

Lykes Drafts New Set-up For Alumni

Plan Provides Representa- tion For Every Chapter On Alumni Council

Retiring Student Body Presidents To Become Council Members

In a letter to Washington and Lee's 8500 alumni, Joseph T. Lykes of Pelham, New York, president of the Alumni association, listed several revolutionary changes in the organization of the Alumni council for giving strength to the work of the alumni office in every section of the country.

The letter disclosed that the Board of Trustees of the Alumni association had provided that every alumni chapter should be represented on the Alumni council in place of selective representation as heretofore. It also provided that retiring presidents of the student body would be named to the council.

Text of Letter

Also mentioned by Mr. Lykes was the class agent campaign for contributions supporting the Alumni association during 1939. The complete text of President Lykes' letter is as follows:

"The Board of Trustees of the Alumni association at their annual meeting named me president. I would acknowledge my deep appreciation of this honor and assure you that my efforts to the extent of my ability will be devoted to contributing everything possible to the furtherance of our general alumni affairs. While not unmindful of the honor in the designation as your president, I nevertheless am more conscious of the opportunity offered to serve our institution.

"Perhaps a word as to the aims of your association would not be remiss, although many of you have been kept currently informed. Our October meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Alumni association unanimously changed our by-laws whereby in future each alumni chapter is privileged to designate a member of the Alumni council.

"The purpose of this action was to stimulate a greater interest in alumni affairs and also to give the management of the association to a greater number of the individual alumni than heretofore. Indeed it should be an incentive for the creation of additional alumni chapters and where the number of alumni in any particular local community is not sufficient for an individual chapter, perhaps they can be organized on a state basis or other sectional unit.

Seeks Cooperation

"It is expected by your Board of Trustees that each alumni chapter will embrace this opportunity to more actively participate in the running of your association and to that end I bespeak the cooperation of each alumni chapter and through them of each individual alumnus.

"Along these same lines your Board of Trustees further changed the by-laws by making the retiring president of the student body a member of the Alumni council. This, we hope, will be a healthy development sending out yearly graduates with the feeling that they are already an important part of our alumni organization.

"In due course our class agent campaign for this year will be started. Your Board of Trustees have set themselves to the task of providing a full-time administration set-up. Heretofore our university has contributed toward the necessary expense of our organization. In addition our secretary has been partially compensated by athletic duties.

"Your board has the conviction that we require a full-time staff devoting their entire thought and effort to alumni affairs and furthermore at the earliest date possible the alumni themselves should free our university of their past contributions toward the administration of our affairs.

"It is felt that we can adequately accomplish this on a budget of \$11,500.00 per annum. With approximately 8,500 alumni, it would seem to be a reasonable hope that we could finance our organization through contributions from our

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Joseph T. Lykes, president of the Washington and Lee Alumni Association, who today asked the cooperation of alumni.

South Frontier, Columnist Says

Graves Foresees Renaissance Of South In Lee- Day Speech

"This is the South, the promised land for you and for all American," John Temple Graves of Birmingham, Alabama, told the students of Washington and Lee in the Founder's Day program in Doremus gymnasium on Thursday morning. "The covered wagons are coming south," he declared. "The Southern states are America's last economic frontier."

The natural resources and the climate of the South, he asserted, give the region a distinct economic advantage over the rest of the country. But this advantage will come to naught if we do not combine with it education, organization, and liberation from the injustices imposed upon us by the leaders in Washington. To forge ahead, the South must increase its purchasing power, and it cannot do this without this education, this organization, and this freedom from the injustices that are brought about by the government leaders.

"There is no such thing any more as the solid South," asserted the speaker. The southern people disagree today on many problems, among which are education, the Negro question, politics, tariff, and foreign policy. The South is no longer sectional; it is regional. And the eyes of the whole country are upon the region.

Of the situation in Europe, Mr. Graves expressed the opinion that it was the "dark ages come back in streamline." Our prospect and

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Alumni of 1911-12 Contribute Heavily To Country's Business

Edward Brown, '11, who has been in the insurance business since leaving Washington and Lee, is married and has seven children, the youngest a girl five years old, and the oldest a junior at Washington and Lee. He lives in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

From the class of 1912, Ed Lyons still finds time to say there is "something about Washington and Lee that lasts and lasts." He is a chemist with Parke Davis and Company, Detroit, Michigan.

Henry B. Goodloe is living in Crozet, Virginia, with law offices in Charlottesville. He is United States conciliation commissioner for Albemarle county, a lieutenant-colonel of infantry in the Reserve corps and past president of the Virginia department of the Third Corps area of the Reserve Officers' association. His daughter, Mary Boynton Goodloe, is in her second year of high school in Crozet.

Wayne Ely is a member of the law firm of Leahy, Walter, Hecker and Ely, Bank of Commerce building, St. Louis, Missouri. In 1920 he was appointed assistant attorney general of Missouri, but has since

Dr. Stow Announces New Course Added To Geology Group

Doctor Marcellus H. Stow of the department of geology announced today that the department had added a course in structural geology for the second semester of this year to satisfy the demand of students for information about oil structures and the processes of mountain building.

The course, which will be taught by Dr. Lammers, will deal with the various types of structures found in the United States with particular emphasis on those structures favorable to the accumulation of gas and oil.

Doctor Stow said that probably one or two field trips to the mountainous area near Lexington will be included in the course. He added that the structure of these mountains has been studied in detail and is well known the world over.

The course will appear in the new issue of the catalogue as Geology 152. It will be given at G hour and carry three hours of lecture a week with no laboratory. The only prerequisite to the course will be the introductory course in geology.

Freshmen May Discard Caps After February 2

Freshmen may discontinue wearing their caps on Thursday, February 2, Fielden Woodward, president of the assimilation committee, said today. This is the last day of examinations.

In making this announcement about the caps, Woodward declared that he wished to emphasize the fact that the committee will continue to function throughout the ensuing semester.

Trustees Propose Broad Survey Of Athletic Policy—Okeh Tilson

Doctor Gaines Names Three Students and Three Faculty Members To Special Committee—Alumni and Trustee Representatives Still To Be Selected

Modifying a suggestion of the faculty committee on athletics, the University board of trustees in regular meeting here yesterday proposed the establishment of a special committee to report on the policy of the University in intercollegiate athletics. In addition to laying the foundations for this committee's work, the board approved the one-year contracts of Coach Tex Tilson and his new assistant, Riley Smith.

W-L Produces High Educators

Lord of Woodberry Forest, Coe of Florida Southern Known In Field

Heading the department of mathematics of Woodberry Forest school at Woodberry Forest, Virginia, is William L. (Bill) Lord. Lord, who is one of many men from Washington and Lee to distinguish himself in the field of education, graduated in the class of 1907. His son, Leland Hume Lord, was a W-L freshman last year, but did not return because he wanted a technical course.

Washington and Lee men are high in the legal and political councils of New Mexico. This news comes from Hiram Dow, law school graduate of the class of 1908. Mr. Dow is lieutenant-governor of the state, residing in Roswell, New Mexico. Two of the three men on the state board of bar examiners are W-L men: Pat Hamilton, president, and Mr. Dow. W-L is represented on the state supreme court by a federal judge, a district attorney, and a district judge.

Washington and Lee has produced its share of famous men in the field of education. Another of the graduates who has distinguished himself in this particular field, is Alumnus S. Gwynn Coe, of the class of 1909. Mr. Coe is head of the department of history and political science at Florida Southern college, where he has been for the past twelve years.

For the past five years, W-L Graduate George West Allison has been commissioner of public works in the borough of Richmond, New York. In addition to this, Mr. Allison serves on the board of trustees of the Staten Island academy of which he is treasurer. Mr. Allison graduated in 1910. He also serves as a trustee of the Museum of Arts and Sciences, the Staten Island Zoological society, and the Children's Aid society.

R. P. Carter To Address VPA Group In Roanoke

Richard P. Carter, director of the Washington and Lee news bureau, will address a meeting of the Virginia Press association to be held in Roanoke on January 27 and 28. Mr. Carter will speak on new methods of teaching reporting. The association includes all of the principal newspapers, both daily and weekly, in Virginia.

Together with John S. Hamilton of the school of journalism at Columbia university, Mr. Carter has compiled a summary of the best methods of reporting as advocated by expert journalism teachers throughout the United States. This summary was presented at the American Association of the Departments of Journalism meeting in Topeka, Kansas, during the Christmas holidays, and Mr. Carter expects to take much of the material for his talk in Roanoke from it.

The VPA will hold its sessions in the new Hotel Roanoke.

University Shop Prints Arts Education Bulletin

Printed at the Washington and Lee print shop, the *News Bulletin* of the National Graphic Arts Education guild, news organ of the National Printing Teachers' organization, is already in the mail.

In addition to containing news of this printing organization, of which C. Harold Lauck, journalism mechanics instructor here, is vice-president, the *Bulletin* stresses Printing Education week, beginning January 16.

It is during this week, in which Benjamin Franklin's birthday falls, that various programs are held in connection with the printing trade, of which he is a well-known American pioneer.

Today's Issue Specially Written For W-L Alumni

Today's issue of *The Ring-tum Phi* is especially written and edited for Washington and Lee's 8500 alumni throughout the United States. It is sent to each alumnus, as well as to all students and regular subscribers, at the request of the class agents of each of the past graduating classes.

Copy for this issue has been prepared with the assistance of Cy Young, alumni secretary, and the alumni office.

There will be no publication of *The Ring-tum Phi* during the period of first semester examinations extending from January 23 to February 2. The next issue of the paper will be published on February 3, as a special Fancy Dress issue.

Meeting Here Commemorates ODK Founding

National Congress To Con- vene Here March 23 for 25th Anniversary

Delegates from the circles of Omicron Delta Kappa from all over the country will convene on the Washington and Lee campus March 23 to 25 for its national congress. The Alpha chapter here will be host to the convention, Fielden Woodward, president, said.

This meeting of representatives from the various circles of ODK is meeting here to commemorate the twenty-fifth founding of this leadership fraternity on the W-L campus. During the ceremonies a bronze tablet will be erected to the men who founded the society in 1914. This plaque will consist of a large facsimile of the ODK "key" with the names of all the founders listed underneath.

The Alpha chapter will have a large part in the proceedings, officers of the society declared. A banquet will be sponsored by this local circle, and very probably a dance also. Dr. Gaines is the chairman of the program committee, and has already conferred with national officers. Dr. Robert W. Bishop, executive secretary of the society, met with Dr. Gaines in December on this matter.

National President R. L. Jackson, of Davidson college, expects a large representation to be on hand for the convention. Total membership in the society is now over eight thousand men.

H. McGehee, '38, Dies Suddenly At His Home

Henry Richard McGehee, '38, a student of the law school of the University of North Carolina, unexpectedly passed away at his home in Reidsville, North Carolina, yesterday. He had returned home after falling seriously ill at school.

No reason was given here for the alumnus' death except that he collapsed suddenly in the midst of his work. McGehee was affectionately known as "Tige" to his friends in Beta Theta Pi fraternity here, two of closest being former editor Charles F. Clarke and wrestling captain Calvert Thomas. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and a leader in campus affairs.

Classes From '93 to '99 Produce Missionary, Lawyers, Professor

From banking to the ministry, from teaching to railroading—these are only some of the many businesses and professions that Washington and Lee graduates from 1893 to 1899 have entered into and made names for themselves.

The Reverend Harry W. Myers of the class of '93 has been a missionary of the Southern Presbyterian church in Kobe, Japan, for many years. Although 64 years of age he is still very active.

Dr. James B. Bullitt, who was graduated in 1894, is in charge of the pathological laboratory of the University of North Carolina.

William McChesney Martin of the class of '95, is now governor of the Federal Reserve bank at St. Louis. His son is William McChesney Martin, Jr., recently elected president of the New York stock exchange at the age of 31, the

youngest president the exchange has ever had.

In the class of the following year was Stockton Heith Tyler, who is now a member of the law firm of Mann and Tyler at Norfolk, Virginia. His son is now attending Washington and Lee.

W. B. Morrison, class of '97, is professor of history at the South-eastern Teachers college, and this year is the acting dean. He has recently published a book, "Military Posts and Camps in Oklahoma."

E. J. Parrish, graduated in 1898, is with the traffic department of the Seaboard Air Line railroad. He lives in Norfolk.

Of the class of 1899 is Harry St. G. T. Carmichael, who through the years maintains an undying interest in the University. A short while ago he was elected to the University board of trustees.

Fancy Dress Will Portray 'Golden Era'

Plans For Colorful Set Nearly Complete, Com- mittee Asserts

Theme Is Return of Spots- wood After Exploratory Expedition

Promising one of the most colorful balls in Fancy Dress history, members of the Fancy Dress committee in an important meeting today declared that all preliminary arrangements for the dance were completed and that only a few minor details remained to be worked out.

Briefly reviewing the romantic story of Virginia's Knights of the Golden Horseshoe, President Cecil Taylor outlined the theme which will portray the festivities at Williamsburg in 1716, following the return of the exploratory expedition of Governor Spotswood to the valley of the Shenandoah.

Taylor, who is a freshman lawyer from Lynchburg, Virginia, will attend the ball as Governor Spotswood. Queen of Fancy Dress will be Miss Margaret Alexander Tomlin of Cincinnati, Ohio, and a student of Sweet Briar college. Miss Tomlin will attend the ball as Miss Anne Butler Bryan of Westminster.

Other leaders will portray the members of Spotswood's expedition who were knighted into the Order of the Golden Horseshoe. Robert Nicholson of Wheaton, Illinois, will attend as the historian Robert Beverley and will escort Miss Virginia Gould of Quantico, Virginia, who is a freshman at the present day College of William and Mary.

Frank O'Connor of Hartford, Connecticut, will portray the journalist John Fontaine and will attend the ball with Miss Rhoda Pimm of West Hartford, Connecticut, a student of Oxford college. Edgar Shannon of Lexington will have the role of William Robertson and will escort Miss Lula Windom of Petersburg, Virginia, a junior at Farmville State Teachers' college.

Doctor Robinson

In the role of Doctor Robinson will be Allen Snyder of Glenside, Pennsylvania, who will escort Miss Helen Hamilton of Saint Louis, Missouri, a sophomore at Sweet Briar college. Buddy Foltz of Fort Smith, Arkansas, will attend with Miss Deane Mitchell of Fort Smith, a student at Monticello college, and will portray the character of James Taylor.

Charlie Hart of New York will depict Robert Brooke and will escort Miss Lois Lear of Troy, New York, a senior at Sweet Briar college. Dick Snow of Man, West Virginia, will attend as the famous George Mason and will accompany Miss Virginia Cather of Winchester, Virginia, a student at Hollins college. As the gay Jeremiah Clouder will be Reid Brodie of Owensboro, Kentucky, who will escort Miss Anne Bruce Hager, also of Owensboro.

Harold Harvey, whose name was accidentally left out of the list of those walking in the figure in a recent *Ring-tum Phi*, will participate in the Fancy Dress ball.

Arrangements Completed

Taylor, after outlining the theme for the committee, surveyed the work which had been done up to the present time. Orchestra arrangements for Hal Kemp, he said, were complete; and Fred Lynch of Philadelphia was well along with the decorations which will recreate the famous ballroom of the Governor's palace at Williamsburg.

Plans for taking care of the guests at the ball were also discussed. The seating arrangement, under the supervision of Mr. McDowell, and the restrictive permits for photographers, under the supervision of Mr. Carter, were reviewed along with traffic plans and floor committee rules for the set.

Other dances in the set in addition to the Fancy Dress Ball include the Junior Prom on Thursday night, which will be led by Jack Watson with Lucy Cary Easley of the University of North Carolina, and the Omicron Delta Kappa formal on Saturday night. William Fielden Woodward and Ella Garth Woodward of Louisville, Kentucky, will lead the ball.

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TO THE ALUMNI

Every year the editor and business manager of *The Ring-tum Phi* cooperate with the alumni association in bringing to Washington and Lee's some nine thousand alumni throughout the world news of campus events and alumni doings through what has now come to be known as the alumni extra of *The Ring-tum Phi*.

We are hopeful that each of you alumni will read our news with as keen interest as the students here read of your accomplishments in the world outside. It is even great fun for us who write this paper to speculate to what far corners our words will travel. Today, we feel, we write for the entire Washington and Lee world to read.

Since our issue last January, we have introduced a new system of elections which has cleaned up fraternity politics; Charlie's Annex and poolroom at the corner of the campus has fallen before the demand for campus beautification; our athletic teams have fared tolerably well; and the University's prestige in the outside world of men and events has been noticeably increased through scholarly meetings and conventions.

But these are the mere material achievements. Most keen in our minds are the thoughts that the intellectual standards of the University have been steadily improving and that, above all, the honor system has withstood unbending all the buffets that the winds of temptation might blow.

To all of you we hope that these few words may assure you that Washington and Lee is keenly alive to its possibilities in the world of today and that the undergraduates of 1939 are jealously protecting Washington and Lee's aims and traditions in conscious hope of emulating the achievements of you nine thousand graduates who have walked our campus ways before us.

FOOTBALL COACHING

During the last eight weeks, while Coach Tex Tilson's football contract has been billowed about by a minor storm of alumni protests, *The Ring-tum Phi* has conscientiously avoided taking any official stand for or against Mr. Tilson, except for a brief word of commendation upon his approval by the athletic council in late November.

The Ring-tum Phi's position was taken with the knowledge that it might—if it so desired—run Mr. Tilson clean out of his office in the gymnasium, and that it might similarly—if it had so desired—have buttressed a position which was becoming more shaky with every letter that entered Lexington. Our preference was that Mr. Tilson should row his own boat on the facts in the case. We did not feel that in such a matter we should suggest a course for student body opinion.

To a certain extent our judgment has been vindicated. The students were polled as to their opinion on the coaching situation. Some forty per cent protested against the re-hiring of Coach Tilson. The

faculty committee on athletics saw fit to cut Mr. Tilson's contract to one year without any reduction in salary, although the athletic council had proposed a two-year contract with a reduction in salary. Yesterday the Board of Trustees approved the contract, and Mr. Tilson's neck is saved for another twelve months.

Now that the entire matter of a football coach is over, we can say that we are both satisfied and disappointed with the situation for next year. We are satisfied with the appointment of Riley Smith as backfield coach; we are disappointed that he wasn't signed for more than one year. We are satisfied with the signing of Coach Tilson, although we are disappointed that he has been put on a very hot spot.

Perhaps if Washington and Lee does not succeed at this new compromise and does not feel that she can afford financially or scholastically the professional college football league, then she will promote what *The Ring-tum Phi* has long desired: The abolition of big intercollegiate athletics in favor of a well-subsidized program of intramural athletics for all.

A GOOD CONCERT

Sunday afternoon the Glee clubs of Washington and Lee and Mary Baldwin college presented a joint concert to an appreciative audience in Lee chapel as a return favor for a concert the same two clubs staged in Staunton shortly before the Christmas holidays.

And for some reason, the Washington and Lee students, who are generally averse to having music of a better sort shoved at them, liked it. At least they applauded long and vigorously the several selections which the clubs presented in their program.

The actual truth of the matter is that the Washington and Lee Glee club—which a year ago was on its knees—has become a rather lusty youth with a fine, strong voice. Most of this success has been the result of a good bit of hard work on the part of student president Ross Hersey and faculty advisor Varner.

For a concert well done, for stimulating an interest in music among the Washington and Lee students, and for future good work, *The Ring-tum Phi* accords these gentlemen and the Glee club the whole-hearted appreciation of the entire student body.

THE FORUM

Liberalism or Radicalism

During the past five years there has been a definite trend toward radicalism in the United States. Number of radicals, that is, persons who voted as members of radical political parties, reached an all-time high in 1936 and is likely to increase by 1940.

The question, "Who is a radical?" has long been debated. Lincoln, Wesley, Luther, and other reformers were known as radicals in their time and the wisdom of their actions was not realized until after their deaths. Communist, Socialist, Progressive, Pension, and a score of Utopian parties are generally conceded to be radical in the accepted sense of the word. Webster defines a radical as "one who advocates sweeping changes in law and methods of government with the least possible delay."

The World War ended with economic radicalism very much to the fore in Europe. The Bolsheviks had seized power in Russia, and the Republican party ruled Germany. The Labor party was gaining in Great Britain. Socialism flared in America but disappeared when the railroads were returned to private ownership in 1920.

The New Deal and its many changes, especially those proposed in methods of government, stirred the embers of radicalism again and the liberal outlook of the administration fanned the political flame. After the very high radical vote of 1936, the Democrat administration again brought forth new changes with the same apparent result as before. Many new political affiliations sprang up, foremost of these being the pension plans and the newly constructed Progressive party. The 1940 election will be the first absolute barometer upon the latest phase of the trend toward radicalism.—Los Angeles Collegian.

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Out of Atlanta in 1933 he fought deportation but was sent back home in 1934, still possessed of the idea that he was a financial genius. Perhaps he is right!

Personal OPINIONS

While I was at home, I had the opportunity to talk to a man who is something of an informer, and who is "in the know." One of the many big shots, who he claims is a personal friend of his, has made a great deal playing the stock market, and this gentleman seems to think that McKesson and Robbins stock will soar during 1939. The informer advised me to get hold of some at once (which gave me one of the best laughs of the season). Right on top of this, however, came the information that a certain bank in Baltimore has a standing order to buy up all McKesson and Robbins that is obtainable at fifty.

It is just such whisperings and confidential tips as these that really make a stock soar. It is a matter of psychology. And after all, in the year 1924 B. C. (before Coster) the drug firm was a reliable and respectable thing, and there is no reason why it can not make a little come-back.

Of course the Coster case is dry and dead but here is a little post mortem that is told by John O'Ren which not only illustrates that crime does not pay, but also shows what a snake-bit character Coster was.

It seems that years ago when Musica was first caught cold, he took all the blame and had time to do a great deal of serious thinking in his cosy little retreat. He figured out that he made his first mistake by not getting out when the getting was good. So in his next little game, before he was found out, he skipped off to New Orleans, taking his family with him. He got to New Orleans and boarded a boat for Honduras (where he would have been safe from extradition) but just before the boat sailed, he was apprehended.

This was quite a blow to Musica, and he never forgot that lesson. After all that planning (and he was mighty good at planning) something went wrong. So when he became Mr. Coster and began to accumulate funds, one of the first things he did was to purchase a nice large yacht (although he hated the sea) with all the tricks of modern yacht building suitable and fitting for ocean travel. His purpose, of course, was to have his own means of escape available (the boat out of New Orleans was several hours late in leaving). For this means he kept his yacht fully stocked and fueled and ready at all times for instant departure.

But every now and then, even the best of yachts have to be overhauled. And as luck would have it, just at the moment when the investigators were closing in on him, the captain of his yacht was draining the fuel tank. So Mr. Coster drained his own fuel tank and made his getaway.

The name of Musica is worthy of being mentioned with the three other magnates of high finance—Kreuger, Stavisky and Ponzi. Of the four, it is only requisite and necessary that the majority of the bad boys should set up their operations in the land of the free. Both of these were Italians, Musica and Ponzi. Of the four, Ponzi was the most lovable. He is still in existence (he was deported in 1924 and it is reported that he has found someone who is paying him a nice sum to write his biography).

Charlie Ponzi was a small, charming, and possessed of a brilliant personality. His dress and manner might be termed "classy" and his performance seduced bankers and the get-rich-quick boys of the fortunate era. Offering something for nothing he amassed a trifle of \$15,000,000 before he was caught and jailed—for one year!

Out of jail in 1920, he immediately went to the top with a little scheme of offering fifty per cent interest every ninety days and the Boston Post got the Pulitzer prize that year for the expose. And he never would have gone to jail had he not had the nerve to name the Post in a \$5,000,000 libel suit. Federal men found assets of \$4,000,000, liabilities of \$12,000,000. Instead of suicide, Ponzi charged that "swindlers" had raised the figures on his notes, robbing him of the short \$8,000,000. He cut such a figure in court that he only got four years.

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DAVID MAULSBY.

Campus Comment

By TOM MOSES and PAUL MULDOON

Everybody Knew But Taylor . . .

We regret to announce the collapse of Cecil Wood Taylor, erstwhile president of Fancy Dress, yesterday afternoon in the apartment of Professor Barnes, as he howled to his persistent associate, the editor, "Nobody can make a sucker out of me." The sudden demise, which was the result of the editor's information that Taylor was the victim of the greatest hoax ever perpetrated at Washington and Lee, came at four o'clock after the president had been an aimless wanderer of campus by-paths for six hours.

The Long and the Short . . .

The long and the short of this story began yesterday morning in the cold confines of the ATO house. Not even an all night jaunt over the mountains in emulation of Governor Spotswood could keep Taylor in bed when he thought he heard on a radio in a nearby room that Hal Kemp had cracked up in an airplane.

Taylor, with his head tossing wildly, charged into the room and gasped: "What was that?" . . . Not Kemp." To which his sympathetic brothers gave him the assurance that it probably wasn't true; but as Taylor twisted the dial in came the fatal words from Sammy Ames three rooms away. Only poor Taylor didn't know and he swallowed it whole.

The News on the Radio . . .

We interrupt the program to bring you a flash from the Press Radio Bureau. Tragedy struck again this morning when the flagship of the American Airlines crashed outside the Newark Airport. Seriously injured were Hal Kemp, famous orchestra leader, and his bride of five days, the former Katherine Thompson. The couple were married on Friday the thirteenth. Keep tuned to this station; and for further details see your local newspaper. This dispatch, from the Press Radio Bureau, has come to you through the Columbia Broadcasting System."

Taylor tore the contract out of his pocket, found that his agents were exempt under a clause covering acts of God; and then proceeded to worry three hours about the contract before it occurred to him that Kemp might not be dead. So off he galloped to Western Union and then to the telephone but he was afraid to do nothing.

The Call From New York . . .

Making his agony worse was the mysterious call which came in at noon from "New York." A sweet girlish voice tinkled New York calling Mr. Cecil Taylor, and on the wire came "Harry Morse of MCA" to tell Cecil that he could give him Shep Fields in place of Hal Kemp. Taylor's only suggestion was that couldn't they get Kay Kyser to lead Hal Kemp's band.

Finally at four o'clock the veil was lifted from Taylor's brain after ten minutes of explanation by his associate. "You mean I fell for a thing like that. But it was so real." Five minutes later Professor Latture in his consoling way expressed his regrets to Taylor over Kemp's accident, whereupon Taylor fell into a violent fit of hysteria.

To the plaudits of the strong Cecil is today resting peacefully. They all knew but Taylor.

Blandford Becomes An Idol . . .

Terry Blandford, who was a guiding light in the plot to wreck Taylor, has become the idol of Southern Sem. Not enough that he should have Pat Kelly for the light of his life; but now all the other dolls in the Sem are dreaming about him. Why only the other night Carol Dietrich, whom we don't even know, dreamed about him "and Terry, she says that you're all right." Now what in the world do you suppose that she could mean by "all right." Maybe we can get Terry to tell us sometime.

(Note to Taylor . . . If this doesn't more than even the score with Blandford you can't blame this department for not trying.)

(Note to Blandford . . . and Terry, she thinks you're all right.)

The Short of Things . . .

There are strange sights and strange sights, but one of the strangest that we have seen is Jimmy Weber and Georgie Myers walking down the street with Myers walking in the gutters so that Jimmy wouldn't feel self-conscious about his height.

Information Please . . .

For the best program on the air at the present we nominate "Information Please" which is built on the startling assumption that Americans are not as dumb as they look. The idea is just the reverse of all the other "quiz programs and instead of some wisecracking smarty getting up before a microphone and shooting questions at John Q. Public, the public fires questions at a board of experts. Clifton Fadiman does the quizzing and John Kieran and F. P. A. are the permanent members of the board of experts. Two guest experts complete the line-up against the people, suffice it to say that the boys do all right despite the almost unbelievable difficulty of some of the questions.

The program is heard at 8:30 on Tuesday night, and we will venture to say that if you can answer one half of the questions on the next program there is no reason for worrying about that Wednesday exam.

Here and There . . .

Hank Wilder still on the Sweet Briar team against overwhelming odds. . . Garver lost the keys to his car in Lynchburg the other night . . . almost had to walk home. . . Mully at Northwestern? . . . The Co-op on the Roanoke basketball team. . . Winchell says, "The college boys who get giddy and cut up in night clubs are a bad advertisement for colleges. . . Note to Winchell. Those boys are not released by the publicity departments, and for your own information they are frowned on by college administrations. . . Kaye Swan, '38, is burning up the business world. . . Fancy Dress, the biggest and best ever. . . (This is a release of the publicity department). . . Famous last words: and Terry, she thinks that you're all right.

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Blue Returns To Lexington For VPI Tilt

Comets and Brigs To Face Gobbler Teams Tomorrow Night

Techmen Hold Impressive Victory Over North Carolina

By BUD LEVY

Beaten in two straight starts on alien floors, Washington and Lee's courtmen will return to action on their own hardwood tomorrow night when they tackle VPI's busy quintet. A freshman tilt, pitting Coach Bill Ellis' Brigadiers against Tech's yearlings, will set the stage for the varsity encounter. The frosh game will start at 7 o'clock.

Tech, conforming to the style which seems to be in vogue among Old Dominion cage teams this season, will bring a team dominated by sophomores to Lexington for tomorrow night's battle. Three of Coach Macauley McEver's starters are playing varsity ball for the first time this winter, and four more sophomores are featured on the Gobblers' reserve team.

Gobblers Start Late

The Gobblers got their season off to a late start just a week ago but already have four tough games under their belts and ought to give the Generals a good scrap tomorrow night. VPI lost to William and Mary in its initial start last Friday but beat Richmond the following night. The Gobblers dropped a 47-35 decision to Duke Tuesday night, but did something which the Generals were unable to do when they topped North Carolina Wednesday night. The Generals, in turn, hold impressive victories over two of Tech's conquerors—Duke and William and Mary.

Comparative scores against mutual opponents would thus give the Generals an edge in tomorrow night's tilt, but past performances in this season of upsets can be tossed into the waste basket when a pair of state rivals get together. Cy Young, General mentor, expects a tough scrap, but looks for a W-L victory. "The boys had their bad nights against North Carolina and Roanoke," he explained yesterday, "and ought to return to form against VPI."

Young would not say just who would start tomorrow's scrap, but said that most of the players on his squad would see plenty of action.

W-L Drops To Fourth In State Title Race

As the result of a decisive whipping at the hands of the Roanoke Maroons last Wednesday night W-L was dropped to fourth place in the state title race.

Roanoke is far out in front with 11 games won and only one game lost. With Emory and Henry and Virginia in second and third places, respectively, the Roanoke quintet will probably capture their second straight state championship.

Team	W	L	PF	PA
Roanoke	11	1	535	368
Emory & Henry	6	2	361	316
Virginia	5	1	206	154
W. and L.	7	3	491	410
W. and M.	5	4	405	399
Hampden-S.	6	6	435	280
V. M. I.	2	2	143	167
V. P. I.	2	2	108	105
Randolph-M.	4	5	287	298
Richmond	2	5	177	244
Lynchburg	3	5	322	378
Bridgewater	1	6	167	266

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In The Press Box

by Sonny Heartwell

Alumni As Coaches . . .

There are W-L alumni that were great athletes while here in every section of the country today. These men have proven that you can "play ball" while in college and still make a business success of life after you graduate, for practically all of the former Blue "greats" in the sporting field hold responsible positions today. Some even teach athletics for a vocation and there are three distinguished alumni today that hold positions in the present athletic set-up here at Washington and Lee.

Tex Tilson, the present head coach of football, played for the Generals from 1921 to 1924. Tex previously held the coaching job at Duke before coming to W-L and in 1934 won the only Southern conference football title ever won by a Virginia eleven, Dick Smith, the director of athletics and baseball coach, cavorted for the Blue back in 1910.

Cy Young has an enviable record. His basketball teams have won several conference titles, the most recent in 1936. Cy was perhaps the greatest all-around athlete that ever attended W-L. During a four-year span from 1913 to 1917 he captained each of the four major sports.

Baseball Greats . . .

Will MacElwee, who is president of the Peoples National bank here in Lexington, is the oldest diamond survivor. Mr. MacElwee caught for the baseball team back in 1878 and that team has gone down in history. . . . That was the year that W-L defeated Virginia 12-0 and Sykes pitched the first curve ball in Southern collegiate circles. The Wahoo's, in characteristic style, called his curve ball a "scurvy trick." Another feature of this game was a telegram sent back by the W-L manager, written in long-hand and praising the team. This telegram is framed in Cap'n Dick's office. . . . One of W-L's greatest batteries was composed of Harry Moran in the box and Harry Rectenwald behind the plate in 1910-12. The former is a successful attorney in Pittsburgh, while the latter is employed by the Lake and Exposition Coal corporation in New York. . . . Henry Peoples, now in the insurance business in Atlanta, Georgia, was a first baseman on the Blue team in 1913 and returned to school last year for the 25th anniversary of his class. . . . W. L. "Pin" Webster was a member of the baseball teams of 1910-12 and manages to leave his hotel business in Schenectady, New York, to return at least "once a year." "Polly" Andrews, who was on the baseball team of 1902, is now an able historian, one of his most recent works being "Virginia, the Old Dominion." . . . S. C. Lind, the most outstanding chemistry graduate of W-L, was an outfielder on the team of 1900. At the present he is dean of the Institute of Technicians in Minnesota. . . . Dr. Harry Waddell Pratt, of Columbia, South Carolina, breezed them over from the pitcher's box in 1893. Dr. Pratt is now a professor of theology at Columbia Bible college. . . . D. H. Leake, now a prominent lawyer for the C. & O. railroad, was on the team of 1894. . . .

Gridiron Greats . . .
L. L. Moore was the only man to captain football two successive years (1920-21) and is now a successful farmer at Ringold, Virginia. . . . David Barclay graduated in 1891 after playing four years of football and is at the present affiliated with the American Chemical society. . . . Judge Alexander,

of Leesburg, Virginia, was on the team of 1903 . . . and Colonel J. W. Bagley, who was on the same team, is a retired army officer teaching in Harvard. . . . George "Gee" Haw was on the team of 1900 and is practicing law in Richmond at the present. . . . Hiram "Hi" Dow was on the team that trounced Virginia in 1907 and today holds the responsible position of attorney-general of New Mexico. . . . Osmond Schwartz was on the team of 1901 and also is an attorney general—holding this position with the Consolidated Coal company, of Charleston, West Virginia. . . . Clyde Hoge was on the team of 1907 and is a roofing contractor in Cincinnati. . . . The team of 1919 boasted two great stars in "Bullet Joe" Silverstein, who at the present is practicing law in Charleston, West Virginia, and Pat Collins, from Marion, Virginia, who holds a seat in the House of Delegates. . . . The team of 1891 included Dr. J. B. Bullett, who is a loyal alumnus and is on the faculty at the University of North Carolina. . . . Judge J. V. Goode, of Norfolk, was on the team of 1893. . . . The football team of 1894 was one of the best in the school's history. H. H. Larrimore was on this team and today is a member of W-L alumni board of trustees and general councillor of the Mississippi-Pacific railroad of St. Louis. . . . Another member of the board of trustees and also an expert tax accountant, is Norman Fitzhugh, from Charleston, West Virginia, and a member of the 1897 eleven. . . . V. M. Brown of El Paso, Texas, was a member of the team in 1899. . . .

Basketball and Track . . .

Basketball got its start at W-L in 1908 and Tommy Glasgow from Charlotte, North Carolina, was a member of that original team. Today he is in the automobile industry in Charlotte. . . . Roger Bear played three years of basketball (1911-13) and is chief engineer with the Kroger Bakery and Grocery company. His home is in Cincinnati. . . . Carter Glass, Jr., managing editor of the Lynchburg Daily Advance, was an outstanding dash man on the track team of 1911. . . . W. T. Tom, Jr., professor of geology at Princeton, was on the same team. . . .

Maroons Defeat General Cagers For State Title

Roanoke Overwhelms Blue Comets 40-21 Before Record Crowd

Five Smart "Seniors" proved too much of a basketball team for Washington and Lee's hard-scrapping six sophomores and four juniors Wednesday night, as the Roanoke college Maroons clipped off a 40-21 victory over the Blue Comets in Roanoke's auditorium.

With their triumph, the Roanoke five lodged a substantial claim to the 1938-39 State championship, which is just three more games away from them. W-L had been considered the best bet of the Old Dominion court teams to stop the 1937-38 champs.

The Fighting Maroons, although they looked slow at times and were closely trailed by the Blue Comets in the opening minutes of the game, definitely asserted their superiority before the first half was out. The Magic City "Smart Boys" began to step out from a one-point advantage at 8-7 and led 26-12 at the intermission.

Roanoke's defensive play was of such a close nature as to hold the Comets to their lowest score this season. Pinck, the Generals' State high-scorer, was guarded with hawk-like diligence by Johnny Wagner in the first half and Bob Lieb in the second, and was kept down to 9 points.

The last half developed into a defensive battle, in which the Maroons built up their advantage slowly but surely. Both teams missed numerous shots and at one point there was a gap of about five minutes in the scoring.

Showing lots of speed, in spite of the uncertain footing, the Comets gained the initial center jump and had first crack at the basket. However, the Maroons stopped the play and quickly broke the ice as big Bob Sheffield took a pass from Lieb and scored.

W-L was able to get but 9 points through the airtight guarding of the Roanoke courtment in the second half. Pinck, Thompson and Dobbins were the only Generals to find the hoop during these 20 minutes, with 4, 3 and 2 points, respectively.

Writer Recalls Unbeaten Record Of Classic 1914 Big Blue Squad

By RAY WHITAKER

Back in the days of 1914 when the inmates of that well-known Charlottesville institution were still referred to as "damnwhahoos" and this reporter was about five years away from his swaddling clothes, Washington and Lee had a football team which was just about the classiest combination ever assembled in the school's entire history.

It seems as if this ball club could do just about anything, with anybody, whenever they saw fit on a football field. They had power, power, and more power. They possessed the cohesion and grace of the Ballet Russe. In fact this bunch was so doggone good that they couldn't find anybody around these parts to lick them, or even give them much of a workout.

But that "workout" terminology is said with reservations. On several occasions, they did run across elevens capable of stretching them. But they found their match in little Morris Harvey college of West Virginia, on October 6 of that year.

The Generals won the opening toss and kicked off to the visitors to start the ball game. Morris Harvey was forced to kick, and in several plays, the Big Blue had marched down to pay dirt. Young booted the extra point for W-L. Washington and Lee kicked off again and the same process was repeated. The West Virginians' fiasco continued until the half, at which time the Generals were in the van 63-0.

Coach Wally Elcock of the Big Blue gave his charges a pep talk during the intermission and sent them roaring fighting-mad back onto the gridiron. But the Generals didn't do quite as well during the second canto as they did in the first, nevertheless, they managed to pile up a little greater margin. Finally, after discarding pencil and paper for an adding machine, the final score was set at 103-0.

During the course of the contest, Washington and Lee rang up a total of fifteen touchdowns and thirteen extra points. A mighty little mite in the Big Blue backfield, one H. K. "Cy" Young, was high point man for the day with three six-pointers and a total of nine extra points from placement.

This game was characteristic of the team which ran through a

tough nine game schedule without once tasting the dregs of defeat. They accumulated a total of 313 points to a mere 12 for the opposition. They walloped Roanoke 59-0 and deluged Wake Forest under a 72-0 score. The names of these colleges may not mean so much in the big-time football world today, but they weren't far from the top then.

On the basis of their unsullied record, the Generals were proclaimed the undisputed rulers of the South Atlantic grid conference. And no wonder! Numbered among the imposing list of "victims" were such outstanding teams as Georgetown, West Virginia, and North Carolina State.

The names of Gallagher, Young, Donahue, Graham, Seely, Smith, and Schultz may not mean so much today but those fellows sure must have had plenty on the ball in their time. And so we offer a salute to this sterling bunch, who, unless figures and newspaper clippings lie, had one helluva good ball club.

Hospital Notes

For the second consecutive week, there are no university students confined to the Jackson Memorial hospital.

Brig Courtmen Win First Game

Frosh Cagers Eke Out 34-30 Victory Over C. C. C.

Displaying a highly-improved offensive, the Brigadier courtmen registered their first triumph of the season in a hard-fought battle against the CCC five, 34-30, Tuesday night.

With Stan Carlsson and Pat Searfoss showing the way, the yearlings turned on the power for the first time this year and had the ball game well in hand throughout. The visitors threw up a zone defense which the Ellis-men found little trouble in penetrating.

The loss of Pinck, who was sick, and Bob Cavanna, who sustained an eye injury in practice, was noticeable. However, Ben Tolley and Russ Browning played creditable ball in their positions. "Sparky" Mallory was the other starter.

The frosh will meet the VPI rats this Saturday in their last contest till the middle of February. The game will be played as a preliminary to the varsity encounter. The return of Bob Cavanna to the squad is expected, but it is doubtful if Pinck will be in the line-up.



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Tenderfoot Andy Takes Beating As Hardy Family Moves West

By HAROLD GADDY
The ever popular Hardy family comes to the State theatre on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday in "Out West with the Hardys." This episode of the Hardy series follows the family as it goes west to visit one of the Judge's friends. The problem that the Judge must deal with when he arrives on the ranch is how to save his friend's property from a mortgage foreclosure.

Andy's sister (Cecilia Parker) falls in love with a handsome ranch foreman, and thinks she wants to marry him, until she inadvertently boils his prize boots in water, which puts a quietus on all romantic intentions.

Andy, as usual, is still in love

with Ann Rutherford. "Out West with the Hardys" is a clever, amusing, and refreshing little show and undoubtedly compares favorably with the preceding films in the Judge Hardy series.

The Lyric theatre features still another horror-thriller Monday and Tuesday when it presents "Devil's Island," featuring Doris Karloff. It's a weird tale of Devil's Island, the French prison off the coast of the South American Guianas, and follows the abortive attempts of the miserable prisoners to escape from the impregnable dungeon.

"Devil's Island" is good orthodox boogey-man narrative, if you like that horror stuff.

40-0 Shutout Over W-M Is World Record

Alumnus Andrews, '01, Recalls Historic Baseball Massacre

Matthew Page Andrews, class of 1901, in a letter to the Alumni magazine, reminisces about a baseball game with William and Mary in which the score was 40-0 in favor of Washington and Lee. He says that fifteen years after the game he read in a newspaper that this was a world's record shut-out score.

Dr. Sam McPheeters, class of 1900, is reported by the Alumni magazine as being active in his work of director of Public Health for Goldsboro, North Carolina.

Appointed Trustee

Dr. James Morrison Hutcheson, who was graduated with the class of 1902, has been appointed to the board of trustees of the University. Dr. Hutcheson is practicing medicine in Richmond, Virginia.

Robert Tate Wallace, class of 1903, has been minister of the Presbyterian church at Marion, Alabama, for eight years.

He recently represented Washington and Lee at the centennial celebration of Judson college. He says that he felt considerable pride that Washington and Lee ranked third in the academic procession because of its early founding.

Alumnus Illinois Dean

Matthew T. McClure, class of 1904, has been associated with the University of Illinois for seventeen years. He is now dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and head of the Department of Philosophy at that institution.

Wilbur E. MacClenny, who was graduated with the class of 1905, has recently been active with his hobby of historical research which, he says, he finds very interesting.

Mr. MacClenny is with West & Withers, an insurance firm of Suffolk, Virginia.

Price Says Free Press Bulwark of Democracy

C. Harold Lauck, superintendent of the Washington and Lee journalism laboratory press and chairman for the state of Printing Education Week, received the following statement for the press from Virginia's Governor, James H. Price, W-L class of 1909:

"The present week is being observed throughout Virginia as Printing Education Week. This is a very appropriate celebration, for printing, more than any other single mechanical invention, has contributed to the progress of civilization in being a medium for the dissemination of information. At the present time, printing makes possible the press, one of the bulwarks of freedom and of democracy. It is an instrumentality which has immeasurably contributed to the happiness and progress of our people."

Lykes Drafts Alumni Set-up

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alumni requested annually through our class agent plan. The success of this laudable aim depends entirely upon the cooperation and support of our alumni generally. "Your generous support to this cause would render a real service to the University and would only be partially repaying the service which the University has already done for each of us. May I therefore urge each of you to lend your generous cooperation at the proper time?"

"I should be remiss if I failed at this time, in my first message to you, to note the genuine sorrow of all alumni in the passing of Miss Annie Jo White. Alumni and students have lost a sympathetic and devoted counsellor."

"JOSEPH T. LYKES."

Graves Describes South As Frontier In Assembly

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job," he declared, "are to prove America in terms of Robert E. Lee. . . . Our job is to show that government by the people can be made to work . . . to show that discipline needs no 'goose step' and that devotion needs no regiment."

A large number of townspeople attended the program, in addition to the members of the student body, the faculty, and the board of trustees of the University.

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