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BOAT CLUB MEMBERSHIP DRIVE WILL START TOMORROW

Cleaners' High Prices Due to Local Pact

All Six Firms Agree To Maintain Rates At Existing Levels

National Blanket Code Merely Prohibits a Lower-Than-Cost Charge.—Local Agreement Signed Pending Approval of Code For Entire Industry.

Continuation of the Ring-tum Phi's investigation of the effects of the NRA in Lexington reveals that the cleaning and pressing trade is practically the only business in town which has made drastic changes in prices.

While awaiting final acceptance of a national code for their industry, the six cleaning and pressing establishments in this town are operating under a national blanket code for all industries and in addition have an agreement among themselves fixing prices at their present high minimum and abolishing the use of pressing tickets, which have been used in past years to give students lower rates for quantity.

Prices Raised Sept. 11 The increase in prices under this local agreement went into effect September 11, just at the time when Washington and Lee students were arriving in town for the opening of the present term. The public hearing on the national dry cleaning industry's code, which is now before National Recovery Administrator Hugh Johnson, was held two weeks later on September 25 and 26.

The local agreement originally prohibited the employment of student agents, but a ruling of University authorities barring from the dormitories all agents and solicitors not members of the student body forced them to reconsider this clause.

The blanket code under which the pressing trade now operates along with many other industries contains only one clause relative to the prices which shall be charged. It prohibits a lower-than-cost rate and discounts on regular prices.

For the purpose of comparison the Ring-tum Phi, with the cooperation of student editors in other colleges in the state, has carried its investigation into several Virginia college towns. Charlottesville is the only such town where the increase in cleaning and pressing prices equals that of Lexington.

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NOTICE

To the Cleaning and Pressing Companies of Lexington, Va.:

The cleaners of Greater Miami, Fla., recently published a code, setting up prices of 75 cents for cleaning and pressing two-piece suits and one-piece dresses. This amounted to an increase of more than 100 per cent over prevailing prices.

A temporary injunction to keep these cleaners from operating under this published code was granted. The cleaners sought dismissal of this injunction. Refusing to dismiss it, Judge Paul D. Barnes on October 3 declared in a written opinion that the code was "clearly a combination to fix prices, and if not criminal, at least a combination to eliminate competition as to prices."

Although the cleaners of Lexington have, to our knowledge, published no code, they are operating under one which has boosted prices 100 per cent on suit pressing, and from 50 to 100 per cent on suit cleaning.

Unless, within three days, the cleaners of Lexington, Va., show just cause for skyrocketing these prices we shall enlist legal aid to bring the matter to the attention of the local courts.

The Ring-tum Phi. FRANK J. YOUNG, editor.

Hawkins Will Attend Meeting

Represents W. and L. at National Interfraternity Conference

William W. Hawkins and Prof. F. J. Barnes will leave Wednesday to attend the Annual Session of the National Interfraternity conference to be held in Chicago October 13 and 14. This is the fifth year that Professor Barnes has attended these conferences.

This year's meeting will be the twenty-fifth Annual Session of the Interfraternity conference and will be held in the Palmer

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"Bats in the Belfry" Out of Date; Now it's "Bats in the Beanery"

Shades of Dracula! Last week it was hold-up men and bandit molls! This week it's another menace to the students of Washington and Lee—bats! But this is Lexington, where there is always something interesting and novel.

The deadly vampire bat is something to be feared. Unable to eat meat is slowly kills its victims by sucking their blood and sapping their strength. Consequently all due precautions must be taken so that thesesanguiver-

Faculty Fails To Decide on Game Holiday

Fate of Football Leave For Princeton Tilt Still Uncertain

NO COMMENT MADE BY ADMINISTRATION

Committee Awaits Action Of General Meeting Next Monday

The problem of the Princeton game holiday continues to be shuttled back and forth, as yesterday the executive committee of the faculty took up the question, discussed it, and passed on to the regular meeting of the faculty next Monday.

Final faculty approbation or disapproval of the students' desire to support their team on its Princeton invasion will be given by next Monday afternoon.

Nature Unknown Whether the faculty, if it does grant permission for the students to attend the game, will declare a general holiday for everyone or just permit those going to the game leave of absence from Saturday's classes is not known.

The granting of at least one football holiday each fall has long been an established custom. Two years ago, however, the student body, through its executive committee, asked that the grid leave be sacrificed in favor of a week's holiday in the spring.

Holiday Last Year In spite of this voluntary decision on the part of the students to give up the fall holiday, last year the faculty granted a special holiday for the Virginia game, played in Charlottesville on November 5.

No comment was forthcoming from the administration offices concerning the probability of favorable action on the students' petition for the Princeton holiday. This petition was presented to the faculty by the executive committee of the student body, following a widespread and determined demand from the undergraduates.

Four Faculty Members Plan to Attend Alumni Meeting in New York

President Francis P. Gaines, William L. Mapel, "Cap't." Dick Smith, Harry K. Young, and Forest Fletcher will represent the University at the annual meeting of the Washington and Lee alumni this Friday, October 13, at the St. Regis Hotel, New York City.

A larger attendance than usual is expected at the meeting this year, because of the revived interest in alumni relationships. It has been rumored that the New Haven and New York alumni clubs are planning to run a special train from New York to Yale for the service of both students and alumni desiring to attend the same next Saturday.

"Bats in the Belfry" Out of Date; Now it's "Bats in the Beanery"

ous flying mice be given no opportunity to attack. For those who walk the dark streets at night this will be a helpful thing to remember because two bats were caught on the "Beanery" roof early Friday evening. Residents immediately became pale as they imagined themselves bloodless. The creatures must be captured. At great risk to life and limb they were snared and brought inside. Next morning neither could be found. It is

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Dr. Myers, Assistant Language Professor, In Jackson Hospital

Dr. Rowland M. Myers, assistant professor of Romance languages, who has been seriously ill since October 6, was reported as being "a little better" today by hospital authorities. His classes for the present are being conducted by other members of the Romance language department. Dean Robert H. Tucker said no other arrangement is being considered.

Generals Whip W-M Indians By Lone Score

Big Blue Team Victorious 7-0 in Second Home Game

SAWYERS RETURNS PUNT FOR 54 YARDS

Local Team Holds Opponents Twice on Goal Line

With the same team spirit that they showed after the game when they refused Coach Tilson's offer to release them from the smoking pledge for the week-end, the Generals were able to outplay the Indians of William and Mary here last Saturday and reverse the 7-0 score that the tribe stacked up in 1932.

Washington and Lee crashed through in the first quarter to make the lone goal-crossing of the afternoon when a 54-yard return of a William and Mary punt by Joe Sawyers put the ball in scoring position. After several line crashes, Mattox took two downs to carry the pigskin over the goal from the 10-yard line. He added one more point to the six already scored when he converted for the extra point.

Two serious threats, one in the third and one in the fourth quarter, afforded the local ball fans uncomfortable moments as the Indians penetrated to the 5-yard stripe. A few moments before the end of the third period the Tilson line proved its defensive strength. At this stage of the game a short lateral from Shade to the fleet Palese placed the ball on the 7-yard line. With first down and goal to go, the tribe hit the line on four successive plays, but was unable to make the W. and L. forward wall yield more than two yards.

During the last quarter, Washington and Lee played complete defensive ball. The Big Blue drove no further than the 37-yard line, except for one punt by Arnold that reached the 20-yard stripe. After the final session was well under way, the tribe made a bid to tie up the score when it passed from the 12, only to be halted by Smith, General flankman, who intercepted and ran the attempt back 8 yards.

Several minutes later Franklin kicked to the Big Blue 10-yard line. Sawyers returned the kick to the 37. Palese and Bryant advanced the ball and a pass from Chalko to Blake netted a first down. Chalko tossed another good one to Franklin to put the ball on the five-yard spot. Again the Generals held. Line drives netted no yardage and the tri-colored warriors tried a pass which was juggled around by several of the William and Mary men before it was grounded in the end zone. In the locals' scoring quarter, they showed great offensive tactics when the backfield of Ar-

Touch Football Resumed Under Revised Rules

Three Changes Made in Game to Prevent Further Injuries

INTRAMURAL BOARD PLEASSED WITH MOVE

Number of Men on Each Team Reduced From Eleven to Eight

Touch football has been resumed. The new football rules went into effect yesterday. The intramural board expressed its satisfaction with the game under the new plan. In revising the game the board reduced the number of men on each team to eight, three in the backfield and five in the line. A rule was made against the practice of leaving the ground when blocking and the use of elbows on the defense. Cleated shoes were also barred.

When interviewed, the members of the intramural board expressed satisfaction as to the way the new rulings worked out in the two games played yesterday afternoon. The game is now much more open, allowing more kicking and passing besides eliminating the danger of injuries. Although touch football is still just as good a game as it ever was, these new rules have eliminated many of the dangers formerly encountered because of a lack of equipment on the part of the players.

Executive Committee Acts

Last week, Gilbert Faulk suffered a broken jaw in a game which led the executive committee to call for a meeting of the fraternities in order that some change be made to prevent such accidents in the future. The meeting postulated three alternatives: the elimination of touch football entirely from the schedule; the retaining of the sport essentially as it had been; or the modification of the rules.

The meeting decided upon the last course and put the revision of the rules up to the intramural board.

The three games that had been played prior to the institution of the new rules will stand as they were played.

Flu Epidemic Wanes; Two of 150 Patients Still Being Treated

With the exception of a few mild cases, the flu epidemic that has prevailed on the Washington and Lee campus since the opening of the fall term is at an end. During this period approximately 150 students were taken ill with influenza. This estimate includes a large majority of mild cases that tend to make the epidemic appear more severe than it really has been.

There are at present only two cases of gripe in the local hospital. These are: Walter F. Kirk, Hasbrouch Heights, N. J., and Claiborne H. Darden, Suffolk, Va.

Robert M. Peek, Little Rock, Ark., is still suffering from pneumonia and Robert Holland, Lexington, is still confined with a broken ankle.

Notice

There will be a brief memorial service in the Lee Chapel Thursday, October 12, at 9:30 sharp.

For this exercise, the first period will be shortened by five minutes, and the second period by ten minutes. The bell for the close of the first period will ring at 9:25, and for the beginning of the second period at 9:40.

FRANCIS P. GAINES, President

Committees Canvass Clubs, Eating Places; Fee Set at 25 Cents

New Men Will Be Given Red or Blue Ribbons to Signify Club Affiliation.—Hope to Revive Interest In One of Oldest Sports on Campus.

Final plans for the boat clubs' membership drive were completed last night following a meeting of the Albert Sidney and Harry Lee crews. The drive will begin tomorrow at lunch time and every fraternity house and eating place will be canvassed by a committee of twenty-two men.

The purpose of the drive is to make every student a member of either the Harry Lee or Albert Sidney boat club. In recent years only those that actually go out for crew are assessed and at a much higher rate, but in an attempt to make everybody interested in one of the oldest Washington and Lee sports, a campus drive will be started.

Membership Dues The membership dues were finally set at twenty-five cents, which will be used to create a fund to defray the necessary expenses incurred by the crews. New cars and repairs on the dock are necessary as well as expense money for the proposed trips to Philadelphia and New York.

Each new member will be given either a red or blue ribbon designating his affiliation with the Harry Lee or the Albert Sidney club. A membership card will also be given each new man.

Crew History The first crew race held here was in 1874 and the growth in popularity reached its zenith in 1900 when the clubs rushed men for membership with more intensity than the social fraternities.

Nearly every student was a club member whether he rowed or not. In speaking of the possibility of alumni support in this drive, "Cy" Young, alumni secretary, said, "There is a very good chance that the alumni will help this drive out if the student body does its part."

Young, and Mr. E. K. Paxton are representing the alumni and the faculty on the committee, which is headed by John Haines and Hugh McNew, captains of the Harry Lee and Albert Sidney crews. The crew members who will visit the houses are: Kappa Sigma and Alpha Tau Omega, W. D. Mathews and D. J. Bennett; Phi Delta Theta and Sigma Nu, P. M. Davis and L. E. Chaze; Delta Tau Delta and Phi Gamma Delta, J. S. Seigman, J. Haines, and J. W. Hager; Kappa Alpha and Lambda Chi Alpha, F. M. Johnson and H. R. Kelley; Phi Kappa Sigma and Beta Theta Pi, W. V. Brooks and G. R. Swink; Sigma Phi Epsilon and Pi Kappa Phi, Neil Pascoe and R. B. Shively; Sigma Chi and Zeta Beta Tau, R. C. Weinstein and H. D. McNew; Phi Epsilon Pi and Phi Kappa Psi, B. V. Steinberg and H. Haines; Alpha Chi Rho, J. W. Fairlee and J. S. Hoyt; Pi Kappa Alpha and Sigma Alpha Epsilon, S. J. Moore, W. E. Kliefoth and R. W. Tucker.

Courts Examined by Experts The courts have recently been examined by an expert who declared the foundation and clay excellent, but recommended grading to give an eighteen-inch slope towards the Woods creek valley and a covering of ground rock to improve the playing surface. An eighteen-inch slope is official.

At present, the courts are absolutely level, being on the site of an old factory foundation, making drainage very slow and prohibiting their use to a large extent during the spring.

It is also hoped that new fencing can be erected, as the present wire is sadly inadequate. All improvements are as yet dependent on financial developments.

570 Subscribe To Campus Tax

Number Exceeds Payments At Same Time Last Year

The drive for campus tax subscriptions is nearing its end with a fine record, according to Ed Mincher, secretary-treasurer of the student body, who heads the committee soliciting subscriptions. So far 570 have subscribed, which is a great increase over the number of subscribers at this time last year.

The tax, which was instituted two years ago, has proven to be a great help to the students by reducing their expenses in subscribing for the various publications, the plays given by the Troubadours, the school debates, etc. When it was started the price of it was fixed at ten dollars, but last year, due to general slack in financial conditions, the price was lowered to nine dollars. In subscribing to this tax, the student pays his poll tax, which gives him the right to vote in all campus elections and the right to hold campus office.

In addition to this, the subscriber is entitled to a year's subscription to the Ring-tum Phi a year's subscription to the Southern Collegian, a copy of the Calyx, admission to two of the Troubadour productions, admission to all of the Glee club concerts, and admission to all of the debating clubs' meetings.

If there are any students who would like to subscribe to the campus tax who have not yet done so, they may do so by either seeing Ed Mincher at 513 Jackson avenue, or by phoning him at 231.

Executive Committee Fills Vacancies Tonight

The vice-president of the student body and the secretary-treasurer of the athletic council will be elected at the regular meeting of the executive committee tonight in Newcomb hall. These offices were left vacant by Carl Bear, of Montgomery, Ala., and Herman (Toots) Ruffner, of Charleston, West Virginia, who failed to return to school this semester.

Deadline for candidates for these two offices was noon today, according to Ed Mincher, secretary of the student body.

Notice Those wishing a copy of the Student Directory may secure one at the Registrar's office. Please report any errors that might appear in the Directory to the Registrar immediately.

Horseshoe Tourney All men who are in the intramural horse shoe pitching tournament are urged by the intramural board to call up their opponents and arrange for a match as soon as possible in order to speed up the play.

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## ARE LEXINGTON CLEANERS HIDING BEHIND THE BLUE EAGLE?

No other change in town or campus this fall has caused so much complaint on the part of Washington and Lee students as have the enormously increased prices for cleaning and pressing. Continuing its investigation of the facts of the NRA in Lexington *The Ring-tum Phi* has endeavored to find out the reasons for this increase and to collect all facts showing both why it should and why it should not be necessary.

Proprietors of local cleaning and pressing shops say it is. They complain of wages necessarily much higher than those of last spring, and of other greatly increased costs of operation which, if one is to judge from the time their prices jumped here, apparently went into effect just before the university opened this fall. *Ring-tum Phi* reporters were forced to wade through a mass of buck passing, evasive statements, and attempts to give wrong impressions before the Lexington cleaners and pressers finally sobbed out the story of high operation costs.

Previously the local proprietors had pointed to NRA signs and mumbled about the dry cleaning code. Inquiring into the reason for the increase in price just as soon as signs appeared in town announcing it, a member of *The Ring-tum Phi* staff was told by a local cleaner that all Lexington cleaning and pressing concerns had been forced to sign a code. A national code for the industry, which was later rejected, was hanging fire at that time, but it was not this code that the local cleaners had been forced to sign. The "code" they signed was of a purely local nature. It was an agreement based on certain parts of the ill-fated national code. But it went the national codesters one better with a bond-secured price-fixing clause supporting increase of as much as 100 per cent. Two provisions of the rejected national code which the locals voluntarily adopted were those doing away with the long established customs of student agents and pressing tickets. At an eleventh hour meeting they decided to use student agents in the dormitories because a ruling of the University barred outside agents from those buildings. Although willing to accept any national code suggestions which aided them locally they would let no loyalty to codes interfere with their scramble for the students' dollars.

They have not permitted themselves the expensive luxury of agents in fraternity houses. Many students who returned to Lexington, believing that they were to have such agencies to help pay their expenses, have been sadly disappointed at a time when many of them most need such assistance.

Washington and Lee men pride themselves in the knowledge that their's is one of the best dressed student bodies in the country. Lexington cleaners and pressers realize that fact and they are taking advantage of it, hiding behind the Blue Eagle of the NRA.

In taking this advantage they have done what the editor of *Cleaning and Dyeing World* in the October issue of that magazine terms "the easiest way to explain higher prices." It is, he says, "to blame the NRA and higher costs of labor and materials." They would do well to heed the advice of the secretary of the Ohio State Association of Dyers and Cleaners who in the same magazine says, "In setting up price increases the cleaner must refrain from taking profiteering advantage of the consuming public." From him also comes the information that under Paragraph 9 of the Blanket Code cleaners are permitted to increase their prices over their prices of July, 1933, to the extent of the actual increase in cost incurred as a result of signing up under the NRA. It is unbelievable that the cost of operation has gone up 100 per cent in Lexington, and unless it has the Lexington cleaners and pressers are exacting a profit larger than is fair even under the NRA. The Blanket Code applies to other industries as well as the cleaning and dyeing trade, but the cleaners and dyers are expecting that their own code will be accepted soon. In it is a provision that may allow price fixing, but the Lexington members of the industry have not waited for that. They are way ahead of the game.

## BOAT CLUBS START MEMBERSHIP DRIVE TOMORROW

Tomorrow, a committee of twenty-two men will start a campaign of all fraternity houses and eating places in an attempt to revive one of the oldest traditions of Washington and Lee. These men represent the Harry Lee and Albert Sidney boat clubs which stage the boat races during commencement, a custom that was started in 1874 and has continued until this year.

In the past, the entire student body were members of one club or the other, but in recent years interest in this sport during Finals has died down, because of the increase popularity of the dances. Then, the crew races were the outstanding feature of Finals and the dances were an added attraction. Today the reverse is true.

The alumni who return for Commencement are surprised to find that there is such a lack of interest in the crew races. This decline in interest hurts crew because fewer men try out for them and the team captains do not have a large enough selection from which to pick one good team.

Another purpose of this drive is to raise money as well as interest for the boat clubs. The Athletic Association subsidizes crew but with nowhere near the amount necessary for the success of this sport.

Last year, a combination crew from both clubs rowed against the Richmond Boat club after traveling there at their own expense. This year plans are practically completed whereby another combination crew will again meet the Richmond club here and a Philadelphia club at Philadelphia. There is also the possibility that the crew will row against a New York club. The only way that these trips can be carried out is by the student body getting in back of them and helping them out.

Plans to revive the interest in crew have been in formation since last May following the printing in *The Ring-tum Phi* of a letter from an old alumnus in which he told how highly the crews were regarded in his time. The Alumni Association and the faculty as well, are interested in seeing the renaissance of this pastime and there is no reason in the world why the students can't help out.

## A SURE WAY TO ELIMINATE TOUCH FOOTBALL INJURIES

It is unfortunate that the Intramural Board did not see its way clear to abolish touch football from the intramural program or radically change the rules that govern the game. Only four new laws have been passed. They are: There shall be eight men on a team. Shoes with cleats or spikes shall not be worn. It is illegal to leave the ground while blocking. The team on the defensive shall not use elbows in blocking.

Only two of these laws can fairly be said to change the game much. They are the ones touching on the number of men on the teams and the use of cleats or spikes. Cutting down the number of men can do little to prevent injuries. Sixteen men can be as rough as twenty-two, if not rougher, and reducing the number of players tends to speed up the game and make harder blocking and running the rule. Also, making the teams smaller will not cut down the number of players getting in the game, since there will be more substitutions to give everybody a chance to play.

Eliminating spikes and cleats is a good move, but it prevents only one way of getting hurt. It must be remembered that the injury that brought about a movement for abolishing the sport came as the result of running and blocking. Nothing has been done to remedy that phase of the game.

There is only one way to make absolutely sure that no one will get hurt playing touch football at Washington and Lee, and that is to eliminate the game from the intramural program. If some one is injured under the new rules, and there is almost as much chance as if the rules had not changed, the sport undoubtedly will be barred from the campus. Why wait until the harm is done before making the only safe and sensible move?

## COLLEGIAN POLICY UNDERGOES REAL CHANGE

The Southern Collegian underwent a storm and change of tone and focus last year that was in marked contrast to the moribund condition that had prevailed for many years previous. During almost every year there were internal dimensions which rarely came to the surface and had little or no effect. But with the first issue of this year there will be a change from last year's methods which should save it from its former excesses but not let it slip back into the somnolent conditions that had been the rule up until last year.

This year the management of the Collegian is on a different footing from that of the past. Around the editor there is a group of interested students who will know what is expected of them for each issue. All contributed work will be greatly appreciated however, whether it reaches print or not. This staff is intent upon publishing as good a magazine as is possible on this campus. The excellence of any collegiate publication is limited by the literary ability of the students on the campus. It can be truthfully said that every effort will be made by the staff of the Collegian to present a good, readable magazine to the student body. Every one hopes that this new system will work harmoniously and to greater advantage and bring about an improvement over past years.

The tone of this year's Collegian will be different from that of last year. While in no way attempting to reduce the readability of the periodical the staff is making an earnest effort to reflect the more serious side of college life.

## THE PARAPET

By HERBERT RUDLIN

In New York, where no one gives a happy hurrah about any one else, there is a gay young man to the manner born. Yesterday morning he got off from work as a department store clerk and rode up to Riverside Drive. The sun was warm, the morning beautiful. He decided to take a sunbath. Ten minutes later nearly five hundred awe-stricken passers-by gazed upon the nude and indifferent form of the young clerk lying in state on Riverside Drive's wall. The center of an admiring throng for quite a while, his reign of glory was rudely interrupted by one of New York's finest with little sympathy for health or honor.

In the Virginia State penitentiary there are ten convicts who calmly curse and play cards in a typical disavowment of the appreciation of science or the power of death. Yesterday they volunteered, before five frank and serious-visaged medical scientists, to be bitten by mosquitoes who had been fed on victims of sleeping sickness epidemic which is sweeping St. Louis. Today they laughed at the possibility of being dead in ten days. "It would have to be a helluva bigger critter to kill me!" boasted one jolly giant. The mosquitoes cost the government \$100 each and are fed on prunes and raisins.

Divorce court judges often listen to tales and explanations that rival the imagination of pulp paper writers. A certain Chicago lady in divorcing her husband charged that he spent all of his money for automobile doo-dads, and nothing for food. "Many a time," she asserted, "he would tell me to take a spare tire and trade it for pork chops!"

Another pigskin bombardment along a nation-wide front and many a giant lies stark and still on striped fields as rumbling echoes from hardy pigmies fade in the distance. Notre Dame's Ramblers, with three complete teams of superlative strength (real and not theoretical) is played off its feet by a bunch of grim Kansans with a "hellwithuh rep" attitude. Carnegie Tech swarms over Pop Warner's proteges with little respect for their premature self-importance. Clemson, tied by a little teachers' college, chases N. C. State's Wolfpack back home in inglorious defeat. Alabama's Crimson Tide becomes a pile of jelly beneath the churning of "Ole-Miss" forward wall. Mighty New York U., forty thousand strong and nearly as much weight in its line, is humbled by a school nestling in the foothills, West Virginia Wesleyan. Canisius (Allah knows where) defeats Georgetown, the school that marred Washington and Lee's perfect record back there when the Generals were one of the mightiest in the nation.

Twenty-five army bombing planes were roaring over California's Hamilton field. Pilots of each plane were skillfully negotiating for positions that would give them the best opportunity for brilliant feats of target bombing. They looked down upon the field at the gaily-striped paper targets and prepared to commence the battle. But wait! An alien army—brigades of infantry—have taken the field in pell-mell savagery. Stupified, the pilots watched a horde of hungry hogs, gathered together from the nearby ranches, swooping over the field and gobbling up the targets.

SEED: That hazy twilight on Sunday evening...with the lights of W. and L. and V. M. I. twinkling from the distance of Midland Trail...those sadly mismatched squirrels of the biology department...does it prove the incompatibility theory, after all?...the pounding of typewriters in the journalism school of a Monday evening...and the roar of the presses on Tuesday...and the inevitable group of students that gaze in fascination at the makings of the campus rag...that last-minute rush when getting out a paper seems as easy as telephoning the Sphinx...and suddenly it's off the press...miraculously...and this semi-weekly night-mare...this column where the most of nothing sometimes creeps in...and McIntyre, Winchell, Skolsky, Hellinger, F. P. A., have to do it every day...my sympathies...maybe that's why columnists go to Indiana sanatoriums...those crisp autumn mornings...lying abed in a cold breeze and a welter of morning sunshine...why anything so abysmally impossible as classes...but it's over at 8:01...that battering William and Mary took for the second successive Saturday...Hanley bearing down on wily Shade like an express train...never saw a General team more wide-awake...hope they don't get stage-fright in that pile of maysonry and concrete called the

## FRONT ROW

by Joe Magee

### Stage Struck

"Morning Glory" has as its star Katharine Hepburn, who is now listed as one of the three exotics, the other two being, of course, Greta Garbo and Marlene Dietrich. Miss Hepburn has made a rapid climb to stardom, and her latest vehicle gives her plenty of opportunity to display histrionic skill. Certainly the girl has no beauty, but there is no question as to her acting ability. In "Morning Glory" she has a role suitable for her talents as the girl who overcame all obstacles in her fight for stage glory. The picture was taken from a story by Zoe Akins, and in spite of the fact that toward the end it lets down a bit, there is good entertainment for Hepburn fans. Douglas Fairbanks Jr., Adolphe Menjou, Mary Duncan, and C. Aubrey Smith are in the supporting cast.

### Playboy and Broadway Butterfly

"Brief Moment" is a classic example of what movies can do to a good stage play when they really try. In its original form, the plot was trite enough—rich man about town marries night club torch singer—but there was at least a new treatment of this old theme. The character of Sig was that of a fatherly confessor who made outrageous remarks. Now, on the screen "Brief Moment" treats the theme sensationally, and Carole Lombard and Gene Raymond are the stars whose "eyes met" and whose "hearts stood still!" Sig's role has been reduced until it is nothing more than the stereotyped Monroe Owsley-I'll-get-you-yet characterization. But of course Carole Lombard does have that old endocrine appeal, and some of the added dialogue will furnish ample opportunity for loud laughter and stomping, thereby excluding the possibility of anyone else hearing the next five lines.

### Brooklyn Madhouse

"Three-Cornered Moon", with its family of Rimplegars and scatterbrained doings, is almost equal to anything the Four Marx Brothers will ever do. Without doubt, this is the most squirrely menage ever presented on the screen. The picture was adapted from one of last year's stage successes and

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Yale Bowl...what a monster...and next Saturday that imposing amphitheatre may be draped in black...with everything to gain and nothing to lose they may run Yale into those gaudy dressing rooms...why not...

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## ... Campus Personalities ...

**EDWARD P. MINCHER**...intermediate lawyer...secretary-treasurer of the student body...and captain of this year's boxing team...born in Rome, New York...which he soon deserted for Waterville, New York...then migrated to Trenton, New Jersey...where he attended high school...played some football...made a monogram in track...running the half-mile and mile trips...wrote a little poetry for the class paper...read about Washington and Lee in a blue-book of American colleges...thought it would involve plantations...and magnolias...and mint juleps...and culled mummies...and so forth...but is now perfectly content...in spite of the blow to his romantic presumptions...boxed on the freshman team his first year here...and won his numerals as a welterweight...affiliated with the Touring Tigers...to play on that year's championship intramural football team...got his monogram in varsity boxing his sophomore year...and won a second last year...going through his best season to date...with only one defeat...following the intercollegiate schedule he occupied himself by coaching a class for intramural aspirants...also enjoyed membership in last year's freshman law class...secretary-treasurer of the student body this year...captain of the varsity leather-pushers...and secretary-treasurer of the intermediate law class...which is more fun...after school will probably go into a law office in either Newark or Trenton, New Jersey...but just now is more concerned...with hopes of a Southern conference title this year...and fiery ambitions to slaughter his law exams...has had to work off twenty-five pounds every year he has boxed...in order to make his competitive weight of 148 pounds...and is now under way on this year's effort...always has nurtured an itch to act...preferably the part of a "lug" in a gangster flicker...but the role of a beer-joint bouncer would do...he and Tunney like their poetry...but Ed prefers the bizarre...Cremation of Sam McGee, or "The Shooting of Dan McGrew," for instance...knows road engineering from the gutter up...and has worked in various capacities in that line...even taking a Civil Service examination and becoming a city road inspector...cherishes a flourishing collection of turtle-neck sweaters...likes to fish for everything...that will bite...admits he is terrifically superstitious...especially in regard to his rings...likes Rafael Sabatini best in the line of authors...Ted Lewis and his claim is simply fascinating...would like to live in Georgia some day...but doesn't say so with plantations in mind...he's thinking of meadows...in fact, his intimates know him as "the old man of the meadow."

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## Following the Big Blue

By ANDERSON BROWNE

Still undefeated, the Washington and Lee Generals are pushing their way farther and farther up the ladder of gridiron fame. To maintain this undefeated status, the Big Blue has also settled that William and Mary hangover which has been hovering like a storm cloud for several years, and a whimpering tribe of badly defeated Indians, who came to Lexington in full war-dress and spirit, went crawling back to Williamsburg, a sadder but wiser team—defeated by a lighter but better team.

That touchdown of the Generals was so sudden last Saturday, within the first four minutes of play, that it took the breath of more than one ardent rooter. The beauty of Joe Sawyers' run will be something for freshmen and senior lawyers to talk about for weeks, although the real thrill came from watching the automatic interference that formed in an instant and clipped off the sure tacklers to pave the way and open the route. When a team can take advantage of such an emergency to act as quickly as they did and to form in military-like precision to cleave off the opponents with machine-gun accuracy, it certainly shows good coaching. The interference in the front was so perfect that Sawyers had to be pulled down from behind, and after 51 yards!

The Indians, all in all, were a sporting bunch, and in the dressing rooms after the game, we couldn't squeeze an alibi out of a single one of them. Charlie Shade, who is recognized as a possible all-conference back, was high in his praises for Joe Sawyers and Joe Arnold and equally admiring of "Monk" Mattox and the remainder of the team. He congratulated the Generals on a well earned victory, although he did add, "I wasn't in the game when you scored." Shade's passing in the fourth quarter, before he was relieved by Chalko, was a distinct worry to the Generals and the Indians came mighty close to breaking the Big Blue's impregnable aerial defense and push across a marker.

That last quarter was as thrilling as any that we have been fortunate to see on Wilson field. William and Mary held the ball during most of the time, and they were steadily gaining until the goal line began to draw nearer and the Big Blue tightened up to the last notch. Whether you remember it offhand or not, but the Indians came within an inch of completing one of their end-zone passes in that final quarter. With about five minutes to play, William and Mary pushed through to the four yard line, last down. Chalko dropped back to pass and hurled one into the end zone where Sawyers, Mattox, and Franklin had a merry little time juggling the pigskin around from finger to finger until it finally fell harmlessly to the ground. It was a tense moment, and when Joe Arnold successfully booted the ball down to his own 42 where Hanley fell on it, hearts started beating once more.

William and Mary is in for a hard season, and it looks as if she were going to get her main set-back, just like West Virginia, from that seemingly inconspicuous little team of Generals at Lexington, Virginia. Coach Kellison placed his Indians no. 95 last season in the recognized national rating, but he has still been unable to get them safely through the ropes and into the Southern conference ring. The Indians want wins over Southern conference teams this year, and are prepared to go to all ends to gain them, but their opening performance against a Southern conference team was far from satisfactory to them and it looks as though the big-little college at Williamsburg will have to wait another two years.

Our statistics department, which was functioning faithfully and true last Saturday while we were assisting with the play-by-play account for the William and Mary gridgraph (—and getting paid!), reports that the Generals lost 40 yards on penalties while the Indians were only set back a scant ten. The Generals gained 104 yards through the line and 54 yards around the ends; the Indians pushed through the line for only 71 yards, but they circled the ends for a good 84. Both teams registered eight first downs, although the Generals forsook offensive tactics in the last quarters and played purely for the purpose of divorcing the Indians from our own goal posts.

Continuing with the tabulations, we find that the passing situation is somewhat amusing. Contrary to many of the popular beliefs that the only chance the Generals had of winning was via the air, the Big Blue attempted only two passes, both in the closing seconds of the first half, and nobody was much concerned whether they were good or bad. They were bad. William and Mary literally cluttered the ozone with pass attempts, trying fifteen and completing six, two being intercepted—one by Sawyers and the other by Charlie Smith. Eighty-seven yards were gained through the air. Five of the eight first downs came from passes. Punts were about even, averaging 33 for the Generals and 37 for the Indians.

Now, let's take a quick turn around the conference and then hit north for old Eli. One true inter-conference game was played between V. P. I. and the Maryland Old Liners, which V. P. I., headed by the great Al Casey, won in the second half, 14-0. Our good friends, the Wahos, really took it on the chin before 42,000 highly amused fans to the tune of 75-0 at Ohio State. V. M. I. put up a game stand at West Point, but the hardy servicemen were a little too much, and the southern Keydets lost, 0-32. Clemson turned down the favored N. C. State, 9-0, while Duke defeated Wake Forest to join V. P. I. in a tie for the leadership. The Generals have yet to play a conference game, the first being November 4 against the Gobblers. Washington and Lee plays only three conference games.

To begin with, Eli, like the Generals, has a new coach. He is Reggie Root, former freshman coach at New Haven, and a man, who, like the General's new mentor, drills particularly in the art of defense, stopping plays rather than starting them. Yale lost 19 members of last season's no. 47 (official national rating) team, but with a powerful squad of sophomores, already well versed in the teachings of Root, and a goodly 22 veterans, they should have one of the strongest teams in the east this season. Tackle Wilbur, whom many picked on all-American elevens, and Al Converse, a running guard, are no more, but the shoes of Albie Booth will be well filled by Bob Lassiter, stellar back, while Clare Curtin, a 225-pound tackle, and Johnny Kilcullen, also a heavyweight boxer, will round out the squad for the sons of Eli.

Yale opened last week against Maine and they were pushed hard to gain a 14-7 victory. The game took on an unusual slant when the reserves were sent in to score after the hardy first team had been held helpless. It was scoreless in the first half and it took a pair of sophomores, Curtin and Sid Towle, to gain the opening score. The sophomore reserves then proceeded to place the ball in scoring position when Root called back the first string to push it the remaining few yards, the great Lassiter carrying the ball. Maine scored in the closing minutes on the first team, after running back a punt and completing a forward pass. It was Maine's first score on Yale in six games.

Yale, you will remember, was also that school which protested so strongly a year ago when they learned that they would have to play a game on October 14 against that little unknown school some one referred to in guarded tones as something like Washington and Lee. To play such a set-up was too much for the highly touted Yale prestige and the boys didn't like it one bit. Measures were taken to drop the game, "letters to the editor" of the Yale Daily News were sent in, but still the game stuck, while the Bulldogs at Yale grew madder and madder and the Generals at Washington and Lee, their pride profaned, grew angrier and angrier. This Saturday the long-awaited rest game for Eli will come, but, you can believe us sincerely, when we say they are in for a bit of pleasant surprising.

Yale has had the benefits of a belated opening, while the Generals have been suffering injuries through three plenty tough games. Their initial contest against Maine Saturday held the Bulldogs up in anything but a favorable light, and they will be anxious to redeem themselves this week with a powerful attack on the alleged hapless Generals. More power to you, Root, (and if you're reading this, I'm not kidding!) for you'll surely need your first string and soul-saving reserves to hold down the injured Blue and White in your mammoth bowl this week-end, and while your team is losing, students here will be enjoying every minute of it over the gridgraph.

## Rivals Exhibit Real Strength In Five Games

### Only Maryland and Virginia Meet Defeat at Hands of Foes

### YALE HAS TROUBLE BEATING MAINE

### Princeton Eleven Shows Power by Downing Amherst, 40-0

A real demonstration of just what lies before the Generals during the coming season was given on six different gridirons last Saturday, when five of the Blue and White's seven future opponents emerged as victors in their battles. One of the two recorded losses came as a result of a game between two of the schools on the Generals' schedule.

Yale, Kentucky, Princeton, Virginia Polytech, and Centre were the grid machines that finally ended up in the win column, while Maryland was being beaten by the Gobblers and Ohio State was giving Virginia the worst beating that it has ever handed any team. Four of these five winning schools are still in the undefeated column as a result of their victories, Virginia Polytech having lost to Tennessee last week 27-0.

#### Yale Has Trouble

The Bulldogs did not show their expected strength in their game with Maine, and it required the spark and fight of the reserves to bring the victory home to the Eli's. As it was, the Bulldogs were held scoreless the entire first half, and it was not until the entrance of Tommy Curtin and his reserves that the team really began to function. Curtin was easily the hero of the day, scoring one touchdown, converting twice, and placing the ball in position for Bob Lassiter to score the second touchdown. Maine's one tally came late in the fourth quarter.

Kentucky, behind the superlative kicking of Ralph Kercheval and a rejuvenated line, won its second game of the season from Georgia Tech by a lone point, the final score being 7-6. Kentucky scored in the first period on a 27-yard pass and a line thrust that crossed the goal. Kercheval place-kicked the winning point.

#### Kercheval's Kicks Help

The "Ramblin Wreck's" score came in the next period but they failed to convert. During the second half the Wildcats, with the aid of a 73 and a 77-yard punt by Kercheval, repulsed several other scoring attempts of the Yellow Jackets.

In the meantime up at Princeton a growling Tiger was hammering a 40-0 victory from a gallant but futile Amherst eleven and showing strength that boded ill for all its future opponents. Amherst never advanced the ball beyond the middle of the field, and a stubborn Tiger defense prevented the scoring of a single first down. The Princeton team scored 16 first downs during the game, with the reserves showing up as well as the varsity on both the offense and the defense.

#### Morgan, Casey Star

Virginia Polytech, led by Charlie Morgan and Al Casey, gave the Old Liners of Maryland a 14-0 setback in the nineteenth game played between the two schools. The Gobblers were held scoreless by the Terrapins during the first half, but at the very start of the third quarter Morgan intercepted a pass and galloped 74 yards for the first score of the game.

Late in the final period, Al Casey turned in three runs of 9, 22, and 33 yards that placed the ball on the Old Liners' 16-yard stripe. He was removed from the game with an injured leg, but Duncan Hayslaw scored on two plunges. Earl Widmyer prevented two more touchdowns by the Gobblers in the first period when he knocked down two of their passes in his own end zone.

Exhibiting their second great reversal of form, the University of Virginia Cavaliers were completely demolished by the Buckeyes from Ohio State, as the latter team marched down the field for a total of 639 yards to the 43 gained by the visitors. The final score was 75-0, the Ohio crew scoring eleven touchdowns and two safeties.

Centre beat Transylvania in its second win of the year.

## Swimmers to Report Tomorrow Afternoon

All candidates for the swimming teams, both varsity and freshmen, will begin practice tomorrow afternoon at five o'clock in the gymnasium. Twombly expects all lettermen from last year who are back in school and all freshmen who are interested in trying out for the team to report.

Four varsity meets have been arranged so far. They are with N. C. U., Duke, William and Mary, and Virginia. The freshmen have meets with Massanutten Academy and Virginia scheduled and will arrange for additional ones later on in the year.

Until Thanksgiving the teams will practice only three times a week and after that they will practice every day.

#### Franks to Speak

The speaker for the Freshman meeting this week, Thursday night at 7:30, will be Dr. V. C. Franks. He has chosen for his topic, "An Approach to Religion." Upper-classmen are invited to attend.

"The Wizard of Oz" was purchased last week by Samuel Goldwyn for translation to the screen.

## Students Show Little Interest in Library Newspaper Selection

One vote for the Chicago Daily News and one for the Chicago Daily Tribune are so far the only conflicting recommendations on the question of what newspapers the library should take in order to have a representative collection. Suggestions for papers from other cities include the Montgomery Advertiser, New Orleans Times, Atlanta Constitution, and Houston Post.

The library already subscribes to fourteen daily newspapers, and Miss McCrum wishes to add a few more that will give a better representation of the different sections from which the student body is drawn. Any further votes should be left at the library desk as soon as possible.

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**Hawkins and Barnes  
Go to Chicago**

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House in Chicago. Held in conjunction with it will be meetings of the National Undergraduate Hawkins will attend, the College Interfraternity conference, which Fraternity Editors association, the Fraternity Secretaries association, and a conference of Local Fraternities.  
It has long been felt that Washington and Lee, being a strong fraternity college, should send a student representative to these conferences. Discussions of house management and the work done by fraternities on various campuses will feature the program. A report on the system of co-operative buying employed by fraternities at Ohio State will undoubtedly be of great interest.  
According to Professor Barnes, this is the first time since the annual sessions were begun that they have not been held in New York City. The "Century of Progress Exposition" drew the group of fraternity meetings to the Windy City this year.

**Winfree Elected  
New Council President**

Peyton B. Winfree was elected president of the interfraternity council at the council's first meeting Thursday night. Phil Lowy was elected vice-president, and Henry Cohen secretary.  
No other business was brought up at the meeting. Copies of the new constitutions drawn up last spring were distributed to each representative. The council meets regularly on the first Thursday night of each month.  
The official representatives on the council are as follows:  
Thomas S. Wheelwright, Alpha Chi Rho; Hudson C. Hall, Alpha Tau Omega; W. W. Hawkins Jr., Beta Theta Pi; H. W. Butler, Delta Tau Delta; George F. Wing, Delta Upsilon; C. Henry Cohen, Kappa Alpha; Peyton B. Winfree Jr., Kappa Sigma; Ross Crom, Lambda Chi Alpha; Thomas C. Smith, Phi Delta Theta; Bernard Steinberg, Phi Epsilon Pi; Stanley Higgins Jr., Phi Gamma Delta; Robert B. Safford, Phi Kappa

**Bats in Belfry Now  
Are Bats in Beanery**

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feared that they are still at large! Inhabitants of the Beanery are searching for "wolf-bane", a plant for which vampires have an aversion that borders on hatred. So for their hunt has been unsuccessful.  
But in the black darkness of uncertainty and dread there is a sliver of light. The true vampire habitat is central South America. None have ever been seen this far north before. Maybe the bats merely the harmless, chimney variety. This is the hope that sustains the "Beanery" boys.  
We are changing from an unlimited monarchy to a really democratic state. We are moving toward a time when, in deed and in truth, the public will come first. And the man we have to thank for it is Franklin D. Roosevelt.—Gifford Pinchot.

In an effort to build up manpower in varsity sports and to reduce expenses, St. John's College has abolished the three-year rule.

**NOTICE**

The Commerce Club will meet on Thursday night, October 12, at 7:30 in room 105, Newcomb hall. All Commerce Seniors and Seniors in the Academic school majoring in Commerce subjects are requested to be present. The purpose of the meeting will be to elect officers for the year.

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**Cleaners' High Prices  
Due to Local Agreement**

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Although noting only a twenty-eight per cent increase in Williamsburg, William and Mary reports that the cleaning price is one dollar there also, but that pressing tickets are in use which reduce the price to seventy-seven cents. Lynchburg cleaning and pressing prices have gone up only sixteen per cent, and one establishment has retained the old price of seventy-five cents for cleaning and pressing a three-piece suit.  
At Farmville there has been a 25 per cent increase, to one dollar, but a student shop on the Hampden-Sidney campus there is getting most of the student business with a seventy-five cent rate.

**FRONT ROW**

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shows the nitwitted antics of depression maniacs. The Rimplegars are prosperous Brooklynites who know nothing about the value of money; when Three-Cornered Moon stock does a nose dive, they do a swell imitation. Claudette Colbert, Mary Boland, Wallace Ford, Richard Arlen, and Lyda Roberti are the stars, and they put their hearts into their roles. The result is entirely gratifying and you should enjoy the picture as much as they seemed to enjoy acting in it.

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rumpus is hard to understand, however, for the movie is nothing to get excited about. Miss Stanwyck is an excellent actress and is about the only justification for "Baby Face."

**Crooning Crosby**

"Too Much Harmony" further illustrates the fact that Bing Crosby can't act; it shows, however, that he is in a class by himself when it comes to crooning. For sing he can! Even though you are a trifle worried when he goes dramatic or tries to make love, his ability to put over a song makes up for any deficiencies in finished character portrayals. The story is light and tells of a young man in the clutches of a lady after money. How he gets out furnishes amusing comedy and harmony. Besides Bing Crosby, there is Lilyan Tashman, Jack Oakie, Skeets Gallagher, Harry Green and others.

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**Generals Whip Indians  
By Lone Touchdown, 7-0**

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nold, Mattox and Sawyers plunged the ball from their own 7 to their opponents 16 for a net gain of 67 yards in less than ten downs. The quarter was nearly over and Tilson substituted his star passing combination, McFadden and Ellis. After two tosses, the ball sailed over the goal on an incomplete play.  
Palese, W. and M. Star  
Shade's return of punts and his own kicks combined with the fast shifty end and broken field runs of the flashy Palese, featured the redmen's scoring threats. Six out of Coach Kellison's representatives' fifteen passes were

negotiated for a total gain of 71 yards. Each team made eight first downs. Both squads made 150 yards through the line. The Indians were better in the kicking department, but fumbled three times while the Generals proved "butterfingers" on no occasions. Tilson's men lost 40 yards by penalties; Kellison's followers lost ten yards.  
The Big Blue, through Smith

and Sawyers, intercepted two passes. The Generals recovered two William and Mary fumbles.

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