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Weekend Weather

Mostly cloudy with a chance of rain. Lows 40s to 50s. Mostly cloudy Friday with a chance of morning rain. High around 60.

**Pink Floyds rings in with *The Division Bell*.
 How does it sound?**

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Hampden-Sydney defeats W&L Baseball, 14-6

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Police clear only rape suspect

By SARAH GILBERT
 Phi Executive Editor

The 21-year-old woman who reported she was raped in Graham-Lees dormitory last month was unable to identify the only suspect in the investigation April 13, said Lexington Police Chief Bruce Beard.

Lexington police investigators traveled out of Virginia April 12-13 to pursue leads in the case and to attempt to find the suspect that was identified by police two days after the March

25 incident. However, the woman could not positively identify the suspect.

"The person has been cleared," said Chief Beard. "However, the incident is still active."

At 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Beard said police had no other suspects or possible leads.

He said it was possible that the man was the perpetrator, but without a positive identification, police could not charge the man in the incident.

After the woman reported the assault, she gave a detailed description of

the room in which the incident occurred and the man who allegedly committed the assault.

Police said her detailed description helped them to immediately identify the suspect and the scene of the incident.

The woman, who is not a Virginia resident and is no longer in Lexington, said she was raped in a room in the first floor of Graham-Lees dormitory by a man who was not a Washington and Lee student.

The woman reported she was in the dormitory selling magazine subscrip-

tions, when the man, who was allegedly visiting the campus, asked her to come into the room and then assaulted and raped her.

According to Mike Young, director of W&L security, university policies do not allow magazine sales in university housing.

The woman went to the University center after the alleged assault, where she met two Washington and Lee students, who took her to security and called the police.

She was then questioned by the police and W&L security before being

taken to Stonewall Jackson Hospital for a series of tests.

The woman still wants to press charges, according to police. Sgt. E.W. Straub says the woman wants to continue to pursue the case.

"She wishes to press charges as soon as we arrest whoever is responsible," said Straub.

Police say they have no leads but they will continue the investigation as long as possible.

"I assure you that we're not going to give up on this case," said Beard. "We will continue to pursue any leads we

come across."

Young told the Phi that anyone who has information about the alleged assault should call Washington and Lee security at 463-8427 or Lexington police at 463-2112.

Editor's Note: The policy of The Ring-tum Phi when reporting rape cases is to withhold the names of both the accuser and the accused until after a trial.

If the accused is found guilty the name will then be published. In this case, neither name has been released by the police or security.

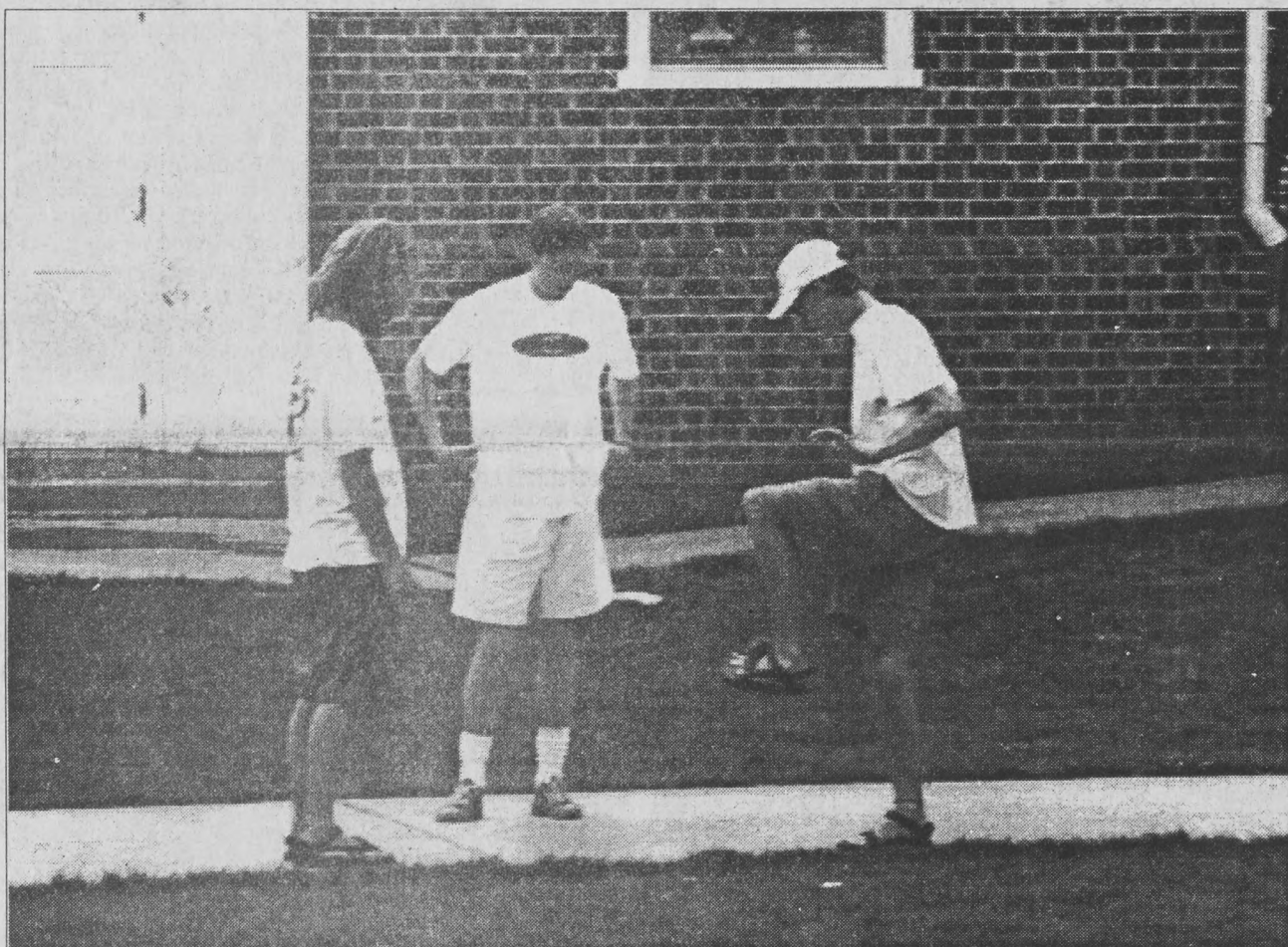


Photo by Betsy Green, The Ring-tum Phi

Who needs a spring term PE?

Spring term means plenty of activity for these freshmen, following Washington and Lee tradition by spending all of their waking hours in the sun. But the weather will take a colder turn this weekend, so don't forget where you put those winter coats.

Flowers convicted, but appeals verdict

By RICHARD WEAVER
 Phi Associate Editor

Washington and Lee sophomore Mary Flowers was convicted of one count of petty larceny (theft) Tuesday. Flowers' attorney, David Natkin, immediately filed an appeal of the verdict.

General District Court Judge Joseph E. Hess sentenced Flowers to two days in jail, as well as a \$25 fine, after convicting her of stealing two packages of glow-in-the-dark star stickers and a laser-disk spinning top from the Sunday's Child store.

Sunday's Child owner Lucia Owens was pleased with the guilty verdict, but not with the appeal.

"We're very glad to hear it," Owens said. "I thought it would be over [now], but they have decided to appeal."

Natkin repeated his belief that his client is innocent of the larceny charge.

"We maintain her [Flowers'] absolute innocence, and we look forward to clearing her name," Natkin said.

Throughout the case Flowers has maintained that she was sick in the room on the day of the theft, and did not steal the items from Sunday's Child. She says that she is a victim of mistaken identity.

In previous statements Sunday's Child employee Leslie Hoke said that when the store's security system went off as a woman left the store, she asked to check the woman's coat. She says the woman then admitted to stealing the items and she offered to pay for them. Hoke then called Owens, who arrived shortly afterwards.

Hoke says the woman identified herself as "Mary Stuart," and said she was 16 years old.

As Hoke called the police, the woman fled the store and Owens chased her until she lost her near St. Patrick's Church.

Owens called the local high schools asking for Mary Stuart, but was told there was no student by that name. Owens then received a call from a W&L student, who wished to remain anonymous, who said she had witnessed what had happened. She identified Flowers, and Owens and Hoke then identified Flowers from old newspaper photos as the person who had been in the store.



Flowers

Flowers' appeal is based on a violation of due process; she claims that a Sunday's Child employee was shown her picture before she saw a line-up of women, which included Flowers.

In previous statements Flowers said she was in her room the whole day, sick, and studying for an exam and could not have been at Sunday's Child.

"The fact is that it rests on what somebody says about me. It's my word against theirs," she said.

When contacted after the verdict, Flowers said she had been advised by her attorney not to make any statements.

Flowers' roommate Colleen Thompson testified at the trial and says she will be a part of the appeal process.

"I still believe she is innocent," Thompson said. Executive Committee President Kevin Webb declined to comment about the possible honor violation ramifications of Flowers' conviction and appeal.

Flowers' appeal is scheduled to be heard in Lexington Circuit Court on May 25.

Committee rejects Peck's appeal

Professor says her "views were just too radical for the good ole boys."

By NANCY PAVLOVIC
 Special to the Phi

Eight months after not renewing her contract, four months after her petition was filed, and thirty-two days after the President's Advisory Committee announced its decision, English Professor Demaree Peck finally knew where she stood: in the cold.

"I realize that the wagons have been drawn into a circle and as much as I would like to continue teaching at Washington and Lee, I realize that will not be possible by pursuing any internal appeals," Peck said.

Peck, who joined the faculty in 1988 as an instructor in English, began a four-year probationary period for a tenure track position in the department the following fall.

Candidates for a tenured position must complete a six-year probationary period before being considered. Peck would have been considered for a tenured position in 1994-95.

However, the English department decided May 14, 1993 to cut short her probationary period after reviewing a portfolio of materials which included evalu-

ations by faculty who had visited her class, 21 letters which were solicited by the department from 111 former students, as well as three published articles and several chapters from her book on Willa Cather.

Peck decided to appeal the decision after learning the American Association of University Professors, the AAUP, stipulates a committee composed of elected faculty members should hear case in which a "faculty member challenges negative decisions because of inadequate consideration or more substantial consideration such as discrimination or denial of academic freedom."

The President's Advisory Committee was chosen to hear the appeal since it most closely resembles the committee suggested by AAUP guidelines. The committee, composed of six elected faculty members, reached a decision in the case January 7. The committee's decision was two-fold; while claiming the process was not inadequate, they also unanimously recommended the English department explain fully their decision to not renew

Peck's contract to her. This announcement left both the English department and Peck claiming partial victories.

"Theoretically when the advisory committee told the English department it had to give me an explanation, the appeals process could still be going on," Peck said. "I could have asked for reconsideration again."

However, a week after the committee's decision was announced, Peck received a letter from President John D. Wilson. The letter, sent to her and her legal counsel, "basically supported the English department's decision." Peck said she was surprised to receive the letter and could not understand "on what basis he was agreeing with the English department since they had not written anything."

"The letter certainly deteriorated my belief in the appeals process," she said. "It made it appear that it was a foregone conclusion that the English department would be vindicated."

Peck said the letter from Wilson rejected any proposals for compromise and claimed "the decision was fairly arrived at and that my reappointment would not be in the best interest of the university or the students."

"My voice and academic freedom have been violated," Peck said. "It seems my views were just too radical for the good ole boys at Washington and Lee and that is why I have been exiled from the kingdom."

It would be more than 3 weeks before she would hear from the English department. A letter from the department, explaining the reasons for her dismissal, arrived on Feb. 8. Peck however was not satisfied with the letter's explanation.

"It reads as an unconvincing laundry list of vague and incoherent assertions without any documented factual details, support, or apparent source," she said. "It is evident that the letter is designed to distract from the real reasons which are too prejudicial to be stated directly."

English department head Edwin D. Craun refused to discuss the contents of the letter or reasons for Peck's dismissal.

"The reasons were to be given to her," he said. Even the advisory committee, the dean [John W. Elrod] and the president have not seen them. This is a private personnel matter."

All eight members of the English department had signed the letter sent to Peck, Craun said but would not comment further citing the possibility of breach of confidentiality. English professor Robert Huntley raised concerns about the manner in which confidentiality has been used.

"The difficulty with the edict of confidentiality is that it gets in the way of another equally important principle, that of accountability," he said.

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Winter Term GPAs

Chi-O	3.206
Lambda Chi	3.158
KA	3.135
All Sorority	3.117
Theta	3.109
All Women	3.093
Kappa	3.086
Pi Beta Phi	3.067
Non-Sorority	3.05
PiKA	2.988
All Students	2.963
Sig Ep	2.962
Chi Psi	2.931
Non-Fraternity	2.928
Pi Kappa Phi	2.904
Phi Delt	2.886
All Men	2.877
All Fraternity	2.866
Kappa Sig	2.853
SAE	2.842
Phi Psi	2.837
Fiji	2.833
Sigma Chi	2.8
Sigma Nu	2.753
Phi Kap	2.62
Beta	2.612
Delt	2.44

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BEYOND THE BLUE RIDGE

The World



Israeli militia attacked in South Lebanon, killing 4

Muslim guerrillas attacked Israeli militia in South Lebanon Wednesday. The battles killed three Lebanese villages and wounded four. Hezbollah and allied Palestinian groups have vowed the peace process between Israel and Palestine.

Israel, PLO agree to power transfer in Gaza, Jericho

Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization agreed Wednesday to transfer power of the Gaza Strip and Jericho to Palestinians. The agreement follows six months of talks between Israel and Palestine. Leaders of both nations feel the agreement marks the end of the peace process.

Serbs attack Gorazde, despite truce, killing 44 people

Bosnian Serbs shelled a Gorazde hospital Wednesday. The Serbs defied the United Nations by shelling Gorazde after promising truces. At least 44 people were killed Wednesday. Serb leaders claim they were responding to Muslim attacks from Gorazde.

North Korea may allow nuclear inspectors to visit reactor

North Korea may be ready within weeks to remove plutonium from its nuclear reactor. The plutonium would be enough to build four or five nuclear weapons. North Korea has suggested it will permit international inspectors to monitor the refueling so there is no diversion of plutonium fuel that could go to build nuclear weapons.

The Nation



Rodney King awarded \$3.8 million in police settlement

Jurors ordered the city of Los Angeles to pay Rodney King \$3.8 million in compensatory damages Tuesday. The damages include medical bills, pain and suffering, and the loss of earnings from King's 1991 beating by four police officers. Starting Thursday, the jury will decide whether the policemen involved should be ordered to pay punitive damages.

Nixon suffers stroke, partially paralyzed and unable to speak

Former President Richard Nixon suffered a stroke Monday that has left him partially paralyzed and unable to speak. The New York hospital where Nixon is being treated has been inundated with phone calls and well wishes from American citizens and heads of state. Nixon has not been put on a respirator, in accordance with his instructions.

Endeavour rerouted to landing in Mojave Desert, California

Bad weather at Cape Canaveral, Florida, forced a detour for the space shuttle Endeavour. The shuttle landed instead in the Mojave Desert. The crew, over the 11-day flight, mapped 12% of the Earth's surface. The data will be used to create three-dimensional maps.

Testimony begins in Kevorkian assisted-suicide trial

Testimony began Thursday in the Jack Kevorkian trial. Kevorkian is charged with violating the ban on assisted suicide in Michigan when he helped a man with Lou Gehrig's disease die last August. The retired pathologist has assisted 20 deaths since 1990, but this is the first for which he has stood trial.

Beyond the Blue Ridge is compiled by Emily Baker.

Cadets arrested, charged in theft

By RICHARD WEAVER
Phi Associate Editor

Two Virginia Military Institute cadets were arrested April 15 on one charge of grand larceny each. The alleged theft occurred in Blacksburg on April 11. Cadets Erik Reynolds and Michael Cammarasana were arrested on VMI property by Lexington police and were later released on a personal recognition bond, according to VMI Director of Public Relations Mike Strickler. Lt. Walter Mosby of the Blacksburg Police Department said that the two

cadets were seen carrying a large speaker box through a municipal parking lot in downtown Blacksburg. Mosby said that the two put down the object when they saw the police. According to the police report, officers then questioned the cadets about where the speaker came from. The cadets were released when the police could not conclude if the speaker had been stolen. After the cadets had left, the police determined that the speaker had been taken from a car parked in the parking lot. Police then obtained warrants for the cadets' arrest. If convicted of the felony charges,

the cadets face not less than one year but not more than 20 in prison, or at the discretion of the judge, and jury a term not exceeding 12 months in prison and not more than a \$2,500 fine. Both cadets declined to comment on the charges against them. According to Strickler, if convicted, the cadets could face punishment from VMI also. "If they were to be convicted, it is a good chance that their cadetship would be subject to termination," Strickler said. The cadets could resign from VMI, be dismissed by the VMI honor court, or be dismissed by VMI Superintendent Gen. John W. Knapp.

Both Reynolds and Cammarasana are scheduled to appear in court on June 2. In other VMI news, former cadet Michael Larry Parker was found guilty last Friday of attempted voluntary manslaughter. Parker had brandished a weapon to scare cadet Kevin David Price, at party at an apartment above Domino's pizza last July. Partygoers, including Price, had taunted Parker during the party, and he reacted by pulling out a .38 calibre pistol and threatening to shoot Price. Parker faces a sentence of up to five years in prison and a \$2,500 fine.

Court justice to spend week at law school

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Elizabeth B. Lacy, the first woman named to the Virginia Supreme Court, will be judge-in-residence at the law school for the week beginning Monday, April 18. During her residency at W&L, Justice Lacy will meet with students in the law courses of Jurisprudence, The Lawyer's Role, Criminal Procedure, Evidence, and other classes at the law school. Justice Lacy's visit is sponsored by the Frances Lewis Law Center, the research arm of the law school. The Law Center's Judge-in-Residence Program annually brings to the campus a prominent jurist to interact with faculty and students. The most recent judge-in-residence was Justice Leander Shaw of the Florida Supreme Court, a former Lexington resident. Justice Lacy was appointed to the Virginia Supreme Court in January 1989. Prior to that appointment, she was a judge on the Virginia State Corporation Commission, an independent regulatory agency, and Deputy Attorney General in the Judicial Affairs Division of the Virginia Office of the Attorney General. Justice Lacy was the commencement speaker for the law school's graduation last spring. She was the university's first woman commencement speaker in the 139-year history of the law school.



Elizabeth B. Lacy

Gunn to speak on economics

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Professor John M. Gunn will deliver this year's second in a series of inaugural lectures by recently appointed endowed professors at the university. Gunn's lecture, "Can Economics Be Both Relevant and Good?" will be presented Monday, April 25, at 7:30 p.m. in the North Auditorium. The lecture is open to the public. Reception will follow in the lobby. Gunn began his undergraduate studies at Washington and Lee. After serving in the armed forces he completed his B.S. degree at Georgia Institute of Technology in 1949 and in 1953 received an M.A. degree from Princeton University. He held appointments in the international finance section at Princeton and on the faculty of Florida State University before joining the W&L faculty in 1957. Gunn is the co-author of two surveys of international finance published by Princeton University Press and has testified before Congress concerning the United States balance of payments and on reform of health-care financing. Gunn has developed a working relationship between the W&L economics department and the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond. He is also a member of the board of directors and officer of the National Alliance of the Mentally Ill.

Law school #1 in Jurist survey

By SARAH GILBERT
Phi Executive Editor

Washington and Lee University School of Law graced the cover of the most recent issue of *The National Jurist* magazine, which reported that W&L was the first in the nation in law student satisfaction. A student survey conducted by the Princeton Review and *The National Jurist*, based upon the comments of 18,000 students at 165 law schools nationwide, found that W&L Law ranked in the top five for each of the three categories. W&L ranked first in quality of life and third in quality of facilities and quality of faculty. The April/May 1994 issue of the magazine featured a picture of an unidentified woman who is not a W&L student wearing a W&L hat and W&L Law sweatshirt under the headline, "The Best Law Schools." Some law students said they did not take the ranking seriously, partly because more prestigious schools ranked very low. Harvard Law, a perennial top-five in *US News & World Report*, was ranked 154th of 165 schools. J.D. Lowry, editor of the *W&L Law News*, remarked in her editorial space that the *National Jurist* was weird. "I find the *US News* survey a lot more compelling than the one in this month's *National Jurist*, one of those...free magazines 'for the Future Lawyer' that show up around the snack lounge from time to time," said Lowry in her editorial. "I heard someone characterize these results as, 'Gee, we have the bestest faculty in the whole wide world!' Give me *US News*."

Guide to the Best Law Schools, and as the 22nd best law school in the *US News & World Report* issue listing "America's Best Graduate Schools." The *Jurist* article called W&L a "tiny law school" and commented on the strong sense of community and the honor system of the law school. The article included comments taken from students' questionnaires. Third year student Patricia McNerney felt that W&L law students were not as competitive as at other students. "It's a friendly environment," McNerney said. "I certainly think students want to do well... but I don't get the feeling they're out to get each other." The article admitted that "measuring student satisfaction is, by nature, a subjective endeavor." It went on to determine a very technical distribution of point totals from a base of 11 questions in three categories; quality of life, faculty and facilities. Though the survey results are, as Lowry commented, "talk of the town," they are not being taken as the bible for entering students who will probably never see the survey. "The *National Jurist* results are remarkably facile," Lowry said.

How would you rate the relations between faculty and students?

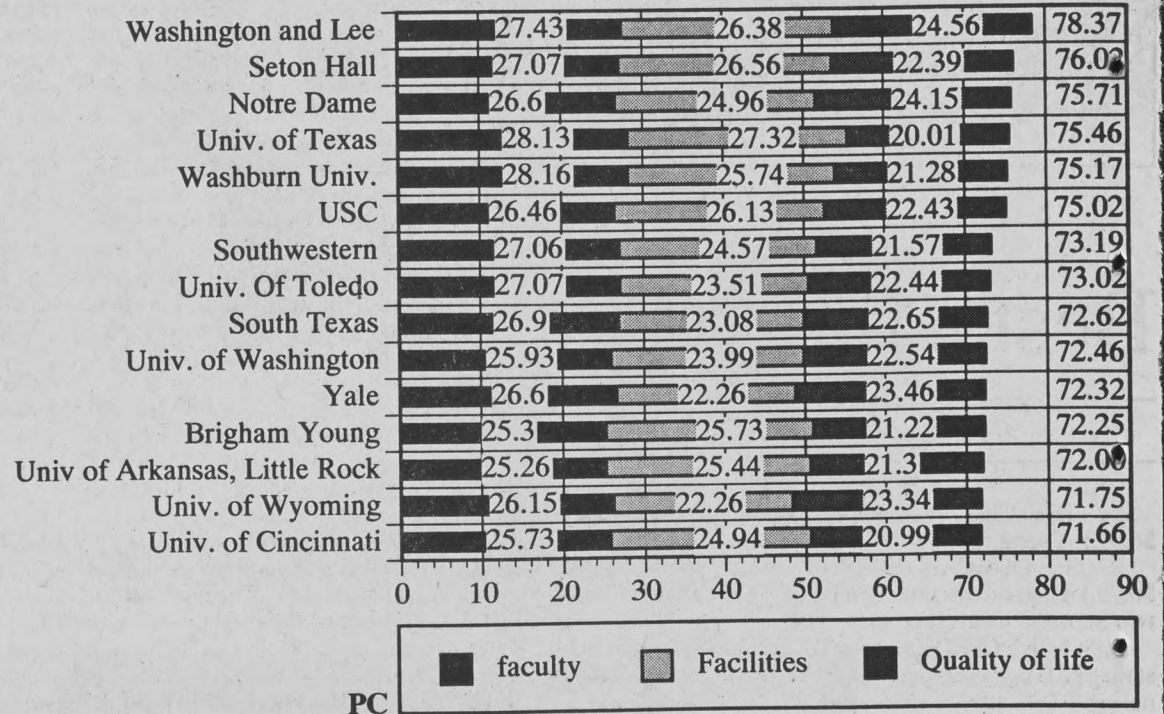
- 1. Washington & Lee - 3.53
- 2. Washburn Univ. - 3.46
- 3. Vanderbilt - 3.35

How would you rate the facilities?

- 1. Washington & Lee - 3.67
- 2. Willamette Univ. - 3.61
- 3. Univ. of Missouri - 3.60

Do you agree that there is a strong sense of community among the students?

- 1. Univ. Cal., Davis - 3.28
- 2. Washington & Lee - 3.20
- 3. Notre Dame - 3.17



Total points gathered from eleven questions out of 100%, faculty (36%), facilities (30%), and quality of life (34%). Totals given at the end of the rows.

The Division Bell ushers in next wave of Pink Floyd

By MARK McDANNALD
Special to the Phi

When I first heard that Pink Floyd had a new album coming out, I was more than a little skeptical.

I didn't know if Roger Waters would be joining the crew or if David Gilmour was simply making his fourth solo album.

Now, I'm not saying that Gilmour's music is ab-par. His first solo effort, *David Gilmour*, and his second, *About Face*, are quite respectable albums.

His third, *Momentary Lapse of Reason*, has never found a place in my listening library.

Despite the fact that this album has the same Pink Floyd on it, I would argue that it is solo.

Drummer Nick Mason and keyboardist Richard Wright had been relatively inactive musically during the years since *The Final Cut* was released in 1983 and Wright hasn't been with the band since *Animals* in 1977.

For *Momentary Lapse* and the following four, Mason and Wright contributed minimally. Neither wrote any of the lyrics or music and the two played only a fraction of the time. They seemed to be present only to legitimize the name that Gilmour wanted to put on his record. The main purpose of the album was probably to

show Waters that the remaining members of the band could sell albums without him. The record sold like mad.

The new album, which Waters once again has nothing to do with, projects a different message than its predecessor.

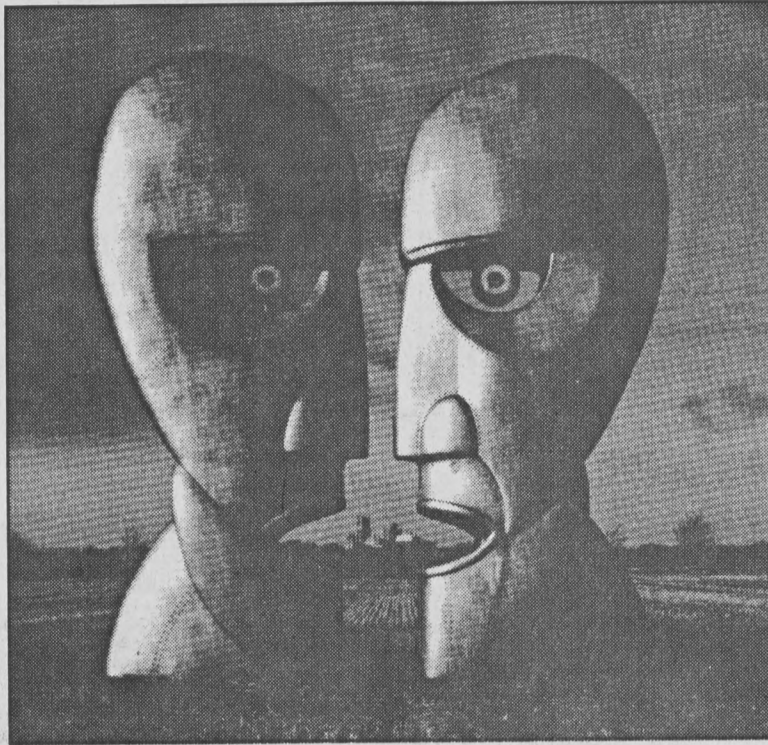
Mason, Wright, and Gilmour seemed to make this most recent album, *The Division Bell*, with a less commercial approach than they did *Momentary Lapse*. They return to their roots and make music they truly want to, and the result is an exceptional album.

The music does not sound anything like the mid-sixties hypnotic progressions of Syd Barrett or the powerfully lyrical and conceptual late seventies/early eighties of Roger Waters.

You'll also find no connection between this album and those of the early seventies such as *Meddle*, *Atom Heart Mother*, *Dark Side of the Moon*, and *Wish You Were Here*.

The Division Bell truly ushers in the next wave of Floyd, the Gilmour age.

As always, Gilmour's guitar play is extraordinary, and he mixes this well with his



average lyric writing ability which is not entirely natural but not exactly foreign. He did write a small portion of the post-Syd

Barrett songs, most notably "Fat Old Sun" and "The Narrow Way," as well as nearly all of the songs off of his first two solos and *Momentary Lapse*.

The main thrust behind his new songs, though, lies clearly within the music.

The lyrics are secondary. And as when Roger Waters took control after Syd Barrett could no longer perform, Gilmour guides the band in a new direction after taking Pink Floyd from Waters.

The Division Bell is easy to listen to.

Whether it be the two placid Gilmour/Wright instrumentals or one of the acoustically driven pieces, the album sounds good.

And even during the songs powered by Gilmour's electric guitar, the album remains remarkably mellow.

Only two of the eleven songs don't receive recurrent air time on my stereo, one being the Richard Wright piece "Wearing the Inside Out" and the other, somewhat annoying "Keep Talking."

The rest of the songs are deserving of the

name Pink Floyd.

The guitar work in "Lost for Words," "Coming Back to Life," and "Poles Apart" make these three of the best numbers on the album.

"What Do You Want From Me" and "Take it Back" also carry their weight more than adequately.

The high point of the album arrives with the last song, "High Hopes."

The bells at the beginning of this number are reminiscent of "Fat Old Sun" off of the 1970 *Atom Heart Mother* and the bird and bug sounds, although nearly unnoticeable, would bring memories of 1969's *Ummagumma* to most true Floyd fans.

"High Hopes" does nothing but praise the former works that it commemorates.

The Division Bell looks on the surface like an old Floyd album.

The cover is once again designed by Storm Thorgerson who created all but two of the Floyd covers with his company, Hipgnosis.

Every so often, you might hear something that is inherently Floyd. But as a whole, this is an entirely new album with a new sound.

It is a sound, though, that has my full attention.

The hour long CD is well worth the \$15, even to the skeptical and die hard Roger Waters fans.

If you like Gilmour's *About Face*, you'll like *The Division Bell*.

Kids' Playce construction underway

By DEBORAH ZOLLMANN
Phi Staff Writer



After one and a half years of planning, the construction of Kids' Playce is well underway.

Judy Morgan, one of the coordinators and head of Public Relations, says that things are going "pretty well." More people are needed to help keep things running smoothly and to endure playground completion by the deadline. Machines have been breaking on the site but repairs are being made immediately.

So far \$60,000 has been raised to fund the playground. At least \$15,000 more is needed. The parents of Washington and Lee students have been generous with their donations.

At a given time there have been about 50 people on the site but hundreds more are needed. All volunteers are welcome and encouraged to come out to Brewbaker Field to help out. Free food will be provided for all workers.

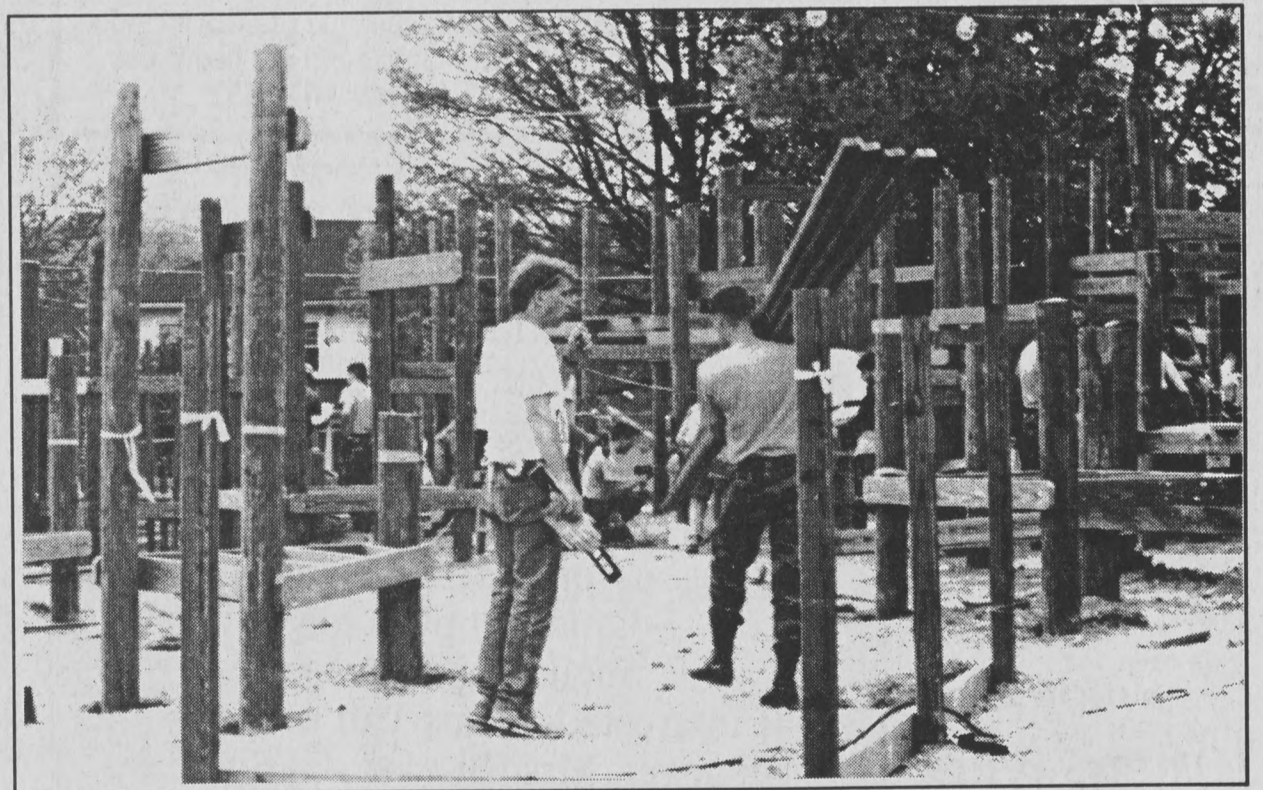
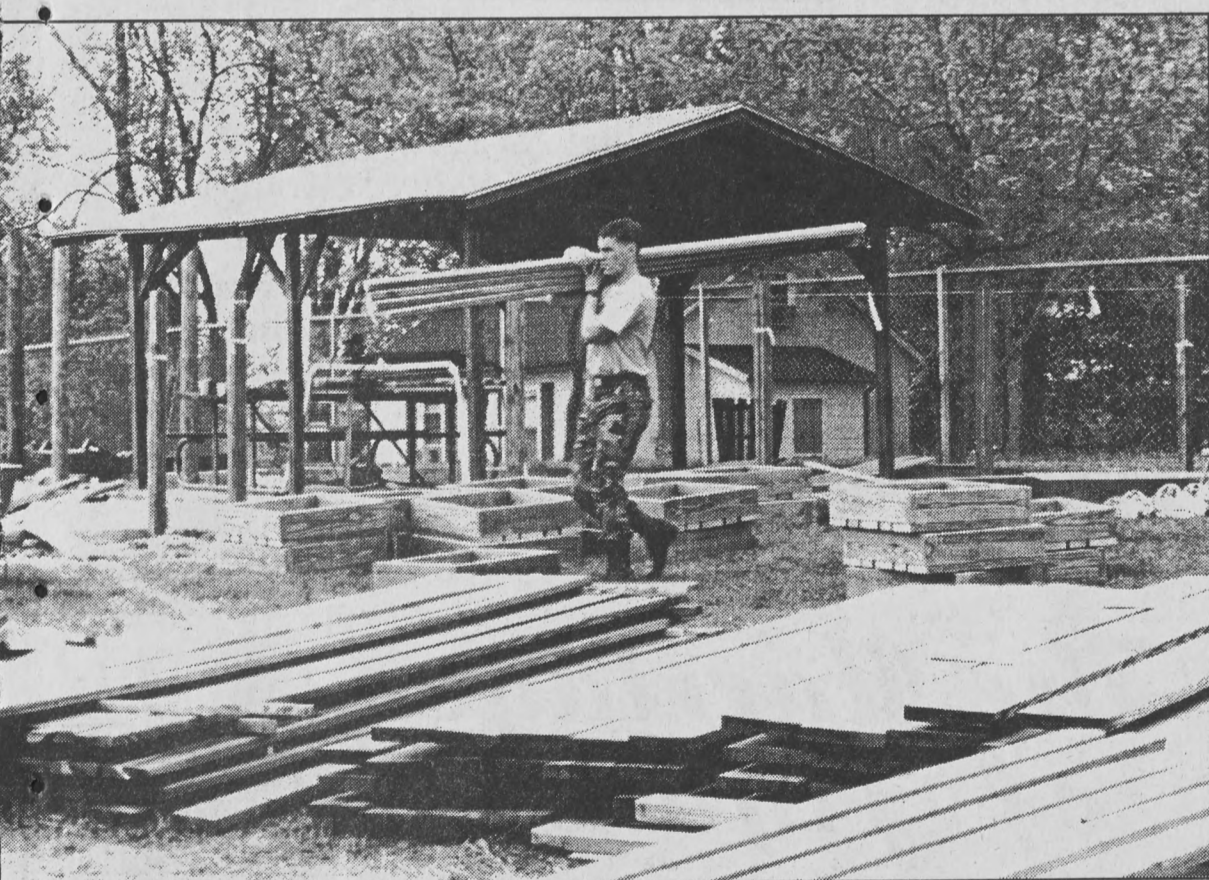
Kids' Playce has been added as an event to Derby Days and will be worth 50 points to sororities. Whichever sorority has the most service hours from Kids' Playce will earn points.

Susan Dittman is the woman behind the new jungle gyms and monkey bars. She says that a Kids' Playce playground in Alexandria, Virginia was her inspiration. She discovered it while visiting with family and then Dittman realized that Lexington's playground was not sufficient and was extremely outdated.

"All I did was recognize a great idea," she said.

Kids' Playce begins to take shape as Washington and Lee and VMI volunteers join together to have fun, get exercise, get a tan, eat free food and build a playground. Volunteers are welcome through Sunday during 8 a.m.-12 p.m., 12:30-5 p.m. and 5:30-9 p.m. at Brewbaker Park. Childcare will be provided.

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Bestselling campus paperbacks

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1. THE CLIENT, by John Grisham. (Island/Dell, \$6.99.) Young boy is privy to a lawyer's deadly secret.
2. THE PELICAN BRIEF, by John Grisham. (Dell, \$6.99.) Law student finds herself on the run from killers of two Supreme Court justices.
3. SCHINDLER'S LIST, by Thomas Keneally. (Touchstone, \$12.00.) Nazi party member rescues Jews in Poland during WWII.
4. JEDI SEARCH, by Kevin J. Anderson. (Spectra/Bantam, \$5.99.) Part one of the "Star Wars" saga.
5. WINTER MOON, by Dean Koontz. (Ballantine,

\$6.99.) Violence in L.A. and Montana leads to a confrontation with something unearthly.

6. THE TALISMAN OF SANNARA, by Terry Brooks. (Del Rey, \$5.99.) Conclusion to "The Heritage of Sannara" series.

7. THE TAO OF POOH, by Benjamin Hoff. (Penguin, \$9.00) Taosim as seen through A.A. Milne's characters.

8. THE TEO OF PIGLET, by Benjamin Hoff. (Penguin, \$10.00.) Aspects of Taoist philosophy through the eyes of piglet.

9. THE WAY THINGS OUGHT TO BE, by Rush Limbaugh. (Pocket Star, \$6.50). Controversial issues.

10. YOUNG MEN AND FIRE, by Norman Maclean. (University of Chicago, \$10.95). Story of the catastrophic Montana forest fire in 1949.

For the W&L Record

On April 21, 1944 *The Columns* reported that Washington and Lee University presented degrees to 13 graduating students on Commencement Day, April 29.

University President Francis Pendleton Gaines was the featured speaker at the ceremony in Lee Chapel. Baccalaureate Services were held the preceding Sunday, April 23.

Three men graduated with a Bachelor of Law degree, six with Bachelor of Arts, three with Bachelor of Science and one with Bachelor of Science in Commerce.

The Ring-tum Phi reported on April 18, 1969 that the Student Affairs Committee unanimously passed a measure permitting female visitation in all dormitories on week-ends.

Each dormitory had to designate acceptable week-end hours for female visitation.

While the resolution also allowed liquor in the dormitories, faculty approval had to be garnered for the resolution to become official.

53% of undergraduates opposed the admission of

women as reported by the *Phi* on April 26, 1984. A survey conducted by the W&L sociology department showed that while over half the student body opposed female admission, 80% of faculty were in support of the prospect.

Of the students polled, 34% expressed strong opposition to coeducation, while an additional 19% were somewhat against it. 66% of the faculty were strongly in favor of the admission of women and 17% were somewhat supportive.

A participation rate of 84% from students and 85% of the faculty was noted by Professor David R. Novack and the eight sociology students conducting the survey.

April 20, 1989 the *Phi* reported that the Washington and Lee baseball team was in the middle of a five game winning streak, their longest since 1972.

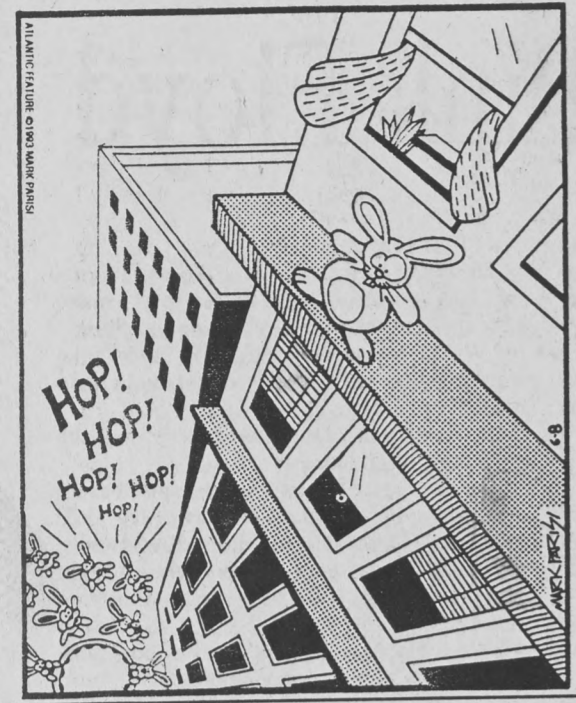
1972 was also the last season in which the Generals boasted a winning record.

Victories in 1989 included Emory and Henry in a double-header.

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by Mark Parisi



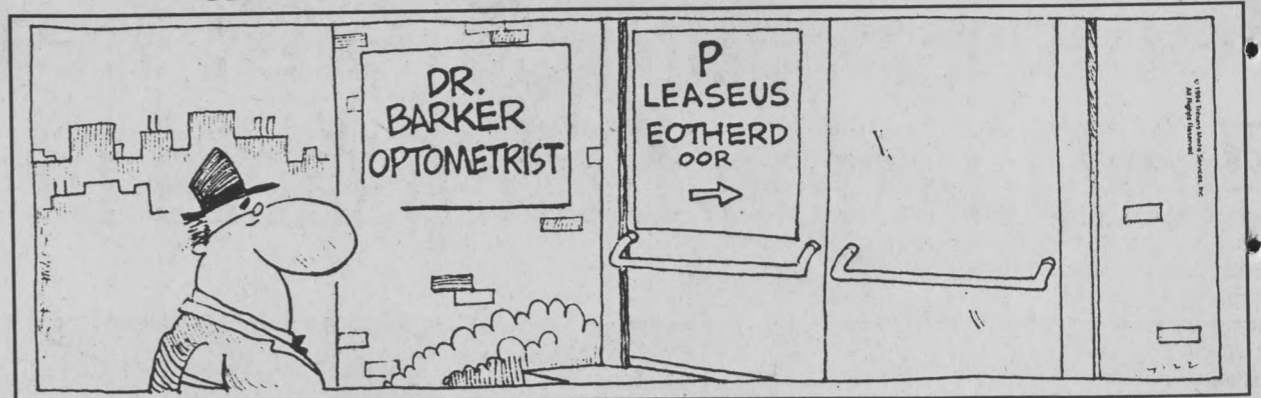
Puppies

by Jeff MacNelly



A father is always first to recognize greatness in his son.

Bound & Gagged by Dana Summers



Dave by David Miller



Colonnade Crossword

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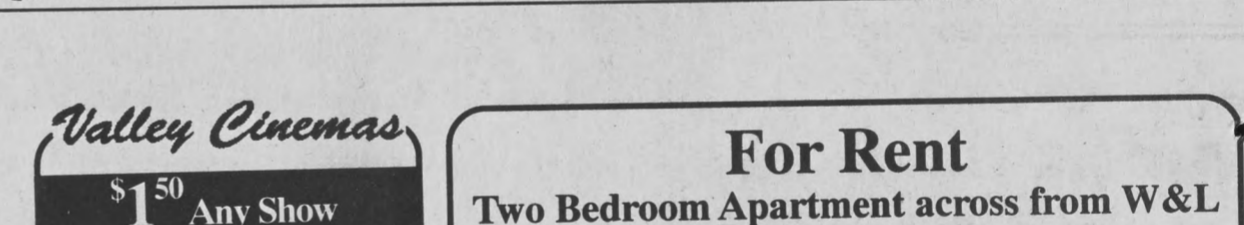
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Peck loses appeal; replacement delayed

PECK, from page 1

Peck said she has reason to believe explanation put forth by the English department does not give the real reasons for her dismissal.

"I have good evidence that there is other reason. The decision was transient to me without this letter," she said. "They fault me for not being collegial, they say I talk too much at the English department meetings. What this reveals is for the English, collegiality comes before competence."

Peck said her teaching ability and rapport with students were also called into question and cited as reasons for dismissal.

"Enumerated in one small paragraph, they portray me as being dogmatic and close-minded in the classroom. They claim that I do not listen to students with other opinions from me," she said. "This is in direct conflict with over 90 percent of student evaluations which single out my open-

ness as a strength. My evaluations have shown that I am an asset to the department."

Professors being considered for contract renewal for a tenure-track position are evaluated on several grounds, one of which is collegiality. Academic citizenship, in-class performance and student evaluations also play a part in the decision-making process. Craun would not verify if collegiality and student opinion were reasons cited in the English department's letter.

Eighteen of the 19 student evaluations submitted for one of Peck's fall term classes were entirely positive, citing numerous strengths including openness to ideas and receptiveness to student opinions. One of the 19 evaluations said Peck occasionally pushed certain ideas. Of those 18 evaluations, Peck consistently received the highest marks of excellence for her abilities. Only one of the 19 evaluations was entirely negative and gave her average or below average marks in all categories except ability to work with stu-

dents and involve them in the class. The evaluation reflects many of the concerns Peck claims the English department addressed in their letter of explanation. For this class alone, Peck's approval rating is over 94 percent.

"I thought it was really hypocritical to justify a political decision as student opinion when student opinion had nothing to do with this," she said. "The English department has aligned themselves with the right-winged five to 10 percent of the students who want to see me as the dogmatic liberal female."

Peck said she believes her academic freedom was violated and is working

on an appeal based on those grounds. Peck also has an appeal pending before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission based on gender discrimination which she filed in early November of 1993. Under EEOC guidelines charges must be filed within 180 days of the grievance's occurrence. Peck expects an investigation by the EEOC will occur by early November of this year.

"The EEOC does not investigate as a matter of course, but the investigator, once he heard the facts, thought it ought to be investigated," Peck said.

The English department is not cur-

rently searching for a replacement for Peck. Professors Severn Duvall and Huntley are both retiring at the end of this academic year, leaving the department with three vacancies to fill. Duvall's position is the only one which has been filled. Craun said the department searches for one replacement a year. All vacant positions will be filled with temporary replacements for next year.

"We'll search for a replacement for Professor Huntley next year. We have no immediate plans to replace her [Peck]," Craun said. "The year after, we will search for a replacement for Professor Peck, unless she has already been reinstated or something by then."

Although Peck had said Huntley was "taking early retirement over the whole thing," Huntley said he became eligible to retire last year. Craun said Huntley had planned to teach part-time for awhile, but decided "to retire right out." Huntley said his decision to retire now and not continue teaching were due to a change in circumstances.

"My decision to retire is in no way related to Professor Peck's case although a lot of people have thought that," Huntley said. "God knows I've had my differences with the department before but it [retiring] wasn't over this."

Peck said she is currently looking into other possibilities for next year but is not hopeful of finding a position this late in the job search process. Peck plans to continue teaching although she no longer retains the same ideals and innocence as when she first began.

"I am not as naive as I was when I first took this job. This process has shown me that I believed in some myths about academia which were not true. I believed merit was rewarded and I with my strong credentials and excellent education, would be able to advance through the system here," she said. "What I learned was the rewards are not given on the basis of merit at all but if you are in the right place at the right time and if you court the right people in power."

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A blow to Lee's honor

The recent conviction of Mary Flowers brings several uneasy honor system questions to light. In this issue, the whole case of Sunday's Child store against Flowers rested on the word of the owner and an employee, against the word of Flowers and two of her W&L student friends. Several questions arise; firstly, can the W&L honor system peacefully coexist with the Lexington legal system? The law of the land is, of course, the last word in every legal sense, but it pains us to see the sworn testimony of three Washington and Lee students utterly disregarded in favor of the memory an employee and the store owner have of a certain face they saw several months ago. The due process complications which stem from the anonymous W&L student phone call which prompted Lucia Owens and Leslie Hoke to look through photographs to identify Flowers are another matter, but they also provide seemingly airtight appeal grounds for Flowers and her friends.

The question becomes, why was the word of honor of three W&L students so utterly disregarded by a Lexington judge? Theoretically, Flowers' conviction could mean three students can now be convicted of honor violations for lying, if the Executive Committee takes the word of a Lexington judge as law. However, anyone who believes in the integrity of the W&L honor system, as we do, could only believe that Flowers is innocent. If three students say it is so, it is so. It does not necessarily follow, either, that the innocence of Flowers would result in the determination that Hoke and Owens lied; after all, they are only attempting to recall a face and may honestly believe Flowers is the girl who called herself "Mary Stuart" last December.

After Flowers' conviction, we felt the painful realization that the Washington and Lee honor system is not taken seriously by the community, or at least not nearly as seriously as we take it. It is in fact totally disregarded in the nation's most sacred realm for truth and justice, the courtroom under oath.

Of course, there could be other agendas present that we know nothing of; it could be as awful as racism (all the witnesses for the defense were black) or as simple as facts that were not published by either party.

In any case, we feel the honor system has taken a serious and upsetting blow. In the best of all possible worlds, the honor system could peacefully coexist with the local justice system, but it seems more often than not we are at war.

Princeton Review; is it a conspiracy?

Once or twice a year, Washington and Lee is thrown into the national spotlight (at least, so we hope) by those fun student-satisfaction rankings of the Princeton Review. You will all recall the glorious time a year or so ago when W&L was named in the top 10 in all sorts of fun categories, like "Best Looking Student Body" and "Strongest Fraternity System." Now the law school is joining in the fun with its recent Number One ranking in *The National Jurist* magazine. Once again, these findings are based completely upon student opinions and co-sponsored by, you guessed it, the Princeton Review.

You have to wonder whether someone over there at Princeton, or wherever they put out those reviews, likes us. Or maybe the writing skills and politics of Washington and Lee students are so advanced that the glowing and lucid descriptions of W&L life we leave on those surveys are so impressive the Princeton guys cannot help but rank us first in everything. Whatever the case, congratulations are in order to our so-satisfied law students.



Silly '94

Spring term is essential to W&L life .

It's Spring Term, and not a minute too soon. We have the chance finally to wake from our winter term hibernation to find the sun shining, only 6 credits of work, and students "sunning" on the hill.



C.F. KUCERA, '97

Our thoughts now can turn to Goshen, Zollman's, and kegs; where our thoughts should be. Every now and then, however, we hear this voice, whether it be from our inner self or *The Trident*, this voice tells us that our futures are at stake and goes on and on about W&L being one of the best.

Academics are important, no doubt, but because they are so important we mustn't lose sight of what spring term is all about, having fun and drinking beer. This university knows that when days such as those of this past week role around, students often don't, thus they have invented spring term.

Spring term, in a sense, is an appeasement by the university, "Hey, if ya come to class, we'll only give you 3 to 6 credits of work and a long weekend." As far as I'm concerned, it's a pretty good deal. Which brings me back to my original point.

Spring term is good for academics because it allows students to enjoy themselves as much or more than the rest of the year, but without the guilt.

Spring term classes...yes, there are some. Most of the course offerings are meant to enrich. The spring term offers professors an opportunity to stray from the norm in many cases, to offer seminars and classes which they otherwise might not get a chance to teach. In addition it gives students a chance to take these courses, leaving them only to find a way to tell their parents, "But these are real courses." These are opportunities which larger, less personal colleges and universities don't and can't offer.

Spring term offers more than just different classes,

long weekends and keg lines, however. It offers Washington and Lee students a chance to get to know each other. Not as "the guy who sits in the back of philosophy class" but as "the guy I saw at the Dave Matthews concert."

There is more to this than a passing acceptance will yield. Spring term brings us closer together as a university, dare I say it, as a community. This sounds trite and corny, but think of how many new and different people you met at the Virginia Horse Center this Wednesday. So

much emphasis is placed on the W&L "community." Many say fraternities pull us apart and immediately place a label on us. This may be so, but the alternative of reducing the significance of the fraternities at W&L is not a pleasant one. A far better solution, it seems, is spring term and the social opportunities it offers, yet these are some of the same people telling us how well W&L is ranked in *U.S. News and World Report*. I encourage everyone this spring term to meet new people, be it at Zollman's, the front lawn, or Red Square. There is, I'm sure, some talk in some university building, of banishing spring term from the academic calendar.

Now these are probably suggestions made without the benefit of reason or intellect, though one of these

days the suggestion may be taken seriously. Thus I would like to point out some of the merits of Spring Term. Many of these have been mentioned before, but merit further discussion.

Weekends. All of us love them and often live for them and often don't live through them. Simply put, for most of us the weekends are longer; four or five days longer for some. Goshen; need I say more. The chance, perhaps, to see Professor Smitka in shorts and a tank top. Creativity. Each year students must challenge themselves to come up with new and different ways to tell themselves, "but these are real classes."

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Forget Whitewater and get to work

What is the most overused word in Washington these days? "Whitewater." The press corps has



PATRICK MCDERMOTT, '94

been bombarding us for the past few weeks with what appears to be a never-ending scandal. The entire issue of what the president or the first lady may have done wrong where they may have acted with poor judgment has been totally overshadowed by the pure partisan politicking going on in the Capitol. Both the White House and most Republicans refute any notion of illegality on the part of the president or the first lady, and yet statements by some House and Senate Republicans and the media coverage they have received would lead one to believe a crime of national significance has been committed. Personally, I find it interesting that the party of Watergate and Iran Contra has now "found religion" and is attempting to ride the high moral ground. What is more interesting is that the same GOP legislators who railed against the independent counsel law under Reagan and Bush now seem to have found a new favorite piece of legislation. All of this aside, the Republican's choice of leadership for their attack has been bizarre, to say the least. Their team consists of Rep. Jim Leach of Iowa and Senator Alfonse D'Amato of New York. In Leach, though hardly exciting, legislator and turned

him into a tabloid figure. Leach's rhetoric, while partisan, was initially rational. However, as the issue has progressed, he has steadily lost credibility. The climax of this was his 45 minute speech on the floor of the House, during which he seemed to be ready to have the president resign on the basis of unsubstantiated rumors and allegations. This amazing transformation from mild-mannered congressman to a near-rabid paranoid is a feat truly worthy of the GOP.

As remarkable as Representative Leach's transformation was, it was nothing compared to that of his colleague in the Senate, Alfonse D'Amato. In the last few months, D'Amato has gone from being one of the most controversial, highly criticized, and allegedly-corrupt members of the Senate to a "stiff-backed ethicist" ready to expose injustice and wrongdoing wherever he finds them. This evolution is even more astounding than that of Rep. Leach given D'Amato's history. Most notable among his offenses is the scandal in Nassau County, New York in which D'Amato was accused of supporting or being aware of the "1% rule."

This involved government workers being coerced into giving 1% of their salary to the GOP. D'Amato denied any knowledge of the practice in 1975, but when a letter from him on his personal stationery was found in 1985

he was forced to admit that he had lied while under oath. He has also accepted campaign contributions from individuals seeking appointment to agencies his committee oversees. Later, these individuals remarkably found themselves in the positions they desired. Finally, D'Amato was criticized by the Senate Ethics Committee for allowing his brother, a convicted felon, to use his office stationery for lobbying defense companies. With these two winners on their side, the Republicans have attempted to use Whitewater to stall the president's agenda.

After a tremendously successful legislative first year, the White House is now seeking to continue its reforms. Rather than supporting the President's proposed legislation on issues like health care, the Republican members of the Congress have instead tried to divert attention to non-issues like Whitewater.

Hopefully, this past week's lack of Whitewater "news" is the beginning of the end. After all, it was the Republicans who wanted the president to appoint a special counsel, and now that he has, they don't want to let him do his job and move on to doing their own.

If the members of the GOP think the American people can't recognize partisanship when they see it, they are sorely mistaken. Lawrence Fiske, the special

prosecutor and a Republican, is conducting a thorough investigation of the president and his advisors, and the White House has been totally forthcoming with the documents and information that have been requested. Rather than bickering about what both sides agree is, at worst, poor judgment on the part of some of the White House staff, let's talk about the issues that concern the nation. The president's agenda is full and, more importantly, crucial to the future prosperity of our country. Instead of concocting conspiracy theories involving the Clinton's, let's talk about health care, crime, welfare, and all of the other social issues that are eating away at the fabric of our nation. These are the issues that the president and the first lady are working on. These are the issues and problems we hired them to solve.

One would have thought that the GOP had learned from the last election that opposition research does not win elections, commitment to helping your constituents does. If the Republicans who are complaining so loudly about Whitewater would like to stay around to complain some more, they had better start working on something the people care about.

I honestly don't know why they haven't realized this—maybe its something in the water!

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Dead presidents party in Daytona

SPOS' SPACE

Tom Hespos

"Of all the presidents, you had to pick the one that I wanted to be," whined one of the Daytona pilgrims.

He clearly picked the wrong moment to take a potty break. The rest of our band of Spring Break pleasure-seekers decided that we would pick our identities for the night on the town while he was in the can, and he seemed ticked off that he had to settle for an obscure president, rather than one of the more famous ones.

The previous night, at a seedy reggae bar populated entirely by sketchy Daytona local types, we were Supreme Court justices. The night before that, we were philosophers. I was David Hume, and I introduced myself as "Dave" at another beachfront bar.

Here the blonde beach bunnies would stick to you like the finegrained white sands of the Florida beach to which we had migrated for Spring Break. On that particular night, I had the honor of introducing a very attractive Daytona native named Molly to my partners in crime: John Locke, John Stuart Mill, and Immanuel Kant, the latter assuming the name "Manny," so as to head off any negative social consequences stemming from the full name "Immanuel," which is just plain silly. Molly eventually ended up in our hotel room, drinking Barenjager shots with Mr. Locke, while hearing of his stance on the nature of man.

Such a scam was not intended to deceive. Rather, it was intended to help us to sort out the intellectuals among the beautiful college women that had migrated to Daytona, just as we had. After all, we needed to hang with girls who were able to follow our drunken conversations about the nature of mankind. The dumb ones just wanted to get into our wallets, so as to

mooch free drinks. So in our minds, if we took intellectual advantage of a few assorted ditzes and airheads, no harm was done. In the case that we were able to convince a young vixen that we were Oliver Wendell Holmes or Thurgood Marshall, we ran with the gag for ten minutes or so, let her in on the joke, and watched as smoke came out of her ears.

In any case, that night we were dead presidents: Chet Arthur, Zack Taylor, Warren Harding, Jimmy Polk, Andy Jackson and Bill Taft. When people asked us what we did for a living, we would respond with outlandish stories about law school and politics. Mr. Jackson would inform unsuspecting gold diggers that the majority of his vast fortune was acquired during a brief period during which he grew dope behind his big white house in D.C.

With little intellectual stimulation gleaned from the female patrons of the reggae bar, we ditched the place in search of beach bunnies with detectable brain waves. Stumbling down the street (quite literally), we ran into a wandering acid dealer who told us about the redneck bar in the sky. He pointed off into the distance, and there it was.

The redneck bar in the sky was glittering and shining like the mother ship in "2001: A Space Odyssey" from the top of a 12-story hotel down the beach. It was as if God had illuminated the place so that we would be drawn to it. Squinting into the distance, we could make out the forms of several women in country-western gear, apparently doing the "Achy-Breaky

Heart dance."

Swaggering into the hotel lobby in the same manner as prominent dead presidents, we sent "Warren Harding" to the lobby desk in order to get the lowdown on what was transpiring twelve floors above us. The desk attendant swallowed whole Harding's story about the fictional Secret Service Restrictions Act of 1992, which made hotel management staff personally liable in the event that they refuse to provide escorts for prominent political figures.

Minutes later, we were riding the elevator in the company of two sketchy bellhops with mirrored sunglasses and hand-held radios. "Polk" rode out the gag for all it was worth.



With little intellectual stimulation gleaned from the female patrons of the reggae bar, we ditched the place in search of beach bunnies with detachable brain waves.

"I demand total security," he said in his best mock-VIP voice. "How come you guys aren't carrying automatic weapons? I can sue you for this!"

The bellhops stood firmer at attention and adjusted their official Florida State Trooper mirrored sunglasses, saying nothing in order to avoid getting into any more "trouble." Soon, the doors opened wide and exposed the live band and the line-dancing women, most of whom were over 35.

Our revulsion was settled by a neon sign proclaiming \$3.50 pitchers of Budweiser.

Four hours later, the dead presidents were the only six paying customers left in the bar. We had a pile of quarters in the middle of the table from the change we had received from our purchases of pitchers. "Zack Taylor" counted the quarters and

divided by two.

"That makes 18 pitchers," he proclaimed loudly, attracting the attention of our waitress, who politely asked us if we would like anything before last call.

Zack placed one of the pitchers over his head and demanded four more. Meanwhile, "Bill Taft" went to go harass the band so that they would play "Queen of my Double-Wide Trailer." The waitress was not amused and told us to leave.

"You can't talk to me that way, I'm Zachary Taylor," spouted our drunken friend.

Right then, we noticed the two sketchy bellhops approaching us in the company of two Florida State Troopers. We didn't plan on sticking around long enough to find out whether we could be arrested for impersonating dead presidents. Even if we couldn't, the backward arm of the law, characteristic of southern states, would pinch us on some other bogus charge. We left through the fire door, leaving our pile of quarters as a generous tip.

Mentally and physically taxed from our challenging night, we headed back to the hotel, with a brief pitstop at "Sid's Discount Liquor Hut" for cheap liquor and cigarettes. I introduced myself as Alexis de Tocqueville and received a complimentary bottle of Tanqueray, along with Sid's best wishes for luck with my contemporary study of democracy in America. He also gave us a little American flag with a marijuana leaf sewn on it.

Upon arrival at the hotel, we commenced drinking Tanqueray and Barenjager and wondered whether we could derive any intellectual stimulation at all from our trip. Taft noted that a sign in the lobby announced the next day visit of a Shriner's convention to the hotel.

Oh, well, I thought to myself. At least the possibilities for fun would be kept alive.

GENERAL NOTES

Resume

There will be a Resume Workshop on Monday, April 26 at 4 p.m. in Room 109 of the University Center. All students are welcome.

Health

Health Education Committee meets Thursdays from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the Arlington Women's Center. All students are welcome.

Keys

If you have a key to a student organization office or sorority office in the University Center that you no longer need, return it to Carol Calkins for a full refund. Deadline to receive a cash refund is May 18th.

Counseling

The Peer Counseling Program is now accepting applications for membership in the program. Applications may be picked up from Carol Calkins in the University Center. The deadline for applying is Friday, April 29 at 5 p.m.

Environment

The Environmental Consulting firm "Project Performance Group" will be conducting an information session for any students interested in learning more about environmental consulting. The session will be held on Tuesday, April 26 at 4 p.m. All students are welcome.

Fishing

A basic course in fly fishing for women will be offered this spring term. Rods and reels are supplied for the class and several trips to Virginia streams. First meeting today, April 22, at 3 p.m. in the Arlington Women's Center. For more information, contact Dean Schroer-Lamont, at 463-8750

Health

Diane D. Cole, M.P.H., Health Educator for the University of Virginia Breast Resource Center will present "Breast Health: An Issue for Every Woman," on Tuesday, April 26, at 7:30 p.m. The presentation will be held in the first floor courtroom of the Rockbridge County Administration Building, 150 S. Main St., Lexington.

Wanted

Thinking about selling your mountain bike? If so, call 463-3313 and ask for Sarah.

Volunteers

The Parent Empowerment Project is looking for volunteers seeking experience in facilitating and coordinating groups for at risk youths. They offer supervision and 16 hours of training with a nationally known treatment program. Interested people should contact John White at 464-8560 for more information.

Avoid unfair criticism of Registrar's office

To the editor,

Over the course of the last two years, the women working in the Registrar's Office have been mentioned in a number of contexts (editorials, guest articles, question of the week interviews, etc.) intended to be humorous.

Donna Hall, Jeannette Jarvis, and Karen Plogger have very difficult jobs to do, involving many details and requiring them to deal with hundreds of requests in a day. Frequently, the "customer" doesn't want to be told "no" or "later." Perhaps the way in which this is communicated needs work, but regardless of how pleasantly Donna, Jeannette, and Karen might enforce the faculty's rules and my office's procedures, they on occasion will hurt feelings or cause disappointment. Making them scapegoats is unfair, aggravates the problem without healing the rift, and needlessly hurts the individuals involved.

If anyone has complaints about the way an office — my office — performs its duties and serves its constitu-

encies, those complaints should be brought to the attention of the person responsible — me. If my staff is not representing me or treating you in a manner consistent with the attitude of service and helpfulness I have tried to establish, then they need to be corrected but not abused.

I must say that I do get compliments from faculty, students, alumni, parents and others off campus about the responsiveness and performance of our office.

I also recognize that individually and as a group, we can always improve both our manners and efforts to look for ways to be helpful.

I hope your publication will refrain from further *ad hominem* attacks and that your readers will get to know the human beings behind the counter. I, in turn, am anxious to learn about ways I can refine our service.

Maybe we can catch more flies with sugar than with vinegar.

Scott Dittman
University Registrar

Leave the fall Rush tradition alone

MY VIEW

Jimmy Kull, '94

As my time remaining at W&L is quickly coming to a close, I am sadly preparing myself to leave this community that I first came to love in the fall of 1990.

My adoration of this school, however, has occasionally been strained because of certain administrative actions. One such incident is the recent dogmatic letter of Deans Manning and Ruscio published in the March 18th issue of the *Phi* in which they argued for Winter Rush for fraternities.

To me, that letter epitomized the Washington Hall mentality that is corroding this school's uniqueness. In brief, it reeks of bureaucratic arrogance which shuns one of the most important tenets of the W&L experience — namely, student autonomy. This is the latest in a string of administrative policies/actions since my arrival that have collectively convinced me that W&L is losing its distinctiveness.

I could list numerous examples of fallacious policies/actions, but that would take too long. Besides, there is no point in revisiting the ill-feelings that still remain from the administration's decision to forfeit the final piece of land on the Colonnade to the construction of an Asian art gallery. Nor should I dwell on the general opinion toward the construction of the "unfriendly wall. I would never have enough time or

space to delineate sufficiently the countless complaints that the fraternities have with the Renaissance's inefficiencies, ludicrous expenses, and mind-boggling bureaucratic mazes. And I will not even discuss the blatant disregard for student governance in the recent FIJI fiasco. Perhaps you can now understand why I fail to list all of my concerns with the Manning and Ruscio letter — it would be useless, and despite the administration's pretensions, the issue is not debatable.

For the past several years it has been an understood fact that the administration has wanted a winter Rush. The elected representatives of the fraternity system (which encompasses 85% of all males at W&L), however, want a fall Rush — but this fact is of small interest to Washington Hall. They want to jump head-first into a process that has not been properly studied, and from their ivory towers, they insolently belittle legitimate fraternity concerns.

It is this attitude which perhaps best explains the problem with W&L today. There exists a pervasive deterioration of the W&L spirit, and I blame the administration for the disaffection that students feel toward this school. Why? Because for the past several years our Washington Hall bureaucrats have devoted their energies toward two

goals: the placement of W&L in *U.S. News & World Report* and the construction of countless buildings. They have been successful in these endeavors, but only at the expense of neglecting the spirit of this community. Consequently, they refuse to believe that the Speaking Tradition is dying — if not dead — and the school's once unique character is on the verge of extinction.

W&L is changing — as well it must to survive. W&L, unlike other institutions of higher learning, has successfully adapted to its changing environment for nearly 250 years.

I think our school has been able to survive because of its rich heritage, wonderful leadership, and several fundamental truths.

Unfortunately, one of the "timeless" truths that came from General Robert E. Lee — namely, student autonomy — is threatened by unsolicited, unneeded, and unhelpful bureaucratic micro-management.

In the short-run, the rejection of this essential tenet will continue to frustrate and victimize the student body. In the long run the very identity — if not the health — of the university will be jeopardized by such a blatant disrespect for student autonomy.



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TALKBACK

Interviews and Photos By Joe Framptom

What is your idea of a perfect hypothetical spring term class?



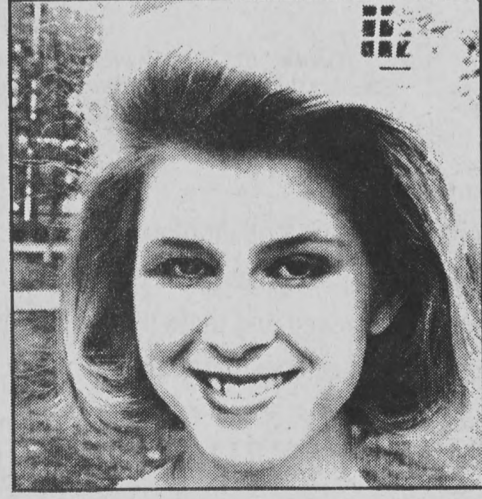
Jennifer Lynch, '95, Medford, N.J. — "One that doesn't meet."



Maggie George, '97, Houston, Texas — "Advanced rope-swinging techniques or something."



Murphy, Lakewood, N.J. — "History of the W&L dog."



Shelly Brien, '94, Sayre, Penn. — "One that meets once a week in the afternoon and allows me to spend the rest of my time at Goshen."



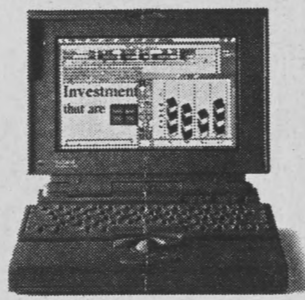
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Standings as of 04/22/94

Baseball				Women's Lacrosse			
Batting Leaders				Scoring Leaders			
Player	Avg	HR	RBI	Player	G	A	Pts
Graig Fantuzzi	.537	0	11	Angie Carrington	32	5	37
Bates Brown	.400	1	15	Lindsay Coleman	25	6	31
Matt Ermigiotti	.323	3	18	Cinnie Logan	13	4	17
				Erika Snyder	11	4	15
				Nicole Ripken	10	5	15
Pitching Leaders				Goaltending			
Player	W-L	ERA	K	Player	SV	GA	SV%
Matt Ermigiotti	3-2	6.03	32	Sarah Smith	88	57	.607
Matt Reedy	1-1	6.39	5	Brooke Glenn	43	31	.581
Brett Hartman	2-3	6.95	18				
Men's Lacrosse				Women's Tennis			
Scoring Leaders				Singles Leaders			
Player	G	A	Pts	Player	W	L	
Ande Jenkins	23	5	28	Marilyn Baker (1)	20		
Colin Higgins	16	11	27	Anna O'Connor (6)	16	3	
Ty Tydings	10	16	26	Kim Dickinson (5)	15	2	
Russell Croft	14	9	23	Julie Ayers (2)	15	3	
Scott Mackley	15	6	21	Shelley Sunderman (3)	14	4	
				Helen Chandler (4)	12	4	
Goaltending				Doubles Leaders			
Player	SV	GA	SV%	Dickinson-O'Connor	9	2	
Doug Grubner	64	48	.571	Ayers-Baker	14	4	
David Jones	46	33	.582	Sunderman-Chandler	11	4	
Golf				Team Records			
Leaders				Women's Tennis	20	0	
Bo Williams	7	79.0	75	Men's Track	11	1	
Jimmy Kull	7	83.0	75	Golf	28	8	
Gam Mattingly	7	83.3	77	Women's Track	8	4	
Scott Robinson	6	83.8	76	Men's Lacrosse	6	4	
				Men's Tennis	8	8	
				Women's Lacrosse	6	5	
				Baseball	8	14	

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Tuesday, April 26, 7 p.m.
 C-School, Room 327

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MLax-F&M 10, W&L 8
WLax-W&L 21, Hollins 5
Base-Hampden-Sydney 14, W&L 6
MTennis-Clairemont 8, W&L 1

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This Week:

Track-ODAC Championship 04/23
MLax-at Guilford 04/23
WLax-vs. Denison (at Frostburg)
Base-at Guilford 04-23

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LACROSSE, TRACK, TENNIS, GOLF, BASEBALL

APRIL 22, 1991

Baseball again!

AWAY GAMES

BY STEPHEN WILLIARD

I have finally achieved true greatness. I now control the Shaded Column Down the Side. Hopefully, this location will not affect the quality which you have come to expect in any way.

Well, the long awaited baseball season is almost through its first month, and already the team to beat has been established. The Atlanta Braves have roared out to a 13-3 start in the newly redefined National League Eastern Division.

The ticket to success for the Braves has been strong pitching (how many teams have a fifth starter with a no-hitter under his belt?) and timely offense. The power surge has been team wide with the entire batting order contributing.

The other stand-outs in the NL so far have been the San Francisco Giants and St. Louis Cardinals. By the way, I'm going to go out on a limb and say that the Mets will not finish anywhere near the position they occupy now.

The American League has been dominated by the resurgence of the East. The Blue Jays, Yankees and Orioles boast potent offenses while the return of Roger Clemens and the addition of Otis Nixon have put the Red Sox into contention.

The rest of the American League looks second-rate so far. Seattle and Texas have not lived up to expectations so far in the West, and the Central division has Cleveland near the top (Come on, CLEVELAND!!!!). It's still early though, and anything can happen over 162 games.

The only problem with this year's baseball season is the length. If the playoffs go as long as possible, the World Series will end on the last day or two of October. Can anyone imagine baseball in, say, Milwaukee or New York in late October, early November?

I know it's early in the season, but it might be time to go out on a limb and make some picks. The American League should see a different champ this year, but look for them to still call the East home. Right now, Baltimore has the best combination of pitching and offense.

The National League teams will all be playing "Catch the Braves" this season. Atlanta has a dominating combination of offense and pitching and is on of the deepest teams in baseball. They will only get deeper with the addition of Chipper Jones when the Braves prospect recovers from his spring training knee injury. Oh, by the way, screw you Justin McNaull!

Oh yeah, there are some other sports going on right now. The National Basketball Association is preparing to start the grueling "Second Season" of playoff games. For the first time ever, the event will be without the Lakers or Celtics.

One has to wonder how exciting the Knicks and Pat Riley would be if they met the resurgent Charlotte Hornets in the first round. Since the return of Alonzo Mourning and Larry Johnson, the Hornets have been a different squad. The resurgence has even included a pounding of the New York team.

The West has to be the favorite to turn out the NBA champion this year. The Seattle Super Sonics, San Antonio Spurs, and Phoenix Suns all have legitimate chances at the coveted title.

Well, damn, that's all the space I have for this week. Maybe this stupid column down the side is not as great as I thought. Oh well, thanks to everyone who reads (thanks Rachel), and I promise to write more next week (whether you want me to or not).

Women's lax nears playoffs

By KEITH GRANT
Phi Staff Writer

For the W&L fans thrilled by last year's Old Dominion Athletic Conference women's lacrosse tournament excitement, the Liberty Hall Fields has another dose on the way.

Washington and Lee's women earned a first-round home game versus Sweet Briar when the Generals walloped Hollins College 21-5 on Tuesday.

That win clinched the conference's fourth-place position for the two-time defending ODAC champs, behind Lynchburg, Roanoke, and Randolph-Macon.

Lynchburg and Roanoke are ranked seventh and eighth respectively in Division III women's lacrosse.

W&L (6-5, 5-2 at home) jumped on Hollins early and shot out to a 16-2 half-time lead. Junior Nicole Ripken scored four times and junior Lindsay Coleman added three goals and two assists in the rout.

The Generals got two goals apiece from senior Angie Carrington, sophomore Cinnie Logan, and freshmen Carrie Borish and Amy Shaw as they improved their conference mark

to 4-3.

A win in Tuesday's smatch with Sweet Briar would send the Generals on to next weekend's ODAC semifinals, hosted by '94 regular season champion Lynchburg. W&L would then find itself in a position it has not been in for two years—conference underdog.

Head coach Jan Hathorn notes that there is a definite difference between being the favorite and where her team is now, but it does not necessarily have to be negative.

"Not that we mind being the team to beat," said Hathorn, "but it is hard to be on top."

Although W&L's five losses are its most since 1991, Hathorn believes the team will respond to the position of underdog.

With the exception of a 15-8 loss to Roanoke, the Generals have not been beaten badly by anyone. Three losses have been by one goal, and the other defeat was a 14-11 defeat at the hands of Rowan, a top ten team.

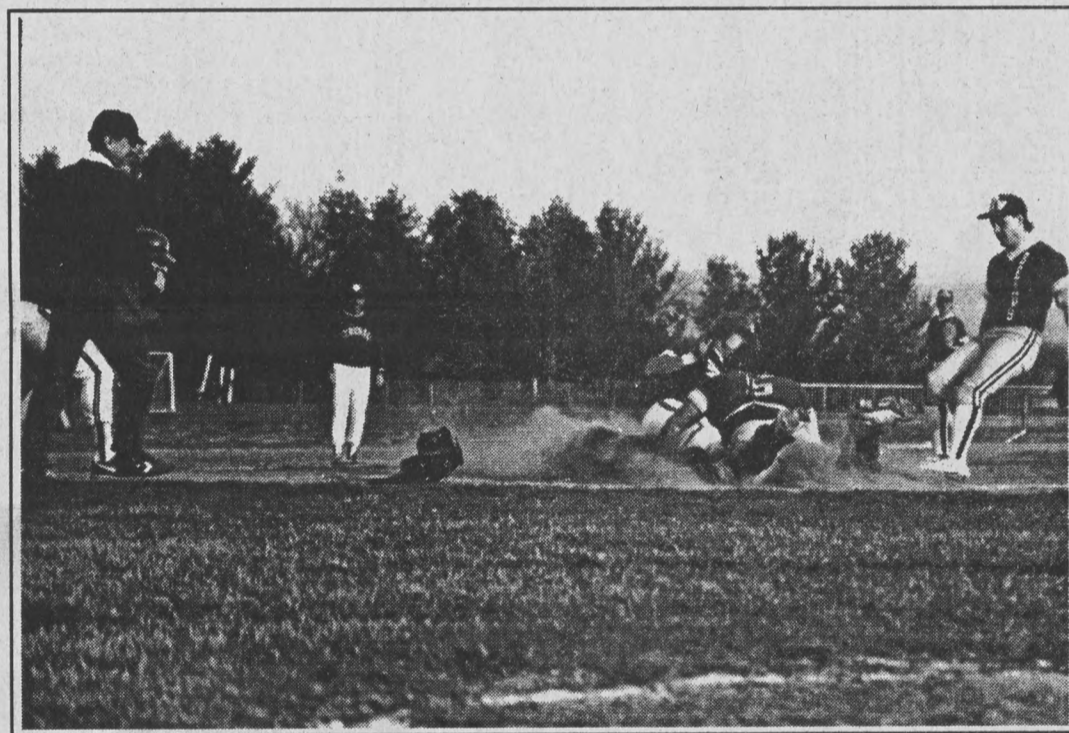
Another reason to be optimistic is the return to the lineup of Ripken. The Baltimore native (Baltimore? Ripken? Yes, they're third cousins.) was the Generals' second-leading scorer last year with 37 goals and 16 assists.

With 14 goals and five assists. "[Having her back] has been really important," said Hathorn. "Aside from the obvious inspiration to see her back, she's a solid player, a team player."



File photo

The Generals remain undaunted despite their fourth place entry into the ODAC tourney.



A 14-6 victory over Hampden-Sydney gives the Generals a 8-14 overall record.

Baseball learning

By PHIL CARROTT
Phi Staff Writer

Generals baseball may be the only spring sport without at least a .500 record, but that isn't getting them down.

Sophomore Graig Fantuzzi said the team is young and still developing.

"We need to find the right winning attitude; it just hasn't mixed yet," Fantuzzi said.

Their 14-6 loss Wednesday to Hampden-Sydney brought their record to 7-15-1, a .318 percent-

age. Fantuzzi said, "We should have won that game; we were a little flat."

Coach Jeff Stickley said when "Good pitching, good defense, and timely hitting come together, when we do that, we win."

Stickley said that the Old Dominion Athletic Conference is very strong in baseball this year, but is a very even and tough conference.

"It [ODAC] is more balanced than in the past," Stickley said.

Saturday, the Generals face Guilford for a double-header and conclude their season with a

Tuesday game against VMI.

Fantuzzi, the Generals star batter with a .571 average, said the team has become stronger as the year has progressed.

He said the number of returning players should make the team stronger next year.

Fantuzzi also said the pitching has improved over the course of the year.

"We need more depth in the pitching staff for next year," Fantuzzi said.

"If we could pick up one or two more pitchers next year, that would add depth."

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Men's Tennis

While most Washington and Lee students sat idly through spring break, the Mens Tennis team pulled through a tough road trip in California.

Although four out of their five opponents were nationally ranked, the Generals managed two wins and three losses. The team started strong, clobbering Occidental 8-1, then lost to fourth ranked Redlands, sixth ranked U.C. San Diego, and third ranked Claremont.

The biggest upset of the trip was W&L's 5-4 defeat of ninth ranked Pomona-Pitzer. Chris MacNaughton upset twenty-seventh ranked Brian Sakamoto 4-6, 6-4, 6-4, while the No. 2 doubles team of David Shewpe and Andy Horan clinched victory for the Generals with their 6-4, 1-6, 7-5 victory.

It was senior Robby MacNaughton, and his 4-1 record in singles play, however, who stole the show. He defeated ninth ranked Todd Born of Redlands in straight sets, and twenty-second ranked John Cross of U.C. San Diego in three.

In doubles play, the team of Mac Naughton and Peter Hammond defeated the second ranked Redlands team of Todd Born and Mike Mell 6-3, 6-3, and came close to beating top-ranked Claremont.

The Generals next match comes today, in the ODAC tournament.

Women's Tennis

The Generals continued their exciting season with a victory over 10th ranked Sewanee which gave them the second 20 win season in the school's history.

In the course of the victory, junior Marilyn Baker became the first player in W&L history to record three straight 20 win seasons. The W&L standout has posted a 20-2 record on the year to date.

The team has shot their way to a number two national ranking and an even more remarkable undefeated record. The team began play in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference tournament yesterday.

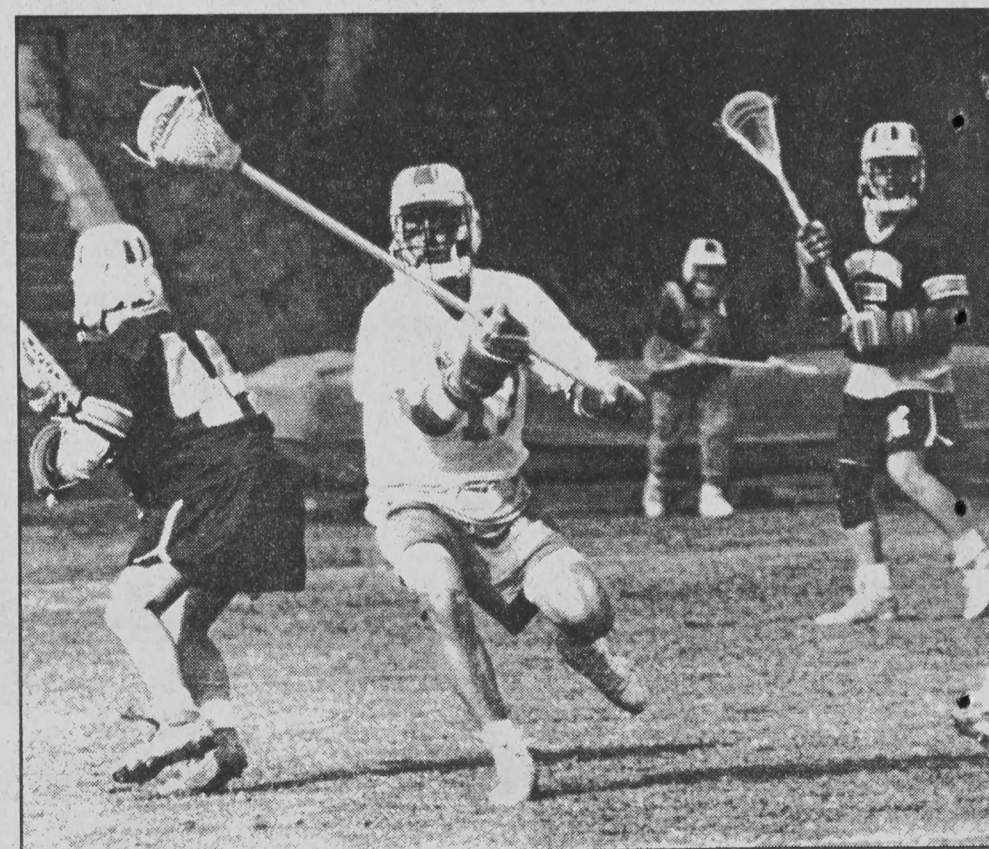
The team has received contributions all around. The team's sixth seed has posted a formidable 16-3 mark and Kim Dickinson's replacement for the ODAC tournament has posted a 6-0 mark on the year. Also, the three doubles teams have posted a combined record of 34-10 through the season.

Men's Lax

The Washington and Lee men's lacrosse team fell to 13th in the latest national poll after an upset at the hands of Franklin Marshall.

The Generals lost 10-8 on Saturday in Lancaster, Pennsylvania in a game in which the Generals led 8-7 with 12 minutes to go.

The W&L squad fell behind early 4-0 before rallying to take a 7-5 lead in the third quarter.



The men's lacrosse team moved to 6-4 on the season with an upset loss to Franklin and Marshall.