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Phi Psi and SAE Battle to a Tie

Lambda Chi Blasts Laird's Team, 19 to 0

Last Wednesday afternoon, the Phi Psi's and the SAE men engaged in another bitter gridiron struggle which finally ended in a 6-6 deadlock.

The Phi Psi boys tallied first on a pass from Page Mauck to Wes Todd. Mauck again played a brilliant game at quarterback, but most of the credit goes to the staunch Phi Psi line which held up without any substitutions. In the second quarter, A. B. Motley, the former Lambda Chi man, threw a touchdown pass to Tom Lee, but like the Phi Psi's, the extra point try failed.

A see-saw second half ensued with numerous arguments befuddling the poor referee. The two well-balanced teams played on equal terms throughout this second part of the gridfest, with both lines dishing out some knockdown body blows.

By tying this game, the Phi Psi men dropped a notch behind the leading unbeaten Lambda Chi outfit. Phi Psi has now won two while tying two, whereas the Lambda Chi's have won three while being tied only once. The dark-horse SAE men have now won one, lost two, and tied one.

The next intramural contest takes place on Monday, when the unbeaten Lambda Chi's take on the SAE men in what should prove to be a real thriller. Try and get out to see the game if you can. They are really worth watching.

Lambda Chi's Down Lairds

The Lambda Chi team gave a practical demonstration of the theory that a good pass defense can win football games Monday on the intramural field at the expense of the Laird team.

The score of nineteen to nothing fell far short of showing the tremendous advantage held by the Lambda Chi's. Every time the losers' offense started a march, Bowers or West intercepted a pass and nipped the threat in the bud.

Early in the first quarter Bowers went all the way to pay dirt unhindered after one of his numerous interceptions. He repeated this feat in the second quarter shortly after West had made the second score by catching a pass from Coover in the end zone.

In the second half the Lambda Chi's coasted on the margin they had already gained, while the Laird team tried vainly to use their superior weight to advantage.

Library Announcement

Acting Librarian Shoemaker announced today that all rumors to the contrary the library will not close in the evenings. With the increased Army personnel on the campus the library expects to be busier than ever.

C. C. Discussion Of Premarital Relations Held

A freshman forum, sponsored by the Christian Council, was held on Thursday evening at the Lambda Chi house. Dick Watson, CC head, presided over the discussion which was based on premarital relations.

Speakers for the evening were: Dr. Robert S. Munger, University Physician and Dr. James J. Murray of the Lexington Presbyterian Church. They spoke on the medical relations and moral aspects respectively.

Following the formal addresses the floor was thrown open to questions, and a free discussion took place. This meeting was the second of the Christian Council forums to be held this year.

Forum Next Friday

Miss Patricia Sleezer of the World Student Christian Organization will be the guest speaker at a forum to be held next Friday evening, at 8:00 p.m., in the Lambda Chi house.

Forensic Union Debate Upholds 4th Term Right

Arguing that it would be true democracy if the people of the United States decide whether President Roosevelt should have a fourth term, the Tories, led by John McWhorter, won the Forensic Union debate Tuesday night.

The Tories represented the negative side of the question "Resolved, that this house has no confidence in Roosevelt as a candidate for the fourth term."

The Speaker for the Whigs was Fred Coover, who cited the New Deal's great expenditures and some Rooseveltian political tricks.

Next week the Union will debate the question, "Resolved, that Eleanor Roosevelt should be sent to a South Sea island." David Now-

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Major Gilliam Placed on Inactive Duty by Army Effective Nov. 8

Former W. and L. Dean Was Chief Personnel Officer on SSS Staff

Major Frank J. Gilliam, former Washington and Lee Dean of Students, and member of the staff of the School for Special Service, today announced that he has been placed on an inactive status with the Army effective November 8. Until that time he will be on a leave which began last Monday.

Major Gilliam was granted a leave of absence by the University six months ago when he expressed a desire to aid in the work of the School for Special Service which had newly arrived on the campus. At that time he was Dean of Students, and entered the Army with the rank of Major. From then until the present he has served as student personnel officer with the SSS on the campus. His current leave is his first since joining the staff. In the first World War he served two years in the infantry with the rank of 1st Lieutenant.

Major Gilliam graduated from Washington and Lee in 1917. During his undergraduate days he served as manager of the basketball squad and secretary of the student body. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon social fraternity and achieved the honor of being tapped for the Omicron Delta Kappa leadership fraternity.

After the war Major Gilliam worked in Africa as an educational missionary from the Southern Presbyterian Mission in the Belgian Congo. He joined the staff of Washington and Lee in 1927, became an associate professor of English in 1929 and Dean of Students in 1931.

Applicants for Degrees January 23, 1944

Bachelor of Laws: Alexander Marrs Harman, Jr.; Robert Turnbull Vaughan.

Bachelor of Arts: John Benjamin Cancelmo, II; James Vilmer Giles; Richard Stanley Watson.

Bachelor of Science in Chemistry: Robert Oscar Crockett, Jr.

Bachelor of Science in Physics and Mathematics: Thomas Edgar Petriken.

EC Announces Formal Dance

Vagabonds Will Play For VMI Hop Oct. 30

A formal dance, to be given by Washington and Lee civilian and ASTP students, on November 20, has been announced by Chairman Bob Crockett of the EC Dance Committee. The affair will be held in Doremus Gymnasium and it is scheduled to run from 8:30 until midnight.

Featured band of the evening will be the "Vagabonds" from Lynchburg, Virginia. This is the same band which played for the first dance of the 1943 Finals last May. The dance will take the place of the usual Openings dansant of former years, and because it has been condensed into one night, the starting time has been advanced to an earlier hour so as to allow for the thirty minute intermission. Cost of admission will be \$2.00 and the ticket drive for W. and L. men will run from November 1st through the 3rd. ASTP students will be canvassed in a one-week drive beginning November 8. This is the formal dance of the school year.

VMI Dance Saturday Night

On Saturday, October 30, VMI will hold its second formal dance of the season, when the Vagabonds make music from 9 to 12. The Vagabonds are the members of the former Freddie Lee band which was disbanded when Lee entered the Army. Admission price will be \$2.00 per couple or stag. All W&L students are invited to attend, Hop Chairman Pickett said. This dance is not to be confused with the annual VMI Ring Figure which will be held sometime in November.

You Pick 'em

Steve Cooley won the two passes to the STATE THEATRE last week for guessing right.

This week's games:

... Army vs. Yale...
... Georgia Tech vs. Navy...
... Notre Dame vs. Illinois...
... Indiana vs. Wisconsin...
... Michigan vs. Minnesota...
... Great Lakes vs. Missouri...
... Ohio State vs. Northwestern...
... South. Cal. vs. Col. of Pac...

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Shall We Help?

Last year at Washington and Lee we, the student body, had what was known as a Charity Chest. This Chest was a united contribution by the students of W. and L. to the many worthy causes which we are all called on to support at one time or another during the year; the Red Cross, the Tuberculosis Drive, the March of Dimes, Christmas Seals, and many others. Under this plan every student voluntarily contributed a few dollars to the Chest, and through the year the money collected was apportioned out to the various organizations which need our support annually. The Charity Chest was a success last year; why don't we have another one this year? True, we are smaller, but we want to do our part anyway. The Red Cross will still need our help, and the March of Dimes will again move on. Perhaps we can't do as much as was done last year, but we can do something. United as one, the student body contribution to charity is a torrent; divided, a drizzle. Every student in Washington and Lee this year would support a 1943-44 Charity Chest. They will need us; shall we help?

After the Armistice. . .

November 11, 1918. Armistice declared. Again peace over the world. Nobody asked how long it would last this time. Surely, such a bloody war can only result in a peace for eternity.

What a horrible place Europe is—why they just seem to fight all the time—let's play safe and keep our hands off—well maybe—how about world trade?—that'll certainly keep the peace—poor Europe—let's help them out—lend them about thirteen billion—to hell with Japan—my what clever men Hitler and Mussolini are—well they seem to be a little tough—why they are insane—and—mad—look—war again over there—oh, I think we can stay out of it—to hell with Japan—

November 11, 1945. Armistice declared. Peace again over the world. Somebody is asking how long—Surely, such a bloody war can result in—what, congressmen?????

Show Team Time

by Bruce Quayle

We're cooking with gas, but zoot, this week. . . .

The Sky's the Limit, Sun., Mon., Tues., with Fred Astaire, Joan Leslie (be still my heart) and Bob Benchley. This is a marvelous romance in rhythm with songs by Richard Arlen and Johnny Mercer. The dancing of Astaire and Leslie is swell. Re superb. Story revolves around an on leave Flying Tiger and a night club photographer. Backed by Bob Benchley's stuff-shirt humor and such songs as "Shining Hour," the sky is the limit.

Wednesday is revival day, peace brother, with Stanwyck, McCrea and Tamiroff relaying the Union Pacific down on Nelson Strasse. "An action tale on the big canvas of the American west and its romantic, dramatic tradition" says the studio, need I say more?

Warner Brothers' heaven opens up Thurs., Fri., and Sat., raining stars down on Lexington with its super production, **Thank Your Lucky Stars**. This one has everything but the kitchen sink. . . Bogart, Davis, Flynn, Garfield, Joan Leslie, Spike Jones and his "Sooty" Slickers. B. Davis dances, E. Flynn sings, Alexis Smith sings, Dinah Shore gives out. The plot is highlighted by Eddie Cantor as a Hollywood guide gone Hollywood. Almost as many beauties in this as at Sem. How do gals!

Columnizing

By Walter A. Flick

(Editor's Note—This is the first of a series of features to be written by various prominent guests. Dr. Walter A. Flick is the head of the W. and L. Psychology department.)

The "ASTU Cadet" is a Washington and Lee student! The larger group is the Pre-Engineering unit and can be compared to the Washington and Lee freshmen. These men are in college because they wanted to come and because the Classification Officers were convinced that they are good college material.

Each of these men has taken the Army General Classification Tests. The scores from these tests can be statistically treated and compared with scores obtained from tests administered to entering freshmen. Such comparisons are favorable to the Cadets.

These scores are not to be confused with so-called "I. Q.'s." There is a relationship between these two results but they are not comparable measurements. As an indication of the degree in which Cadets are "selected," it can be revealed that a minimum score of 115 on the AGC Tests is required for admission to a college program. Can-

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ON and OFF

Sports facts and oddities on and off the campus

by Bill Davidson

Stagg, the man who was too old to coach at the University of Chicago, has done it again. His name is on the lips of every sportswriter and fan. His little College of the Pacific team has already won five games from good teams and seems to be rolling along to supremacy of the Pacific coast and perhaps into the Rose Bowl if certain technicalities are overcome.

A story now making the rounds tells us that the administration of Stagg's school approached him about discontinuing football for the duration and he flatly refused to remain if this was done. The officials are now very redfaced about the whole thing as Stagg's boys march on to victory after victory.

Arch Ward of the Chicago Tribune says: "Many experienced observers say Frank Leahy's 1943 team is the strongest in Notre Dame's brilliant football history." This is for the benefit of those skeptical persons who so strongly resented the comment in my column of two weeks ago that the Notre Dame team of today is on a par with some of the great teams of Rockne's days.

Top spot in the football news this week goes to the Southern Cal—College of the Pacific game. Two well balanced teams will meet in a game that will settle the dispute as to the leadership of the Pacific coast.

I think that Army will take Yale; Navy will roll over Ga. Tech; Michigan will beat Minnesota for the first time in ten years; Great Lakes will beat Missouri; and Northwestern will edge out a victory over Ohio State.

Men About Town. . . .

"Smooth" Bob Crockett, the boy with the hair on his chest and that look in his eye, has decided to go back for more. Look out Smoothie, Carolyn's a fast girl.

Wes Todd, after a whirlwind courtship with the cleaner's daughter is rumored to be training his sights on another hefty damsel. What's the matter? Were things a little too "clean" for you?

Our nomination for "smoothie of the week" goes to Tom "Snuggles" Mayberry, who set an example for all Washington and Lee "gentlemen" last Saturday night.

Short women don't seem to agree with Mr. Romaine. You can be rather choosy with the manpower shortage, eh Bill?

Alabama has been wandering around with a hungry look in his eyes lately. It's a pity he can't get it too. Don't worry Bama, they're only acting.

In a terrific battle at the Lambda Chi house recently, Bill "Perfume" Hart eked out a close decision over Jim "I'm not one either" Johnson. Take it easy "men."

"Mortimer Snerd" Funkhouser seems to have enjoyed the dance immensely, but who wouldn't have with the girl of their dreams?

We understand that the boys at the Phi Psi house now lock their doors at night—Don't get excited, it's just that Magruder walks in his sleep.

The SAE's are importing anything these days; "Ping Pong" Pinnell's latest addition to his football machine is "Let me play" Motley. Lost your sex appeal, Bowers?

Scenes from a night at "Fairlyland" . . . Ray "I Saw Stars" English romancing and dancing with the Peggy of his heart, no telescope this time. . . . A. B. "Chin" Motley with the most Beautiful blonde from Long Island. . . . Gene "Test Tube" Hinson drifting loose looking for a place to hook his anchor. . . . A. W. "Gaucho" Gottschall starting another girl down the road to confinement. . . . John Branen giving away his oh so super date to an oh so lonesome councilor.

Platoon News

2nd Platoon

Many of our boys were present at the "Sem" dance Saturday night; I. Kraft drew a blind date who was beautiful but engaged to a West Pointer. Her name is Millicent... Moretti was overheard talking to his date, "Why can't you be like the other girls? They look happy"... Authier reluctantly retires from the list of operators because of happenings that evening... J. Jones was happy with a somewhat elongated redhead from his home town... Girl stag to Loy, "You look lonesome, let's dance"... The singing by the group of 2nd platoon men while waiting at the gym has brought many pennies for Loy's "piggy" bank. He claims he is saving for a marriage license... We just laugh and say, "Where is the girl?"

K Section's "Dog House" team won the local bowling tournament.

3rd Platoon

Conquest, conquest, conquest—that is the theme of the men in the U. S. Army today; this includes ASTP. So, keeping with the general trend, the versatile third platoon has unlimbered its heavy and light artillery to turn the effort of its free time toward a strategic hill in the metropolis of BV, astride which sits a unique place called Southern Sem. After a few scouting parties two weeks ago, G.H.Q. sent a strong force of our "con-boys" last Saturday to scale those sheer precipices and to seize the objective by storm... Mission accomplished.

4th Platoon

Everybody's spirits seem to have taken a definite upward trend with the christening of the new mess hall. The students who work in there as "Kaypees" are rapidly getting on to the Army ways and wiles of feeding. It's a sure bet that they are the best-fed bunch of civilians around.

Ted Rysiewicz is back to the 4th platoon this week after a prolonged siege of pneumonia. Glad to see you back, feller.

The 4th platoon has done more than its share towards the welfare of the company, especially in the case of seven of its members. They

have been scrubbing the mess hall floor, cleaning rifles, and other sundry jobs. It is felt that if the real reason of their restriction was known, they wouldn't be required to do all of this extra work.

5th Platoon

Again Southern Sem proved to be the main attraction for the weekend entertainment of the platoon. At the Saturday night dance Buchholtz, Eljanian, Kraft, Silverman, Stechel, and Weinstein were seen. It is said that Buchholtz spent all evening looking for a girl from New York. The athletic Kraft seemed quite pleased with his evening's entertainment judging from his beaming countenance. Wakefield and Dorsman gave the Roanoke girls a treat. Ward has been raving about a certain young lady named Bessie. However, the prime victic of the weekend was a certain unnamed cadet who has been going around starry-eyed ever since. I is said that his beloved ran afoul of the North River on a Sunday picnic.

In the platoon table tennis tournament, Baggaley came out on top, beating Bruns, 30-28, 21-19, 21-17, in the finals. Behan and Cooper were the semi-finalists. These four and Larson challenge teams from any other platoon to combat.

6th Platoon

This is the story of one J. W. McCann who, we shall say, saw life as it is and is as he saw life. Born in the beautiful Oneida Valley of Central New York State many years ago, McCann first adjusted himself to civilization there. Growing up in a semi-rural setting, he naturally came to love nature. A veterinarian's son of about the same age as J. W. was a neighbor of his. They came to know each other and a lasting friendship resulted, and before McCann's parents knew it, the twelve-year old J. W. was helping the vet and his son in business. For nine years, McCann busied himself with the diseases of animals, anesthesia and immunization, thus acquiring a marvelous background for future practice. His goal became indeed simple.

He was attending Niagara University when the war broke out. He enlisted in the AERC and was promptly extracted from civilian life, but he had been accepted by

the New York State Veterinary College at Cornell, so there was no need for either a STAR unit or basic training. Then, Washington and Lee, it was, to finish up a few requirements that he needed. Jack leaves this Saturday for good, and will begin work for the DVS. He will room with his neighbor's son at school.

As first of the pre-meds to go, he will be missed. He was always popular, always the butt of a joke,

but Jack complacently accepted his fate in every situation. As you have said, we hope that vet school is a rest for you after this. Good luck, Jack!

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didates will be accepted for Officer's Candidate Schools with a score of 110.

There is a smaller number of Cadets in the Pre-Medical unit. Each of these men has been accepted by an accredited Medical School and their college experiences range from Stanford to Princeton. These Cadets compare

favorably with the traditional W. and L. upper classmen.

A sampling of backgrounds indicates that the Cadet has many other experiences and interests in common with the student. He has shown an interest in this paper and in other campus activities. He wants to play ball as a "College Man."

The student has much to offer to the Cadet and there is much that the Cadet has to contribute to the student. At the opening fall assembly the two "commanders" suggested that "one large family" should result from their common interests. This suggestion cannot be overemphasized.

Forensic Union

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ell, Tory, will argue the affirmative side, while Sandy Richardson, Whig, will speak for the negative.

Members who took part in the discussion Tuesday night were Gene Hinson, Jimmy Johnson,

Sandy Richardson, Lee Silverstein, Forester Taylor, and Les Wallerstein, Whigs; Max Dennis, Bob Jones, David Nowell, and Bob Worms, Tories; and Bob Brown, sergeant-at-arms.

The Forensic Union now has 22 members, or about 20 per cent of Washington and Lee's enrollment.

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LAST TIMES SATURDAY
Wallace Beery
Salute to the Marines

SUN., MON., TUES.
Fred Astaire
Joan Leslie
The Sky's the Limit

WEDNESDAY
Cecil B. de Mille's
Union Pacific
Barbara Stanwyck
Joel McCrea

THURS., FRI., SAT.
Thank Your Lucky Stars

LYRIC—MON., TUES.
Gary Cooper
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