

# The Columns

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## LEWIS SIGNED AS HEAD COACH

### Forensic Union Debates; Elects Two Officers

#### Criminale and Romaine Argue on the Control Of Conquered Countries

Monday night, at its regular meeting, the Forensic Union discussed the pros and cons of a fifty year application of psychological control to the conquered countries. Rex Criminale, who was called upon at the last minute to take the Affirmative, opposed William Romaine, the speaker for the Negative. Messrs. Criminale and Romaine confined themselves to a rather reserved discussion of the facts bearing on the case, and due to difficulties encountered in defining the rather vague resolution under discussion, the consensus of opinion seemed to be that not a great deal was accomplished.

Highlight of the evening: The zest and verve of John MacWhorter's fiery and scholarly oratory echoed through the hallowed walls of our Student Union, and he was no less vigorously opposed by Mr. Bouldin, another member to return to the weekly proceedings. At the beginning of the meeting, the members of the Union elected Bill Romaine to the post of Publicity Director. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting was closed with a vote of six to two in favor of the Negative, and with resolve that in the future, subjects of a more definite nature will be selected for debate. Officers were elected, also, Bob Patterson to the position of vice-speaker, Roy Rice to the position of Treasurer.

At its meeting next week, the last before the Christmas holidays, the Union will discuss the proposition, "Resolved, That the legal voting age be reduced to eighteen years." Jim Hitz will carry the affirmative and Bob Patterson the negative.

### Class Schedule Changes

In order to give students more time to travel by day the Executive Committee of the Faculty has authorized a special schedule of classes for the last day of school before Christmas holidays, Thursday, December 20. The classes will meet as follows:

B block	8:00 to 8:45
D block	8:45 to 9:30
F block	9:30 to 10:15
H block	10:15 to 11:00
J block	11:00 to 11:45

### Glee Club Gives Program Dec. 19

#### Candlelight Service Is University Tradition

William Rattner, president of the Washington and Lee Glee Club, recently announced the pieces which that group will present at the annual Christmas Candlelight Service on December 19. Singing under the direction of Mr. Robert See, the group will use as its principal pieces Bach's "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring," a chorus which they will sing in unison, and "Lo How a Rose E'er Blooming," by Praetorius. Rogers Fred will be the organist for the service.

This is the first appearance which the Glee Club has made, and the results of this performance will partially determine the Glee Club plans for the remainder of this semester.

Other numbers that will be included in the program are "Of the Father's Love Begotten," an ancient Plain Song, and "Mid-Winter," by Holst. There will be various traditional Christmas carols interspersed throughout the program.

The Christmas Candlelight Service has been a tradition on the campus for a number of years, being always held in the Lee Memorial Episcopal Church on the night before the Christmas holidays begin.

### Intercollegiate Sports Ruling To Be Altered

#### Southern Conference To Bar Freshmen from Varsity Competition

At its annual meeting in Richmond on December 14 and 15, the Southern Conference will consider a number of proposed amendments to its by-laws, largely concerned with the restoration of eligibility rules to the standards which existed before the war.

Among these proposed amendments, Colonel Couper, Conference Secretary has announced, is one which would end the use of freshmen on varsity athletic teams by 1948. Also to be considered is a proposal to terminate immediately the suspension of eligibility rules which has been in effect for members of the armed forces who have been assigned to colleges and universities of the Southern Conference as students. Most of those concerned are members of the V-12.

It has been further suggested, stated Col. Couper, that a permanent academic proficiency ruling be placed in effect which would take into account deficiency caused by absence in the armed services. During the war various rulings concerning this aspect were created from time to time. One other proposal provides that a student possessing an honorable discharge from the service may compete in inter-collegiate sports in schools other than the one he was enrolled in at the time he entered the service. It is hoped that these changes in rulings will not effect the eligibility of those who participated in the conference program prior to December 1, 1945.

The proposed amendments are in the process of being studied by conference members and, in all probability, will be acted upon at the Richmond meeting.

### Last Army School Enrolls; Will Graduate January 2

Numbering some four hundred officers and men, the last class of the Army School for Personnel Services entered Washington and Lee last Wednesday. After this class completes its five week school period, the era of the SPS at W&L will come to an end after a three year reign. During this time, several thousand men and women of the Army, Navy and Marine Corps were passed through the portals of W&L and were taught to perform several duties deemed vital to the war effort.

By the middle of January, the University may be expected to have back in active possession Tucker and Robinson Halls which have been entirely utilized by the Service School.

### Crist Resigns As Dance Chairman

At its regular meeting last Tuesday night the Executive Committee accepted the resignation of Jack Crist as president of the Dance Committee. Crist was forced to resign because too much time was required for him to play on the basketball team to be able to meet the duties of his office on the Dance Committee at the same time. No one has been appointed to replace him as yet.

It was considered wise by the Executive Committee to secure an orchestra before Christmas for the dance set scheduled for February 1 and 2, however, and therefore Wise Kelly and Dick Spindle, vice-chairmen of the committee, are proceeding along this line in the interim before the new chairman is appointed. No orchestra has signed so far.

### Charity Chest Drive Ends; Average Donation Is \$3

With final reports still not complete, the annual Charity Chest drive, at the conclusion of its campaign week November 29-December 1, showed collections amounting to \$454.25, Rex Criminale, chairman of the drive, announced today.

Considerably short of the goal of \$575 set for the campaign, the average student gift was under \$3.00. The response of some students, however, was generous, according to Criminale, and the drive, although not entirely successful, netted a large contribution from the student body to the five charities sharing the returns: The World Student Service Fund, The American Red Cross, the National War Fund, the Tuberculosis Christmas Seal Fund, and the Lexington Children's Clinic.

The Chest, a combination of all charity drives on the campus, (Continued on Page Four)

W & L v. Lynchburg College

Tuesday Evening, 7:45 P.M.

Doremus Gymnasium  
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### All-American, Coach Of Cleveland Rams, Was W&L Assistant

(Special to The Columns)

Art Lewis, former New York Giant tackle and coach of the Cleveland Rams, has been appointed head coach of football at Washington and Lee University and next fall will field the first team the Generals have had since 1942 when the war forced the discontinuance of football here. R. A. (Cap'n Dick) Smith, director of athletics in making the announcement, said that Lewis's appointment is effective today.

The appointment of Lewis as head coach was approved this morning by the executive committee of the Board of Trustees meeting at the University. The Columns is the first to carry news of the appointment.

The 34-year-old Lewis came to Washington and Lee on Jan. 1, 1942, as line coach and served through the spring training period of that year under Head Coach Riley Smith. Along with Smith, who is not returning to football, Lewis was commissioned by the navy in June, 1942, and was discharged a month ago as a lieutenant-commander after duty at Pensacola, New Orleans, and St. Mary's Preflight School.

Lewis is a native of Carolton, Ohio, and began his football career at Ohio University in 1932 where he was an All-Ohio and Little All-American tackle for two years and was one of the six All-American tackles named in 1935. He played in the 1935 East-West game.

In 1936 Lewis began a professional football career as player and coach by alternating between guard and tackle for the New York Giants. After coaching the line at Ohio Wesleyan University in 1937, Lewis was the playing head coach of the Cleveland Rams in 1938 when they won seven of their eleven games and were the first team to defeat the Chicago Bears twice in one season. In 1939 he played and coached the Rams' line, and in the next two years he was line coach and chief scout.

At the time of his discharge from the Navy, Lewis was head of football instruction, head scout and assistant coach at St. Mary's Preflight School where he was working with Jim Lawson of Stanford, Bernie Masterson of Nebraska, Gorman Jones of Ohio State, and George Sauer of New Hampshire. Previously he had served as athletic and military officer at Cory Field, Pensacola, and as battalion commander of all student flying officers and athletic director at the New Orleans flight school.

Questioned about football prospects at Washington and Lee next fall, Coach Lewis and Cap'n Dick both answered at once: "We're starting from scratch." "We have no prospects." Lewis added, "Cap'n Dick will play fullback if necessary, but we hope some big, fat boys will enroll by next fall."

### Stricter Freshman Assimilation Urged by E. C.

(Special EC Announcement)

The current year finds Washington and Lee in an uncertain state of reconversion. Washington and Lee is not alone in this circumstance. The whole country and every institution in the country is tasting peace for the first time in nearly four years.

Necessarily this newly found peace creates a strange feeling. Those of us who have just returned from various branches of the service find freedom of action unfamiliar. Those of us who stayed at home are experiencing new sensations as restrictions are lifted. But we must not let our anxiousness to reacquire ourselves with old-

time pleasures make us forget the traditions that form a part of the Washington and Lee Spirit.

To some, Freshman Assimilation is the most unimportant and trivial of these traditions. But let us not forget that the freshmen are the ones who will be here longer than any of the rest of us. As each member of the Washington and Lee Student Body graduates, he leaves the traditions that he has learned to cherish in the hands of boys who were freshmen during his stay at college. The responsibility for assimilating the freshmen into the Washington and Lee Spirit and for passing

our traditions on to them rests in the hands of the upper-classmen. We do not want to see our traditions die. Those who left here not so many years ago entrusted us with the responsibility of maintaining these traditions and passing them on—we must not fail them.

Fraternities were of great value in molding freshmen to our way of life. Unfortunately, fraternities are inactive now. The Freshman Assimilation Committee is the only organ on the campus for the purpose of directing and guiding freshmen during their period of acclimation. It needs the cooperation

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Friday, December 7, 1945

## Support the Big Blue!

Next Tuesday the Generals will vie with Lynchburg College in our gym, in the first intercollegiate sports event since the war stripped our campus of manpower.

Back in May of 1943, when Harry Harner stepped up to the plate in the tenth inning of the VPI-W&L game, he sent the second ball pitched soaring out over the left-field fence, giving W&L the extra run needed to win the game. As Harry rounded the bases and placed his toe on the home plate, intercollegiate athletics at Washington and Lee faded from the campus scene for the duration.

Now, more than two and a half years after that dramatic moment in Blacksburg, the Big Blue are ready once again to enter college sports competition. The students are anxious, the alumni are tense, for one of the great rallying-points of that W&L spirit we cherish has returned to the campus.

We have been watching W&L grow, from the nucleus that kept the game glowing during the difficult war days, to campus today. With a larger student body and the resumption of fraternity life, the picture will be complete. But before us today is one of the greatest pieces essential to make that picture complete—intercollegiate athletics. So let us all realize the movement and spur it on. The attendance of 100 percent of the student body at the game Tuesday evening is not merely something to be desired; it is essential.

Let Doremus gym ring with cheers and "The Swing" from 160-odd throats. The student body shall not let this movement backslide now.

## The Forensic Union

When the Forensic Union is reduced to sending out pleas for membership, it is not a reflection on the Forensic Union; it is rather a reflection on the present student body at Washington and Lee. For through the years the Forensic Union has established for itself a tradition of such high standing that it has now risen above detraction by the mere whims of any one student body.

The value of the Forensic Union to its members is apparent if for no other reason than that it forms one of the best methods for a student to keep acquainted with both sides in pertinent public questions, as well as giving him a chance to air his opinions on questions concerning Washington and Lee. But its value goes far beyond that. Thinking men maintain that a wealth of knowledge and a highly analytical intellect are of no avail to a man unless he is able to accurately and forcibly express his ideas. It is just such ability to analyze and convince that the Forensic Union was established to develop in the students of Washington and Lee.

The soundness of the principles upon which the Forensic Union was established was eloquently attested to by the way in which it stood undaunted during the recent period at our school when the diminishing student body was casting one organization after another by the wayside. Intercollegiate sports couldn't pass the test; **The Ringtum Phi** stopped; fraternities folded. The Forensic Union was the **only** Washington and Lee activity outside of the student government that carried on without a break.

Which brings us back to the pleas being sent out by the F. U. for more membership. The Forensic Union does not want anybody to attend that is not truly interested in debating and in improving his public speaking ability. With many members or with few members the Forensic Union will carry on. But it is obvious that with a larger body there would be a broader view-point in the debates and

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# Show Team Time

By Dave Guthrie

The State fails us this week, with a straight run of decidedly mediocre shows; the Lyric has the only worthwhile picture of the whole week. However, a glance at the little old schedule. SunMon brings **That Night with You**, with Susanna Foster, Franchot Tone, and David Bruce... complicated, fast, and "witty" (quotes our own). Nothing extra.

Special, one show only, at 8:30 Monday night, **Love Letters**. A fairly good, grippingly, or perhaps we should say, drippingly, melodramatic sort of thing; moves slowly, but is compensated for only by a few sincere scenes. Stars Jennifer Jones and Joseph Cotton, with a particular favorite of ours in the supporting cast, Gladys Cooper. Admission by bond purchase only, by the way.

TuesWed, Pat O'Brien and Ellen Drew in a 1938 cast-off, **Man Alive**, originally titled "The Amorous Ghost"; perhaps you will remember the title and in that way have the good fortune to avoid seeing it again. At the same time is another of those fool "This Is America" things (for lack of an adequate word); they seem to crop up every week or so, and have specialized in describing the Burma Road, occupation of Germany, and other subjects quite apropos

the title—probably all about the happy Laplanders this week.

ThursSat, **Duffy's Tavern**, screen version of the famous radio series. Like so many good shows on the ether, transferred to celluloid, they fall down miserably and completely and miserably. Witness Fibber McGee and Molly. This is no exception, despite the efforts of Betty Hutton, Bob Hope (for a short sequence), Eddie Bracken, Dorothy Lamour, and Sonny Tufts, Ed Gardner and Marjorie Reynolds to make something of it. Sorry.

La Lyrique, Belle of the Valley, offers MonTues **Radio Stars on Parade**, or something equally unique. Features Fances Langford, Skinnay Ennis and his band, and Ralph Edwards along with the "Truth or Consequences" radio act. Ditto last paragraph.

Now, for the one good picture of the week, **The Way Ahead**, produced, ironically enough, in England in co-operation with the British War Office. The picture stars Lt. Col. David Niven, formerly of Hollywood, and a superb cast of English actors. An excellent portrayal; by all means, see it.

The movie recently nominated "the worst of the year" by this

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## Reporter-at-Large

By Charley McDowell

The burning of "El Patio" was Lexington's biggest disaster since the moving van drove through Herb Lindsay's house. (That, in turn, was the biggest disaster since the moving van drove through Herb Lindsay's house the year before. Herb's domicile was invaded three times in all by various vehicles, but the story is much too fantastic to go into at this time.)

The "El Patio" affair lacked much of the glamour of the fires that have made Lexington interesting for the last fifteen years. The crowd was very poor, we are told, and spectator enthusiasm was surprisingly low. Compared to some of the conflagrations of the last fifteen years, the burning of the "Great Oasis" was little more than a marshmallow toaster.

In 1932, for instance, the S.A.E. house burned to the ground during Spring vacation. There was only one student in the house at the time, but he put on a show that would have made his brothers proud. The fellow owned two things which he really valued: a typewriter and an inner-spring mattress. So, he tossed the typewriter out of the third story window and struggled down three flights of stairs with the mattress. Then he tried to go back into the

flames a second time "to turn off the water in the bathroom" but was restrained by calmer spectators. The new S.A.E. house has an ingenious fire escape which is kept in a third floor closet and which promises to avert catastrophe in the future. In a timed test, a Dean (Dean Gilliam, to be specific) assembled the contrivance and retreated to the ground via same in a little better than five minutes. So if the SAE house ever catches fire while you're on the third floor, you know what to do. (That's right—jump.)

The K.A. house also burned down a few years ago, in spite of the efforts of some V.M.I. cadets, who joined the K.A.'s in throwing buckets of water on the fire and the local firemen.

The Sigma Chi is the only other fraternity house that has burned down in the range of our memory. It was all wood and exploded into flame almost before an audience could arrive.

Also in past days, the New Theatre (now the State), burned at high noon. It was not as spectacular as it would have been at night, but nevertheless was a very creditable fire. The circumstances surrounding the event are well worth noting. One Mrs. M. came in from the country to buy

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## CAMPUS QUERY

By Marshall S. Ellis

This week the querist digresses torted: "... you almost undoubtedly from his understood function of edly have a brain, so let's use it, providing the reading public with For weeks now I've been sitting on campus opinions on a given subject and turns to publicly licking what I regarded as inevitable; but the wounds that have been dealt it never came. Why not have as him during the last fortnight. We your question sometime, "What do of **The Columns** know that it is you think of the University of impossible to please all of the Virginia as a hole?" That one people all of the time, but the querist, it seems, fails even to was signed by the statue of Cyrus please some of the people some of Hall McCormick.

And from a bobby soxer came this: "What a square! Like the bear you ain't no where. Some of us have decided unanimously that CQ is strictly from hunger. Atom bombs and draft laws are OK for

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# Men About Town...

Though stuffed with aspirins, nose drops, and other forms of "kull-or-cure" (some more pleasant than others), many representatives of our local chapter of the gay dogs society valiantly strove to keep their social records intact... A man that seems to be having little trouble is young Fritchie. Hardly a moment of the past week-end was spent by the lad without the company of a very desirable young lady... Over at the Sem was a whole army of Phi Psi blades, captained by such stalwarts as Hubbard and Whiteman. The elder associates from Pi Phi and elsewhere added greatly to the occasion. An especial addition was that keen exponent of low Texas humor, Russel Moore Drake. It hasn't been explained to us yet why the usually frenzied cow-hand refused to jitter while in his favorite place (the very center of the floor), nor why, four days later, the infirmary claimed him for its very own... Bill Burton has hurt his prestige none at all by steadily dating luscious Alice Weber, one of the outstanding assets of the locale, but one on which the Buena Vista Chamber of Commerce has failed to capitalize... The Sem still held its attractions for those gregarious Phi Psi's who swamped it with their presence again on Wednesday evening. Much to their pleasure, the storm (or some mishchievous little rogue from E. Washington Street) worked havoc with the lighting system. It IS possible that the whole thing was NOT premeditated, but the resulting small waste of opportunity hardly substantiates any such conclusion. The howls of rage of the chaperones, the shouts of triumph of the escorts, the sighs of relief (or can you think of a better word?) of the escorted, created confusion that to some was torment, but to the majority—a Godsend—A delirious time was had by all.

Over in Lynchburg, the week's end was highlighted by the presence at the weekly country club brawl of the charming ladies, Margaret Skelton and Kacie Hundley, escorted as usual by the not-so-charming gentlemen, Willie Hopkins and Jim Watson. Star performer of the evening was an anonymous young lady who convinced her entire audience that she wears the pants in her family.

Up on the Bluefield mountainside, a host of girls from slightly-north-of-Roanoke found relaxation in the "Cabin in the Sky"... In Staunton, "Granddaddy" (by his own admission) Rehr was soon overcome by the beauty of his Baldwin date that the hospital (here) hesitates to predict his recovery... Floyd McKenna, as usual, was terribly, terribly good. Marriage can do this for you... We hesitate to predict whether even marriage could make an honest man out of "Shep" Zinovoy, whose latest bus station conquest seems to have latched on fast. According to Seaman Williams, "Shep's" lieutenant in this campaign, "She's really a lovely creature."

Largest Charge Of The Week: Bev Owens' telephone bill (Honest, sometimes we just can't help it). Bev claims results, though, in the form of thirty-five prospective parties during the equally prospective Christmas holidays... Quoting our blonde friend (male) from Petersburg, "Impossible, that rascal can't stand up to it"... Some say yes, some say no, but we say that if O.V. and his house mother enjoy having him play sick, it's all right with us... Rugel has been asking for advice in Accounting!!!... There seems to be some controversy about whether it's Berry's hat, or head, that is pointed... Mac Tenny is still snowing them under, three times daily, at Mary Laird's... Al Turner wants his name mentioned... Al Graham (erstwhile Air Forces bombardier) has finally won his first-class scout's rating, and is eagerly waiting another merit badge. His brother is eagerly awaiting... Hal Chittum, still roaming the countryside, again made it to that home of beautiful women, the Theta House at William and Mary. Making his customarily favorable impression (They opened the door a full foot, before slamming it in his face), he returned to Lexington, in his customarily uneventful manner (ticket, blow-out, hold-up, out-of-gas, and a first rate stall). His mate in mayhem was customarily chagrined.

Because of the burning of your home and mine, El Patio, we are forced to end on a sad note, this week. There are many of us that will never recover from this blow, and many more of us who must look for our brew elsewhere. However, those of us who still have our pants feel deeply grateful to Brown's who, (according to their spokesman, Major Zimmerman) did not burn down, but moved out before the water came.

## The Forensic Union

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more interest in the proceedings as a whole. Therefore let every member of the student body who is at all interested in public speaking pause to consider before he passes up the opportunity which is open to him in the Forensic Union.



# Generals Open with Lynchburg Tuesday

## Vierbuchen, Lauck, McDowell, Crist, & Bean Likely Starters

On Tuesday night, December 11, the Washington and Lee Generals will open their season against Lynchburg College on the Doremus gym's hardwood. For over a month now the "Big Blue" has been hard at work in preparation for this game. According to "Cy" Young the squad is coming along as well as can be expected, and if the flu epidemic doesn't cause any more trouble before game time, the boys should be in tip-top condition.

There is one sad note, however, in the otherwise bright outlook; Leon Harris, 6-foot 5-inch center will be lost to the Generals indefinitely. Harris came back to school in mid-November, and as a result is behind in his studies. His only alternative was to drop basketball for a while until he caught up with his work. Just when he will return to the squad is as yet indefinite. This is a severe blow to the cagers, as Harris was counted on heavily to carry the brunt of the burden under the backboards.

Consequently, "Cy" Young has announced a change in his lineup. Dick Vierbuchen will move in from guard and take over the center spot; Charley McDowell moves from forward to guard and will bring the ball down the floor with Hal Lauck, the other guard. At the forward positions will be Jack Crist and "String" Bean.

During the past few weeks the play of "Shep" Zinavoy has been very heartening. Coach Young told our reporter. Although not a high scorer, Zinavoy is dynamite on defense, coming off with rebounds time and again, and "Cy" is depending on him to control the play under the boards on Tuesday night.

Coach Young also stressed the importance of ball handling to the team and pointed out that more practice is needed in this department before the Generals tackle such teams as Virginia and Davidson. He emphasized that inexperience and a lack of height will hinder the team considerably in some of its games. Despite these handicaps, he is quite optimistic about the coming season and believes the boys will give a good account of themselves.

### CRIST STILL LEADS SCORING

	G	TD	EP	Ti
Crist—ZBT	3	3	1	19
West—Phi Psi	4	2	1	13
Sullivan—ZBT	3	2	0	12
Lear—Lambda Chi	4	1	2	8
Yankee—Phi Psi	4	1	1	7
McKenna—ZBT	3	1	1	7
Chamberlain—ZBT	3	1	0	6
Lindell—Lambda	4	1	0	6
Oder—Pi Phi	3	1	0	6
Anderson—Lambda	4	1	0	6
Bolen—Lambda	4	1	0	6
Lauck—SAE	4	1	0	6
Humphreys—Pi Phi	3	0	1	1
Stombeck—Lambda	4	0	1	1

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# Sports

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## Lambda Chi's Upset SAE's 6-0 To Capture Intramural Lead

### Flanagan's Pass to Bolen Wins Crucial Contest

Climaxing a slow, unexciting game with a brilliant last-minute touchdown, the Lambda Chi intramural football team nosed out the SAE aggregation 6 to 0 on Monday, December 3. The victory put Lambda Chi ahead in the team standings with a record of three wins against one loss.

Both teams sorely missed several of their original starting lineup. Lauck and McDowell were absent from the SAE squad, and Dick Vierbuchen, Lambda Chi backfield ace, was also missing, all because of a conflicting basketball practice.

Only one first down was made during the entire first period. To open the game Lindell kicked off for Lambda Chi to Mosbacher who returned the ball to the twenty-yard line. Three pass attempts failed and then Doswell dropped back to punt. However, Dodson broke through to block the kick and Lambda Chi lost the ball after four incomplete passes. It was then that SAE made its lone first-down on a fifteen-yard pass from Mosbacher to Doswell. However their attack was stopped here, and after several exchanges of punts, the half ended.

The third quarter and the first part of the fourth went something like the first half. However, late in the fourth quarter, Flanagan punted to Mosbacher, who was tagged on his own five-yard line by Anderson. With forty seconds remaining in the game SAE fumbled and Stombeck recovered for Lambda Chi. Flanagan then tossed a pass to Bolen in the end zone for a touchdown. Flanagan's pass to Lear for the extra point fell incomplete. With only seven seconds left in the game SAE did not have time to rally. The final score stood: Lambda Chi, 6; SAE, 0.

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### Basketball Schedule

The following is the complete schedule of the varsity basketball team for the season 1945-46.

- Dec. 11, 1945—Lynchburg at Lexington.
- Jan. 9, 1946—Virginia at Charlottesville.
- Jan. 12, 1946—Hampden-Sydney at Lexington.
- Jan. 15, 1946—Roanoke College at Lexington.
- Jan. 18, 1946—Richmond Univ. at Lexington (pending).
- Jan. 21, 1946—Virginia at Lexington.
- Jan. 25, 1946—Camp Pickett at Lexington.
- Feb. 6, 1946—Hampden-Sydney at Hampden-Sydney, Va.
- Feb. 9, 1946—V.P.I. at Lexington.
- Feb. 12, 1946—Roanoke College at Roanoke, Va.
- Feb. 16, 1946—Camp Pickett at Camp Pickett, Va.
- Feb. 19, 1946—V.P.I. at Blacksburg.
- Feb. 22, 1946—Davidson at Lexington.
- Feb. 23, 1946—Davidson at Lexington.

### STANDINGS OF THE TEAMS

	W	L	Pct.
Lambda Chi	3	1	.750
ZBT	2	1	.666
SAE	2	2	.500
Pi Phi	1	2	.333
Phi Psi	1	3	.250

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## Generalizing . . .

By Bill Burton

With the intramural football season almost over, all eyes are turning in the direction of an all-star team. Although it is not our practice to venture into such fields, we have suddenly become very brave, and with the permission of all those concerned, we will endeavor to select men who, in our opinion, deserve first team honors.

The past season has witnessed a fine array of football material on Wilson Field, especially where the backs are concerned. We almost refrain from selecting a team on just this account, because the problem of "who was better than who" almost proved too much for us. But here goes anyhow:

**Ends—Lear (Lambda Chi) and Bean (Phi Psi).** Through the entire season Lear has played fine ball for the high flying Lambda Chi's and has 8 points to his credit on a touchdown and two extra points. His glue-fingers on passes have kept his team up in the race all along. In "String" Bean the Phi Psi's possess a great defensive player, and it was due mainly to his efforts that the tail-enders didn't fall apart altogether.

**Tackles — Lovins and Davis (both SAE).** On the campus these two easy going, jovial roommates are everybody's friends, but on the football field they're two atomic bombs. Big and fast, Jim and Ralph played havoc with their opponents all season long.

**Guards—Chidsey (Phi Psi) and McAden (ZBT).** Although he was not an outstanding player, Chidsey was probably the most consistent performer on his team. He always played heads-up, aggressive ball and steadied his team considerably. McAden was a knock-em-down drag-em-out play-

er all year. His great defensive play highlighted every game he participated in, and without "Mac" the Zebs would have been severely handicapped.

**Center — Stombeck (Lambda Chi).** This boy was a scrappy competitor all through the year and excelled, especially, on the defense.

**Quarterback — Humphreys (Pi Phi).** Although the Pi Phi's didn't go anywhere in particular, Jim distinguished himself in his handling of the team. He always "knew what the score was" and played heads-up ball all through the season.

**Halfbacks—Crist (ZBT) and Vierbuchen (Lambda Chi).** Crist, the ZBT speed boy, did anything and everything on the football field. His passing, kicking and running were sensational and up to this writing he is leading the individual scorers with 19 points. If he couldn't do anything else, "Vierbuch" deserves to make the team on his passing feats alone. Without him the Lambda Chi's would surely not be at the top of the league at this time.

**Fullback — McKenna (ZBT).** "Mac's" great blocking, kicking and running were the talk of the Co-op on many a fall morning. Teamed with Crist, he gave the ZBT's a mighty solid one-two punch in the backfield.

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# Assimilation

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of the whole Student Body in the prosecution of its purpose. And yet, we not only find that some of the freshmen are taking the rules too lightly, but there has also been a lack of interest displayed by the upper-classmen. If the freshmen cannot find a way to be more conscious of the Freshman Rules, it will be necessary for the Executive Committee to resort to prolonged and more stringent methods of correction. But if the upper-classmen persist in their apathy towards matters connected with the assimilation of Freshmen into the Washington and Lee traditions, no measures taken by the Executive Committee can instill these traditions in the freshmen. For the maintenance of the Washington and Lee traditions, it is necessary that every member of the Student Body cooperate.

# Presbyterian Choir Will Sing "Messiah" on Sunday

Four Washington and Lee Students and three professors will sing with the Presbyterian Choir in two special services of Christmas music which that group is presenting on the two Sundays before Christmas holidays. A program of selected choruses and solos from *The Messiah* is to be given this Sunday at 5:00 o'clock; and a Community Caral Service will be held at 5:00 on Sunday, December 16. Both services will be held in the Presbyterian Church. The Washington and Lee students participating are: C. Harold Lauck, Jr., Rex Criminale, Richard Vierbuchen and Bob Patterson. The professors singing are Mr. John Graham, Mr. George Irwin, and Mr. C. Harold Lauck. Washington and Lee students are invited to attend both services.

# Charity Chest

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was the only solicitation for the 1945-66 session. An attempt was made to see every member of the student body. The Chest officials ask that any student who has not yet made a contribution and who desires to do so see one of the solicitors within the next few days. Students who made pledges to the Chest are reminded that they are redeemable any time before January 12, 1946, by paying one of the solicitors. Funds from the drive will be disbursed about January 15th. General Chairman Criminale expressed his appreciation to all those who helped with the campaign, particularly the solicitors, and, on behalf of the sharing charities, to all students who made contributions to these worthwhile causes.

# Show Team Time

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august journal is making a re-appearance here Thursday. Yes, *Tarzan and the Amazons*, is what we are referring to. We need add no more to the excellent criticism penned by our colleague, C. McD., but two issues ago. The only reason we can figure out why two such venerable actors as Henry Stephenson and Maria Ouspenskaya should partake of such is that they were just out for the hell of it all.

There's no point in mentioning that Charles Starrett will star it in *Saddle Leather Law* on Friday, so we won't. Let's hope for better fare next week.

# Reporter-at-Large

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chicken feed on Saturday shortly before the fire, and she spent the afternoon at the movie. The feature was "Green Pastures" which dealt quite hilariously with some fictitious Negroes' idea of heaven as a big fish fry. Mrs. M. was a Holy Roller from way back and considered the picture sacrilegious, so after a few warm-up rolls on the sidewalk outside, she put a curse on the theatre. And, sure enough, the theatre soon burned down and Mrs. M. became more than hard to get along with.

The fire to top all fires, of course, was the "Great Double-Header of 1935." Around midnight one fine winter evening, the Higgins & Irvine lumber mill caught fire. The townspeople had hardly arrived on the scene when flames were seen rising from the W&L Law School. The ensuing confusion was classic. We won't attempt to describe the chaos, but will only say that the lumber mill was

consumed promptly and in no way detracted from the splendor of the main event. The fire department surrendered early and a huge mob stood behind ropes and watched "the most atrocious architectural monstrosity ever conceived" go up in smoke. The only casualties of the evening were some lads who sprained their ankles jumping from windows, and a senior lawyer who was hit in the head by a mimeograph machine. As he passed into the subconscious, he muttered weakly but plainly, "On to Reid Hall!"

# Campus Query

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Time...but what say we leave them for Time? As a red hot question we suggest, "With what girl, and on what tropical island, would you like to be marooned"?

One brother Mink suggested (sans character criticism) this: "Ask them for their impression of what it would be like to slide down a razor blade two miles long." We forget exactly who this genial lad was, but we aren't worried about him being lost to us. Such characters are difficult to keep submerged.

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But why try to be subtle any longer! Let us face the fact. There is such a potential of possible questions (shown above) but so few good ones (also shown above) that it is beyond even the genius of *The Columns* staff to always please. So if anyone should suddenly be possessed of an interesting question, know that *The Columns* is in the market.

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# Library to Remain Open

Because of the increased demand for the use of its facilities, a fact pointed out in *The Columns* some weeks ago, the Cyrus McCormick Library will now remain open until four o'clock on Saturday afternoon. Mr. Richard Shoemaker, Acting Head Librarian, has announced.

The library remains closed on Saturday night and on Sunday until seven o'clock in the evening.

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