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EC Sees Little Prospect of Dance Set Soon

Exam Periods Lengthened by Faculty Action

Nine Semester Hours For Each Year in Service Granted to Veterans

At its regular meeting last Monday afternoon, the University faculty made important decisions regarding veterans returning from the armed services. Under the supervision of a Committee on Education of Veterans appointed by President Francis P. Gaines, consisting of Dean Frank J. Gilliam, Chairman, Dean Robert H. Tucker, Mr. E. S. Mattingly, and Professors Bean, Desha, Flick, and Latture, it is planned to give substantially full credit for courses completed in the Army and Navy programs, such as the Navy V-12 and the ASTP, provided the courses are acceptable for credit toward a degree at the colleges where the courses were taken. Approximately nine semester hours credit will be granted for each year spent in the armed services, to apply toward physical education or other general electives.

Also by faculty action, the length of examination periods, previously two hours, has been changed to two and one-half hours. The extra semester hour of credit for laboratory work in foreign languages, previously announced to begin with the 1945-46 session, has been withdrawn. Language laboratories will be pursued the first year without additional credit above the three semester hours normally granted.

Student Announces His Betrothal During Holidays

Reverend and Mrs. Herbert Loomis of Loraine, Ohio, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Margaret, to James Pendleton Carpenter, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Carpenter of Cleveland. Miss Loomis attended Stephens College while Carpenter is now attending Washington and Lee University, where he is a commerce student and business manager of **The Columns**.

He recently received a medical discharge from the Navy.

Will Be Heard Tonight Over Columbia Network



Barnes Is Moved To Washington

Former Political Science Professor at University Takes Important Post

Lt. Comdr. F. J. Barnes, II, USNR, Director of Naval Officer Procurement, Richmond, Virginia, has been transferred to Washington, D. C., as Director of Naval Officer Procurement there, replacing Comdr. O. J. Gullickson, USN, who is retiring from the Naval Service after 37 years.

Lt. Commander Barnes is well known to citizens of the Virginia and West Virginia communities, having been a native born Virginian who was born and attended high school at Parksley, Accomac County, Virginia. He holds the degree of Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts from the College of William and Mary, where he was prominent in extra curricular activities. He also did graduate work at Harvard University and the University of North Carolina. Prior to entering the Navy in August, 1942, he was assistant professor of Political Science at Washington and Lee University, and Editor of the *Journal*, official publication of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity.

President Gaines Speaks Over Radio at Meetings Of Educational Association

Tuesday evening at 9:30, over the nation-wide network of the Mutual Broadcasting System, Dr. Francis P. Gaines led a discussion among four other college presidents as to whether or not the present set-up of courses in colleges is adequate for returning veterans. The discussion was a part of the meeting of the Association of American Colleges now in session in Washington. Doctor Gaines is president of the Association.

Saturday night at 10:45 over the Columbia network, Dr. Gaines will give a fifteen-minute speech, winding up the meeting of the Association.

Compulsory Assembly

There will be a special assembly on this Tuesday afternoon, January 16, at 4:30 in Lee Memorial Chapel. President Francis P. Gaines will deliver a short address at this time. This will be followed by a special tapping ceremony by Omicron Delta Kappa, national honorary leadership fraternity, which was founded on this campus in 1914. Attendance at this assembly will be compulsory.

Committee of Five Men Appointed to Investigate The Future Possibilities

Prospects for a dance before the quarter is completed look very bad at the time of publication. After investigating the situation, the Executive Committee found that the SPS will be using the floor of the Gymnasium on every weekend through February 17. Getting an orchestra presents another problem; the Vagabonds cannot be secured to play, and no other suitable low-priced orchestra can be found.

Tuesday night the Executive Committee selected a dance committee of Tom Lee, chairman; Bill Wilcox; Jack Crowder; Bob Patterson; and Tom Wright to handle the dance as soon as a date and place can be arranged. Lee has been busy all week following up various suggestions and trying to find a place that is not taken.

A way to cover the expense of a dance will have to be devised before the dance plans can go ahead, even if a location and an orchestra can be found. The Executive Committee had a deficit of \$76 on the last dance. The high cost and expense is due, in part, to the 20 per cent Federal amusement tax.

Even if the decorations were cut down in order to economize, a one-night dance would cost about \$6 and a two-night dance would cost about \$9, provided the same number of students attend this dance as did the last one.

Former Missionary to Siam Speaks at International Relations Club Meeting

Meeting informally in the lounge of the Phi Psi House, the International Relations Club heard Dr. William Harris, retired Presbyterian missionary to Siam, speak on the special problems associated with our relations with that country. Doctor Harris emphasized the disastrous effect of slurs, intentional or otherwise, cast by Europeans on Asiatic countries in general and on Siam in particular. He concluded that we must come to a better understanding of Asiatic problems, and that understanding will come by application of the Golden Rule.

He pointed out that a recent novel gave the American public a gross misconception of Siam.

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Saturday, January 13, 1945

A Plea for a Liberalized Peace

The Association of American Colleges, of which our own Dr. Francis P. Gaines is president, now concluding its annual convention in Washington, provided last Tuesday evening a highly interesting debate, broadcast by the Forum of the Air, on the question, "Do our present methods of education meet the needs of returning veterans?" It is encouraging to note that our college and university educators, even though opinions sharply differ, have given and are giving extended thought to this subject. Doubtless, it will constitute one of the major problems of the much-talked-of readjustment and rehabilitation of veterans.

Not only will education be a problem of readjustment; it will be a problem of the peace as well. For not only will it face us here at home; the need for re-education for peace in the totalitarian countries we now struggle to defeat will be a problem of immense proportions. Education for peace—this is the only sane approach to a lasting peace. But lest we claim for ourselves the distinction of a peace-loving people, let us remember that ours has not been an education for peace. It has rather been an education under peace. It has been an education that has brought our materialism to a point higher than that of any other country in the world. It has been an education that has taught us to sell bonds and refrigerators and use machines on our cows to gain more milk. But it has also been an education which left us completely unprepared for our involvement in war, sadly ignorant of the issues at stake, and completely mystified as to the approach to the peace.

What is education for peace? It is an education which frees men's minds and thereby enables them to live free lives. It is an education built on an enlarged concept of the world and an ability to appreciate its beauties. It is one which, being liberal, allows men to be liberal. It is one built on the humanities of the liberal arts college. Let America face the challenge of tomorrow by restoring today the "education for the good life" to its proper place, the place it occupied when it gave us Washington and Jefferson and the concept that "all men are created free and equal."

Show Team Time

By "Bama"

We, the students of Washington and Lee, would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Ralph Daves and Warner Brothers for the swell pics presented in 1944. We hope they will continue to be as good as those were. Thanks!

Sunday and Monday: Susanna Foster (Phantom of the Opera) and Boris Karloff in **The Climax**. Karloff plays the mad doctor who puts Foster under a hypnotic spell because her voice reminds him of another one. Our hero snaps her out of it to prove that love is stronger than hate. SEE.

Tuesday and Wednesday: **Sign of the Cross**. A hit in 1932, it is even better today. With Frederic March and Claudette Colbert in the leads of a stirring portrayal of Nero's persecution of the early Christians. This pic would be impossible to make today because of its large cast and great cost. SEE.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday with Monty Woolley, Dick Haymes and June Haver in **Irish Eyes Are Smiling**. Haymes plays the part of an Irish song writer in New York trying to get his songs published. With Woolley as the manager of a fighter and later the manager of Haymes, the songs are published and through Woolley, Haymes meets Haver and ends up getting married. Quite a mix-up with some good acting and swell tunes. SEE.

The Lyric seems to be getting off to the same start that was seen in 1944, a full week of don'ts. Monday and Tuesday, **Youth Runs Wild**, with Bonita Granville and Kent Smith. This picture on a national problem reveals some of the great dangers confronting the youth of today. Granville (seen in a great many of these pics) comes through with another fair performance although the plot is very weak. If you are interested, O.K., if not, DON'T.

Wednesday and Eddie Cantor and George Murphy in **Show Business**. A very good musical with plenty of comedy, music, and girls. Cantor sings some of the more popular tunes of yesteryear and Murphy gives out with some top dancing. SEE.

Thursday: **Soul of a Monster** with Rose Hobart and Jeanne Bates. Another spine-chiller with plenty of horror and spooky scenes. Not such a great plot but it provides an excuse for holding hands. DON'T.

Friday and Saturday: Buster Crabbe and Al St. John in **Blazing Frontier**. Another of the many Westerns that have been and will continue to be labeled as DON'TS.

Next week will be listed the ten best pictures of 1944.

Men About Town . . .

Mentio Facta Minus Est Molestum Mentione non Facta

If you're wondering what the quotation above means, see John Holley, we got it from him. In this column we will attempt to cover the social life of the campus as we see it happen or hear about it. We will attempt to cover all of the various characters around the campus and relay to you the current gossip.

It's beginning to look like all the cards are stacked against us on this dance deal. Everywhere we turn is some new obstacle to be overcome, and the obstacle which presents the biggest problem is finding a place to throw this dance. The SPS, it seems, will be using the gymnasium on every Saturday night between now and the end of the quarter. Another thing to consider is the fact that the girls in the surrounding schools will be in the midst of exams about the time we had thought of giving a dance, and what's a dance without girls?

If you're feeling in the need of some relaxation, drop around to the apartment and ask Davidson to play his new record for you, "Cocktails for Two." It's a very dreamy number, very relaxing.

We see that ODK is going to hold a tapping ceremony in the Chapel Tuesday, and we are reminded of a passage in "Geese in the Forum" by Lawrence E. Watkin, which is better than anything we could write.

"Omicron Delta Kappa is an honors fraternity, thriving chiefly in the South and Middle West. Its motto is Leadership. It sponsors character, ideals, responsibility. It stimulates the wily fraternity politician to be slicker, the activities hound to be more active, the good Joe to be more unctuously self-righteous. It fills a great need on the campus, for it keeps the chain of American success unbroken. The Eagle Scout becomes ODK, the ODK a thirty-third Mason.

"Nothing in its charter mentions that slow, painful, honest labor may make a man a leader at the age of sixty or thereabouts; it is all for the quick and obvious success. It smiles upon the frog who hits the puddle with a splash. But though it is an activities organization, once you have made ODK you may relax—and wear the key. Dr. Worthington, who had observed that a man's intelligence is inversely proportional to the number of pins he wears on his belly, said that the order would disappear if they'd require all members to wear their keys in their pockets."

It seems that while Dr. Tucker was away, Joe College was cooking a small feast when something happened and the meal went up in smoke leaving a nice little memento of his efforts on the kitchen roof. On the night of Dr. Gaines' speech, "College" had a few of the boys over to listen.

John F. was describing in full his jaunt to Florida when the question was asked about the drink in that fair state. Much to our disgust Mr. F. was only able to say that from what he remembered drinking was good, but that the bill he was handed was twice the amount that he drank. What happened? Did someone else help John F.?

After having been asked many, many times about his love-life over the holidays, Carpenter was strolling merrily down the lane when Dr. Flick's little problem comes up and asks, "Did you and Peg get engaged over the holidays?" After this, Carpenter went out cold. It seems that everyone has seen the picture on Carpenter's desk.

In a recent talk with one Dr. W. A. Flick we were told that he was going to request that his classes be moved to the first floor. Said the good Dr., "With classes on the third floor and certain people in them, the chances of my being killed from jumping out of the window will be less on the first floor." Having trouble? What is Mingioli up to now?

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Sport Sidelines

By "Jeff"

Intramurals resumed competition with a rejuvenated SAE team defeating the slumping Phi Psi's 28 to 25.

It is significant to note that although the SAE club has always looked upon Tom Lee as its big threat, the presence of Newburger on the court has consistently raised their point total. Monday afternoon was no exception as Lee and Newburger teamed up to force the game all the way. Lee shot them from the outside and Newburger laid them up, and this proved to be the deciding factor of the contest. The SAE's, as a unit out-fought and out-hustled the fumbling Phi Psi's, although Doswell played his usual ball-of-fire game. It was apparent that the absence of Wilcox was sorely felt by his team. His usual six or eight points would have been enough to win it.

The physical condition of the players is good considering the lack of workouts. Newburger complained all afternoon of being out of shape and the more he complained the more points he garnered, so if the SAE's can keep Newburger from getting into shape they may have another high scorer to assist Tom Lee.

Don't sell this SAE quintet short. They've got the fight and can develop the ability to win this league, and any team that hopes to finish ahead of them will have to out-hustle them.

It is also interesting to note that the students and faculty are conspicuous by their absence. Do all of you have more to do than Dean Gilliam? He finds a few minutes to come out and let the boys know that he is behind them. Where is all this W. and L. spirit we hear so much about? We know that it once existed and will again, but what about the present? No, it won't take care of itself. Let's get behind Cy Twombly and the few who are doing their utmost to keep spirits and sports alive at W&L, and turn out in force next Monday. We are not so busy that we can't spare two hours a week to root for the men who need and deserve our support. A school is as good as its students and the spirit they manifest.

Last Thursday "four" Phi Psi players showed up at the gym to meet the Lambda Chi team. The game began, as was expected, to look as if it would turn into a rout. Josephs scored first about thirty seconds after the starting whistle. Four goals followed in rapid succession but it was easy to see that the Lambda Chi's were not "on." At half time the Phi Psi's huddled and came out sporting a zone defense. Immediately the complexion of the game changed. Josephs was

unable to fake away from a man and leave him flatfooted as he had been doing all season. The ball would be brought down by Josephs and Peters, who would shift back and forth probing for a weak spot. There were few and the Lambda Chi's only succeeded in any consistent scoring by drawing out the defense and laying them up from the sidelines. Then Zrike opened his shooting eye and proceeded to take four long shots. He missed but one of them, clearly showing himself to be the best long shot on the court. If Zrike were properly fed by his teammates his shots could force a change in a zone defense that would probably leave Josephs and Stevenson an opening so that they could work the ball under the basket.

All in all, Lambda Chi did not show up to well against the zone defense thrown up by Phi Psi. Josephs, in particular, although he was high scorer for the day with 10 points, seemed so surprised that he could sink but one shot in the second half. Note that Josephs scored but 10 points in the game. This is not good when you consid-

er that he has consistently been a 15-point man. The Phi Psi's put up a good fight, as is evidenced by the 23-16 score, but they couldn't overcome the extra man advantage which the Lambda Chi's enjoyed.

Next Monday will see this new SAE aggregation locking horns with the point manufacturing Lambda Chi's ably led by Art Josephs. This game has all the earmarks of a thriller with "long" Tom Lee and "short" Mr. Newburger facing Josephs and com-

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Men About Town

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It is rumored that one of our professors was mistaken for Sinclair (of the Chemistry building janitorial staff) recently. An SPS officer descending down into the heart of the building asked upon seeing said professor, "Are you the janitor?" Our most heart-felt sympathies. We understand.

We understand from reliable sources that Yaste enjoyed the Christmas season to the utmost. Some say that Yaste doesn't remember all about it, but from what he does remember, it was great. Eh, Yaste?

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pany. The SAE's can win it, for they have the scoring punch, but lack the defensive ability of the Lambda Chi hoopsters. A high scoring, closely-fought contest. DON'T MISS IT.

Remember, "If you can't take part in a sport, you can be one anyway."

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