

## 'Little Clique' Wins Class Elections

### Finals Advance Ticket Drive Opens Today

Stag Tickets To Sell For New Low Price, Says Chairman Chipley

Advanced ticket sales opened today as final arrangements for the 1948 Finals Dance Set got under way. A large response to this initial drive is expected by Ticket Chairman Bill Chipley in view of the lowered price of \$5.50 for the set.

An added impetus to ticket sales and attendance as foreseen by the Finals Week Committee is the plan to offer stag tickets at a new low rate. Stags are to be admitted for \$1.50 on Wednesday night and \$3.00 on Thursday night. The fact that many students, possibly dateless, will remain in Lexington for graduation exercises prompted this move which is expected to speed up the tempo on the dance floor.

A preview statement by set president Tom Watkins expressed his confidence. He said, "Thus far cooperation from the student body and committee members has been excellent. In spite of a small budget we are hoping to make this Finals a social and financial triumph. We expect an unusually large attendance because of the economical ticket prices, the realization of the students that the success of next year's dances depends largely on their showing at Finals, and the general desirability of a dance at this time. With the pressure of studies off and good weather, everyone should want to take this last chance of the year to party."

Fran Davis is promising something new and different in this year's decorations. The rapidly growing housing problem is being handled by Judge Rhea. Students finding difficulty in arranging rooms for their dates are advised to call him at the SAE house.

**FINALS WEEK CALENDAR**  
Pi Kappa Alpha Open House—Wednesday, June 2, 4-6 p.m.  
PiKA - Interfraternity - Alumni Ball 10 p.m.-2 a.m. (Intermission 12-12:30, Interfraternity Figure 10:45, Alumni Figure 11:45.)

Senior Finals Ball 11 p.m.-6 a.m. (First Intermission 1:30-2:30, Dance Informal after 2:30. Second Intermission 4:15-4:45. Finals Figure 11:00, Senior Figure 1:15.)



**WORKING ON THE FOURTH ESTATE**—Advanced journalism students enrolled in Mr. Spilman's journalism 202 and Mr. Atkinson's copy editing 212 do editorial and reportorial work on Wednesday's edition of Mr. Spilman's daily, The Waynesboro News-Virginian. This is an integral part of advanced training for journalism majors. Mr. Atkinson is managing editor of the Roanoke Times.

### Chaffer Chosen PB President

Glenn Chaffer, Phi Gam, Business Manager of The Ring-tum Phi, was elected president of the Publications Board at a meeting of that group yesterday.

The vice-presidential post went to Sam Silverstein, ZBT, business manager of the Calyx, while Bob Williams, Beta, got the secretarial slot. Elected as the Board's member on the Executive Committee was Calyx Editor, Ben Brown.

Don Hillman, retiring secretary, who made the announcement also stated that newly elected publication heads for the coming year were sworn in. They were: Ozzie Osborne, editor of the regular session Ring-tum Phi, Bob Williams, business manager; Sandy Richardson, editor of the Southern Collegian, Mac Paris, the S.C.'s business manager; Bill Leedy, Calyx editor for 1949, and summer RTP Editor, Leigh Smith.

Gerry Stevens, business manager for the '49 Calyx, was not sworn in since he was out of town, and Bill King, summer business manager, had handed in his resignation just before the meeting.

Chaffer was named acting business manager for this summer. He will thus continue in his present job. Chaffer will hold the post until a competent replacement can be found.

### Speech by Vinson Will Initiate Bicentennial Year Activities

Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson will address the student body at a convocation September 17, officially opening the Bicentennial year. This announcement was released by Dr. L. J. Desha, director of the Bicentennial.

The opening convocation will be one of three at which eminent speakers will be heard and honorary degrees conferred. The academic celebration and convocation, to which other colleges will be invited to send representatives, will be held April 12.

The year will close with the Bicentennial alumni reunion and convocation on June 17 and 18. At this reunion there will be the largest group of alumni ever to assemble on this campus. Due to housing problems the reunion is being held after Washington and Lee and VMI Finals.

In addition to the convocations, a number of other events will commemorate the 200th anniversary. Between November 6 and 10 there will be a series of addresses by prominent alumni who will speak on the fields of their special competence to the groups of students who would be the most interested.

Two societies will meet here as guests of the University. The Southern Political Science Association will meet October 22 and 23. The Southern Association of Science and Industry will meet May 1, 2 and 3. In close connection with the latter meeting the School of Commerce will hold a conference sponsored by a large group of its alumni.

In the Law School, the Honorable John W. Davis, class of '92, will initiate the John Randolph Tucker memorial lectures. One of the University's most illustrious alumni, Mr. Davis was ambassador to Great Britain and Democratic presidential candidate in 1924.

### Coover Named PiKA Pres.

Fred L. Coover, of Newport News, Va., was elected president of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity in its meeting Wednesday night. Coover, who will be a freshman lawyer next fall, succeeds Sidney Coulling, of Tazewell.

Vice presidential post went to Stuart S. Bailey, of Winchester, Va., who will be a junior in the commerce school in September.

Joe Vicars, another freshman lawyer in September, was named Rush Chairman. Vicars is from Wise, Va.

Allan G. Seal, a commerce student from Washington, D. C., will succeed Dashiell Rouse as house manager.

### Switch of Policy by "Outs" Pays Off With Fifteen Offices

An abrupt switch of policy on the part of the so-called "Little Clique" produced an upset in class elections last night. Early in the balloting it appeared that the "Little Clique's" participation in the elections would produce the desired results. At the final count, the "outs" had garnered fifteen of the twenty positions voted on. Consensus of student opinion seemed to indicate that the party previously out of power had drastically "out-organized" the other faction.

### Sol Wachtler Elected by FU

Group makes Effort To Eliminate Politics

New officers of the Forensic Union were elected Monday night at the last meeting of the group this semester.

Heading the list of new officers as speaker of the Union is Sol Wachtler, while Leland McFall was chosen to fill the office of vice-speaker. Also receiving positions on the executive board were John Bowen, secretary; Upton Beall, Sgt.-at-arms; and Henry Stern, treasurer.

### Election Cleanup

The elections in the union this semester were carried on under a new system which was designed to eliminate pressure politics from the elections. Several weeks prior to the elections, a nominating committee was named to meet with Dr. G. H. Foster, Union adviser, and adopt a slate of officers. This slate of officers was not revealed until the election night.

The nominating committee was composed of George Moore, Tom Bagley, and George Hammerick.

The historic committee of the Union reported at the last meeting that the history of the union has been completed. The union then voted to have a thumbnail history of the union printed and given out to incoming members next year.

Outgoing Speaker Gene Blankenbicker commended the union for its excellent work during the past semester and thanked the members for their cooperation. The Union followed this by giving a vote of commendation to the outgoing executive board, and by thanking Dr. Foster for his excellent assistance during the semester.

As one of the last acts of business this semester, the Union voted to send a letter to Dr. Johnson, who organized the Forensic Union in 1937, requesting a picture to hang in the Literary Societies Room of the Student Union building.

Election rooms were overcrowded in every instance, although a marked absence of NFU members was noted by some observers.

The student body constitution was relaxed to allow students to cast a proxy vote if it was mandatory for them to attend an academic lecture. The constitution states that a proxy vote is permissible only if a student is ill or out-of-town.

### Freshmen

The freshman nominating convention, held in Lee Chapel, was presided over by Leigh Carter, who was aided by Shep Zinovy, student body secretary, and Dick Brown, freshman executive committeeman.

In the freshman class, party tickets were partially abandoned as three of the five offices were won, with substantial pluralities, by the group previously out of office.

Victorious candidates are: Joe McCutcheon, Sigma Chi, 137 votes, president; Pete White, Phi Psi, 117 votes, vice-president; "Yutch" Stoltz, Pi Phi, 113 votes, secretary; Pete Forkgen, Sigma Nu, 112 votes, historian; and Sam Hollis, SAE, 112 votes, sophomore executive committeeman.

### Juniors

The "Big Clique" fared little better in the Junior Class elections. Of the five positions open to the Juniors, only two were taken over by Clique members. Bruce Parkinson (Phi Psi) was named as next year's class president with a total of 101 votes. Bernie Talley (Kappa Sig) opposed Parkinson but managed only 80 votes of the total.

The Sigma Chi's Hap Hamel gained the Vice-Presidential post with a total of 95 votes over Beta Jim Hedrick's 86.

Jack Nickels (Phi Gam) was named to the Junior Executive Committee position. His 96 votes won out over Sigma Nu Bill Pa-cy's 82.

Junior Class Historian Kyle Holley (Phi Delt) totaled 83 votes to nose out Jim Taylor (Lambda Chi) in the closest race for any Junior (Continued on page four)

### Post's "Casey" Jones Commends Journalism School in E. and P.

Alexander F. Jones, assistant to the publisher of the Washington Post, was a member of the accrediting committee for Journalism Schools which visited Washington and Lee this Spring. At the annual meeting of the American Society of Newspaper Editors, Washington, D. C., Mr. Jones made the following statement as reported in Editor and Publisher, April 24, 1948:

"The purpose of journalism schools is to give a boy or a girl the best possible education, and I think that is what this accrediting committee movement is doing.

"You will find a good many schools that are doing things wrong. The committees are attempting to arrange things so that they will be done right. There can be criticism of many journalism schools, because, as one instructor said to me, "What do you expect for three thousand dollars, Louis Seltzer?"

I want to tell you that my thought on this thing is that the newspapers themselves can do a great deal of work in helping the journalism schools in the communities where the schools are located, and I had one delightful

experience, I am not an alumnus of the school, so if I brag about it a little it is nothing personal. It was an inspiration.

We went down to Washington and Lee University, at Lexington, Virginia. It is a small school of one thousand students. O. W. Riegel is the dean of the journalism school. There were four of us who went down, Earl English, James E. Pollard, of Ohio State University School of Journalism, Carter Glass, of the Lynchburg News and Advance, and myself.

We went into that school, and the first thing we saw was Bill Atkinson, managing editor of the Roanoke Times. The next man we encountered was Louis Spilman, editor and publisher of the Waynesboro (Va.) News-Virginian. Both of these men are driving down to Lexington three times a week to deliver lectures.

When you go into that place, you find an AP ticker. You find a universal copy desk. You find all of the day's newspapers. You find every periodical. You find a beautiful library, and you find a bunch of boys who are up to date on continuous studies in newspaper work.

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### Moger Is Elected VSSA President at Meeting Here; Moss, Overman and Thomas Also Chosen by Group

Dr. Allen W. Moger, professor of history, was elected president for 1949 of the Virginia Social Sciences Association at its annual meeting held here Saturday.

Other officers went to: Warner Moss, professor of government at William and Mary, vice-president; Edward S. Overman, bureau of public administration at the University of Virginia, secretary-treasurer; and Herman P. Thomas, professor of economics at the University of Richmond, auditor (a new office).

The following were elected to the executive committee: Robert D. Meade, professor of history, Randolph-Macon Woman's College; Loren M. Thompson, director of the bureau of population and economic studies, University of Virginia; Miss Oreen M. Reudi, professor of economics and sociology, Randolph-Macon; and past President Dr. Leland B. Taft, of Virginia Tech.

Colonel Francis Pickens Miller, a former member of the Virginia House of Delegates, who has indicated that he will run for Governor in 1949, spoke before the history section of the social science group. Colonel Miller said that the democratic process of government in Virginia has been

weakened by the creation of a "party-State."

"The organization of the Democratic party and the structure of government (have been) merged to such an extent that at times it is difficult to detect whether it is the government or the party which is acting," he said.

Another trend noted by Colonel Miller leads, he said, "toward the disappearance of local government." He blamed the trend on "the dispersion of the powers of government in the localities and the tendency of the Commonwealth to absorb the dispersed powers."

Miller said "it is not too late to revive local government and this must be done as a necessary bulwark of our liberties. It can be done by collecting the dispersed powers and vesting them in one governing body which would command the respect and arouse the interest of the leading citizens of the country."

Also speaking to the history section of the convention was George B. Zehmer, director of extension services at the University of Virginia, who delivered a talk on "some recent developments in education."

The sociology section heard a

description of South African social problems presented by Dr. James G. Leyburn, Washington and Lee dean and sociologist. Leyburn said in part:

"South Africa has much more serious social problems than ours in America. The major problem is racial. Of every 100 people, only 20 are white, while 70 are 'natives'—Zulus and others only a generation or two from tribal life; seven are 'colored' of mixed stock, and almost three are Indians.

"To all these latter groups the whites deny civil liberties in varying degrees. Most nonwhites may not vote, bear arms in defense of their country, own property, or learn skilled trades. Segregation is general; taxation is highly discriminatory. Despite the efforts of many intelligent white men, there is an underlying sense of fear about the future, and a lack of agreement on ultimate goals. The result is a series of short-range palliatives and recurrent crises."

The association was also addressed by John Lancaster, of the University of Virginia; Spencer D. Albright, of the University of Richmond; and William A. Mitchell, of the University of Virginia.

# Voice of the Students

# FRATERNITY ROUNDUP By FRAN RUSSELL

Editor, The Ring-tum Phi  
Dear Sir:

It seems that the sports staff of The Ring-tum Phi is getting very hard up for space when its writers can find nothing better to do than to criticize the members of the Washington and Lee coaching staff. For the second time in as many weeks, one of our coaches has been needlessly and wrongfully slandered by a sports reporter. As I understand the rules of correct journalism, a reporter is supposed to support his statements with facts. I have definite proof showing that the "Generalizing" column of the May 14 issue of The Ring-tum Phi was drawn from idle gossip and the conclusions of the reporter rather than from any facts.

First, I would like to say that it is a great disappointment to me that our school paper would sink to such depths as to use "dirty journalism." The columnist who wrote that someone said, "the best thing Cap'n Dick did all year was when he left town and Cy Young took over" would find a happy haven on a paper like the Washington Times-Herald or the New York Daily News, where "gutter journalism" abounds.

Secondly, I should like to point out that a baseball team is not a bunch of robots as this columnist implies. A ball player, I am led to believe, usually possesses a little ability and baseball sense of his own. The game is played on the field, not on the bench. The coach advises. Also, whether the two cases of bad coaching that the columnist referred to were bad baseball is highly open to debate. If the columnist could coach as well as he can second guess, he should be managing a major league team.

I know for a fact that Brian Bell was not instructed to bunt nor was he instructed to hit away in the incident referred to in the column. It was left up to him as the hitter at the plate what would be the best way to get on base. It stands to reason that a man who has reached first safely on nine occasions this year through bunts is perfectly justified in trying to get on base any way he thinks he can. The situation did not call for nor did it get any coaching. It was left up to the ball player as it should have been.

As to whether Willis Woods should have bunted to squeeze the runner in from third, three members of the baseball team, when questioned, thought it was the correct play to have him hit away. Why? It was in the early innings when the big leaguers, the presumed masters of the game never use the squeeze play. Secondly, it wasn't "playing for a cluster" as the columnist says, but the best way to get the runner in from third. Woods at the time was hitting well over three hundred and the chances were extremely good he would hit at least a long fly or a slow grounder if not to score the man from third. The fact is that he didn't make the second guessing coach look good, but the members of the team think it was right for Woods hit away.

Not only should Cap'n Dick know more about baseball than anyone here; he does. And I think that an apology to Cap'n Dick is in order. Let that reporter ask the boys on the club whether or not he knows his baseball. Then, if the reporter still thinks that the fault lies in the coaching, OK. Let's see if we can't start backing up statements with facts, and let's cut out the wrongful slander. You can't win every ball game, and there is nothing worse than a poor loser. ED CAMPBELL, Jr.

Editor, The Ring-tum Phi  
Dear Sir:

I am a member of the lacrosse team, so maybe I shouldn't be writing this. Maybe this letter should come from an impartial source. At the same time, information of this sort should come from the inside, so looking at it in that light I feel as if it is my duty.

As most people know, we (the team) are finishing our second year of recognized existence here at the University, and frankly it is a miracle that the "Blue stickmen" have survived at all.

At the start of the '47 season, we asked for some money with which to acquire equipment. The Athletic Department gave us the grand total of \$250 dollars—which didn't even cover the cost of the helmets and gloves combined. However, we finally went ahead and were able to purchase what was needed.

The next step on our thorn-strewn path to becoming a sport around here was to get a coach. The answer was to wait and see how we made out that season. After we had compiled a decent record of five wins to two losses, we were greeted with the statement that since we had done so well without a coach why did we need one? This question of a coach is still unsettled.

For the past two years we have had trouble finding a field even to

practice on. We understand that the University is crowded for field space and we have made out remarkably well. But last Thursday, the crowning blow came. We, the Washington and Lee varsity lacrosse team, were asked to get off the field so that the freshman physical education classes could use our lacrosse goals to play "box basketball." For the first time we refused to go along with the school and wouldn't leave. We remembered too well that last year the goals were used for some such purpose and that one was broken so that for the remainder of our home games we had to play with a goal repaired with tar tape. We remembered too well the things which we had had to do so that some other sport might have the right of way. We remembered too well that you had to be a millionaire to play lacrosse at Washington and Lee and support yourself not only by buying your own equipment and sticks but by spending a good deal of money to keep from going hungry on away trips. There is an old saying which states, "you only get out of something what you put into it." I think the Athletic Department has gotten a good deal out of darned near nothing so far.

But the day of reckoning is coming. In another two years the entire present team will have

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## For The People, Of The People, By Ozzie Osborne and Dan Pinck

A couple of Springs ago when Peace was not a fifth-column word and Operation Leyburn was as unforseeable as a beer soda, we were amused and very confused about politics. We knew we were fighting for Kelvinators and long views from hilltops, but never did we suspect that we would soon be engaged in shaping le corps politique and finding out the price of glory in a world bedogged with inflation.

We are forming our Government in Exile for the Bicentennial year. Our policy will be to raise the Hooper Rating of enjoyment, to make plans for Washington and Lee's Tri-Centennial, and to see that the Commerce school is moved at least as far away as the Glasgow Rug Factory.

As that lovable old cynic Omar Khaos once said: "Any organization is as strong as its weakest chain." On the other hand, we have five fingers and we are going to raise money for the Student War Memorial Fund and the Bicentennial Campaign. Our bite is worse than our bark; therefore, we are delegating said authority (but not much) to the following committees and officials. The majority of appointments will be made this fall.

- President of the Student Body—Dan Pinck.
- First Advisor—Ozzie Osborne.
- Second Advisor—None.
- Alumni Secretary for the Alumni—Owen Easley.
- Chairman, Committee on Protocol and Alcohol—Betty Anne Merrill.
- Assistant in Charge of Social Activities—Jabo.
- Hopewell Representative in Charge of Sock-Darning—Kay Potter.
- Committee on End Runs—Bob Smith.
- Committee on Race Relations—Harry Broadbent.
- Committee on Woodwind and Brass—Bill Romaine and Chap Boyd.
- Committee to see that Broken

Traditions are Repaired when the Labor Shortage Becomes Less Cute—Ad Lanier.

Dance Committee on Virginia Reels, Rolls, and Rhumbas—Ralph Davis and Nellie Lutchter.

Committee on Looking into the Possibility of Doing Away with Labs and Classes—Bill Byrnes and Dean Leyburn.

Committee on Committees—John Fox.

Committee on the C Average—Senator McWhorter and Matt Paxton.

Publicity Committee on Publicity, Courses and Degrees—Art Wood.

Minister to Denmark—George Jacobsen.

Un-Lexington Activities Committee—Al Walter.

Financial Adviser—Earl S. Mattingly.

Advisor on Fox Trots, Turkey Trots, and Long Distance Phone Calls—Ronnie Levick.

In addition to these highly coveted positions that have just been enumerated, the following committees will be formed in the fall:

- Committee on What to do When you are Forced to Date a Girl from the Patch; Committee on Thinking up Excuses for Nurse Allen When you Don't Feel Well the Morning After (Committee will also be responsible for hiding Epsom Salts from same); and a Committee to Whip the Faculty into Top Physical Shape for the Bicentennial Year, and also a Committee to Just Whip the Wahoos.

These Committees may be added to and, conversely, some of them may be eliminated entirely. On the other hand, some of them may be added to, and some not.

It's not every year that you can celebrate a bicentennial; some years you just sit and drink beer. Then there's the movies, and, of course you could bowl or Goshen. Then there's Glasgow.

Next year we are going to thoroughly bicentennialize all over Rockbridge County.... Get it?

Editorial Soiree: Kappa Alpha generously extended the use of its facilities to the various literary staffs in one final get together before being scattered by graduation.

Ozzie Osborne ran hither and yon welcoming guests and pointing out directions to the refreshments. Dan Pinck was on hand with his government in exile and seemed to be establishing a lobby with the press.

Walt and Kay Potter stunned onlookers with their version of the Samba; Walt's been taking lessons from his sister-in-law, an instructor for Arthur Murray. Genial Ben Brown and the missus circulated through the throng with the best joke of the season.

Leigh Smith, editor of the summer issue of The Ring-tum Phi, paused in flight with a sweet little miss from Lynchburg. Betty Merrill posed with Dan Pinck for publicity releases. Bill and Cathy Bien paused at the KA house in the course of their round of parties. Student wives arrived at the opinion that Don Hillman is losing that sylph-like figure of yesterday.

George Stott smiled at the troops, but lost none of that dignity he has assumed in the past few weeks. Judge Leedy spent the evening discussing the evils of campus politics. Fred Holley and Shirley Zimmerman took a the affair; it took the combined efforts of Fred Loeffler and Owen Easley to persuade Shirley to come. (I'd watch that combination, Fred.)

Drink Deep Finale: Troubs and their friends were the guests of Phi Gamma Delta at a party Saturday night. The party climaxed a week of hard work excellently done, the result of the old school try and the tradition that the play must go on.

Mary Martin was involved in an explosion in the chemistry lab at Fairfield High that severely burned both hands, but few of the audience realized it.

"Nancy" Chaffer got one of the best laughs all week when the table she had to move on the stage collapsed, smashing a glass top and several glasses.

Bernie Kaplan and Irv Safchik of New York were both on hand for the last night and for the party. Safchik said that he felt the Troubs had done a wonderful job with the play.

There was one difference at the Phi Gam party and the one in Drink Deep; Shorty "Percy Kilbride" Murray and Everett "Happy" Easter did not try to check the plumbing....

Fraternity of the Week: The selection of Phi Epsilon Pi is not based on anything done so much in the last week, as over the period of the month, although it has been plummeted into campus fame by the political activity of one of its members who is now heading up a government in exile.

The Phi Eps were recently awarded the Phi Eta Sigma cup for maintaining the highest average among its pledge class of all fraternities represented on the campus. The fraternity also recently initiated a Parents' Day, a move unprecedented in the history of Washington and Lee. This is a wonderful idea that should be initiated by other houses.

Phi Epsilon Pi was founded at CONY in 1904. Its growth has been comparatively rapid, considering its youth, and now lists 27 active chapters and 7,000 members. Washington and Lee chapter was established in 1920.

Officers of the fraternity are: Merv Dorfman, president; Stan Kamen, vice president; Ed Feinman, secretary; and Sam White, house manager. Local brothers are Mr. Leonard Lyons and Mr. David Grosman.

Thirty and Out: For some unknown reason, journalists have a custom of signing their final column with a "30." This type of column gives the columnist a degree of liberty to say what he thinks and to offer critical opinion.

I intend to do neither; not that I think that everything we do here is essentially correct, but I feel that the time to make critical comments is early enough to do something about the situation.

I have a deep sense of gratitude as I write this column, a gratitude to you readers who placed me so high in the columnist poll. This column makes no attempt to sparkle with wit; it merely tries to mirror as accurately as possible what is going on around campus.

The people who deserve credit for this column are the men scattered throughout the fraternities who have given me top cooperation in supplying me with what was going on. Without them, this column would have tended toward the same names and the same houses that frequently marks writing of this type.

It has been a pleasure to work with the staff of The Ring-tum Phi, and with Mr. Lauck and Mr.

Backus of the print shop. The Committee on Publications made an excellent choice in editor for the past year and also for the next year.

I suppose that this is the time to make speeches about carrying on the great tradition of journalism at Washington and Lee, about the need for young men to carry the torch from these falling hands cut down by June graduation.

These truths are too self evident: I simply say—it's been work, it's been fun, and I'd do it over again....

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## RTP Launches 'Unique' Drive

A new plan whereby prospective freshmen will be able to subscribe to the summer Ring-tum Phi was announced last night by Leigh Smith following a Publications Board meeting yesterday afternoon.

All students who will enter Washington and Lee for the first time this fall will be sent mimeographed letters stating that they can subscribe to The Ring-tum Phi at the usual \$1.00 rate if they want to.

Smith said the plan, unique in W&L publications history, will accomplish two points.

"First, it will give the summer paper an added source of income," he said. "Although summer mail-away subscriptions are going well enough, we need more in order to assure students of a good paper."

As a second point, Smith said students never know as much as they would like to about the school before they enter.

"Through the summer Ring-tum Phi," Smith stated, "these students will receive knowledge of what is going on at W&L during the important Bicentennial planning period."

Smith called on all fraternities to send at least one man for either the news or business staff this summer.

"Only by having enough reporters can we make sure that all summer news events will be covered," he declared.

He stated that a renewed drive for summer subscriptions for the ten issues will get under way the end of this week. Smith and Acting Business Manager Glenn Chaffer will make a special "roundup drive to make sure that every man is given a direct opportunity to subscribe."

## 'I'd Rather Be Right Than Vice-President' . Jabo

By BURRELL GIMPELL

"No, I'm not the least bit perturbed by the fact that I was defeated by a great margin in the recent student body elections," said Jabo when contacted in an exclusive interview which took place at ten minutes 'till eleven o'clock on last Saturday night. The vice-presidential candidate who lost by a vote of one to three hundred and thirty-six stated that he had been forewarned of his demise as a campus political "wheel."

Jabo added that next year all the facts underlying current chaotic conditions will be brought to light when Dean Leyburn offers a course in the Department of Sociology entitled—Inter-social Relationships Between the small and Big Cliques. "It is a course that all thinking students should take," Jabo continued. "Extensive research has uncovered a great deal of information, and it is believed that real progress can be made only after the seemingly incompatible elements comprising the two cliques are understood and brought together." One week of the course will be devoted to the separate study of Dan Pinck (Mairzy Doats, Doazy Doats, and Little Lamby Divey).

Only Hooton-like scholarship could have compiled the data now ready for dissemination to the waiting world. It is recorded that members of the Big Clique are, on an average, 2.5 centimeters taller than their small clique brothers. This lack of stature is compensated for, however, by a weight advantage on the side of the little clique, namely two kilograms per man. A clue is thereby offered to the explanation of the relative cephalic index.

As all of you well know, the cephalic index is the ratio of a head's breadth to its length. It has been determined, by means of exhaustive survey, that heads belonging to members of the Big Clique tend to be Dolichocephalic

(long-headed), while those of little clique men are, as a rule, Brachycephalic, or short-headed (people possessing this cephalic index sometimes being referred to as Roundheads). Upon observing Jabo, one feels forced to remark, "Just how Brachycephalic can you be?"

Your correspondent was informed recently, in no uncertain terms, that the Big Clique must die if representative democracy is to return to our campus. Upon hearing this your correspondent took an empty beer in his brawny

hands, tore it in two, and uttered a catchy phrase original with him—"Sic transit gloria mundi."

There are those who say that recent political developments here have brought even greater fame to our campus; they contend that in years to come Republicans will gather in Philadelphia to hold Mock Washington and Lee Student Body Nominating Conventions. Highly unlikely it is, and if such does occur slightly over half of the delegates will stay in Duluth, or some place like that, and won't even come.

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# Generals Conquer Gobblers, 4-3; VPI Protests Game in 1st Inning

## Ligon, Putney Allow V.P.I. Only Eight Hits

Amid a flurry of flying spikes, hot arguments, and a first inning protest by the VPI coach, Washington and Lee edged out the Tech baseballers 4-3 Friday afternoon at Wilson field.

John Ligon was the winning pitcher, although he was relieved in the eighth by the Generals fireman, Lacey Putney. Putney and Ligon limited the Techmen to eight hits. The Generals were able to nick VPI hurler Cal Schadel for only 6 bingles, but they capitalized on Gobbler mistakes to annex the victory.

Tech protested the contest in the first inning when John Dillon, General left fielder, went to first when a missed third strike was dropped by Tech catcher, Hawes. VPI contended that the base was occupied, keeping Dillon from going to first on the dropped ball.

Washington and Lee got off on the right foot in the first inning when they combined a hit, error and a wild pitch for a run.

Bob Early doubled in the second inning and came home on an overthrow at third giving the Generals their second run. The Generals picked up single markers in the fifth and seventh innings.

Tech scored one run in the third when pitcher Schadel tripped and then came home on a wild pitch by Ligon. In the eighth the Techmen turned a triple, walk, a single, and a double into two runs.

Schadel kept the bats of the Generals silent all afternoon with no man getting more than one hit. Kean Tech shortstop, got two hits for VPI, but it was definitely not a hitters ball game for either team.

## Star Softballers Gain I-M Team

The winning PIKA softball team and the runnerup NFU each placed three men on the intramural softball All-Star first team, picked yesterday at a meeting of I-M managers.

An outstanding team from each league was selected and from this list, the first and second All-Star teams were chosen.

The teams are:  
First team—Mastrian, NFU, first base; Harrington, NFU, second base; Wilson, PIKA, third base; Rush, PIKA, shortstop; Pahy, NFU, outfield; Van Buren, Phi Psi, outfield; Grindy, Sig Chi, outfield; McRee, PIKA, pitcher; Coulter, Kappa Sig, catcher.

Second team—Compton, Phi Kap, first base; Wexner, ZBT, second base; Rhea, SAE, third base; Parkinson, Phi Psi, shortstop; Kyle, SAE, outfield; Muhlenberg, Phi Delt, outfield; Trundle, Chow Hounds, outfield; Brown, NFU, pitcher; Haydon, PIKA, catcher.

## GENERALIZING

By RODNEY FITZPATRICK

The Southern Conference Baseball race so far as the Generals are concerned rests in the hands of the neighboring VMI Cadets. VMI goes to College Park this week to tangle with the league leading Maryland team. If the Terps win, they are champs. If the Terps lose then North Carolina could win by taking two of its three remaining games. The Blue must win both its games of yesterday and today to be in the running, and would inherit first place if both the Terps and Tarheels fall apart.

The Lacrosse team winds up its season on Wednesday and will then begin wondering how its stars fared in the All-American balloting. Tommy Tongue, who placed on the third team last year, may repeat but is hurt somewhat by being out in the early season with scholastic difficulties. Alec Hill received great praise around Baltimore and should have an excellent chance to place.

After having been severely criticized by one columnist in last Tuesday's edition for our failure to properly inform the public, we feel it necessary to remark that the columnist who knows so much about the working of the University Committee on Athletics than we do is a member of said committee. Therefore without raising old controversies we will merely say that the actions of the committee in committee meetings may be laudable, but until said committee announces its great works to the public or puts some tangible evidence on Wilson Field, we shall be forced to remind them that the track, football field and baseball diamond need attention from time to time.

Graduation exercises will be held shortly and since this is our last column of the year it seems appropriate to pay our final respects to several members of athletic teams who have carried the Blue and White colors to athletic battles for these last few years. Johnny Ligon and Nelson Newcomb, baseball; Charlie McDowell, basketball; Shep Zinovoy and Don Moxham, tennis have all reached the end of their athletic careers at W. and L. as well as achieving success in the academic pursuits of degrees. Dick Working, footballer, will receive his sheepskin this summer, and Dyke Norman, who has completed his eligibility is not expected to return to school next year, but instead has chosen the play-for-pay game. Lou Hahn, another footballer, received his degree in February.

Sports Editor's Note—On another page of this issue of The Ring-tum Phi there is a letter to the editor, attacking the sports department of this paper. Without meaning to question the integrity of the writer of the letter or his right to disagree, the sports editor feels that certain aspects of the above-mentioned letter are misleading. By way of an answer to

it, we would like to take this opportunity to express what our policy has been during the last semester, and what we hope to make it next year.

It has been our policy and will continue to be our policy to provide the most complete, accurate and objective coverage of all Washington and Lee sporting events that is possible. We realize that in many instances certain sports and sporting events have not received the publicity that some students felt should have been accorded them. We realize that in the course of the year there have been errors made. But at the same time, we wish to point out that our space has been limited, because of very necessary advertising demands. Also we have had to work with a "skeleton" staff of loyal, hardworking, although in some cases inexperienced, reporters. On many occasions this year, particularly on the Friday paper, all of the "sports" stories have been the work of one or two men. This situation can be remedied by a larger staff and more space next year.

The sports reporters of this paper—like all of the reporters—are students, who give freely of time which might well be spent studying, or in some other activity, and it is the firm belief of this writer that they—the reporters—deserve the thanks of the students, not name-calling.

As regards the column of Generalizing, we should like to make a few points clear. This column usually is written by two students considered competent observers and writers of sports. The column is not intended to be objective. It is more or less the sports page editorial, although the authors of the column are independent of control from any source—including the editors of this paper, or members of the athletic council of W. and L. Although their copy is read by the sports editors or assistant sports editors, the Generalizing columnists are free to comment upon, commend, or criticize anything or anybody in W. and L. sports within the bounds of propriety and good taste. The sports editor has encouraged and will continue to encourage the efforts of the Generalizing columnists to better the W. and L. sporting picture as best they can by giving publicity to what is felt by them to be detrimental to that picture, as well as to that which is considered to be the school's credit.

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# Sports

Tuesday, May 18, 1948

## G.W. High School Crew Upsets W. and L. Jayvees

A powerful crew team from George Washington High School pulled a surprising victory over the Junior Varsity Blue Boatmen here last Saturday at Balcony Falls as the visitors grabbed the lead from the start and finished a good three lengths ahead of the W. and L. craft.

The George Washington group swept across the mile plus course in five minutes, thirty-five seconds to take a definite advantage over the home team's five minute fifty second clocking.

## Stickmen Meet Terps Tomorrow; Win Would Put Blue in Top Five

Tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 on Wilson Field, Washington and Lee's lacrosse team will meet head on with the powerful stickmen from the University of Maryland.

At the present, the Blue stickmen are rated sixth in the country and an upset win over the Terps would place them high among the top five teams and knock the Maryland team out of their third place bracket.

Led by All-American attack man, Giles Freeman, the visitors boast a well rounded squad which has beaten such teams as Princeton and Navy by lop-sided scores.

The Terps have ample reserves in all positions and run three equally talented midfielders into the game at all times. This will place the extreme test on the Blue midfielders, Alec Hill, Jim McDonald, and Frank Brooks who are the only three who have had enough experience and who are capable enough to oppose anyone of the Maryland trios.

Bill Pacy will probably draw the job of holding down Freeman, who is not only a capable feeder but a constant threat as a dodger.

On the defense, the Maryland group boasts last year's All-American goalie, Hoffecker, who has shown up as admirably this year as in past. Defensemen Ruppensberger also seems to be making his bid for All-American honors and has been something short of spectacular in several fracas during the season.

For the first time this year, the Blue squad is up to their full strength. Defenseman Arnie Schultz will be back in the line-up after a two game lay-off and all players seem to be in top-notch condition. Practices have been held over last weekend in an attempt to get the first midfield in good enough shape to play at least 50 minutes out of the 60.

Blue attackman Gill Brooks will be counted on more heavily in the coming fracas than ever before to set up the General attack around his deadly feeding from behind the goal. The diminutive stickman's feeding ability is usually a big factor in every score and Tommy Tongue's quick stick is literally helpless without Brooks.

The Generals will have to tighten up their defense play in order to halt the smoothly operating Terp offense. Aside from stopping Giles Freeman, the Blue squad will be faced with the definite problem of two powerful and deadly midfielders center Charlie Herbert and wingman Pat Walker whose speed shot from his midfield post will undoubtedly give Clements heart murmurs.

## I-M Roundup

By ART HOLLINS

Finishing the year with a sweep of the finals in the doubles and singles tennis tournaments the Delts finished way ahead in the I-M race as was expected.

Rowe and Kimball beat Warren and Lethbridge, all Delts, in the I-M doubles 6-3, 5-7, 7-5, for the championship, while Warren beat Rowe 6-1, 4-6, 6-3, for the singles crown. The Delts received 40 points in tennis followed by Kappa Sigs with 35, and the Betas, Phi Gams, and PIKAs tied at 26.

The PIKAs pulled a terrific upset over the NFU in the I-M softball finals with a 11-4 victory for the championship and 65 points. The NFU finished second with 55, while the Phi Psis earned 45 with a 9-1 victory for third over the Kappa Sigs, who got 35.

Both golf finalists shot a sparkling 76 as Phil Lanier, Phi Delt, beat Al Gardner, Phi Psi, 1 up at the end of 18 holes for the golf crown. The Phi Delts led with 40 points followed by the Phi Gams with 35 and the Phi Psis' 30.

The final tabulation for all points this year in all intramurals for each fraternity is as follows:

Delta Tau Delta	459
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Pi Kappa Alpha	297
Phi Gamma Delta	277
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	276
Sigma Chi	273

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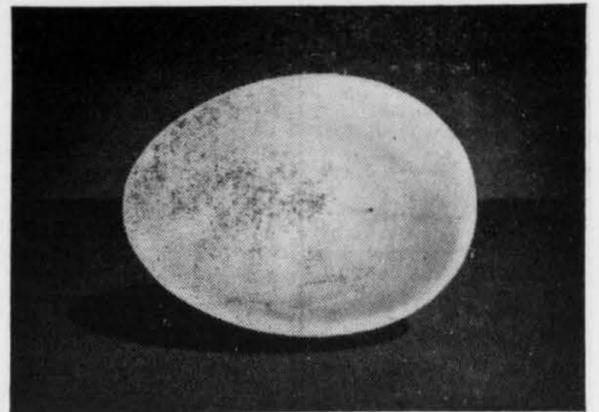
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### Letter From Bill Clements

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graduated and I am afraid that our days of upsets and surprises will be over. You ask, "Why don't you get some more boys in here?" Well, what can we offer them? Why go to W&L, where you just barely make it through the season if your pocket book holds out when you can go to UVA and get equipment, sticks and a little help free? Yes, that day is coming and it will be a sad one, for I am sure that lacrosse will leave W&L for good. It really is a shame with the sport spreading for the first time in its history through William and Mary, the University of North Carolina, NC State, Kenyon College, Ohio University and other places, too.

Washington and Lee could play such teams and have an enviable record each year, if we could only get some backing. There is no reason why we couldn't be known as the lacrosse powerhouse of the South. But it's going to be the same old story in lacrosse as in other sports fairly soon. W&L is always beaten...but never out-fought.

BILL CLEMENTS

### Generalizing By Fitzpatrick

(Continued from page three)

When errors are made, the sports department is glad to hear of them and to make the necessary corrections. But as to withdrawing criticism which we feel is valid, just because a person or a group disagree, we do not intend to do. Quite possibly our columnists have been in the past and will be in the future wrong on a number of matters. They also might be right on some. But right or wrong, if, in Generalizing, the columnists can create an awareness and interest in all aspects of the sporting picture, we feel that their "taking sides" has been justified.—D.H.

### Statement By Jones

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They take the boys up to Roanoke from Washington and Lee and let them get out the newspaper at certain times. They take them to Waynesboro and have them write editorials and get out the newspaper there. They have their own little shop with one Linotype. They get out a beautiful quarterly. They get out a fine newspaper, and there are only about 15 boys who are seniors this year.

The Fishburns of Roanoke have appropriated \$25,000 to bring in good lecturers for the journalism school, and the day we were there Hodding Carter was giving a lecture. Those boys are getting something, and the reason for it is the newspaper men in the community are taking an active part in it, and I do not care whether they are professionals or whether it is a calling or what it is, those boys down there are red hot, and I would hire any one of them at any time."

### Late Professor's Books Auctioned

With only three law students present, valuable books and notes belonging to the estate of the late Raymon T. Johnson, Law Professor, went on public auction in the town parking lot last Saturday.

A complete 17 volume set of Michie's Virginia and W. Virginia Digest and eight case books brought only five dollars. When new, the books cost \$185. The buyer was Henry Clark, senior law student from Stuart, Virginia.

A set of notes used by Dr. Johnson in the Trade Relations course was sold to Paul Shuford for .25. The buyer, the present instructor in the same course, presented the notes to the Law Library.

#### Few Bidders

Reason for the low selling price on the books and notes was the lack of bidders. One of the law students present, Cliff Muller, did not bid on the books because he does not live in this area. Rufus Hailey, the third law student, didn't have the money to try to out-bid Clark. Rather than run the price up, Hailey let the books go to Clark.

The set, a necessity for Virginia and W. Virginia lawyers, was not damaged by the fire and shows only slight signs of wear. Though selling for only about ten dollars new, the case books are considered worth much more than that because of Dr. Johnson's notes in the margins.

The notes have not been thoroughly examined as yet, so that it is not known just what they contain. Because of Dr. Johnson's prominence in law, however, it is thought that the notes may be valuable.

Many textbooks and about twenty pieces of furniture were also sold at auction.

### University Presented Ex-Governor's Portrait

Washington and Lee University will be presented with a portrait of the Honorable Colgate W. Darden, Governor of Virginia from 1942 until 1946. The presentation will be made in Lee Chapel at 12:30 p.m. on Friday, May 21. Dr. George Hutcheson, former president of the University will accept the portrait on behalf of Washington and Lee.

The portrait, which was presented to Capt. Greenlee Letcher of Lexington by Governor Darden, is the third in a series of "War Governors" of the Commonwealth. The series at present is composed of portraits of John Letcher, father of Captain Letcher of Lexington, and Civil War Governor of Virginia, and World War I Governor, West Davis.

### Summer School Students Must Return By June 16

Summer school students, 210 of whom will be in the academic school and 125 to 150 of whom will be in the law school, are expected, according to an announcement by W. M. Drake, the Registrar, to be back at school by Wednesday, June 16.

Registration for Old Students will be held on Thursday, September 16, Friday, September 17, has been set aside as the first day of fall classes for the academic school.

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### Political Reversal Termed Success

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Members of the Senior Law class elected Hugh Verano, opposed by Luther White, to the presidency of the class. Robert Goldenberg received a unanimous vote for the Vice-presidency.

In the closest election, Maurice Flynn won the Secretary-Treasurer position over Ken Hovermale.

Jim Larrick was elected to the post of Historian over Jim Holoran.

The Senior Law Executive Committee position was gained by Tom Kaylor, who was opposed by George Blackburn.

Bill Ledbetter, who was opposed by Phil Lanier, took the Secretary-Treasurer post, Bill Walmesley was named as Historian, over the famed Senator, John McWhorter. Executive Committeeman from the Intermediate class will be Ray Smith. He defeated John Lane.

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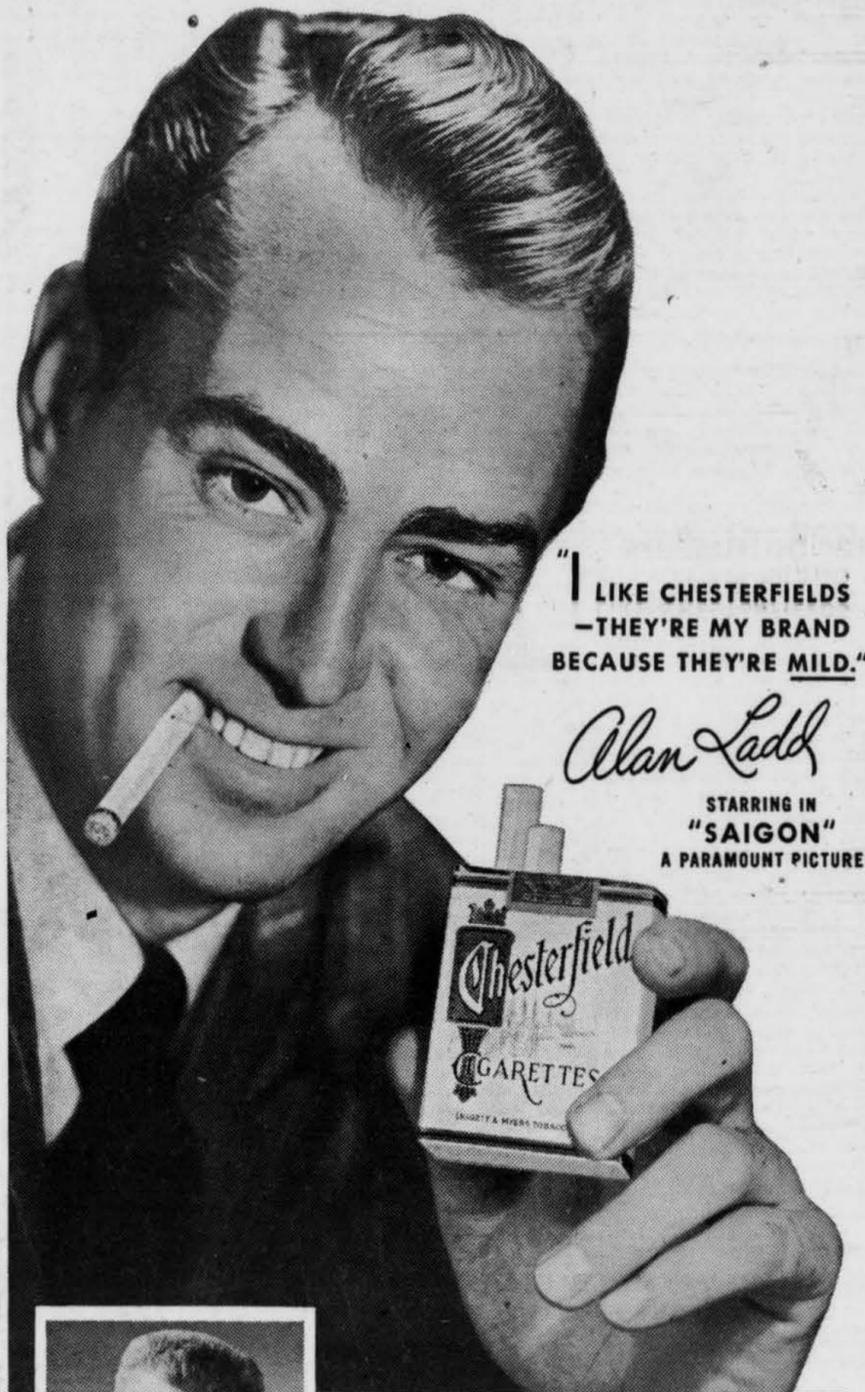
The meeting, which all seniors are urged to attend, will be held to take up the question of reserved seats for the commencement exercises.

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