





# Diamondmen and Golfers Post Winning Slates for 1952 Season

## Netters Tally Even Record

By HARDIN MARION

The curtain has been rung down on the 1952 sport scene at Washington and Lee and only two of the five varsity spring athletic squads ended with a winning record, although the tennis team compiled an even .500 slate by capturing seven matches and dropping the same number.

W. and L.'s baseballers finished their season with eleven wins and nine losses. The charges of Richard A. "Captain Dick" Smith, who ends a 29-year coaching career at Washington and Lee this season, backed into the Big Six championship last Monday night when their final contest of the year with the University of Virginia was called off because of wet grounds.

### Golfers Win Four

The golf squad compiled a record of four wins, two losses, and one tie in the dual competition. In a triangular meet the General golfers came in second behind Virginia, while the West Virginia Mountaineers were last.

In the State Golf Tournament on May 19, W. and L. finished last. The Wahoos captured the tourney followed by VMI, VPI, William and Mary, and the Generals. The University of Richmond did not send a team to the State Tournament.

### Netmen Break Even

Washington and Lee's tennis team, coached by Captain Ken Rockwell, won seven matches and lost seven. The netters took two decisions from both VPI and Hampden-Sydney, while suffering two defeats at the hands of the University of Virginia racketmen.

The 1952 lacrosse squad seems to have played streaks. After losing their opening match, the Generals took four in a row on a Spring Vacation tour through the Mid-

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## GENERALIZING

By EARLE BATES

Last Monday was a rather memorable day to those of us who have any interest or pride in the seemingly never-ending panorama of sports at Washington and Lee.

It was on Monday that the Generals finished last in the Big Six golf tournament which they had won for the past two seasons. It was on Monday that "Connie Mack" Smith was to have been honored upon his retirement as baseball coach. And, Monday marked the end of the 1951-52 intercollegiate sports year at Washington and Lee.

As I sit here, reminiscing over the past year, a few outstanding events come to mind, some of which will soon be forgotten and others possibly remembered; but, all of which deserve mention before "finis" is written to the '51-52 Lexingtonian sports chapter.

### Gridiron Wahoos Trounced

The most memorable event of the football season was, of course, the 42-14 trouncing given to a Virginia squad which was otherwise unbeaten, and which would have probably received a bid to the Orange Bowl but for a change in athletic policy at Charlottesville.

Perhaps the most gruesome pictures in my review of the football season are the two severe defeats administered by the two top collegiate football teams in the country, Tennessee and Maryland.

The year, 1951, will also be remembered for the passing of "Glittering Gil" Bocetti, one of the Generals' all-time football greats, from the W. and L. sporting scene. It was Bocetti's Split-T wizardry that was responsible for a major share of the Generals' football success during his three years at the helm.

### Handian, Topp Outstanding

During the basketball season, the sight of Jay Handlan and Charlie Topp engaged in the al-

most hopeless task of trying to better the General's cage fortunes with little or no support was memorable. Handlan, however, did achieve a measure of basketball fame as he vaulted into third place among basketball history's highest scorers.

In wrestling, it was Howie Davis, the last of the outstanding General wrestlers of a few years ago, who stood out on a rather mediocre squad. The sight of the diminutive Davis battling to the Southern Conference 123-pound mat finals with a badly damaged wrist was one of the highlights of the winter season.

### Bill Mauck Leads 5-Man Pitching Staff; Compiles 4-1 Season Record for Generals

Righthander Bill Mauck was the pitching ace of the 1952 Washington and Lee baseball team by virtue of his 4-1 won-lost record.

The senior from Richmond, Va., led a strong five-man pitching staff which helped the W. and L. nine to a Virginia Big Six Championship and an overall 11-9 won-lost record. The Big Six mark was 5-1.

Righthander Steve Schlossman was the only other pitcher to win more than he lost. He had a 2-1 mark. Jack Eubanks, also a rightie, and Lefthander Tyson Janney both showed a pair of victories and as many defeats.

Mauck was also the complete game leader, going the distance three times. He made several relief appearances, picking up the win once. Eubanks and Southpaw Janney each had two games.

## Cap'n Dick Retires from Diamond; McCann Succeeds Veteran Mentor

By BILL BARTSCH

"Cap'n Dick" Smith, Washington and Lee baseball coach since 1923, ended his 29-year tenure in that capacity on May 19 as the Generals took the Big Six title with a record of five won, one lost.

The Virginia-W. and L. match to be held at Lexington that day was called off because of wet grounds.

The Generals' chief competitor for the title was the University of Richmond which has two more games to play but can't possibly beat W. and L.'s .833 winning percentage.

Former University of Virginia star Billy McCann will take over "Cap'n Dick's" old position as coach next spring, while Smith will remain as head of W. and L.'s athletic department. Originally McCann was hired as basketball coach to replace Scotty Hamilton who quit the job, but with Smith's

retirement, McCann received that position also.

"Cap'n Dick" came from Fishburne Military Academy in 1921, started coaching baseball during the 1923 season, and became graduate manager of athletics, later changed to head of department of athletics, in 1926. Smith now has the longest tenure in an athletic department in the Southern Conference.

### "Not Enough Time"

Smith announced his retirement from the coaching lines early this season, giving for a reason that he couldn't give the necessary time to the game due to his deep love for it and the enjoyment of being around the boys.

During his 29-year coaching (Continued on page four)

## All-S.C. Bay Arnold Culminates Career With .365 Average

For Bay Arnold, the blond senior catcher from Saltville, Va., 1952 marked the culmination of a brilliant collegiate baseball career, and the highest award the Southern Conference can bestow—the nomination to the All-Star team of the Northern Division.

Bay closed the current diamond season against Virginia last Saturday with a very respectable .365 batting average and the team lead in doubles with 6, runs-batted-in, 16, runs scored, 13, and hits, 27.

Arnold ranks as an all-around ballplayer, having a natural baseball sense. He handles pitchers well and is considered a good fielder with a very accurate and strong throwing arm which opposing baserunners have come to respect highly.

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### Phi Kappa Sigma Wins I-M Cup; Dietrich Outstanding

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again victorious, this time the KA's placed second. Bowling championship was won by the Lambda Chi's for the second year in a row. Runner-up honors went to the Sigma Chi's.

Ping-pong championship was gained by the ZBT's. Second place was won by the Betas. The Campus Club won the basketball crown with a three-way tie for second between the Phi Gam's, SAE's, and Sigma Nu's.

The KA's took the handball honors with the Campus Club gaining second place. Volleyball victory went to the Phi Deltas and Deltas respectively.

The Phi Kaps won a close wrestling contest from the second place defending champion DU's. Swimming championship was retained by the Phi Deltas with the KA's taking second place.

In intramural track the Phi Psi's completely dominated the field as they swept seven of the 14 events. The Phi Deltas finished in second place.

Golf honors were taken by the ZBT's with the Phi Psi second. Horace Dietrich, Sigma Nu, finished first in the Sports Carnival over second place Bill Baggs of the Campus Club. The carnival included fowl shooting, bowling, handball, pool, table tennis, archery, obstacle course, horseshoes, tennis, and golf.

One game remains to be played before the softball championship can be decided.

#### NOTICE

The IFC requests that all Rush Chairmen for next year turn in a self-addressed stamped envelope to the assistant dean of students before leaving school.

### Lane Reports Book Drive Nets Library 50 Volumes

Hunter Lane, president of ODK, today reported that the book drive sponsored jointly by ODK and the Christian Council has so far resulted in the contribution of approximately 50 books to the library.

The drive will continue until the end of exams. Collection will be made by members of ODK in all houses. Lane urged all students who have extra books and who have not contributed to please do so before the end of school.

### Deadpan Alley

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Speaking of bets, he would go to fantastic extremes to prove his point. In fact, I remember one time he ran all the way to Buena Vista to show it could be done.

But, he is gone and will never more return as he was. He had high hopes of coming back. In fact his last words were, "We'll be back Homecomings" but you and I know better. He is out in that cold, cruel world now. Rest in peace Joe College, Sr.

### Final Week Schedule Announced

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Other class alumni officers elected at the banquet are Barkley Sturgill, vice-president, and Ed Streull, secretary. These three, all to serve terms of five years, will represent the entire graduating group, including law, commerce academic, and science students.

The breakdown of candidates for degrees includes 36 for Law (LL.B.), 111 for Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), 7 for Bachelor of Science (B.S.), 47 for Bachelor of Science in Commerce, and 1 for Bachelor of Science in Chemistry.

A full slate of alumni events has been planned for commencement, Cy Young, alumni secretary, announced. Among the hundreds of parents and alumni expected for graduation festivities will be 26 alumni with sons graduating this year. This is a little under the record of 32 sons of alumni graduated last year, but the total number of graduates this year is also under last year's total of 217.

Alumni will gather in the Student Union at 8 p.m. Wednesday for an informal alumni smoker. Thursday morning at 9 a.m. the

### Spring Sports

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west. Upon their return to Lexington, the stickmen dropped six contests in a row before trouncing North Carolina in the next to the last match of the year. The Generals dropped the season's finale to Loyola University to give them a record of five wins and eight losses in their first year under the tutelage of Coach Ben Collins.

### Cindermen Shut Out

Although the track squad lost all four of its dual meets, its members, for the most part, stuck with the team until the final meet when the thinclads were edged by Wil-

liam and Mary, 69 to 62. The Generals finished fifth in the Big Six track meet, one point ahead of the Indians.

The brightest spot in the entire track picture was Sophomore Walter Diggs. The slender pole vaulter was undefeated in his specialty in the dual meets, and, in addition, was the only General to take a first in the Big Six meet.

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