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Vesper Program Sunday at 4:30 To Start Series

Rev. C. N. Faulconer Will Speak; Glee Club Octet To Appear on Program

The Rev. C. Newman Faulconer, minister of the First Presbyterian Church of Waynesboro, Virginia, will speak at University vespers, to be held Sunday afternoon, February 24, at 4:30 in Lee Chapel.

Well known in ministerial circles, Rev. Faulconer is a native of Hinton, West Virginia, and a graduate of Davis and Elkins College and the Union Theological Seminary. He has held pastorates at Buchanan, Virginia, and Norfolk, Virginia, besides his present pastorate at Waynesboro. Rev. Faulconer has spoken to college groups on several occasions. His subject Sunday afternoon will be "Wisdom in Small Packages."

Assisting with the service will be the Rev. William L. Lumpkin, minister of the Manly Memorial Baptist Church of Lexington, who will deliver the invocation and prayer. Music for the vespers will be rendered by members of the University Glee Club, under the direction of Mr. Robert See. An a cappella anthem, "Hear My Prayer, O Lord" (Arcadelt), will be sung. This will be the first performance of the Glee Club since Christmas. The organist for the service will be Miss Many Monroe Pencik.

Forensic Union Approves Conventional Dress Rules

Conventional dress was upheld by the Forensic Union in their regular weekly meeting last Monday night, as A. B. Wexner debated the negative of the topic, "Resolved: that conventional dress requirements at Washington and Lee should be abolished." Wexner was opposed by Rogers Fred, whose main argument consisted of trying to show that in this case tradition was hampering progress.

Wexner prefaced his argument with the proposition that the majority at Washington and Lee favor conventional dress. He then

Registrar's Announcement

All students of the Academic, Commerce, or Law Schools who plan to graduate in May, must file an application for degree in the Registrar's Office not later than March 1.

This announcement does not apply to those men who have already filed their applications.

Dr. Hanzsche Is To Be Speaker

Dr. W. T. Hanzsche, pastor of the Prospect Street Presbyterian Church of Trenton, New Jersey, has accepted an invitation to deliver the baccalaureate sermon at commencement exercises here in May. Dr. Francis P. Gaines, president of the University announced last week.

Dr. Gaines stated that the forthcoming commencement is expected to be the largest in the history of the University. It will incur a program commemorating those alumni who lost their lives during the war. Dr. Gaines said, as well as the marking of the first of such exercises in the new peacetime era.

Mr. Charles Light, a professor in the Law School, has been made chairman of the commencement committee which was instrumental in obtaining Dr. Hanzsche to deliver the commencement sermon.

Dr. Hanzsche graduated from Washington and Lee in 1913 and later obtained an M.A. and B.D. at Princeton. In 1928 he was given a D.D. degree here.

"Dr. Hanzsche is one of our most distinguished alumni," Dr. Gaines said.

proceeded to show some of the advantages which are derived from the habit of wearing gentlemanly dress at all times. Fred opposed his arguments by stating that not only was it difficult to obtain clothes during the present shortage, but also that the strictest conventional dress was no longer necessary to be well-dressed, and that men should have the same freedom of dress that women have.

The topic for debate for the next meeting is "Resolved: that government control of business should be lessened."

Jim Humphries Chosen to Head Monogram Club

Athletic Letter Group Discusses Dance Plans At Initial Meeting

The Monogram Club, previously the most important group of its kind on the campus, held its first meeting since early in the war, on Monday of this week.

The pre-war qualifications for the Monogram Club were that every member have at least two varsity letters.

First business of the meeting was to elect officers, and of the thirteen present, Jim Humphries was elected president, Paul Cavaliere was made vice-president, and George Wood became secretary and treasurer.

Business consisted largely of the discussion of sponsoring an inexpensive, one-night dance for all students just before dismissal for spring holidays. The purpose of such a dance, as in the past, would be to provide the treasury of the Monogram Club with funds to buy all letter awards such as sweaters, blankets, and jewelry.

Although a special committee (Continued on Page Four)

Troubadours Will Decide Policy in Tuesday Meeting

Tom Wright, student director of the Troubadours, campus dramatic group, has just announced that there will be a very important meeting of all members on Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. in Payne, 30.

It is urgent that all members be present. Any newly arrived students who are interested, including any students' wives, are urged to attend the Friday meeting.

Due to a succession of many unfortunate and unforeseen mishaps, The Troubadours' production of "Ah! Wilderness" has been postponed time and again. Wright said that the group has now come to a time of reckoning. The meeting Friday night will decide once and for all whether preparations for the production are to go ahead, and (if so) when it will be staged.

Bi-Centennial Plans

Plans for the naming and appointing of a committee to arrange for the bi-centennial celebration in 1949 will be discussed at a meeting today in New York of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees, Dr. Francis P. Gaines announced last week.

"The matter of arranging the 200th anniversary will be a slow task," Dr. Gaines said, "and we are getting to work on it as soon as possible."

W&L to Provide Homes for Vets

University Plans to Erect 50 Units in Davidson Park

To provide quarters for veterans enrolling at Washington and Lee, the university is preparing a site for fifty housing units which have been allocated to it by the Federal Public Housing Authority. E. S. Mattingly, treasurer, said today.

James Dunlap, Lexington town engineer, is preparing a topographical map of university property in Davidson Park where the houses will be erected, and work is expected to begin soon. The site is within town limits, lying on Route 60 east of the Nelson Street Bridge, and is five-minutes' walk from the university.

The units are expected to be one- and two-bedroom houses, twenty units were first allocated to Washington and Lee, and then this week thirty more were added to the allotment.

Davidson Park is located on Highway 60, just East of the downtown district of Lexington, in the vicinity of the Lambda Chi and ZBT Houses.

Meals in Dining Hall on Holiday Schedule Today

Tom Wilson, manager of the W&L Dining Hall, has announced that the schedule of meals will follow the Sunday Schedule today only. The change is occasioned by the fact that the University is celebrating George Washington's birthday today. Meals will be served at the following times: Breakfast, from 9:00 to 10:00; Lunch, from 1:00 to 1:45; Dinner, from 5:30 to 6:15.

\$452.00 Profit Is Reported On Last Dance Set

Reactivation of Dance Board Planned by E.C.; Dr. L. J. Desha, Advisor

At the regular Tuesday evening meeting of the Executive Committee, Wise Kelly gave a complete statement on the results of the last dance set.

Gross sales for the dance amounted to \$1104.00 but an eleven dollar indebtedness for invitations and tickets lowered the net sales to \$1093.00. Of the \$640. total expenditures for the dance itself, \$350.00 was used to pay St. Clair and the Vagabonds and something over \$220.00 was consumed in taxes.

Net profit came to \$452.00. This money will be saved and applied toward making the final dance sets come up to the old pre-war standards.

The Executive Committee has asked "The Columns" to express its thanks to Jim Watson, chairman of the Dance Committee; to Steve Ramaley, chairman of the sub-committee on decorations; and to the other members of the Committee for a dance that was successful in every respect.

The Mid-Winter Dance Set was the first formal occasion at Washington and Lee of any notable size since 1943. Over two hundred couples attended both the Sweetheart Dance on Friday evening, and the Junior Prom on Saturday.

In considering the future dances on the campus, the Executive Committee decided in favor of reorganizing the traditional Dance Board and of including in it, boys who were formerly on the campus and might act most ably. In this connection Wood, Spindle, Kincaid, Strang, Raider and Watson have been contacted. These men will cooperate with the Executive Committee in the appointment of the Dance Board. Dr. J. L. Desha will also assist in the reorganization.

President Gaines: Atomic Energy Can Be Controlled by International Commission

That atomic power can and should be controlled by an international organization with unlimited powers of inspection, was the thesis in Dr. Francis P. Gaines' address to the student body and general public in Lee Chapel last Tuesday evening. Such an organization, he pointed out, is now extant in the form of an international commission responsible to the United Nations Organization.

Dr. Gaines stated that today the atomic bomb is the most vital problem with which mankind is faced; for in poor control of it will lie future wars and in judicious control of it will lie future lasting peace. The atomic bomb has blown the door off of a new era in which things may no longer be measured by formerly accepted standards.

Dr. Gaines presented his talk in the form of five questions with detailed answers to each.

"Has the threat of the atomic bomb been exaggerated?" Presi-

dent Gaines' reply to this was an emphatic "no." Scientists today are dealing with an unknown potential, he explained and recognizing this, there are four terrible possibilities which everyone should consider: 1) power will probably be increased; 2) production may be simplified; 3) availability of present materials may be increased or new materials may be discovered; 4) distribution could be simplified, making it very easy for bombs to be planted in important and critical places. "Consideration of these possibilities does not make for complacency," he stated.

"Has there been a defense perfected against the atomic bomb?" Again Dr. Gaines chose the negative answer. The plan to provide ourselves with a striking force so large and inclusive that the moment we were attacked, we could retaliate immediately and effectively, he regarded as impractical. The proposal to move industry underground he rejected as un-

sound on the basis that transportation could never do this.

"Circumstances confirm that there is no defense. How I hate to say this! But someone has already said it before me and I am in argument. 'Start the next war or lose it.'"

"Can we, or should we, keep the secret?"

Dr. Gaines for the third time answered with a simple and unqualified "no." It is probably not a secret after all. Germany failed to develop the bomb only because of her economic condition. Russian scientists have been awarded the "Stalin Prize" for their "discovery of the spontaneous disintegration of uranium." There is no way of telling just how much they know now and there is nothing at all to prevent them from eventually perfecting their present store of knowledge.

To his fourth question, "Can police control on an international scale be effective?", President

Gaines gave an encouraging answer. Inspection, he stated, could be made effective in many ways. First, there should be provided for, simple but well planned means of inspecting known and possible fields, production plants, and other connected resources. Also, type of ownership of valuable lands would be very limited and always subject to government control. The inspection would necessarily be open to all countries and by the same token, any country would be subject to inspection. Also, each country would be free to conduct its own independent laboratories.

The only real problem of control, then, is to combat the stubbornness, the sensitiveness, the jealousy and inferiority complex of other nations. Participation must necessarily be whole-hearted and unrestricted.

"Is inspection the final answer to the problem of the atomic bomb and its allied sources of de-

struction?" Dr. Gaines answered in the negative. "We cannot pin the problem merely on police control, for unassisted that will sometimes fail. We must remove the very causes of war. Mankind now, is on an isthmus between two worlds. The atomic bomb has hurled down the foundations of the old world we knew and the one ahead will depend on what we do today."

"...inspection and police control are not the final answer. We must substitute reason for hysteria, love for hatred, justice for violence. The final answer must lie in faith, hope, and love. And the greatest of these is love."

This address was the first in a series of speeches to be held on our campus under the sponsorship of the International Relations Club. Jon Rugel, president of the group, stated that the subsequent speakers and topics are not definite enough for publication at this time.

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How to Build a House

You can't build a house that will survive time and the elements, unless that house is based on a solid, concrete foundation. The structure of the wall must be firm, the timber must be sturdy, the bricks well-baked and carefully laid, the inhabitants reasonably prudent in living and caring for that house—or it will fall.

And when you build a school, the foundations must be just as solid, the structure just as firm, the students just as prudent, or it will fall in ruin.

The foundation of Washington and Lee is solid—it is the character and personality of Robert E. Lee. Its structure is firm because it is built around the honor system, which is a reflection of the moral conscience of Lee. And to our knowledge, this is the only university where the Honor System really works. Why? Because it follows in the paths of Lee. Our student body is prudent because it is made up of students who are molded by the rules of conduct and of dress which was characteristic of Lee.

But no house will stand forever, no matter how strong the structure and foundation, it is bound to weaken from age or obsolescence in the original arch. Remodeling is necessary if its structure is to remain solid. Old structures must be torn down and new ones installed to keep in pace with progress.

Washington and Lee is passing through a critical stage in its development. Its foundation is solid but its structure is weakening. During the war years Washington and Lee was a nucleus of its former self. Some changes were necessary. But there was more school spirit when the student body numbered 175 than there is now with an enrollment of 454. There is something wrong. Old students are returning, but they are waiting for the old Washington and Lee that they left. Here lies the danger! We must act now, not later when everyone has returned—or else that "later" will never come.

What must be done now? The answer to this question is not important, so long as something is done. The man who isn't interested in any school paper until the Ring-tum Phi returns; the former Glee Club member who is not going to re-join until the Glee Club is about to make another trip to New York—it is this type of sentiment for which we must watch out. It is fine to wish for the return of fraternities; but it would be fatal if everyone did nothing but wait for their return, and failed to enjoy the present.

There is another aspect of our decreased student body which we must not forget. Washington and Lee is still in a plastic state of reconversion. It is now that if new organizations or traditions are to be established at Washington and Lee, they should be begun; and if there are any cobwebs to be swept out, it is now that it must be done. For instance, it is absurd to think that W & L and V.M.I. could not successfully carry on collegiate intercourse, just because it has not been done for a long time. A spirit in which friendly competition can be carried on must be substituted for this legacy from the past.

Post-war Washington and Lee is still in its formative stage. The Honor System is an indestructible foundation. But the superstructure is now in our hands, to model as we want it. Now is the time to tear down some of the old structures and build new ones. Whether we like it or not, the course that we—the students at W & L, right now—choose to take during the remainder of this semester, will set the course for the student body for the next decade.

Reporter-at-Large

By Charley McDowell

One of the handiest items around any newspaper office is the World Almanac. Whenever a filler is needed, the Makeup Editor simply glances in the Almanac and comes up with one of those "Did - you - know - that - there are 7,460,013 kangaroos in Australia" squibs that you see filling holes in every paper in the country. The Almanac's staff of kangaroo counters and tom-tom tabulators is as necessary to most editors as the Associated Press.

This week we looked into the 1946 World Almanac to find out the national debt per capita of Northern Rhodesia (we have always wanted to know) and found the book so interesting we couldn't lay it down. Some of the information, in fact, is so vital that we decided to pass it on to you.

For instance, did you know that generally speaking the less you weigh the longer you will live? Regardless of weight, a one-year-old can expect to live 48 more years, says the Almanac. If we were girls,

it adds, we would live 52 years more. A person one hundred years old has about 1.9 years to go, according to the Almanac's statistics; a person a hundred and ten had better not make his appointments too far ahead, it cheerily implies.

We were amazed to learn that during the existence of the PWA, it constructed 17,432 outhouses all over the United States. Mary Baldwin College fumbled its golden opportunity.

We were also glad to see that Bette Davis is only thirty-eight years old (she has 35.91 years to go, says the Almanac grimly), that Bob Hope is forty-three, and that Joan Fontaine was born in Tokyo and has no birth certificate. Lauren Bacall doesn't know where she was born, and if she knows how old she is, she ain't telling.

There are 12,447 people in the United States engaged in making caskets and coffins and they absolutely do not belong to the Can-

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OUT ON A LIMB

By Marshall S. Ellis

Recently an editorial appeared in this paper under the heading, "Ties or T-shirts?" It dealt with the advisability of continuing the enforcement of conventional dress on the Washington and Lee campus.

And only this week the Forensic Union has seriously discussed the same matter.

Neither should have been justified by trends in student actions—but they were.

The most notable thing about Washington and Lee is the fact that through thick and thin, war and peace, the standards and traditions have remained not almost unchanged, they have remained absolutely unchanged. It is an undeniable fact that new students have difficulty adapting themselves to some of these customs. But even more irrefutable is this: **Every tradition and rule of conduct practised and enforced at Washington and Lee has been designed (and altered accordingly) to make every person leaving here a better gentleman.**

Conventional dress is such a custom.

Certainly there is nothing undignified about open neck shirts and bare arms. But they are not

conventional for the average gentleman, the majority of the men you know.

Protest on the grounds that coats and ties are uncomfortable is unjustifiable. During our normal school year it never gets so warm that they are a great discomfort. And if it should, there are allowances made, as they are made in business offices, for removing coats in classrooms.

This is not, after all, Miami or Hollywood where weather and fashions can force "conventional dress" down to little more than a loin cloth.

Climate, then, does not demand a change—and a two-hundred-year-old tradition says that it **must** not change; so why is the matter of a change being discussed at all? There is no need for it. Simple adherence to existing customs is all that is required.

At the present, the difficulty of buying new clothes presents a unique problem; but here again allowances are made.

Necessity is demanding no revision here; so if conventional dress is abolished we will be allowing a mere whim to defeat one of the oldest, and richest, and most valuable customs at Washington and Lee.

The Lighter Side

By Dave Guthrie and Bill Romaine

Show Team Faces "Harvey Girls" Thursday

A happy, adventurous, and tuneful treat is in store the last three days of the week, as MGM's long-awaited *Harvey Girls* hits the State. Judy Garland tops an all-star company including John Hodiak, Ray Bolger, Preston Foster, Virginia O'Brien, Kenny Baker, and Marjorie Main, who sing their way merrily through the "pioneer" days in old New Mexico. "The Atchison, Topeka, and the Santa Fe," a little ditty you might possibly have heard somewhere before, is the musical highspot of the affair; and it is staged altogether as effectively as was the now-infamous "Trolley Song" in "Meet Me in St. Louis," a picture, by the way, in many ways quite similar to this one. If you got a kick out of the former, as we most decidedly did, the "Harvey Girls" will go over great. Lavishly beautiful in technicolor, superbly cast, and just plain good throughout.

From the heart of the West to bombed-out London is a pretty far jump, but we'll have to make it, for on the preceding SunMon, Robert Donat and Deborah Kerr appear in Alexander Korda's *Vacation from Marriage*. Made in Britain during the actual war period, the movie reflects atmosphere perfectly, and though material and background are naturally rather sketchy, excellent acting and fine character portrayal more than compensate for it, and make this picture outstanding. At least it doesn't bear the stamp of Hollywood on it—a welcome relief; nor did it have to submit to the farce of passing Johnson Office standards. Thoroughly enjoyable and highly recommended by your reporter.

Thrown in between for the two-day mid-week run is a re-issue of Walt Disney's 1940 full-length color fantasy, *Pinocchio*. As a short feature, there is a tribute to our late President, titled "Fala at

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Men About Town . . .

By Russ Drake (in absentia) and Roy Witte

By unanimous vote of all questioned (two people and Jack Stietz) the past few glorious days have had few rivals in the current history of the mater we call alma. Now that the festivities have slowed to a near halt, the writers of your favorite column (applause) have returned with renewed determination to bore all and sundry with even more nonsensical drivel than usual. If you don't find your name mentioned (and you probably won't) it's because you either owe us money, or we want to sell you something. This, of course, is a deucedly feeble attempt to hide the fact that we neither saw, heard, nor felt a thing from early Friday, until late tomorrow . . .

Automotive Mayhem

Unusual diversion from the sordid affairs of the heart were two very thrilling adventures experienced by some of the more devil-may-care (but we're sure he doesn't) playboys of the campus . . . Sam Silverstein, an overnight (and nearly overturned) success since the arrival of his jeep, joined by several friends of the card table, lived the Sem more than somewhat when the now famous wagon caromed off three buildings and one chaperone, plowed up a newly seeded lawn and (in the course of human events) succeeded in aiding in the confirmation of several standing dates for fellow travellers . . . In the same vein, though not the same machine, Jim Watson and some other bowery bum, defied the elements and death in a thrill-a-minute cruise from Lynchburg to Lexington in a 1929, Franklin, single engine, air-cooled, in-line sport coupe. The trip was uneventful in toto, if toto doesn't include the slide down the long Blue Ridge Mountain with the co-pilot riding herd on an emergency brake that didn't exist, or the strictly instrument flying with only one trump card—other cars have lights. The only disheartening note of the entire voyage was the fact, that (excerpt from Jim's well kept log) at 1731 the washbucklers "sighted pure country girl—unimpressed by city slickers in high powered automobile . . .

Two Homicidal Objects

At several of the former frat, not turned boarding houses, which dot the merry little town that we call (among other things) Lexington, life proceeded in its customary Dance Set form, for two very long and very very delightful evenings . . . Judge Pettus, foremost exponent of the rights of man, nearly lost one of the rights that is dearest to his heart—the right to life. Judge seemed sure that his recurrent (and skillful) recitation of the Gettysburg address would be appreciated by two very enamoured young creatures on a lounge love seat. The fact that it was approximately (one day either way) four thirty in the morning and that such an hour is customary for sleep or romance, made no difference to the judicial expert. For all we know he might still be there if it were not for a fully loaded forty five brought hastily into play. J. W. Davis, after being given the boot from Miss Margaret's dine, dance, and what-have-you, club, did a very good job in a nearby institution . . . Judd Rhea, who didn't get the boot because he lives there, just did a very good job . . . Chas Belcher, with one of the more worldly wise women of our short experience (you'll read about her famous telegrams at a later date and in a different section) proved himself a connoisseur of womanhood, and a devilishly competent wolf. In the latter art, he so excels, that from our friend Cooley, are still heard yells . . . Longfellow wasn't made in one day either . . .

Two More Friends—Lost

Of course this is all hearsay, and undoubtedly the hearsayer is an out and out liar, but some drunken companion told this story and finished with an oath as to its veracity . . . Chad Smith and "Tiny Tim" Bowman had very urgent business in a town to the north of here, namely Staunton, Virginia. Naturally, with business of this nature (and we do mean nature's business) both gentlemen were in no uncertain hurry to reach this town, which we have already stated was north of here. The perilous journey was scarcely begun when the car that bore both came to the outskirts of Steele's Tavern (pop. 363). For some yet-to-be-explained reason, Bowman had business to attend to on a southbound bus that was firmly planted in the middle (exactly twelve feet from the outskirts) of the town. (If the two charmers that returned with him happen to be his business, we're applying for a job.) It seems that Lucy Barger and companion just happened to be on this very same bus and that they were going to Lexington. Of course, the fact that the car that they were talked into entering was heading north made no impression on the now hapless damsels. We still aren't sure of the exact nature of the transactions that went on in the Oldsmobile, but we do know that it came to a screaming halt at the Waynesboro cutoff, that two young ladies leaped out, and that Miss Lucy Barger of Lexington looked a trifle chagrined and just a small dab tired at the Saturday night dance . . .

Generalizing . . .

By Bill Burton

This week the intramural athletic program gets under way again after a brief respite due to examinations. With the addition of two new teams in the league, all signs point to a successful semester in intramurals. Since basketball will be the first sport, let's go down the list of teams and see how they shape up.

The "darkhorse" this time seems to be the Redskins. As this squad is composed of all new men there is no way of telling how they will fare against the others, but we are sure they will hold their own through the round-robin schedule. The other new team entered is the Law School. The two most impressive players on this aggregation are Capt. Gus Stombeck and tall "Rocky" Stephenson. Stombeck possesses a good set shot and Stephenson should be a big help under the boards, but otherwise we'll just have to wait and see.

The most potent contender for the title at the present is the Phi Psi. Armed with such ballplayers as Capt. Bruce West and Don Moxham, and ably assisted by Fritchie, Yankee, Rowe and Cranford, it looks like this team is headed places. However, a lot depends on whether West will be able to play—earlier in the year he had to quit the varsity because of a leg injury and it is doubtful whether he will play or not. Another strong outfit seems to be the ZBT's, with "Buck" Bouldin, Steve Ramaley, Floyd McKenna and Jack Crist. But Crist is another doubtful man, as he has five labs a week and the chances are he won't get out in time to play. Still, the Zeb's are one team to look out for and with a little luck they should be right up there.

The unpredictable Pi Phi's should bear watching too—Humphries, Oder, Witte and Zrike are not novices at the game and with some team play anything might happen. SAE and Lambda Chi look pretty weak at this stage but Doswell and Flanagan will help their respective clubs. Last year Doswell sparked the Phi Psi's to many a championship; if he can keep up his fiery spirit the SAE's will upset more than one team through the season.

Going out on a limb and making predictions is slightly out of our field; but three teams to watch are Phi Psi, ZBT, and Pi Phi with the Redskins a certain "darkhorse" in the league.

Law School and Redskins Added As I-M Teams

The next intramural basketball games will be played on Feb. 25, at 4:30 in the afternoon. The teams playing will be ZBT vs. Pi Phi and the Redskins vs. Lambda Chi. This semester two new teams have been added: the Law School, playing as a unit, and the Redskins. This team is made up of the new men just entering the university. Some of these men have been added to the old teams to balance them up. Due to this, each team should be better than last semester.

Mr. Twombly announced that each house would have its own team next year, the non-fraternity men will also have teams. These teams will be run by the men themselves under the supervision of the Department of Hygiene.

Call for Football Managers

Cap'n Dick Smith has issued a call to all freshmen and sophomores that are interested in becoming football managers to report to "Dink" Foerster, senior manager, in the gym on the afternoon of Monday, February 25. "Dink" is anxious to get the managers organized as soon as possible, since spring football practice is about to get under way.

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Sports

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VPI Humbles Hapless Generals 69-23 To Win State Championship

Wood Leads Scorers With Seven Points

By W. C. Bolen

A red-hot VPI quintet rolled over a listless W & L five Tuesday night by the lop-sided score of 69-23 in Blacksburg. Holding sway in every department, the Gobblers completely outclassed anything the Generals could offer, and the victory cinched the "Big Six" title for the Techmen. To quote an unidentified spectator following the fray, "VPI could have tossed in the kitchen sink for two points if they'd been using it." And so it seemed, as everything the winners hurled at the hoop went through.

VPI early waved high its banner of superiority as they tallied an amazing twenty-one points before Tobyansen slipped in a one-handed field goal from the foul circle for the Blues. But led by Foltz, the Gobblers continued merrily on their way with five more before Vierbuchen banked in a set shot from the deep left. Following three Gobbler points, George Wood, the evening's high scorer for the Blues, connected with an over-the-shoulder attempt. The Techmen advanced, unimpeded to a 37-6 lead; Bean then dropped in a foul shot for the Generals, but the conquerers marched ahead and left the floor at half-time on the very long end of 40-7 count.

It looked as if the W & L courtmen were going to make a terrific comeback at the beginning of the second half as Wood and Lee touched the twine for five points to the Gobblers four. However, the third string Techman carried on the attack and jumped to a 50-12 advantage. Hal Lauck tapped in a rebound, and, trailing a VPI tally, Wood took a pass from Roehl and laid it in. The victors went on and soon had a 67-21 lead. VPI's coach, George Proctor, then entered his first string which

started a teasing campaign of freezing the ball and refusing to give the dismayed losers a chance with it. Harris, VPI forward, was fouled as the Generals fought desperately for possession of the ball. The attempt was good but gave the ball to the Generals, and Vierbuchen made good the opportunity with a short one-hander. Ruddell ended the massacre by dropping in a foul try.

Every man, except one, on the VPI squad added to his team's total with Reed copping the honors with eight. Wood led the W & L attack with seven, but the Blue hardwooders were no match for their adversaries as they suffered their eighth consecutive defeat.

WRIST WATCH LOST

A Chase wrist watch was lost somewhere between the dorms and Washington Hall on Monday, February 4. Name C. C. Brooks engraved on side. Please return to Room 124 Dorm. Reward.

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VPI-69

	G	F	T
Ruddell, f	0	4	4
Farrar, f	3	0	6
Wellman, f	1	2	4
Harris, f	1	0	2
Ashburner, f	3	0	6
Andrews, f	3	1	7
Reed, c	3	2	8
Lampson, c	1	4	6
Tilson, c	2	3	7
Bushkar, g	2	0	4
Gallup, g	2	0	4
Bird, g	1	0	2
Marousek, g	2	0	4
Foltz, g	1	2	4
Beard, g	0	1	1

Totals 25 19 69

W & L-23

	G	F	T
Lee, f	1	0	2
Bean, f	0	3	3
Zinovoy, f	0	1	1
Tobyansen, f	1	0	2
Wood, c	3	1	7
Chidsey, c	0	0	0
Vierbuchen, g	2	0	4
Lauck, g	1	0	2
Roehl, g	0	0	0
Chamberlin, g	1	0	2

Totals 9 5 23

Score at half: VPI, 40; W & L, 7.

Free throws missed: VPI—Ruddell, Ashburner, Reed, Andrews, Tilson, Bird, Foltz. W & L—Bean, 2; Tobyansen, 3; Lauck; Wood; Roehl, 2.

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Mr. Twombly has also announced that he is going to start a towel service. Students who want to use this will pay the price of a towel to start with, after that a charge of five cents will be made on each towel used.

Football Practice Postponed

Mr. Art Lewis has announced that due to the bad weather and the difficulty in obtaining football equipment, football practice will be postponed until March 18.

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Monogram Club

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for this dance has been organized, the plans have not yet been approved. Such approval, according to secretary George Wood, is pending the return of Dean Gilliam.

Present at this initial post-war meeting were: John Rulevich, Paul Cavaliere, Frank Diloretto, Jim Humphries, Jack Roehl, Ev Schnider, Dick Spindle, George Wood, Al Overton, Fred Pitzer, Bud Keeland, Floyd McKenna, and Eddie Marx.

Golfers Meet Wednesday

The next meeting of the golf class will be held at 3 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon.

It is to be understood that this class is for men who don't know how to play golf and who wish to learn.

Reporter-at-Large

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ners and Packers Union—they have one of their own. Paper bag and button manufacturing are America's 164th and 165th ranking industries, respectively. Before the war, there were 223,660,000 gallons of whisky produced in the United States, not counting gin and rum, says the Almanac.

The Almanac also says that Bob Hope has the most popular radio program, followed in order by Information Please, Benny, Allen, and Crosby. Crosby is the most popular male singer and Sinatra is way back in fourth place. In its list of famous Americans of all time, the Almanac includes only two people named Jones. The Adams, Fields, and Vanderbilts lead the list. In Russia, the best bet for fame is to be named Zhukovski.

In the field of sports, the Almanac has almost too many facts. In 1939, for instance, Irving Crane made 309 consecutive balls in a game of straight pool. The University of Kentucky, incidentally, was disqualified from the National Intercollegiate Pool Tournament for using an ineligible player. A fellow from Austria jumped 351 feet on skis and Johnny Vandermeer pitched two consecutive no-hitters on June 11 and 15 in 1938. But this could go on forever. (The column, not Vandermeer. He went to the shower in the third inning of his next game.)

The World Almanac costs one dollar, which means the average American could buy 1,117 of them a year if he wanted to.

The Lighter Side

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Hyde Park," said to be really worthwhile.

From Heaven to Hell: MonTues., **People Are Funny**—as indeed they are if they take this one in—Jack Haley, Rudy Vallee, Ozzie Nelson, and Frances Langford. Based on the radio show of the same reputation. Uh-uh.

Another re-issue Wednesday, Alan Ladd and Veronica Lake's

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