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Photo by Betsy Green, The Ring-tum Phi

A little bit of Irish Lit for St. Patty's Day

The Washington and Lee University Bookstore displays a wide variety of Irish-related books for St. Patrick's Day. Any of the books would be perfect for reading while drinking some green beer.

IFC tries to keep Rush in Fall term

By MICHAEL HEWLETT
Phi Staff Writer

Fraternity members will lobby Washington and Lee's faculty in an effort to save Fall Rush. IFC President Kevin Batteh asked fraternities Tuesday night to talk to faculty about the merits of Fall Rush. Batteh passed out a list of voting and non-voting faculty members to fraternity house representatives. The action comes in response to last week's non-binding faculty vote in support of Winter Rush. The faculty voted 83-3 after Professor Tom Williams moved to adopt a deferred rush. The Student Affairs Committee had requested a sense-of-the-faculty vote to see how faculty members thought about deferred rush. IFC and the majority of fraternity members oppose Winter Rush. Last week, Batteh said Winter Rush would hurt fraternities financially because the houses would have to pay more for rush activities. He argued that Winter Rush would keep freshmen away from their activities because they would feel pressure to spend time at their favorite house. Fraternity members would exert more energy to attract students to their houses in order to maintain house numbers, he said. Batteh said during Fall Rush, upperclassmen could give freshmen advice on the classes they

have taken. Batteh said he wanted communication between faculty and fraternities. The swapping of views between fraternity members and faculty can only help matters, he said. An English professor, who asked not to be identified, said the faculty's main concern is that Fall Rush takes on an exaggerated importance. He said during rush, freshmen forget that their primary reason for being at W&L is getting an education. Winter Rush would allow freshmen to see fraternities as secondary in importance to their education. Professor of English George Ray agreed. "We do have the long-standing tradition of self-governance," he said. "When conditions exist which impinge on students' academic performance, the faculty should and has an obligation to intervene and provide direction for the students." Although many students have lamented a loss of student autonomy, Ray refuted that argument, citing a passage from the faculty handbook: "The faculty shall be responsible for the academic regulation of students, for entrance and graduate requirements, for the approval and supervision, of courses of study, for the recommendation of students for degrees, and for the

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Sig Ep, Phi Psi fight

One Phi Psi pledge is arrested after scuffle

By MICHAEL HEWLETT
Phi Staff Writer

A freshman spent the night in jail after being involved in a fight at Sigma Phi Epsilon Saturday night. Lexington police arrested freshman John Thrall last Saturday and charged him with public drunkenness. Lexington police officer Fred Smith said he arrived at Sig Ep at approximately 2:30 a.m. He said Sig Ep members had

started to close down the party when Thrall became upset and rushed the group. Thrall said he arrived sober at the Sig Ep party around 11:30 p.m. After he had a few drinks of grain alcohol, he became intoxicated. Thrall said he talked to some of the Sig Ep pledges for a while and then moved to the dance floor. Some Sig Ep members asked to move away from the speakers. He said he ended up laying on a near-by pool table and stayed there until 2:15. After people started clearing out of the frat-

ernity, two Sig Ep pledges started to carry him home when they began arguing, he said. Thrall said he doesn't know how the argument started, but he began fighting with one of the pledges. After hitting someone, he became disoriented and started swinging at people, he said. Freshmen Matt Graves said Thrall was on the ground scuffling with an upperclassman who had broken up the fight. Thrall hit former Sig Ep president John Cox and about five other people, he said.

Graves said he tried to walk him home, but Thrall threw him off and swung at him. Then the police arrived. Cox said he doesn't know if Thrall was drunk when he arrived at the party or not. He said Thrall resisted Six Ep members asked him to leave. He threw punches at anyone who was near him, Cox said. He said someone punched Thrall and he fell. Graves said he holds no hard feelings against Thrall. "It was just him being drunk," he said.

Student puts together record of W&L fight songs

From STAFF REPORTS

The most popular football fight song in American college history finally has a chance to hit the Top 40 charts. Richard Weaver, a junior from Vero Beach, Florida, has put together an album called *For W&L I Yell: a collection of recordings of "The Washington and Lee Swing."* The album is being released on compact disc and cassette. Weaver was assisted in his project by the Washington and Lee Alumni Association. For *W&L I Yell* contains versions of the instantly recognizable tune done by such big band era names as Tex Beneke and the Miller Orchestra, Gene Krupa, Kay Kyser and Rudy Vallee and his Connecticut Yankees. Washington and Lee's male vocal group, Southern Comfort, cut a special version of the Swing especially for the album. There are also versions of "College Friendships," the university's alma mater, "VMI Spirit," and two recordings of the old and new "Washing-

ton and Lee Hymns." The impetus for the project came from a mention in the Summer 1994 *W&L Alumni Magazine* about a collection of 78s and LPs donated to the university by the Hon. Bleakley James, '50L. In October Weaver thought that the time was right for a compilation of the best of James' collection. Given the go-ahead by professor of journalism Bob de Maria and associate director of alumni programs Rob Mish, he proceeded to re-master the old vinyl records onto DAT technology under the direction of Lenfest Center technical director Gary



Weaver

Over 2,000 copies of *For W&L I Yell* have been pressed and will be given to visiting alumni over Alumni Weekend. Copies will also be sold at the W&L bookstore and at Night Owl Music in Lexington. Even though he won't see a penny from the album, Weaver has the satisfaction of preserving a bit of history. "Unlike a newspaper that's thrown away after being read or a TV show that disappears as soon as you see it, this album will be listened to for many years to come," he said. As for the follow-up album, Weaver says he's already got a title. "More Yelling," he said. "I couldn't have done it without them," Weaver said.

Phi Beta Kappa snags 50 Thursday

By EMILY BAKER
Phi News Editor

Phi Beta Kappa added 50 new initiates to its Washington and Lee Gamma of Virginia chapter Wednesday. Crowds gathered at the annual convocation in Lee Chapel to watch 40 undergrads, eight 1994 graduates, and two honorary initiates join the national leadership fraternity. The honorary initiates are Rosemary Tong, Thatcher Professor in Medical Humanities and Philosophy at Davidson College, and H. Thomas Will-

iams, Jr., Edwin A. Morris Professor of Physics at W&L. Tong gave the address, entitled, "Controlling our Reproductive and Genetic Destiny: Our Moral Rights, Responsibilities, and Relationships." In her speech, Tong explored the technology and future of genetic testing, screening, and engineering of embryos. Tong cited a trend of people to "commodify" their reproductive capacities. Men, she said, can sell their sperm for \$50 to \$75 a sample. Women can sell their eggs for \$750 to \$3000. Surrogate mothers of-

ten get paid money also for bearing someone else's child. The great cost of these genetic materials, Tong said, "may widen the social distance between rich and poor couples, as rich women may tend to use poor women as reproductive servants." Also controversial, said Tong, is the area of genetic engineering. "Some couples may think, 'We have the right to as perfect a child as possible. Why burden a child with limits he doesn't have to have?'" While

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EC redoes freshman Honor Code video

By RUTH HENRY
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The Executive Committee plans to have a new Honor System video prepared for the end of this academic year. The student body supports the idea of a new honor system video. Sophomore Susie Prevost feels that "the new video is a great idea because the other one is so outdated." Freshman Byron Burns commented "a new video is needed because many students are confused or do not know about the new Executive Committee additions to the White Book." Amy Gorham, the EC Secretary, said that the EC "wants to focus more on the positive aspects of the Honor System." The previous video featured a student getting caught for an honor violation, and

being turned in by a professor. It tracked the process that the Executive Committee would follow in any honor violation circumstance, but used this scenario as an example. The new video would also include a simulation, but instead of having a professor turn in the offender, Gorham said they wanted a student to turn in the offender because "the student realizes that the community of trust has been broken." In addition to this simulation, students and professors would discuss what the Honor System means to them, as well as any positive experiences they have had. The aim of the video is to focus on the positive aspects of the Honor System, rather than solely the negative aspects of the EC process. Students who are interested in acting in this new video, or want to share what the Honor System means to them, please contact William Toles.

UVA prof. speaks about Israel

From STAFF REPORTS

David Novak, the Edgar M. Bronfman Professor of Modern Judaic Studies at the University of Virginia, will deliver a talk titled "The Concept of the Chosen People" at Washington and

Lee University on Wednesday, March 22, at 7:30 p.m. in the Leyburn Library's Northern Auditorium. The public is invited to attend. Novak is an internationally recognized scholar in the fields of Jewish Law, ethics, and theology.

He has lectured widely in North America, Europe, and Israel. He was a pulpit rabbi for over 20 years, and has taught at Old Dominion University, the New School for Social research, the Jewish Theological Seminary, and the City University of New York.

U.S. News ranks W&L Law School #21

From STAFF REPORTS

The Washington and Lee University School of Law has been ranked 21st in the country by U.S. News & World Report in the magazine's March 20 issue listing "America's Best Gradu-

ate Schools." For the sixth consecutive year, Yale Law School earned the top rating among the nation's 177 accredited law schools. The top five law schools, Yale, Harvard University, Stanford University, University of Chicago, and Co-

lumbia University, retained their rankings from the last year. Law schools were ranked using five criteria: student selectivity, placement success, faculty resources, and two separate measures of institutional reputation. Overall rank was determined by

converting into percentiles the scores achieved in each category. W&L was ranked tenth in the category of faculty resources, which was based on the school's total expenditures per student for

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IFC wants faculty support of Fall Rush

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discipline and government of the students and all student organizations. The faculty may adopt such rules and regulation as may be necessary for the discharge of its obligation."

Ray said given the bylaws, the faculty must address this issue. This is not the first time Winter Rush has been an issue. A few years ago, the faculty and the fraternities agreed to keep Fall Rush with some provisions. During Fraternity Renaissance, the steering committee not only spent money to renovate the houses but also drew up a set of standards for student behavior, he said. Ray, who was on the committee, said the faculty thinks the fraternities have failed to live up to those standards.

"The faculty would not be addressing this if the fraternities were living up to the bylaws of the IFC," he said.

Phi Kappa Sigma junior Mason New said faculty will probably not change their minds about Winter Rush. He said it will get faculty talking to students and getting their opinions.

"I don't think many students understand the faculty's reasons for having Winter Rush," he said. "They think the faculty is not really listening to their position at all."

Pi Kappa Phi senior Whitney Blutworth agreed. He said most faculty members know that fraternities support Fall Rush, but they may not know all the reasons.

Although the faculty won't vote formally on Winter Rush until May, IFC are preparing for the worst. Batteh said IFC will begin to discuss a Winter Rush plan that would work for the fraternities.

Survey finds 91% of law school grads employed after six months

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instruction, library, and supporting services during the school year beginning in fall 1993 (65 percent); financial aid, indirect expenditures, and overhead per student (10 percent); total number of volumes, microfilm rolls, microfiche, and titles in the law library (5 percent), and the current student-to-teacher ratio (20 percent), which at W&L is 12 to 1. W&L also scored favorably in the employment category, with 91 percent of its graduates employed six months after graduation.

"The real measures of a law school are the quality of its faculty and students, the rigor of the learning that goes on, and the professional competence and integrity of its graduates," said Barry Sullivan, dean of the W&L law school. "If you know our faculty, students, and graduates, you know the kind of job we are doing at W&L. It's reassuring when others recognize that, too."

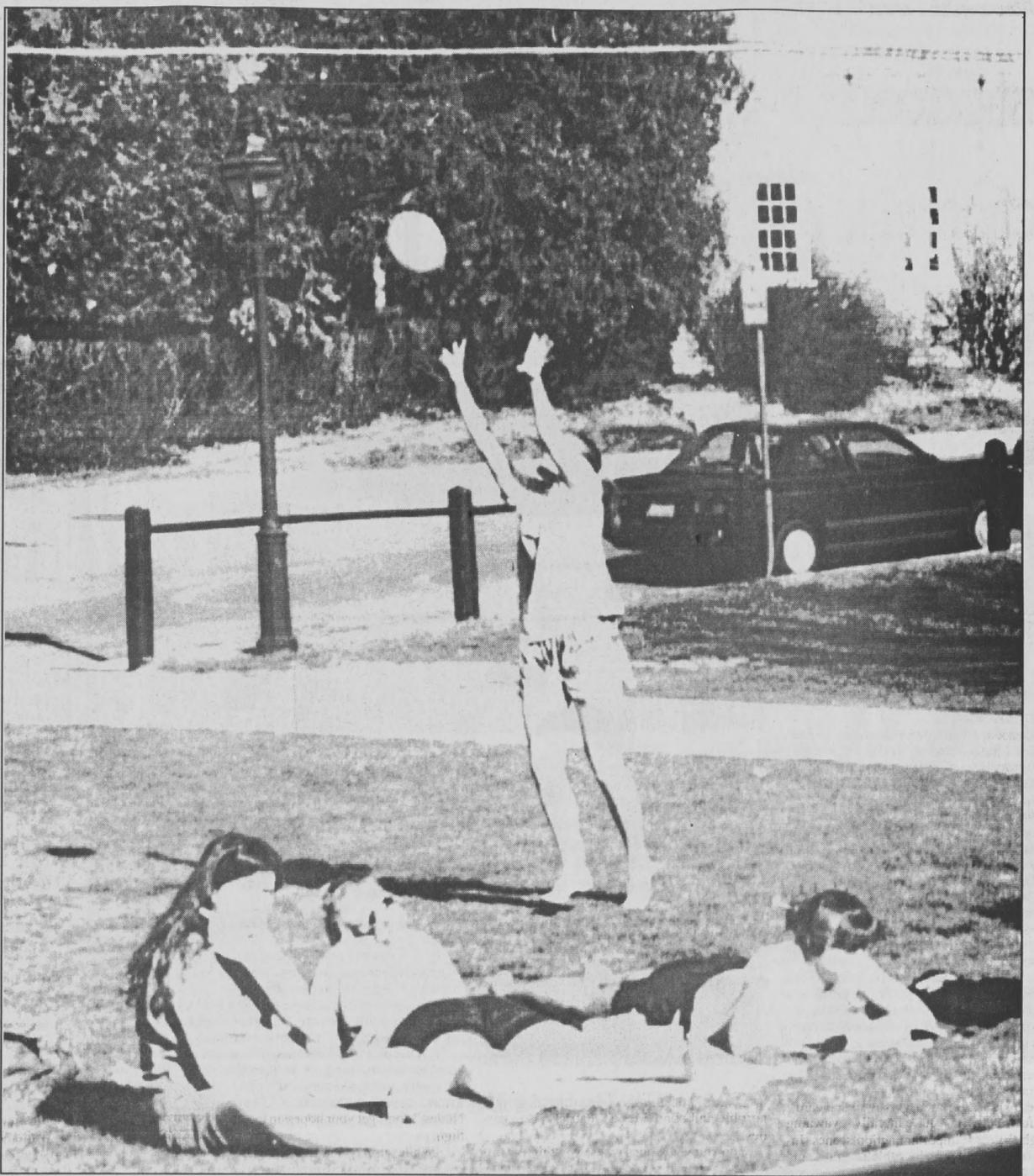


Photo by Betsy Green, The Ring-tum Phi

Sunbathers, frisbee throwers, and volleyball players could not resist the lure of the sun as the spring weather imitated summer. Students had class outside, slept in the sun for the first time since October, and got a little closer to that sought-after bronze glow.

Fifty join Phi Beta Kappa at annual convocation

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others may ask, "What about children with Down's Syndrome, who still have some level of happiness and ability in their lives?"

"Some claim this may lead to a generation of Big Brother trying to create a brave new world of perfect people."

If genetic engineering is to be employed, Tong said, it should be for the sake of prevention of terminal diseases. The thing to ponder, Tong said, is "who we want us and our descendants to be."

After urging the soon-to-be-members to ponder those responsibilities, the fifty initiated.

Senior initiates are Robert Temple Cole Cone, Elizabeth Lee Daugherty, Kerry Anne Egan, Allyson Lynn Gardner, Matthew Bryant Gilman, Rebecca Walker Herring, Tamara Denise Hopkins, Lisa Marina Jackson, Hollie Loren Kessler, Matthew Mark Koerlin, Bradley John Meier, Alexandra Catherine Miles, Sara Melinda Morgan, Stacy Lynn Newlin, Sarah Louise Lawrence Newport, Julia Maria Rose Podlas, Beth Marie Provanzana, Jane Axtell Shows, Sarah English Tune, Duane Matthew VanAsdale, Jonathon Jeremy Van Dyke, Mariecken Avivou Verspore, Jessica Lonholm Willett, and Andrew McCause Wright.

Junior initiates are Jennifer Leigh



Photo by Betsy Green, The Ring-tum Phi

Phi Beta Kappa initiates stand for recognition in front of their peers during Wednesday's annual Convocation in Lee Chapel.

Beam, Kelly Rae del Campo, Peter William Dishman, S.R. Evans III, Graig Alan Fantuzzi, Megan Melhope Fernstrum, Kimberly Anne Freeman, Christa Lynn Kirby, Istvan Ajtony

Majoros, Amy Isabel Mihal, Lisa Maria Murphy, Joshua Franklin Nitsche, David Dominick Olimpio, Hilary Jane Rhodes, and Katherine Tucker Wood.

1994 graduates initiated are Timothy Killen Adams, Stephanie Brown, Elizabeth Anne Dettmar, Nicole Suzanne Eden, Luther Cameron Howell IV, Jennifer Jo Peszka, Scott Thomas Sykes, and Henry Van Os.

Lip Synch buys 4.5 tons of food

From STAFF REPORTS

The \$2600 the Lip Synch raised this year bought 9125 pounds, 4.5 tons of food.

The Lip Synch began as a fund-raiser has been so successful that students decided to use the event to raise money for local food pantries as well.

Jerry Darrell, director of dining services at Washington and Lee and founder and advisor for

the event, drove a truck to Verona, Va., to purchase the food from the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank, a branch of Second Harvest. The shipment included everything from canned fruits and vegetables to pasta and beans.

The food was distributed to Community Share in Buena Vista, TAP, the Natural Bridge/Glasgow Community Pantry, RARA Food Pantry, and Neriah Baptist Church.

RSO and Sonoklect perform in Lenfest on March 25

From STAFF REPORTS

The Washington and Lee University-Rockbridge Symphony Orchestra and Sonoklect will present a concert featuring works by three composers from Eastern Europe on March 25 at 8 p.m. in the Lenfest Center.

The concert is open to the public free of charge.

There will also be a seminar on Friday, March 24, at 1 p.m. in duPont Hall.

The orchestra is conducted by Barry Kolman and includes students from W&L as well as area musicians.

The composers whose works will be performed are Victor Kopytsko, Arvo Part, and Henry Gorecki.

Kopytsko is a Russian composer who is rapidly becoming a key figure in the musical life of the republic of Belarus.

His music is known for its stylistic boldness and unique approaches to the production of new sounds.

His composition "Adagio for Adolf" will be performed.

Part, a composer residing in Berlin studied with Estonian composer Heino Eller and at the Conservatory at Tallinn.

Most of his compositions since 1968 have been vocal works heavily influenced by chant and the music of the Renaissance.

Part's composition "Collage Uber Bach" will be performed.

Gorecki was born in 1933 and studied with Boleslaw Szadliski at the Conservatory of

Katowice where, in 1968, he was appointed to its faculty.

His "Symphony No. 3," subtitled, "Symphony of Sorrowful Songs," will be performed by the orchestra.

Christine Schadeberg, soprano, will sing the texts of lament under the direction of Andrey Boreyko, guest conductor.

In recent years, this compelling composition has been the most popular classical work among audiences throughout the world.

It is currently number one on the Billboard charts and has sold over two million records worldwide.

Boreyko has been a featured guest conductor with several Eastern European orchestras including the Moscow Symphony Orchestra, St. Petersburg Symphony, Prague Symphony and the Big Symphony Orchestra of Russian Radio and TV, to name a few.

He is now the resident conductor of the Pozan State Philharmonic.

The Pub Board is pleased to announce:

Emily Baker and Dan Odenwald as the new Executive editors of the Phi, and Jessica Antonich and Susie Stowell as the new Calyx Editors

Congratulations!

Fast-paced action eludes *The Hunted*



The Hunted - 1/2
Occasionally one comes upon a genuinely bad film. I have found one in *The Hunted*. The story is standard. Paul Racine (Christopher Lambert), an American businessman, gets caught in the centuries-old feuding of two Japanese warrior cults, the ninja Makato, led by Kinjo (John Lone), and the samurai, led by Takeda (Yoshio Harada). Basically this involves a lot of swordplay, bloodshed and ancient Japanese castles.

If you go see an action film, you'd be willing to forgo character development or exciting cinematography in favor of pure action - exhilarating, forceful and heart-pounding. This film provides none of that.

The action scenes are poorly, quickly shot, as if in 'Confuso-Vision.' This is probably for the better, though, since the actor's choreography is also dreadful. Some of the swordplay looks interesting, but it becomes so highly ritualized, formalized and brushed-over it ends up resembling a mating dance more than pulse-quickening fighting-to-the-death.

The treatment of the fights is so standard I often found myself - quite literally - yawning through the most important action scenes. Instead of focusing on the athletic grace and strength necessary of the actors (as in a good Van Damme film), we get blurry shots of fast-moving pant legs, a quick flash of steel and long close-ups on the actor's face.

This might work if the acting were decent, but it fails terribly. Christopher Lambert made his first big splash as Tarzan in *Greystoke*. He seems to have used the same approach in this film - as a strong, silent misunderstood man given to sudden outbursts. Unfortunately, his character in this film is supposed to be a successful, articulate, urbane New York businessman.

Despite their credentials, the rest of the cast fails similarly. Work must be getting scarce for the high-brow John Lone (*M. Butterfly*, *The Last Emperor*), but after this disappointing performance he shouldn't expect any more calls soon. Joan Chen (the mill owner in *Twin Peaks*) has a rather minor role, but even that is flubbed. Yoko Shimada was Richard Chamberlain's love interest in *Shogun* and here plays the exact same character, only three-hundred years later in modern Japan.

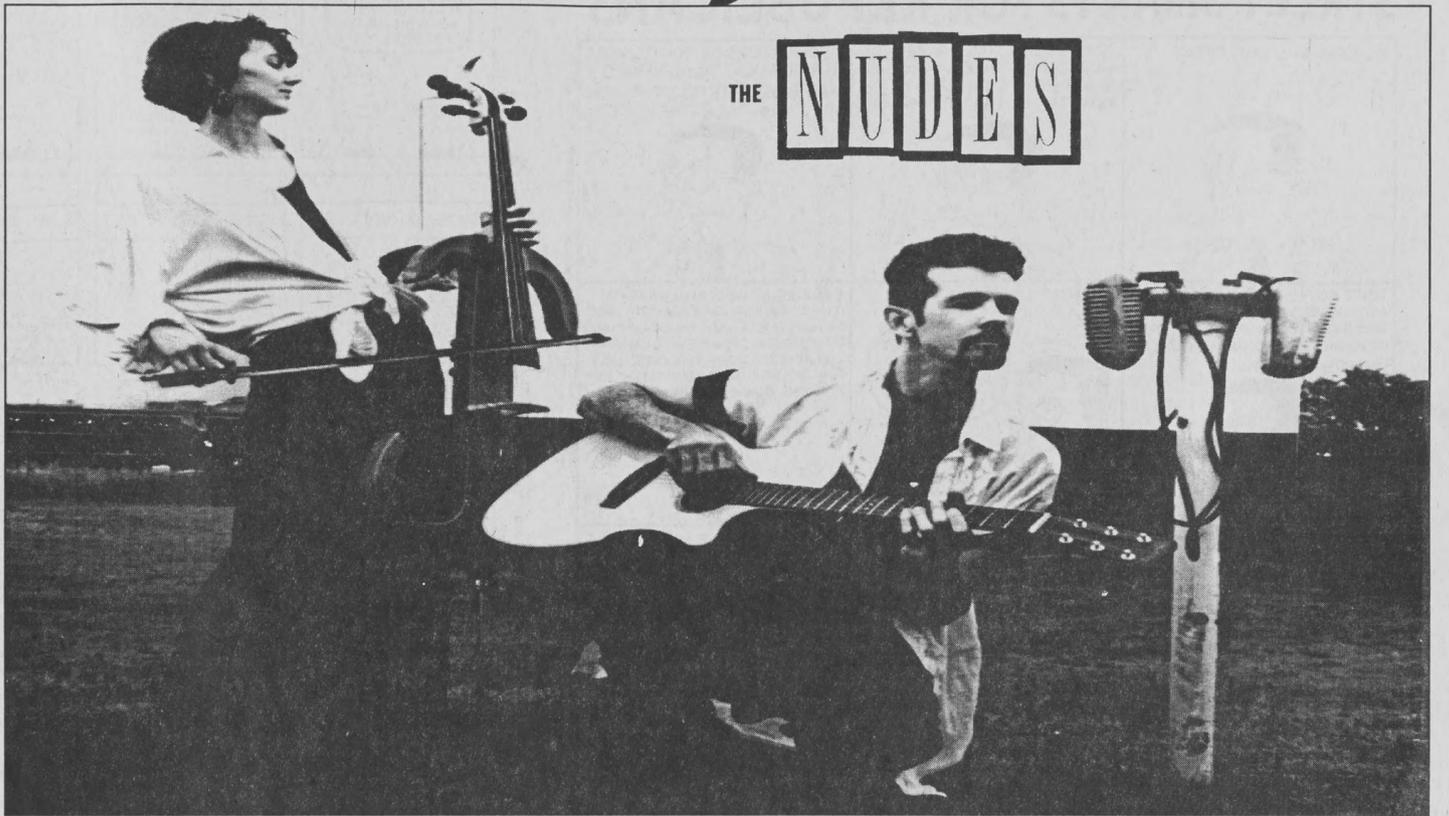
Despite the dismal acting, I wonder how much we should blame the actors. Rather, let's blame the script, because it is as predictable, empty and trite as any I've ever seen. The screenwriter is J.F. Lawton, who also doubles as director. Lawton is better known for his work as writer on *Pretty Woman* and *Under Siege*. Considering the (relative) quality of those films, one wonders what happened to make this one so very bad. Maybe he's got some sort of distracting 'personal problems.'

He wasn't able to redeem his script through his direction, either. Now and then, Lawton tries to do something daring with the camera, but it ends up looking only silly and pretentious. There are several dream sequences which are incredibly absurd - mostly slow shots of swirling colors and mystical, confused faces.

Overall, the film's tone is very reminiscent of *Highlander* - full of swords, costumes, ancient feuds, and Christopher Lambert. But this film is not even close to the level of *Highlander* (or even *Highlander 2: The Quickening*). If you're looking for a good sword fight, rent *Cyranode Bergerac*. Avoid this film at all costs.

Rating Scale

- ☆☆☆☆ - Go buy this as soon as it comes out on video. It is an instant classic. "You'll laugh; you'll cry; and maybe, just maybe, you'll learn something about yourself."
- ☆☆☆ - Go see this film now, while it's still on the big screen. It's worth a few Oscar nominations and the seven bucks you'll pay if you see it outside Lexington. Overall, "Better than Cats!"
- ☆☆ - Okay, so there have been better films. Nevertheless, it is a good example of its genre, and you should probably see it on videotape. Still, probably "Better than Cats!"
- ☆ - It happens to be on HBO, and you're blowing off tomorrow's reading. Although your time would probably be better served on your education, its free and you're bored, so go ahead and watch it.
- Ø - Even if its free and your best friend said he never laughed harder, trust me, this one sucks. Don't waste your time, or at least don't waste it on this. (There's always MTV.)



SEE THE NUDES TONIGHT

By Dan Odenwald
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Some of you may be already dreading those horrible and obnoxious St. Patrick's Day parties. You know, the ones where you think you'll shoot yourself if one more person approaches

you and screams in your face, "Kiss me! I'm Irish!"

Or worse yet, having some zealous party-goer spew green puke on your shoes. We aren't even going to get in to the elf jokes.

So, you've had it, and you're looking for an alternative. Well, Student Activities Coordinator Michelle Richardson has you in mind.

If you have seen those signs around campus with the suggestive picture of a man and a woman with the banner headline that reads "The Nudes," don't get your hopes up too high.

While it may sound like "The Nudes" is the name of an adult enter-

tainment troupe rented from Roanoke, they are actually a musical group scheduled to play the GHQ Friday night.

This concert is the latest event planned by Dean of Fun Michelle in her attempt to provide alternative social options for students.

The Nudes is a male-female duo from New York who describes their music as having "infectious grooves, engaging melodies, and compelling lyrics."

Walter Parks is the group's vocalist, guitarist, and songwriter. Parks was a business major while

attending the University of Georgia. He played music throughout his college years.

Stephanie Winters is Park's female counterpart. She is the group's cellist and vocalist.

The two paired after Winters read an ad placed in *The Village Voice* by Parks requesting a cellist.

Billboard magazine helped launch "The Nudes" career after giving them a favorable review of their self-released debut album.

"The Nudes" will begin playing at 9:00 p.m. in the GHQ.

For a refreshing alternative to the typical St. Patty Day's concert, be sure to be there.

Alan L. Keyes writes with intelligence but leaves readers frustrated

By MICHAEL HEWLETT
Phi Staff Writer

Alan L. Keyes is becoming a familiar face in politics today. The former Reagan appointee to the State Department has become renowned for his powerful speeches.

I saw him at the law school a couple of days before Lani Guinier spoke. Although I disagreed with his politics, I was impressed by his intelligence and his ability to articulate his ideas with clarity. That's why I decided to pick up his book, *Masters of the Dream: The Strength and Betrayal of Black America*. In this book, Keyes attempts to posit a different view of black American history that can adapt to his political conservatism.

He argues quite persuasively that blacks survived slavery primarily because of their conception of Christianity.

Christianity gave blacks a sense of their humanity and self-worth. Although they were oppressed, Christianity allowed blacks to have faith and work hard. With Christian moral values, African-Americans kept their families together and resisted the dehumanization inherent in institution of slavery.

However, black Americans are oftentimes ashamed of their enslaved ancestors, ashamed of the fact that they are descended from slaves.

"Somewhere, therefore, in the consciousness of every African-American there is a subtle temptation to disown our captive ancestors, and to think that our past is not a triumph to be celebrated, but a shame that we must overcome...So we look to Africa, glossing over the fact that Africa is not home to a single, united people but a polyglot of diversity of tribes and nations."

Of course, some blacks are ashamed of their enslaved ancestry but not all. Certainly, there are blacks who are either ignorant or choose to forget the struggles of their slave ancestors but again not all blacks.

He further argues that this system of moral values sustained blacks through Reconstruction to the early 20th century and provided the foun-

ation of the Civil Rights Movement. Black leaders such as Martin Luther King were molded in the black church. However, black people didn't need to be reminded of their human worth, they already knew it. What King did was simply to articulate something that black people knew throughout their history, he says.

Throughout the book, he criticizes those historians and social scientists who have misread or ignored the centrality of Christianity or religious values in black-American history.

He takes Daniel Patrick Moynihan to particular task for his notion that black culture itself was the blame for rising levels of illegitimacy in the black community. He also analyzes social-scientists such as Nicholas Lemann, author of *The Promised Land*, and Charles Murray, author of *Losing Ground and The Bell Curve*.

In his view, the problem with social science lies in its inflexible reliance on facts. He contends that social science fails to see the strengths of the black community and instead simply spews out statistic after statistic.

In fact, Keyes lays the problems of the black community at the feet of social scientists and politicians who have created a "liberal welfare-state" where blacks are essentially seen as helpless victims, a view that is in opposition to black history itself.

The black liberal establishment, as he sees it, has distanced itself from the black community and has assisted in the destructive policies of the liberals.

Politicians such as Jesse Jackson and Marion Barry have "sold out" the black community and have replaced black peoples' interests with their interests.

This has resulted in the sheer destruction of those values that have

sustained the black community during slavery and Jim Crow segregation, he says. Strangely enough, he also criticizes the *Brown v. Board of Education* decision.

"However, the opinion incorporated the argument that without integration, there could be no equality.

It seemed unthinkable that an educational institution that had little or no white participation was not inherently inferior.

Pity the poor African countries,

creasingly perturbed that he sees any positive good in racial segregation. Although Keyes admits that segregation was wrong, he nonetheless argues that segregation strengthened black cultural and moral institutions. Keyes forgets that segregation also excluded blacks from participating in mainstream America. He does correctly note the sacrifices that working-class blacks made in order to provide opportunities, however limited, to their children. Black women scrubbed and cleaned white peoples' houses while keeping their families together.

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The outcome of the *Brown* case was the right outcome, but the rationale for the decision unintentionally bespoke the very prejudice whose effects it sought to overturn."

I think Keyes misses the whole point of the *Brown* decision. The decision overturned *Plessy v. Ferguson*, which said separate but equal was equal. Thurgood Marshall proved that contention wrong, and the Supreme Court agreed with him.

As I read the book, I became in-



Photo from Time
Robert Dole, Alan Keyes and Richard Lugar (from left to right) roll with force into the contest for the '96 Republican Presidential nomination.

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He dismisses blacks such as Paul Robeson who pursued a career on the stage while protesting American racism. Instead, he compares Robeson to Thurgood Marshall, who became a lawyer, saying that "Marshall saw achievement in terms of his obligation to himself and the black commu-

nity." Fine. Robeson, on the other hand, decided that law was not his road to achievement; he sought achievement in the arts. Yet, Keyes criticizes him, accusing him of being more concerned with white opinion than with black needs.

In my view, Robeson never forgot where he came from and attempted to bring dignity to the black culture by achieving in the arts. Keyes is wrong: Robeson never forgot his obligation to the black community.

More importantly, blacks wanting to break barriers in the arts, law, journalism and medicine had little to do with trying to appease white people. These blacks simply wanted to participate in the American Dream: the idea that if you work hard, you will succeed. Keyes is right in pointing out that the American Dream was about more than making money, but succeeding and participating in the mainstream is the ideal on which this country was built.

After World War II, black soldiers became more militant because they saw the irony of fighting fascism in Germany and being treated as second-class citizens in America.

They were angry because they wanted something better in life, and Jim Crow kept them from getting it. But Keyes thinks black people were better off in racially segregated areas, cut off from opportunities available to other American citizens.

Throughout the book, Keyes expresses his longing for a simpler time when blacks had nice little institutions that sustained them through slavery and segregation. While he criticizes the welfare system and bureaucracy, he thinks blacks were and are better off if they are sectioned away from the American mainstream.

Although he talks about neighborhood councils and more power to the people, his ideas leave blacks virtually cut off from the opportunities enjoyed by other Americans.

He stretches his conception of the black Christian tradition to ridiculous proportions, and he eventually loses steam when he champions Clarence Thomas and lambastes Jesse Jackson. Keyes contradicts himself too often in this book, even when he occasionally makes some valid points.

In the end, Keyes writes grandiose rhetoric, and he leaves the reader unsatisfied and frustrated.

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A Convergence Theory

A convergence theory exists that can be beautifully applied to the recent events on campus. The theory says truly splendid events are always accompanied with truly horrible events. The convergence theory perfectly illustrates the irony in life.

Old Man Winter finally packed his bags and left Lexington early this week leaving Washington and Lee basking in glorious sunlight. Students simply "felt" better. Moods were uplifted and smiles abounded on the Hill. Almost everyone was able to take advantage of the warm weather. Whether it was enjoyed by quietly reading a book in the Dell or playing frisbee in the BDG Quad -- the early brush with spring was heavenly.

Waking up, pulling the shade, and having the warm sunlight bathe your face gives you that little pick-me-up that is rare during the dogged, final days of Winter Term. Students were finally able to wear those favorite pair of shorts tucked snugly in the bottom drawer of the dresser since October. With Mother Nature on your side, all things are possible. Send the blue and dreary days of winter on her way, spring is here!

But a cloud remained. While this cloud was not a physical one in the sky, it penetrated deep into the hearts of every W&L student. We sadly watched one among us be stripped of his privilege to attend this University. With questions of guilt or innocence aside, no one can say he was not torn apart to witness this tragedy.

The Honor System is so deeply imbedded in all of us. It is the law that governs us and the motivation which guarantees that we live honorably. To see a fellow student fall from grace disturbs us because we realize that our system is not perfect. To see a proceeding conducted in the name of justice and then turned into a public spectacle disturbs us even more.

Let's put this behind us. But let us never forget. Always remember the coldness and emptiness you felt in your stomach when the verdict was rendered. Please let this serve as a lesson to all of us.

The convergence theory says bad always accompanies good. When we are most happy, we are most upset. We do not pretend to understand this. In fact, it confuses the hell out of us. But maybe when we accept that fact, things get a little easier.

—Dan Odenwald

Quote of the Week

"Does anyone have a G-string?"

-- The conductor at the Sonoklect concert, trying to resolve a viola player's technical difficulty

"He's backstage putting on the G-string, and will be ready to perform in a minute."

-- The same, explaining the delay in the performance

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Full report on student body honor violation hearing

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Sexist traditions must be re-thought



NOVA CLARKE, '96

I have decided to shed my Democratic tag for a while and write about women; not Democratic women but women in general. After all, it is Women's History Month. I've heard a lot about women feeling discriminated against and being called fem-nazis but, I never personally experienced anything like that until recently -- but that's a whole other column.

In high school it was always an open competition and it didn't matter what sex, you were it just mattered that you could compete. In fact, here at W&L I've more often been slammed for my political views than for my sex. I've been called a raving liberal but never a emotional female (at least that I can remember).

Nationally, there has been a lot of talk about women being incompetent or having special problems in regard to politics. There is the Zoe Baird problem that has entered the language of politics. Of course men have withdrawn their name from nominations for the same reason but the incident that is remembered is Zoe Baird.

The main focus on women in politics has, of course, been Hillary Clinton, or "Billary" as some people call the Clintons. I don't know whether it is the threat of a woman who appears almost to be in the job of president or her

personality but, she doesn't get the same praise Tipper Gore does. That might be because Tipper's plan was something family oriented: censorship, which all the conservatives can go along with. Hillary is far more controversial. One thing this whole discussion has shown is that America is definitely not ready for a woman President and a First Husband.

Women in Congress also have a slightly different focus than the men. For example, the Women in the House got together to back a law requiring more stringent enforcement of alimony orders and forcing men to pay child support. This crossed party lines and shows that women can show solidarity on issues such as these. However, women are not all emotional bleeding hearts. They have taken positions on issues that oppose the traditional philosophy of women wanting to help everyone else out.

One of the things I find ironic is the recent excitement in finding out that a representative is pregnant and will become only the second sitting house member to give birth. Why don't they make such a big splash when a sitting representative becomes a father? Actually, I'm surprised that the family-values

coalition hasn't slammed her for working while pregnant.

On to W&L. I've heard from people that W&L is still a male dominated school. I am glad that Amy and Madeline got elected, proving that theory at least partially wrong; however there are still some conditions that seem very old-fashioned and sexist. One of these would be that the female deans cannot vote or ask questions at faculty meetings. The official reason for that is they are not teaching any classes. Regardless of whether they teach or not, they are still part of the faculty and deserve a vote. I don't really know if this is just a convention or whether it is actually written into by-laws somewhere, but it needs to be changed.

"I don't think I'll ever make a very good feminist, or at least not what people perceive feminists to be. I believe in equal treatment, but I still like to have doors opened for me."

The other example I have heard a lot about lately is our sexual misconduct policy. There were rumors flying around for a while that someone had been raped and the penalty was merely social probation. That obviously made many of us very angry. I had a friend who was ready to transfer because she could not deal with a school she saw as condoning rape. It turns out that the Student

Faculty Hearing Board found the accused guilty of sexual misconduct. We don't know what exactly happened (perhaps the rumors were very exaggerated), but our policy in regard to incidents of sexual misconduct needs to be reconsidered. First of all, sexual misconduct covers everything from rape to calling someone a sexist name. This seems to be almost a PC policy, we won't offend anyone by saying what really occurred. Obviously the first crime is a million times worse than the second but for all we know, either one could have occurred. Women at W&L have a right to know what is occurring on campus for our own protection.

I don't think I'll ever make a very good feminist, or at least not what people perceive feminists to be. I believe in equal treatment, but I still like to have doors opened for me. Most people seem to equate that with a feminist issue, when it is really a matter of courtesy; I hold doors open for people and I expect other people to act the same way. The other thing is, I've never really been good at feeling like I've ever been oppressed. I have never been taught or informed that a woman should sit quietly and hold her tongue. I basically treat everyone the same way and I would hope the women at W&L would feel the same. We are as much a part of the institution now as any of the males here. Also remember, many of the buildings on campus were financed by women after their husbands died, so women more or less have physically built W&L and will continue to build it by being part of the institution.

U.S. soldiers are not social workers



NICHOLAS L. WADDY, '96

Recently CNN has been running a series of reports on the changing role of the United States military, with special attention to those servicemen who were unfortunate enough to draw an assignment at the US base at Guantanamo, Cuba. Guantanamo, acquired by the US during the Spanish-American War, until recently was a key American asset in the Cold War balance of power. Now, however, with the threat of Communism reduced if not eliminated, American officials have elected to use the base at Guantanamo in an entirely new way: as a holding pen for Cuban and Haitian economic refugees.

To make a long story short, these CNN reports have presented a very troubling perspective. The reporter, whose name escapes me, positively bubbles over with enthusiasm for the bravery and ingenuity displayed by our boys (and, one must not forget, our young women) in facing the daily challenges of providing food, clothing, and shelter to thousands of unfortunate people. US soldiers must, in addition to taking care of basic needs, keep order in the camp.

My primary concern about the military's new mission, about their being called on to baby-sit refugees, is that such orders fly in the face of the very purpose of any military organization. Our armed forces share a very specific and necessary task, much as we might like to sidestep the fact:

their primary mission as soldiers is to seek out other soldiers (those whom we do not like) and to kill them. When our soldiers are not actively killing anyone, their purpose is to serve as a deterrent. In layman's terms, the peacetime role of the American military is to hop around the globe looking scary so no one is tempted to mess with the United States.

Sadly, a new image of the American soldier is now emerging: the serviceman as social worker. The Clinton administration, unable to accept thousands of new Cuban refugees into the United States because of widespread opposition to immigration, and unwilling to send the refugees back to Cuba because of the inevitable protests in the Cuban-American community in South Florida, has decided to pursue an ingenious middle course: procrastination. While the politicians in Washington mull over the finer points of the refugee dilemma, moreover, it is the US military that is being called upon to pick up the slack. One feels great sympathy for the Marine commander at Guantanamo whose job now seems to consist, in the main, of assuring reporters that refugees are receiving a well-balanced diet and that construction of temporary outhouses is proceeding smoothly. This was not, one suspects, in the Colonel's job description.

The CNN reports rest on an insidious assumption: that war is passé, which it is not, and that the US military in

the 21st-century will slowly evolve into a gigantic social welfare agency. CNN's picture of the 21st-century soldier is now being painted with frightening clarity -- he holds a yelping Cuban bambino on one knee, and supports an M-16 on the other (loaded, of course, with rubber bullets; we wouldn't want anyone to get hurt, after all...) Such pacifist expectations, of course, have little to do with how the future will

actually play itself out. But, in the short run, placing the American soldier in the role of baby-sitter is greatly injurious to morale and to the respect which our armed forces enjoy abroad.

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Liberal schemes to socially engineer a Great Society in the United States using taxpayer dollars are bad enough, but plans to enforce social justice on a global scale using American servicemen as pawns are positively reprehensible. Just remember that every soldier that busies himself providing warm blankets to the Cuban unemployed is one less soldier protecting YOU from the hostile intentions of the Qaddafi's, Husseins, and (ironically) the Castros of this world. If missile silos could be turned into preschools, and naval bases into free clinics, no doubt the world would be a better place; until that time comes, however, the unique mission of our military should be respected and upheld.

Coffee: The possibilities are endless

GREEN LAND
Betsy Green

This column was inevitable. Take a deep breath. It's time for another column in the series I like to call "Stuff I Think Is Cool." This week's topic: Coffee.

I love coffee. I don't just mean that in the sense people mean when they say they love their country or their parents. I mean, I really love coffee. I have an ever-growing collection of coffee cups and a really cool penguin-shaped carafe. I have two coffee makers, my own bean grinder, and a cappuccino/espresso maker. I am deeply serious about coffee.

My obsession with coffee has been rapidly fed by the Gevalia Coffee Company. They sent me mail (which won them points with me right away) offering to give me a four cup coffee maker (with the cone-shaped filters recommended by my friends on rec.food.drink.coffee) and a pound of beans for a mere five dollars. I sent them a check right away. It's excellent coffee. Unlike fellow Gevalia member Richard Weaver, I bothered to read the whole thing and learned that they would periodically be sending me coffee. Also unlike Richard Weaver, I considered this a good thing. The only problem is that the amount of coffee I now have is slightly overwhelming, even for me. In my room right now, I have about five pounds of unground beans. The time has come for some experimentation.

The first thing I wanted to try with my coffee was to see what would happen if instead of giving my plants water, I gave them coffee. The results have been inconclusive so far, but I have two theories as to how Experimental Plant Raul will react. Theory One is that Raul will respond to the caffeine in his new diet by growing really huge and eventually overtaking my room like Audrey II in *Little Shop of Horrors*. That would be cool,

especially if he decides to sing to me. Theory Two is that coffee will have a Magic Beans effect on Raul. He will grow into a huge beanstalk, similar to the one in the fairy tale with which we are all familiar. The difference, though, is that having a beanstalk, giant, and so forth, will probably prove a lot less useful to me than it did to Jack. I can't steal golden eggs from the giant; it's an Honor Violation. Instead, I will occasionally have dinner with the giant and take his wife shopping at Tal Gal. Regardless, I'm sure the *Journal of Science* will be anxious to publish my findings.

I love the smell of coffee. I love it so much that the fact that every thermal mug I own smells like coffee and taints the flavor of any non-coffee beverage I put in them doesn't bother me in the least. In fact, I kind of like it. If you feel the same way I do, try this craft tip that is probably worthy of mention on *Live With Regis and Kathy Lee*. Grind some coffee beans and put them in the foot of a pair of knee-high pantyhose to make a lovely sachet. It works much better at making my clothes smell like coffee than my previous method of accidentally spilling full cups on myself.

We all know that drinking a lot of alcohol will build your tolerance—it will eventually take a lot more to have an effect on you. The same has been true for me with coffee.

I once filled my 36 ounce coffee cup/silo with espresso and took it to the class of a certain professor whose name I will wisely not mention here. I then had contests called Certain Professor Whose Name I Will Wisely Not

Mention Here vs. 36 Ounces of Espresso. The professor won every time and I'd fall asleep. Only one time in my recent life has any form of coffee been able to keep me awake. Picture it: Cordova, Spain, 1992. My brother (The Boy) and I have just spent a sleepless night on a train. At breakfast, we are offered the delectable beverage that is known as *cafe con leche* (that means coffee with milk, kids). *Cafe con leche* is made with really strong coffee and a lot of steamed milk. It's amazing, but it was not right for that. The Boy and I boldly asked for *cafe con leche sin leche* (handy translation: coffee with

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milk without milk). Damn, it was good. It was an experience that I have heretofore been unable to duplicate. That coffee was so strong that it was actually thick. This is a coffee so powerful that you don't even need a cup to hold it, so mighty that it allowed me to see the very face of God, so tough that it might keep you from snoring in Professor Whose Name I Will Wisely Not Mention Here's class. The Boy and I saw marketing potential. We shall call it Coffee-On-A-Stick and sell it as such. Our slogan will be, "Coffee-On-A-Stick: Quit messing around and eat your coffee." I know it will make us rich. How could consumers reject a product with the words "On-A-Stick" in its name?

Coffee-On-A-Stick inspired me to try another experiment. Think of those Spring and Summer days when you really want a cup of coffee but don't want to carry a steaming beverage to

Goshen. What should you do? The answer to this dilemma came to me almost as in a dream and I tried it right away. I took a plastic Solo cup, filled it with coffee, and stuck a butter knife in it. I then opened the freezer, ducked the avalanche of boxes of frozen spinach, and placed the cup inside. Twelve hours later, my creation was complete: Coffeesicle. I cut away the plastic cup and had a huge Solo cup-shaped frozen chunk of coffee. Mmmm! It was exquisite.

The next time I go to Wal-Mart, I'm going to buy some popsicle molds like I had when I was little so the coffee hunks will be more manageable. I can't wait to go to class Spring Term gnawing on a big chunk of coffeesicle. Remember how popsicles used to turn your tongue purple or whatever? The coffeesicle turned my tongue brown, which was not an altogether unpleasant experiment.

Ah, coffee. The possibilities are endless. I've been thinking I should try to incorporate it into cooking, using coffee where the recipe calls for water, such as in cake mixes and Kraft Macaroni and Cheese. I'm sure my cookbook *Stuff You Can Do With Coffee* will be stiff competition for Sarah Gilbert's *Cooking With Alcohol*. Sarah's book doesn't have a prayer if I include some of my coffee/alcohol ideas. Irish coffee is great and everything, but why not try something stronger? I've been wondering what would happen if instead of putting water in my espresso maker, I used rum. I have always thought drinking espresso should be like doing shots anyway, so why not? An even better idea: what would happen if instead of putting water in my coffee maker I used gin? Unfortunately, I'm fresh out of gin, having had polished off the last of it when I put it in my cereal this morning.

Still, I know it's worth trying, especially since I have five pounds of beans to use up while they're still at their peak. Coffeesicles, anyone?

Student Body Notices

March 8 has chosen to withdraw from the University.

March 14 A member of the student body has been found guilty of a violation of the Honor System in that the student cheated on a Theater exam. The student has chosen to withdraw from the University.

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Winter rush debate disregards students' interests

MY VIEW
Phil Carrott, '96

The topic of a winter or deferred fraternity rush has been a hot topic for some time at IFC meetings and among some professors for more months than most students know. The arguments stem, as I understand them, from a five-year plan made in 1989 that has obviously come to term, the report made by the Co-education Review Committee, and the desires of various deans, including the Dean of Freshmen. These documents, in combination with a report prepared by the University of the South describing universities similar to W&L that have moved to a winter rush from a fall rush, have prompted some professors, for whatever reason, to recommend exercising the trump card the faculty holds over the students and move, forcibly, fraternity rush to the winter.

There are markedly different "camps" among the faculty in the reasoning for the move as I have seen. One portion does not feel the deferred pledgship implemented in 1987 has worked, and the students (the IFC) not enforcing the plan effectively enough in years past. This is the viewpoint the IFC is currently trying to remedy with its fall pledgship plan. Another portion of the faculty (and the Dean of Freshmen) think the freshmen not only need more time to make a social decision such as joining a fraternity, but need a term free of commitments such as rush to "get their feet on the ground"

academically. They believe fall term would serve this purpose. In addition, there is the camp from which Dr. H. Thomas Williams (the professor who made the motion for deferring rush at the last faculty meeting) comes, that believes it is time to at least try winter rush for reasons such as those enumerated in the Co-education Review Committee's report, the Sewanee report, and the five year plan. They believe the reasons for winter rush and the "success" it has had at universities of similar size are too overwhelming to ignore. Then there are those three-plus professors who, for whatever reason (God bless them), voted with the IFC and students. I would like to address these different views and hopefully can make some faculty think harder (if it is possible) about the issue at hand.

The IFC held two meetings in the past two months at which faculty, in some capacity, were present and engaged in debate of the issue. Although some student opinions were a bit rough and perhaps fell on deaf ears from the start, progress was made in my opinion (especially with the SAC, who is currently endorsing the fall pledgship plan set forth by the IFC). The vote by the faculty, however, did not confirm this. Either our arguments did fall on deaf ears or we students obviously do not know what is in our best interest. I would argue (principally to the first group from above) that despite the arguments such as "we'd have to have parties all the time and we'd run out of money," or "everyone would cheat and dirty rush," or "the freshmen would go out all the time, forgetting their classes," which are against winter rush;

arguments for a fall rush are more compelling.

First, it is an activity in which the vast majority of freshmen get to know the vast majority of the upperclass in a setting where they are more likely to actually get to know the upperclassmen in addition to their fellow classmates. (This does not apply to males exclusively, freshman women are an integral part of the rush party, as are their upperclass counterparts.) Rush is also better in the fall because it has a definite end, where winter rush would more or less require very simple rules or no rules and could go on for five or six weeks before both freshmen and upperclassmen tire of the whole thing and turn to their studies. This brings up another argument that freshmen should be exposed to academics first and social activities second in an attempt to quiet the "work hard - play hard" maxim of W&L. Frankly, the freshmen will find out sooner or later who will buy them beer and who will not.

To Dean Manning and Dean Ruscio, it is true that freshmen need a term to acclimate themselves to their new environment, time to learn how to study and to learn what will take up their time or what tests need a lot of preparation. I do not know of any fraternity that cares whether a freshman is doing his work or drinking beer during rush, they just want to find some

freshmen to drink beer at their house. After rush, however, most houses are concerned with initiating all of their pledges on time and do want their freshmen to study, go to class, etc. Besides, what better environment to get your feet on the ground than in one in which numerous students not only already have their feet on the ground, but probably represent a variety of disciplines? I think this might have been the reasoning behind the deferred pledgship (which has worked better in the past two years than in years past that I know of).

For example, the freshman midterm grades for my fraternity's pledge class went up dramatically for winter term as opposed to fall term; I think this was generally true for most houses.

Winter rush, though, if it is not a solution, should not be an experiment either. I went to the source and spoke with Dr. Williams about winter rush and his feeling went up dramatically for winter term as opposed to fall term; I think this was generally true for most houses. Winter rush, though, if it is not a solution, should not be an experiment either. I went to the source and spoke with Dr. Williams about winter rush and his feeling went up dramatically for winter term as opposed to fall term; I think this was generally true for most houses.

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ions from about four students, maybe less (I am happy to say I was one of those four); this is a little biased (especially with an 8:4 female:male ratio for the committee itself). I would tend not to accept the report no matter how objective its authors were, just because the first-hand knowledge or opinions of student life were not expressed in a quantity usually accepted by the scientific community. I think the five-year plan would come under similar fire, although I have not read it. The Sewanee report cannot be denied as a comprehensive study, but it can be denied on the count that NONE of the schools with winter rush systems are like W&L in respects such as tradition, Greek system, or atmosphere.

We are unique among liberal arts colleges in our tradition and student freedom in learning in various extra-curricular settings. The students, as they did yesterday at the open honor trial, have traditionally made the decisions concerning their life.

I think there is a definite situation such as with the Student-Faculty Hearing Board or Student Affairs Committee, where we do not always know what is best, but rush is not one of those situations, especially when the IFC is making progress in actually enforcing the rules set down when we were in junior high school.

In order to change the student life, you must first start with changing the students. If you want winter rush, you're going to have to pass it by us in spirit no matter what. Please do what is best for all aspects of Washington and Lee - freshman and upperclassman, academic and social.

GENERAL NOTES

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The security office still has a number of student bicycles that were in the Graham-Lees laundry room over break. Please stop by if you are missing your bike.

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There will be an internship weekly update on Wednesday, March 22, at 5:00 in Room 108 of the University Center. All students are invited to attend.

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There will be a self-assessment workshop on Wednesday, March 22, at 4:00 p.m. in Room 109 of the University Center. All students are invited to attend.

Interviews

There will be an interview workshop on Wednesday, March 23, at 4:00 p.m. in Room 109 of the University Center. All students are invited to attend.

College Republicans

There will be a meeting of the College Republicans on Tuesday, March 21, at 6:30 in Room 113 of the University Center.

Information Session

Everyone is invited to an information session on International and Service Organizations on Monday, March 27, at 8:00 p.m. in du Pont Auditorium. Alumni Jennifer Bandrowski, 91, Amanda Hughen, 91, and Gary McCollough, 90, will discuss their experiences with the Kennedy Center, Woodruff Arts Center, WorldTeach, Colden Gate National Park Association, and the Bill Wilkerson Hearing & Speech Rehabilitation Center.

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On behalf of the Student Affairs Committee, I am pleased to announce that the co-recipients of the 1995 Edward L. Pinney Prize are Kelly Leigh Brotzman and Jonathan Jeremy Van Dyke. This prize was established by the Washington and Lee faculty in memory of Edward Lee Pinney, professor of politics, who died in 1980. It is awarded to the undergraduate student who "demonstrates extraordinary commitment both to personal scholarship and to the nurturing of intellectual life at Washington and Lee." Congratulations to Kelly and Jonathan.

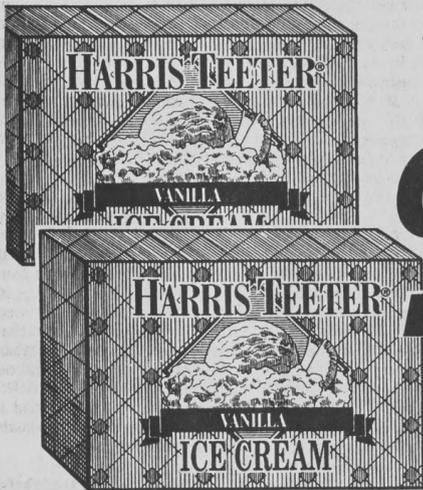
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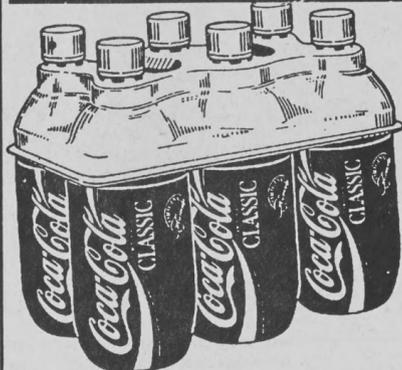
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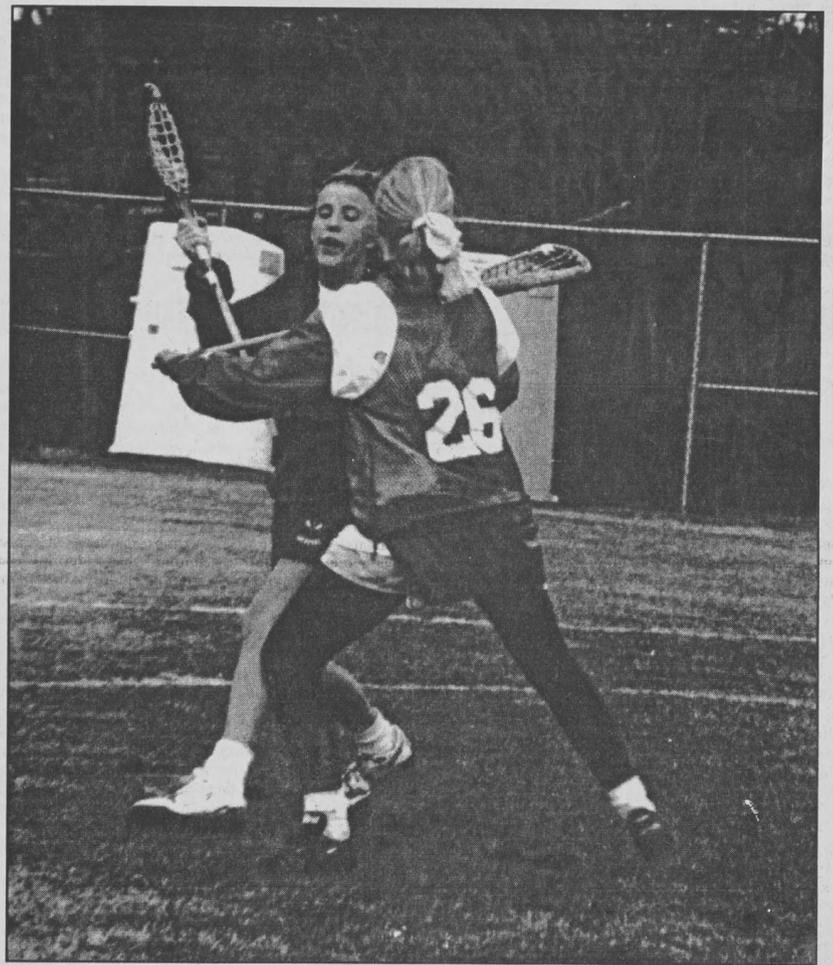
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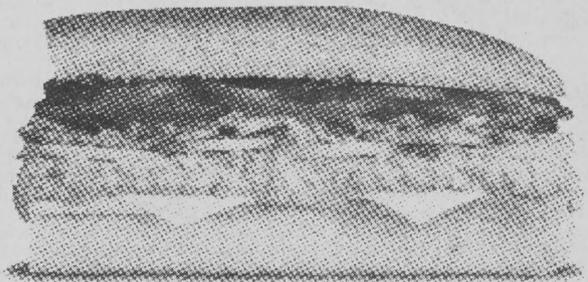


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The Washington and Lee women's lacrosse team dropped a contest to Lynchburg, but the news wasn't all bad as Nicole Ripken was named ODAC Player of the week. The score in the Lynchburg game was 13-5.

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- Men's lacrosse continues win streak with victory over Lynchburg.
- Baseball fights through 9-9 contest against Hampden Sydney

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- Men's and women's tennis host Kenyon College
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Jordan Rules

THE LAST WORD
BY STEPHEN WILLIARD

Michael Jordan. That name rings throughout sports as one of those precious few who come all too infrequently that redefine the nature of their game.

Jordan was the greatest basketball player ever to set foot on the court. When he left the game, many people's interest in the National Basketball Association, including mine, left with him.

Now the master of the game has said (or at least rumors abound) that he will return to the game (not baseball) and soon.

Whether or not you like Jordan, he has meant more to the game of basketball than anyone in recent memory. His graceful manner, on and off the court, set a standard that will be difficult, if not impossible, to match.

Very few players have even come close to the level that Jordan maintained consistently throughout his tenure in the NBA and college.

All during career, he made jaws drop that had seen the best and played with the best.

Jordan's return is not the only thing of importance to be happening in basketball.

While the NBA ponders the return of the superstar, college basketball is entering into March madness — and madness it has been so far.

Just yesterday, in the first game of the NCAA tournament, unheralded Miami of Ohio knocked off Pac-10 power Arizona.

As if that were not enough, Manhattan, a team that many said should not even be in the tournament, bounced Oklahoma in their first round game.

Add to that the scare that Penn put into Alabama in their overtime contest, and it looks like this could be a very interesting tournament.

With no truly dominant teams, each bracket could be rife with upsets as every team strives to make a name for themselves.

It's about time that there was some positive news to report from the world of sports.

Jordan's return will (if and when it ever takes place) provide a host of memorable moments in the weeks and months to come as he once again weaves his magic on the basketball court.

The NCAA tournament will bring an air of uncertainty and hope that has been absent in recent months.

As each team pushes toward Seattle, the contests will become increasingly competitive as the elusive goal of a National Championship gets closer.

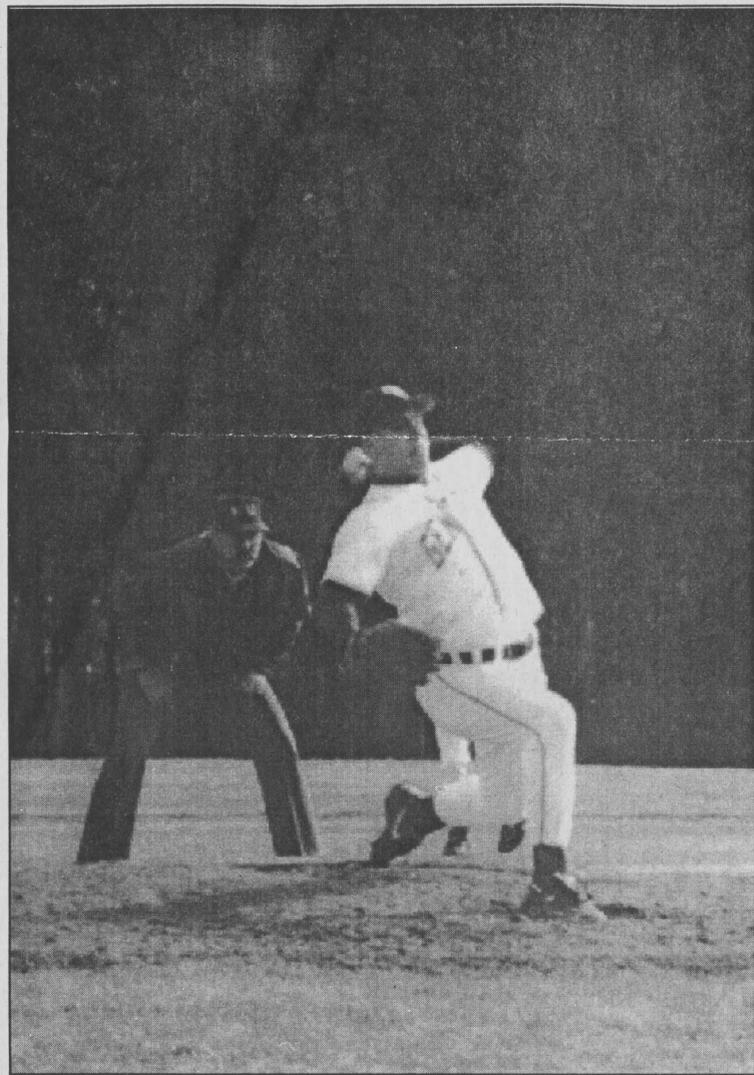
If there is a downside to all the excitement, it lies in the fact that in a few short months, barring an act of God, we will have to watch major league baseball get torn to shreds by replacement players.

I don't know what would be more exciting to watch, baseball with replacement players, or the actual negotiating that is accompanying the former national pastime.

Either way, I hope that both sports are banned soon.

I think that we have finally discovered sports that are hazardous to the fans' health.

This fiasco of a season might make the baseball fan an endangered species before its tawdry conclusion will be mercifully reached.



File Photo

The W&L baseball team played an odd game yesterday as the Generals tied Hampden Sydney 9-9 in ten innings with a final of 9-9. The team record now stands at 3-9.

Men top Wooster

By RYAN BREMER
Phi Staff Writer

Washington and Lee's men's tennis team needed a big victory after losing two matches to start the season.

It was unlikely to think that the Generals would record their first match victory against a team that came into the match ranked 13th nationally in Division III. But that is exactly what happened as the team knocked off Wooster last Saturday at home, 5-2.

The key to W&L's victory was the fact that they swept all of the doubles matches. In number one doubles, the tandem of Chris MacNaughton and Jesse Taylor put away the favored Wooster pair of Warren Cham-a-koon and Joe Jenckes, 8-5. This crucial win set the tone for the rest of the match.

The number two duo of Damian Brady and Clay Richards won easily, 8-1. W&L's number three tandem, Glenn Miller and Ryan Aday won in similar fashion, 8-2.

The team carried the momentum of the doubles victories into the singles matches. Taylor, Aday, Miller, and Brady all chalked up wins as W&L sealed the match.

The Generals, now ranked 19th, return to the hard court this week, expecting tough matches from two teams ranked in the top twenty-five.

They defeated 21st ranked Ripon on Tuesday, they next challenge 23rd ranked Kenyon on Saturday.

Women fall 13-5

By KEITH GRANT
Phi Staff Writer

After starting a perfect 3-0 on the Liberty Hall Fields, the women's lacrosse team suffered its first defeat Thursday.

The Generals fell by a 13-5 margin at Lynchburg. The Hornets had knocked the Generals out of last year's Old Dominion Athletic Conference Tournament with a 12-6 win, but W&L could not muster any revenge in its first road game of the '95 season.

Senior tri-captain Lindsay Coleman would not be denied her typical offensive output, netting three goals to lead the scoring against Lynchburg.

Senior tri-captain, and ODAC player of the week, Nicole Ripken and freshman Whitney Parker registered a goal each to round out the scoring. Sophomore goalie Brooke Glenn stopped eleven shots during a busy day in net.

Glenn, despite the loss, had an outstanding week in goal for W&L (3-1, 2-1 ODAC). The lone goalie on the Generals' roster earned the school's Athlete of the Week honor for her performance in the first two victories of the season.

Following up on last week's 15-2 season opening win over

Bridgewater, Glenn picked up ten saves versus Division II Lock Haven as the Generals came from behind for a thrilling 10-9 win on Saturday.

Trailing 9-7 late in the game, W&L got goals from sophomore Erika Snyder with 6:02 left, from Parker with 4:03 to go, and Coleman netted the game winner 20 seconds later on a pass from Ripken.

Glenn shut down the Bald Eagles during the rally to ensure the victory.

On Monday, the goaltender was not needed quite as much as Washington & Lee took a gridiron-like 20-0 lead to halftime. Head coach Jan Hathorn mercifully rested her starters for the final 30 minutes in route to the 24-5 final score.

Even Glenn got a break as senior defender Sarah Aschenbach made her debut in goal.

The 24 goal outburst tied W&L's single-game record. In 1993, Randolph-Macon Women's College was the victim of a 24-4 beating by the Generals.

Next up will be another road ODAC affair. The team travels south to Guilford in hopes of picking up its third conference win, then returns to the Liberty Hall Fields on Wednesday to meet Randolph-Macon.

Baseball returns with victory

By SCOTT BOOKWALTER
Phi Assistant Sports Editor

The Washington and Lee baseball squad continued the effort to climb out of its offensive funk last week, as the Generals won one of three league games to set their record at 3-8 overall, and 1-2 in the ODAC.

The Generals traveled to Ashland, Virginia, on Saturday to square off in a doubleheader with Randolph-Macon, but the Yellow Jackets treated their guests rudely by sweeping the twinbill, 7-0, and 8-2.

However, W&L returned to the victory column on Tuesday by knocking off Eastern Mennonite at home by a count of 4-2. The Generals tied Hampden-Sydney, 9-9, on Thursday afternoon.

Unfortunately for the Generals, they collided with a red-hot pitcher in the first game on Saturday.

Randolph-Macon's Jimmy Mathews confounded the W&L offense by not allowing a single baserunner until the sixth inning. By the time the Generals were finally able to reach base, the contest was no longer in doubt as Mathews and the Yellow Jackets cruised, 7-0.

W&L finished with a scant two hits on the game to go along with its shaky defensive play. One bright spot for the Generals was the pitching performance of senior Bates Brown, who entered in relief in the fourth inning. Brown was quickly taken down by the Yellow Jackets, allowing a home run to the first batter he faced, but the senior found a groove as he retired the final eight R-MC hitters.

The second game began with promise for the Generals, but finished similarly to the opener. Junior Matt Ermigiotti smacked a triple and trotted home follow-

ing the first of two hits on the game by senior Todd Stanton, to hand the Generals a short-lived 1-0 advantage. However, the Yellow Jackets didn't waste much time in reversing the momentum.

R-MC served up a four-run inning in the third to grab a 4-1 lead, and never broke stride the rest of the way, finishing with an 8-2 victory and a doubleheader sweep.

"We didn't play very good," Head coach Jeff Stickley commented about the doubleheader. "Our pitching was pretty good, but we didn't swing the bats real well."

Washington and Lee returned to the comfortable confines of Smith Field and 75-degree temperatures on Tuesday afternoon as Eastern Mennonite journeyed down from Harrisonburg to oppose the Generals and Bates Brown.

Brown, the star relief pitcher in the first game of the Randolph-Macon doubleheader, was given the starting nod by Stickley in the hope of erasing the memory of the doubleheader sweep and starting off the Generals' four-game homestand in successful fashion. He did not let Stickley down, as the senior pitcher settled in after early control problems and mowed down Eastern Mennonite into the eighth inning, yielding only two runs on the day.

"Bates battled hard, since he didn't have his breaking stuff," Stickley mentioned. "He got into trouble early, but he worked out of it."

As much of a presence as Brown provided on the mound, he equally frightened Eastern Mennonite at the plate. Brown blasted three hits, including a pair of doubles, in four chances at bat.

Ermigiotti replaced the tiring Brown in the eighth inning, but he did not provide an improved opportunity for the Eastern Men-

nonite hitters. The junior shut out Eastern for the final two innings to notch his first save of the season in the Generals' 4-2 triumph.

Equally sweet in the skid-breaking win was the fact that the Generals' defense did not commit an error.

W&L faced Hampden-Sydney on Thursday at home, and finished in a wild 9-9 dead-lock.

Rob Boston entered in relief in the top of the second and pitched out of a bases-loaded jam by inducing a H-S flyout and double play.

Boston remained on the mound for the next nine innings before the game was called on account of darkness in the tenth inning. Starting pitcher Mark Hazelwood went the distance for Hampden-Sydney.

Brown continued his hot hitting by turning in a 2 for 6 effort, including three RBIs. Junior Preston Miller went 3 for 4 for the Generals.

The remaining two games on the homestand assume an even more important significance for W&L, since it embarks on a stretch of six of the next eight games on the road, which begins this Wednesday at Lynchburg College.

"The home-field advantage is a big deal in our conference," remarked Stickley. "I feel that it's worth at least a run in every game."

The Generals remain at Smith Field for a doubleheader on Saturday with Virginia Wesleyan, which is perennially one of the top teams in the ODAC.

Stickley expresses confidence over the upcoming contests.

"We're looking forward to winning a couple games at home," he stated. "We've struggled offensively lately, but we'll break out of it soon. We're heading in the right direction."

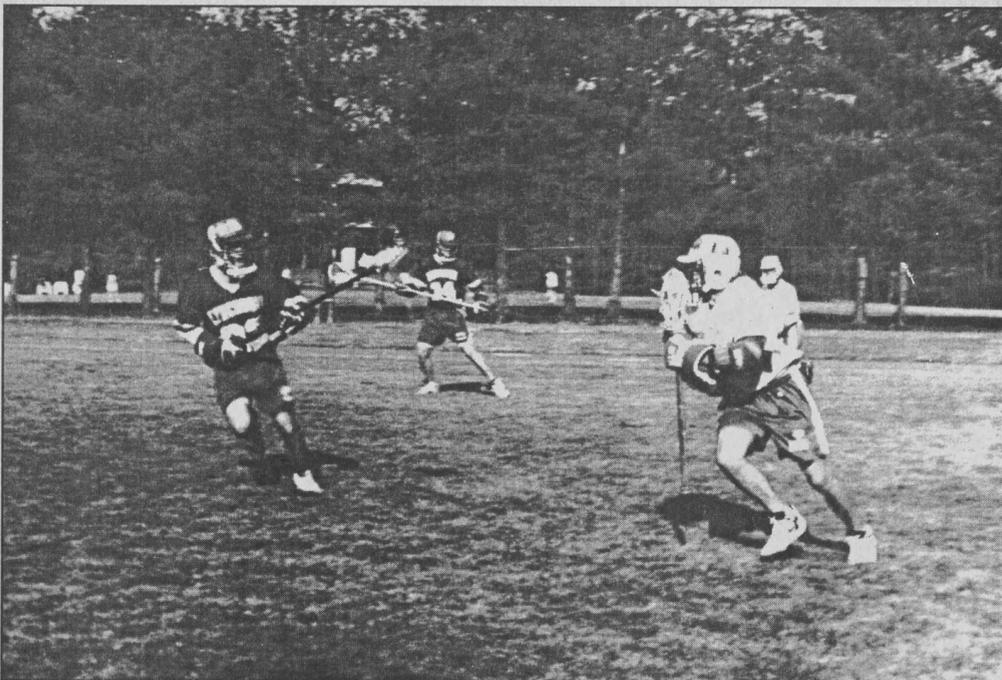


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The men's lacrosse team improved to 5-0 on the season with a victory over 17th ranked Lynchburg on Wednesday. The next match for the Generals is Saturday at Gettysburg.

Men's lacrosse continues strong start

By KEITH GRANT
Phi Staff Writer

Washington & Lee men's lacrosse is off to its best start in 15 years, and not a moment too soon.

The 5-0 Generals travel to Gettysburg on Saturday to face the second-ranked team in Division III. The Bullets (2-0) are coming off of a 15-4 win against fourth-ranked Denison, and return most of their players from last season's 12-2 squad.

"We match up well against them," said Generals' head coach Jim Stagnitta. "It's been a good game the last two years."

Gettysburg has won four straight versus W&L going back to the Generals' 8-7 double-overtime win in 1990.

In last year's meeting, the then fifth-ranked Bullets pulled away with four straight second-half goals for a 10-7 win under the lights at Rockbridge County High School.

Among Gettysburg's key returnees is senior defenseman Brian McGurn and senior

attackman Tim Demore, whose 63 assists and 96 points in '94 were both school records. This season, Demore has registered eleven points (6 goals, 5 assists) through two games.

W&L was ranked seventh by the preseason USILA poll, but is in good position to move up with a strong showing Saturday.

The Generals improved to 5-0 Wednesday with a 11-5 Old Dominion Athletic Conference win against 17th-ranked Lynchburg. Ahead of W&L, #5 Roanoke was abused by top-rated and defending champion Salisbury State in a demoralizing 30-8 loss on the Maroons' home field.

Also, Denison was beaten by #16 Franklin & Marshall, in addition to their loss to Gettysburg.

Wednesday, the Generals upped their ODAC record to 3-0, thanks to sophomore goalie Doug Gubner's 15 saves against the Hornets (3-3, 0-1 ODAC).

W&L scored the first four goals of the game and led 6-1 late in the first half. However, Lynchburg's Scott Nelson scored with just 18 seconds left and Chris Esibill netted one five minutes

into the third quarter to cut the margin to 6-3.

Junior Adam Butterworth eased the Wilson Field crowd's fears with a goal just 50 seconds later. Junior Russell Croft and Esibill traded goals before senior Andy Dutton scored with just 38 seconds left in the third to give the Generals a comfortable 9-4 lead going into the final 15 minutes.

Junior Ande Jenkins scored twice early in the fourth and finished with a game-high three goals and one assist. Jenkins leads W&L with 22 points, including 16 goals.

Croft, Butterworth, Dutton, and senior Scott Mackley netted two goals apiece for the Generals.

W&L has now outscored its opponents 73-30 through five games, yet has often gotten off to a slow start before pulling away late. Stagnitta hopes to see more consistent play from his experienced offense.

"We're real happy about the defense," he said. "We would just like to see some more consistency on offense."

Last weekend, Jenkins and Mackley each posted back-to-back four goal games as the Generals won the second-annual W&L Tournament with ten goal victories over Randolph-Macon (20-10) and Trinity, CT (16-6). Both of those teams are ranked in the top-25 nationally, as are a total of ten of W&L's 14 opponents.

The harsh schedule has so far paid off as the team is off to its best start ever at the Division III level, a move they made in 1987.

The 1980 Generals began their campaign 5-0 before losing to Virginia, 13-8.

They then posted another five game winning streak in route to a 10-3 regular season. Their run ended with a 12-4 NCAA Tournament quarterfinal loss to Syracuse in what would be W&L's last appearance in Division I postseason play.

After facing Gettysburg, the Generals get a full-week to prepare for perennial rival Roanoke. That match-up annually decides the ODAC championship, and this year W&L has the advantage of hosting the game.