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General Notes

SAB concert

Tickets for the SAB concert Friday, Nov. 30, will go on sale in the Bookstore Monday, Nov. 26. Admission to the concert, which will feature the White Animals and the Producers, will be \$5 in advance and \$6 at the door. The concert will be at the student activities pavilion.

Senior photos

Senior Calyx pictures will be taken through tomorrow afternoon. Seniors who have not had their picture taken may have it taken after Thanksgiving vacation; however, an additional \$5 will be charged. Please contact the Calyx office, 463-8583, to schedule a time for your picture. Absolutely no pictures will be taken after Dec. 1.

'Sleeper, Awake!'

"Sleeper, Awake!" is the topic of today's chemistry seminar, presented by Stephen H. Bendheim in Howe 401 at 5 p.m. It will be preceded by tea at 4:30 p.m. in Howe 402.

Politics film

"An Enemy of the People" will be shown as part of the Politics Film Festival tonight at 7 p.m. in Commerce School 327.

'Citizen Kane'

"Citizen Kane" will be shown by the journalism department Tuesday, Nov. 27, in Reid 203 at 7 and 9 p.m. The 1941 film is directed by Orson Welles.

12 Chairs, 160 mins.

"The Twelve Chairs," a 160-minute film, will be shown as part of the Russian-Language Feature Film Series at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 29, in Commerce School 327. Leonid Gaidai is director of this 1971 film.

Concert Guild

Soprano Amy Cochrane will give a concert in Lee Chapel at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 28, as part of the W&L Concert Guild series.

Counseling available

Washington and Lee once again is offering its student counseling service through the University psychologist, Dr. James W. Worth. Students who wish to make an appointment to see Dr. Worth should call Carole Chappell in the Student Center at 463-8590.

No kidding . . .

In case you forgot — Thanksgiving vacation begins tomorrow at the end of classes. Classes will resume Monday, Nov. 26, at 8 a.m.

Weekend hoops

And if you're going to be in town this weekend — the Generals will be hosting a basketball tip-off tournament in the Warner Center tomorrow and Saturday evenings. Alfred University, York College and Dickinson College as well as W&L, will compete in the event. Game times are 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. each day.

Aquatic action

Also, the W&L swimming team will be in action tomorrow in Twombly Pool in a 7 p.m. meet against Johns Hopkins University. All day Saturday and Sunday, the Generals will play host to the W&L University Senior Invitational.

Why not?

Do you want better attendance at your meetings? More participation in activities and events?

Why not advertise them — for free — in "General Notes"?

All you have to do is fill out a "General Notes" request form available from the career information stand outside Carole Chappell's office. The form must be turned in to The Ring-tum Phi box, upstairs in the Student Center, by 1 p.m. Tuesday of the week you would like your "General Note" to appear.

Any University organization or any group sponsoring an event open to W&L students may advertise its activity in "General Notes."

Suicide: 'Taking something away from everyone'

By MIKE ALLEN
Chief Editor

It is not pleasant, but it does happen:

* March 28, 1972: A Washington and Lee sophomore dies of "a self-inflicted gunshot wound" at his apartment in Rockbridge Baths.

* Oct. 27, 1972: A sophomore dies of "self-inflicted gunshot wounds" in his room at his fraternity house at about 4 a.m. His body is discovered six hours later.

* Jan. 12, 1974: A sophomore who had locked himself in his fraternity house room between 2 and 3 p.m. on a Saturday afternoon is pronounced dead of a self-inflicted shotgun wound. His body had been found by some of his fraternity brothers.

* Oct. 24, 1979: A junior dies of a self-inflicted gunshot wound at his Henry Street apartment sometime between 10 p.m. and midnight.

It's a grim legacy, and University officials warn that it could be an unfinished one. Statistics show the suicide rate among college-age people has risen steeply in recent years,

and there's no indication that trend will be reversed.

In the last six weeks, for example, eight undergraduates at the University of Virginia have attempted suicide, three of them successfully.

"I'm seeing several students right now who have either made a suicidal gesture or have threatened suicide," W&L counseling psychologist Dr. James W. Worth said this week. "I have no idea how many there are out there in the student body that have thought about it, but I suspect there are more."

"Colleges are stressful places," he said. "Depression is not uncommon here."

"We certainly have a very competitive student body with relatively high academic demands," he continued. "I think we draw people here who are perfectionists and achievement-oriented."

"There's a tendency for people like that to see academic achievement as a measure of their worth as a person. So if they do poorly, more than being an academic problem, it becomes a statement about their worth as a human being. They then feel the need to take punitive action against themselves."

"The worst thing we can do is treat suicide as something glamorous," Worth asserted. "We shouldn't make them feel like it's standing tall or something to be proud of when in fact they've wimped out. Anyone can kill themselves."

"Suicide is not only a tragic and distressing but also a cowardly response," he continued.

"It kills untold people. Marilyn Monroe's suicide, for example, was a kind of trigger for other people's deaths. When you commit suicide, you increase the likelihood that someone else in your family will."

"A person who commits suicide is taking something away from everyone, which he has no right to do, instead of having the guts to take care of himself and face reality," he said.

"Also, most people's initial reaction to suicide is one of sadness and shock, but it then almost always shifts to a sense of disgust," he added.

Worth said that in the suicides since he joined the school in mid-1972, "the people had announced in a variety of ways they were going in that direction."

"They talked about their death a lot," he said. "In one case, it was only after the fact

that we found out the guy had been walking around campus telling everyone he was going to kill himself. But he'd never told any one person enough so that they realized the significance of what he was saying."

"Most people who threaten suicide don't kill themselves, but most people who commit suicide have threatened to," Worth said. "If someone talks to you about it and you have the sense that they're at all serious, don't keep that to yourself." (See story on page 4.)

Worth said a common misconception is that talking with someone about suicide will push them in that direction. "On the contrary, it's far better if you suspect there's a problem for you to come out in the open and ask, 'Are you thinking of hurting yourself in some way or doing something to yourself?'" he explained.

"Most people who commit suicide have plotted it," he said. "Usually there's mental preparation. When you ask about it, you're inviting the healthy part of the person to come out and prevail over the disturbed part."

When someone jokes about suicide continually, that's a possible warning sign that

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By Cotton Puryear/The Ring-tum Phi

Nice shoes, Tim

Dr. Timothy Leary, who rose to prominence in the 1960s because of controversial drug experiments at Harvard University, acknowledges the applause of a packed Lee Chapel last Thursday night. Leary told the W&L audience that the computer is the key to unlocking the door to the next stage of man's evolutionary process. (Story, another photo, page 4.)

Two members of Class of '62 named to Board of Trustees

By BRUCE POTTER
Chief Editor

Two Washington and Lee alumni who were classmates have been elected to six-year terms on the Board of Trustees, the University announced this week.

Beverly M. "Bo" DuBose III of Atlanta and W. Hayne Hipp of Greenville, S.C., were elected at the board's October meeting. Their terms begin Jan. 1.

Both DuBose and Hipp graduated from Washington and Lee in 1962.

They fill the spots left by the retirements from the board of T. Hal Clarke of Atlanta, H. Gordon Leggett Jr. of Lynchburg and James A. Phillips of Lexington, N.C.

Hipp, who received his bachelor of arts degree in English from W&L, said he was surprised by his election. "I did not know I was being nominated," he said. "I had no idea that I was actively being considered as a trustee."

"It's certainly one of the biggest honors I've ever had. I was a little overwhelmed by it," added Hipp, whose wife, Anna Kate, is a trustee of her alma mater, Mary Baldwin College.

From his wife's experiences there, Hipp said, he recognizes the two major functions of any board of trustees — fund-raising and choosing a president (Mary Baldwin's president resigned last month).

At this point, though, he added, W&L is facing neither problem.

Among issues facing the trustees are the transition to coeducation and the reaction to the change among student, faculty and alumni and "how the (new) student center will assimilate into the fraternity system," said Hipp, who is president of Liberty Corp., a conglomerate whose holdings include a life insurance firm.



W. HAYNE HIPPIE
... new W&L trustee



JAMES M. BALLENGE
... re-elected as rector

man of the National Urban League and incoming chairman of the Greenville Chamber of Commerce.

He also serves on the governing boards of the National Alliance of Business (Southeast), the South Carolina Foundation of Independent Colleges, the Greenville YMCA and Episcopal High School in Alexandria. He also is a member of the South Carolina State Department Board.

DuBose, who received his bachelor of science degree in commerce from W&L, said he would like to regard himself as a "grassroots trustee."

"The most gratifying thing of this to me is I think I have been chosen as a result of having been active on the local level," DuBose added. "It's an indication that the trustees are aware of the role that the not-so-visible alumni play."

DuBose is president of W&L's At-

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FTX: Fall weekend in the wilds for the men of ROTC

By COTTON PURYEAR
Staff Reporter

While many Washington and Lee students spent last weekend braving the wildlife of Fall Weekend at Hollins and Sweet Briar, 72 W&L ROTC students were braving the wilds of the George Washington National Forest.

The reason for this foray into the wilderness was the military science department's fall semester Field Training Exercise (FTX). The FTX began Friday afternoon and lasted overnight until Saturday afternoon.

Of the 72 cadets participating in the operation, 49 were on the defensive with the ROTC battalion. The remaining 23 were members of the W&L Ranger Company and acted as the aggressor forces during the exercise.

The W&L Ranger Company is a voluntary extra-curricular activity of the military science department designed to provide ROTC students with additional training and challenges to prepare them for their experiences in the Army.

The scenario for the FTX was this:

The battalion was to establish a defensive perimeter around its campsite and protect it from any enemy attack. The Ranger Company's job was to assault the position and take the campsite.

The battalion was dug in securely to its position by 7 p.m. and waited for the Rangers to move in on the position. Things were relatively quiet until about 9:30, when the Rangers made their assault.

The entire assault was over in a matter of minutes, and when the smoke had cleared the battalion regrouped from the attack of the Rangers. It would be fair to say that both sides could claim a victory for the evening. The Rangers were successful in overrunning the defensive position of the battalion, but the battalion was able to repel the force back into the woods.

The Ranger's assault of the battalion's defensive position was the only activity Friday night. But Saturday morning started bright and early with breakfast and for the breaking down of camp.

The first part of the morning was taken up with classes conducted by the seniors. These classes covered a

variety of subjects, including individual tactical training, squad movement techniques and the rules governing the treatment of prisoners of war.

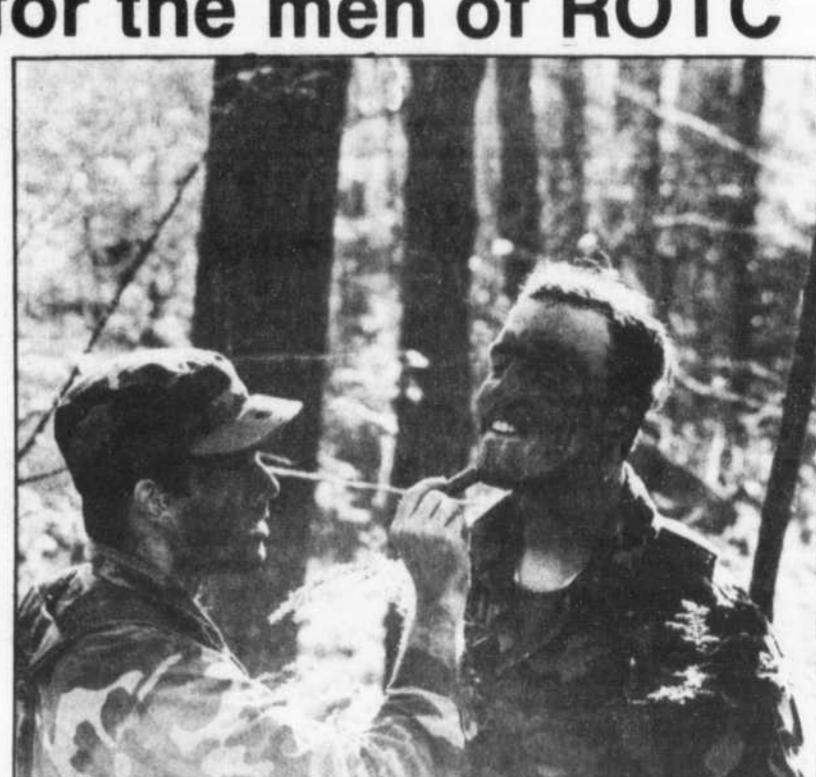
After these classes, the students in the battalion got an opportunity to put their newly acquired skills to the test. Each of the three squads conducted a reconnaissance patrol of the Ranger camp and reported back to the cadet chain of command.

After the reconnaissance patrols, the cadets packed up their gear and returned to Lexington. After returning their equipment to the supply room, the cadets' last task was cleaning their weapons.

The FTX was viewed as a complete success. Capt. Robert R. Ripple, battalion operation officer, said it was an exceptional exercise. "The first night went real well," he added. "The Rangers did a good job charging down the hill."

Senior Greg Lukunuski, cadet commander of the ROTC battalion, said he was initially a little worried but was pleased with the outcome. "When the time came, everyone

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By Maj. Doug Smith/W&L ROTC
W&L ROTC Cadet Bill Hutchinson helps Ernest Franklin with his camouflage paint during last weekend's FTX.

Where's the book?

Last week we made a disillusioning discovery. On the eve of the election, someone had stolen the Election Preview and other recent issues of Congressional Quarterly from the University Library. Further research showed that a major article about political polls had been torn out — ripped off, if you will — of one of the newsmagazines.

This was more than annoying, but we figured it was an anomaly that doesn't happen but once in a student generation. Think again. The librarians don't seem the least bit surprised when notified that materials are missing. An inventory was taken this summer, and in the last four years, 1,200 books have "walked out" of the library. That's more than one a day while school is in session.

There's a great invention called a photocopy machine. There are two of them in the library, and they prevent the need to purloin periodicals. If the truth were known, we'd rather have people stealing dimes than filching reference materials. At least you can get more dimes.

There's one consolation for all of us who've gone to the library absolutely, positively needing something, and finding it missing — God will get you if the EC doesn't.

Killing ourselves

Last Tuesday, scattered among the election predictions in the Metro section of The Washington Post, was the tragic story of Douglas Ealey II, a high school senior in Prince George's County, Md., who committed suicide.

It was not a regular news story. There was something more unnatural than suicide about this particular case. The victim was a student leader, elected by his peers to represent them as the only student on the county board of education. He had fine grades, a happy home life (by his mother's account; his father died in the Vietnam War) and an active social life and was looking forward to applying to prestigious colleges that had carefully courted him during the summer. Everything seemed to be coming up roses.

But something obviously wasn't. For at 9 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 5, Ealey pulled the trigger of a 20-gauge shotgun with the barrel pointed at his chest.

But Ealey's case was not the first teen-age suicide this year. Nationally, there have been over 4,800 documented suicides among the 13-18 age group this year; last year's total was 5,200 deaths. Government experts believe those numbers discount the real rise in deaths because many suicides are recorded as accidents. In the past 25 years alone, suicides in the 13-25 age group have tripled.

Why are we students seeing our ranks thinned so slowly and surely?

Some cite the cost factor. A college education today totals a modest \$40,000 at most private institutions, and at least half that at most public schools. As reflected in the recent elections, students are optimistic about their futures, yet a dismal grade in the interim seems to cloud that sunny view. Some psychologists say a perceived increase in parental expectations by students has made many fearful of failure. And inevitably, increased academic competition among students has created an air of anxiety unparalleled on most campuses. The "whatcha get?" syndrome has become more than a friendly inquiry into your neighbor's competence or lack thereof. Letter grades, we are told, spell success.

Tragedy seems to come short of aptly describing the situation, however. As students, we may be fiercely competitive, but in being such we lose sight of the real value of our education. For us, as it has been for all generations, the value of education is not merely our standing relative to others, but our standing relative to ourselves. We are challenging ourselves, our minds, our endurance to learn more, faster and better than ever before. We struggle more against ourselves in the true sense of education than against our peers. But somewhere along the line, we have lost sight of that valuable insight into education. We have begun — and continue — to think that our worth is not so much in and of ourselves as it is in and of our grades, those letters we so hate that get us into jobs or graduate programs.

Blame cannot be easily shifted anywhere for this dilemma. Shortfalls abound. The easy target, the undefinable "society," seems somehow inadequate in this case. But we must get away from the idea of assigning blame and believing the problem will vanish. The resolution to the rapid increase is not easily determined, but a start can be made. We, as students, must begin to realize that our education is the training of our minds, and not merely a tool which we use to gain short-lived academic superiority in the classroom. We need to recognize that life exists beyond college and that academic mistakes today will most likely have a negligible influence on our lifestyle ten years from now. A "C" today does not spell an "F" for our future. We should begin to see that the most important lesson we can learn from our college days is not just how well we did on a paper, but how well we fared against ourselves. The race, they say, is not always to the swiftest but to those who keep on running.

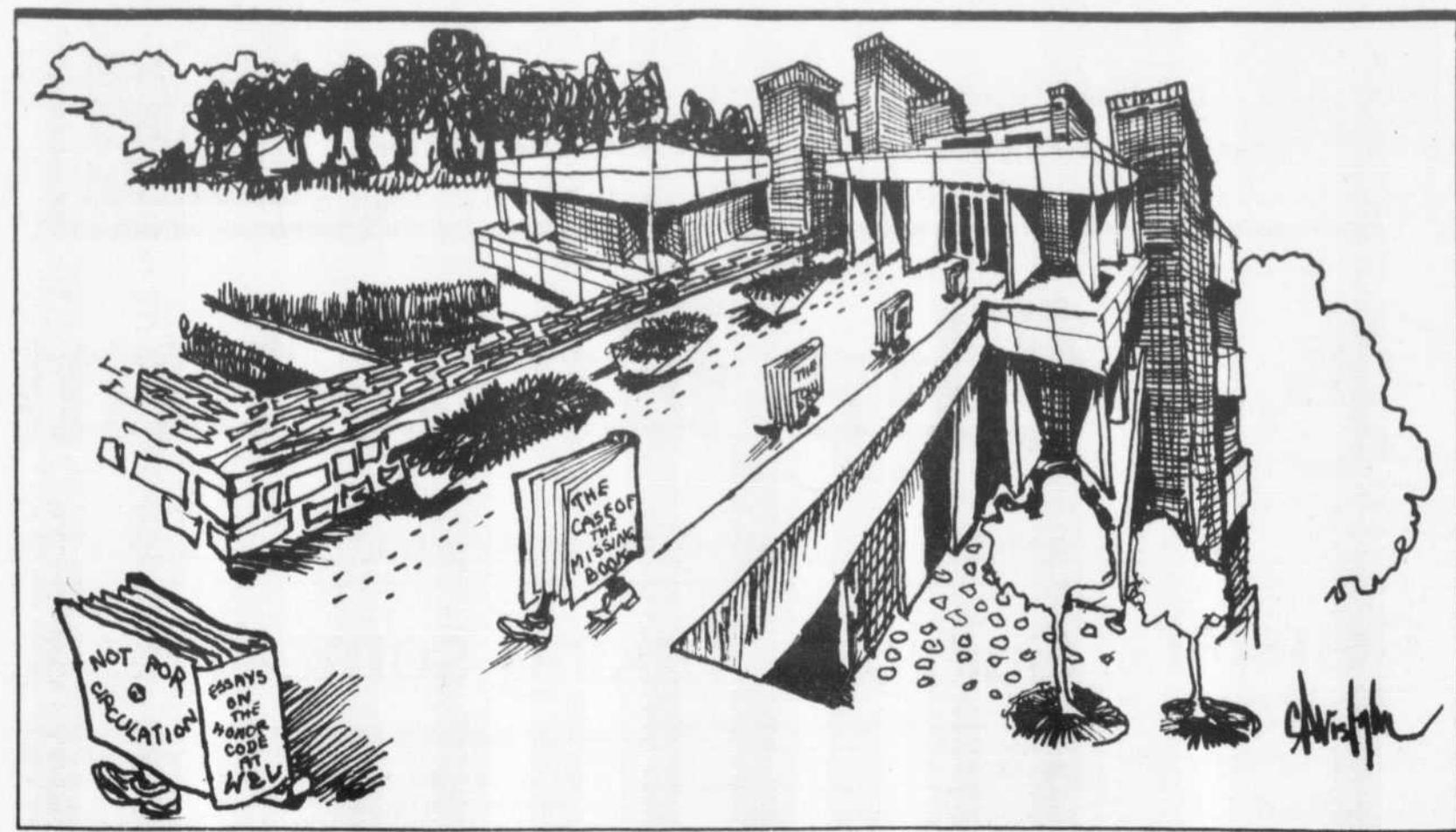
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Big bucks buy more than votes

MY VIEW

By John Winters

It's been more than a week since the election; the glitter, hoopla, sorrow and grief are beginning to fade. While janitors clean up the mess from victory parties, "wait till next time" parties and the plain old "let's party because it's an election" parties, a time of reflection seems in order.

What occurred in the presidential election will politely be called a defeat. Being more realistic, somehow the word "annihilation" seems more appropriate. Let's face it, losing 49 out of 50 states doesn't exactly fall within the "well, we gave it our best shot" category.

Just think, with one second, instead of saying "vote for me," you could buy a nice domestic car, or one of those new coffee pots the Air Force is pushing for Christmas this year. Or

take about five seconds and you could buy the top-of-the-line BMW and start getting into those other imports such as Mercedes-Benz, Porsche and, dare we say, Ferrari.

Or let's say you're interested in your children's future (looking ahead, that is). Instead of taking two aspirin when you start thinking about tuition bills, take two seconds and send them to Princeton for a year, and have about \$2,000 left over for spending money.

Or, if you're more interested in playing, a mere second will get you a catamaran, in fact, two cats with a windsurfer thrown in. Or splurge: in 10 seconds you could buy a ski boat, his/her fishing boats and a dock to put them in.

One Mondale ad had Crosby, Stills and Nash singing "Teach Your Children," for \$6,000 a second that's one heck of an education. And who can forget the Republican ad that spent \$120,000 trying to figure out if there was a bear in the woods, and at the end of the ad you still don't know.

Sally Struthers asks for \$18 a month in her "Save the Children" crusade to feed and clothe a child. Taking that into consideration, about 10 ads would feed and clothe all the children of India.

Makes you stop and wonder just what our tax money is being spent on, and I didn't even go into the expenses for the personal staffs, car rentals, hotel reservations, food, plane fares, security, mailing costs and all the other miscellaneous bills that occur during elections.

I don't even want to go into what could have been done with those five- and 10-minute spots just before the election, but think about it.

Dismissal 'buggeth' SABU VP

To the Editors:

I have been at W&L four years now and have not written The Phi until now. But the issue of Dean John L. White's dismissal "buggeth me." Just some questions to whom it may concern: If he indeed misappropriated funds (a nice way to say embezzlement) in past years, why hasn't our diligent Executive Committee charged the third-year law student with an honor code violation? Why didn't President Wilson, after accusing him of fiscal irresponsibility, wish him well in a legal career (one bound to involve monetary endeavors), hand him a degree personally next May and pay him until June? Either the man is guilty or not. Hypocrisy is not supposed to be the foundation of a gentlemanly collegiate atmosphere, is it? Maybe it was the spring honor trial. Nah, they let you exhibit emotion around here when a student's future is being altered. I'm a student meddling in administrative affairs, huh? Funny, I thought the faculty was here for the student body. Resentment is surfacing, better stop this letter. Now I realize my objective credibility is destroyed by signing this letter, but I'll sign. Boy, something "smelleth."

Kim S. Brunson
 Vice President,
 Student Association for Black Unity

YD's gain praise for work, help

To the Editors:

I would appreciate your letting me use this means of thanking the Young Democrats of Washington and Lee for their help to the three local Democratic committees in the recent campaign. They gave time, money, ideas and inspiration. A number of students participated in various ways. Two, in particular, (Everett Hamilton and David Hanna) need to be singled out as having participated in every way possible — from helping to clean and decorate our headquarters, manning the Buena Vista phone bank, attending and contributing to our fund raiser events, spending long hours "keeping the store open" at headquarters, to showing up to swell the ranks of well-wishers whenever a candidate came to town.

We greatly appreciated everyone's help and look forward, with pleasure, to student interest and participation in future political efforts.

We also appreciated the coverage of our political news and events by The Ring-tum Phi and T.V. station WLUR. Both added a dash of excitement and fun, which few other towns our size can claim. We thank you.

Polly Turner, chair
 Lexington Democratic Committee



The days of our lives?

MY
 VIEW
 By Al
 Roberts

The mood was festive at an area women's college Saturday night during the semi-formal dance that headlines its annual fall weekend.

Some hopeful social activists had bedecked the tables in the ballroom with streamers, champagne glasses and party hats.

A pseudo-swing band bounced from classic shag rags to modern grooves such as the Men Without Hats "Safety Dance." (I had donned a party hat and idly snapped the elastic band until that number.) "New Year's Eve in November" was emblazoned on the red grain cups, but this astute journalist was not to be fooled: I knew it was not Dec. 31.

Surrounded by current partners-in-crime and some W&L alumni I had endured some years with, however, I could not ask for a better approximation of New Year's Eve. But I couldn't escape the gnawing emptiness that pervades many social events among our little constellation of single-sex colleges.

It was not New Year's Eve, no matter how fervently we danced, as if to ring out the old days and ring in the new.

When we broke sweating from the floor, beer (not champagne) was the beverage of necessity, thanks to the ABC. And just as we began to lose ourselves in the moment, we were reminded time and again of our realities.

Too many of our comedies from

the Hill came stumbling by with extravagant salutations and a simple remark: "Where's your date?"

"Well, a handful of them invited a handful of us," we demurred.

Too many times we saw boredom allayed only by liquor in couple's eyes. "Well, we showed up," they may have thought.

Too many times we saw careening drunks spill beer on grandmothers' gowns, too many songs went unsung.

Perhaps the restraint and excess spring from a common cause — the gnawing things — the little voice inside our heads that says: "Go for it now. Don't stop to talk. You won't be together tomorrow."

This was the voice that pressed us to the apartments when the band had played its last. There, about 25 of us — women and men, girls and boys — performed the rites of New Year's Eve. Arm in arm, we sang the songs we knew through high school. "Bye, bye, Miss American Pie," we crooned, "the day the music died." Some of us hustled for mates, and some just rapped the fat. Some of us got drunk and puked, and some stayed sober to make breakfast in the dawn.

But all of us slept in our separate beds Sunday night (Well, most of us). Most of us know that Sunday night malaise. Most of us have felt like we have failed from time to time, like we should have struck up one talk more, like we missed a chance.

This is the price we pay for our big Tradition and our sense of place. We are torn on Sunday nights, right through the week, and in the shadows and puddles of our noisy nights.

We are shredded by two desires. We sometimes want our colleges to be as one, as high school, where lunches were shared and grades contested. Many of us have never had such luxury, stored away with our separate sexes since puberty. At other times in other hands, we want

only to stifle this need, so we can fulfill the expectation of past generations that "these are the days of our lives."

But should we let our youth be spent in another person's idea of fun?

We are constantly bouncing, like so many rising moons and suns, between blind revelry and courtly conventions. And tossed this way, isn't it always the middle ground that we find most natural?

Some friends and I agree that years from now our fondest memories of this place will be those weekends truest to ourselves: that day we packed some munchies and motored to the Parkway, the night we sat waiting for ghosts in the Hollins graveyard . . . the concert in Richmond.

One need only look to her elders some vacation night to know that cocktail parties don't stop with the earning of degrees. One need only step into a local bar to know that he will have many years to fall into stupor.

There is life after the single-sex college experience, and there will be time for these things.

But never again will we have the chance to see our peers changing their minds in time with us. Never again will we share the common bond of maturation, of figuring this life out.

We should not waste these four fleeting years trying to be something we are not, dressing like our elders or thinking like our parents. If we start with ourselves and arrive at our roots, we can claim them for our own. But to try to make it tomorrow, New Year's Eve, when it is not, is to pass over youth like a difficult chapter in a text.

"Where was your date?"
 "A handful of them danced with a handful of us . . . we can dance if we want to."

Students, profs discuss rules

By JOHN ROWE
Staff Reporter

The University Council's Monday meeting with students about the apparent separation between students and faculty was marked by typical arguments, with students saying that the new fraternity rules are too restrictive and faculty members contending that the faculty is looking out for the best interests of the student body.

The discussion centered on the current rift in communication between "the Hill" and the fraternity system. One student commented that the administration is trying to "dictate" the actions of the houses, and he mentioned the controversies that have surrounded the four-party rule, the fraternity use of the new school pavilion, and the effect of Wednesday parties on academics.

Parker stressed that many of the changes in the fraternity system stem from some students' concerns as well as the concerns of the faculty. "Some fraternity members and some

student leaders have pursued regulation of the houses, too," Parker said. "Students must not overlook that their self-interests as well as faculty desires have prompted revisions."

Attending Monday's 3 p.m. session at the Alumni House were University Council members Parker, Instructor Debora Rindge, senior Bill Joel and junior Jeff Hubbard, as well as several other students. Earlier this month, the UC proposed the idea of having a specific committee study the dwindling connections between students and faculty.

"The faculty is asking for input on the subject of relations," said history Professor David Parker, an organizer of the group. "There needs to be a specification of problems between students and faculty members, and also there needs to be a clear identification of the source of the problems."

Rindge pointed out the wide effect of the fraternities on students, faculty and the community. She said that in any situation of tension, numerous groups have conflicting responsibilities to uphold, and a compromise

must be reached so that each group can pursue its goals.

Both Parker and Rindge maintained that the faculty is not seeking to create conflict at all, but that it is willing to mediate and to discuss any problems. An impediment, however, comes in the awareness of those students who hastily question changes in regulation and policy without understanding the issues. The Ring-tum Phi is one accurate information source, said Rindge, adding that if people do not consult such sources then they will rely on hearsay. She recognized, too, the impossible task of forcing people to read The Phi.

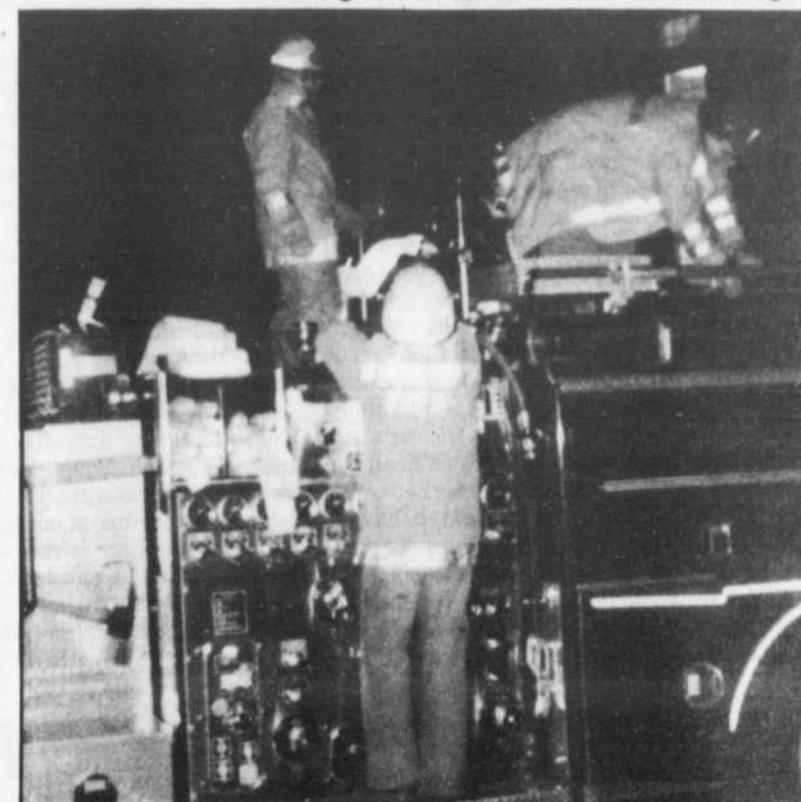
The other major topic of the session concerned the lack of personal communication between students and faculty. One student recognized the need for increased student initiative to ameliorate problems and to improve the situation. He mentioned his success in working with faculty, and said he thought only a small effort is necessary on the part of students to improve communication. Joel added that "the people who complain most loudly about problems at

W&L probably don't know their faculty well."

Parker agreed and indicated that as a faculty member, he's discouraged when students don't use opportunities to voice problems. He recognized the need to publicize conflicts in order to achieve real improvements. On the subject of fraternity regulation, Parker suggested more overt response to undesirable rules, saying, "The fraternities should ask the administration for clear factual evidence that Wednesday parties hurt things like GPAs and class attendance."

Another idea was for more informal contact between students and faculty, and Parker suggested a student-faculty discount at Cockpit happy hours. He also commented that publicizing the issue of student-faculty relations is important.

"This week's meetings are a good way to bring problems into the open," Parker said. "Some of the deterioration in student relations is hard to pinpoint, but mentioning areas of difficulty can have a therapeutic effect."



By Bruce Potter/The Ring-tum Phi

A hook-and-ladder, two pumpers and two rescue units from the Lexington Fire Department rushed to the Commerce School about 10 p.m. Friday after smoke was discovered on the basement level. University Proctor Charles F. Murray said a student studying in the building smelled smoke and notified authorities. It turned out the odor came from an electrical transformer that burned out due to a power surge on the Virginia Electric Power Co. line. A crowd of onlookers, including President John D. Wilson, gathered outside the building as firemen investigated. Lexington Mayor and W&L economics Professor Charles F. Phillips joined Commerce School Dean Edward C. Atwood in the basement to assess the damage.

Wood opposes 2nd frosh rep

By PAUL FOUTCH
News Editor

The possibility of adding another freshman representative to the Executive Committee's ranks was discussed Monday after committee members were told that would make election of a female representative in the fall a greater possibility.

At a meeting last week, Secretary Sam Dalton, junior representative Michael Black and sophomore representative Andrew Caruthers were told by four law students and the Student Organization Subcommittee of the Coeducation Steering Committee that female students might be uncomfortable being governed by an all-male EC.

The addition of another freshman representative would make it easier for a female student to be elected during freshmen elections in the fall, the law students said last week.

The subcommittee members asked if there were a reason for having only

one freshman representative, Caruthers told the EC Monday night.

EC President Cole Dawson said freshmen who want to talk to a representative usually seek out an upperclassman they have met through fraternity Rush or freshman orientation, so an extra member is not needed.

"The question is 'Do they think they need another [representative]?' " Caruthers said.

Freshman representative Brandt Wood said he thinks one representative is adequate for the freshman class, but agreed to ask his constituents if they want an additional representative for freshmen.

Each undergraduate class currently has two representatives, but the freshman class has only one, elected in the fall. The first-year law class has one representative, and one student represents both the second- and third-year classes.

Last week the EC voted to sponsor a student body referendum about whether to add another law represen-

tative so each law class has one representative. The referendum, which will be on the ballot for March EC officer elections, would raise the number of EC members from 12 to 13.

Although the idea has not been put on the ballot, the addition of another freshman representative could raise the number of members of 14.

Also Monday night, the EC heard from Henry Exall, chairman of the cold check committee, who told the committee that he is trying to persuade McDonald's, Wendy's and the movie theaters to accept W&L students' checks.

The EC also heard budget reports from the Hockey Club, the Calyx, the Student Activities Board and The Ring-tum Phi. The International Club, the Frisbee Club and the Fencing Team were scheduled to report, but did not show. The committee decided to give the International Club a second chance, but voted to freeze the Business Office accounts of the other two absent clubs.

Some controversy in the last few weeks.

At the Nov. 5 Executive Committee meeting, Vice President James White reported a complaint he'd received about the Cold Check Committee's operating methods.

"We were not accusing anyone of not doing their job," he said. "Our job is to find out the facts."

White said the complaint concerned the fact that although University Center secretary Carole Chappell had placed notices in the committee's mailbox from merchants about cold checks, the memos were not picked up.

Chappell said the volume has been especially heavy in recent weeks since bounced checks are most common at Thanksgiving break and at the end of the school year.

Dina Albertoli of the Business Office staff said that until Friday, her office had accumulated about \$700 in

returned checks. She said no action from the Cold Check Committee was forthcoming until she threatened to see Dean of Students Lewis John about the matter.

She said the checks were then hastily retrieved by Henry Exall, the committee chairman. "It was the first time I'd seen him this year," Albertoli said.

Exall said he was unfamiliar with past committee procedure and was unaware that the chairman of the Cold Check Committee is responsible for Business Office pick-ups.

He added that the merchants who lodged the complaints are "notorious for that sort of thing" and that he had "checked into the situation."

"It's a new committee and anytime you have a new one, it takes time to get oriented," Chappell said.

Exall said that in the future, he plans to pick up the Business Office checks weekly.

Also last month, James M. Ballengee was re-elected to his second six-year term on the board and to his second three-year term as rector. Ballengee, a 1948 law school graduate of W&L, is president and chairman of Enterra Corp., a Radnor, Pa., holding company with 10 subsidiaries.

Also re-elected to their second six-year board terms were Thomas B. Branch III, an Atlanta attorney who graduated from Washington and Lee in 1958, and Jerry G. South, a 1954 W&L graduate and president of BA Mortgage and International Realty Corp.

The third position left open by the retiring board members will be filled by a candidate nominated by the alumni next year. Alumni vote on candidates nominated by the Alumni Board and the winner usually is elected by the Board as a trustee, according to University Secretary James Whitehead.

lanta Solution," said DuBose, adding that after the decision had been made, he wrote University President John D. Wilson to tell him that "he would definitely have our support for the University."

The relationship between the University and fraternities also is important, said DuBose, who did not join a fraternity until midway through his sophomore year and then was president of Pi Kappa Alpha his senior year.

While at the University, he also was president of the Commerce Fraternity, vice president of the senior class and a member of Beta Gamma Sigma, the honor fraternity for business administration.

DuBose then worked as national field sales manager for the Atlanta Stove Works until 1977, when he and W&L classmate Louis L. Jones III formed the DuBose-Jones Co., an Atlanta real estate developer.

DuBose, who said he regarded his election "as a challenge and an opportunity," added that he "would like to see the board in some respects become more communicative with the alumni, and I would like to see what we've done here in Atlanta [with regard to recruiting and other alumni activities] echoed on a nationwide basis."

The transition to coeducation, DuBose said, "obviously, right now, is probably foremost in my mind. From all indications, that is going to be the most critical issue that we are going to have to deal with in the next year."

Following a poll of Atlanta-area alumni by pollster Claiborne Darden, a W&L alumnus, DuBose wrote a letter to the board of trustees noting that about 70 percent of those responding to the survey either strongly or mildly opposed coeducation.

"We felt the alumni should be given an opportunity to respond to the challenge first" by taking a more active role in recruiting, DuBose said, but "if other alternatives didn't work, coeducation might be a viable solution that should be pursued."

The suggestion of increased alumni support came to be known as "the At-

Russian films help students learn language

By PETER BOATNER
Staff Reporter

The Russian language film series, "Kino-USSR," presents its concluding film of the semester Thursday, Nov. 29. The selection, titled "The Twelve Chairs," is a political satire dealing with three con men in the Soviet Union.

Russian Instructor Greta McCaughrin, the sponsor of the series, said this week that Russian-oriented films will probably continue next term, but will be fewer in number and presented in conjunction with the politics department.

The purpose of this film series, she said, was primarily to expose students of Russian to the characteristic rhythm and accent of the spoken language. She pointed out that the movies also expose students to a foreign culture, and give them the opportunity to take advantage of experiences beyond the normal classroom fare.

McCaughrin said her students, who make up the bulk of the film audience, are often bored by the crude Soviet film techniques and the idealistic views of the Soviet system, but are pleased when they can pick up a phrase or part of a conversation.

Independent Union sets Dec. 1 Christmas party

By MARSHALL BOSWELL
Staff Reporter

the party, the SAB will host the White Animals and the Producers in the new pavilion.

The Christmas party will be open to all independents, Cornelius said.

"You don't even have to be a dues-paying member," he stressed. "Our programs are not mutually dependent. In other words, you don't have to put in a certain amount of work or money to participate. We're here to see what the independents want to do."

The IU has been participating in Intramurals all year, and Cornelius said they would plan to sponsor as many teams as will participate. Furthermore, independents can organize their own teams and the Union will sponsor those as well.

In other areas, the IU has begun putting together its own "cold test" file with contributions both from students and professors. The file is open to all independents and is free to contributors. The fee for using the file will be minimal said Cornelius.

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Suicide

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should not be ignored, Worth said.

"If you notice in a persistent way a person using suicide references, I think if it were my friend, I'd say, 'At first I laughed, but now it's getting a little scary. Have you been depressed lately?'"

Worth said one circumstance that encourages people with suicidal tendencies to act on those impulses is for them to hear about or read of another suicide. As an example, he said that for six months after Monroe's suicide, there was a statistically significant increase in the New York City suicide rate.

Another catalyst for suicidal behavior, Worth said, becomes apparent when the individual is under the influence of alcohol. "It's often hard enough to keep your defenses up against the depression even when you're sober," he commented.

Dr. Lucy Davidson, a spokeswoman for the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, said the suicide rate for college-age people has tripled in the last 25 years. Suicide is the third most frequent cause of death for that age group after accidents and homicide, according to government statistics.

Davidson added that suicide is "almost exclusively a phenomenon of white male." She said 88 percent of reported suicides are in that category.

Davidson said a firearm is used in 63 percent of male suicides. "That may be a side effect of the male love affair with firearms," she said, adding that other common suicide methods are hanging, asphyxiation, drug overdose and cutting with a sharp object.

She said four males complete a suicide attempt for every one female who completes it. On the other hand, four females attempt it for every one woman who is successful. "The figures just reverse," she said.

A frequent explanation among researchers

for that disparity, Davidson said, is that "with women it is more of a cry for help, but with males it is a more intentional self-destruction."

Worth said an important distinction exists between a suicide gesture, which is a more of a half-hearted, attention-getting effort, and "a person who is really going for a kill."

"Pills are convenient," he said. "We are a drug-oriented society. It's not messy, and there's always the possibility that you will be found or discovered or that there will be an antidote."

"With a shotgun, school's out. That's it. That's an assassination of the self, not a cry for help."

"There is a statistical probability that with Washington and Lee coeducating, we will have more suicide gestures," Worth said. "That's not sexist — that's just statistics."

Worth, however, sees a positive aspect to the admission of women. "One of the reasons I think coeducating is a good thing is that the

all-male atmosphere is stressful," he said. "It's not easy for many students to establish relationships with women — whether romantic or just friendships."

"With women coming on campus, my hope and my conviction is that we'll have an environment where W&L men can have more meaningful relationships with women," he added. "The whole roadtrip situation and fraternity party mixer scene is very stressful."

Dean of Students Lewis G. John said there's an unstructured system in which professors and others who notice that a student seems unusually depressed notify the proper school officials.

"Definitely there is an informal system that works," John said. "My experience over the last couple of weeks confirms that."

He said that in recent days at least two professors have told him about students who had exhibited a marked change in mental attitude.

"The professors feel free — if not obligated — to let us know if they sense problems," he said.

He said Worth handles problems on a confidential basis, and added that except in extreme cases other parties are not brought in without the student's permission.

"If Dr. Worth feels the individual is a threat to himself or the community, he may feel some step is necessary to see that the individual is hospitalized or that the parents are notified," he said. "Otherwise the confidentiality would not be breached."

John said other professionals on campus may also be able to help students with mental health problems. "We've got a lot of people around here who are willing and able to counsel students," he said.

John said it's impossible to know how many W&L students seriously consider suicide. "Not a lot," he said. "But some do. It's the ones that do that you have to worry about."



By Cotton Puryear/The Ring-tum Phi

DR. JAMES W. WORTH

Psychologist's advice for crisis situations

University counseling psychologist Dr. James W. Worth offers advice on how a person should react when a friend is contemplating or threatening suicide:

- 1) Don't panic. Be levelheaded. Make sure you understand what your friend is saying.
- 2) Express your concern and support for the person — they are going through a tough time. Express your strong conviction that suicide is not

an answer to the problem.

- 3) Encourage your friend to talk about what is bothering them. You don't have to be a psychologist or a psychiatrist. You don't have to know the answers. You just need to listen.

- 4) Try to get a sense of how far along in the contemplation process your friend is. Have they written a note in their mind — do they know what they'd say in the note? Have they fantasized a lot about how people will react when they discover the

suicide — what the reaction of their girlfriend, mother or dad, or friends would be?

If you find that the contemplation process has gone a long way, that's a negative sign. Another negative sign is the absence of future thinking — not making plans or thinking beyond a certain point.

5) If you feel the person is overtly suicidal and about to do something, stay with them. Try to get help, even if it means calling the rescue squad or the police. You can call a dean, or

[University Proctor Charles] Murray.

6) If the person does not appear ready to do something but might in the future, see if they will come in to see me. If they won't, you can come in and see me, and we'll talk about ways we could encourage the person to come in. A person who is suicidal eventually does need to get into counseling. They need to get their life in order so they don't feel suicide is the only option.

Lexington man charged for automobile break-ins

By JOHN WINTERS
Staff Reporter

A Lexington man has been arrested in connection with several recent break-ins of cars in the parking lot near Red Square known as "the Corral."

Marl Edward Hostetter has been charged with 12 counts ranging from tampering with a vehicle to grand larceny.

According to Lexington Police Chief L.O. Sutton, Hostetter was first arrested Nov. 2 and charged with three counts of grand larceny, two counts of petit larceny and four counts of tampering with a vehicle. He was later released and rearrested Nov. 10, and charged with another count of grand larceny, one count of breaking and entering and one count of unlawful entry.

Since the school year started, there have been between 18 and 20 incidents of cars being broken into, said Sutton, adding that some of the cars had their windows broken and, in other instances, a coat hanger or other such device was used to unlock the doors.

Leary talks on Apples, Eden

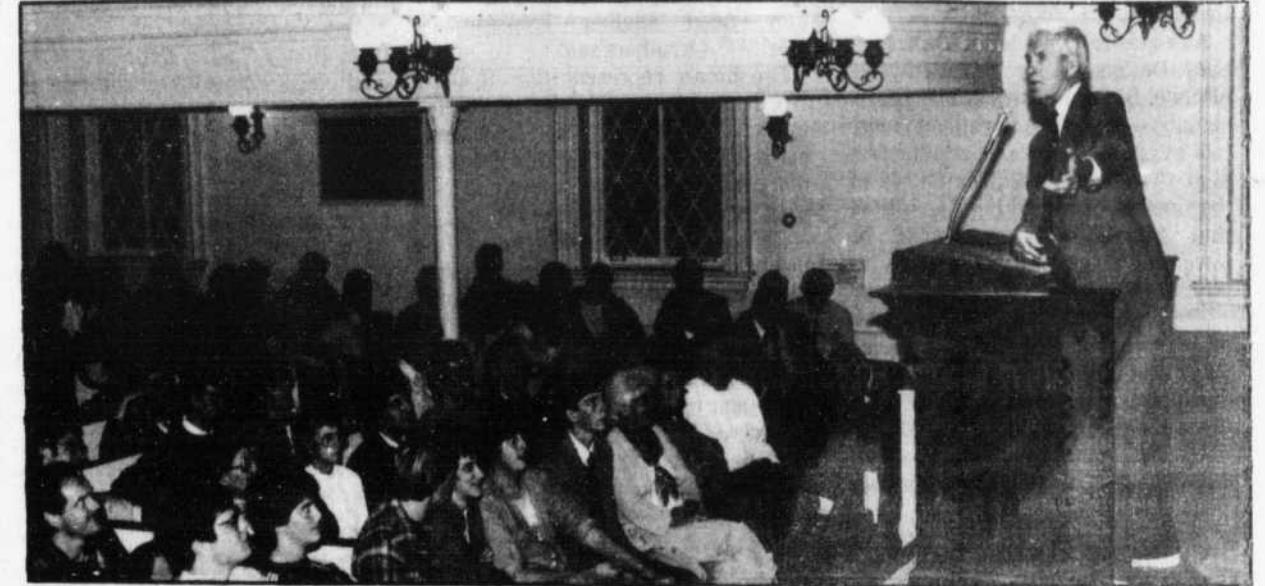
By DAVE DONAHUE
Staff Reporter

We are on the verge of the next stage in man's evolutionary process, and the home computer is the key to unlocking the door, according to Dr. Timothy Leary, who brought his message to campus Thursday night.

"The future of your life is going to depend on how well you know your brain," Leary told an audience that packed Lee Chapel. "The brain in 1984 is still a taboo organ," he said, but he predicted that within 10 years man will reprogram his brain to achieve the next logical evolutionary step.

Liberally sprinkling "computerese" throughout his speech, Leary gave a capsule history of "the evolution of intelligence in species and individuals." He described how "knowledge information processors" had evolved from the garden of Eden, through the medieval monastery, to the Newtonian, industrialized consumer society of today.

Equating the 1976 invention of the Apple home computer with Gutenberg's 1456 personal book, "the first mass produced object," Leary said the home computer will have an equally profound impact. Our society, he added, will move from an industrialized one to an informational one.



Leary makes a point during his speech Thursday night.

Wearing a conservative gray suit and white sneakers, Leary praised Dr. Benjamin Spock's post-World War II creed, "treat your kids as individuals," as planting the seeds for this trend toward self-knowledge. Interaction between individuals was an important byproduct of Spock's teaching, according to Leary, and one that led to the searching, questioning mind he deemed necessary for our evolution.

Leary concluded his 50-minute speech with a comic rendering of a Darwinian "macho theory of reproduction," and he received a round of laughter and applause. After a short break, he answered questions about subjects ranging from Jesus' place in our society to his notorious experiments with drugs.

"Think for yourself, and keep your eyes open," were the themes to which he kept returning. A self-proclaimed humanist, proud to have descended from Adam and Eve, who questioned God's authority and broke the first "two food and drug regulations," Leary admitted sympathy for fundamentalists angered by his ideas.

Admittedly having tried "more

drugs than anyone around," Leary said he understood why they weren't for everyone. He claimed that in the 1960s, drugs became just another consumer item and that for every person unwilling to try them, there are other "intelligent explorers." He called drugs just another tool to "release your brains," which he equated with "a hundred billion microprocessors."

Leary also said he hoped that today's "incredible renaissance of the body" would also lead to a renaissance of the brain. Computers are simply extensions of the brain and he hopes future approaches to their use will be along psychological and philosophical lines, rather than the current technical and industrial lines.

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Writing expertise available

By PEDRO CARROLL
Staff Reporter

Where can Washington and Lee students get "the write stuff"? The place is the Writing Center, a program offered by the English Department to help students improve their essay development.

Two senior English majors, Andy Haring and Landon Jones, are available to tutor students.

Professor George Ray, the director of the Writing Center, explained that there is a need for the program on campus.

"The backgrounds of the students in the last decade have declined," he said. "We need every mechanism to correct the writing deficiencies that weren't addressed in prep school."

The Writing Center began three years ago. More freshmen than upperclassmen use it, and the number of students helped each year has increased, Ray reports.

He said that an average of four students a night have used the center this semester. He described it as a "low-budget, no-frills operation" with an excellent staff.

"We have two very good tutors who are easy to talk to and to work with," he said. "We tried to choose two senior English majors who are good writers and who are able to relate well with other students without sounding patronizing or arrogant."

Jones explained why he thinks that the Writing Center is beneficial to students.

"It gives students a chance to come to us with questions about revision," he said. "We can help them correct mechanical elements."

Ray stressed that the Writing Center is a peer tutorial service. He explained his role as being that of an administrator and a liaison to faculty

members who have referred students to the program. Ray said the Writing Center is open to all students who want to improve their writing, regardless of whether a faculty member has recommended the program to them. "Upperclassmen can benefit just as much as freshmen," Ray declared.

Any Haring said students are only allowed to bring "cold" — already graded — papers to the sessions, except when their professor gives them permission.

The one-to-one atmosphere is one of the positive components of the Writing Center, according to Haring. He sees himself as an equal with the students who come in for help.

"I don't think of myself as superior," he said. "I think of myself as someone who has been there."

Sophomore Robert Berlin described the program as beneficial to his writing.

"It gives me the chance to get my papers squared away," he said. "It impresses the teachers when your papers are grammatically correct."

Jones explained that conference notes are kept during the session for the director to determine the number of people who use the service and to chart the progress of the referrals.

Students who plan to go to the Writing Center should sign up in advance so that the tutors can know how many students to expect. Jones said that this would be helpful to know how many students are planning to attend because both tutors are not always present.

Haring had another suggestion for students planning to come to the Writing Center.

"They should read over their papers, read their professor's comments, and then come in and tell us what they think the problem is," he said.

Coed may be hard for first women, dean says

By ANDY HOPPES
Staff Reporter

A Hollins College dean who was a student at Bowdoin College when it first went coed told members of the Coeducation Steering Committee they should not expect the 18-year-old women who come to Washington and Lee next year to be fully aware of the problems they will encounter.

Wendy Fairey, who also attended Barnard College when it was considering closer academic ties with then-all-male Columbia University, also warned the committee that although it is planning in good faith, it will inevitably be criticized for some of its recommendations.

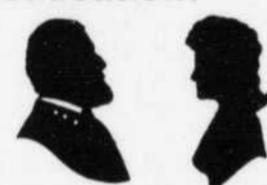
Dean Pamela Simpson, chair of the committee, said that committee members were not especially surprised by what Fairey said. She articulated some impressions that committee members already had, Simpson said.

Simpson said she has heard many people say that the type of women who will apply to W&L will know what kind of problems to expect. But Simpson said that the women in the first coed class will be preoccupied with personal problems just like any other 18-year-old.

Simpson added that many people think that there is no longer any problem of discrimination toward women and that women at W&L will not encounter any problems with discrimination.

"When we talk to any special interest group, the initial response is that there is no problem," she said. "But when we invite them to think about it they see there is a problem."

Coeducation:



What Will It Mean?

Simpson noted that although the committee has made few recommendations so far, just discussing some issues might be the most important aspect of the committee's work.

"We're inviting the committee to consider things," she elaborated. "Sometimes just raising the question is going to be the important thing," said Simpson.

Simpson said that in other action, Dean of Students Lewis John told the committee that the University hopes to fill the new assistant dean of students position by July 1. Simpson said that the function of the new dean will include counseling and developing the women's programs and helping with career counseling.

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Steamy 'Crimes' leaves bad taste

By TIM McMAHON
Movie Critic

With "Crimes of Passion," writer/producer Barry Sandler and director Ken Russell have given us one of the strangest and most controversial movies of the year. Like Brian dePalma's "Body Double," "Crimes of Passion" is full of explicit scenes of sex and some violence, yet "Crimes" deals more with people and relationships than the dePalma mystery did. "Crimes" attracted quite a bit of attention this year because of its many trips to the editing booth (to reduce its X-rating to an R). What we are left with is still a steamy, off-beat story that may leave a bad taste in one's mouth.

Kathleen Turner plays a fashion designer with a double life: in her other identity she is the streets' hottest hooker; Anthony Perkins

portrays a gutter "reverend" who sets out to "save" her from her prostitution; and John Laughlin is an innocent family man whose marriage is breaking down, who falls in love with Turner after discovering her double identity. All three turn in strong performances. Perkins' insanity and attempts to suppress his sexual desires serve as foils for Laughlin's innocence and longing to fulfill his desires, and Turner is caught in the middle.

Many little things impressed me in this film. The soundtrack comes complete with leitmotifs, including a bizarre rock video that describes the fallout of Laughlin's marriage. The director also added visual symbols, from the paintings in Turner's apartment to the "Lifesavers" wrapping paper on a gift given to Laughlin (from his wife) in a vain attempt to work out their marital problems. Unquestionably, the relationship developing between the young man and the woman-caught-between-two-worlds was, for me, the strength of this film.

What bothered me most about "Crimes of Passion" was the constant interruption of the Turner/Laughlin scenes by Perkins. The director's point is clearly stated, but he doesn't have to pound that point at us. Also, there were moments when I felt Perkins was pushing too hard. He has a chilling style, and he makes great use of it in several scenes; however, sometimes he just carries things a little far.

I would like to recommend this film without reservations. Unfortunately the constant interruptions by Perkins and his occasional pushing won't allow me to do this. "Crimes of Passion" is not a bad film, but it could be a better film.

Computer package allows precise presidential prediction

By JIM STRADER
Staff Reporter

tors, Buchanan said, were the economy, unemployment, previous voting trends in each state and the personal popularity of the president.

These factors, or variables, were entered into a computer using a program called Minitab, and the students made a state-by-state analysis and prediction of the election results.

It was a complex operation, Buchanan said. Students had to think on a national scale as well as considering each state's particular interests before making their predictions. Data was collected on each of the 50 states and the District of Columbia.

Buchanan said he felt that the class as a whole was successful with the assignment. "The average error was not too bad," he said, adding that the

amount of error ranged from four to eight percentage points per state.

Pat Hayden, a junior politics major, had a 4.3 percent error, one of the lowest in the class, in his prediction. He said he thought his results were so close to the standard deviation on the assignment because he selected specific variables rather than general points in his analysis.

The variables Hayden used were the economy, past political identification in each state and Reagan's personal popularity.

Although many of the students used these variables, Hayden said a better prediction can be made by adjusting the variables to get a more accurate interpretation of the voters' feelings.

In his case, Hayden narrowed his economic category to the change experienced in personal income, something Reagan and the Republicans stressed heavily in the fall campaign with the question "Are you better off now than you were four years ago?"

Another variable that Hayden adjusted for was Reagan's personal popularity, a factor that apparently was very important to voters across the country.

Personal popularity seemed to take precedence over the concrete issues, he said, adding that the project was interesting because it "showed which variables were important in this particular election."

SBC student pleads guilty in fatal wreck

A Sweet Briar sophomore pleaded guilty yesterday to a reckless driving charge resulting from a Sept. 22 crash that killed another student.

Tracey A. McCoy was fined \$50 plus \$20 in court costs by an Appomattox General District Court judge.

McCoy is said to have fallen asleep at the wheel of her BMW when she was returning from Hampden-Sydney College with two other students in the car.

Anne K. Adams was killed after she was thrown from the car, which ran off the road and repeatedly struck the guardrail at the side of the road. The other passenger sustained minor injuries.

Christa Bartel of Great Falls won

Police investigators estimate the car was going 65 to 70 miles an hour when it crashed.

McCoy, who was hospitalized in serious condition after the accident, did not testify yesterday.

Sem student wins D.C. equine award

A Southern Seminary Junior College student recently won an award at the Washington International Horse Show in Washington, D.C.

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SPORTS

Rout gives gridders record

By WILLIAM KING
Staff Reporter

The Washington and Lee football team clinched its fifth consecutive winning season with a convincing 35-10 victory over Lebanon Valley College Saturday in Annville, Pa.

The Generals dominated every phase of the game, rolling more than 300 yards of offense and limiting Lebanon Valley to 140 yards on the way to their fourth consecutive win.

Senior tailback Gene Girard led the General offense with 140 yards on 27 carries. Girard also had three pass receptions for 55 yards. He scored a touchdown to aid the W&L effort, as well.

"It was great to see Gene Girard have his best day of the year in his last game of his career," head coach Gary Fallon said.

W&L scored its first points in the first quarter when Chris Biegeli ran 34 yards for a touchdown. James White kicked the extra point, giving the Generals a 7-0 lead with 3:43 remaining in the first quarter.

On Lebanon Valley's next possession, W&L defensive back Tim Janyk intercepted a pass by Kevin Peters and returned it 36 yards for a touchdown, making the score 14-0.

Neither team was able to score again before halftime.

In the third quarter, W&L quarterback Jon Thornton put the Generals ahead 21-0 when he passed 37 yards to wide receiver Hugh Finkelstein for a touchdown.

Lebanon Valley finally got on the scoreboard later in the quarter when placekicker Bob Muir connected on a 43-yard field goal, making the score 21-3.

The Generals turned the game into a rout in the fourth quarter by scoring two touchdowns.

Girard scored on a one-yard run to up the Generals' lead to 28-3. Senior fullback Danny Jayne ran seven yards for W&L's final score, giving the Generals a 35-3 lead.

Lebanon Valley scored late in the game, leaving the final score 35-10.

W&L totaled 352 yards offense, with 224 yards coming on the ground. Thornton completed eight of 18 pass-

es for 128 yards and one touchdown.

The General defense turned in one of its better performances of the season, giving up only 34 yards rushing.

The five consecutive winning seasons marked the first time the Generals have been able to accomplish the feat since they did the same in the 1919-24 seasons.

"I am proud of everyone on the team, in particular the seniors, who went out on a high note, winning four

in a row," Fallon said.

"Offensively we were a little up-tight, but our defense played very well and shut down Lebanon Valley's rushing game," Fallon said. "The defense scored once for us and constantly give us good field position."

The Generals won their first game this season before dropping four of their next five contests. W&L regrouped after its loss to Hampden-Sydney to win its last four games against the University of the South,

Bridgewater, Samford and Lebanon Valley.

"I hate to see the season end," Fallon said. "We were on a roll, winning our last four games, and probably would have continued to win. I give the credit to the players, especially the seniors, who kept on fighting."

The Generals lose 13 seniors from the 1984 team, 12 of whom were starters.



The Generals practice Wednesday afternoon in preparation for this weekend's W&L Tip-off Tournament. The Generals will face Alfred University in Friday night's opener.

Cagers should be in thick of it again

By JIM NOBLE
Special to the Phi

The 1984-85 Washington and Lee basketball Generals, by all indications, should bring a great deal of excitement to the Warner Center this winter. The Generals should once again be in the thick of the race for the ODAC title, along with perennially strong teams from Roanoke and Lynchburg.

"I am looking forward to this season with a great deal of anticipation because we have excellent potential, and could have a very good year," said W&L Coach Verne Canfield.

This statement alone should give W&L fans cause for optimism, because Canfield is not known for making such effusive statements before the beginning of a season. Canfield, who is entering his 20th year as the Generals' coach, has had 17 winning seasons out of his last 18.

Canfield's first job will be to try to replace the gap in the frontcourt left by the graduation of John Lee Graves. Graves, who finished as the seventh-leading scorer on the Generals' all-time list, averaged 20 points and 7.9 rebounds per game, leading the team in both categories.

To fill the void left by Graves, Canfield will look mainly to senior co-

captain Scott Shannon. Shannon, who averaged 8.7 points and 6.6 rebounds last year, will have to increase both of those figures (especially the rebounding) in order for the Generals to be successful this year.

Joining the 6-5 Shannon in the frontcourt will most likely be 6-4 sophomore Rob Spencer. Spencer looked impressive last year when he did play, and will be counted upon to help Shannon on the boards. The Generals were hurt up front, however, when forward Keith Brideweser, a freshman last year who averaged 7.3 points per game, transferred.

Other names to watch for up front will be sophomore Jefferson Harralson, and freshmen Steve Alby, Gary Schott, Louis Trosch, Swen Vokei and Harmon Harden.

Moving to the backcourt, the situation is completely different. Canfield has five senior guards to choose from, all of whom have shown that they can play. An added bonus is the return of Bill Yates. Yates, who was not at W&L last year, averaged 14.4 points per game in 1982-83. He was the Generals' best outside shooter as a sophomore and junior, and could be W&L's main offensive weapon this year.

Joining Yates at the other starting guard position will most likely be co-

captain Kevin McClatchey. McClatchey, who came from nowhere to claim starting berth last year, possesses great floor sense and savvy, and also averaged 9.3 points per game last year.

Canfield will not hesitate in going to his bench this year, however, especially in the backcourt. Senior Dave Wilkinson will be contending for a starting job, and Mike Hudson will see a good deal of time.

One of the key players for the Generals will be senior swingman Lex Fitzhenagen. Fitzhenagen, who was the Generals' second-leading scorer (12.2) last year before undergoing knee surgery, is probably the most physically talented player on the team. With the Generals' depth at guard, he figures to see most of his action up front.

Because of the team's lack of size, look for the Generals to use a three-guard lineup much of the time, with Fitzhenagen filling the third guard spot. This will enable W&L to put its good ball-handlers on the floor, which should neutralize some deficiencies in size and speed.

Defensively, Canfield has shown that he likes to pressure the ball a lot, often anywhere on the court. This year, the Generals have the personnel to do this. Yates and McClatchey

are both tough one-on-one defensive players, and Mike Hudson, a defensive specialist, will also be a key in this department.

W&L will not be a particularly fast or big team this year, so the Generals will have to rely on patience on offense and heavy ball pressure on defense.

Overall, the Generals should have a very successful year. Fundamentals, teamwork and discipline, especially on defense, will tell the story. As Canfield said, "We will win with our defense, and this year I feel we have the people who can play it."

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ODAC honors
Golliday, White

W&L center Harry Golliday, a senior from Martinsburg, W. Va., and kicker James White, a junior from Dallas, were two of 24 players named this week to the All-Old Dominion Athletic Conference football team. Players were selected by vote of ODAC coaches.

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Harrier Pittman qualifies for Nationals

By STEVE GREENEBAUM
Staff Reporter

The Washington and Lee cross country team's season came to an abrupt finish last Saturday in the NCAA Division III regionals. The Generals' fourth-place finish ended the season team-wise, but captain Frank Pittman brightened the day with his ninth-place finish, qualifying him for the national championships this Saturday.

The Generals were favored to finish in the top two team spots, qualifying them as a team for nationals. The other finishers were Ted Meyer in 18th place, David Andrews in 21st and Bill Clark in 28th. The team didn't run as tight as it had throughout the season.

"Some guys ran well," said Pittman. "But the team as a whole didn't pull together like it had during our season."

Pittman's bid to nationals can be attributed in large part to the accomplishments of last year's W&L cross country All-American Angus McBryde. McBryde's strong performance last year earned the South-Southeast Region an extra at-large bid for this year. That extra bid was the one earned by Pittman.

There were many things that made last Saturday different from the rest of the season: first of all, rain. A reported five inches of standing water was all over the course. There were about 95-100 runners and a large

crowd in attendance. The course itself was flat with rolling hills, nothing special, according to the team.

Even with the let down of not making Nationals, the 1984 cross country team has nothing to be ashamed of. They had many historic moments:

14-0, the first undefeated team in the 32 years with coach Miller, his 200th victory, and by the end of the season he had 208. And finally, they became the 1984 Old Dominion Athletic Conference Champions. A season full of shut-outs and controlled victories.

Pittman is the remaining chance for the Generals. If Pittman finishes in the top 25 he will become an All-American. How does Pittman feel about this Saturday?

"I'm scared to death, there is a lot of pressure to do well."

Polo closes season at 18-14-1

By DAVID NAVÉ
Staff Reporter

The Washington and Lee water polo team finished the 1984 season with an eighth place finish at the Eastern Championships at West Point last weekend.

The Generals (18-14-1 in 1984) suffered three losses last weekend. W&L lost to top seeded Brown 18-6, Iona 10-9 and Harvard 8-3.

"I thought we played well. We did some things that we have not been able to do all year," said head coach Page Remillard. Remillard added, "We were able to coach situations and call plays last weekend. Our inexperience, however, hurt us some."

Referring to his team's inexperience, Remillard said that six of his players had never played water polo before this year. He explained, "To get inexperienced players to play competitively is the first step. The second step is to win."

Remillard said that his team made a lot of progress during the season and he hopes to begin next year

where he finished this year. Coach Remillard believes that next year's team will have no problem doing that.

Evaluating the Generals' 1984 campaign, Remillard said, "I am not disappointed at all with this season. It isn't a season that you want every year." Not denying the 1984 team's success, Remillard explained that once you finish second, you want to be number one.

In 1984, W&L was unable to win the Southern League for its fourth consecutive conference title. Although the Generals did not capture the title, this year, they did place second.

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Remember what really is important



TIME OUT....
By Mike Stachura

....The headlines splattered across Monday's editions of those two Virginia papers prevalent in these parts (I'm talking sports sections. Somehow the other stuff doesn't make it through breakfast) were less than flattering upon the state of sportswriters when it comes to the human compassion scale.

To recount the situation, before I go off half-cocked per usual, in a NASCAR race on Sunday, a driver was killed in what has been deemed a "freak accident" when his car spun out of control coming out of a turn and rammed into an embankment. Repeat: A driver was killed.

What we got from the sportswriters was a little me more than I just told you: his name (Tim Schoonover) and the fact that he was a rookie. Repeat: A driver was killed.

Granted, auto racing is not the most media blitzed of sports events, and granted, as well, that the Schoonover wreck was the first in the Grand National Race since 1975. But a little more than paragraph and a half, and then we go to something like, "Meanwhile, Earnhardt had widened his lead to 13 seconds." Repeat: A driver was killed.

I think the treatment of this story by the press in these instances Was less than acceptable. Have we become (and this most certainly includes you and me, the readers) so callous in our concern for winning and losing that we no longer have time to care for such trivialities as someone being killed in a sporting event? I don't care if he's playing football, racing boats or climbing mountains. Death in any form of athletic competition is something we have to stand up and take notice of.

And I'm not asking us to take notice of it in the fashion of calling for an immediate end to this cruel activity. No, not at all (man's too corrupt a species to allow for the elimination of such activities that bring its participants so close to the edge of life—or is that death?)

Rather, what I'm asking is that we look at some sports such as auto racing, boxing, football, etc., for what they really are and what they really can do (read: kill their participants, a loaded phrase, indeed). A death in a sporting event is not something we push off in a sentence or two as if it were bad weather or a sparse crowd. Unfortunately, that's more like it was handled.

I'm not asking us to print the sports pages in white on black when something like this happens. Let's just realize that the death of an athlete in a game, match, race or whatever is something that needs to be dealt with in terms more worthy of the subject matter. Let the reader know what happened, why it happened, to whom it happened and what it means about the sport. If it's not rated properly by sportswriters in the first place, we're all in danger of losing touch with what's really important: it's not the game or its outcome, it's the people who play that should be the story....

...Turning to the Colonials, it was good to see the footballers finish strong. Depending on the recruiting year, 1985 looks promising at this point....Five inches of water to run in are not conditions worthy of this year's cross country team. An unfortunate end, but one that does not diminish their spotless performance this fall. Best of luck to captain Frank Pittman in Akron at nationals....Other W&L whispers: Cagers get underway Friday and Saturday. This group looks strong enough (yes, I'll say it) to keep Ed Green from smiling....And here's a note for fans of national championships: W&L will host the Division III Tennis Championships this May....

....Hey, that flap last Friday night in Boston Garden between the once-respected above all others (in my book) Julius Erving and Larry Bird was inexcusable. So Bird runs all over you one night, Doc. No need to have your big friends hold him down while you drive three rights to his chin. You're a much bigger human being than that. A formal and public apology is requested....

....And this thought as you head home for turkey, mom, dad and whoever else is waiting with open arms: Can you imagine any NFL team coming back from 31 points down at halftime? It's ludicrous. I thought all NFL games went on automatic pilot once a team was down by 20. It doesn't happen that way in college, and that's why it's a better game....

Ruggers' fall season ends with MWC win

The Washington and Lee rugby team defeated Mary Washington Saturday in the final match of its fall season by a score of 15-10. The win gave W&L its sixth win against 3 losses this fall.

W&L opened the scoring against Mary Washington as Ward Davis and John Miller worked to get the ball to Pete Papasavas, who ran 40 meters for the score. David Arthur added the two-point kick to put W&L in front early, 6-0.