

## EC Requests Activities Fee Cost Increase

Sliding Scale Sought With \$14 Maximum

By SAM SYME, JR.

A petition outlining a proposed plan for the increase of the Activities Fee will be submitted to the Board of Trustees at its next meeting, Bob Paxton announced today.

The plan calls for a \$14 maximum Activities Fee, and would give the Executive Committee power to allocate the money annually, on the basis of a sliding scale.

Paxton emphasized that the \$14 maximum is not an outright increase over the present \$10 fee. "With the increased limit on the fee," he said, "the Executive Committee will be able to budget the funds with greater fairness, as conditions change and costs vary." Consequently, the fee could change each year, but it would always remain within the \$14 limit.

In view of rising costs and operating expenses, the increased limit would benefit many University organizations that might otherwise be in serious financial straits. These include: The Ring-tum Phi, The Calyx, The Southern Collegian, and the Christian Council.

The petition will be channeled through the offices of the President and the Treasurer, before it is sent to the Board of Trustees, which will meet on Jan. 23, in Washington, D.C.

Should the plan be accepted by the Board, it would be put into operation for the 1954-55 session.

## T. R. Turner Plans Exhibit

Theodore R. Turner, instructor of art at the University of Virginia and brother of Dr. Charles Turner of the Washington and Lee history department, will exhibit 24 paintings as part of the art program planned for the Fancy Dress weekend.

Along with the artist's exhibition on the second floor of McCormick Library, a special motion picture program has been planned, according to Beau Redmond, president of Fancy Dress. The movies will include subjects in fine art, music, and classical comedy features, to be shown in the journalism room of Fayer Hall, sponsored by Dr. Marshall Fishwick and Dr. Marion Junkin.

The library will remain open all day, Jan. 30 to allow students and dates to view Dr. Turner's paintings and the mural drawn by Dr. Junkin.

Turner, a pupil of Dr. Junkin at the Richmond Professional Institute, has taught at Dartmouth University and for two years at the University of Virginia. The 32-year-old artist graduated from New York University and served in the Navy.

## New Scholarship Honors John Rouse

Washington and Lee University today announced the establishment of an annual scholarship to the memory of John Dashiell Rouse, a member of the class of 1949 who was killed in combat in Korea on Sept. 2, 1951.

The first \$400 grant of the \$10,000 scholarship endowment will be available in September. According to the terms of the scholarship, the recipient will be chosen on the basis of character, promise, and need, with special consideration being given to graduates of public schools who are earning their way through college.

Lieutenant Rouse was a native of Newport News and a graduate of the schools there. He attended Hampden-Sydney College prior to World War II, and after serving overseas in that conflict entered Washington and Lee and completed work on his degree.



NEW ORLEANS NIGHT LIFE—Fancy Dress officers here discuss progress on a 300-foot mural depicting New Orleans night life which will be used in dance decorations. Kneeling from left to right, are Beau Redmond, Sue Toledano, who will reign with Redmond over the ball, Henry Heymann, and Pegram Harrison. Standing are John Howard and Jim Reeder. The mural, the largest ever made for a W&L dance will be illuminated by special lights to accentuate colors in the picture.

## World College Fund Drive Opens in Feb.

Student Aid Campaign Replaces Charity Chest

The World University Service, carried out by more than 700 American colleges, will begin its first annual drive on the Washington and Lee campus sometime in February, announced co-chairmen Ellis Drew and Andy Dalton.

The World Service group, which has set a goal of \$500,000 to aid needy universities overseas, will take the place of the Charity Chest held in past years.

Contributions to the WUS in the United States last year totaled more than \$483,000. The World Student Service depends solely upon support from colleges and universities throughout the world.

"Student needs continue to be desperate in many parts of the world," added Drew and Dalton. In urging support for the WUS appeal "to help students help themselves," WUS national chairman, Dr. Buell G. Gallagher, President of City College in New York, particularly cited the necessity for helping Asia develop university-trained leadership in order to solve its many problems which have a vital bearing on world peace.

The World Student Service Fund was created in 1937 to meet student needs resulting from the Japanese-Chinese war. After the Second World War, it became associated internationally with International Student Service and World Student Relief. The latter organization combined and expanded its operations to include the universities of Europe, South Asia, the Far East, and the Middle East.

World University Service in the United States cooperates with UNESCO, in promotion of the UNESCO-WUS gift coupon plan, and with CARE, particularly in appealing for funds to send CARE food and clothing packages to the war-devastated universities of South Korea.

## 750 FD Costumes Sold; Distribution Date Set

Ken Abernathy, in charge of Fancy Dress costume sales, has announced that between 700 and 750 costumes have been sold to date. The most popular were the Old South and Spanish costumes, followed by Vagabond and Pirate.

Costumes may be picked up at the Beanery from 2 to 5 p.m. Jan. 20 and 21. Notices will be posted with more definite instructions during exams.

A few extra costumes will be available at the Beanery for students who didn't order at the regular time.

## Fuses Blow, Lights Go Out When Capacitor Grounds VEPCO Line

By LARRY CLARK

Candles were the order of the day Sunday night when the majority of the campus was plunged into darkness by an electrical failure.

Freshmen with flashlights hidden away enjoyed new popularity when upperclassmen converged on the dorm in search of some means of illumination.

It all happened at 7:13 p.m. when a capacitor reportedly grounded on the main circuit of the Virginia Electric and Power Company line which feeds the campus.

A capacitor is a line coupling which prevents excessive voltage from going through the line. When working properly, all voltage over 110 is grounded out. Sunday night the capacitor grounded out the entire voltage.

The freshman dorm, the colonnade, and the gymnasium, were all darkened. Even the Lee chapel carillon was silenced.

The short-circuit blew fuses on both the power company's and the university's lines.

The law library became a popular place when it, along with McCormick Library and the Co-op, started lighting. These buildings are on a separate circuit which remained in operation.

**Circuit Blows Again**  
At 11:30 Douglas E. Brady, Jr., superintendent of buildings and grounds, along with power company workers, replaced the blown fuses.

This provided light for a brief period, but the circuit soon went dead again.

Because of the driving sleet, further work was not attempted until Monday morning. Then, at 9 a.m., service was restored.

The power was off for a total (Continued on page four)

## Investigation Started 'Co-op' Not a Co-op, But a Supply Store

By CECIL EDMONDS

The building behind McCormick Library is not a co-operative. It is a supply store.

There is a difference. J. M. "Red" Sisley made that distinction today.

He said the store operates as a part of the University but must be managed as "strictly a private business since it must comply with local and state license and tax regulations."

Sisley said the store here, commonly called a "Co-op" does not perform the functions usually connected with cooperatives on college campuses.

**Cash Register Slip**  
"Princeton," he said, "Gives students a cash register slip with each purchase. At the end of each

## March of Dimes Opens Here

The 1954 March of Dimes, got under way in the county, Jan. 12. Dr. Robert W. Royston, chairman of the Washington and Lee section of county drive headquarters said that no definite plans have been made yet, but the "13" Club has offered to help in collecting March of Dimes funds on the campus.

While no goal has been set, the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis has warned that gifts must rise 50 per cent over 1953, when Virginians gave slightly over \$1,000,000.

The extra money is needed to aid the March of Dimes organization's startling success in its anti-polio battle.

## Fraternity Housemanagers, IFC, Study Commons Issue

Both the Interfraternity Council and the Fraternity Managers Association voted last night to investigate the effects the proposed freshman commons might have on fraternities here.

The housemanagers will try to determine how the proposed dining hall would affect fraternity finances and will report to the IFC.

## Work on Fancy Dress Props Begun; Includes Two 300-Foot Murals

BY ANDY GREENMAN

Completely different types of decorations and scenery are under construction this week for the colorful New Orleans and picturesque Mardi Gras theme of the 48th annual Fancy Dress Ball.

A huge 300 foot mural designed by Henry Heymann, will cover the side walls, presenting a panoramic scene of the Crescent City Carnival. Crowds in costume, parades, and floats, drawn with the New Orleans skyline as a background will add a realistic effect to the frivolous Mardi Gras mood.

## Gaines Guard To Parade At Inaugural

Three-Year-Old Unit Selected Honor Guard

The Gaines Guard, W&L's precision drill team, will march in Governor-elect Thomas B. Stanley's inaugural parade in Richmond Jan. 20.

The unit, commanded by Bob Bradford, will be one of two honor guards for the governor. The other reportedly is a VPI team which won first place in the Presidential inauguration parade in Washington last year.

**Organized Three Years**  
The team was first organized three years ago when ROTC came to W&L. It was the idea of Norm Dobyns, and Bob Bradford, the present commander. Both Dobyns and Bradford have been to prep schools where there was such a drill team and both thought that it would be a good idea to bring it to W&L.

The special drill team got off to a slow start in its first year. Dobyns was the first commander. The team marched in the local Christmas parade, but did little else.

Last year the team was held to a virtual standstill by lack of interest.

But this year the story has been quite different. When the first call was issued, over 40 people showed up. Thirty-six were chosen.

The unit has practiced every afternoon since the first of October. According to Bradford, nothing really complicated has been attempted, but the work that has been done has been good.

**Improved Drill**  
The effect of the Guards, Bradford feels, has been to improve the quality of ROTC drill in general. It has increased the spirit of the corps, and it has publicized the W&L ROTC.

The Guard will probably take part in the Apple Blossom Festival in Winchester, and the Cherry Blossom Festival in Washington, this spring, Bradford announced.

So far, the Guard has run into financial difficulties several times. It is neither sponsored by the ROTC nor by the university. The special uniforms that it uses were paid for by the members who must pay their own travel expenses too.

## Gaines Guard To Parade At Inaugural

The bandstand will be placed at the left end of the gymnasium, so the figure might start from the opposite end. The stand will form a huge smiling mask.

Dean Hudson and his band, furnishing the music on Friday night, will be dressed in brilliant costumes for the occasion.

**Grand March**  
For the grand march, Fancy Dress officials will enter from a large crowd, which will be the throne for King Rex, Beau Redmond, president of the ball, and his queen, Miss Sue Toledano.

The color scheme, consisting of purple, red, and green, with an accent on yellow, will offer a feeling of warmth, freshness, and gaiety. Balloons and confetti, suspended from the ceiling, will complete the spectacle.

A wide variety of brilliant costumes will feature pirates, southern planters, clowns, turks, Egyptians, and Romans.

**Dean Hudson**  
Dean Hudson has received much praise from students and Brian Shaney, campus music critic and band leader said, "Hudson has one of the best dance orchestras in America today. Hudson is not yet well known, but definitely increasing his popularity."

Principals, in addition to King and Queen Rex, are vice presidents and their ladies: Jim Reeder, as the noted pirate Jean Lafitte, escorting Miss Patsy O'Brien, of Centenary College; Monte Pearse, as Shah Jehan, escorting Miss Dede Carter, of Sweet Briar College; Pegram Harrison, as Anthony, with Alice Carr, of Randolph-Macon; Henry Heymann, as Prince Folly, with Miss Sandra Monette, of Sophie Newcomb College, and John Howard, as Francois Villon, with Miss Ann Maculerath, of Greenbrier College. Miss Sue Toledano, Queen of Fancy Dress, is a student at Randolph-Macon Women's College.

Robert Bradford will serve as narrator of the ball.

Ray Anthony's orchestra will present a concert in the gym on Saturday, January 30 and will play that evening for the Junior Prom from 8:30 until 12:00.

## Over 75 Schools Offer Graduate Fellowships

James D. Farrar, assistant to the dean, today announced that over 75 schools have graduate scholarships available to W&L students. He said applications for these scholarships could be made at his office. "Every college you can name has offered financial assistance to graduate students and this aid ranges from \$1,000 to \$3,000.

The grants and scholarships are offered in graduate schools of business, law, and arts and sciences. Twenty \$1,000 Carnegie Fellowships are to be awarded by George Peabody College for secondary school training. Harvard, Yale and Wesleyan University have announced Masters of Arts in teaching fellowships.

**FD NOTICE**  
Meetings for all members of the Fancy Dress Figure will be held at 5 p.m. tomorrow in the Student Union.



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## For 1954: A Challenge

Father Time has now completed his record of 1953 and filed it away for future generations to ponder. In general, the old year was a prosperous one for Washington and Lee. The University is now in a better position, in many ways, than it was at this time last year.

In the field of campus politics, 1953 was an especially significant year. It marked the end of the "clique system" which had allowed one political group to rule the campus, with rare exceptions, since the early 1930's. The cliques' power didn't die a graceful death. A bitter battle between pro-clique "conservatives" and anti-clique "radicals" saw-sawed back and forth from mid-February to late April.

On February 16 the EC proposed an amendment to the student Body Constitution which would divide the 17 fraternities into two political parties "which are approximately equal numerically" and which would leave the NFU as a third, non-partisan block. This plan was approved by a vote held on Feb. 27 in Doremus Gymnasium. University Party officials immediately challenged the legality of the vote on the grounds that it was not secret and one week's prior notice had not been given as required by the Student Body Constitution.

And indeed, the EC found that the election had not been strictly according to Hoyle. Twenty-three more votes were cast than there were students at the assembly at which the vote was taken. Accordingly a new election was set for March 11. This new vote fell 48 shy of the absolute majority of the Student Body needed to pass a constitutional amendment proposed by the EC.

Things looked dim for the would-be political reformers but prospects brightened considerably when two candidates of the Independent Party won in the April Student Body elections. This was the first time since 1949 that the University Party hadn't swept these elections. Analysis of the vote showed that a very large number of students were disregarding party labels completely and voting for the candidates whom they considered best qualified.

The coup de grace to the old "clique system" was administered by the members of Delta Tau Delta who equalized the voting power of the two campus political parties by switching their allegiance from the University Party to the Independent Party in late April.

In October, Freshmen picked an executive committeeman of their own choosing for the first time in many years. Both parties allowed their freshmen to nominate their EC candidate—a job formerly reserved for the politicians in smoke-filled rooms.



As the fall term opened, the University began a long-range development program under the direction of Donald E. Smith.

October saw the establishment of one of the first Judge Advocate General Corps units in the nation here. It also saw the rejuvenation of the Graham-Lee Society—whose 144-year-old history had come very close to ending in 1953.

Freedom of the press was given a boost when the faculty ended censorship of the Southern Collegian on Nov. 2. This censorship had been in effect for 18 months.

In football, 1953 will be remembered as the year we beat the Wahoos—for the second time in three years—and won a surprising 33-7 upset victory over William and Mary.

November, and the death of Coca-Cola millionaire Mrs. Lettie Pate Evans, brought Washington and Lee a share in a trust fund which should provide the University at least \$25,000 a year. It may prove to be one of W&L's most lucrative endowments.

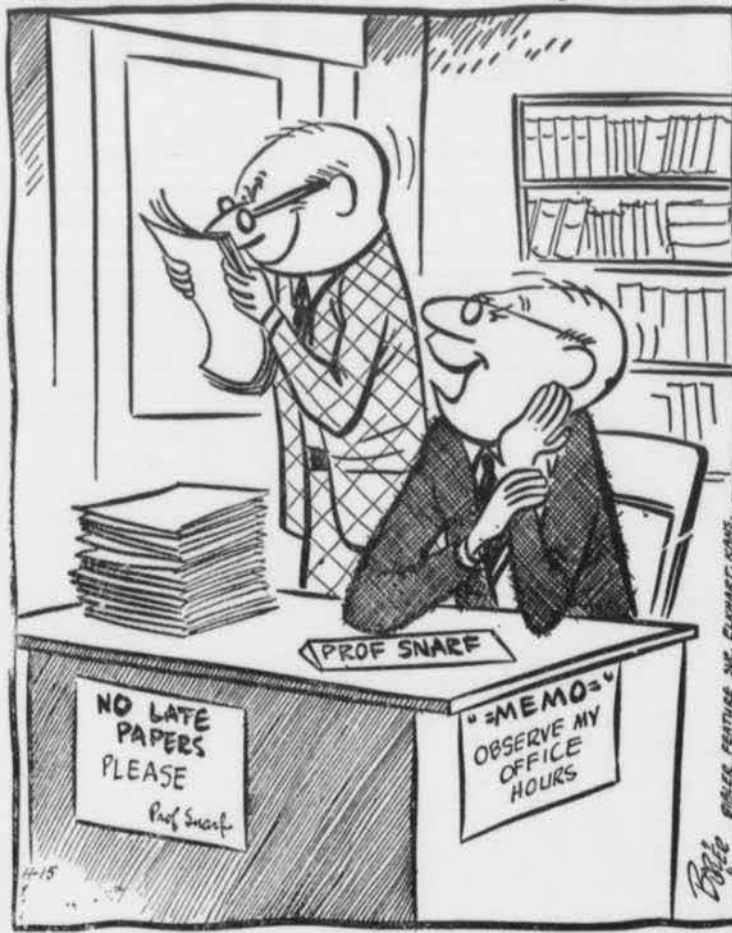
After six years of fund-raising activities, the Student War Memorial Scholarship Fund Committee reached its \$10,000 goal on Dec. 5. A scholarship will be presented an incoming freshman next fall in memory of the 132 Washington and Lee men killed in World War II.

The last major news event of the year was the breaking of ground for the new classroom building near the Chemistry Building. The building will provide office and classroom space and will be completed in time for the fall semester.

W&L can be proud of its achievements in 1953. Yet we must not rest on our past laurels. Opportunities for improvement still exist in our political, academic, social, and fraternity life. To maintain its leadership, Washington and Lee must continue to press forward.

### LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS

by Dick Bibler



"I always write my term paper criticisms illegibly so th' student won't be able to take issue with what I say."

### At a Loss

## 1001 Nights With the Exams Files, Or—How To Pass Sine Cheating

By Kenny and Swanson

#### ADVICE TO FRESHMEN:

We come to your rescue by helping you prepare for this first ordeal of college examinations.

First we must dispell rumors, gossip and other untruths about these finals, by giving you a few brief rules to follow:

- To be successful a student must write on at least one side of the paper.
- Do not on any account try and write on both sides of the paper at once.
- Students should not attempt to answer more than one question at a time.
- Coffee, No-Doz and alcoholic stimuli will NOT take the place of the friendly little half-hour chats with the professors.
- Students who study in groups pass or fail in groups.
- Students who study by themselves flunk out and aren't missed.
- Students who study pass.
- Students who study with the professor make Honor Roll.

The following excerpts from examinations that have been taken in the past by freshmen are passed on to you as an aid in your preparation for the coming struggle.

#### DR. WILLIAMS—MATH

- If two men are on bicycles 27 miles apart traveling towards each other at the rate of 8 1/2 miles per hour and there is a fly going 60 miles an hour back and forth between them, how much ground will the fly cover in an hour. Illustrate by diagram.
- When A is to B as C is to T as M was to X, what would A be if C wasn't in the problem? DRAW A MAP.
- If four Mumbos equal eight Jim or minus six crumbos why is Dr. Williams a great guy? (Use your imagination—this question is worth 98 points.)

#### DR. FISHWICK and JENKS HISTORY

- Which do you consider more alike, Caesar or Toledo or vice-versa? (Be brief.)
- Discuss in Latin or Gothic (but not both) whether the North Umbrian Bishops were more Schismatical than the Cumbrian Abbots. (Be bright)
- Which came first A.D. or B.C. (Be Careful.)
- Has it never occurred to you that the Romans counted backwards? (Be honest.)
- How would you dispose of:
  - A Papal Bull
  - Your nephew
  - Your Mother-in-Law (Be brutal)

#### DR. CRENSHAW—HISTORY

- Give dates of at least one of the following:
  - William the Conqueror
  - 1066
- Arrange in order:
  - Henry 1st
  - Henry 3rd
  - Henry 2nd

### Post Christmas Story:

## Mr. Mink in the Very Crucial Period from Christmas to Exams

By Dave Collins

At two o'clock on the morning of January 4, 1954, Mr. Mink, still stuffed with turkey hash and plum pudding arrived back at his dear old alma mater bubbling over with New Year's resolutions and trying hard to be Non Incautus Puturi. With wistful memories of a happy Holiday Season, he set about unpacking his bulging suitcase before hitting the sack.

Out came the dozen new Christmas ties, the sharp new vest, the new pajamas with birds on them (a gift from his grandmother), and the box of state Christmas cookies and left-over fruit cake that Mom had insisted he take along; also the Earl N. suit which still smelled of egg nog. (This latter odiferous garment brought on a flood of memories of recent Bacchanalian delights), and last, but by no means least, those uncracked textbooks (a shudder of sheer self-disgust hits him at this point).

NOW MR. MINK had put off serious studying for two weeks before vacation in order to have a little fun with the boys, figuring he could make up the work between parties over the holidays. Unfortunately the first party he went to never ended, so the books were never cracked. Now he was faced with the nauseating thought that he would have to cram two months' work into that short two week period before exams.

Well, the days of the first week were spent in bull sessions with the boys about his recent exploits over the holidays, and in general procrastination. This latter condition was brought on by the fact that Mr. Mink just couldn't get back into the swing of things—a definite problem of readjustment, he rationalized. The weekend came and went and after hitting the two o'clock flick at the State and the four o'clock flick at the Lyric on Sunday, Mr. Mink forced himself to the Library that night to start digging in for a last ditch stand.

AND THEN it happened. The lights went out. At first Mr. Mink wasn't sure that the unaccustomed strain of reading hadn't caused a failure in his eyesight. But soon he was reassured by the shouts of glae, the moans of disgust, and a

shocking oath from some undisciplined individual who took a fall over another student who, sure of the fact that it was a blackout and that a violent explosion would ensue, was in the process of crawling under Miss Culpepper's desk.

Since the lights seemed to have gone out for good and there was a general stampede for the door, Mr. Mink took it as a sign from the powers that be that they meant it when they said that on the seventh day he should rest.

MONDAY MORNING I overheard Mr. Mink frantically reviewing his schedule for the week. It went something like this: Monday—Read *Pride and Prejudice*, and do Leyburn's term paper; Tuesday—Do my 45 Journalism briefs and write a theme on Early Morning Bird Calls; Wednesday—Read my French parallel and write Perry's term paper; Thursday—Do my Geology Field Trip Report and learn how to swim so I won't flunk gym; Friday—Study for my two exams on Saturday.

But poor Mr. Mink didn't have a chance. As he walked out of the house in a rush for his 8:25 he noticed too late that the steps were a sheet of ice from the snow and rain of the night before.

THEY RELEASED him from Stonewall Memorial Hospital the next Friday afternoon. I passed him on the street and gingerly asked him how he was getting along. I was shocked to hear him say: "Just great, thanks." And I heard him exclaim as he strode out of sight: "Happy New Year to all and Hampden-Sydney here I come!"

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# Generals Crushed by GW After Close Loss to Spiders

Second Half Surge, Led by Topp, Falls Short, 70-68; 7th Ranking Colonials Win, 84-53; Jim Rich Gets 19

By HENRY MORGAN and JERRY SUSSKIND

George Washington's Colonials, the nation's 7th ranking team, won their 10th straight game last night 84-53 over the Washington and Lee Generals.

George Washington started fast in the first quarter behind the shooting of Karver and Joe Holup to build a big 22-4 lead, before the Blue knew what had happened. The Generals were way off in their shooting, and it wasn't until the latter part of the first period that Stu Atkinson dropped in their first field goal.

The Generals went on another scoring famine in the second period and couldn't counter a two pointer again until midway in the quarter, when Jim Rich dropped one in from under the basket. Meanwhile, guard Devlin started hitting from outside and with the help of Karver and the Holup brothers G. W. built up a 25-point lead at halftime. W&L didn't approach the form they showed against the Richmond Spiders Friday night, as they left the floor at the half with only 16 points.

The Colonials went on their biggest spree of the game in the third period to score 28 points with Devlin hitting from all angles. The Blue picked up a little in their scoring from the floor. G.W. put in their reserves in the last quarter, and the Generals cut their lead by nine points.

Karver led the winners' scoring parade with 21 points followed by Devlin and Joe Holup, who each dropped in 16. Rich led W&L with 19, and Topp and Atkinson scored 11 apiece. The big factor in the Generals' loss was their inability to hit from the outside. The Colonials had four big men in their starting lineup and, in spite of some fine work by Topp and Rich, they grabbed most of the rebounds and prevented the Generals from getting in close.

Led by the fine play of Charlie Topp, Washington and Lee almost overcame the University of Richmond Spiders. With only seconds left to play the Spider's Ed Harrison put in a layup which gave his team a victory. The Spiders had to

go all out to beat the fired up Generals and keep their lead in the Big Six race. W&L led by Topp, played their best game of the season. With 6:57 remaining in the game Topp hit a set shot to tie the score at 63-63. Bob Witt then hit for a field goal to give the Spiders a 65-63 lead. Jim Rich countered with a free throw. Bob McHenry hit a set shot to give the Generals a 66-65 lead.

With 4:36 remaining, Rich fouled out and Walt Lysaught sank the foul shot. Then Harrison broke through the W&L defense for a layup that put Richmond ahead 68-66.

Topp, whom Richmond's coach said was "almost more than we could handle," then hit a set from 25 feet out which tied the score.

With 1:59 left the Generals gained possession and spent almost a minute looking for a good opening in the desperate Spider defense. Stu Atkinson slipped through under the basket but missed an easy layup. Richmond took the ball and waited until they could shake Harrison free for the winning field goal.

The Spiders dominated the first half piling up a 41-32 lead. They looked as if they would cop an easy victory. However it was a very different Blue and White quintet that took the floor in the second half. In the third period W&L behind Topp narrowed the score to 50-48. Richmond pulled away and opened the final period leading 57-53. Topp led the Generals with 22 points. He was followed by McHenry with 15 and Rich with 14.

Witt led the Spiders with 22. Harrison piled up 19 and Lysaught had 12.

# Blue Grapplers Tie VPI, 14-14

Washington and Lee's varsity wrestling team came from behind in the final match to gain a 14-14 tie with the VPI grapplers on the local mats last evening.

After fighting an uphill battle through the first five weights, the Generals tied the score at 11-11 on a first period fall by Gibby McSpadden in the 167-pound class. McSpadden gained his third victory in as many starts with a half-nelson after Thompson's take-down attempt failed.

Chuck Rauh's 2-0 win over Hank Gizzard in the heavyweight bout clinched the tie after Don Weaver dropped a close 2-1 decision to Howie Wright in the 177-pound class.

VPI jumped to a 5-0 lead in the 123-pound division when Sam King pinned Dean Bender with a half-nelson and a crotch after 2 minutes and 12 seconds of the second period had expired.

John Ellis, at 130, remained undefeated with an 8-1 victory over Ken Williams as he maintained complete control throughout the match.

In the 137-pound class, VPI's Al Newman gained a 1-0 decision over Al Harrison, and the Gobblers took an 8-3 lead. Jack Sites won over Bill Blalock by a 4-0 score at 147, and Bill Northrop dropped his match at 157 to Frank Brinn by a 5-3 count.

# 2 Intramural Races Begin Taking Shape

By RED MAUTER

The winter intramural season is now well under way and teams in basketball and volleyball and the stronger teams are beginning to show their mettle.

In basketball there are four leagues and there are at least two contenders in each. In league A Sigma Nu and Delta Upsilon are battling for the lead. Neither team has lost a game, but Sigma Nu has coped one more victory than the DUs. League B has two teams, Beta and KA, with identical 2-0 records. However, Sigma Chi with a 1-1 record cannot be counted out. League C has but one leader at the moment, Phi Gam. They have a 2-0 record against Phi Psi and Phi Kap with 1-1. League D is shaping up as a wide open race. PIKA leads with a record of 1-0. Lambda Chi and Pi Kapp are in hot pursuit with one victory against one loss. PEP holds down the cellar with one loss.

The most important game last week in basketball was played between the Deltas and Phi Deltas. The Deltas won 49-44 in a game that was even closer than the score indicated.

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# GENERALIZING

By DAVE RICE

Cagers Show Improvement In Near Upset of Richmond

The crowd that inhabited the VMI fieldhouse for a few hours last Friday for the supposed purpose of observing the highly regarded freshman team display their talents or watching the smooth-passing Richmond Spiders go through the actions while adding another Big Six triumph to their credit were shaking their heads in disbelief after leaving the confines of the Keycet plant.

For not only had the lightly regarded Blue and White forces come within a hair's breath of pulling the upset of the season, but they had also shown that they could put more than one "hot" performer on the court at one time. To be sure, Charlie Topp was playing perhaps his finest game in Blue and White livery, but two low-average "little men" succeeded in making Richmond's trip across the hills much less of a lark than expected. Bob McHenry, previously noted in hardwood circles only as the brother of Bill McHenry, proved that he could step into a tight situation and provide a clutch scoring punch. The 5-foot 9-inch guard did most of his scoring in the second half as did six foot Butch Callaway when a spark was sorely needed to supplement the herculean efforts of the triple-threat Topp.

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**Lights Out**

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**At a Loss**

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**Intramurals**

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ates. Only in the last few minutes of the game did the Deltas pull away on foul shots and a field goal. Other scores last week: Lambda Chi 35, PIKA 25; Kappa Sig 34, Phi Gam 58. Volleyball also has four leagues. In league A the KAs and the Phi Deltas are tied with 3-0 and 2-0 records respectively. In league B DU has but one more game to win before they clinch a win in their league. Right now they have a record of 2-0. PEP and Sigma Nu trail with 1-1 records. League C has Phi Psi, tied with PIKA with records in two contests. League

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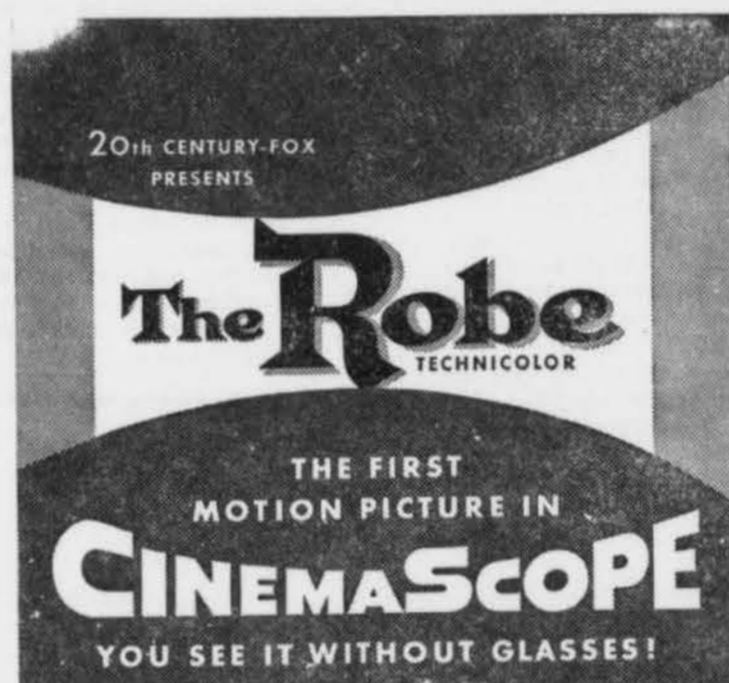


**Cagers Show Improvement**

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Callaway, forced to guard Marine veteran, Walt Lisaight, who at 6-feet 5-inches towered over the crew-cut forward, was not to be outdone in the final quarter. Hit-ting on several spectacular jump shots, Callaway came through in a cool fashion often lacking in sophomores. The Generals 40 plus shooting average was better than usual—it had to be. Not because the high-flying Spiders had a better shooting percentage, but because Bob Witt, Ken Daniels and company were gobbling up all the rebounds

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