of North America, 1946, also written with J. Russell Smith.

Dr. Phillips is a frequent contributor to economic and geogra-

phy journals.

Mr. Williams, who has been a member of W&L's staff since 1919, is a graduate of Massanutten (Va.) Academy. He attended W&L from 1908 to 1910, and later attended the Columbia School of Law during the summers of 1922 and 1926.

He was admitted to the Virginia Bar in 1912 and began private practice of law in his home town, Woodstock, Va., in 1912.

Mr. Williams became Commonwealth's Attorney for Shenandoah County in 1916, a position which he held until 1919 when he joined the W&L faculty. He was an associate professor of law here until 1920, when he became a professor. In 1944 he was appointed acting dean of the law school, and became dean in 1946.

He is a member of the Virginia State Bar Association, the American Law Institute, Pi Kappa Alpha, Omicron Delta Kappa, and Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternity.

With Martin P. Burks, III, Mr. Williams is editor of the Third Edition of Burks on Pleading and Practice.

Faculty members who had previously been included in Who's Who are: Francis P. Gaines, James G. Leyburn, James L. Howe, Glover D. Hancock, Robert H. Tucker, Lucius J. Desha, Marcelus H. Stow, and Oscar W. Riegel.

Who's Who in America is published by H. Marquis Co., of Chicago.

### Ring-tum Phi Wins Second Place In State Newspaper Competition

The Ring-tum Phi placed second among all the college newspapers of the state at the annual convention of the Virginia Intercollegiate Press Association held last Friday and Saturday at Lynchburg College.

Besides Washington and Lee there were representatives from 12 other Virginia colleges who took part in the convention. The two representatives from W. and L. were Bob Williams and John French.

The primary purpose of the meeting was for the judging of the best newspaper and magazine publications of the state as well as the regular agenda of business.

The papers were judged by three prominent newspaper men of Lynchburg, and the magazines by a local teacher from the city. All arrangements for the judging were made by the host, Lynchburg College.

First place in the newspaper contest went to William and Mary's Flat Hat, second to The Ring-tum Phi, third to Randolph Macon's Sundial, and the Traveler of Stratford College received Honorable Mention.

In the magazine division Ran-

dolph-Macon walked off with top honors through their Tattler, William and Mary's Royalist was second, Lynchburg College's Prism third, and an Honorable Mention went to the Engineer of VPI.

Washington and Lee's Southern Collegian was disqualified as a humor magazine, the contest open only to literary magazines.

The meeting began officially Friday night with a dinner, followed by a speech by Carter Glass, Jr. On Saturday morning there was discussion among representatives from the various schools concerning their individual publications.

After lunch on Saturday a business meeting of the VIPA was held at which reports were given and presentation of awards made.

The next meeting of the group will take place next fall at VPI at which time school annuals will be judged and business carried on the same as last week.

The association is made up of colleges throughout the state, and its main purpose is to act as a forum for the exchange of ideas and also for the judging of student publications. Meetings are held twice a year at various schools which are members of the group.

# Fraternity Roundup

By FRAN RUSSELL

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PRE-HOLIDAY JOTTINGS FROM A REPORTER'S NOTE BOOK:

Sweetheart Ball: Another Charleston girl has been chosen "The Washington and Lee Sweetheart of Sigma Chi." Mary Mandeville, who is pinned to Andy Mc Cutcheon, was selected to succeed Julie Holt, last year's choice.



Russell

Wiley McGehee, President of Sigma Chi, announced the choice at the dinner preceding the Ball, and presented Miss Mandeville with a White Cross of roses and a compact. Miss Holt offered her congratulations to the new Sweetheart and presented her with the Sweetheart Cup.

The Sweetheart is selected each year by the members of Sigma Chi, each member's date being eligible for nomination. The choice is largely determined by the impression that is made at other activities during the year.

Vignette: The Troubs recently gave a play entitled "Shadow and Substance." In this bit of drama, Brian Bell was cast as a footbally type of Notre Dame priest.

During the presentations, Bell and Don Albin got thirsty. The Liquid Lunch was closed, so they went next door to Lily's. The place was filled with its usual clientele when Bell made his appearance in the black clothes and Homburg of a priest. The noise of the room quieted to a whisper as Bell approached the bar.

"Four Beers," said Bell. The silence became acute.

"Well, Father," said the observant Albin for the benefit of the spectators, "let's hope your parishioners don't hear about this."

Understanding: During the past year there seems to have been developing a better relationship between Washington and Lee and VMI.

Sure, we would have liked to have seen Cal Guest take Mat Moyer in the wrestling tourney; he didn't, but we took our disappointment like gentlemen and later cheered the little scrapper from VMI when he was selected as the best in the tourney.

This attitude has been helped a lot by a series of articles on Washington and Lee that have appeared in the VMI paper, "The Keydet."

A good working example of what cooperation can do between the two schools is demonstrated by the "Commanders," a dance orchestra consisting of students and cadets. This band, which is every bit as good as a lot of big-name combinations, played for Gov. Tuck at a banquet during the Virginia Manufacturers Association conference.

CONVENTION: The Republican Mock Convention that will be held in Doremus Gymnasium on the 20th and 21st of April promises to be one of the biggest events of the year. A parade that precedes the Opening of the Convention, planned by Sandy Richardson, will be one of the longest ever held in this section of Virginia.

Sandy has looked up the local color of each delegation in the parade and has tried to develop a comical touch along that line. It is reported that California, the Golden Bear State, will have the services of Captain Mike Brown and his performing bear, Flat Foot Floogie.

Over a thousand students will participate as newsreel cameras grind and photographers from various organizations catch the antics of the parade and the con-

vention....  
WHO IS F.P.? The jinx that Lynchburg holds over teams from Washington and Lee continued as the Wahooos defeated the Blue 3-1 Saturday afternoon. This writer cannot recall any team that ever won an athletic contest in the Hill City.

The dance that followed in the evening was a lot of fun and more than 300 couples danced to the music of Chap Boyd and his Southern Collegians.

F. P. never did arrive for the festivities. His home is with a circus that was playing near Amherst. According to Bill Chipley, fellow traveler of F. P., the little monk left for spots unknown; the monk is looking for a warmer climate, Chip is looking for the monk, an dthe circus is looking for Chipley....

WEEKEND: Big party with Johnny Archer and Spring dances highlighting the weekend. Don't forget the Phi Ep open house Friday at the Pine Room in the Mayflower from 5-7.

ZBT will also be host to the campus in an open house Saturday night from 7-9. Don't miss either of these events: both fra-

ternities are excellent hosts.  
Fraternity of the week: The choice goes to ZBT as a result of the scholastic standings recently released by the University. The fraternity was founded in 12898 as a social organization at CCNY. There are 241 active chapters scattered through this country and Canada. Alpha Epsilon Chapter was founded here in 1920.

Officers of the local chapter are: Neil November, president; Phil Silverstein, vice-president; Don Hillman, secretary; Irv Switow, treasurer.

ZBT has several well-known campus personalities: Phi Bete Stan Sacks, ODK's and Who's Who, Don Hillman and Zinovoy, whose campus organizations are too numerous to mention, Bernie Kaplan, editor of the Southern Collegian, president of SDX, and brilliant young author of the next Troub play, "Drink Deep," and Phil Silverstein, a member of the varsity swimming team and crew.

One of the charter members of this chapter was "Bullet-Joe" Silverstein, an ODK and an All-American back. A popular and well-known honorary member is Mr. Isaac Weinberg of Lexington.

## Campus Commenter Visits Havana Is Impressed with Latin 'Grandeur'

By SPENCE MORTEN

During Spring vacation this year Washington and Lee gentlemen were seen in Miami, Daytona Beach, and Coral Gables Florida. Among those to visit Miami were Bill and Bea Kirk who visited Bill's parents for a week. Other Sigma Chi's were Bob Berryman and Bruce Kink. Over at the Phi Delt house the sun tans are being displayed by Paul Root, Dick McCubin, Thorp Minister, Rody Davenport, Kyle Holley, and Sam Boykin. The Deltas sent Fred Johnson, Gil Brooks, Jack Lethbridge, and Ed Gaines to Miami Beach. Phi Psi's Sam Engle, and Dean Luedders went to Long Boat Key, Fla. Dean met his family and his lovely sister Joan Luedders from Hollins for the holidays.

### Bachelor's Holiday

Hugh Cline and yours truly spent four days and three nights in gay Havana, Cuba. We flew from Miami to Havana in eighty minutes in Pan America's big DC 4, arriving at the Paris of America shrouded in a beautiful Caribbean sun-set. We visited famous Morro Castle constructed in 1589 as a defense against pirates and especially Sir Francis Drake. Today Morro Castle serves as quarters for the Cuban Military Academy. The National Capitol was also of great interest to us as an example of the grandeur of Latin America. It was completed in 1929 at a cost of \$20,000,000. The story goes that the builders made such a good profit they felt obliged to give the Cuban Government a small gift. They presented a large diamond worth \$25,000 which was placed in the floor under the dome of the capitol under the dome of the capitol swimming at La Concha Beach at Marianao just fifteen minutes from Havana with its white sandy beach, we visited a few night spots. The romantic Montmartre Cabaret, the open-air Tropicana cabaret, and the Pavaon night club in Chinatown featured dining and dancing under the stars to romantic Latin American music. Ah, as Bing Crosby said in his last picture, "You don't have to know the language."

### Shhh, the Cops

Bob Smith, Phi Gam, stayed at the Sigma Chi House in Coral Gables near the campus of the University of Miami over the spring vacation holiday season.

He tells the story of a raid by police during his stay. It seems that the Sigma Chi chapter at the Univ. of Miami had to rent a home off the campus. There are tough zoning laws in Coral Gables, especially about fraternity houses. One of the enterprising students had solved the problem by leasing the home personally and inviting his fraternity brothers to stay with him as his guests. Some person had the police investigate the home in hopes of finding it a fraternity house and would thus be able to make the boys leave. However some good soul on the police force tipped the boys off about the inspection just in time to enable the brothers to haul down the Sigma Chi flags, pictures, and hide their cups. When the police officer arrived he found a nice respectable residential dwelling in which several college students were visiting.

### Love Notes

Two new engagements were announced during the holiday period. Phi Delt George Bryan and Eleanor Caldwell, both of Chattanooga, Tennessee. Don Hillman, ZBT, and Carol Phillips, of New York, and a senior at Wheaton College.

### SUMMER SCHOOL NOTICE

All men contemplating summer session work at other institutions are urgently requested to familiarize themselves with the contents of this notice.

1. A recent action of the faculty establishes that no summer school work completed elsewhere with the grade of D will be transferred, regardless of whether the work is balanced by B grades.

2. No credit whatsoever will be given for work completed at any institution that is not fully accredited by the regional association. Inasmuch as there have been some exceptions made to this rule in the past, students are urged to ascertain positively from the Dean's Office the exact status of any institution at which they plan to take work.

3. Where a course is to be taken elsewhere in lieu of a specific course required for the degree here, approval of the particular course and the institution at which it is to be taken must be secured here from the head of the department concerned before the close of the current session.

## Mock Convention

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band: Bill Romaine, John R. Cole, Robert R. Reid, Frank Love, Chap Boyd, Charles Castner, Merrill Palmer.

Alabama: Robert Williams, alternate.

Arizona: Edward M. Thompson, delegate; Rogers M. Fred, Jr., alternate.

Arkansas: James Q. Agnew, delegate; Neal Herndon, alternate.

California: William Cale, John W. Doswell, Charles Belcher, delegates; George Kearns, alternate.

Colorado: Irvin Stoltz, delegate; Charles Earman, alternate.

Connecticut: F. A. Murray, Ted Arata, George Arata, delegates; Robert Mauck, alternate.

Delaware: Jesse Turner, alternate.

Florida: Donald E. Warren, alternate.

Georgia: Joseph Kling, delegate; Harwood G. Scott, alternate.

Idaho: Johnson Slaughter, alternate.

Illinois: Robert J. Smith, alternate.

Indiana: Sanford White, alternate.

Iowa: Barton Quaintance, alternate.

Kentucky: Mark Saur, DeBaur Bryant, delegates; Ralph Eckert, alternate.

Louisiana: James Lyle, alternate.

Maine: No change.

Maryland: James Cantler, William Hamilton, delegates; Jim Lukens, alternate.

Massachusetts: Gordon Cromwell, John Normington (from N. J.), delegates.

Michigan: Lou Shroyer, A. F. Sisk, T. S. Hook, D. W. Mason, C. M. Snyder, E. P. Thomas, T. T. Tongue, J. T. Trundle, W. R. Walton, J. C. Warfield, delegates; Ed Turner, Richard Marcus, Lewis Williams, alternates.

Minnesota: No change.

Mississippi: No change.

Montana: William Coger, W. F. Stickle, C. T. Trussell, delegates.

Nebraska: Charlie Harrington, alternate.

New Jersey: Pete DeBoer, Gene Bennett, Edward Berlin, Paul Yates, delegates.

New Mexico: No change.

New York: William H. Kyle, Alexander Andrews, Gerard Burchell, Kenneth Fuller, James Gilman, Gerry Jeck, Russ Thomes, Robert Vroom, Park Smith, Tom Morris, William Whitmore, Merv Dorfman, delegates; Burr Miller, John H. Sorrells, alternates.

North Carolina: Bonua Allen, alternate.

North Dakota: Shep Zinovoy, alternate.

Ohio: Jim Holloran, Pat Devine, delegates; Ray Prater, alternate.

Oklahoma: Blakley James, delegate; Leslie Sturhan, alternate.

Oregon: Bob Stevenson, Edward Evans, David Croyder, Niel November, Richard Cooley, delegates; George Pierson, alternate.

Pennsylvania: G. N. Malmo, J. Q. Miller, Donald Litton, Wilson H. Lear, Norwood McDaniel, Ed Concelmo, delegates; George Snyder, alternate.

Rhode Island: Art Birney, delegate.

South Dakota: Joseph Sanders, alternate.

Tennessee: Thomas Bagley, delegate.

Texas: Phil Friedlander, delegate; Herb Hunt, Thomas Pressley, alternates.

Utah: Allen W. Phelps, Irvin M. Shlisinger, P. M. Williams, delegates; Henry Stern, alternate.

Vermont: James Quisenberry, Jack Porterfield, Bill Byrnes, delegates; Howard Wentley, alternate.

Virginia: James Larrick, Howard Wade, delegates.

Washington: W. S. Metcalf, Virgil Frantz, delegates; Leonard Nixon, alternate.

West Virginia: John H. Reed, delegate; John P. Driggs, alternate.

Wisconsin: James Hanks, Jacob Kernekian, delegates; John Wood, Howard Fender, alternates.

Wyoming: Russell Huffman, delegate; James P. Thelin, alternate.

There will be a very important meeting of the Alabama Delegation to the Republican Mock Conventions Thursday afternoon, April 15 at five o'clock in the Student Union. This will probably be the last meeting of the delegation before the convention and all men should be there. If you have a conflict, call Jock Morrison at 6103 before Thursday.

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# REPORTER-AT-LARGE

By CHARLEY McDOWELL

HONORARY DEGREE: This is a sort of play. It is quite brief. The scene is a large hall containing an assembly of college students. An academic procession marches very slowly down the center aisle. A half-dozen of the gentlemen go up onto a platform. Five of them are obviously officials and the sixth has the look of a man who is about to be honored. He is a large, friendly man with a ruddy face. He should have been honored before.

After a few preliminaries one of the officials rises.

Official: Mr. President, I present a candidate for the Degree of Doctor of Good Work.

The large, friendly man with the ruddy face rises, the assembly applauds, and two officials approach him from behind with a colored cape. Another official moves to the rostrum.

Other Official: Watt Smith, driver of great vehicles, master of the primitive rake, mower of vast lawns, a true scholar of the intricacies of medieval and modern plumbing arts, scholar renowned for his work with the American tractor, repairing influence upon the pavements of the highroad of scholarship, remover of obstructing snows along the paths of learning, believer in the Old South—we take pleasure in awarding to you this honorary degree from Washington and Lee University.

Watt Smith—who besides being a good fellow and a good worker and a good story-teller, can also predict the weather with the aid of nothing more than an onion—nods appreciatively to the assembly, sits down, and somebody begins a long, long speech.

Homicide at the State: In no one week in our memory has there been such a display of violence, ill-will, and unpleasantness as there was at Warner Brothers' Lexington branch during the past seven days. Not even counting the audiences, there was more suffering in the State last week than we had previously believed could be crowded into any four given movies.

Murders were a dime a dozen and murderers as plentiful as opportunities. People were killed in every previously known way and encouraging attempts were made toward inventing entirely new methods. Almost every single actor in every one of the four pictures was completely absorbed with the idea of doing some harm to his fellows. And almost all of them succeeded. It is believed that less than one-third of the original casts were still in action when merciful "The End" stopped the horrible slaughters.

One Michael Redgrave was imported from Broadway, where he had established himself as a reliable frightener of women and wholesale slayer, for "Secret Behind the Door." He was the least successful of the week's lineup of killers. We were led to believe that he had dispatched countless souls before the picture began, but he fared very badly in his attempts to do away with old Joan Bennett. She had dealt with the same sort of husband in "Woman in the Window" and succeeded in somehow converting Michael into that classification of men of which Hollywood is proudest—Ex-Killers Who Love Their Wives.

The next homicidal offering was "Body and Soul," which managed to be a very fine picture in spite of the bloodshed. In this affair a man was killed with a fist, another with a truck, some others with guns, and some with a bomb.

"Saigon" presented that lovable murderer of nasty policemen and "Saigon" brought to the local screen that master woman-slapper and lovable killer of the representatives of law and order, Allan Ladd. Mr. Ladd himself removed only one soul from the scene but the other members of the cast shot each other with great facility. We are sorry to report that Mr. Ladd lived through his sixth straight movie. Miss Veronica Lake of the expressionless face also came out of the Oriental goings-on alive although thoroughly unenthusiastic.

The champion put in his appearance at the end of the week. Errol Flynn, the Smiling Slayer, as Robin Hood, put the rest of the week's murderers in the shade. Flynn does his killing with a smile and a wise-crack, very like Superman. We had some agents keeping careful count and they report that Errol did away with 22 persons by his own hand and sanctioned the death of roughly 350 others. Errol dispatched all his victims without ever letting his smile sag. His official count runs this way:

Killed with Errol's sword, 4. This includes Basil Rathbone who was killed back-handed, and a soldier of some sort who was never actually stabbed. He is thought to have died of fright when Errol's sword just missed him.

Killed with Errol's bow and arrows, 16. This sensational total includes two men shot by Errol while on horseback and one shot with a crooked arrow.

Killed by a combination (kick, stab, and long fall), 1.

Killed by being pushed from a high place by Errol, 1.

## Chipley Skips Town Minus F.P.; Blames Monkeys and Advertising

By KARCHENK YAMAPOVO

There's two guys around this neck of the woods looking for the same thing, that being a monkey with a sign attached. This monkey appertained to a guy in Amherst. That was before Saturday night. Now the guy in Amherst is looking for his monkey. He is also looking for Bill Chipley. Bill Chipley is looking for a tall hole.

Chipley says he will do anything to keep out of monkeys' ways... all monkeys. Chipley says he will play football, anything, but leave monkeys out of it. He also says a lot of the following eight inches, word for word.

"I got in this thing trying to think up something for this cabaret dance," the hunted one allowed. He allowed it through about a half pound of rice which happened to be in his mouth at the time, but he got it over.

"If I hadn't ever gotten in this advertising class, nothing would have happened and we could have made the money the easy way. But we put up all these signs, like it says in the book, with the stuff about F.P. all over the place. Well, right away everybody starts wondering who is F.P., just like they're supposed to. Then I started wondering who he was.

"Well I knew this guy in Amherst who keeps monkeys, see, so I figured I'd go talk him out of a monkey for Saturday night, and I'd put a sign on him and walk him around the Armory. Just for laughs you understand. He has a monkey and the damn thing was named F.P. That was fine and I sign the monkey up right off."

The hunted one put another fork full of rice in his mouth, and after the fork got out of the way, he kept going.

"When it gets time for F.P. to

show up, I take off for Amherst to get him, see. I'm no expert on monkeys, so I just put the sign on the little devil and threw him in the front seat of the car. I had a rope around his neck tied to the door handle and everything was fine. Like I say, I'm no monkey expert, but if the rest of them smell like F.P., I'm through with the whole tribe. But F.P. didn't know enough just to smell and let it go at that. He didn't know how to be housebroken. He wasn't bad at first, just sat there and didn't say a word to anybody, but he didn't wait two miles to prove he wasn't housebroken, and after he proved it, he started spitting all over the place."

"I got behind a big line of cars, so I figure if it was going to take this long to get to town, I'd ease down the window and get rid of some of F.P.'s smell. As soon as F.P. saw the hole, he just pulled

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# Blue Golf Team Scores Over F&M, George Washington

**Twombly-Coached Group Looks Good in Wins; VPI Is Next Opponent**

By JOHN BOARDMAN

Cy Twombly's Washington and Lee golf team got the current golf season off to a flying start during the past week by scoring impressive wins over Franklin and Marshall and George Washington on the Lexington golf course.

In last Friday's match against F. and M. Gordon Sibley led the Generals with a two over par 74, going out in 38 and coming home with a beautiful 36. Jack McCormack and John McKeilway tied for second honors with 79's and Bill Haines was low man for the visitors with 84. The final score was W. and L. 8½, Franklin and Marshall ½.

The Generals looked good in their initial match of the '48 season despite a high wind and slippery underfooting.

Yesterday the linksters continued along the victory trail, downing George Washington by an identical score of 8½ to ½. Wes Brown and Jack McCormack led the Generals with a pair of 73's. McCormack's eight foot putt rimmed the cup, but it failed to drop in on number 18 which prevented him from touring the course in a perfect 72. Gordon Sibley shot a 37-37 74 to take second honors for the Generals while Bill Griffin banged out a 38-35 73 to lead the Capital city squad.

W. and L. had a six ball total of 466 which showed a big improvement over last Friday's 479 and with a little improvement in their putting the linksters will be a solid contender for the Southern Conference crown.

The next match is with V.P.I. on Thursday and it looks as if this squad will provide more competition than the Generals have met to date.

## 'Crossmen Drop Thriller, 11-10; Virginia Wins in Final Seconds

Washington and Lee's undermanned lacrosse team faltered before a late rally by the stickmen from the University of Virginia last Saturday and wound up on the short end of a 11-10 count.

The Generals led the Wahos through three quarters of the tilt and it wasn't till within the closing 45 seconds that Virginia's attack man, Bert Sadtler drove home his fourth marker of the day for the winning margin.

The Blue stickmen started off at a slow pace and their first score came as three Virginia crossmen were out of the game on fouls. Before the end of the initial quarter the Generals had registered one more counter and the score stood 2-1 as the teams changed goals.

In a spectacular second stanza, which saw the Blue squad take a five-point advantage over their opponents, the Virginia defense appeared to crumble before a vicious onslaught as goals by Jim McDonald, Alec Hill and Tommy Tongue boosted the score to 8-3 at the close of the half.

Virginia's star, Billy Hooper accounted for the lone marker in that period as he swept around the goal and delivered his deadly backhand shot past goalie Bill Clements.

In the third quarter, Virginia's Hooper lived up to his All-America reputation as a one-man team as he completely outwitted the General defense to score four consecutive goals and put the Wahos back in the ball game. Sadtler collected the other score of that period while McDonald sent his fourth goal of the day into the nets for the Generals and the score stood 9-8 moving into the final quarter.

Tommy Tongue's second goal of the afternoon sent the home team out in front again by a healthy margin but Virginia's midfielder Birch drove one home along with creaseman Dave Senft, who stepped away from defenseman Bill Pacy long enough to mark up the tying tally on a feed from Hooper.

It looked as if the game would go into an extra period with the score tied 10-all and less than a minute to play. However, Sadtler broke loose again on a straight cut play and with the aid of Hooper's deadly feeding ripped the nets for the winning tally with 30 seconds of playing time remaining. The Generals were unable to retaliate and dropped a thriller, 11-10.

## W&L Cindermen Beaten By Much-Improved Team Of Univ. of Richmond

In their first meet of the year, Washington and Lee's trackmen last week in Richmond succumbed to the superior power of a much improved Spider track team by a 83 and one-third to 47 and two-thirds score.

It was the second straight win for Richmond, which was the only tracks used the Generals scored a victory over last year. The Blue was able to win only four first places—the mile relay, the 220 yard dash, and the hurdles.

Pete White paced the way for W. and L. by winning the high hurdles in 16.1 seconds, the low hurdles in 26.2 seconds, and by taking second place in the broad jump. Charlie Cobb successfully copped the crown in the 220 yard dash with a time of 23.6 seconds. The team of Cobb, Fain, Van Leer, and Hurxthal annexed the mile relay for the Blue.

Other results of the W. and L. men are as follows:

Oref took second place for W. and L. in the shot put; Smith was third in the discus throw; Vierbuchen third in the javelin throw; Metzler tied for second in the high jump; Roberts was third in the broad jump; Marler third in the pole vault; Cobb third in the 100-yard dash; Hannifin third in the 220 yard dash; Hurxthal second in the 440-yard run; Marler second in the 880 and Van Leer, third; Gaulling second in the mile, and Stilwell third in the two-mile run.

## Jayvee Baseballers Lose

Behind the six-hit pitching of Luke Stykes, the Augusta Military Academy battered the W. and L. Jayvee nine last week in their first appearance of the season, 10-2.

The Cadets collected 10 hits off General pitchers Wheeler and Aratta to wrap up the victory.



Tuesday, April 13, 1948

## Blue Tennis Team Downs H-S; University of Maine 6-3, 6-3, in First Events

The Washington and Lee tennis team opened its season successfully last week with a pair of wins over the University of Maine and Hampden-Sydney 6-3, 6-3.

Against the University of Maine, the Generals garnered four out of six of the singles events as Art Joseph, Don Moxham, Bob Moody, and Bob Knudsen won victories.

In the doubles events against the Northern squad, Moxham and Joseph dropped their opponents along with Bouldin and Swinerton while Farrar and Moody failed in the final set.

On the following day, the Blue netmen proved their superiority over a Hampden-Sydney group by a similar 6-3 score.

Joseph, Farrar, and Knudsen each won individual victories over their opponents and the squad moved on to take all comers in the double matches.

## PIKA, Delt, NFU, Sig Chi Garner I-M Softball Wins

Four games officially opened the intramural softball tournament yesterday as the PIKA's, Sig Chi's, Delt's, and NFU's garnered initial victories in the A and B league brackets.

The PIKA's nipped the Law School in a close tilt 10-8 while the Delt's rolled over the NFU Chow Hound team 8-1.

In a late afternoon double-header, the Sig Chi's dropped the PEP's in a thriller, 9-8 and the NFU's defeated the Pi Phi's, 13-7.

## This Week's Sports

Baseball: Wednesday—VPI, there  
Baseball: Friday—Georgetown, here

Tennis: Friday—Georgetown, here  
Golf: Thursday—VPI, there  
Lacrosse: Saturday—Duke, there  
Track: Wednesday—VPI, here  
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## Generals Lose To Virginia, 3-1; Pitcher Paves Way for Winners

By ANDY McCUTCHEON

Washington and Lee's Blue baseballers, failing to find the slants and curves of pitcher Buddy Charles, went down to defeat Saturday at the hands of the University of Virginia 3-1.

Charles limited the Generals to 5 hits, 3 coming in an exciting 9th inning rally that netted the Comets their only run of the Lynchburg excursion.

Virginia countered on Buddy Charles long homer over the center field wall in the third inning and added 2 runs in the 8th on two hits, a walk, and a sacrifice.

Johnny Ligon pitched superbly for the Generals, holding the Cavaliers to 6 bingles, but the Wahoos made their hits pay off more effectively than the Comets.

Washington and Lee's "never say die" batsmen started what looked to be a victorious 9th in-

ning rally when Willis Woods, lead off man, drove a liner to center field for a single. Fred Vinson made first on a fielders choice and Charlie Agnor was safe in the same manner. With two away and Agnor on first, Brian Bell and Dick Working both singled to score Agnor. With two men on Ligon grounded out, pitcher to first base, to end the ball game and the Generals hopes of victory.

Brian "Whirlaway" Bell beat out a bunt in the 4th inning and singled in the 9th to lead a weak Comet hitting attack. Charlie Agnor looked good at shortstop, handling 6 grounders flawlessly.

The defeat was the second of the season for the Generals, having lost their previous start to the West Virginia Mountaineers. Washington and Lee is still undefeated in Southern Conference play.

## I-M Softball Umpires Announced As League Play Gets Underway

Details regarding time and place of play, home and visiting teams, and umpires of the Intramural softball leagues were announced yesterday by I-M director Norm Lord, as the first games of the season got underway.

According to the announcement, it is the responsibility of the manager of the home team to pick up the playing equipment for the game at the gym if his team is to play at 3:30, or to return it to the gym if his team is playing at 5 p.m. Upon completion of the first game, the equipment is supposed to be signed over to the game that follows.

Umpires for the games were chosen from a list submitted by the fraternities, the announcement stated, and added that "in case a game is rained out and must be played at a later date, the same umpires originally assigned will remain assigned to the game when rescheduled."

In yesterday's contests, Law School faced PIKA (PEP met Sig Chi, Delt played DICH, and NFU battled Pi Phi.

Other games to be played this week are as follows: Wednesday—

## NOTICE

A charity game to be held at night on the 24th of April will give the W. and L. Lacrosse team a second crack at Virginia who eeked out a one point victory last Saturday.

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### Eight Receive Degrees at Assembly

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the biographical "Lee in the Mountains."

Urban Tigner Holmes, Jr., professor of Romance Philology at the University of North Carolina, Dr. Holmes is the writer of many articles and treatises in French.

Charles Sackett Sydnor, Duke University's historian, and author of extensive writings in the fields of slavery and the Old South.

Charles Holt Taylor, graduate of W&L in 1919, professor of medieval history at Harvard. Dr. Holt authored studies in early French taxation and other medieval problems.

David Elton Trueblood, for many years professor of religious philosophy at Stanford University and now dean of Earlham College in Indiana.

A Doctorate of Humane Letters was conferred upon William Clyde De Vane, dean of Yale College, professor of English at Yale University and an authority in the fields of Browning, Tennyson and the Brontes.

To W&L graduate David Herchell Wice, rabbi of the Rodelph Shalom synagog in Philadelphia, went an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree.

Dr. Randall, who is now professor of history at the University of Illinois, told his audience of past war scares that did not materialize.

Dr. Randall said: "In a tense crisis there has always been the danger that diplomacy itself would be thought of as strategy, and that preparations for defense would become so associated with the idea of possible war as to make that war happen."

The speaker, who is today the foremost scholar on Lincolniana, said that past disputes in many cases have been settled peaceably or merely allowed to die and life has gone on much the same.

However, he pointed to dangers of such disputes. On those occasions, Dr. Randall declared:

"The real menace was that a sense of fatality might deaden hope; that impatient haste would prevent prudent thinking before the plunge; that something would be done that was irrevocable, and that someone would blunderingly pull the trigger."

Dr. Randall emphasized that history was always in danger of being misconstrued by historians or politicians who sought to convince the people of a certain viewpoint. Objectivity, he said, should be striven for in historical writing to avoid a "nationalistic slant."

He pointed out that there was no such thing as French chemistry or German physics, but that in history, "oversimplification, twisting and misrepresentation of

the facts are being used to turn history to the benefit of modern politicians."

Dr. Randall termed our present period different from the one which saw Hitler's rise to power. For one thing, he asserted, the United States is now a member of a world league devoted to preserving peace.

"Every great war has been followed by a period of reaction," he reminded. "It is not going beyond the historian's function to warn that world conditions would probably be still more chaotic, undemocratic and hopeless if statesmen should resign their true function and permit the colossal stupidity of a third world war."

### Monkey

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off the rope and left. I must have beat the bushes around there for an hour but F.P. wasn't thinking about coming out. He didn't even care about the dance."

"I had to get hold of another F.P. somewhere quick, so I went over to this stable across from the Armory and tried to get a white horse out. I was going to put a sign on him and run him around the dance, see, but I couldn't even find the guy with the keys so I just gave up on the whole thing and went back to the Armory."

"I still don't know where that monkey got to, but if the guy in Amherst ever checks up and finds he's somewhere else, I'm gone to Boston. The way I had to talk to get the damn thing, you'd think it was his kid."

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### NOTICES

Student Body Secretary Shep Zinovoy has announced that the Nominating Convention for Student Body Officers for the coming year will be held on Wednesday, April 27. Student Body elections will take place the following Friday, April 30.

### New York Delegation

There will be an important meeting of the New York State Mock Convention delegation in Washington Chapel, Wednesday Afternoon, April 14 at 4:30 p.m. This may be the only meeting the delegation may be able to hold, and it is vital that all New York delegates be present. If unable to be present call Don Murray at 6115.

Entrants to the first Southern Intercollegiate Photo Salon, sponsored by the Washington and Lee Camera Club, will be on display in the basement corridors of the library for one week starting April 16. The public is invited.

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### John Graham To Be Honored at Music Festival On May 1 in Program Featuring His Compositions

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matic group, founded and directed the Madrigal Club of Lexington, and sang in the Presbyterian Choir.

Mr. Graham's first published works were those written for musical comedies staged by Washington and Lee students. Among his later and more serious compositions were a violin and piano concerto; a string quartet, several orchestral pieces and scores of vocal solos and choral compositions. His published works have been performed by the Westminster Choir and other choral organizations throughout the United States.

The compositions to be given in Lee Chapel will include instrumen-

tal music; madrigals for mixed voices performed by the Madrigal Group of Lynchburg; soprano and baritone solos; songs for men's voices performed by groups from the W. and L. and V.M.I. glee clubs; and songs for women's voices performed by the glee club of Madison College.

The Faure Requiem, which was one of Mr. Graham's favorite compositions, will be sung at 8:30 p.m. by a group of Washington and Lee students and faculty members, wives of students, residents

of Lexington and guest artists and accompanists from Lynchburg and Staunton.

This requiem is one of the most characteristic productions of the French composer, choirmaster and organist who taught Nadia Boulanger and Maurice Ravel.

Names of guest soloists and accompanists for both programs will be announced later. The music festival is being sponsored by the Bicentennial celebration committee of Washington and Lee University.

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