

Sen. Robertson Will Speak at ODK Ceremony

Students, Faculty Men, Alumni Will Be Tapped At University Assembly

Senator A. Willis Robertson, who returned to his home here last week from an official mission in Europe, will address a University assembly Friday at the annual "tapping" exercises of Omicron Delta Kappa, national honorary leadership fraternity.

"Tapped" himself by the W. and L. circle of ODK in 1942, Robertson has been asked by officers of the fraternity to describe his recent two months tour abroad with a Senate sub-committee on armed forces. Traveling through Europe with members of the deficiency committee handling Economic Cooperation Administration appropriations for European nations, the Senate body visited 14 countries viewing the progress of ECA operations and accomplishments of the American occupation.

Senator Robertson has entitled his address "The Challenge of the New World to the New Generation." He has said that he will seek to define the challenge of communism to the Christian faith and of the challenge of the totalitarian state to the American system of free enterprise as derived from his recent European experiences.

A graduate of the University of Richmond, Robertson holds an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Washington and Lee, awarded last June.

Five Washington and Lee alumni will be "tapped" for leadership in their respective occupational fields. They will be joined by two-named faculty members and an undisclosed number of undergraduate honorees.

Alumni who will be recognized by ODK are: Roy J. Grimley, class of '21, Ridgewood, N.J., attorney who served as chairman of an alumni committee which arranged for a special United States postage stamp last spring to commemorate the university's 200th anniversary; Dr. William N. Hodgkin, '12, of Warrenton, former president of the American College of Dentists and of the American Association of Dental Examiners; Frederick S. Johnson, '11, of Wilmington, Del., executive of the Du Pont Company; Junius L. Powell, '14, New York insurance executive; and Isadore M. Scott, '37, Trenton, N.J., manufacturer and lawyer.

The exercises will mark the thirty-fifth anniversary of the founding of Omicron Delta Kappa on the Washington and Lee Campus. Last spring the national officers of the leadership fraternity and its 60 chapters around the nation erected a memorial bench at W. and L. in connection with the university's bicentennial celebration.

ODK members in the surrounding area have been invited to join the gathering attending the convocation in Doremus Gymnasium at noon Friday. An initiation luncheon honoring the new members will follow the public tapping ceremonies.

Literary Group Meet To Feature Panel Discussion by Professors

A panel discussion on "The Humanities" by four faculty members will highlight the next meeting of the Washington Literary Society on Thursday at 7:15 p.m. in the Student Union.

The panel will consist of Dr. Fishwick and Dr. Myers of the University Humanities department, Dr. Adams of the Commerce school, and Dr. Stow of the Geology department. After the faculty discussion, students will be given an opportunity to quiz the professors. All interested students are invited to attend. President Sol Wachtler said.

Wachtler said that the society after a period of inactivity following the war is making plans "to recreate its important function on the campus. The Wash-

SCVC Presidency Goes To Jim Ballard; Follows Mark Saur's Position

Jim Ballard was elected president of the Student Congress of Virginia Colleges and Universities at the organization's semi-annual meeting in Williamsburg last Saturday.

Discussion of honor codes, publications and student government were included in the two day program at William and Mary.

Ballard succeeds Mark Saur, W. and L. student body president, as president of the state-wide group. The student congress contains representatives of 12 men's colleges and universities in the Commonwealth.

Ballard will preside at the spring meeting of the Congress which will be held at Washington and Lee University.

Saur's said the discussions gave him several ideas which he would like to introduce on this campus. He described the meeting as a forum in which ideas from all of the schools could be traded.

Interested students at Washington and Lee should keep in mind the fact that the meeting next spring will give them an opportunity to study government procedure, Saur's added.

The Messiah To Be Sung Sun.

50-Voice Adult Chorus Featured in Performance

The Messiah, Handel's famous oratorio, will be presented at the Lexington Presbyterian Church Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, and several persons connected with Washington and Lee will participate.

The contralto soloist for the annual performance will be Callie Smith, wife of Milton Smith, law student. Other soloists include Glee Club Director Caleb Sushing and Mrs. Cushing, both of Lynchburg; Col. F. H. Barksdale and Mrs. Lee Cherry, both of Lexington, and Dr. Ruth McNeil of the music faculty of Mary Baldwin College, Staunton.

Among those participating in the 50-voice adult chorus are Mrs. W. F. McCorkle, Mrs. G. J. Irwin, Mrs. N. F. Lord, Miss Albertina Ravenhorst, Brewster Ford, Ted Smedley, B. S. Stephenson, Rex Criminale, Bill Guthrie, Louis Spilman, Jr., Helmut Huber and Dick Hynson, all of Lexington.

Two others who will take part in the chorus are Edward Graves, Lynchburg, and Robert Espy, Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Both have taken part in the annual service for many years, excepting a tour of duty in the Navy during the late war.

Official GW Game Score

To clear up what seems to be some confusion as to the final, official score of last night's game between the Comets and George Washington, **The Ring-tum Phi** was informed by station WREL this afternoon that their Associated Press dispatches carried the score as follows: **George Washington 87, Washington and Lee 68.**

Parties for Underprivileged

Five fraternities on the campus are definitely planning to hold Christmas parties for underprivileged children in the Rockbridge County area this week.

Phi Delt, Beta, Sigma Chi, Lambda Chi, and Sigma Nu are the fraternities which have decided to entertain less fortunate boys and girls around Lexington at various times from now to the holidays. Phi Gam is still considering it.

The Phi Delt and Beta parties will be on Friday afternoon, the Lambda Chi on Saturday afternoon, and the Sigma Chi and Sigma Nu on Monday afternoon.

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Glee Club Gives First Concert

Forman Directs Carol Program in Lee Chapel

Lee Chapel was filled with the voices of more than 200 persons Sunday afternoon when the 1949-50 edition of the Washington and Lee Glee Club made its first appearance of the year, presenting a Christmas carol service.

Benno Forman, member of the Glee Club, directed the group in the absence of the regular conductor, Caleb Cushing of Lynchburg, and Dean James G. Leyburn accompanied at the piano when the congregation participated in the singing.

The first two selections on the program, "O! Come All Ye Faithful" and "Little Town of Bethlehem," were sung by the congregation and the club. The Glee Club then gave its version of "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen" and "Angels from the Realms of Glory," with Director Forman introducing each carol with a brief history of it.

The congregation again joined in with the singing of "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear" and "Joy to the World." The Christmas Story, as recorded in the Gospel of St. Luke, was then read aloud by C. L. Guthrie, Christian Council adviser.

Renditions of "The Holly and The Ivy" and "The First Noel" were given by the Glee Club, and after everyone joined in a verse of "Silent Night," Mr. Guthrie closed the program with a brief prayer.

Joe Savage, Glee Club president, announced that the next appearance of the group will be Monday night when it will be the guest of the Christian Council at the annual Candlelight Service at Robert E. Lee Memorial Church.

220 Costume Sets Ordered For FD; Veep Faris Urges Students To Act Promptly

More than 220 Washington and Lee students have ordered their costumes for the annual Fancy Dress Ball February 3 and 4. Mack Faris, vice-president in charge of costumes, announced yesterday.

Faris urged all students to get their measurements turned in by Thursday, which is officially the final day for taking orders. He added, however, that there is a possibility of taking them for an hour each day until Christmas holidays begin. In such a case, the costume chairman said, his headquarters in the reading room of the Freshman dorm will be open from 2 to 5 o'clock each afternoon.

Two of the costume groups have already been sold out, but there is an adequate supply of the other six. The first Knight and Lady group and the Yeoman and Girl costumes are the two sets that have been rented out completely.

Faris also announced that the costumes will not be distributed from the Freshman dorm reading room, but that another place had not as yet been decided upon.

In conclusion, the FD veep said, "I want to remind all students who haven't yet turned in their orders that one of the measurements needed is the skirt length, waist to ankle of students' dates. Some students have been caused inconvenience because this item was omitted when they first turned them in."

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County Shelves Student Taxation For Present; Lexington Council Expected To Decide Thursday

W-L, VMI Students Would Have Paid Property Tax Under Plan

By RUSS APPLIGATE

The student side of the personal property tax proposal was brought before the meeting of the County Board of Supervisors yesterday in the form of a letter from **The Ring-tum Phi**. The letter set forth what the paper "believes to be the views of the students on the question of personal property taxes."

"The consensus of opinion among students at Washington and Lee seems to be that this (the proposed tax) is unfair to said students of both Washington and Lee and Virginia Military Institute, but we will not ask you to accept this as the case of the students as a body."

"What we do desire, is a chance to voice our views on the question, at your convenience; to simply get the facts straight and to be allowed a hand in deciding on a situation which bears so much importance to each and every student."

The letter pointed out that the combined student bodies of W. and L. and V.M.I. made up something like half the population of Lexington, yet was without representation in the affairs of the town or county.

"Therefore," the letter continued, "we wish to ask you to delay final action on this question until the students may be made aware of the facts, and be given an opportunity to express their views on this proposal."

Sweet Briar to Cosgrove—Collegian Has Them All

Built entirely around the theme of Fancy Dress, the next issue of the **Southern Collegian** will contain articles on everything from Sweet Briar to Cosgrove jokes.

Editor Joe Moffatt promises an edition which will live up to the publication's recently awarded V.I.P.A. title of the best college magazine in the Old Dominion. A liberal use of photographs and fancy typography is being planned, he said.

Beginning at the beginning, the cover of this issue will be handled

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Library Will Send Third Notice on Overdue Book To Student's Parents

The third notice on an overdue Library book now goes both to parents and the student explaining that if the book is not returned within one week, the student must show cause before the Administrative Committee why he should not be dropped from the University.

This is the first in a list of new library regulations sent out by Librarian Henry E. Coleman, Jr. Others deal with removal of books and magazines from the library without authority, and reserve books.

The third notice regulation was approved at a recent faculty meeting. Students who fail to return the books will go before the President of the University, the four Deans, and one other faculty member.

Students who have removed a book from the library without authority will be reported to the Student Executive Committee for action under the Student Government Code, the faculty decided at its last meeting.

Reserve books may be checked out for use during the Christmas holidays at any time after 3 p.m. Monday, but must be returned before 10 p.m. on January 4.

No fines will be charged on two weeks books whose date due occurs during the holidays, but they must be returned or renewed before 10:30 p.m. on January 4.

Student Taxes Would Not Be Fair—Engleman

Mayor Opposes Student Taxation; Some Council Members Also Against It

Indications as to what Lexington's Town Council will do Thursday in regard to the student property tax proposal were revealed late this afternoon when Mayor O. T. Engleman expressed his opinion in an exclusive interview with **The Ring-tum Phi**.

Speaking only for himself, Engleman said, "Since studying the problem, I don't feel like the students should be taxed."

Expanding on his opinion, Engleman said, "It wouldn't be right to tax the students twice. It looks like the tax was aimed at securing revenue from taxes imposed on students who own cars. It seems that most of those automobiles have already been taxed under other jurisdictions. It wouldn't be right to tax them twice—there's too much of that already."

Opinions collected from other members of the board indicated agreement with Engleman. One said that the trouble of collecting the proposed tax would be more than the revenue received.

Fear that the tax would cause an "uproar" among the students was given as one of the reasons why the proposal will probably be forgotten. In one instance, Engleman recalled such an "uproar" not many years ago. "We want to avoid that," he said.

Engleman pointed out the fact that formerly a special student committee of three Washington and Lee men had met with Engleman and the Town Manager once a month "to thrash out just such problems as this." He suggested that such a plan, which has not been continued so far this year, might well have prevented the present situation from arising so abruptly. He commented on the effectiveness of the old plan and indicated that he would like to see it resumed immediately.

"It's best for everybody," he said. "Little differences are ironed out without ill feeling on either side."

(Ed. note: The plan to which Engleman referred worked in two ways. Student complaints or suggestions concerning the town were brought up by the three men who sat on the panel. These men were appointed by the Executive Committee last year.

Likewise, town officials, including the Town Manager, Mayor, Police Department, etc., were free to bring similar matters to the attention of the students.)

Brown Leads Literary Criticism Discussion at Studies Club Meet

Ashley Brown, guest speaker at the American Studies Club meeting last night in the Phi Gam lounge, lead a discussion on literary criticism of poetry.

Another guest, Brewster Ford, and Dr. Marshall Fishwick, club adviser, aided in the discussion which was attended by 15 students.

Mr. Brown, English instructor, pointed out that the United States can not have any epic poetry because this country is too large, and interests are not common throughout. For this reason, he added, all attempts at producing a truly national epic result in a work of only regional scope.

Although American poetry as such was not discussed during the session, the topic was of especial interest to students taking Dr. Fishwick's American Thought and Civilization course because that class is preparing to take up American literature in the near future.

In his talk Mr. Brown also stated that before the middle of the seventeenth century no really bad poetry had been written, but since then the gap between the best and the worst has been widening considerably. The English instructor attributed this to the improvement in printing facilities and the rise in the literacy rate of the middle class. Explaining further, he said that there has been such an increased demand for poetry that the emphasis has been placed more on quantity than on quality.

Mr. Brown also noted that for similar reasons the language itself has been deteriorating since that time, and now modern poets are trying to find new and adequate ways of expressing themselves.

Mayor's Opinion on Property Tax

The Rockbridge County Board of Supervisors yesterday shelved "indefinitely" a plan to tax tangible personal property of college students in the county. The plan is similar to one which has been approved by officials of Albemarle county, affecting students of the University of Virginia.

By its postponement of action on the proposed measure, the Board has, at least for the time being, removed the necessity of Washington and Lee students paying a County tax on their tangible personal property... wristwatches, radios, automobiles, etc.

The Board's action does not eliminate the possibility of a similar tax being levied on students by the Lexington Town Council, which is expected to act on a proposal Thursday night.

At present, the County's tax on tangible, personal property is forty cents per \$100 valuation, while Lexington assesses an amount equal to \$2.25 per \$100.

In taking their action, Board members pointed out that approval of the tax would impose an additional hardship on many of the veterans students, and that many students are already being taxed by other states on their property. Sentiment was also expressed that such action would be "a black eye" to the County since students at Washington and Lee and VMI are the source of many thousands of dollars of income to Lexington as well as the County.

As far as could be determined by **The Ring-tum Phi** yesterday and this morning, student opinion was wholeheartedly in approval of the Board's decision. Many students expressed the belief that the Board had acted in a completely fair manner. Others praised Board members highly for their "common sense" attitude on the tax plan.

The Board, in reaching its decision to pidgeon-hole the plan for the present, felt that the only students which could rightfully be taxed were those living in the County and having the right to vote in County elections, but who were not at present paying any personal property tax.

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Letter Lauds Bulldog Pro Playing Of Ex-Generals Chipley and Boyda

Mr. Lea Booth, Publicity Director Washington and Lee University Lexington, Virginia

Dear Lea:

Although our team record is not outstanding for the season of 1949, we are very proud to have two very outstanding players from Washington and Lee on our squad. As you know, Bill Chipley has led the National League in pass receiving for three weeks and over the entire season has always ranked among the first three. To date he has caught 54 passes for a total of 609 yards and two touchdowns. I consider this a great feat because Bill is so highly regarded by all our opponents that he is always covered by two defensive halfbacks. Bill has been mentioned for All-League end, and I feel certain that he will get this award at the end of the season.

Mike Boyda, your quarterback of last year, has seen little offensive action but he has been our



Bill Chipley

ace-in-the-hole when we are deep in our own territory. Mike is now second in punting in the National League. For the past two weeks he has trailed Bab Waterfield of the Los Angeles Rams by one point. You'll notice on the enclosed release from the National League that Boyda has kicked 49 times and has an average of 43.3 per try. It has been difficult for Boyda to get in on the offense because Layne is a terrific quarter-



C. O. Voigt

Journalism Professor Who Started Home Edition Program Was Outstanding Trackman at Stanford

By FRANK CALLAHAM

The man who started the local Home Edition radio news broadcast had the dubious distinction of running the 100-yard dash in 9.6 seconds, only to finish in fifth place.

He is Assistant Professor of Journalism Charles O. Voigt, who came to Washington and Lee in the fall of 1948 to assume teaching duties after a varied career in the newspaper business.

A three-year letterman in track at Stanford University, Palo Alto, California, he was participating in the Pacific Coast Track Championships when he performed the unusual feat of trailing four competitors while covering 100 yards in less than 10 seconds.

While at Stanford, Mr. Voigt was a member of Sigma Nu and the honorary journalism fraternity, Sigma Delta Chi. He was also elected to Stanford's honorary Senior leadership organization, which is similar to ODK. During the summer months he worked as a reporter with the Fresno, California, Bee, and in 1937 he received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Journalism.

Upon graduation, the collegiate track star who also won a letter in Freshman football, went to work with the San Francisco Chronicle, with which he was connected until he joined the United Press staff early in 1940. While a reporter with the San Francisco paper in 1939, he obtained his Masters in Journalism from Stanford.

Mr. Voigt worked with UP in Sacramento, Seattle and Portland, acting as night bureau manager in the last-mentioned city, before going to Japan in November of 1940 to work with the UP bureau there. In May of the following year, however, Mr. Voigt, his wife and three-year-old daughter returned to the United States because of the threat of war. It turned out that the ship on which they sailed from the lang of Nippon was the last American ship to leave that country before the war.

Once in this country again W. and L.'s Journalism professor hooked up with Associated Press in Denver, Colorado, where he had grown up as a boy. He worked there for two years and then joined the United States Marine Corps.

He studied the Japanese language for a year at the University of Colorado before going overseas as an intelligence officer. While in the Pacific Theatre he participated in the battles of Iwo Jima and

Spilman to Address IRC

Louis Spilman, editor of the Waynesboro News-Virginian, will speak on world government at the meeting of the International Relations Club in the Student Union Building Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

The guest speaker is a former president of the Virginia Press Association and has appeared here several times previously under the auspices of the Journalism department.

Gene Blankenbicker, president of the IRC, in making the announcement, stated that Mr. Spilman's interest and participation in world government activities qualify him as an authority on the subject. The IRC head added that everyone on the campus is invited to attend the session.

Okinawa, and came back to AP in Kansas City, Missouri, in 1946.

He resigned his position shortly thereafter and bought one weekly newspaper and started another in suburban Kansas City. He edited both of these sheets for two years and then sold them after accepting a teaching position at W. and L.

Mr. Voigt, now the father of three children, had his first experience in the East when he came to Lexington. Last year he was initiated into the local chapter of Alpha Psi Omega, national honorary dramatic fraternity, and he is adviser for W. and L.'s chapter of Sigma Delta Chi.

Leyburn Outlines Registration Procedure for Second Semester

All students who expect to continue in residence in the University during the second semester (except those in the School of Law) should follow specifically the procedure outlined below.

1. Between now and January 11 (Wednesday) each student should:

(a) If in doubt, check his pink slip in the Registrar's Office to see exactly the courses for which he is registered.

(b) Study the catalogue, especially those courses for which he is registered, and arrive at a definite decision concerning any contemplated changes.

(Students are urged to consult their parents during Christmas vacation and to secure any information which will aid in making changes.)

2. During the period January 11, 12, and 13 (Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday) any student who wishes to make a change in his semester registration will get his pink slip from the Registrar and proceed as follows:

SENIOR or JUNIOR: Take the pink slip to a representative of the School or the department in which he is majoring.

SOPHOMORE: (a) If he has decided on his major or course (Pre-med., B.S. in Commerce, etc.), take his pink slip to a representative of the School or the department concerned.

(b) If he has not decided on his major, take the pink slip to the person who signed it when made out originally.

FRESHMAN: Take the pink slip to his adviser.

In each case above, the faculty adviser will make such changes on the pink slip as are agreed to by him and the student. No sections are to be filled in for classes meeting in more than one section. The **ADVISER will return the pink slip to the Registrar's Office.**

3. Students who do not wish to make changes in courses do not have to see their advisers.

4. Students who are registered for classes which meet in more than one section can find out their schedules in the Registrar's Office from January 23 to 26 inclusive.

5. The Registration committee will be in Washington 25 from 3:00 to 4:00 P.M. on February 6, the first day of the second semester, for the purpose of making any changes which are necessary because of failures incurred at the end of the second semester. A change due to failure incurred prior to January 11 (dropping a course with "F") is to be made under 2 above.

Penalty: A student is subject to penalty fee of five dollars for any change not made at the time assigned for registration.

6. Students not under the G.I. Bill may pay their second semester fees at the office of the Treasurer, Washington 4, beginning January 24.

Copies of this notice may be obtained at the Registrar's Office.

JAMES G. LEYBURN
 Dean of the University



Mike Boyda

back and Johnny Rauch of Georgia, our second-string quarterback, is pressing him very closely.

I hope this information will be of some interest to you and I want you to know that we are very proud to have such outstanding young men on our team. Their conduct and spirit have been a great credit to Washington and Lee and we are looking forward to having both boys on our team for several years to come.

Very truly yours,
 FRANK J. FITZGERALD
 General Manager
 New York Bulldogs

NOTICE

Friday's issue of The Ring-tum Phi will be the last before Christmas.

Movie Review

By McKELWAY and SIBLEY

In most cases, Hollywood can turn out an enjoyable musical. No plot is necessary, as long as there is a liberal portion of games and busts. Paper Doll was a big let down. June Haver, a mediocre dancer and singer, was restricted to faking a few solos on the violin and piano. Her body was the only thing entertaining as well as unusual in the show.

Mark Stevens' main trouble seemed to be his attempt to plug the song, "Oh You Beautiful Doll," which is a job for anyone. His characterization was made even more cumbersome by the fact that somebody else had to do his singing. During one point in the picture, Mark doesn't even take a breath but comes out with a loud high noise.

"Cuddles" Sakall, a very limited actor, sloped around in his supposedly cute way. His accent is so realistic you can't hear what he says.

To get off the subject for good, we might add on behalf of June Haver, that the picture should have been named, "Oh You Beautiful Body."

"Adam's Rib" was rib-tickling enough to be the best comedy so far this fall. A team that was once great box-office but now seems to be on the decline was the only item—but an important one—to mar the show.

Judy Holliday, the other half of the "Born Yesterday" team with Paul Douglas, played her dumb-girl role to perfection. She is undoubtedly a very capable actress

who will henceforth be cast in many different types of parts.

The producers employed a device that should be used more often—getting stars direct from Broadway to play important minor roles. It is refreshing to see new faces in place of the tired—over-worked ones.

The love scenes between Tracy and Hepburn were so intimate without being sexy that it was almost embarrassing to watch them. These two have been cast together so many times over the years that it appears that the very thought of making love to the other one is revolting. They try to cover this up with some casualness that doesn't go over.

But in their lighter moments, they still constitute a smooth-working team.

Neatest trick of the week: Hepburn quoting from a newspaper while holding it upside down.

Notice

There will be a University Assembly in the Doremus Gymnasium on Friday, December 16, at 12:00 noon. Attendance is required.

The following schedule of classes will be observed:

8:25 - 9:05
 9:05 - 9:45
 9:45 - 10:45
 10:25 - 11:05
 11:05 - 11:45
 12:00 - Assembly

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GENERALIZING

By JOHN BOARDMAN
Is Perpetual Defeat
Becoming a W.-L. Mos?

Last weekend the basketball squad experienced one of those times when it "should have stood in bed." The comets dropped a hard fought ball game to a shaky Fort Meade five by a two point margin on Friday night and then traveled to College Park where they were thoroughly tanned by the University of Maryland the following evening.

Far be it from the harried correspondent to attempt to explain the why's and wherefore's of the two defeats suffered at the hands of a pair of pitifully inferior outfits. Earlier in the season the soldiers had swamped the boys from Maryland, My Maryland by a twenty point surplus. The Generals lose to Fort Meade by two points and then travel to College Park and can't even find the bankboard, let alone the hoop.

This year we have a great aggregation of ball players and a new coach with the ideas and leadership with which he can build a great team. Whatever the weakness it, it completely lacks superficial detection.

Thanks to the type of scheduling arranged by the Athletic Committee we have seen only one game thus far this winter and, to digress a moment, will not have a chance to see too many more. At any rate, the basic defect in the makeup of our basketball squad is invisible to the naked eye. We stated above that the team was made up of a great deal of good ball players. Men who could make the traveling squad on most of the nation's court fives. These boys are all individual stars but when the entire equation is put together the result is never the right answer to the unknown factor. Could he abundance of individual stars be the answer to the problem? How many of the boys are out for the Generals and how many out for the grand total?

Of course the natural reaction to this article will probably be something like this: "Sure climb on the bandwagon when the team is winning and then immediately abandon ship when they begin to lose." The point in question here is not to heckle the squad when they are losing, but to find a solution to one of the almost accepted mores at W. and L., perpetual defeat. Excepting the wrestling team, a Southern Conference Championship has not even winked at the Generals in the past three years. One other squad, however has represented the school admirably in past seasons has been the Norm Lord coached soccermen.

Returning to the basketball scene, our representatives are not poorly coached and they are by no means lacking in manpower. Team-play is an easy eight letter combination on which we can blame defeat and which can cover a multitude of sins. Any good ball club should take close to one hundred shots a ball game, but why shoot with your back to the basket just to make sure the team gets close to the standard figure. Oklahoma A. and M. wins games by a 28 to 24 margin and doesn't feel a bit slighted.

If some of our so-called individualists would join the rest of the brotherhood and forget their sincere belief that since the team is behind they are the only person who can pull the game out of the fire, we might chalk this 1 and 4 record up to experience. The only event that a one-man team ever won was a decathlon and from here it doesn't look like W. and L. will enter the 1953 Olympics.

Handball, Foul Shooting Take I.M. Spotlight

Intramurals on the W. and L. campus have gone into its second phase of activities following the climax of football, and at this point table tennis, bowling, handball and foul shooting are all in full swing.

The tremendous amount of handball entrees leaves the sport still in its opening rounds and as yet not all candidates have had a chance to show their potential. Foul shooting, too, is in its first stages with qualifying still going on. Those men who hit for 18 out of 25 will have to have a playoff to see who gets in the tournament, for several entrees have throws in 19 and 20 free throws.

The results from table tennis
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Senior Class Meeting

There will be a meeting of the Senior Class on Thursday night, December 15, in Washington Chapel at 7:30. The purpose of the meeting is to decide upon a non-partisan system of administration and representation for the Senior Classes.

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Comets Dropped By Terps 65-46

By NATHAN SALKY

Washington and Lee dropped its second conference game of the season last Saturday night as it went down before a surprising Terrapin squad from Maryland, 65-46 on the victors home court in College Park.

W. and L. entered the fray as favorite by virtue of their showing against highly-touted North Carolina State and their victory over a strong Wake Forest quintet. Maryland, however, with the aid of two sharpshooting sophomore forwards, turned the tables and downed the Comets with ease.

Jay Handlan, star W. and L. forward, threw in the first two points of the game pushing W. and L. into an early lead which was increased by successive field goals by Dave Hedge and Goldie Goldsmith. Maryland immediately came back strong and after a very few minutes Terp center, Bob Murray, scored on a pivot hook shot that pushed the Old Liners into a 7-6 lead.

From this point it was all Maryland; they never fell behind again. The play followed fast and furious with the W. and L. five missing shots, passing wildly and failing to take possession of rebounds. Maryland took advantage of their opponents mistakes and frequent fouls to put the score at 28-20 at half-time.

The second half featured a Maryland squad that was improving as the game progressed and a W. and L. quint that continued to sport a wild, inaccurate offense coupled with an aggressive but too often fouling defense. The Terps began hitting the wicket with exceptionally consistency and slowly but surely built up a lead that culminated in a final score of 65-46.

Leading the scoring was Charlie Mack, Terp forward, who tallied 21 points while his running mate, Lee Brawley, fashioned a neat 16 markes to take the runner-up position.
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Varsity Matmen Star In Tourney; Squad Faces F and M In Opener

Conference Officials Urged To Appoint Commissioner

The need for a Southern Conference Commissioner was expressed very strongly by some of the loop's officers before the close of the annual conference get-together held in Roanoke last week. It was stated that the new official was needed before the "purity code" showdown with the National Collegiate Athletic Association in New York January 13 and 14.

"I think we should appoint this commissioner," said one conference official, "before we go to New York. I think it might help us in our efforts to get what we want."

What the conference officials want is relaxation of the NCAA "purity code" to permit a year-round training table for the schools' athletes. League big-wigs feel that if such a plan is adopted, three schools in the Southern Conference area, V.P.I., The Citadel, and the University of Virginia, will find themselves out of hot water as far as the NCAA is concerned. These three are among seven who are facing a expulsion from the NCAA because of code violations.

Basketball

Washington and Lee's basketball squad will return to the home court next Monday, December 19 when they collide with the Colonials of George Washington University. The Comets smarting under a previous defeat suffered at the hands of the Washingtonians will be at full strength for the contest. Game time will be at 7:30.

Grunts and groans flew thick and fast in Doremus Gymnasium when Washington and Lee's third annual All-University Wrestling Tourney got under way. Enough bull-necked matmen turned out for the opening day of competition to warm the heart of varsity wrestling coach O. O. Day, who supervised the mayhem. Coach Day has decreed that the eliminations will decide his first line for the coming varsity season.

None of the members of last year's Southern Conference mat squad met with defeat during the first round of the tournament. Such stellar performers as Ted Loneragan, Joe Sconce, Irv Wicknick, and Doug Smith rolled through to easy first round victories all by virtue of the pin route.

Pinals of the tourney will be held Wednesday night in the gym. The event will get underway at 7:30 and a sell-out crowd is predicted by promoter Tim Bryan.

The results of yesterday's matches as refereed by Jim Conneley, president of the Grappler's Club were:

Bill Helprin pinned a fellow novice George Rowell.

John Melton decisioned Jack Anderson by a 4 to 1 margin.

Paul Weill, pinned hard fighting Bob Keegan.

Joe Sconce, another seasoned performer, finally threw stubborn Harry Melzeke after a tight match.

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Pete Pitard, edged out Tom Bull 4-2 in a hard fought battle between two freshman novices.

Fred Staunton slipped past a fellow freshman, Bob MacCubbin in the afternoon's closest match by a 7-6 score.

Dave Croyder pinned James Flannery.

Ed Miller likewise held down Don Williams.

Joe Gray huffed and puffed to a 5-3 decision over Bill Davidson in a well fought match between two beginners.

Ted Loneragan of the team threw Dick Broudy.

Steve Lichenstein of the team finally caught up with Pete Gardnes in a fast moving match.

Doug Smith of the team bruised his way to victory via the fall route over John Dixon.

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Making their first home appearance of the 1949-50 season, the W. and Y. Comets withered in the final minutes to lose to the visiting army contingent from Camp Meade 61-59. Displaying a potentially strong defense, the Comets let themselves be victims of all too accurate shooting from beyond the quarter court line. Moreover, although their floor game was for the most part sharp, the Blue failed to make use of their clear shots and often gave the soldiers too much free rein.

After a quick opening spurt, the Second Army went behind at the beginning of the second quarter 23-22, following a beautiful set shot by Joe Auer of the Comets. The next few minutes took on the general characteristics which made the game one of the most see-saw contests seen in Doremus Gym in quite a while. First one team then the other held a slim point lead, while both were missing rebound after rebound. Dave Hedge, high point man of the evening with 16 points, was up in the air half of the period taking the ball off both boards. Then with Skvoretz moving the ball all over the court, Camp Meade kept the lead until just before the period's conclusion.

With their offense clicking to perfection, the Comets made three quick baskets to open the second half. Not capitalizing on their foul shots, Camp Meade was lagging at the three quarter's mark 37-43. From that point Hedge tipped in his own shot to make an eight point difference separating the two teams. Magnusson, who was playing a fine floor game, bucketed two straight to brighten things up; and the third period ended as Chaff made the score 47-44.

Aided by the long accuracy of Campbell, Skvoretz brought the soldiers to within two points as 6 1/2 minutes remained. Taking advantage of the Comets' slowing down, Fort Meade, with Chaff and Campbell shooting, then put itself way out ahead 58-52, as the game went into the home stretch.

Making his first appearance in the contest, Comet George Pierson, with about two minutes remaining, swished one from the side. After accidentally eliminating Antonelli from further play, he joined with Hedge to make the score 60-59, with W. and L. one shy. However, with the packed gym howling for a field goal, Fort Meade iced the game with a free throw—final score 61-59.

Parties

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There will be a Santa Claus at every party. Those already chosen for the job are Chris Moore, Phi Delt; "Seal" McNeil, Beta; and Ross Wagner, Sigma Chi.

Approximately 20 children will be at each party; each one will be assigned to a pledge or to one of those who have volunteered to help. There will be Christmas trees, presents, carol singing, and refreshments.

Collegian

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by the artistic talents of Hack Heyward and Bill Ellison. Inside will be found a picture story on Sweet Briar, which is "not the usual type of girl's school stuff." A photo-essay on Fancy Dress by Al Seal and a picture story on a

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A copy of this issue will be sent to all of the leading magazines in the country. This is done, of course, with the fond hope that W. and L., Fancy Dress, and the Collegian will get a plug.

Fiction stories will be written by Bill Mills, Bill Romaine, and Bill Clements.

Terps Win

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sition. The bright spots in the W. and L. offense were Handlan and Hedge, both hitting for 14. Handlan continued to score on his phenomenal push-shots, while Hedge, in addition to scoring, played a rough and tumble floor game, being responsible for most of the balls the Comets took off the backboard.

Statistics			
Washington and Lee			
	G	F	T
Handlan, f.	7	0	14
Hedge, f.	6	2	14
Compton, f.	1	3	5
Goldsmith, c.	2	5	9
Grove, g.	1	0	2
Pierson, g.	1	0	2
Totals	19	10	46
Maryland			
	G	F	T
Brawley, f.	6	4	16
Mack, f.	7	7	21
Howard, f.	1	0	2
Chase, f.	1	0	2
Murray, c.	4	0	8
Armsworth, g.	3	2	8
Koffenberger, g.	2	2	6
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Totals	24	17	65

Halftime score: Maryland 28, Washington and Lee 20.

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Literary Panel

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tuted. Instead of bidding only those men who have been given recognition in publications and forensic activities, bidding hereafter will be done through selection by an impartial committee after this committee has interviewed various candidates. "It is hoped that through this method a qualified and interested group of initiates will be selected," Wachtler said.

This year's programs for the society will consist of several panel discussions and guest speakers who will be invited to attend meetings and participate.

Wrestling Tourney

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Bob Crocker of last year's freshman squad further contributed to the happiness of his coach with a pinning of Calvin Cafritz.

Irv Wicknick of the team made it a perfect day by pinning Orest Neimanis in a rough and tumble affair.

Howard Davis, Morgan Lear, Ken Finley, and Sam Latham, advanced on to the next bracket by virtue of byes. Wilson Lear and Charly Sippde received defaults from John Hutchins and Roger Chappelka to close out a punishing day for the mats.

I-M Roundup

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are also sparse but thus far ZBT has defeated Campus Club 4-1, and Phi Delt has won over Phi Gam 4-1 in league B. In league D Sigma Chi edged Lambda Chi 3-2, and Phi Upsilon shut out SAE 5-0. Beta and KA turned in wins in league A over Pi Phi and Phi Kap respec-

tively. Finally in league C, Sigma Nu defeated PEP 4-1 and the Deltas defending champs, won a 4-1 victory over PIKA.

In bowling only six matches have at this writing been played. In those Phi Psi won over Kappa Sig, Phi Delt defeated KA, Campus Club took Sigma Nu, Pi Phi forfeited to Phi Kap, SAE swamped PEP, and Beta edged Lambda Chi.

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