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PEABODY PUBLISHES FLOURNOY ESSAYS

A deep interest in the men and women who shaped the destiny of this country finds expression in a volume of "Essays on American History," by Mrs. William Cabell Flourney, just published.

The book of seven essays, published by Peabody Press, of Washington, D.C., carries a foreword by Dr. Marshall Fishwick, associate professor of American Studies at Washington and Lee.

Mrs. Flourney's subject matter ranges from "America's First Legion Today and Yesterday."

Her lively prose bring up vivid pictures of Americans of an earlier era.

Particularly attractive are her sketches on "The Huguenot Influence in America," and on "The Founding Mothers."

The latter essay she opens with the quip, "We hear a great deal about America's founding fathers, but little has been said about the founding mothers. It is high time these heroic women had recognition; they endured not only the hardships of pioneer life but also the founding fathers."

Such stately figures as Mary Ball Washington, Abigail Franklin, Martha Custis Washington and Evelyn Byrd are deftly brought to life by Mrs. Flourney.

Other essays that add variety to the book are entitled "Alexander Hamilton: Extraordinary American," and "Dr. Benjamin Rush: Versatile American."

Dean Farrar Selected 1st Vice-Pres. of Bank

James D. Farrar was elected a member of the board of directors of the First National Bank of Lexington at the annual meeting of shareholders held in the banking rooms of the bank Tuesday at 10 a.m.

The new director is assistant dean of students of Washington and Lee.

A native of Old Greenwich, Conn., he served from 1943 until 1946 with the U. S. Marine Corps with assignment to the Pacific Theater. He graduated from Washington and Lee in 1949.

Mr. Farrar attended graduate school in English Literature at Columbia University from 1949 to 1950 when he was recalled to active duty with the Marine Corps during the Korean War. He returned here in 1952 to become assistant to the dean of Students at W&L.

He is a director of the Rockbridge Cross chapter.

In addition to these activities Mr. Farrar is the financial adviser to fraternities and is faculty advisor to the IPC. He is also in charge of the Student Placement Service, which secures occupational opportunities for graduating students, and is a professor of English.

Notice

Try outs for the Troubadours production, "The Man Who Came to Dinner," will be held Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 10:00 in the Troubadour Theater.

Richmond String Quartet Signed For FD Reception; Costumes Gone

Ring-tum Phi,
Stickeri-bum
We're hot stuff
From Lexington

Rah! Rah! Rah!
White and Blue,
Whoopla, whoopla
W. L. U.

R-t P Name Came From Cheer; Merchants Aided Experiment

The name "Ring-tum Phi" sounds more like a yell than the name of a college paper. It should. It is.

Not only was that a college yell back in 1897, but it was the only one Washington and Lee University had.

So, naturally or not, when J. Sam Slicer and Gordon R. Houstons founded the paper in that year they chose the name Ring-tum Phi. It also was picked to signify the "voice of the student body."

The two Ring-tum Phi founders had little financial troubles in that day and time. Advertisements were plentiful. Local merchants found their ads well-read because the editors often slipped in such fact gems as this one:

"FOUND"—in front of Dr. Howe's a shoe number 3½. Having long tongue it is supposed to be of femi-

nine gender.—R. E. L."

The Ring-tum Phi today has a circulation of nearly 1500. Its subscribers include students, faculty, alumni parents of students, friends of the university.

As the history of the university is deeply entrenched in tradition, so, apparently, are the independent facets of student life. "Tradition spares not a blade of grass at our dear old alma mater" once said a loyal alumnus.

Furthermore, our traditions have provided almost the sole boom to the members of the Lexington Chamber of Commerce. Not only is it necessary to buy one's clothes from Earl N's (now more and more frequently from the College Town Shop), but also we spur the business of McCrums.

Gaines To Receive Students

Alex Platt, President of the 1957 Fancy Dress Dance Set, announced today that the Richmond String Quartet has been signed for the "formal reception" from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., Friday, February 1. In conjunction with final FD arrangements, Farris Hotchkiss, Vice-president in charge of costumes, announced that the entire stock of costumes for the Friday night reception and ball were sold out one week early. He added that an attempt is now being made to procure additional costumes to meet the heavy demand of latecomers.

The following is a detailed calendar concerning the Fancy Dress Reception to be held at the R. E. Lee Hotel, February 1.

- 1.) Richmond String Quartet to provide the orchestration.
- 2.) Reception to begin at 7:30 and last until 9:30.
- 3.) President Gaines, Dean Giliam, and Dean Sensabaugh to receive attending members of student body and their dates with President Alex Platt, and vice-presidents.
- 4.) Students going from reception to dance will wear costumes. Students going to reception only will wear tuxedos.
- 5.) Most fraternities will serve Friday dinner at 5:30 in order that students will have time to change before the reception.
- 6.) Champagne will be served as refreshment.

Students are reminded that those who attend the reception in attire other than costumes must wear formal attire; this is to be considered as tuxes for boys and evening dresses (not cocktail dresses) for their dates. Students in any other attire will be refused admittance to the reception.

With the completion of the sale of costumes for the 1957 Fancy Dress Ball, plans were announced for their distribution on January 30 and 31.

Farris Hotchkiss, Vice-president in charge of costumes, also announced today that the entire supply of costumes were rented and in addition 21 sets of "grab bag" costumes were rented. Mr. David Hommel, of Van Horn and Son, will have approximately 50 sets of costumes that he will rent on January 30 and 31.

The costumes will be distributed in the basement of the Student Union Wednesday afternoon and all day Thursday. Costume stubs must be presented to pick up a costume to avoid delay. Those students who have lost their stubs will have to wait until those who have their stubs have received their costumes.

The price for a set of two costumes is \$14.00 for those having the dance plan and \$16.00 for those who do not. Payment for costumes will be made at the time of receipt and will be made by check. No post-dated checks will be accepted. Any student ordering a costume and not picking it up will be charged \$7.00.

The figure costumes will be distributed Wednesday afternoon, January 30. The price is the same as that of the student body costumes.

Tom Litzburg, chairman of the cold check committee, reminded the students that the signing of the costume order constituted the making of a contract and is therefore subject to the jurisdiction of the Cold Check committee for the violations of that contract.

All costumes will be returned on Monday, February 4. A charge of \$2.00 per set of costumes will be collected for all costumes returned after this date.

W&L RECEIVED \$420,000 IN YEAR 1956

Year-end gifts and bequests to Washington and Lee University totaling \$421,637 were announced today by President Francis P. Gaines.

President Gaines said the sum was in addition to funds received through normal channels, such as the alumni and parents funds and gifts from Virginia business and industry through the Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges and Universities.

Largest single gift was \$286,535 from Mrs. Jessie Ball duPont of Wilmington, Delaware, one of the university's greatest benefactors. A bequest of \$70,000 from the estate of

the late Miss Emily Boyce MacKubin, of Howard County, Md., is also included in the total, as is a grant of \$25,000 from General Foods Corporation.

Also received was a \$20,000 gift from an anonymous benefactor and a \$4,000 grant from the duPont Company to be used for strengthening teaching in chemistry and allied fields. Some miscellaneous gifts also are included in the total.

Citing the year-end gifts in a memorandum to the university's Board of Trustees, President Gaines added that "normal" funds are "flowing favorably."

SKIING IN WEST VA. BECOMING POPULAR

The new Davis Mountain Ski Lodge in Davis, West Virginia, has been recently opened to the public. The Washington Ski Club and a Richmond businessman, Bob Barten, have converted the old pasture lands and scene of early timber and coal mining operations into a fine ski run.

Unusually fine snow conditions caused by the meeting at Davis of a low pressure front from the south and a high pressure front from the north, combined with an accessible location, have influenced the development of the West Virginia site as a new ski run attracting enthusiasts from as far as Washington, D.C.

Davis, which is only a three hours drive from Lexington, has fine accommodations and equipment for rent. The Warden Hotel is available at a rate of two dollars a night, if reservations have been made previously, and facilities are also available, at a dollar a night, for those with sleeping bags. Although a limited amount of equipment is available for rent at a local hardware store, many W&L skiers prefer to rent skiing equipment in Charlottesville prior to their departure for Davis.

Two ski runs are open in Davis on the Northern and Western slopes.

International Scholarships Open For Various Foreign Countries

The Institute of International Education recently announced scholarship opportunities for study at British and Austrian universities. Kenneth Holland, President of the Institute, made the announcement of the scholarships available for American students.

Summer study at British universities is open to American students in 1957. Six-week courses will be offered at Oxford, at Stratford-on-Avon, and at the capital cities of London and Edinburgh. Courses to be offered next summer are: Shakespeare and Elizabethan Drama, the University of Birmingham course given at Stratford; Literature and Art in Georgian England, 1740-1830, at the University of London; Literature, Politics and the Arts in Seventeenth-Century England, at Oxford University; the European Inheritance given by the Scottish Universities at the University of Edinburgh; and English Law and Jurisprudence at the University of London. The last course is open only to students enrolled in accredited law schools and law graduates.

A limited number of scholarships will be available to American stu-

dents. Full information on these British awards is available, along with application forms, from the Institute of International Education, 1 East 67th Street, New York 21, N. Y. Closing date for scholarship applications is March 1, 1957; for regular applications, March 30, 1957.

Four scholarships are also being offered by the Austrian Government to American students for 1957-58. The stipends to be granted will include enough to cover room and board as well as tuition and incidental expenses. Applicants may, if eligible, apply for Fulbright travel grants to cover the costs of international travel.

The awards may be used for study at an Austrian university or institution of higher learning in all fields. Eligibility requirements include: U. S. citizenship; bachelor's degrees by date of departure; demonstrated academic ability; good moral character and sound personality, and proficiency in the German language. Application blanks for these Austrian grants are available from the Institute of International Education. March 1, 1957, is the closing date for competition.

REVISED PROGRAM FOR NAVY MEN

Changes in the Navy Officer Candidate School and Reserve Officer Candidate program have been recently announced, according to information released by Cmdr. Marvin Perry who has recently been appointed as the liaison officer between the university and Navy programs.

Important changes in OCS requirements include a new age limit of 19 through 27, and vision correctable to 20-20. Formerly, natural vision of 20-20 was required. For specialized branches, restrictions have been eased even more.

ROC changes include the waiving of the 17½ age limit and the same vision requirement changes as the OCS program. A most important change in the ROC program is that applicants for this program are not required to affiliate with a drill unit until accepted for ROC. Also, there now exists possibilities for direct commissions for those with specialized backgrounds.

Equally attractive opportunities for Naval Reserve Commissions are available for men planning careers in medicine, dentistry, the ministry and other fields.

Full details on the new changes in the Navy schools and programs are available from Dr. Perry.

OF 47 SOUTHERN COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES, W&L SPENDS LEAST AMOUNT ON ITS LIBRARY

By RUSS EARLY

A recent statistical analysis of Southern colleges and university libraries, prepared and distributed by Louisiana State University, reveals that of 47 school libraries in the South, Washington and Lee spends the least total amount with \$34,985 for 1955-56. A truer picture, however, is obtained when it is seen that W&L devotes 3.4 per cent of its total budget for library maintenance and improvement. Nonetheless, its standing of the 47 is still comparatively low, ranking twelfth from the bottom on a ratio basis. It should be explained that the law library expenses are not included in any of these figures.

In addition to W&L, five Virginia colleges and universities were mentioned in the report. Sweet Briar College Library was second lowest with \$35,011 and a ratio of 4.0 per cent total expenditures; VMI was next with \$35,497 and a 2.69 ratio; William and Mary with \$119,045 with a 8.3 ratio; VPI with \$190,571 and a 1.89 ratio; and the University of Virginia was highest in the state with a total figure of \$456,187 representing 7.0 per cent of its total budget. Thus a state-wide compar-

ison of these six schools places W&L last with respect to total amount and fourth as regards the percentage figure.

The report also discusses the number of volumes these libraries contain. As of July 1, 1955, Washington and Lee stood fourth in the state as to number of volumes followed only by VMI and Sweet Briar. Of these same six schools the University stood fifth in the number of professors and workers, with VMI last.

This report should by no means be construed as complete. It omits a number of schools, which probably, when compared to W&L would place this school in a more favorable and advantageous position. Also the varying sizes of the schools which I have mentioned, at once, admits of the impossibility in arriving at a genuinely common ground for comparative purposes. In addition, the factor of quality could not, of course, be considered in the compilation of such statistics. However, it seems that all of these differences fail to invalidate the usefulness of this report as being, in general, indicative of Washington and Lee's relatively low library standing.

To the argument of size and qual-

ity it should be remembered that the University's facilities have been purposely limited in order that quality might be maintained. It is commonly understood that W&L is free, within certain limits, to expand; however it has not wished to do so fearing a qualitative sacrifice. Thus to advance the proposition that W&L's size is the prohibitive influence upon its quality would seem to be an especially superficial and futile gesture. Therefore, in relating this observation to the library, it would appear that some other excuse, aside from size, must be applied to explain W&L's deficiency.

One fact must be noted here. The deficiency is not founded on relative inequities in total expenditure. Rather it is the small proportion of the budget which is allotted for library use. It does not seem to follow that because a school receives more financial support either because of size, endowment, or state aid, it should allot a larger share of its budget to its library. It is not convincing that because W&L remains a small college, its library requires proportionately less support. And if the line of reasoning concerning quality is followed to a logical con-

clusion, quite the opposite should be true.

As evidence of the pressing needs of the University library we have only to recall the suspension of its budget under a near emergency situation last year. The immediate cause of this action was the necessity for additional librarians to the small and overworked staff. That this might not occur in the future is a sincere hope but not substantiated by the meager appropriations which the library has received up till now. The only stimulant for improvement will be eventual awareness.

In general, McCormick Library is well-diversified and is certainly a comfortable one in which to work. It has a number of fine services and undoubtedly a competent staff. Nevertheless, it is operating under severe handicaps, which neither staff nor present facilities can alleviate. It is surprising and disillusioning to discover that among all the advantages which this school enjoys, a library of a quality comparable to its "natural rivals," is not one of them. It is to be hoped that administrative action can correct this situation and in all respects endeavor to justify W&L's boasts of educational achievement.

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ON IDEALISM

In regard to recent criticism that the Tuesday Edition is idealistic and that "he (the editor) must be aware that he will never convince the average reader, for whom he supposedly should write, of his idealistic approach to athletics" we feel there are several pertinent replies.

That the Tuesday edition editor is idealistic is an undeniable fact. That its editorial policy is supposed to represent the sentiments of the average reader is a sad misconstruing of the significance of the editorial page's purpose. No self-respecting editor would agree that idealistic editorial policy should be prostituted and replaced by eloquent poll-parroting of the masses' sentiments. We wish to remind the dissatisfied that the "average reader" is supposed to be able to distinguish between unbiased news articles which report actual fact and intentionally opinionated articles or editorials. Journalistically, a good news paper is a combination of both.

If the editorial policy of a newspaper fails to satisfy the reader, he then has the alternatives of either not reading that paper or of confining his consumption to only the news section of the paper where fact is not opinionated and the reader can draw his own idealistic (or unidealistic) conclusions.

On the subject of idealism itself we find our critics sadly misinformed. If, according to the average reader, idealism is not any longer in vogue than a sad day it is indeed for colleges and universities who so foolishly teach such ridiculous subjects as political theory, economic theory, philosophy of history, philosophy of religion, and other theoretical courses of this nature. Reduce idealism to tom-foolery and you obliterate almost half of the substance upon which higher education is built.

We would retort our critics by noting that the supporter of subsidization is taking a decidedly idealistic approach to the problem if he: 1) actually believes 88 per cent of the students body favor the EC-IFC proposed plan for subsidization (this distortion of fact for idealism is explained in our second editorial) or 2) seriously thinks a model program of subsidization is either feasible or workable at Washington and Lee (this model program was submitted to the Board of Trustees for their consideration).

We conclude that we are no more idealistic than our adversaries; the only difference is that we defend our idealism, they do not.

—T. V. L.

CONCERNING FACTS

The Tuesday edition of The Ring-tum Phi seeks to approach the question of athletic subsidization in a way that will reveal facets of the problem that do not appear in the open for all to consider. First, we hold that the statement that 88 per cent of the student body want to return to the old policy is mere fiction, a myth that is being created by a few of those who favor a change in the athletic policy at W&L.

Let us review the actual findings of the poll. There were four alternative choices offered: (1) drop football altogether, (2) continue a football program with no subsidization, (3) conduct a limited program of football scholarships to compete on an equal basis with the caliber of teams played in 1955, (4) return to a greater amount of subsidization and a schedule comparable to that played prior to de-emphasis in 1954. Alternative number three (3) received over 46 per cent of the votes cast, the largest number given any one of the four alternatives. These students, alumni, and faculty members favored a continuation of a program which included West Virginia Tech, Sewanee, Centre, and Southwestern. Yet, the proponents of a change to playing "our natural rivals" have incorporated these votes into an argument for a completely different program. The votes of the third alternative are irrelevant to their program; these persons had a chance to vote for the fourth alternative, which more closely resembles the plan offered in the EC-IFC proposal, but they did not choose it.

Those who favor a change in policy have the support of less than 45 per cent of last year's student body, but they nevertheless continue to say 88 per cent of those polled are behind their proposal.

—C. S.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor, the Tuesday Edition
The Ring-tum Phi

Dear Sir:

I would like to take this opportunity to answer the letter which Mr. Gavin K. Letts wrote for the Friday Edition; I would also like to answer the charge of unenlightenment which he throws at the "abnormal" ones.

Mr. Letts poses as the spokesman for the "average" student, the "average" alumnus, and the "average" man in general. First of all let me congratulate him on the magnitude of his undertaking but at the same time I feel that I must point out that his ambitions and articulation are more than offset by his lack of logical insight and ignorance of fact.

"Who is the 'ignorant' man who is held up as a standard in Mr. Letts' article? Do people really want things as Mr. Letts paints them or is he merely expressing his personal opinion? I would appreciate Mr. Letts revealing the rationale which leads him to speak of "valuable prestige." He deals with prestige factors and the importance of impressing the public in a manner which sounds more like a Madison Ave. soap salesman than serious critic of college athletics.

If pride in the group means winning at all costs then by all means go out and get the best...but when you do it please drop the hypocritical euphorism of "amateur." However, when you do this remember all the unpleasantness of the recent past viz. the mimeograph room incident.

I fail to understand how anyone can honestly believe himself to be identified with or represented by the "kept" football player who has been stalked, courted and bribed to become part of a college campus. To arrive at this state of euphoria one must employ the clumsiest of rationalizations.

It appears that Mr. Letts' appeal is based largely on the "everyone knows I'm right" approach...he even goes as far to negate the opposition by telling the reader that the only reason people do not see the thing his way is that they are abnormal.

As I read Mr. Letts' letter I had the feeling that he is reading too much into his interpretation of the Ameri-

can spirit of competition. I can think of no imperative force which leads our university to compete with certain specific other universities other than that of a desire to see a fairly evenly matched contest. The fact that other schools recruit "amateurs" by offer of financial aid in return for school loyalty, performance etc., is no imperative for us to do likewise. IF PLAYING AMATEURS IS WRONG WHEN DONE OPENLY THEN IT IS WRONG WHEN IT IS DONE COVETLY. This talk about what 88 per cent of the world thinks strikes me as sheer rot. We can play any team which will give a fair and enjoyable contest; Harvard, Columbia, Chicago etc. have survived without the paid football team and I do not believe that Washington and Lee will be laughed out of existence if it fails to field a winning team.

I have more faith in the value standards of the "average" man, who is termed ignorant by Mr. Letts and I sincerely hope that the plea, "daddy buy me a football team" will fall on deaf ears.

Abnormally,
ALEXANDER MAC NABB

Editor, Ring-tum Phi

Washington and Lee University
Lexington, Virginia

Dear Sir:

For the past several years I have been closely affiliated with our Alumni Chapter, which is the Augusta-Rockingham Chapter, and to my knowledge there were only two people, one in Staunton and one in Harrisonburg, that agreed with the decision of the Board of Trustees made in 1954. In my opinion it was the worst blow that Washington and Lee had had in their entire history.

I am sure that since we have a new Dean that the policies will revert to the good old school spirit that was enjoyed and shared by all students alike. All the Alumni are proud of the honor system and traditions of Washington and Lee and we hope to see again to have an outstanding football team as well as all other sports that we used to enjoy in the past.

With all best wishes, I am
Sincerely

F. O. Funkhouser, '31, President

"Of Cabbages and Kings"

What Is All This Talk About The 'Cut' System

By Max Caskie

Today I'm going to talk about you and me and the cut system at Washington and Lee. There is no one more qualified than I to talk about cutting. I am a notorious cutter, though not proud of the fact at all. I have had unlimited cuts since and including the second semester of my freshman year; I know what they're like.

So having set myself up as an authority on the subject—from one viewpoint, at least—I'd like to make a point by point exploration of the pros and cons of unlimited cuts for everyone.

The student has several rather potent arguments in his favor: that a cut system (like ours) treats college students like little children while freedom of non-attendances places the burden of responsibility on the student and forces him to mature or flunk; that rules like "final absence probation" and "medical excuses needs ary" are sources of inequity and injustice (leading to such remarks as Nurse Allen's reputed statement: "You go right home to bed after your last class; you're too sick to be up."), by which a student may fail to graduate with his class because he is deprived of a few quality credits for overcutting (and 3 latenesses equal a cut in some courses!); that, after all, it is the student who is voluntarily enrolled here and that it should be his prerogative whether or not he wants to waste the one dollar he is paying for each class period; that attendance or non-attendance in class is the student's way of "voting," by which some deathly-dull lecturer may be brought to realize how truly inept he is. There are other arguments, but these are the major ones. Before I try to answer them or venture any opinion of my own, I'd like to examine briefly the "traditional" faculty position.

I don't believe that many students really think that the faculty has opposed unlimiteds in the past through a fear of being humiliated—that is though a genuine fear of losing the "captive audience." There are a few professors like that—but very few. Rather, I think, the majority of faculty members dislike the idea of coercion, but see nothing better to do in the face of student immaturity (of which there is a great deal, including my own sizeable share), than to save us from ourselves.

That's not nearly so naive a position as it may sound to you pseudo-educators: it has a very hard practical side: Washington and Lee admits about three hundred freshmen a year out of some eight hundred or so applications, and these three hundred are supposedly the top layer of the boys who want to go to Washington and Lee. It is a widely-held opinion in faculty circles that not quite half of these three hundred would be able to stay in school if there were no absence regulations and if academic standards were maintained at their present level. Half of every freshman class would flunk out, if given carte blanche about going to class—that's the conservative estimate. The flunk-out percentages would decline each year, of course, but that first year would take a terrible toll. So, you say, then don't give unlimiteds until sophomore year. It doesn't work, friend: age is no guarantee of responsibility in a matter like that. I seem to recall an experiment some years ago whereby second semester seniors were given unlimiteds regardless of grade-point ratio. Pretty soon there was a serious question as to whether graduation exercises were going to be held in Lee Chapel or in a phone booth; a lot of hitherto steady eddies were raking in F's. The grand experiment was hastily abandoned.

Therefore, to the faculty mind it becomes a question of economics and personal integrity: give unlimited cuts and you either have to lower the standards or contract the student body; there just aren't enough good, conscientious students who want to go to Washington and Lee. It's pretty futile to tell about cuts like Harvard has when we have neither Harvard's students nor its financial security.

Hard to argue with, isn't it? Unless you want to climb up on an even higher cloud and then look pityingly down, murmuring softly: "Crass, materialistic faculty; don't they realize that money is unimportant—that teaching responsibility and instilling maturity are the real values

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LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS

by Dick Bibler



YES I'M GOING TO PASS YOU BECAUSE I'M TIRED OF HAVING TO MAKE UP NEW TESTS FOR THIS COURSE EVERY YEAR!

Make Mine Modern, Too

New Columnist Attempts Fresh Approach to Contemporary Jazz

By C. Brooks Whitfield

Having been given a great deal of latitude as to the choice of subject matter, I'm not at all sure as to the ultimate direction of this series of articles. My greatest interest lies in the contemporary sphere, especially that of modern jazz. However, I may, on occasion, insert a classical note or two, trying to draw some relevance between the selection in question and the ever narrowing gap of contemporary jazz. There will be some attention paid to current releases, not as to an item's commercial value, but more particularly to its position and effect on the modern jazz scene.

Let us examine Mr. Giuffe for a moment, for I feel that through his work we may acquire some insight as to the direction of modern jazz. It is interesting to note the formal training which the modern jazz musician deems necessary. Heretofore, it was merely a case of getting up and blowing and fitting your sound with a pulsating rhythm. However, with Giuffe and his comrades under the baton the story is quite different.

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TO QUOTE ART HARRIS in his notes appended to his album, entitled "New Jazz in Hi-Fi" (incidentally, this is on an Epic label, a product of CBS) "Jazz is perhaps the one unique contribution America has made to music, and it seems to reflect, in a manner of speaking, the very spirit of the twentieth century." From its rather primitive inception in New Orleans, jazz has undergone, like everything else, a series of mutations which have transformed it, in

"The Spectator and the Tattler"

A Little About 'Persuasion'; See 'War and Peace' Again

By Phil Brown

Friendly Persuasion was probably the nicest picture that has played town since September. William Wyler, its director, skillfully developed a heart-warming family portrait from a beautifully simple story. Clever photography of gorgeous scenery, fine character acting and good pacing along with the excellent musical score (composed and conducted by Dimitri Tiomkin) helped to make this possible. The theme "Friendly Persuasion" sung by Pat Boone is the most memorable I've heard since the Picnic Theme left town.

Gary Cooper, its star, rolls along in this fine performance with the ease of a true veteran of several decades. It is no wonder that such young stars as Anthony Perkins and the late James Dean have copied those facial "cooperisms" that audiences have enjoyed over the years. As ever, style seems to be at a premium. Cary Grant had his particular acting style and many hopefulls copied it also. Style, if it's good doesn't last long with the originator. A typical spring board was Rocky Graziano; he had a brash and magnetic way. Brando, who spent much time with him in New York absorbed much of it (as did Paul Newman, much later), then Dean an aspiring young novice who had watched much of Brando and more of Cooper, combined them, and for a while thrived heartily. But I guess it won't be long before names and styles like Grant, Tracy, Cooper, Cagney, and Gable are all memories...or legends.

with such fine actors as Ewell, O'Brien, and Jones they couldn't have worked out a tighter script. Gag lines for such talent can't be that hard to write.

Tomorrow, I'll definitely see War and Peace again, it's that good, and shows what Hollywood is capable of when it throws out all the stops. As the saying goes, You spend a little, you make a little...I understand Around The World in Eighty Days proves the same point.

Rebecca and The Wild One at the Lyric were all that I remembered there. Joan Fontaine in those days was what Audrey Hepburn is today, and more, while Sir Laurence was, and still is, the epitome of English charm. I hope no one sold their "sicle" after seeing The Wild One—and for those who ran out and bought them—there will be drag races for draft beer behind the gym at eight tonight. Please shave, it's conventional...

There have been those few asking why I don't go into more detail in reviewing movies in this column—with the New Year, I would like to re-express the aim and method I choose to follow in this column. The Spectator section includes comments on all local movies, all plays and some TV. It will be a distillation rather than a full draught. If you are interested in a more thorough analysis I would suggest any of the many dailies that are sold in town.

The Girl Can't Help It even had the females in the audience gasping. The funny bits—were that, but there should have been more. It's a shame

W&L Swimmers Take Fifth Straight

Blank and Relay Team Set Pool Records

By Bob Shepherd

Washington and Lee's swimmers remained unbeaten after setting two pool records Saturday to upset Eastern Carolina State Teachers College, 47-39.

The meet was close all the way with the Generals leading by only 40-39 going into the final relay. The W&L 400-yd. freestyle relay team of Skip Rohnke, Al Osher, Gus Glauer, and John Betts clipped three-tenths of a second off the old pool record mark of 3:28.4 set earlier in the year as anchor man Betts won in a thrilling finish by an arm's length.

The visitors from Carolina lost a total of eight points in two disqualifications, one in the 400-yd. medley relay, and the other in the 200-yard butterfly. One of the highlights of the meet was the beautiful exhibition of diving by Freshman Art Blank who piled up a total of 194.5 points to break the old record of 188.25 set by Charlie Richardson last year.

East Carolina has always been a powerful swimming school. The Generals lost to them last year at Carolina and the improvement was decided. The visitors had defeated Southern Conference power VMI, 44-43, Friday night at the Keydets school.

The Generals now have a record of five wins and no losses. They hold victories over Virginia, Maryland, Catholic, Roanoke, and now ECTC. The Blue and White aquamen host Lynchburg Saturday in the last pre-exam meet in what should be a fairly easy victory.

Results of the meet are:

400-yd. medley relay — won by W&L (Duncan, Springer, Fox, and Betts), 3:58.6.

220-yd. freestyle—1. McKee (EC); 2. Aliotti (W&L); 3. Williamson (EC), 2:21.2.

50-yd. dash—1. Meads (EC) 2. Rohnke (W&L); 3. Osher (W&L), 23.

200-yd. butterfly—1. Oliver (EC); 2. Fox (W&L); 3. Springer (W&L), 2:19.4.

Diving—1. Blank (W&L); 2. Midyette (EC); 3. Richardson (W&L), 194.5 (New Record).

100-yd. freestyle—1. Betts (W&L);

2. Rohnke (W&L); 3. Meads (EC), 51.3.

200-yd. backstroke—1. Sawyer (EC); 2. Duncan (W&L); 3. Oliver (EC), 2:24.0.

440-yd. freestyle—1. McKee (EC); 2. Williamson (EC); 3. Broadus (W&L), 5:47.4.

200-yd. breaststroke—1. Koebberling (EC); 2. Springer (W&L); 3. Fox, 2:29.4.

400-yd. freestyle relay—won by Rohnke, Osher, Glauer, and Betts), 3:28.1. (new pool record).

Matmen Lose To Virginia

The Washington and Lee varsity matmen, seeking their first victory in four starts, got off to an early lead against University of Virginia Saturday night only to have victory snatched away from them in the final four matches, 18-14.

The Generals took a quick lead by winning the four opening matches as Bob Neunreiter (123), Dennis Patton (130), Dick Whiteford (137), and Butch House (147) combined to set the score at 14-0. Co-captain Dick Whiteford's victory came as the result of a fall.

It was at this point that the UVa. "beef brigade" came to its teams rescue. In the 157-pound class, Charlie Gaudy was able to pin Don Fowler after eight minutes fifty seconds had elapsed, only five seconds remained at the time of the fall.

The following matches, Dave Cheney (167) pinned Co-captain Bob Miller, Ben Petrilli (177) decisioned Gil Holland and heavyweight Henry Jordan pinned John Hollister.

In the preliminary match the Washington and Lee Junior Varsity wrestling squad defeated a highly regarded University of Virginia team by a score of 24-13.

In another match, which was held simultaneously with the W&L-UVa. event the defending champions from VPI were easily able to defeat VMI by a score of 25-10. It was VPI's 17th straight win without a defeat.

Results of the match between Washington and Lee and the University of Virginia were as following: 123 lbs.—Bob Neunreiter (W&L) decisioned Joel Sprinkler (UVa.) 5-2.

130 lbs.—Dennis Patton (W&L) decisioned Larry Cooper (UVa.) 5-0.

137 lbs.—Dick Whiteford (W&L) pinned Billy Carter (UVa.) 5:37.

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Presbyterian Plays Here Tonight at 8

The Generals of Washington and Lee will be trying for their ninth win of the season against Presbyterian College at eight o'clock tonight in the W&L Gym.

Presbyterian lost last night to VMI, 94-87, despite the high scoring of Dave Thompson and Bruce Thompson. Bruce, 6-5 pivot man, tallied 34 points and Dave, 6-2 forward, followed with 32 points. Also in the double figures was guard Kenny Caswell with 12. Other starters for the losers were Wyatt Aiken, forward, and Bill Sullivan, guard.

VMI led the entire game. Presbyterian pulled to within one point early in the second half, but fell back. With only one minute and forty seconds remaining in the game, a three-point play by Bruce Thompson closed the gap to 84-81. But that was as close as the visitors could come. VMI led at half, 43-39.

Lose Second Contest

The loss was Presbyterian's second in seven games. VMI had five men in the double column as the team hit close to fifty per cent of its shots.

Lee Marshall continues to lead the Southern Conference in scoring with a 24.1 average. West Virginia's Hot Rod Hundley is second, Dick Wright of Furman is third, and W&L's Dom Flora is fourth with a 19.4 average.

Tonight, coach McCann will start his usual five of Frank Hoss and Barry Storick at forwards, Marshall at center and Flora and Barclay Smith at guards. The Generals' next game will be on Friday, January 18, against George Washington University at eight o'clock.

SPORTS CALENDAR

Wednesday, January 16

7:00 p.m.—Wrestling. W. and L. JV vs. Virginia School for Deaf and Blind.

8:15 p.m.—Wrestling. W. and L. vs. Glauert.

Friday, January 18

4:00 p.m.—Basketball. W. and L. JV vs. Hampden-Sydney JV.

8:00 p.m.—Basketball. W. and L. vs. George Washington.

Saturday, January 19

2:30 p.m.—Swimming. W. and L. vs. Lynchburg College.

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Delta Tau Delta and Delta Upsilon are leading the Intramural A and D Leagues respectively in basketball with 3-0 records.

In the B League, Phi Delta Theta moved into first place via a forfeit victory over Pi Kappa Alpha on Sunday afternoon. PIKA is now ineligible for the league championship. Sigma Chi and Phi Kappa Psi are tied with 1-0 records for the C League.

LEAGUE STANDINGS

League A	Won	Lost
Delts	3	0
Phi Gam	2	1
KA	2	1
Phi Kap	0	3

League B	Won	Lost
Phi Delt	2	1
PiKA	2	1*
Beta	1	1
Phi Kappa Sig	0	2

League C	Won	Lost
Sigma Chi	1	0
Phi Psi	1	0
ZBT	1	1
Lambda Chi	0	2

League D	Won	Lost
DU	3	0
Kappa Sig	1	0
Sigma Nu	0	1
Law	0	1
SAE	0	2

Notice

All of those students wishing to put in an advance order for tickets to the annual Southern Conference Wrestling Meet may do so with Dick Miller or Mrs. Smiley in the Physical Education Department. The tournament will be held in Doremus Gymnasium in March.



OFF THE BOARDS

BY JIM LEWIS

Frank Hoss

The tall, well proportioned number nineteen on the basketball court is the likeable easy-going Frank Hoss.



Hoss

born in Manassas, Virginia, and came to W&L after compiling an amazing high school record. He immediately went to work and not only made a name for himself on the athletic field, but also earned his way onto the Dean's list and is a member of the Southern Collegians band.

When Frank isn't seen wearing the blue and white on the court or field, he can easily be found either entertaining with the Collegians or pulling for his favorite team, the Washington Redskins.

Frank served notice last year that he was not to be denied on the hardwood when he and the Generals were able to put the stopper on All-American Joe Holup as the Generals upset top seeded George Washington in the opening round of the Southern Conference Tournament. This year Frank has won himself a spot on the starting five and from the looks of things, he may give quite a few teams some trouble.

During his freshman year, Frank was a star on the track team, but since then he has given up the sport in favor of another. Last spring instead of track, he tried out the old Indian game of lacrosse. This year lacrosse coach Corrigan has high hopes for Frank.

Frank is a member of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity and plans to be married this summer.

Jack Daughtrey

A familiar figure around the athletic fields of Washington and Lee is a young sophomore by the name of Jack Daughtrey. In just two short years, Jack has earned himself a place among the regulars of the football, basketball, and baseball teams.

This easy going fellow with the distinct southern drawl found his

way onto the campus in September of 1955 following an illustrious four years at St. Christophers Prep School in Richmond. While attending St. Christophers, Jack was honored by being named to the all-city and all-state basketball and baseball teams. With his arrival here, he immediately took over the job of quarterback on the Generals' football team.

Jack's most spectacular performances during the past football season were the games he played against West Virginia Tech and Washington University of St. Louis. Against West Virginia, Jack not only called the signals; but he scored twelve of the Generals twenty points. In the Washington University game, he showed the fans some pretty nifty running; he also found the range with his passing as he threw for two touchdowns.

Shows Improvement

As far as basketball goes, Jack's improvement and steady hustle was probably best exemplified during the Richmond Invitational Tournament held over Christmas vacation. He not only was a "bear" on defense, but he proved himself worthy on offense by throwing in fourteen of his team's points in a close loss to Lafayette.

Jack is a member of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity and says that his main pleasure in life is making new acquaintances, usually female in gender. When questioned by this reporter as to any specific girl, Jack's only answer was "all of them." The truth of this statement can be verified by any and all of his teammates.



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Caskie on W&L Cut System

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in education?"
Hmmm. Well, maybe so, though some would argue. But I'm not sure at all that the power to cut classes is an Open Sesame to High Moral Character. Unless my case is the omnipresent exception.

It has been my experience that cuts encourage not responsibility but procrastination, and I believe this to be true for a large majority of people. Most of us are pretty lazy; we don't do anything until it's absolutely necessary—that includes going to class.

In my own case—and in lots more—the alternatives of "mature or flunk" don't tell the whole story: I don't have to do either one. It's quite possible for me and for hundreds of other lazy souls to cut outrageously and still pass. Obviously, we're not getting the full value of what Washington and Lee has to offer us; we're cheating no one but ourselves. But we're still here.

On the other hand, does coercion lead to better character? "Modern" schools of psychology talk glibly about "frustrations and resentments" and all the rest. I wonder. It seems to me that the acquisition of values is a result of two things: repeated exposure (repetition), and reinforcement (positive, in this case). I think it must be some strange conceit on the part of college students that makes them so positive that outside agencies have no influence upon one's character after one reaches 18—that the child acquires all his values before that age and that college is merely a testing of, a time of trial for, the moral fiber that is already completely woven. This is the school of Rugged Individualism: society has done what it will do; now it is time for you to grapple with yourself and determine—alone—what

you will do with your raw materials. Rubbish. You turn right around and demonstrate your utter pliability by talking, acting, dressing, and even thinking just like the last forceful character you came in contact with (and he doesn't even have to exist in the flesh—he may be the hero of the last flick you saw). You great big individualistic man, you.

So it's still not too late to form a few good habits like punctuality, dependability, etc. Old fashioned, but still fairly worthwhile.

Those cuts look awful nice, but believe me, for most of us they're not what they seem. If the faculty grants unlimiteds it will be just like giving a baby a straight razor—start cutting, you're the one that'll bleed.

MODERN JAZZ

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ent. He received a Bachelor of Music from North Texas State Teachers College in 1942—he comes from Dallas—and since that time he has been studying composition in Los Angeles under Dr. Wesley La Violette. He rose through the ranks with such men as Boyd Raeburn, Jimmy Dorsey, Buddy Rich, Woody Herman, and Howard Rumsey's Lighthouse All-Stars, and now, by virtue of his recording efforts in the past three or four years, he is classed as one of the most gifted arranger-composers with men like Gerry Mulligan, Charlie Mingus, Teddy Charles, and John Lewis.

LAST YEAR Giuffre released an album for Capitol in which he completely ignored a sounded beat; he used only a trumpet, his clarinet, a bassist and a drummer, the latter two, incidentally, merely acting as pivots for the melodic inventions of the horns. The results were interesting but merely as a link in a chain to an ultimate product.

Quite recently, however, he has released a record on Atlantic which I think is one of the most stimulating innovations in modern music that I have heard in a long while. The album is entitled "The

Jimmy Giuffre Clarinet," and it is exactly that. His clarinet playing is an innovation in itself. By operating only in the lower registers he has acquired a thick, mystic quality, concentrating on short, simple phrases. The results are peculiarly enchanting—almost lasting.

I won't attempt to discuss the album in detail, for it would require some rather long and close attention, as each band has different and unusual instrumentation, merely to mention an external feature. But I would like to at least mention the first track which consists of Jimmy's clarinet and his foot tapping. This is his comment on this selection; it's entitled "Sow Low." "A very slow blues, recorded in the pitch dark, with just clarinet and the sound of

my foot tapping. I wanted to get the effect of a musician playing in his back room all alone." Sufficiently to say, it's well worth the time expended in listening.

Jimmy has introduced into jazz a new, distinct, and intensely personal lyricism. He has said, "I am interested in getting the right sound, the pleasing sound, and let structures (he has broken ground here, too) forms, and harmonies fall where they may." This album is a testament to the validity of his statement.

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U.Va. MATCH

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147 lbs.—Butch House (W&L) de-cisioned Glen Sheperd (U.Va.) 2-0.
157 lbs.—Charlie Gaudy (U.Va.) pinned Don Fowler (W&L) 8:55.

167 lbs.—Dave Cheney (U.Va.) pinned Bob Miller (W&L) 6:32.
177 lbs.—Ben Petrilli (U.Va.) de-cisioned Gil Holland (W&L) 4-1.
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First of all, what's it all about? What does a fellow like John Jackson do all day? In his own words, "I keep in touch with the executives of many different companies—advising them on the use of their IBM electronic data processing computers. I personally consult with these customers, and analyze their scientific and technical problems for solution by IBM. Occasionally, I'm asked to write papers, and give talks and demonstrations on electronic computing. All in all, it's pretty fascinating . . . something new pops up every day." In other words, John is a full-fledged computing expert, a consultant . . . and a very important person in this



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Mapping out a computer program

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