

2-Day Cut Will End Second Summer Term Wednesday, Aug. 28

Old Students Register On Sept. 12th or 14th, New Men on Friday 13th

Two days have been cut off the second semester of the Summer Session, it was announced recently by Registrar Magruder Drake, so that the session will end on August 28 instead of on August 30. This action was taken at a recent faculty meeting, at which the calendar for registration was decided.

Activities in preparation for the Fall Semester will begin on September 12, when Rush Week will begin; on the same day, at 9:00 a.m., psychological tests will be given to all new students; from 9:30 to 11:30, it will be possible for old students to register if they desire; from 2:00 to 4:30 in the afternoon there will be registration for transfer students, students on academic probation, and pre-war students returning for the first time.

On Friday, September 13, registration for incoming freshmen will occur and on Saturday the 14th, there will be the compulsory registration for all old students who did not register on the previous Thursday. All men must register, Drake said, on the day assigned regardless of any previous registration during the spring or summer. Failure to do so, he warned, will entail a fine of \$3.00 for each day of delay in registration.

Classes will begin on Monday and Rush Week will come to an end on the following Thursday. All upperclassmen as well as new men will be expected to meet all academic assignments as usual in the three-day interim.

Drake Asks Co-operation In Care of Dormitories

Students are damaging the dormitory rooms and furnishings excessively, according to a protest made by Dormitory Manager Tom Wilson to a reporter of *The Columns* recently.

Wilson said that, while he realized the rooms were always subject to the run-of-the-mill wear and tear, he felt that certain disfigurements to the walls and desks were out of the ordinary, and, unless the men living in the dorms show a little restraint in their living habits, corrective measures would have to be introduced.

When the Army personnel left the first of this year, the Administration spent a large sum of money to have the dormitory put in first class condition and Wilson expressed the desire to keep it as well repaired as possible through the cooperation of those living in it.

He further stated that, if at any time the occupants find something wrong, they should report the deficiency to him so it may be remedied as quickly as possible. He emphasized that damaged plumbing and lighting should be reported at once as well as any dissatisfaction with the janitor service or other items pertaining to the supervision of the dormitory.

10,000 Applications Set All-Time W. and L. Record

Washington and Lee has received over ten thousand inquiries and applications for admission from World War II veterans according to Mrs. James D. Starling, wife of Dr. Starling of the Biology Department, who is in charge of answering these inquiries.

Mrs. Starling said that she is working at top speed to keep up with this influx of queries and has sent out ten thousand cards and letters since January of this year. This correspondence exceeds the total number of answers to students seeking information about admission that had been made during the past ten years.

Reclassification Seen Possible For Ex-Trainees

Ex-AST, V-12 Trainees Without Further Service Liable for Reinduction

By Dale Johnson

All ex-servicemen, now classified as 1-C, who did not serve at least six months of active duty, exclusive of time spent in college training programs, are to be considered for re-induction, according to Colonel Joel D. Griffing, State Director of Selective Service. Only the men who served over six months active duty, or who served outside the continental limits of the United States are exempt from this reclassification.

According to Miss Beatrice Price, Clerk of the Lexington Draft Board, more ex-navy men will be effected than Army men in this new revision of regulations. The reason for this is the fact that the biggest part of the Army's college program expired early in 1944. The age bracket for these re-inductees will be, according to recent Congressional legislation, from 19 to 29 years, and the period of active service will be eighteen months. As yet, it is too early to estimate how many men will be effected by this particular change in policy, however, this action is but one of several revisions included in the State Headquarters Circular, received a few days ago.

The announcement further added that all men between the ages of 26 and 29, who were at one time found physically unfit for general military service will be reconsidered for induction. A revision of more local interest is the elimination of deferments until the end of a semester, in the case of undergraduate college students.

Of the provisions regarding deferment there were only three. High school students, agricultural workers, and those men "determined by the local boards to be indispensable and irreplaceable to the national existence," are to be deferred as long as they remain in these categories.

Many Navy men, who were pursuing courses in the V programs, were scheduled to be discharged en masse shortly after V-J Day. Naval officials, however, foresaw the present revisions in the draft, and released these men to civilian

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Calendar

Monday, July 29: Forensic Union to discuss a student-operated laundry in Student Union at 7:30 p.m. Assimilation Committee to meet at Student Union at 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, July 30: Executive Committee to meet in Student Union at 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, July 31: Interfraternity Council to meet in Student Union at 5:00 p.m.
Thursday, Aug. 1: Stamp Club meets in Student Union at 7:00 p.m. Wives Club meets in Student Union at 8:00 p.m.
Friday, August 2: *The Columns* news staff to meet in Student Union at 7:30 p.m.

E-C Will Select Cheerleader

McDowell, Tom Fleming, Dodson Head EC Finance

The head cheerleader for the 1946-1947 term will be appointed by the Executive Committee at its next meeting on Tuesday night. All men who wish to be considered for this appointment are directed to submit their application to any member of the Executive Committee or to send the application to Post Office Box 693. All applications should be submitted in time to reach the Committee by seven p.m. Tuesday.

Acting Secretary Charley McDowell stated that no qualifications are required for this position except an interest in cheerleading. However, previous experience will be an asset. In addition to the head cheerleader five or six associate cheerleaders will be chosen at a later date by the head cheerleader.

Finance Committee

At its meeting Tuesday night at the Student Union the Executive Committee also swore in Ryland Dodson as Acting-President, Add Lanier, Vice-President of the Student Body, who had been acting as president in John Fox's absence, will not be in school for the second term this summer.

In addition the Committee also chose three of its members to be the temporary Financial Committee this summer. The three are Tom Fleming, Ryland Dodson and Charley McDowell. The permanent committee is composed of McDowell, Lanier, and Fox.

Also, in line with Executive Committee activities, Dodson Wednesday night met with ten new students to explain the doctrines of the Honor System as practiced here at Washington and Lee. This meeting follows the general policy of assimilating all incoming students at the earliest possible moment, and Dodson again stressed the importance of all new students understanding the Honor System.

Vagabonds Selected to Play For Second Informal Dance Scheduled for August 10th

IFC Forbids Serving of Beer and Whiskey in Coming Rush Week

By Ray Winder

At the meeting of the Inter-Fraternity Council on Wednesday afternoon, plans were discussed for the formal activation of the fraternity houses this fall. Also discussed was the problem of refreshments for rush week.

Announced by Al Philpott was the decision of the Inter-Fraternity Council by vote that alcoholic beverages as refreshments will be done away with for the rush week period. It was thought by the members of the council that, due to the shortage of beer in and around Lexington and due in part to the reduced budget under which most of the fraternities will be operating this fall, this was the most practical and sensible plan to adopt.

Plans were discussed for the

co-operative purchasing of food by all of the fraternities operating dining room this fall. Nothing definite was decided on this plan at the meeting, but the matter will be taken up in subsequent meetings of the council. By this method of buying food for the fraternity dining rooms, it was believed that both supplies and prices would be more satisfactory. Also mentioned was the matter of procuring servants for the fraternity houses this fall.

Announced also by Philpott was the fact that the Washington and Lee fraternities will be given additional publicity in the Freshman Handbooks this year. This will be done in order that acquaintance with the fraternities on the campus before they arrive at school.

Fitzpatrick Named By Dance Board as Arrangement Head

By Tom Hook

"We are to have another informal dance on August tenth," Gene Marable, President of the Dance Board announced Wednesday night. He also said that "a fine social calendar for Washington and Lee is taking shape, with a formal Opening Set scheduled for October 11 and 12, and a Fancy Dress Ball about the 25th of January."

The August Informal will be held in the Doremus gymnasium on Saturday night, August tenth. "The Vagabonds," popular orchestra from Roanoke, will furnish the music. The orchestra is larger than the Jack Saunders band which played for the last "Seersucker Dance," and has a female vocalist and a harmony trio. Bev Fitzpatrick has been put in charge of the Dance Board for the second summer dance, which will be similar to the one held July 13. "Although Fitzpatrick has not been a regular member of the Dance Board, we have chosen him to handle arrangements because he has experience in booking bands and has led dances before—notably 1943 Fancy Dress," Marable said.

Fitzpatrick has announced that the hours of the dance will be from 9:00 p.m. until mid-night. Advance sale of tickets will be sold for \$1.50 in advance and for \$1.75 at the door. "If the students support the second dance as well as they did the first, summer dances at the University will perhaps become a regular part of our social calendar," said Fitzpatrick. The new chairman of arrangements for the second summer dance explained that the date had been moved forward from the previously announced 17th to the 10th of August because the former date came to close to the final examination period of the summer session.

Opening Dances will be held October 11th and 12th, according to Marable, and students may well plan for dates now, since the set comes just a month after the start of the regular school year. "Charlie Belcher, president of Opening Dances, is negotiating for suitable orchestras, and has contacted Hal MacIntyre, Claude Thornhill, Tony Pastor, Charlie Spivak, and Johnny Long, among others.

Dorm Counsellors Named For 1946-1947 Session

The following men have been named counselors for the dormitory for the first semester of the 1946-1947 school year:

Ralph Davis, head counselor, Kappa Sigma, Farmville, Va.; Addison Lanier, head counselor, Beta Theta Pi, Danville, Ky.; Tom Wright, Arlington, Va.; Linwood Holton, Beta Theta Pi.; John Bonham, Riverdale, New York; Marshall Ellis, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Clarkedale, Miss.; Alfred Walters, Beta Theta Pi, Reading, Pa.; Roy Fahl, Swarthmore, Pa.

Eugene Hill, Phi Delta Theta, Americus, Georgia; John Fox, Sigma Nu, Ansted, W. Va.; Trent Siple, Staunton, Va.; Al Woodruff, Pi Kappa Alpha, Cocoa, Fla.; Paul Saunders, Phi Delta Theta, Little Rock, Ark.; Mason G. Robertson, Savannah, Ga.; Petrie Mitchell, Martinsville, Va.; and Roger Kimball, Delta Tau Delta, Needham, Mass.

Three outstanding students serving as counselors this year are: John Fox, president of the student body; Addison Lanier, vice-president; and Marshall Ellis, editor of *The Ring-tum Phi* for the 1946-1947 school year.

Navy Seeks Vets To Join Reserves

Naval Air Officer Here To Re-Enlist Veterans

Former Navy and Marine flyers and ground crew members will be interested to know that a representative of the United States Naval Air Reserve will be on this campus Friday, 26 July for the purpose of interviewing former officers and enlisted men who are interested in joining the Naval Air Reserve. Lt. E. J. Boatman, of the USNAR at Norfolk will be available for conference in the foyer of Washington Hall from 9:00-1:00 and 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

The USNAR will play an important part in the proposed Navy Reserve. It will provide for 6,100 Naval and Marine aviators, 2,800 ground officers and 18,000 enlisted Navy and Marine personnel.

The program will give personnel of the Organized Air Reserve 100 hours flying time each year. The aviators of the Volunteer Reserve will receive 50 hours flight training annually in modern fighters, bombers and scout planes. Former Naval Air ground officers and enlisted men and some non-aviation ratings will receive 48 drill periods per year. Participation in this program requires attendance only every third week-end.

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G.Snyder Victor In Atom Debate

Student-Worked Laundry Picked for Next Debate

After a spirited debate on the subject, "Resolved—That the United States Should Keep the Atom Bomb Process a Secret Until the Russian Government Gives up the Veta," the Forensic Union at its meeting on Monday night, decided in favor of the negative of the argument by a vote of 6-5.

K. R. Thompson, speaker for the affirmative, contended that Russia has given us no reason to believe that she is worthy of our trust in such an important matter. He maintained that Russia has on many occasions proved herself to be untrustworthy, and that it would be a mistake for the United States to give up the secret of the atom bomb to a country which might very easily use it as a weapon against the nation who gave it to her.

The negative added that it would be sheer foolishness for the United States to give up the only effective measure she has in helping persuade Russia to take her place in line as a peaceful nation.

The speaker for the negative, G. M. Snyder, based his talk on the fact that there can never be world peace as long as there are nations holding back secrets from other nations, particularly a secret as important and of such consequence as the atom bomb. Snyder stated that if every country were given the secret of the atom bomb process there would be no cause for suspicion and fear of intrigue among the nations since each would have the same weapon.

The subject to be discussed at the next meeting of the Forensic Union on Monday night is, "Resolved—That a Student Operated Laundry Should be established at Washington and Lee."

'Ladies Days' Scheduled

Student wives will be admitted free to the two home football games this fall, according to "Captain Dick" Smith, athletic director and spokesman for the faculty committee on athletics. The decision was made in complying with the University's policy of doing everything possible to make college life more enjoyable for the married veteran. Tentative plans call for seating the wives and students, who are also admitted free to the athletic contests, in a special section of the grandstand. The two games on Wilson field this year are the one with Hampden-Sydney, Oct. 5, and the tussle with the University of Richmond, Oct. 26.

Terminal Leave Pay in Bonds Battled by House In Defiance of President Truman and the Senate

By Bob Baker

With cries of "if cash is good enough for officers, it's good enough for the enlisted men," House supporters of cash payment of terminal leave pay for GIs planned to fight the Senate bond payment plan. That fight will be made in a Senate-House conference to which the Senate bill, passed by the Senate last Tuesday night, has been sent.

The Senate passed by voice vote the terminal leave bill which provides approximately \$3,000,000,000 in government bonds—not cash—for enlisted men in the armed services and those already discharged. The House had previously passed unanimously a bill providing for lump sum payment.

Although the measure was described by its Senate supporters as inflation insurance and a major step in ending the caste system of the armed forces, the bill was vigorously attacked by foes in the Senate as a "bonus in disguise" and a "raid on the Treasury."

President Truman sponsored the Senate changes, namely that

the payments be made in bonds instead of cash, and was supported by the Treasury and the Budget Bureau, which believed an immediate cash outlay would have had a serious inflationary effect.

Bonds Mature in 5 Years

The bonds would be dated at the time of the enlisted man's discharge and would mature five years thereafter, bearing 2½ per cent interest. The bonds being non-transferable, could not be assigned nor could loans be made against them. They would be tax free, except for interest. The result of the plan would be the staggering of payment from 1948 through 1952 and would be an advantage from the budgetary and fiscal standpoint.

Discharged enlisted men would receive compensation up to a maximum of 120 days pay, on the basis of 2½ days leave for each month of service, less time actually spent on furloughs.

Cash payments would be made on claims less than \$50 and would go also to those who were dis-

charged before January 1, 1943, to the survivors of those who died after discharge, but not to the survivors of those enlisted men who died in service, because they have received a half-year of pay and dividends.

Men who served both as officers and enlisted men would be eligible for payments since they were actually discharged as enlisted men at the time they were commissioned and were reinducted as officers.

All claims would have to be submitted within one year after the proposal becomes law. A sworn statement by the veteran would be accepted as to the terminal pay due him.

Foes Attack Measure

Senator Joseph H. Ball (R-Minn.), leading opponent to the bill, supported by Senator Robert A. Taft (R-Ohio), suggested that mustering out pay be deducted from each GI's bond grant, but the Senate voted his proposal down. Ball claimed that the talk of the Army-Navy caste system

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Mississippi's Mr. Bilbo

The voters of the State of Mississippi have returned the country's top-ranking national disgrace to the Senate for six more years. Barring a Republican upset, which is about as likely as a Negro voter, "The Man" Bilbo is going back to Washington to preach hate and obstruct legislation desired by the majority of the American people. Despite the opposition, not only of the people of the other forty-seven states, but of a vast majority of the people of Mississippi, Mr. Bilbo will be an accredited member of the United States Senate.

In Mississippi "voters" and "people" refer to two different groups. Roughly, though, "voters" can be defined as those who are for Mr. Bilbo, and "people" as those who are not allowed to vote against Mr. Bilbo. The population of Mississippi is made up 50 per cent by Negroes, who, if allowed to vote, would certainly overwhelmingly defeat Mr. Bilbo. But in Mississippi Negroes are only people, not voters; the state election laws say that before any person can qualify as a voter he must interpret part of the Constitution. If Thomas Jefferson, himself, were to appear in Mississippi and declare an intention of voting against "The Man," he would find that "interpreting the Constitution" is a difficult task indeed. As a result of this "selected voter" system, Mr. Bilbo won the Democratic nomination with the votes of only 10 per cent of the State's adult population.

This year enough sentiment had been built up against "The Man" to make defeat more than a bare possibility. In fact, it is probable that if the Fair Employment Practices bill had not come before the Senate until after the election, Mr. Bilbo would have been beaten in the primary. But his filibuster, which so enraged almost everyone else, was music to the ears of Negro-conscious Mississippians. Consequently, men who would otherwise vote against the little man, voted for him, because they trust him to keep Negroes from working next to their daughters in the cotton mills. Sly old Bilbo's filibuster was his best campaign speech.

There are going to be Bilbo's in Congress year after year until we either educate the South or give election control to the Federal government. One will be about as difficult to accomplish as the other. So far, the people of the United States seem to prefer the Bilbo's to the other alternatives.—C.M.

"Sunshine Scholars"

"These are the times that try men's souls. The summer soldier and the sunshine patriot will, in this crisis, shrink from the service of their country . . ." Those famous words of Thomas Paine, written to bolster up the courage of the patriots during the Revolutionary War would have to be rewritten to be apropos to summer school. We are not saying that this is a crisis or emergency. However, it is true now that the half-mark has been passed, it will be increasingly difficult to concentrate and study as the days grow hotter and the body more weary in the second semester of this record-breaking (in attendance) summer school.

In order for all to get the most out of the courses given here this summer, there must be cooperation on the part of all concerned. The faculty faced with large classes and long periods in which to lecture has no easy road to travel. The consideration of the students in giving full attention and refraining from unnecessary squirming and groaning will help. This leads up to a point where the faculty can help the student keep from wriggling and groaning as the seats grow harder and harder throughout their hour and a half occupancy. Some of the faculty are giving a five-minute break at the forty-five minute mark for a stretch and a drink of water or a smoke, and it is urged that the remainder seriously consider this plan. With student cooperation in not extending the period, this break will prove a time of renewal so that the last half of the lecture will provide as much benefit as the first.

Cooperation has seen this country through many emergencies in the past and has always been one of the high points of life at Washington and Lee. How about it—let's put the "summer student and the sunshine scholar" among the most productive in the best tradition of the school.—W.P.

Reporter-at-Large

By Charley McDowell

The rumor that Jim Lindsey will return to Washington and Lee in the fall has been received by those who remember him



McDowell

much as those who don't would receive the news that a three-ring circus is coming to town. One old pre-war student told us that it is the greatest thing that's happened to W. and L. since Lee turned down the insurance company job. As we understand it, from fairly reliable sources, the Great One plans to delve into the Law; it should be an interesting battle.

Back in 1935, there came out of Ringgold, Virginia, the one and only Jim Lindsey. For the next seven years he kept everyone at W. and L. laughing or getting ready to laugh. He was completely unpredictable and regularly did and/or said whatever wasn't expected. When he arrived at W. and L. he had never played a game of football; when he left, seven years later ("Hell, I like it here") he was All-State. He learned to play football because nobody expected him to, and because he was the roughest man, or the next roughest, in the country. Jim usually played reasonably clean football, but in the hectic West Virginia game in 1939 he lost his temper. All through the game a huge opposing tackle gave Jim a bad time; he roughed out hero generally and finally, in the last quarter, slugged him with his fist. Jim strode back to the huddle and enlisted the aid of his friend and fellow-guard, Dorsey Wilson, for the next play. Then as both teams crouched, tensely awaiting the snap of the ball, Jim stood straight up with his hands on his hips and yelled, "Timber-r-r-r!" The ball

was centered, the lines clashed, and the big tackle was carried off the field, quite senseless.

Jim's first official meeting with the President of the University came about under very strange conditions, and the Ringgold Kid performed in his usual unpredictable manner. It seems that there was a formal dance in the gym and that Jim was upstairs in full dress suit, except that he was barefoot. Thinking to join the merry dancers, he started down the steps; at the landing he found himself face to face with Dr. and Mrs. Gaines, both looking unbelievably at his unshod feet. Jim smiled amiably, and sighting down a stubby forefinger at the amazed couple, said, "Rat-tat-tat-tat, you're both dead as hell!"

Like a lot of the football players, Jim worked in the old Co-op during his off hours. There he argued and joked with the loafers and sold cokes and text-books to the customers. Once a belligerent little freshman came in and asked for a political science book. Jim got it for him and asked for \$5.00 or whatever the book cost. "That's robbery," said the freshman, "why does this old book cost so much?" Jim felt sorry for the little boy having to part with his five dollars and felt he deserved an explanation. He glanced at the cover, and seeing that the book was written by Ogg and Ray, his face brightened. "Son, whenever you buy a book that's wrote by two authors, it's your butt."

Jim left W. and L. in 1941, but went right on being Jim Lindsey. He joined the Navy Air Corps with his buddy, Pres Moore, and took to flying easily. Then one day, when Jim and his former teammate, Pres, were flying formation, some bit of scenery caught his attention. A grinding sound caused him to look ahead, and lo, he found that his propeller had cut Pres' trail off. Both parachuted to safety with no serious injuries.

On the Other Hand . . .

By B. Judy

It is a curious oceanographical oddity, but since the year 1921, when the Irish question was settled except for an occasional civil war, a huge tidal wave has rolled onto American shores, annually depositing a mass of British criticism of our schools, our theatre, our beer, our women and/or our speech.

The latest periodic assault, still continuing, is aimed particularly at the "American language." From the hallowed ape of famed Eton College comes the assertion that "England is being invaded by an army of ill-bred, offensive words," and the bon savants of Eton hold us responsible. The whole thing started again recently, it seems, when Professor T. Smythe-Hempstead, lecturer in Tiberian folklore at Eton, tried to squeeze into a loaded lift (elevator, in the vulgar American) and the lift man, a glassy-eyed commoner, replied to his desperate plea by shouting, "Nuts to you, brother," and slammed the blooming door. From that moment on, Professor Smythe-Hempstead became one of the leading critics of the American language.

Another vigorous and equally silly caveat came from George Orwell, the London literary critic, who decided recently that not only the American speech, but the entire English language, is going to hell because it is becoming too ugly, foolish and inaccurate. Unfortunately, these cultural barbs are usually defended in this country by a certain class—mostly pedagogues and social aspirants—who still look to England as the Romans long looked to Greece, and who habitually pronounce either as "eyether," dance as "dawnce," and potato as poetawtoe." Actually, eyether pronunciation is acceptable, the only difference being that the former is a natural Americanism, while the latter is an affected adaptation of Standard, or Oxford, English.

It is being recognized both here and abroad that our American speech is a language in itself, and not a dialect of Standard English. As a matter of fact, progressive students are tending to refer to Standard English as a dialect of the American language. As an English scholar, William McAlpine, writing in the New Republic, put it: "When 130,000,000 people who use a certain language decide to call it a freight-train instead of a goods-train, they are right; and the first is correct

English and the second a dialect." This criticism of the American language has been going on for over 200 years. It is, and has been, a losing battle, and one which has been carried on in this country by a group of Anglophiles found chiefly in our drawing rooms and in the halls of a few of our large universities. These stubborn individuals refuse to recognize the important fact that the basic purpose of a language is not to amuse the grammarian but to convey ideas, and the more simply and colorfully it can do this the better.

The contention that Standard, or Oxford, English is the most perfect form of English spoken—an idea held by a dwindling minority in this country—has been explored rather effectively by George Bernard Shaw, quite an Englishman himself, who once remarked that if the King of England ever made a radio address in Oxford English, his people would rise up immediately and proclaim a republic.

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Old Blue

Written with reference to the proposed razing of the famous Old Blue Hotel with apologies to O. W. Holmes, Sr.

Ay, tear the ancient structure down!
 That menace to our eye,
 Though many a weary stagecoach
 Would ne'er have passed her by
 Around her rang the battle-shout,
 And Hunter's cannon-roar,
 But man shall do what cannon failed,
 The "Blue" shall stand no more.
 Her halls once bright with candle-light,
 Where rest the weary band,
 When braves pushed west in spite of light
 To pioneer our land,
 No more shall be the monument
 Of noble years profound
 For men with sledge and drill
 Will tear her to the ground.
 It's better that her ancient walls
 Never again shall stand
 Since they were made of sand and clay
 Their home is in the land.
 Ink in the history well and true
 So those unborn shall know
 That even though her service ceased
 She was a great chateau
 R. Bolar Stephenson, Jr.

Campus Comment

By Roy D. Witte

"Long ago and far away, I had a date one day . . ." seems to be the current complaint of the stalwart bachelors of our proud university. The complete and utter dearth of women (at least of the fairly acceptable-to-dear-old-mom variety) in about our fair city has led to the equally current clamor for another dance that seems to have arisen from all sides. In true Dance Board fashion indecision was readily substituted for the desired swift action. One of the more baffling problems that threatened for some time to thwart the will of a substantial part of our loyal body of Minks was whether or not the dance should be formal. Thinking on the subject went something like this, "The informal dance was such a success, socially and financially, why not throw a formal?" ("Anyone that wants to dope this out will find no clues in Doctor Morton's courses). Also presenting a seemingly unsurmountable problem was lack of a sponsor. (The EC, representatives of the student body, can't go out and find a few capable people to run a dance, you must have a sponsor—tight T.O.). Brightening up the picture, somewhat, is the rather cheering fact that despite confusion and upset, toil and turmoil, things seem to come out alright at W. and L., miraculous as it sometimes might seem. Though we haven't read the rest of the paper, as yet, we have a feeling that something might have come of this by now—we can't wait to find out what . . .

To those of us who know and cherish the newly christened Phi Gam, Willie Hopkins, this little anecdote is of especial interest. To those who neither know, nor cherish (nor give a damn) at least passing interest might be stirred in the knowledge that one more W. and L. tradition has been carried on into the sordid world beyond our sanctified portals. Yes, indeed, young Willie (once known as the "Duncan Hines of American colleges and universities" . . . until he settled at Washington and Lee) has stayed in character. Long known for his eccentricities, and his famous, "When in Rome, do as the Chinese do," (which we suppose is like everyone else—the very best that they can), Willie is very much at home at Lynchburg college, this summer. Like so many other institutions of higher learning, LC has a student body more diversified in attire than in personalities, which means that during the

summer, you're liable to see anything from a bathing suit and T-shirt to dungarees and no shirt—or you're liable to see Willie, carrying on alone in strictly conventional attire . . .

America's public enemy number one must surely be the still unnamed culprit who created last Fall's one man crime wave in Lexington. Though we have no assurance from headquarters, we are presumptuous enough to presuppose that this individual's actions are the direct cause of the currently enlarged size of the Lexington constabulary. Please don't get us wrong, we are not definitely opposed to a strong force of defenders of the people. We might even add that we are somewhat in favor of it. We think it's right edifying to see their cleverly contrived uniforms, and the strapping young natives wearing them boasting shining badges and menacing looking pistols. We don't even find too annoying the wave of tickets for minor and often questionable traffic violations that has accompanied the increase in size of the force. We figure that the boys are entitled to a living like everyone else (they do help the school kids across dangerous intersections) and that one source of revenue is as good as another. We do find it just a little bit annoying, however, when the whole thing develops to a point where it seems as if a contest exists between the gendarmes of our own fair city and those of that blot on the mountains, seven miles east, to see which can secure the greatest number of unfair fines. Oh, hell, it's getting rough all over . . .

Show Team Time

By Bill Romaine

The State's Sunday-Monday presentation offers the work of an actor whose consummate ineptitude has been proven quite conclusively by the almost complete lack of talent he has displayed in certain productions released in the past three years. In addition to the hitherto incompetent acting of Willard Parker, **The Renegades** presents the uninspired thespian efforts of Larry Parks, another actor who has little of value to offer in the way of entertainment. It impresses us that Evelyn Keyes, the third star, can do little to lift an appallingly prosaic plot and a poor cast out of the doldrums which such a combination seems headed for. All that can be recommended about this production—if such attractions are commendable—are technical color and bloodshed. Take it or leave it.

On Tuesday and Wednesday **Somewhere in the Night** is scheduled for the two-day stint, the plot involving an old Hollywood stand-by, amnesia. John Hodiak plays the part of the afflicted young veteran, and with only a vitriolic letter from some long-lost lady acquaintance, he has a hard time with such a flimsy clue as evidence to his past. As is usually the case with such plots, the young hero, like Job, must extricate himself from more than one extremely annoying situation, and Hodiak is shouldered with a murder accusation, as well as the aforementioned loss of memory. Nancy Guild is present at the proceedings to aid our callow hopeful in solving his problems, and although she has handled only supporting parts in the past, her work shows promise worthy of note. In the widely-known Fidler jargon, (and we emphasize the true sense of the word) two and one half bells would be justified for a minimum prediction of this movie's value.

The Thurs-Fri-Sat niche is amply and satisfyingly filled with Bette Davis' new **A Stolen Life**, which, incidentally, is one of the first Bette Davis Productions to be released. Glenn Ford is Miss Davis' co-star, but this is unquestionably a Bette Davis effort throughout, which is not at all hard to take. The plot is concerned with two deceptions, motivated by diametrically opposed reasons, and engineered by twin sisters of entirely different per-

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Pigeonholing the Arts

By H. H. Hicks

In addition to giving the world a number of masterpieces of art, Leonardo da Vinci left a few notebooks containing his observations on plant, animal, and human life. These scribbled notes, as well as being invaluable to artists, are interesting to browse through for curiosity, if nothing else. A



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few of the notes are in reality prophesies. They are glimpses into the future, but as is true with all prophecies, one never knows it until after an event takes place. Your writer believes that Da Vinci, who died in 1519, incidentally, came as near to foreseeing the possibility of an atomic bomb as any other prophet. See what you think.
 "There shall come forth . . . that which shall cause the whole human race to undergo great afflictions, perils, and death . . . It shall prompt and incite wretched men to assassinate, to steal, and to enslave; . . . it shall take away life itself from many; it shall make men torment each other with many kinds of subterfuge, deceptions, and treacheries."
 ". . . it shall have no respect for no created thing, but its power shall be such as to enable it to transform almost anything from its natural condition.
 "There shall come forth . . . that which by its terrific report shall stun all who are near it and cause
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Generalizing . . .

By Don Moxham

Pooley Hubert's blast at the thievery at Annapolis and West Point has ignited a fuse which is causing sports writers all over the country to level their literary guns at the Army and the Navy. With five of his lettermen now at Annapolis, it is small wonder that the VMI coach got mad.

Hubert maintains that Annapolis, in accepting Lynn Chewning and Bill Noftsinger, took two boys who together had flunked eight subjects in their first semester at VMI. The acceptance of the boys cannot be in accordance with the regular scholarship standards of the academy. Now a big red-faced man in the front row pops up and demands to know how two players who flunked four subjects each would be eligible to play for VMI. The answer is that they made up some of the flunks this spring and were to have attended summer school at VMI.

Coach Hubert's accusations must have been pretty accurate, since the spokesmen for the academies have come up with some remarkable defenses. Earl Blaik, coach at West Point, said he would not "dignify such ridiculous accusations with any sort of a reply." How is the air up there, Mr. Blaik? For the Navy, Rear Admiral Ingersoll says that Chewning's brother, an Annapolis graduate in 1942, was killed during the war, and that young Chewning has been trying to enter the Naval Academy ever since. Only an admiral or a recruiting officer could come out with that. At any rate, Chewning is at Annapolis this summer, four flunks and all. Does the Admiral think he would be there if he weren't an all-conference fullback?

The recent departure from the service academies of several football players fails to spread an aroma of roses around the sports world. The Richmond Times-Dispatch carried on its editorial page a suggestion that all boys entering either Academy will sign up for four years, and if they fail to finish at one of the academies they should be made to serve the rest of the time in the regular army or navy.

More at West Point than at Annapolis in recent years, there has been a tendency to see just how high the score will go. Notre Dame will not forget easily the terrific drubbings handed them by the Cadets in 1944 and 1945. For many seasons, before huge crowds in the Yankee Stadium, Notre Dame held down the scores against outmanned Army elevens. In 1943, with Bertelli, Miller, Yonakor, Jimmy White and that crew, ND rolled up a 26-0 halftime lead over a previously undefeated Army team, but the second half showed a parade of Notre Dame subs, and the final read 26-0. Just one year later West Point rolled up 59 counters on the hapless Irish, playing Blanchard and Davis nearly the entire game. Every team on Army's schedule this year is pointing for that one game, and with the big boys back, Army is bound to get knocked off some Saturday.

W. and L. gained a split on the Norman brothers. Dyke will be here for the beginning of practice in August, but Pinky is definitely going to perform for the Purple Wildcats of Northwestern. Johnny "Lugger" Ligon may not be out of the navy in time for the 1946 season. A passer and kicker—Ligon has honorable mention All-American in 1941.

Two ex-Ring-tum-Phiers, Mal Deans and Earle Palmer Brown wrote the sports column of the News-Leader in the absence of the regular writer, Mal Deans, who formerly handled "Campus Comment," shocked the sports audience of the News-Leader by selecting Tami Mauriello to beat Joe Louis this fall.

Ace Parker, Duke's glory boy in the middle thirties, is the leading batter of the Piedmont League.

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NFU, SAE, Law School, and Phi Kaps Remain Unbeaten in Softball

Rain Slows Action as Deltas, PiKAs, Phi Deltas And Lawyers Are Victors

Despite the abbreviated softball play due mainly to rain and exams, the I-M league is moving right along with the SAEs leading the first division, and the Phi Kaps and Law School tied for first place in the second league.

New marks were set in the four games played. Bates Bryan, Phi Delt hurler shut out the KAs with only two hits, the best pitching of the season thus far. Against the Phi Psis, the Deltas scored 20 runs, also a record for both leagues.

Four teams are still very much in the running in both leagues, but by next week the real contenders should be determined.

The two games rained out on Monday will be played off at the end of the season.

PIKAs vs Betas

Scoring all their runs in the first and fifth innings the PIKAs kept themselves in the first division race by downing the Betas 9-4 Wednesday afternoon.

Johnny McRee started and although the Betas tapped him for single runs in the first, third, fourth, and sixth, the PIKA chucker had the game well in hand.

Vic Dalmas was the loser, but he was the victim of loose support in the first inning when the victors counted four times. After that first inning the game turned into a pitcher's battle with the Betas drawing up to within one run. The big blow in this rally was Fred Vinson's home run smash to left center field. However a five run sixth frame put the game away for the PIKAs.

ATO vs Sigma Chi

Playing with only seven men, the ATOs defeated the Sigma Chis 9-2 Tuesday afternoon. It was the first victory of the season for the ATOs.

Barry Pierce was the winning pitcher for ATOs. After giving up two runs in the first, he blanked the Sigma Chis the rest of the way. John Casey and Jack Guthrie both tried a hand at pitching for the hapless Sigma Chis.

The winning team scored as follows: two in the first, two in the third, one in the fourth, four in the fifth, and one more in the seventh.

Deltas vs Phi Psi

Taking advantage of numerous Phi Psi misplays, the Deltas batted out a 20-11 victory last Tuesday afternoon. This win broke a third place tie between the Deltas and Phi Psis. The PIKA victory Wednesday places them in third place also, both teams having two wins and one loss.

Don Moxham started for the Deltas and gave way to Nate Adams, Bill Harrelson, and Bill Kitchen, all of whom took turns on the mound. The Deltas scored seven runs in the first and added six more in the third to take a 13-0 lead. Ken Wilson, the Phi Psis' losing pitcher really deserved a better fate as most of the runs were unearned.

When the Phi Psis finally got

their batting eyes trained, it was too late. The Deltas total of 20 runs, and the game total of 31 are both records for the softball play this summer.

Phi Delt vs Kappa Alpha

Bates Bryan pitched a two hit shutout for the Phi Delt team Wednesday, to give the PDT's their second straight victory. Led by Baker, who had three hits during the game, the Phi Delt scored seven runs in the first inning, added one in the fourth, and closed with three runs in the sixth. Ed Burleson tossed them up for KA, and had some trouble with his control, although numerous errors in the infield were responsible for his defeat. The only Kappa Alpha scoring threat came in the first when they loaded the bases after two men were out.

FIRST DIVISION STANDINGS

SAE	3 - 0
NFU	1 - 0
Delt	2 - 1
PIKA	2 - 1
Phi Psi	0 - 2
Kappa Sig	0 - 3

Games Next Week

Monday, July 29: Phi Psi vs SAE
Tuesday, July 30: PIKA vs Delt
Wednesday, July 31: Kappa Sigma vs NFU
Thursday, August 1: Beta vs Delt
Friday, August 2: NFU vs SAE

SECOND DIVISION STANDINGS

Phi Kaps	2 - 0
Law School	2 - 0
Sigma Nu	2 - 1
Phi Delt	2 - 1
KA	1 - 2
ATO	1 - 2
Sigma Chi	0 - 3

Games Next Week

Monday, July 29: Sigma Nu vs Sigma Chi
Tuesday, July 30: KA vs ATO
Wednesday, July 31: Law School vs Phi Kaps
Thursday, August 1: Phi Delt vs ATO
Friday, August 2: Sigma Nu vs Law School

Whites Lead in I-M Golf

Rolling up nine points out of a possible sixteen, the Whites took a substantial lead in the intramural golf play. The Whites have totaled, in the three weeks competition, 24 1/2 counters, while the Reds and Blues have scored 15 and 11 1/2 respectively.

The results of Tuesday's rounds as follows: Stevenson defeated Wells and Ballenger, and Wells defeated Ballenger. In a foursome Scarfa come in first with Bannet, Moffatt, and Bagley following in that order. Rhea downed Cancelmo, while Cancelmo, in turn best-

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Saurs and Dyke Norman Are Leading Candidates

The lack of experienced candidates for the center position on this year's General eleven makes Art Lewis's job of turning the first Washington and Lee squad since 1942 into a winning combination appear more difficult. Already handicapped by weak prospects for the guard spots, the center of the line is weakened still more by having only six prospects with experience at the pivot post, although two former W. and L. backs may join the scramble for the starting nod at center.

When spring practice began in March, Mark Saurs, a 190-lb transfer from the University of Kentucky, was the only center who reported. After practice began, Bill Trigg, who is listed at 185lb, was moved from guard to center to make scrimmages possible during the practice sessions. Trigg's status remains doubtful, but Saurs still is a leading candidate for the position.

Saurs played some football as a reserve with the Kentucky team that romped over the 1942 Generals by a 53-0 score. Trigg's experience was as a high school back in his home town of Petersburg, Va.

"Dike" Norman, who along with his brother "Pinky" formed a brother combination in the Blue line in 1942, stands out as one of the best line prospects for this year's Generals. Norman, who stands an even 6 feet and weighs 200lb, was a reliable defensive player here on the last pre-war team, but may be shifted to a guard to make room for new talent in the middle.

John McCausland, a 190lb mainstay at Massanutten Military Academy, will combine with his brother Bill to keep a brother act in the forward wall. John is a center with a promising future, while the same can be said of Bill as a guard. The brothers played last at Massanutten in 1943.

Posie Starkey, although not one of the heaviest or most experi-

ed Daves, Ganong outshot Blackburne and Preston.

Beginning in two weeks, there will be an intramural 36 hole medal play golf tournament. Cy Twombly is drawing up the handicaps. The play will present on individual and a team champion.

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enced men trying for a berth on the eleven, will certainly be on equal terms with all prospects in fighting spirit. A Salem, Va., product, Starkey weighs only 175lb and was the leading center in Roanoke County football circles in 1943.

With only one year of eligibility remaining in college football, Glen J. R. Toothman, a 190lb Pittsburgher, will be trying hard for a varsity berth. He has 3 years experience with the Hampden-Sydney "Little Six" eleven.

Frank Socha and Paul Cavaliere are the two formed W. and L. backs who have been mentioned as center prospects. Socha at 195lb and Cavaliere at 190lb played at fullback and blocking back respectively, here in 1942. Socha is a good place kicker and an excellent line backer, while Cavaliere blocks well.

On the Other Hand

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so-called Standard form of English have come into competition—in Canada, especially—the American form has always tended to emerge victorious. At present, the American form is spoken by over 3 times as many people as all British forms put together. This tremendous growth, development and progress can be accounted for only by the fact that the American language, as it exists now, is the most expressive, most descriptive, most accurate and most popular language in the world today. As Jakob Grimm, founder of modern philology, once said: "In wealth, wisdom and strict economy, no other living language in the world can vie with the American language."

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Tennis Tourney In 2nd Round

Handicapped by three days of rain, the summer school intramural tennis moved slowly into the second round with eight matches being played this week. The entire first round must be completed by Sunday night.

In the advance play, Leon Harris outstayed Wildman 6-2, 6-1. Les Pugh bested Bob Moody 6-2, 6-3, and Pugh will meet Harris in a quarter-final match. Also in the upper half of the draw, Don Moxham downed Don Warren 6-4, 3-6, 6-1 in an even match. Moxham will face the winner of the Allison-McRee contest. In the lower half, Jim Moorehead won the sole match completed to date when he beat Jack Callicott 6-3, 6-3.

In the novice tourney four matches likewise were completed. Barrett took the measure of Andrews 6-2, 6-1, Adair outstroked Jones 6-2, 6-3, Bud Morris won over Gill Brooks 6-4, 6-2, while Elliot Schewel topped Brent Breedin 6-2, 6-1.

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sonalities. Further revelations about the plot would tend to detract from enjoyment of its unusual nature, and further recommendation of the production itself is unnecessary, since the Davis touch is its dominating virtue, (or fault, depending on the taste of the movie-goer concerned). Whether or not you see the movie hinges mainly on whether or not you like Bette Davis, as can be seen from the nature of *A Stolen Life*.

We've always had a spot in our heart—a soft one—for the antics of Leo Gorcey now acting in the capacity of master of ceremonies for the notorious Dead End Kids. However, if you have no such sentimental streak for this East Side Lord Fauntleroy, don't see the Lyric's starting line-up for next week. In *Fast Company*. To follow such an injudicious course would be futility itself. Some

damn fool—a misguided medico, to be more specific—gives no less than three people injections of what he thinks is insulin, (but it ain't). Hence, on Wednesday, Warner Baxter, as the indefatigable Crime Doctor, must undertake to solve the monumental problem of who threw the mickey in the insulin. (Note will be made of the pointed absence of a recommendation of this piece.) Thursday features *The Game of Death*, replete with an isolated island, a mute monster, a pack of dogs, (species, bloodthirsty), a sadist in a castle, and, last but not least, his trusty bow-and-arrow. The general idea is that John Loder seems to have a gripping fascination for reverting to his overpowered primeval instincts; you fill in the rest. Like "Rigoletto," *Bandits of the Badlands* has a plot theme of vengeance, but we do not think that its important or artistic significance will be as great as the former.

Item: Rondo Hatton, brilliant journalist and Sigma Nu from Chapel Hill, died this February.

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men to drop dead at its breath, and it shall devastate cities and castles.

"All the elements shall be seen confounded together, surging in huge rolling mass... towards the sky... to create coruscations and tempests with dreadful thunderclaps and lightning-flashes rushing through the darkness, and with impetuous storms to overthrow high buildings and uproot forests, and with these to encounter armies and break and overthrow them, and—more important even than this—to make the devastating tempests, and thereby rob the husbandmen of the reward of their labors.

"For what method of warfare can there be which can inflict such damage upon the enemy as the exercise of the power to deprive him of his crops?

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"In truth, whoever has control of such irresistible forces will be lord over all nations, and no human skill will be able to resist his destructive power.

"The buried treasures, the jewels that lie in the body of the earth will all become manifest to him; no lock, no fortress, however impregnable, will avail to save any one against the will of such a necromancer.

"He will cause himself to be carried through the air from East to West, and through all the uttermost parts of the universe. What is there which could not be brought to pass by a mechanism such as this? Almost nothing, except the escaping from death."

Reclassification

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life on an active duty status, without giving discharges. When these men have fulfilled the six-months requirement, on this status, they will be discharged and exempt from re-induction. Although many Navy men received this benefit, a great many did not, particularly those in Midshipmen's Schools, who will be eligible for re-induction under the new Selective Service ruling, according to Miss Price.

Chapman Film To Feature Washington and Lee Life

This spring, Washington and Lee will be "on parade" through the medium of a colored and sound movie produced by Charles T. Chapman, Inc., Evanston, Illinois, Alumni Secretary H. K. (Cy) Young, announced today. Chapman, Inc., has made many well-known films of various schools and colleges, and recently they completed a film for the National Music School in Washington, D.C.

The Washington and Lee film will give a complete history of the University from the time of Augusta Academy up to the present date. The first shots for the film were made during "Finals" this spring; the next shots will be made this October and the remainder of the film will be taken sometime this winter.

The film will be 900 feet in length and it will take 25 minutes to show the reel. A duplicate film will be made so that these films can be shown at different Alumni meetings simultaneously, and to any other groups interested in seeing a visual story about Washington and Lee's growth.

Lexington Landlords Hold Rents to Old OPA Level

That silent-movie bogie, the landlord, may be staging a comeback in our fair town. Blasphemously rejoicing in the death of the OPA, he has once again waxed his moustache, donned his cape and is now flexing his muscles, awaiting further word on just how potent the State Rent Control Law will be.

Actual proof that rents have been exorbitantly raised is noticeably lacking in Lexington, but rumours and hushed corner-of-the-mouth revelations are rampant. Tenants without leases or contracts with their landlords are cleaning out the catch-all closet, and making other preparations for a strategic withdrawal in case the landlord does decide that he can't make ends meet at present rents.

Most tenants have the common suspicion that their landlord has something against them, anyway, and this new weapon in his hands has only served to increase that fear. Many married couples who are students are hopefully watching the new housing development in Davidson Park; but no one knows how high the rent will be in those four-room apartments except Mr. Mattingly, and he won't tell.

Meanwhile OPA experts in Washington are predicting a 15 per cent rise in rents, and from all appearances, most states will slap a Rent Control Bill on the State dockets if rents actually do get out of hand. However, the Lexington landlords seem to be behaving themselves, bless their hearts.

Keydets Dining at W - L

Forty-five Virginia Military Institute cadets, are using Washington and Lee's dining hall while taking refresher courses at VMI this summer. These men are scheduled to attend regular sessions at VMI this fall, but the summer school has been set up to help these men become acclimated before beginning their lives as cadets.

Wanted—Used Text Books

Due to the shortage of textbooks, which has made it impossible for copies of Harbrace Handbooks to be procured either at Boley's or at the University Supply Store, Dr. Nelson has requested that anyone possessing a copy turn it into to the Supply Store for re-sale.

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There is no prescribed length or form of the story. Originality of manuscript is the only criterion in the decision of the judges, so you may write an outline, short story, play, or novel.

Dr. Moffatt, English department head, says that this contest is not under the English department, but that it's a good idea to enter, for it is a stimulus to creative writing. He said, "It's just an announcement on the bulletin board, but I think that it would be a fine idea if some of the students wanted to enter the contest on their own."

All stories must be legibly written, preferably typewritten, on one side of the paper. Scenario reserves the right to purchase any story, even one that doesn't win a cash award.

R. N. Latture, Acting Dean

Mr. R. N. Latture, of the Political Science Department is acting as Dean of Students while Dean Gilliam is vacationing in Canada. Mr. Latture served as acting Dean of Students for some time during the war when Mr. Gilliam was in the Army.

Dean Gilliam's vacation started last Saturday, July 20, and will continue for a period of six weeks. He will re-assume his duties as Dean of Students this fall.

Schewel Heads PEP's

At a recent meeting of the Phi Epsilon Pi fraternity, Elliot Schewel was elected President and Mervyn Dorfman was named the new Secretary-Treasurer.

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was "just so much distorted propaganda" and that the minor abuses of officers' privileges has been so exaggerated "as to suggest that all officers are 'heels' and that all enlisted men have 'hearts of gold'." Taft claimed that such an expenditure was an "utterly unjustifiable expenditure of public money."

Before final action by the Senate, Senator Pepper (D-Fla.) had proposed two amendments which would have made it possible for the veterans to receive their payments in cash, or in bonds cashable in six months, but both proposals were defeated.

Senator Olin Johnson (D-S.C.) stated that he believed that Congress would pass legislation within a year permitting ex-GIs to cash the bonds. He said that the Senate was unfair to servicemen in not providing cash payments and that the bill still does not provide for equal treatment between officers and men.

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