

## TWELVE STUDENTS SELECTED BY ODK

### Barclay, Pusey Honorary Nominees from Faculty

#### Recognition Given to Football Coach, German Professor, Alumni and Others

Washington and Lee University student leaders today added their own official recognition of the outstanding leadership of Football Coach George Barclay.

In annual "tapping" ceremonies of Omicron Delta Kappa, the national honorary leadership fraternity, the W. and L. leader was hailed before an all-University assembly on the Lexington campus and "tapped" by the organization for "conspicuous leadership and service to the University in the fields of sports and sportsmanship."

Barclay was joined by another outstanding Washington and Lee staff member, Dr. W. W. Pusey, head of the Department of German and Russian language teacher, three alumni, an outstanding graduate of neighboring Virginia Military Institute, and 12 W. and L. students in receiving the ODK honors.

#### Barclay Applauded

Reportedly pondering the intensive efforts of Virginia Polytechnic Institute officials to lure him from Washington and Lee with the enticement of a larger salary, Barclay learned at today's exercises how the W. and L. student body feels about him. He was given a rising ovation by the capacity crowd attending the exercises in Doremus Gymnasium.

Dr. Oliver C. Carmichael, president of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and former chancellor of Vanderbilt University, addressed the assembly on "Leadership and Learning."

Said Carmichael in a special statement to The Ring-tum Phi, "I am delighted to be here on this particular occasion because it is a day when the University recognizes those who have shown marked leadership. The country will depend on institutions like W. and L. for leadership in the troubled days ahead. The record of W. and L. for contributing outstanding men to the South and the nation is excelled by no other institution of its size."

Three alumni were honored by the fraternity. Walter McElreath, '94, Atlanta attorney, former legislator, authority on the Georgia state constitution, and founder of the Atlanta Historical Society, was the first honoree. He was accompanied by Harry L. Shuey, '24, of Morganton, N. C., one of the Carolina's leading industrialists and president of the Morganton Furniture Manufacturing Company; Sherman W. Ballard, '21, Petersburg, W. Va., attorney; and Wert Faulkner, general manager of James Lees and Sons Company, Glasgow, Va.

In his speech preceding the conveying of honors, Dr. Carmichael had a word of warning for the present generation of college youth facing the prospect of being called into military service.

"It would be easy to become discontented, frustrated, and tempted to leave the campus anticipating your country's call," he said.

#### Carmichael Cites Lee

"To those of you who may be in such a mood, may I cite a sentence from the pen of your great hero, General Lee, who in time of doubt and uncertainty wrote:

"The march of Providence is so slow and our desires so impatient, the work of progress so vast and our means of aiding so feeble, the life of society so long and that of the individual so brief, that we are likely to see the ebb of the advancing tide and thus become discouraged. It is history that teaches us to hope."

Summarizing the qualifications of real leadership, Dr. Carmichael referred to "the spirit of learning, the spirit of service, convictions upheld by a sustaining courage and the perspective which history alone can provide."

#### Alumni Boosting 'Gator Tickets

By GEORGE EAGLE

At present, W. and L. alumni threaten to outnumber the students traveling to Jacksonville for the 'Gator Bowl battle between Washington and Lee and Wyoming University. But the Athletic Office, reporting a steady sale of 'Gator Bowl tickets to alumni fans, expects a last-minute surge of student ticket-seekers shortly before the Christmas holidays begin.

Over 1500 tickets have already found their way into the hands of W. and L. backers planning a sojourn to the land of sunshine and alligators.

From the alumni viewpoint, Alumni Secretary "Cy" Young reports that the game will undoubtedly provide the setting for the largest alumni gathering in W. L. history. Alumni headquarters in Jacksonville will also be the Roosevelt Hotel.

The Jacksonville Chapter of W. and L. alumni has made several suggestions concerning alumni activities before and following the game. Mr. Young, expecting the results of these motions this morning, felt that the foremost of these was the plan to hold a breakfast or a "brunch" for alumni at 11 a. m. on the morning of the game. He considers this plan almost a certainty to be carried out, since a similar breakfast met with much success in Louisville, Kentucky, before that game.

Other plans of the Jacksonville alumni include a Junior Chamber of Commerce luncheon on December 29, in honor of the visiting teams and coaches, and a post-game Tea Dance at the Seminole Club, in honor of visiting dignitaries.

#### Annual Christmas Program Will Be Given on Dec. 17

The annual program of Christmas music at the Presbyterian Church will be given this year on Sunday, December 17, at 4 p. m.

It will consist of a portion of "The Messiah" and two Bach cantatas. Soloists will be Helen Wood, whose most recent appearances include leading roles in "Pagliacci" at the Brooklyn Academy of Music and "Traviata" at Carnegie Hall; Winifred Cushing, who toured the United States and Europe with the Westminster Choir; Virginia Hover, product of the Eastman and Juilliard conservatories and now voice teacher at Hollins; Gordon Page, director of the Mary Baldwin and W. and L. Glee Clubs; Caleb Cushing, director of music at Centenary Methodist Church, Lynchburg, and formerly director of the W. and L. Glee Club; Flournoy Barksdale, local tenor; and Robert Moore, one of the most talented young organists in the East.

Several W. and L. faculty members, wives, staff members and students are singing in the chorus, which is under the direction of Miss Mary Monroe Penick. They are Miss Helen Ganas, Mrs. George Irwin, Mrs. Charles Laughlin, Mrs. Edward D. Myers, Miss Iris Tolley, Mrs. C. W. Williams, Mrs. Rex Crimale, Mr. W. E. Guthrie, Mr. Brewster Ford, Mr. Ted Smedley, Mr. B. S. Stephenson, A. L. Barrett, J. T. Cook, Horace Douty and Bob Paxton.



THINGS MOVE FAST in Jacksonville in preparation for the 'Gator Bowl game between Washington and Lee University and Wyoming New Year's Day. Even the 'gators for which the bowl is named grow wings. The young lady with the air-going 'gator is Betty Herrmann, Miss St. Augustine, Florida. The 'gator comes from the St. Augustine Alligator Farm. —J. Carver Harris photo

#### Barclay Studies Wyoming Films; He Doesn't Like What He Sees

The aura of mystery surrounding the actual strength of the University of Wyoming's undefeated, untied football team was beginning to vanish here where Washington and Lee's Generals are preparing for their New Year's Day engagement with the Westerners in the 'Gator Bowl.

W. and L. Coach George Barclay turned off his motion picture projector, rubbed his over-strained eyes, and declared, "I don't like what I have just seen."

It was no ghost Barclay saw, only the films of two smashing victories over Skyline Six Conference opponents, Utah State and Brigham Young.

With their powerful Tennessee-type single wing attack roaring at full speed over the desperate Utah State and BYU defenders, the Cowboys racked up rather methodical 40-7 and 48-0 triumphs.

Until seeing the movies, exchanged by Wyoming's Coach Bowden Wyatt for films of the Generals' games with Virginia and Richmond, there was no one in this locale who could testify as to the genuine strength of the Cowboys except they had trimmed a respectable Baylor team, 7-0.

Barclay's preliminary survey, contained in half a dozen footnotes to diagrams he drew from the Wyoming movies, went something like this:

- (1) Wyoming is entirely too classy for the rest of the Skyline Conference.
- (2) The Cowboys compare favorably with Tennessee in their skillful use of the Tennessee "cattle formation" or single wing attack; it's also understandable how they led the nation in defense.
- (3) There's nothing freakish about Wyoming's high national rating; they have a wonderfully coached organization.
- (4) Wyoming's all-American Eddie Talboom will be the finest tailback seen in the South since Charlie Justice hung up his shoes at North Carolina.
- (5) They get marvelous end play and their linebacking is terrifying.
- (6) They cover kicks like Tennessee, swarming all over the man who is unfortunate enough to catch the football when Wyoming punts or kicks off.

"They are big, strong, rough, fast and smart—what more would you want a football team to be?" inquired Barclay.

"It's too bad they didn't have a chance to prove themselves against some of the important Eastern or Southern squads this year."

Barclay recalled Coach Dud De Groot's comparison of the Wyoming and Army teams after his New Mexico squad had been walloped by both of them. "I haven't seen Army, but from the movies I watched of Wyoming's team, one might safely surmise that Wyoming would give Army a thoroughly busy afternoon. De Groot's observation was based on sound judgment," Barclay said.

The W. and L. director also had a skeptical word for the clever program editor who devised the weight charts shown in the Wyoming game program he used in picking out the Cowboy personnel.

"Comparing their program weights with what I saw in their movies, I'd assume they weighed these Cowboys when they were freshmen and haven't revised them since," Barclay said.

#### NOTICES

Men who have failed to pay for Openings tickets are reminded to do so Monday and Tuesday in the Student Union at the treasurer's office.

Delinquent accounts will be referred to the Cold Check Committee after the holidays.

There will be a meeting of the Jazz Club Sunday, Dec. 17, at 7:30 p. m. in the Student Union. Jam session by the Washington and Lee Stompers if possible.

Fancy Dress costumes will be on sale at the Student Union Monday from 2 to 5 p. m. Those who wish choice costumes are advised to order them by this last day of sales before vacation.

#### Leaders in Campus Activities Tapped During Noon Ceremony

Receiving the highest award given by Washington and Lee for excellence in the field of leadership, 12 students were "tapped" by Omicron Delta Kappa at the University assembly this morning.

Also selected for honorary membership in ODK were Coach George Barclay and Dr. William W. Pusey of the W. and L. faculty; Walter McElreath, Harry L. Shuey, and Sherman Ballard, Washington and Lee alumni; and Wert Faulkner, honorary non-alumnus.

Omicron Delta Kappa was founded at Washington and Lee University in 1914 by three students, R. N. Latture, J. Carl Fisher, and William M. Brown. Since its inception at W. and L., Omicron Delta Kappa has installed chapters at leading universities and colleges throughout the nation with the primary purpose of awarding recognition to those students who have shown outstanding abilities in their respective fields of endeavor.

#### Initiates Named

The 12 men "tapped" by Omicron Delta Kappa this morning were:

**UPTON BEALL**—Senior from Helena, Arkansas; speaker, Forensic Union; president, Sigma Chi social fraternity; chairman, Cold Check Committee.

**JOHN BOARDMAN**—Senior from Columbus, Ohio; editor-in-chief, The Ring-tum Phi; president, Beta Theta Pi social fraternity; and vice-president, Dance Set.

**CHARLES BRADSHAW**—Senior from Memphis Tenn.; president, Christian Council; president, Sigma Alpha Epsilon social fraternity; and dormitory counselor.

**WILLIAM COGAR**—Freshman lawyer from Charleston, W. Va.; chairman, Charity Chest; president, Phi Kappa Psi social fraternity; and recipient of a departmental scholarship.

**CHRIS COMPTON**—Freshman lawyer from Ashland, Va.; captain, basketball team; president of class; and president, Phi Kappa Sigma social fraternity.

**IKE ILER**—Senior from Vincennes, Indiana; president, Campus Club; senior member of Student Intramural Administrative Board; and recipient of departmental scholarship.

**DAVID KERR**—Senior from London, England; president, IFC; editor, Calyx; and editor, Shenandoah.

**HUNTER LANE**—Freshman lawyer from Germantown, Tenn.; managing editor, Calyx; recipient of IFC scholarship; and Phi Eta Sigma.

**JOE MCCUTCHEON**—Senior from Charleston, W. Va.; captain, football team; vice-president, junior class; and All-State football, two years.

**JACK MARSH**—Intermediate lawyer from Harrisonburg, Va.; president, Dance Board; Dance Board Business Manager; and Assimilation Committee.

**MIKE RADULOVIC**—Senior from McKeesport, Pa.; vice-president, student body; three-year letterman, football; and Executive Committeeman from junior class.

**DAVID RYER**—Senior from Glydon, Md.; president, senior class; editor, Southern Collegian; captain, lacrosse team.

Omicron Delta Kappa, which extended recognition to approximately 17,000 men in 75 major American colleges and universities, was originally founded on the Washington and Lee campus in 1914. Its annual "tapping" ceremony is a highlight of undergraduate activities at W. and L.

Dr. Gaines said in his introduction of Dink Forrester, president of ODK, that he realized that all the men in the University were capable of leadership but, unfortunately, only an outstanding few could be recognized.

#### Lee Letter Back From Train Tour

A special courier from the National Archivist of the United States returned the famous "Lee Letter" to W. and L. last Wednesday.

The letter, written by General Lee in 1865 accepting the presidency of Washington College, had been loaned to the government for the past three years to travel around the country with the 97 other valuable documents of the Freedom Train.

From September, 1947, to June, 1949, the letter lay beside Lincoln's "Gettysburg Address" on the Freedom Train, and since then it has been on display in the National Archives Building in Washington. It was insured for \$2,500.

Said Dr. Alan Moger, W. and L. history professor and Lee archivist, "We are most pleased that General Lee's magnificent letter could be used as a part of the Freedom Train exhibit shown to hundreds of towns throughout America and in the National Archives in Washington. We trust that this letter and the other priceless documents in the exhibit have helped thousands to realize and appreciate the vital meaning of our American heritage."

#### Glee Club Yule Program To Be Presented Tuesday

The Washington and Lee Glee Club will present its traditional Christmas program in the Robert E. Lee Memorial Church this coming Tuesday at 11 p. m.

Mr. Gordon Page, from Mary Baldwin, will be the director of the group, and he will be assisted by Jim Cook, a transfer student, at the organ.

Along with the traditional Christmas favorites, such songs as "Welcome Yule" and "I Saw Three Ships" will be sung. The congregation will join in with the Glee Club on the traditionals.

The Glee Club has been presenting this Christmas program for approximately 20 years now, and so it has become in reality an institution at W. and L.

Dr. Gaines will present a short Christmas speech, and the Reverend Mr. Wright, of the Episcopal Church, will deliver the sermon. A special Christmas story will be read for the occasion by a W. and L. student.

Arrangements are now being made to broadcast the program over the air, but no definite conclusion has been reached as yet. If this is done, it will be the first time in the history of the Christmas program. The broadcast will probably begin after the processional and end shortly before the recessional, but including all the selections of the Glee Club and the sermon and talks.

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### THE SNAKE'S STOMACH

Plans are now in the offing for a pep rally to be held Tuesday night of next week to bolster the sagging spirit of Washington and Lee's football Generals.

There is no single reason for the recent drop in the squad's morale, in fact a natural letdown is to be expected at the close of the regular season. Football coaches usually find it a full time job keeping a team's spirit at fighting strength as they move through the schedule and when an additional contest is tacked on five weeks after what the boys had planned to be the final game, it enters the realm of the impossible to maintain the proper psychological pitch.

Turning to the men on the squad individually, you will find no sign of the overall low spirit that runs a close race with the height of a snake's stomach. The team wants to win this game as much as they did any contest during the regular season bar none. This time, however, they seem to be caught in the middle of a money making scheme that has suddenly imposed itself upon them. As yet they do not know what days they will be home over the Christmas holidays, if any, and this coupled with an unimpressive student backing of the bowl games makes it hard to recover that mid-season esprit de corp.

In a wholehearted movement to strengthen this shaky team spirit, the cheerleaders in cooperation with Lea Booth, W. and L.'s Director of Public Relations, are making plans for the Tuesday night rally. Several radio stations including outlets in Roanoke, Lynchburg, and Jacksonville are expected to carry the rally via tape recording in order to spread public cognizance of the 'Gator Bowl over the entire Eastern section of the United States.

Should present plans materialize into a fired up rally on Tuesday complete student support must be in attendance. The Generals are preparing to meet one of the toughest opponents in W. and L. football history and together with top-notch coaching and physical condition they'll need a full dose of that vital collegiate loyalty.

### A PUBLIC DISTINCTION

This morning Omicron Delta Kappa selected several men for membership within its ranks. This is the highest recognition paid to those students, alumni, and friends of Washington and Lee whose services to their community has proven them worthy of distinction.

ODK was founded with a three-fold purpose: to recognize men who have attained a high standard of efficiency in collegiate activities, and to inspire others to strive for conspicuous attainments along similar lines; to bring together the most representative men in all phases of collegiate life, and thus to create an organization which would help to mould the sentiment of the institution on questions of local and intercollegiate interest; and to bring together members of the faculty, alumni, friends, and students on the basis of mutual interest and understanding.

Selection by Omicron Delta Kappa is guided to a great extent by the point system which evaluates the various student body positions on campus and assigns a point value to those activities. A goal of 10 points is set and applicants apply for "tapping" by submitting a ballot with the number of points and the activities they have attained during their college career to the selection committee for their approval. These ballots serve as a key factor in the final selection of members. The ballots are not always followed when the committee feels that by doing so it will overlook a student more deserving than those with the required points.

Membership in ODK is one of the most venerated positions a student at Washington

and Lee may attain. There has been much concern in the past that ODK does not undertake any startling objectives once it has selected its members. It must be clarified that ODK serves only in the position for which its membership implies—the recognition of superior ability in the individual. This is its purpose. Its function is chiefly honorary.

It must be stated for those students who are not familiar with the activities of ODK that this organization, while honorary, still accomplishes many tasks behind the scenes.

ODK has undertaken the investigation of athletics at Washington and Lee. The organization looked into the matter of obtaining better teams for W. and L. and has made the proposal to extend more athletic scholarships by the University toward that end.

It has interested itself in the University Supply Store with the end of making it into an actual "Co-op," as its name implies. This ODK consideration is still in progress.

ODK's big job this year was the direction of Cheerleading at the University. It has taken this essential and heretofore mis-managed group under its wing and has made proposals to increase the facilities for the cheerleaders.

Omicron Delta Kappa also administers the University bulletin boards and publishes the Student Directory.

The notable aspect of ODK is that it has withstood the infiltration of petty campus politics and serves with the honest intention of including all men worthy of its recognition. It has become part of the Washington and Lee tradition.

The Ring-tum Phi, together with all the student body, extends its congratulations to the new ODK initiates with the hope that by this public distinction they will be influenced to carry their leadership into later life.

## The Editor's Mirror

This is Columbus Day. If that intrepid navigator and national hero should arrive upon our shores today, he couldn't get in. He couldn't get a visa, a permit to enter; because the State Department has suspended all entry visas for all foreigners, except Displaced Persons or those coming to this country at the expense of our Government. We now have two or three hundred people on Ellis Island, and there will be more. That's where Columbus would find himself, for he came from a totalitarian state; and the Queen who sponsored him did not permit her democratic principles to show.

This state of affairs arises as a result of the passage, over the President's veto, of what has come to be known as the Communist Control Bill. This Bill provides, in part for the exclusion of all aliens who in any shape, form or manner engage in activities prejudicial to our public interest, or endanger our welfare and safety. It excludes anarchists, and all who advocate the economic, international or governmental doctrines of any other form of totalitarianism.

So far as is known, there is no legal definition of the word "totalitarianism." The wording of the legislation is so broad that the State Department has decided that nobody can come in—with a few exceptions—until the thing is untangled. They are trying to figure out what to do about admitting diplomats from Communist countries, as well as businessmen, doctors, students and others whom we have invited here in order to show them how democracy works . . .

Both the State Department and the Justice Department are trying to figure out the language of the law.

Italy and Germany have both protested against the detention of their nationals on Ellis Island. The law as it now stands would exclude probably better than ninety per cent of all Germans, Japanese, and Italians, who belonged, often involuntarily, to some organization which was taken over lock, stock, swastika, rising sun, and bundle of axes, by a fascist government . . .

A literal interpretation of the law might require us to exclude from the country many United Nations representatives including a number who have consistently voted with us. It rather looks as though the State Department might be required to sort of grade-label foreign countries, which would involve either narrowing the definition of totalitarianism and communism, or broadening the definition of freedom and democracy.

—News Bulletin of IIE

## Home Edition In Third Year

As the student broadcast, "Home Edition," reclaimed its position on WREL's program schedule this fall, it began its third year as the only local program reporting news of Rockbridge County, the state, and the nation.

Since it first began as an experimental venture, the program has gradually increased its news coverage steadily and grew in popularity until it has become an accepted feature of the local station's broadcasts five nights a week. But even of those regular listeners, few, except those directly connected with the reporting and broadcasting staffs, could be aware of the vast amount of time, effort and writing ability necessary to pack the 15-minute program with top-interest news.

The "news director," an outstanding journalism senior, heads the entire staff, and is directly responsible for the quality of the broadcast. A senior editor has charge of each night's broadcast and sees that they meet the deadline for the daily reports. Under him is a local editor who, among other things, helps rewrite and organize the news copy.

Associated Press stories are handled by a national editor. These and other special editors are in charge of all the program's news gathering and editing, and even decide questions of policy with almost no interference from the faculty or station management.

Some "beat" reporters, under the direction of a student city editor, make daily rounds of the police departments, sheriff's office and criminal courts. Others cover the county offices, fire department and schools. A sports editor gets the latest athletic analysis from the county's high schools, V.M.I., and the University. These assignments are switched periodically to give every staff member experience in all available phases of reporting. Juniors and seniors with considerable writing experience to their credit handle most of the editing responsibilities, but sophomores and freshmen are taken on as "assistants" and are given assignments after acquiring experience and proving their ability to find and write the news. As each day's deadline narrows into nothing, the accurate, fast-thinking editors rewrite and assimilate the night's news while making checks of police and other news sources for last-minute breaks.

The student staffs and the technical aspects of the University Radio Laboratory are supervised by Charles O. Voigt, Jr., assistant professor of journalism. Along with other valuable training equipment, the announcing staff has made extensive use of the Laboratory's tape recorder—often securing on tape interviews of prominent visitors or county officials who couldn't be around for the broadcast.

An Associated Press teletype in the Radio Lab is used for a few hours daily to get the latest national and international releases. There are plans to operate the news printer on a 24-hour basis when badly needed contributions provide the necessary funds. Lack of adequate finances is also holding up construction of a University studio for radio broadcasting.

But, even though the mighty dollar continues its reluctance toward bringing about facility improvements and expansion, "Home Edition" listeners will have no cause to complain of the quality and diversity of its news content.

## Little Man On Campus

by Bibler



"Coach said this play would open up a clear field!"

## Movie Review

By BENNO FORMAN

Within the last three days I have been approached by no less than 26 3/4 persons and asked if I have ever seen a picture I liked (the 3/4 of a person was Russ Applegate who misinterpreted my hand and finger waving completely). To those whose memories go back far enough, I am sure that you will be able to remember when I praised a picture. But then, I guess that Chris Moore has graduated and it might not be so easy to remember when I did see a good picture last.

So, since my avid audience of 26 3/4 people want me to praise some movies, I shall oblige them. First off, *The West Point Story* is the finest film I have ever seen. What lines Virginia Mayo had—and how well she delivered herself of them. Jimmie Cagney looked exactly like a West Point cadet. Observe him carefully in this role: you will know exactly how Mickey Rooney will act when he gets as old as Cagney. I might as well tell you that my hopes have been dashed to earth, according to the realism of this modern, hence realistic film, *West Point* is not at all like it was when I read "Dick Prescott's First Year at West Point" last year for Economics parallel. Somehow since Korea is no longer a place where old men walk around wearing funny-looking hats on the very top of their various heads. (One should realize by now that I have surrendered completely to the English language. I no longer resist.) I fall to see the connexion (an explanation for last week's column) between Miss Mayo and the cadet corps, but I guess I am just my vague old self.

Not so disillusioning was "Highway 301," without a doubt the finest film I have ever seen. Finest of all were the realistic scenes where the killer runs out of an anonymous hotel in Richmond and down palm-lined Broad Street. These palm trees were a most ingenious touch on the part of the Brothers Warnerazov. I think just as our beloved governor

Battle does that the producers of this aborti--- I mean, fine film are to be congratulated. It is truly a picture that every man, woman and child must see. It points up a great moral which is: never order a drink in a bar in Richmond or you will end up end up. (P.S. if you can FIND a bar in Richmond, please let our beloved governor know.)

Which brings us to the finest picture of the week which was, I am sure all will agree, "Monsieur Huit Cent, quatre-vingt," a story allegedly cribbed from the New Yorker but which first appeared in the little French collection "Das Knaben Wunderhorn" a collection of esoteric short stories intended for the carriage trade (the baby-carriage trade.)

In this picture we have a man who is a deep, dark villain and is played without teeth by Edmund Gwenn (perhaps that is why he could not get his teeth into the part) who makes money by the indirect method. He is in love with the skinny girl on the floor beneath him, or vice-versa. But she don't love him because she knows that if she whistles often enough, Burt Lancaster will come along and take her away from this counterfeit world in which she lives and speaks in a peculiar brand of Sweetbriar French. Her great talent lies in her ability to speak English and French at the same time. If the U.N. depends on interpreters who speak like that, it is no wonder that the world situation is as second rate as it is.

Pardon me, but I just can't keep my mind off of Big Burt, Hollywood's answer to Sociology. I do not pledge this column and hence I don't have to acknowledge my sources. However, for the benefit of the boys in Dr. Leyburn's sociology class who didn't read their assignment last week and also for the benefit of boys who aren't able to take that course because of a conflict with German 151 or French 211, I should like to quote

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## Pres Brown's New Sport Shop

Waste Baskets, Trays, Bridge Covers,  
White China Football Banks

MINIATURE. MONOGRAM SWEATERS  
White with Blue Letters  
or  
Blue with White Letters

Campus Dolls that say Rah! Rah!  
and many other novelties

Don't Forget To Take Some Gift  
Home from Pres Brown's Sport Shop

# Barclay Has No Comment About Tech Offers; Squad Gets Ready

## General Coach Quiet As Blue Works at VMI

With his team 'Gator Bowl bound and the honor of Southern Conference "coach of the year" under his belt, Coach George Barclay has another problem to face. This situation is whether or not to take over the head coaching job at hapless V.P.I. Rumors appear to make it a good offer, financially, but taking over the reins of the Hokie football team isn't a position that is too inviting to a successful football coach. V.P.I. has won but two games in the past three seasons under Bob McNeish and his successor, Al Learned.

In this interview, Coach Barclay said that he doesn't know any more than the public does, adding that he is only one of several candidates under consideration and that nothing has been settled definitely about who is to take the job. The W. and L. grid mentor said that the only thing that he is interested in at the present time is the approaching 'Gator Bowl game and bringing back to Lexington a New Year's Day victory over Wyoming.

Coach Barclay is having a hard time finding suitable weather for the Generals' outside practice sessions. For the past two weeks the team has been working out in the V. M. I. fieldhouse, and Thursday was the first day they were able to go outside for a practice session. The Generals, according to their coach, need more outside practices to polish up their pass defense, passing, and kicking, all of which were impossible to work on in the fieldhouse.

The Wyoming Cowboys are arriving in Jacksonville the end of this week to begin practice for the New Year's Day game. This will give them a decided advantage over the Generals for two reasons. One, they will have better weather to practice in; and two, they will be used to the weather by game time.

Barclay added that the Generals will be in as good shape as they were at the beginning of the season.

Unless plans are changed, the W. and L. gridders will go home for a short vacation before leaving for the 'Gator Bowl. This will give the Generals only four or five days under the Florida sun to warm up for Wyoming, whose team is skipping a vacation to prepare for the game.

After viewing the exchange movies sent by Wyoming, Coach Barclay emphasized that they aren't an underrated team, but appear to be as tough as the press has said. Depth in manpower and ability to use the fundamentals of football make the Cowboys what they are.

With the V.P.I. coaching job out of his mind until '51, Coach Barclay has shown that he is out to bring a 'Gator Bowl victory back to the Old Dominion.

## Tankmen Open Slate Against Colonials; Twombly Names Team

Washington and Lee tankmen open their swimming season against George Washington University Saturday at the home pool. The lack of manpower is Coach Cy Twombly's biggest headache as he gets his team ready for their first test, for he has a very unbalanced team. There have been a few men who have dropped practice for various reasons which does not help Twombly in building his team.

Last year the W. and L. swimmers beat George Washington by an overwhelming score, but this year may be a different story, for this will be the first meet for both teams. Since it is also the first meet for George Washington, Twombly knows nothing about them and he will do everything within his power to beat G. W.

Twombly knows just about who he will use in the nine events. The first events will be the 300-yard medley relay which will feature a group of stellar sophomores, Parker Smith, Alex DeVolpi and Bob Goodman. Don Steenburg, whose specialty last year was the 220 and the 440-yard events, is ineligible for competition this year. So Bill Reid and John Williamson will handle the distance chores for Coach Twombly Saturday.

The second event will be swum by Chuck McCain and Alec Thayer which is the 50-yard freestyle. McCain is a letterman from last year. The only butterfly artist who works out daily is Alex DeVolpi and he will take the 200-yard breaststroke for Saturday. Swimming the 400-yard relay are Goodman and Smith, while the other two participants for the event are yet to be decided. There are two men who will swim the 200-yard backstroke, Bob Stickle and Thayer.

Smith, DeVolpi and Goodman, who will be used plenty Saturday, are entered in the 300-yard medley. Jim Gallivan and Tom Gardner, who did all the diving last year, will also begin their diving chores Saturday.

## General Cagers Meet Two Foes In League Play

Tonight Washington and Lee's Blue Comets open their 1950-51 season bid for the Southern Conference basketball championship against Wake Forest. Because of their win over the strong Quantico Marines last Tuesday night, the Comets are afforded a good chance for this goal. The quintet will take a 2-2 record into the game.

Jay Handlan will also go into the game with a 20-point average, and his proficient mark is expected to throw a scare into W. and L.'s opponents. Ben Walden has shown up remarkably well so far. Those who witnessed the Quantico game Tuesday will attest to this fact. His tremendous rebounding and accurate shooting picked up the slackened pace, prevalent in the late quarters.

Bill Scott's excellent ball handling will prove most valuable to the team from here on in. Dave Hedge and Henry Jones' rebounding have been and should be more than satisfactory. Along with Jack Osborne and Chuck Grove, the Generals should represent a very formidable opponent for Wake Forest tonight, and Duke tomorrow night.

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## W&L Grapplers Face Davidson In Monday Meet

Washington and Lee's wrestling team starts after another Southern Conference championship Monday against Davidson's gladiators.

For the past three years, Coach Russ Crane's wrestlers have been undefeated in Southern Conference competition.

However, despite the return of many lettermen and Conference champions, Coach Crane has voiced a note of pessimism concerning W. and L.'s chances of annexing another title.

Crane finds that his job as backfield coach on the 'Gator Bowl-bound football team is taking too much of his time. "I'm not here and able to keep control of the absentees. As a result, many of the boys aren't practicing as they should," says Crane.

Returning to the 1950 team in the lighter-weight groups are Conference champion Howie Davis in the 123-pound class; letterman Paul Weill at 128; and Ted Lonergan, another Conference champion, in the 135-pound group.

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## GENERALIZING

By **TED LONERGAN** The Pros and Cons of Rumors About Barclay

Rumor around the state of Virginia has it that General Coach George Barclay will resign from his position as head football mentor at W. and L. and take over a similar job at V.P.I. At this writing, there is no definite word as to what Barclay will do. His main job at the present concerns beating Wyoming in the 'Gator Bowl New Year's Day.

Many people have asked the question: "What will Barclay gain by leaving Washington and Lee?" There are many pros and cons which are worth mentioning.

In the first place, V.P.I. has offered Barclay more money than his W. and L. raise is purported to be. Along that line, he will also be appointed to the post of athletic director if he takes the Tech job.

Now, Washington and Lee has had a very successful year on the gridiron. V.P.I. has recorded a rather dismal season.

There must be something wrong

at V.P.I. Every year the Gobblers come up with one of the best teams in state frosh football. Yet, in the past few years, there has been little to rave about when their varsity played a game. There is something wrong, and many, including us, think the blame lies in the Tech coaching staff.

The question arises: "Can Barclay get as many good freshman players into V.P.I. as have been produced by that school in past years?" There is some question. V.P.I. is admittedly building its fortunes in football. But can they offer enough at that school to become a high-ranking grid power? The answer is doubtful.

Barclay has done a good job at W. and L., but we think that it will take another year to really prove himself worthy of being a good coach. We have no doubts that another year will prove just that. In two years Barclay has brought the W. and L. football

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## Spring Vacation Bermuda Trips Cheaper Than in Previous Years

The Bermuda trip, which has become an annual affair for W. and L. students during their spring vacation, will be staged as usual this year.

Rates for the week-long trip have been drastically reduced this year in comparison with previous years. This fact should enable many more students to take advantage of the plan.

Bermuda now has what could be called "College Week" during the spring vacation. Among the girls' schools represented there are usually Vassar, Hollins, Sweetbriar, Pine Manor, Briar Cliff, Gocher, Mount Holyoke, Skidmore, Randolph-Macon, Bennett, and Smith. It can easily be seen that the female situation is very good, usually about in the ratio of six girls to one boy.

The itinerary of the trip will be to leave W. and L. Saturday, drive to Washington, fly from Washington to New York, and then fly from New York to Bermuda via Pan American Airways. The return trip will follow the same route, and students will be back at school the Sunday preceding classes.

Swimming, sailing, and bicycle riding are the main daytime occupations of visitors, and the night-life does not need explaining to W. and L. men. Numerous beach parties have also become a sort of institution at Bermuda

during the spring vacation.

Included in the cost of the trip is taxi fare to and from the Bermuda airport, the Bermuda head tax, the hotel room for the entire week, and one meal a day while there.

Shortly after Christmas vacation movies will be shown of last year's tip to all those interested. The Pan American Airways representative on the W. and L. campus is John Williamson, Kappa Sig, and any further information needed may be obtained from him.

### W. and L. Firsts . . . Collegiate Boat Racing

Organized at Washington and Lee in 1867 were the first collegiate boat racing crews. Ever since that time rowing has been a popular sport at W. and L.

The tradition has been for two clubs, the Harry Lee and Albert Sidney Clubs, to stage a race during Finals Week each year. This started in 1868 on a course on the Maury River and has continued every year since, being changed to the present James River course in the late thirties.

In 1948 the first eight-man crew race ever held in Virginia took place on the James River course between Washington and Lee and American International College.

### On the Outside

The Daily Kansan carried a story about an entomology professor who walked into class with a large brown sack under his arm. Before revealing its contents he told puzzled students, "When a dog bites a man, it's a little unusual, but when a teacher brings apples to his students—that's news."

While most schools are trying to fight off a boost in the price of a cup of coffee, students who eat in the college cafeteria at the University of Buffalo have a unique worry. The customary pickle enhancing the hamburger is now considered a separate item—a penny a pickle!

A number of students at Mount Union College can now claim that they've seen almost every book in their school library. Students moved 65,000 books across their campus so that their new library wouldn't look bare the day it was dedicated. The volunteers formed a chain from the old library to the new building. Librarians at each end directed the flow of volumes.

### Movie Review

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a passage from "The Study of Man" by Ralph Linton, Ph. D. Woe betide him who says that this column is not learned.

"... The hero of the American movie (Mr. Burt) is always a romantic lover just as the hero of the old Arab epic is always an epileptic. A cynic might suspect that in any ordinary population the percentage of individuals with a capacity of romantic love of the Hollywood type was about as large as that of persons able to throw genuine epileptic fits. However, given a little social encouragement, either one can be adequately imitated without the performer admitting even to himself that the performance is not genuine...."

And so much for the fine movies of the week.

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### Generalizing

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team out of depths that it seemed impossible for him to climb out of. But his material was already here. All that was needed was the coaching, and he provided that with little wanting. Can he do the same at V.P.I. or any other school?

We think that Barclay should watch out for his future as much as anybody. To coaches, football means bread and butter.

V.P.I. definitely has the advantage over W. and L. in this respect. That is, at the present, V.P.I. is still not the top in the

profession. Will another year at W. and L., or a couple at V.P.I., prove the better advantage to go further up the ladder? A big question.

However, if Barclay likes this part of the country and doesn't want to move around anymore, he is being offered another advantage in Blacksburg. The post of athletic director is permanent, after the football coach's reins are passed on to somebody else.

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