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The Cotillion Club Formal Ending Tomorrow Night at Midnight Will Conclude Spring Dance Set

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## Clique Slate Opposed By Lone Independent; Deadline Draws Near

Don Moore Seeks Editorship of the Ring-tum Phi

CANDIDATES EVADE QUERIES ON ISSUES

Only Three Out of Twelve Aspirants Make Statements

With opposition announced but for one office to date, student body elections next Tuesday seem to be scheduled for a return to the rubberstamp status which featured them prior to 1934. Don Moore, non-fraternity, who formally announced his candidacy for the editorship of The Ring-tum Phi last night, is the lone independent opposing the Big Clique slate. Latham Weber, Phi Kappa Sigma, is the Clique's candidate.

All candidates must file their names with Ajax Browning, secretary of the student body, before 6:00 p. m. tomorrow night, according to the Constitution.

**Moore's Qualifications**

Moore, a junior in the journalism school, has been news editor of The Ring-tum Phi for three semesters. He has acted in that capacity not only this year but also during the second semester of 1933-34. He was not in school last year. Prior to becoming news editor in February, 1934, he was assistant managing editor. He is vice-president of Sigma Delta Chi, national honorary journalistic fraternity. The 1934 Freshman Handbook was edited by him. He has been recommended this year by the Publications Board for the second time, the first being in 1934, when, running against Manning Williams, Big Clique nominee, he was defeated by a majority of 23. A non-fraternity meeting last week unanimously voted to endorse his candidacy.

Clique Candidates Reluctant to Talk

Political candidates showed unusual wariness today in evading the queries of The Ring-tum Phi as to their opinions on a number of issues before the student body.

Of 12 candidates sought, three student government nominees, two dance leaders, and seven publications aspirants, only three of the latter were available for statements for the paper.

After being handed a list of questions to discover his views on important campus issues, Fletcher Maynard, Big Clique candidate for president of the student body, declined to state his opinions yesterday and was unavailable to a Ring-tum Phi reporter today.

The questions asked Maynard were: 1. What is your attitude towards the elimination of the present system of fraternity politics on this campus? 2. What is your attitude towards universal suffrage among the student body? 3. How do you feel concerning the increasing amount of faculty interference in student government affairs? 4. How do you feel about the reduction of the costs of dance sets, especially Fancy Dress?

**Statements Promised**

Norman Iler, candidate for leader of Fancy Dress, promised to have a statement ready for next week's paper, and George Gilleland, candidate for leader of Finals, could not be located.

The nominees for the various publication offices were also difficult to locate yesterday and today, but three were questioned by a reporter and gave statements to The Ring-tum Phi.

"Do you think that the selection of publication officers in the future should be made by the publication board, or should it be made by the students under the present system?" was the question asked the various office-seekers.

Latham Weber, Big Clique candidate for editor of The Ring-tum Phi, replied: "The advantages of the proposed plan are not great enough to merit a change. Since the publication board will not pass on anyone who cannot meet the qualifications, the present system is practical enough to be retained."

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## Where

Are Big Clique Politicians Hiding Those Candidates?

By STANFORD SCHEWEL

Here we've been sitting by the telephone for the past hour. Our task is to locate candidates for political offices and obtain a statement from them as to their political views, or their lack of views.

According to the person who answered the telephone, Fletcher Maynard, candidate for president of the student body, was presenting Dr. Francis P. Gaines with a radio.

"Ross Crom (candidate for the office of vice-president) is at home," said one of the Lambda Chi's.

"What's his number?" I asked. "You'd better ask long distance," came the witty reply, "he lives in Ohio."

Next came the task of locating Joe Taylor, who is running for the office of secretary-treasurer. "He's at a meeting," said a sweet feminine voice.

"What time will the meeting be over?"

"Oh, I don't know, because from the first meeting he's going to a second meeting, and after that you might find him in Ed Jean's room for another meeting."

After another attempt to locate Fletcher Maynard we found that he had stayed over to listen to Amos 'n Andy.

Then in desperation we descended to the dance leaders. George Gilleland was at the movies, an informer said.

"One of the Lexington movies?" we asked.

"No, to Buena Vista."

"To a movie?"

"Yeah, wanna get tough about it?"

And Norman Iler?

"Who is this speaking?" asked an A. T. O.

"A reporter for The Ring-tum Phi."

"Sorry, he can't be reached for a statement."

With one last desperate hope we called Maynard again.

"No, he's not in. He's still presenting the radio to Dr. Gaines."

Oh, well. What's an office anyway?

## Summer Styles Hit Campus as Mercury Soars

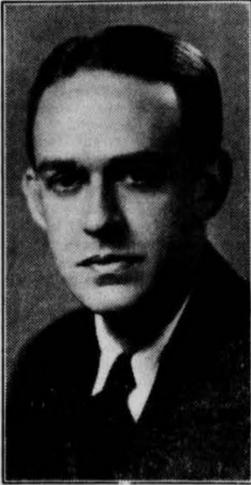
With the temperature hovering around the eighty-five mark on Wednesday, it was not surprising that many Washington and Lee men pulled last summer's linen coats from the trunks to officially open the season of summer haberdashery.

Single-breasted gabardine jackets with side vents, and gray flannel slacks are essential to the wardrobe of the well-dressed college man, insist the editors of "Esquire." White shoes with black or brown saddles and red rubber soles will be unusually popular this spring, it is predicted, and bold checked shirts with widespread collars will be in vogue. The new champagne color will also be used for shirts. Neckties will be made in chinchilla crepe in foulard, shadowed and striped red models.

A radical change in the length and cut of trousers is advised for the approaching season. The most outstanding feature is a more pronounced break in the instep than has been prevalent during the past two years. Hats will be slightly forward on the head and slightly tilted. The pork pie model will be more widely adopted. The Homburg, however, say the fashion experts of "College Humor," will come into its own.

Local dealers in men's apparel predict the popularity of bright checked flannel trousers, light sport coats, and crepe-soled shoes. Particularly predominant they also advise, are white shoes with saddles and shirts with a wide, button-down collar. The Norwegian and Cordouan models continue to hold the limelight in the shoe world.

## Granted Leave



RICHARD P. CARTER

## Carter to Join AP for Year; Leaves May 1

Journalism Instructor Is Granted Leave of Absence by University

Richard P. Carter, University publicity director and instructor in journalism, will leave for New York the first of May to accept a post on the city staff of the Associated Press preparatory to a possible assignment in Europe or South America. Mr. Carter has been granted a leave of absence as present conditions necessitate his departure May 1 or 2.

Commenting on Mr. Carter's appointment, Dr. Francis P. Gaines, President of the University, said, "It is a great compliment to Mr. Carter, a most important professional opportunity, and a distinct recognition. The experience gained from this leave will greatly increase his competence for his work here at the University to which we expect him to return."

**Joins Faculty in 1934**

Mr. Carter has been a member of the journalism faculty since the fall of 1934, teaching classes in elementary and advanced reporting, copy reading, and advertising. In addition, he has handled all academic and sports publicity for the University. Before coming here, he was state editor of The Greensboro (N. C.) Daily News, and previous to that he was Sunday editor, telegraph editor, and reporter for The Richmond Times-Dispatch. He graduated from Washington and Lee in 1929.

While at W. and L., Mr. Carter has had articles published in several periodicals, including a story on W. and L. in "Commonwealth" last July, a story on reportorial problems in a recent issue of "The Quill," and an article soon to appear in the magazine section of the Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Mr. Carter's appointment comes as the direct result of his affiliations with the Associated Press while here at school and as state capital reporter for the A. P. in Richmond last summer.

Arrangements for handling Mr. Carter's classes the remainder of the year will be announced by Mr. Riegel within a few days.

## Newcomb Hall to Be Scene Of Student Body Elections

Because of the removal of the "Y" room from the campus, student body elections will be held this year in the rear hall of the first floor of Newcomb Hall, it was announced today by Amos Bolen, president of the student body. Suggestion that the elections be held in Lee chapel as they were last year was believed to be unsuitable, in view of the sacred nature of the Chapel.

The elections will be held on Tuesday, April 21, from 8:30 a. m. until 3:30 p. m., and will be under the direction of the Executive Committee. The ballot will be secret as usual. Only those students who have paid their campus tax will be allowed to vote.

**V. M. I. Parades**  
Virginia Military Institute's daily parade is now being held at 6:25 p. m. instead of the customary 5:30. This new system was instituted to enable the athletes, who practice in the afternoon, to attend parade. Under this schedule supper is moved back to 6:50.

## Student 'Strike' Plan Is Awaiting Action of Faculty At Next Meeting

Demonstration May Be Held on Anniversary Of War Entry

PLANS SPONSORED BY STUDENT UNION

500,000 Students in 500 Schools Expected To Take Part

A student "strike" against war, sponsored by the International Relations Club and the Christian Council, may be held at 11:00 o'clock Wednesday, April 22. This date commemorates the month the United States entered the war.

A petition was posted on the bulletin board today asking all who favored the movement and expected to be at the meeting to sign. Bulletins were also posted on several classroom doors. A committee was appointed by the International Relations Club to approach possible speakers and to phone the fraternity houses to get their approval. One fraternity, Kappa Alpha, has already voted its support of the plan.

The executive committee of the faculty will take no action on the petition until Monday. Members of the committee have indicated that the administration will be in accord with the plan if sufficient students support it; they do not consider the petition representative, however, and are awaiting recommendation by the student body executive committee. Plans for the celebration include an open air meeting, to be held on the campus, with both student and faculty speakers participating.

The American Student Union, which is backing this movement, plans to have 500 schools and 500,000 students participating in similar demonstrations throughout the country. Six Virginia colleges, Randolph-Macon at Ashland, Lynchburg, Virginia Union University, Bridgewater, Roanoke, and the University of Virginia, are suspending classes, while several others that have been contacted, are expected to have some sort of demonstration.

Mr. Francis Franklin, southern organizer of the Union, speaking before the International Relations Club, said, "When we speak of 'strike,' we don't mean striking against the administration. Strike in this sense is only a figurative expression meaning that we are 'striking' against the exponents of war."

He further said that these "strikes" had the approval of such noted educators as Dr. Charles A. Beard and Dean Counts of Columbia.

The Executive Committee and several members of the faculty have expressed a desire to see Washington and Lee join in this nation-wide demonstration. On the day of the "strikes" the American Student's Union will have a 15-minute program over the Columbia Broadcasting System at 10:45 a. m.

The Interfraternity Council voted last night to neither sponsor nor take active part in the meeting.

## Student Union Barred at Syracuse

SYRACUSE, N. Y. (ACP)—Because "it is not in accord with the plans already made by a recognized organization on the campus," Syracuse University's administration has barred establishment of a chapter of the American Student Union here.

In a brief statement Vice-Chancellor William P. Graham declared that since a campus peace organization already has been set up by the student senate there is no need for another group.

The decision was made after Cyril Gerber, field secretary of the Student Union, declared before a group of students that his organization would support a nationwide "peace strike" on April 22.

**Dr. Howe Speaks at V.M.I.**  
Dr. James L. Howe, head of the Washington and Lee chemistry department, spoke to the Hoffman Presbyterian Club of V. M. I. last Wednesday on "A Scientist's View of God."

## Student Body to Vote On Proposed Poll Tax To Extend Franchise

### 'Design for Living'



Children, what is this? This is a "Design for Living." Who are those funny looking people? They are (recumbent from left to right) Lewis "Shylock" McMurrin, Nancy "Gorgeous" Applewhite, and Harry "Doctor" Fitzgerald. That impolite gentleman pointing the warning finger is Vincent Martire, a traveling salesman who peddles original Rembrandts and who, incidentally, has just returned home to find his wife (the babe surrounded on the couch) not with another man, but with two other men. Is he peeved? Well, come and see "Design for Living" tonight and find out.

## Troubs Hit New High With 'Design for Living'

Light, Modern Comedy, Starring McMurrin, Fitzgerald, Martire, and Visiting Actresses, Pleases First Night Audience

By A. R. FISKE

The 17th Century and "The Merchant of Venice," the 19th Century and "Lady Windermere's Fan," and then last night the Troubadours paraded a 20th Century, witty and smart, Noel Coward comedy, "Design for Living."

From the opening curtain to the headlong tumble of Ernest, played by Vincent D. Martire, Miss Applewhite holds firmly to her position in the center of things and gives an excellent account of herself. Gilda is a unique character, an unusual personality controlled by impulse, passion, and the desire of the moment, and she fits irrevocably with the make-ups of Otto and Leo, although it takes her three hilarious acts to find out how true that is. Miss Applewhite plays the role extremely well, mastering the complexities of the character, its moods and shadings of temperament. She is as personable and skillful an actress as the Trou-

star cast. Miss Nancy Applewhite, Harry Fitzgerald, and Lewis McMurrin, play the roles of Gilda, Otto, and Leo, the trio of social non-conformists whose loves for one another are unconventionally tangled and succeed in giving "Design for Living" a risque tang that is highly palatable.

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## White Tie, Tails in Order For Troubadour Show Tonight

Heralded as a smash hit by those who witnessed last night's opening performance, "Design for Living" tonight serves as a pleasing bit of pre-dance entertainment. This bit of sophisticated and risque comedy, delightfully and capably acted by the combination of Lewis McMurrin, Nancy Applewhite, and Harry Fitzgerald supplemented by Vincent "Behind the Eight Ball" Martire, brings to Washington and Lee a real piece of modern drama in this hit of the stage and screen, so ideally suited to the carefree spirit of the dance set.

A touch of a Broadway first night will surround tonight's performance, which begins promptly at 7:30 p. m., as all students and dates are urged to wear formal dress in order that they may go immediately to the dance when the play ends. The play will finish in time for those attending the dance to get to the gym.

Tickets for "Design for Living," which are not free as usual to campus tax holders, cost forty cents and may be obtained at McMurrin's. Students are urged to buy tickets early, as a sell-out is predicted.

## Schewel Wins Speaking Post

Freshman to Represent W. & L. in State-wide Contest

Winning out over a large field of aspirants, Stanford Schewel was appointed Washington and Lee's representative in the Virginia Collegiate Oratorical Contest to be held at Randolph-Macon Men's College in the early part of next month.

The topic of Schewel's address is: "Dangers That Threaten the American Democracy." The local preliminary contest, held in the chemistry building, was judged by Professors Shannon, Moffatt, and Flournoy. Washington and Lee's representative, who will compete with other speakers from colleges all over the state, will be coached by Prof. George Jackson.

Schewel, who is a freshman, won a place on the varsity debating team this year, and has been active in public speaking and debating in high school. Washington and Lee has so far failed to place in this contest in recent years. A \$50.00 gold medal is awarded to the winning orator.

Dollar Payment Will Give Voting Privilege To Students

CAMPUS TAX FUND IS REAPPORTIONED

Cost of Fee Reduced Under Executive Committee Plan

Acceding to student sentiment for a wider extension of the franchise, the Executive Committee will submit to the student body at Tuesday's elections an amendment which would extend the voting privilege to any student, not paying the campus tax, upon payment of a \$1 poll tax. The proposed amendment, drafted by the committee this week, requires a majority vote for passage, and would go into effect next September.

Payment of the \$1 tax must be made on or before the second Wednesday in February of each year, in order that no fraternities or other campus political groups may buy up last-minute votes for their members.

**Campus Tax Reduced**

Reduction of the campus tax from \$8.75 to \$8 and re-distribution of funds to the various organizations sharing the tax was also effected by the committee yesterday after a long series of hearings and discussions begun last November.

Under the re-allotment, The Ring-tum Phi, Southern Collegian, student body fund, and Executive Committee fund were cut, and the 20 cents from each tax paid which formerly went to the reserve fund has been eliminated. The Calyx in the future will receive \$4 from every taxpayer rather than \$3.75, which will permit a reduction in the cost of senior pictures from \$8 to \$6 and a cut in junior representation from \$4.50 to \$4.

Crew has been included for a 10-cent allowance from each tax, and the Christian council, Troubadours, band, and glee club will continue to receive their former allotments.

Amos Bolen, chairman of the Executive Committee, said today that the committee considered a larger allotment for the two musical organizations, but that it concluded that there was not enough assurance that the two groups would continue their work through each term to merit the change.

The constitutional amendment on which students will vote on Tuesday, is as follows:

**Amendment**  
"All regularly matriculated students at Washington and Lee University, as determined by the Registrar, shall become members of the Student Body Organization and shall be entitled to vote in any election controlled by or to hold office in such organization, upon payment of either of the Fees provided for below.

"1. The Membership Fee in the Student Body Organization shall be \$1.00 for the University year, and must be paid on or before the second Wednesday in February of such year.

"2. The Campus Activities Fee shall be \$8.00 for the University year. Payment of this fee shall entitle the student to the following: membership in the Student Body Organization, yearly subscriptions to The Ring-tum Phi, The Southern Collegian, and The Calyx; to admission to two Troubadour productions, all Glee Club and Band Concerts, and to all crew races.

"The Executive Committee shall have power to require payment of the Campus Activities Fee as the sole method of acquiring membership in the Student Body Organization in case such action shall be considered necessary to the financial welfare of the Student Body Organization, subject however, to the provisions of Article 11, paragraph 3.

"Article 11, paragraph 3 reads as follows: 'The Student Body, by a two-thirds vote of those present, at a meeting which has been duly advertised for three days, may rescind any action of the Student Body officers or of the Executive Committee.'"

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## THE POLL TAX DEMOCRATIZES STUDENT GOVERNMENT

The growing sentiment against payment of the campus tax as a pre-requisite for voting at last has taken form in the proposal of the Executive Committee to institute a \$1 poll for those who are anxious to vote but who are undispensed to pay the campus tax. The proposal, in the form of a constitutional amendment, will be submitted to the student body on Tuesday for passage.

Although the proposal does not go the whole length and grant every student of the University the franchise, it is the nearest approach to a democratic elective system that this campus has seen in years. For a poll tax has become an established rule in most democratic governments, affording incidental funds for the conduct of elections and the maintenance of the machinery of government.

One potential evil of the suggested provision has been obviated by requiring the payment of the tax two months before the elections, minimizing the chances of fraternities' buying up votes for its members. And the committee has also wisely provided that if the poll tax provision hurts the campus tax fund seriously, it may be rescinded next year.

A less startling but equally worthwhile reform is the committee's final revision of the campus tax distribution, a revision which effects economy, elimination of unnecessary surpluses, a reduction in Calyx representation costs, and inclusion of crew, without in any way endangering the present efficiency of the tax. The useless campus tax reserve fund has been eliminated, and the funds of other organizations reduced where past experience has shown a reduction possible.

Under the new tax distribution students may confidently expect more for their money, with the added realization that it is being used for current, necessary expenses, rather than accumulating in the student reserve fund for the benefit of future generations.

## HERE IT IS AGAIN—SPRING

Well, Spring's here! Rather gradually, and with every now and then a harking back to the rigors of winter, the thing has crept upon us until now, by a variety of tokens, we feel justified in announcing that Spring, peachy Spring, is indeed here.

Even now there are all sorts of little harbingers of spring harboring all over the place. Robins and Dr. Shannon's smiling crocuses and redolent onion grass are busy at this moment heralding the vernal season for all who will look and smell. Students have begun to loll on the grass between classes. McCrum's are sending out their bills with crisp little addenda typed on their little bottoms. At the local grade schools they are carolling that repellent old catch which goes:

Spring is here, the earth rejoices,  
Dum da da-da, dum d- da-da.

And over at the nearby women's colleges things are waking up too, as the girls get out the old cheese cloths preparatory, or premonitory, to a bit of a classical set-to on the greensward. Practically everywhere you turn you see a harbinger. Yep, happy Spring has come.

## THREE MEN DESERVED THE NOMINATION

In the annual nominations of candidates for the publications offices last Monday a great injustice was done when one of the three juniors eligible for the editorship of *The Ring-tum Phi* had to be relegated to an alternate nomination for technical reasons. Although all three men were well qualified for the position by virtue of their experience and ability, the express conditions of the student constitution forbade the naming of more than two as nominees, and compelled the board to name the third man as alternate.

Seldom if ever in the history of *The Ring-tum Phi* have three men been so well-suited for the position. Each has served three full years as a

responsible member of the newspaper staff, spending long and arduous hours—much longer than most people realize, getting out the paper. It is an unfortunate technicality which keeps one of them from receiving the Publication Board sanction as an eligible candidate for the editorship.

## THE DANCE SITUATION

From *The V. M. I. Cadet*

The Hop Committee has heaped glory upon itself since the Mid-Winter set of dances. Emerging from the stigma of an unfortunate incident which occurred at Thanksgiving, the Committee brought to the Corps of Cadets the sort of entertainment it deserves. After the mix-up at Thanksgiving, the committee found itself in such straits that emergency measures had to be resorted to in order to meet the deficit created.

The band at Mid-Winters and the efforts of the Committee combined to make the set the most enjoyable held so far this year. The reputation of Jan Garber will draw a large crowd of lovers of good dance music.

## THE FORUM

### THE SCHOOL OF COMMERCE AND ADMINISTRATION

By DEAN GLOVER DUNN HANCOCK

A report by General Lee to the Board of Trustees of Washington College in 1869 contained what was probably the first recommendation and plan for a college school of commerce anywhere in the United States. "In recommending a Commercial School," he wrote, "it is proposed not merely to give instruction in bookkeeping and the forms and details of business, but to teach the principles of Commercial Economy, Trade and Mercantile Law. Such a school may, with great advantage, be added to the schools of the College, as many may by its means prepare themselves for business pursuits while obtaining such scientific and literary culture in the other schools of the College as time and opportunity may allow."

This was a prevision of the modern school of commerce many years before the establishment of such schools in any American institutions. Some business courses were offered for a few years at that time; but the school of commerce based on this plan was not established until many years later.

The present School of Commerce and Administration was established by order of the Board of Trustees in 1905, and went into operation in 1906. This is thought to be the first university school of commerce in the South. It was established under a foundation created in honor of William Lyne Wilson, President of Washington and Lee from 1896 to 1900. Mr. Wilson had been a member of the cabinet under President Cleveland; and Mr. Cleveland served on the committee to raise this memorial endowment. The School of Commerce and Administration has developed here as an expansion of the departments of economics and political science.

The objectives of the course in commerce at Washington and Lee have always been two-fold. One aim is to offer technical training for business and for public service. Courses are given in the fundamentals of business organization and the principles of business management, and in the methods of analyzing business problems. In many fields business practice has become so standardized that it can be taught in the classroom and the library. The details of business routine can best be learned in actual business experience; but office and departmental routine alone will not give the grasp of principles or the breadth of vision required for successful business management today. The business man needs a knowledge of fundamental economic principles, and an understanding of the general framework—social, economic, political, and legal—within which all business operates.

The public administration course specializes in government institutions and organization, and the methods of administration in government. It offers training for administrative positions in public service, and undertakes to raise the standards of administration in our national and local governments.

In addition to this technical training for business or public service, a second aim, of equal importance, is to give a group of courses of general cultural value, with specialization in the fundamental social sciences. A co-ordinated study of the social sciences ought to develop a social point of view, habits of independent thinking, an understanding of many complex national and world problems, and intelligent and unselfish citizenship.

The social sciences constitute Group III in the group requirements for the A.B. degree. With the exception of history and modern civilization, these departments at Washington and Lee are placed administratively under the School of Commerce and Administration. A large number of the courses offered, especially in the departments of economics and political science, are not technical business or administration courses, but are such general courses as are offered in the departments of economics and political science in any liberal arts college. Courses or majors in these departments may be taken without specialization in business or administrative subjects.

# CAMPUS COMMENT

By BOB WEINSTEIN

Answers "Disillusioned" . . .  
In Tuesday's column we ran a letter from "Disillusioned Female" which seems to have raised a little discussion. This morning we received the following message:

"Dear Sir:  
"In the last issue of *The Ring-tum Phi* you carried a letter in your column from 'Disillusioned Female,' who wanted to know where she could find a Washington and Lee 'gentleman' (get the quotes!) who does not smoke or drink, who has a good aesthetic sense, and is clean cut, intelligent and well-bred.

"First, I wish to tell the dear lady that there is probably one boy out of every thousand who can live up to all her qualifications, and to date we have only about 900 boys here. They don't grow on trees, you know, you usually find them in museums. Besides, in the time that I have been in this town, I have never met a girl who could quite come up to the level of such a boy, anyway, so who is she to be so particular? If she will present herself and prove that she is as herself as her ideal, I absolutely guarantee to find some gentleman here who will be quite worthy of her qualifications.

"Sincerely,  
"Realist"  
Thanks, Realist, for the letter. I hope, Disillusioned Female, that it casts some light on your search. Let's hear from anyone else who has any ideas on the matter. Maybe we will find the ideal boy and girl.

Lauds Lauck . . .  
The April issue of "The Inland Printer," the outstanding trade magazine for printers, tosses a few bouquets to C. Harold Lauck, laboratory instructor in journalism here. Says a department in the magazine, in criticizing his work:

"Your work is decidedly outstanding, reflecting as it does the finest craftsmanship on traditional typography and employing the best conventional types. Baskerville, which in our opinion, is perhaps the finest of them, is featured in your work and makes it the more satisfactory. Congratulations!"

Troubs With Music . . .  
Last night the recently organized student concert ensemble made its debut at the Troubadour show. This new organization, formed about a week ago, deserves all the credit in the world for contributing its services to this week's dramatic performance. The orchestra was started by nine students who enjoy music and it receives financial aid from the Troubadours.

Design For Living . . .  
The play current at the Troubadour theater, all about Gilda's double trouble, hits a new high for campus productions. Especially enjoyed by the first night audience was the drunk sequence in which Harry Fitzgerald and Lewis McMurrin go through all the motions of a good jag in front of everybody . . . they hit the elation stage, the depression stage, the philosophical stage and finally the "pals-till-the-end" stage, all with marvelous accuracy . . . but it's Bud Martire falling on the stage that brings the curtain down with a laugh . . . Wonder whether it was ethical of the local censors to change the word that Noel Coward used originally, to "witch" . . . All that gumming up of lines that went on in the second act last night was, in this writer's opinion, really the best thing that could have happened . . . previous to that, the audience was so stiff and reserved that most of the good lines were falling as flat as a day-old glass of beer . . . when the lines were gummed up, the audience was first uneasy, then it giggled a bit, and finally burst out into open laughter . . . after that, the first genuine laugh of the show, everything went fine . . . the audience had lost its reticence and all the good lines registered.

Short Shots . . .  
Notice that the Southern Collegians dance band has added to its size . . . the band is coming along fine now with more bookings than it can handle . . . Looks like Jimmy Hamilton's Jungle will be in for a bit of a rush over this week-end . . . Jimmy will be open for a couple of hours after the dances, in addition to the afternoons . . . For some light entertainment, we recommend, if you can stand it in the wee hours of the morn, the quips and jects and funny tales of the robust host down at Bailey's . . . he hits his best form around three a. m. . . also does tricks with chairs . . . Orchids again to Bill Rueger for turning over tonight's decorations to a professional decorator instead of having students slap up crepe paper all over the place . . . the results are well worth the extra expense.

Against Sophomore English  
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And a happy Spring Dances to you all!

## THE EASY CHAIR

By COWL RIDER

The Front Page Plus  
Since writing the last column which concerned itself somewhat with reading books, we happened to notice some habits of newspaper readers. It was interesting to watch what they read and how they read it. This column is not running a reform ticket, but the habits of the newspaper readers were very discouraging. Mostly the readers hit the sport page first. This is perfectly okay. Whether the Giants stop the Dodgers, or whether these Cleveland boys have a ball club is certainly news.

Then, too, with the Derby on the card one of these days, horses are news and prospective cash. That was all right, but a surprising number of the boys (like the boys who don't read *The Ring-tum Phi* editorial page) stopped right there and folded up the paper. The question remains whether their one-track minds could not stand the exertion to look at something else in the paper or whether they just didn't give a damn. It still is obvious that one page of a newspaper does not constitute a fair reading.

The point of the whole thing lies in the interesting phenomena of a number of students who profess themselves bored with the wheezy courses they are taking while at the same time they purposely overlook contemporary events which should be, in comparison with some of their courses, interesting stuff. "We want something practical. This dry theory is no good." All right. If that's the complaint, it seems noteworthy that what happens today or what may happen tomorrow doesn't appeal to some of them more than the "dry theory."

Right here comes the argument that "it takes too long to read a paper." It doesn't, actually. It does not take long to find out where the European situation stands, what the relations of Britain is to Belgium, whether she will guard it or not at France's request, or what the future of the League of Nations is since it is admitted that Italy has succeeded in Ethiopia. Or how about all this noise about Red activity in the shipping world?

History isn't all in the text-

books. It is being made. Especially now, when things are moving with unusual speed both here and abroad, it might be expected that a reasonable number of students could converse intelligently about activities both domestic and foreign. The only way one can expect to be free from the danger of being duped by someone is to be armed with an adequate knowledge of facts. That knowledge of facts (and knowledge of facts from questionable sources is worse than no knowledge) is weak.

A high school English teacher once had told this writer the story of the lad on the way to the reformatory. On the train he took out a newspaper and turned to the editorial page the first thing. "And you know," said the teacher earnestly, "that boy must have had something good in him. I had an idea he hadn't any business going to the reformatory at all." At that time the old lady seemed a little balmy, and she still does. In a way, though, she had the right idea.

Why the fellow happened to turn to the editorial page is a mystery. We like to think that he had a desire to see what the editors had to say about current events, what the letters to the editor (which are often very revealing as well as amusing) had to say about national, state or personal problems. That, too, is a part of newspaper reading. Like anything done well, such reading is somewhat of an art. To skim what you don't care about, omit what seems irrelevant, take the cream from that which is good; there is the art.

Because many people cannot do this they complain that they have no time to read the papers. In back of this is just a lack of interest in what goes on, in spite of the fact that if a man was shot in his back yard, our newspaper avoilder would rush out all ears, while if teachers are being forced to take obnoxious oaths in another state he says phooey, that doesn't concern me. Such people are about as well balanced mentally as Townsend. No wonder, if you go about it in the right way, you can sell almost anyone almost anything.

## Letters to the Editor

### Scores Political Ineptitude

Dear Sir:  
There is only one indication evidenced by the present political campaign—or should I call it lack of campaign? And that is the amazing ineptitude of the student body, the astounding resignation of Washington and Lee men to the dominance of the Clique.

Not one faint breeze of opposition is stirring to clear away the putridness of political despotism practiced by those self-appointed masters of this campus. Not one sign of rebellion, of disgust, of dismay, breaks the scene as the political machine, smoothed by the oil of adulterated ordure, crushes its way to victory.

What a sad sight indeed when a campus, dedicated to the spirit of men who laid down their lives so that this land might be a democracy, permits upon its sward a machine that is as autocratic and despotic as any organization that has yet been devised.

Disgustedly,  
Disgusted

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suppose that the author himself had any reason for using a word. Word analysis of poetry is a remnant of a passing style long dead which attempted to attain poetical perfection by mechanics and formulas.

Another fault lies in the theme system, which lacks any semblance of uniformity and which ultimately will kill originality and inspired writing in even the best of writers.

I write this with no spirit of spite or ill-feeling, but merely because I feel that there is a great room for reform in this archaic and backward subject.

Once a Lover of Literature

### Praises Gaines

Dear Sir:  
In the earlier part of the week the Washington and Lee campus was suddenly stirred with exciting, but unwelcome, news. We were afraid that we were going to lose the services of our President, Dr. F. P. Gaines, who had been offered the presidency of a large, Southern university.

This bit of news stirred up everyone, and within less than an hour after it was generally known, letters from the various students poured into Dr. Gaines' residence by the hundreds. The next day, when his decision was due, we were all relieved to learn that his love for this institution and the students here had made him decide to remain with us.

There are few men in his position who would have chosen ideals over money, but after all, this was Dr. Gaines, and that is what he decided. He acted in such a way as to make us be proud to claim him as the president of our school, and all honor that was ever due an earlier leader, is now due Dr. Gaines. He can, without any doubt, be classed with one of our earliest benefactors, Robert E. Lee, and the sacrifice he made for Washington and Lee will ever remain in the memory of the student body.

Sincerely,  
Admirer

### Eliminate Dialects?

Prof. William F. Hoffman of Boston University is sore about the attempts of some professors to eliminate American dialects from the English language. "Variety is the spice of speech," he said.

Students at Baker university at Baldwin, Kansas, finally won a 42-year fight to permit school dances, banned since the university was founded.

## BETWEEN SHEETS

By CHARLES CLARKE

The state of Virginia is going to be practically overrun with orchestras this week-end—all the way from Charlottesville to Blacksburg they have descended. At V. P. I. in Blacksburg, Isham Jones is entertaining the Gobblers at their spring dances. At Charlottesville, not content with one or two orchestras, the citizens up there must needs have three of 'em. Last night it was Noble Sissle, tonight it's Jan Garber and tomorrow night 'twill be Ozzie Nelson. Nonthink like doing things in a big way. In between Mr. Jones and Mr. Nelson and company, Lexington will be entertaining Mr. Joe Venuti.

Incidentally, the president of the student body at Virginia, that old school of southern boys, will be either from the New York City side or the New Jersey side of the Hudson river. Both candidates, announced last week, come from that area.

This VFW organization is getting bigger and bigger. College papers from all over the country are telling of chapters being organized on their campus. The latest wrinkle comes from the School of Religion at Duke. The embryo ministers there, not to be outdone, organized the "Chaplains of the Veterans of Future Wars." The CVFW has petitioned Gorin of Princeton for a charter and have already drawn up a platform of "Future Aims and Objectives."

Richmond Post No. 1426, Veterans of Foreign Wars, got all up in the air over this rival Veterans of Future Wars organization last week. They started out by backing up their national commander, who called the college VFW "too yellow to fight"; then they roundly criticized the Richmond News-Leader for an editorial on the subject entitled "Laughing War Out"; and finally wound up by memorializing some nearby Sweet Briar girls who haughtily refused to be connected with a branch of the future veterans. All in all, the Richmond Post No. 1426, Veterans of Foreign Wars, seems to have completely lost its sense of humor . . . to say the least.

H. Pettus Randall, a law student at the University of Alabama, has just published a book entitled "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges." We don't know whether any local Big Men got in or not, but the chances are pretty good. There are over 1,600 names from some 250 schools and colleges, with at least one student from every state in the union, according to the Alabama college paper.

President John Stewart Bryan of William and Mary has just presented that school with a group of letters of Robert E. Lee and Thomas Rowland, an officer in the Confederate army.

Weekly Pain in the Neck Note: The entire Student Senate of the Norfolk Division of William and Mary and V. P. I. last week drew up a set of resolutions and resigned en masse. According to the resolution, the senators resigned because it had been "unable to fulfill its delegated powers" and because "lack of student problems has made these offices impracticable." Shades of V. C.

The first earthquake ever to be recorded in Albemarle County (whose county seat is Charlottesville) was recorded on the seismograph of the University of Virginia several weeks ago. However, according to College Topics, the quake was very slight and nothing to worry about.

Spring Fashion Note: The Silver and Gold of the University of Colorado brought out a six page section devoted entirely to "New Trends for Spring," last week. Dear, dear—now wouldn't that be a nice suggestion for *The Ring-tum Phi*. And we always thought that Colorado was a state of big mountains and strong silent men.

This from the Auburn Plainsman, which, incidentally, devotes about half of its editorial page every issue to such stuff:

"A college student is like a kerosene lamp: It is usually not very bright, is often turned down, usually smokes, and frequently goes out at night."

## Art and Music Equipment Obtained from Carnegie

There have been no recent developments in the art and music courses to be inaugurated here next year, according to the President's office. Negotiations to secure a teacher have been progressing for some time but nothing definite can be announced as yet.

Equipment from the Carnegie Foundation has been obtained to teach the courses.

# Generals Invade Charlottesville For a Renewal Of Old Rivalry

Crippled Team to Face Wahoo Nine Tomorrow Afternoon

VIRGINIA BOASTS EXCELLENT RECORD

Tomorrow's Game Opens Generals' Conference Schedule

By SAM McCHESNEY  
The 1936 edition of the Generals' baseball team will open its Southern Conference defense against the University of Virginia Saturday afternoon at Charlottesville.

Injuries may hamper the Generals' style in the renewal of the traditional rivalry with the Wahos. Mike Tomlin is still out with knee trouble. Eddie Hiserman, who hurt his finger in the William and Mary game Monday, is definitely out. After two years of consecutive duty around the first sack, Eddie Howerton may miss action Saturday because of sinus trouble.

Captain Dick Smith was doubtful about his starting pitcher, but was certain that it would be either Captain Joe Pette or Emmy Dickman. Due to injuries in the receiving department, the catching assignment may be handled by either Preston Moore, Eddie Seitz, or Dorsey Wilson.

Doubtful of the possibilities of Howerton's playing, Captain Dick has had Joe Pette and Norm Iler working out at first.

Virginia has a veteran nine. Abbit, hurler on last year's team, was out for practice for the first time last week and may draw the mound call in Saturday's game. An early season injury has kept him on the bench until this time.

Virginia has broken even in the four games they have played this season. The Cavaliers have decisively defeated Vermont, and Michigan and Richmond.

Washington and Lee has had a hit-and-miss season so far, winning four out of nine games. The Generals split games with Ohio State, took two straight from Richmond, lost one to Randolph-Macon, and lost three out of four to William and Mary.

North Carolina will provide strong opposition in the Generals' second Southern Conference encounter. The Chapel Hill team will journey to Lexington next week to meet the home team on Tuesday and Wednesday.

## Following the BIG BLUE

By CHARLIE WILLIAMS

Tomorrow it's the Generals versus the Wahos again. And when those two teams get together anything can happen. The queerest game of the long string of W. & L.-Virginia contests was a baseball game at Charlottesville along about 1923. The Generals had been right that day and went into the last of the ninth with a 10-1 lead. The first two batters were retired and it was two out with none on bases. And without hitting a ball in fair territory the Wahos won the game 11-10. Three W. & L. pitchers unexplainably issued fourteen straight walks. Only one Virginia man took his bat off his shoulder, and the ball he hit went foul. All we can say after that is watch the Wahos.

An injury jinx seems to have settled on the Big Blue baseball team. First victim was Mike Tomlin who was lost for the season with a knee injury just as he was developing into a first class catcher. Then in the middle of the spring trip an abscessed tooth began giving Joe Pette trouble. Catcher Moore was next, the football star throwing his trick knee out of place in the Randolph-Macon game. The injury caused Captain Dick to shift him back to the outfield where he will be less likely to injure his knee, and to try another man, Eddie Hiserman, behind the bat. Just when Eddie was getting the feel of things, a foul tip broke his finger.

As if all this wasn't enough, the Generals' dependable first sacker, Eddie Howerton, may be forced, under doctor's orders, to give up the game for a part or all of the season. Eddie is suffering from sinus trouble. To cap the climax, Emmy Dickman has gotten something similar to pleurisy. The big pitcher's side and chest have been hurting him this week, and the trouble may develop into something serious.

Howerton and Dickman may get back in shape, but catchers Tomlin and Hiserman are definitely out. There are two new possibilities for the catching job remaining. Buckshot Seitz drew a uniform Thursday. The wrestler and football player is also a catcher and a fairly good one. Dorsey (Big Pad) Wilson has also been doing some catching in practice. Big, fast, and the possessor of a strong arm, "Big Pad" has the latent ability to be a great catcher. The catch is that the big fellow's grades are not all they might be, making his eligibility subject to doubt.

Over three thousand fans saw Duke play a double-header baseball game with Georgetown

University last Monday. The Blue Devils have an unusually potent nine this spring and appear to be the class of the conference although North Carolina U. is stronger than its recent loss to the University of Richmond would indicate. The Richmond sluggers have shut out two other conference teams, Maryland and Virginia, since dropping two to the Generals.

Speaking of Duke, their track team will probably get a lot of rest tonight. Here for their dual meet with the Big Blue trackmen tomorrow, the Blue Devils will "sleep" in the visiting team room in the gym as Joe Venuti's swing band holds forth far into the night. But sleep or no sleep, this observer ruefully predicts something like a 100-25 victory for the Durham invaders.

At least one freshman ball player takes this gentlemen's dress idea seriously. In a frosh-varsity game Thursday, Iler drove a hot bouncer down to a frosh first baseman. The freshman's hat flew off just as he fumbled the ball and dropped it. The runner tore towards first. The lad reached around, picked up his hat, jammed it on and then went for the ball. Coach Young's comment we won't repeat.

That Old Dominion golf tournament was practically a Washington and Lee affair with a majority of the qualifiers being from here. Ex-champion, Spence Kerkow, was put out of the tournament, but it was another Big Blue linkman, Cy Anderson, who did the trick, so the title will probably remain "in the family."

When Layton Cox fumbled a hot drive in the William and Mary game Tuesday, it was his first error of the season. Not a bad start for a sophomore shortstop—the first eight games without an error. And Cox and Iler are developing a fast double play combination around the keystone sack. Another sophomore who broke into the lineup Saturday and promises to play a lot of ball before he is graduated, is outfielder Max Breckenridge.

The freshmen will be defending a record when they meet the Virginia freshmen here tomorrow. For six years no Virginia athletic team, varsity or freshman, has won a game on Wilson field. A timely thunder shower probably saved the record last year when it forced the calling of a game in which the Virginia frosh were leading the Brigadier nine 4-0.

## Blue Opposes Powerful Duke Track Squad

Blue Devils Bring Strong Team Here for Meet Tomorrow

Tomorrow afternoon on Wilson field Duke university's conference indoor champions will run against Washington and Lee's varsity track squad in a colorful, fast meet which is expected to draw a good crowd from the out-of-town guests in Lexington for the Spring dance set.

Heading the well-rounded Duke aggregation will be Morse, distance star, who is the present Southern Conference cross country champion and holder of the indoor two-mile title. A springy trio of broad jumpers who placed one-two-three in the conference indoor meet will also be on hand. An excellent high jumper and three good shot-putters complete the circle of stars, which is well bolstered by better than average men in the sprints, hurdles and middle distances.

For Washington and Lee it will be a capable Price Davis in the mile, and a rapidly improving Warren Edwards in the two-mile run. Jimmy Rogers is expected to top the best that Duke can offer in either of the hurdle events; and Bill Higgins and Charlie Brasher look to be in at the finish of the high jump, pole vault and discus.

Lang Skarda, who placed second in the sprints in the Maryland meet, should also garner some points for the Generals; and the two Berrys—Duane and Tom—will give Duke's weight men a good contest in the field events. In the middle distances Ajax Browning and Bob Kingsbury will carry the Blue and White standard.

Columbia university seniors placed a lower estimate on their salaries five years after graduation than any other class during the last 15 years.

## Indians Make Six Hits Count and Triumph In Pitching Duel, 2-0

Hard luck and an inability to hit in the pinches cost the Generals a 2-0 decision in a brilliant pitching duel between Pette of Washington and Lee and Harwell of William and Mary last Tuesday.

Out hit, seven to six, the Indians scored once in the first inning and again in the eighth on single hits. In the first, Zable drove a single through third, stole second, and scored from second when a fast ball glanced off Catcher Moore's glove and missed the backstop. Under the customary ground rules the runner would have been entitled to a single base on such a play, but the rule had not been explained to the visitors before the game by Umpire Orch and the run was tallied.

The single score looked mighty big as the game wore on, and the Indian portlander kept the Generals' hits well scattered.

Not until the seventh did the Generals threaten to score, when two men got on base. Harwell bore down to fan Pette, but with two out Frank Frazier drove a long hit out to deep left field for what appeared to be a four base blow. But Matheny, the Indian left fielder, after a long run made a beautiful catch that retired the side.

The Indians scored their second and final tally in the eighth when a pitch-out destined to break up a squeeze play went wild.

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## PREVUES

**The New Saturday**—Just why Ralph Daves thinks what is appropriate for the dance sets is not always easy to decide, and a thing on which I would not want to make a decision. Now, for the spring dance set, it is "Petticoat Fever," a hilariously entertaining stage play of last year rendered fairly faithfully on the screen with Robert Montgomery, Myrna Loy, and Reginald Owen. Full advantage is taken of the humorous situations of which this story is provocative—a story of a self-exiled gentleman in the wastes of Labrador, who, on the point of going nuts, receives a visitation from heaven in the form of Myrna Loy and her officiously competent fiancée, Reggie. Here is a picture whose title is descriptive of the situation; and you can imagine what happens, with Reginald Owen trying to stave off all advances towards his betrothed with manly imbecility.

**Monday**—"The Garden Murder Case." Philo Vance has gone romantic! Heretofore this aesthetic sleuth has confined himself to cerebral pursuits, his closest approach to lechery being a wan enthusiasm for the operatic "Thais." Now he's grown hair on his emotional chest, so to speak, and has felt the urge of spring. But with Virginia Bruce as the object of affections, who could blame the most eremitically inclined for getting doubling up of the heart beat? With Edmund Lowe playing the suave and quizzical, the script moves smoothly and tensely with practically no misleading accentuations. Most decently fair, too, I think.

**Tuesday-Wednesday**: "Wife vs. Secretary." Myrna Loy jealous of Clark Gable's blonde secretary, Jean Harlow; and although things look bad, Clark, a big, good-natured "little boy" is entirely innocent, a fact that is ultimately brought home to Myrna. That is all there is to the story; and so as all there is left is acting and as Gable is no Paul Muni—he says  
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## Netmen Lose Initial Match

Tarheels Nose Out Generals, 4-3, in Tennis Opener

Handicapped by their lack of practice, Washington and Lee's netmen dropped the initial match of the season yesterday to Lenoir-Rhyne of North Carolina, 4-3. The match was played on the local courts.

In the first match of the day, Bud Radcliffe, Generals' ace racketeer, fell easy prey to Captain Lawrence of Lenoir-Rhyne, 1-6, 2-6.

McCardel of W. & L. evened the score by defeating Huss in straight sets, 6-4, 6-3; but the Tarheels forged ahead again when Turville lost to Kennedy, 1-6, 3-6. Garber of W. & L. downed Coulter in three hotly contested sets, 2-6, 6-3, 8-6. In the final singles, Meier, W. & L., went down before Morrison, L.-R., 3-6, 7-5, 6-3.

In the first doubles play, Radcliffe and McCardel evened the score at three-all by defeating Lawrence and Kennedy of Lenoir-Rhyne in three sets, 4-6, 9-7, 6-3.

The North Carolinians took the deciding match of the afternoon when Garber and Sudduth lost to Morrison and Coulter, 1-6, 9-7, 8-6.

The next match for the Generals will be played when they meet Duke university, Saturday in Lexington. The Washington and Lee netmen expect to take advantage of the two days of practice remaining before the meet, and should send a greatly improved team against the Blue Devils. Nothing definite is known regarding the strength of the Duke team, but they are expected to bring up a very strong aggregation.

The tentative line-up for Saturday's match is: No. 1, Radcliffe; No. 2, McCardel; No. 3, Turville; No. 4, Carver; No. 5, Sudduth.

## Dill, Dart, and O'Connor Will Pitch for Freshmen Friday and Saturday

In the midst of spring dances, the Brigadier baseball team faces two tough opponents in Augusta Military Academy this afternoon on Wilson field and the University of Virginia yearlings tomorrow again on the home grounds.

Coach Young plans to use the same pitchers in these two games that he used last week against Roosevelt high school. Dill, Dart, and O'Connor proved that they are in good condition by holding the varsity batsmen to a few scattered hits in a practice game held yesterday.

With the exception of Stan Nasti who will probably start in the outfield, the frosh will have the same lineup on the field as played last week.

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## Brigadiers Face Jefferson High

Frosh Trackmen to Meet Roanoke Team Here Monday

Washington and Lee's freshman track team, nosed out in their first meet last Saturday, will make a second attempt to get into the victory road next Monday afternoon when they meet Thomas Jefferson high school of Roanoke on Wilson field. Roanoke was badly defeated by V. M. I. freshmen yesterday.

During the past week Coach Fletcher has been working to strengthen the Baby Generals in the hurdles and weight events which caused a freshman defeat last week. In the hurdles, Burt Shafer, only two weeks out of a hospital bed, is fast gaining his strength back and should bolster the team considerably. Shafer won a hurdle victory for the freshmen in their indoor meet against Virginia.

In the weights Fletcher is working hard to get Joe Ochsie and Bill Borries developed so they can give freshman opponents more than a little competition. Ochsie is already a good shot-putter; and

is working on the discus and javelin as well.  
For the other events Fletcher has fairly competent men who are gradually improving as the season moves along and he does not expect much trouble from the Roanoke team in the running and jumping events.

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### Sophs Use New Planning System

#### Second-Year Men Plan Junior and Senior Courses Now

The first indication of the actual operation of the University's new "educational planning" program was given this week when sophomores were instructed about "planning" their work for the next two years.

The instruction came in a letter from Dean Robert H. Tucker advising members of the class as to the procedure to take before spring registration.

Each student, according to a faculty resolution effective for the current session, is required prior to May 1 of his sophomore year, to prepare, in consultation with his major professor, a tentative schedule of class for the next two years.

The resolution is intended to apply primarily to sophomores in the academic college, that is, candidates for the A.B. degree and the general B.S. degree. For students in commerce and applied science, definite curricula are already provided.

The new educational planning program to be inaugurated next year will give students guidance in the arrangement of their schedule of studies during the whole four years of their college course. It will eliminate the danger of a student's reaching his senior year and finding that he is unable to meet the requirements for grad-

### Violation of VMI Hops To Be Checked by Guards

In order to check the wholesale violation of the mutual agreement with V. M. I., the Executive Committee announced today that it would post men at V. M. I. to prevent W. & L. students from illegally attending dances at the neighboring institution next weekend.

According to the committee's investigation, many lower classmen have attended past dance sets in violation of the agreement which permits only seniors and law students to attend the evening dances. The ruling, however, will have no effect on afternoon dance privileges as all students, regardless of class, are invited to attend the tea dances.

uation because his work was not properly planned.

Freshmen advisers, according to the program, will continue in informal contact with their students through the sophomore year. The departments in which students elect to pursue their major studies will provide educational guidance in the junior and senior years. Each student, in addition to this aid, will receive the guidance of his major professor in preparing a tentative program of studies for the future before the end of his sophomore year.

"The action of the faculty was taken with a view to aiding the student in his educational plans," Dean Tucker said. "We hope that it may also mean a new chapter in the development of co-operation and friendship between the teachers and students at Washington and Lee."

### I-F Council To Vote on Award

#### Applications for Scholarship to Be Considered At Meeting

Applications for the Interfraternity scholarship for the 1936-37 session will be presented to the Interfraternity Council at its meeting on May 7, Bob Graham, acting president of the council, announced last night.

Each year the council sponsors a scholarship, valued at \$260, which is awarded to a student, preferably a member of the junior class, to whom financial aid is necessary in order that he may continue his collegiate career. The recipient must be a fraternity man. Preference is given to a student who has engaged in numerous extra-curricular activities.

At its meeting in May, the council will nominate three candidates for the award, after considering letters of application. Final selection will be made by the faculty committee on scholarships and will be announced during the Finals program.

Letters of application for the scholarship should include the activities of the applicant and an account of the conditions necessitating financial aid.

At its meeting last night, the Interfraternity council also expressed the belief that the purchase of all gifts, given co-operatively by the fraternities on the campus, should be made through the council and its officers. This move, according to members of

### Administration Favors Continuation of Office Of Senior Valedictorian

In response to an editorial in The Ring-tum Phi suggesting that a faculty committee be appointed to pick the valedictorian on the basis of his scholastic and speaking ability, Dean Robert H. Tucker made the following statement:

"I approve of the suggested plan. I think the question is one mainly for the Seniors to decide and I think they are wise in choosing to continue the valedictorian. I hope The Ring-tum Phi plan can be put into effect."

Dr. Francis P. Gaines also commented on the general value of retaining the position. He said:

"As I understand the matter, the position of valedictorian is one of the recognitions which has been accorded to the senior class through many years. My own feeling is that if the senior class wishes to continue this custom of having one of its own members voice a kind of collective sentiment, the custom should by all means be continued. Speaking personally I should regret to see this time-honored feature lost from University life."

the council, will eliminate the confusion which has heretofore surrounded the collection of funds for gifts made by the fraternities as a group.

No active part will be played by the council in the peace 'strike' proposed for next Wednesday, it was decided.

Reception at Mike's at 3:00 a. m. in the morning in favor of Col. Brown of Washington.

### Troubs

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badours have ever been blessed with.

Around and about her are Fitzgerald and McMurrin as Otto and Leo. The latter two are a fine pair. There is superb contrast between them. Both are capable and adroit actors and, in delightful characterizations, make full use of their dramatic savoir faire. And when teamed with as talented an actress as Miss Applewhite and given as riotous a play as "Design for Living" they are unusually effective.

The smallness of the cast is an additional reason for the general high quality of the production. Fortunately there is not the usual number of comparatively inexperienced individuals cluttering up the stage and performing with unhappy ineptitude.

Vincent D. Martire in the role of Ernest, the slightly gray and more or less normal friend of the bizarre trio and the husband of Gilda for an act, gives another of his thoroughly satisfying performances. Mrs. James Lewis Howe, Jr., in the small bit of the maid, Miss Hodge, makes every scene in which she appears highly amusing and all her own. Miss Lois Butterworth as Helen Carver, Mrs. James Moffatt as Grace Torrence, P. L. W. Cromwell as Mr. Birbeck, Randolph Rouse as Henry Carver, and Kent Forster as Matthew, all make the most of their parts and add to the whole instead of detracting.

"Design For Living" from an entertainment angle and from the dramatic likewise is "tops" for the Troubadours this year. An added

feature in its presentation is a nine-piece orchestra, organized by Ollie Guyas, which plays very well between acts.

### Politics

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Don Moore, his opponent in the race, was of practically the same opinion. When asked the question, he made the following statement: "Although it is possible that election of publication editors and business managers by the publication board might prove more advantageous than election by the student body, I personally can see no need for the change. Nomination of the men by the publication board, acting on the recommendation of the incumbent editors and business managers, would seem to be adequate to insure sufficient experience, ability, and technical knowledge," he added.

"The abolition of the present system of fraternity politics is the change needed to insure that the candidates, their capability guaranteed by the publication board, are the real choice of the student body—and not the choice dictated by the expediency of the Clique political 'deals.'" Moore is a non-fraternity candidate.

"Theoretically, the publication board should be able to select the best man for the office," was the statement rendered by Cowl Rider, candidate for the editorship of The Southern Collegian.

### Previews

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ner off the screen—she also recognizes her limitations—it is not terribly gripping. However, it is a big box office attraction both for its names and sentimental slush which Clark and Myrna have to spend their screen-time doing.

No one except Venuti allowed to fiddle around the gym.

Warner  
**NEW**  
SATURDAY  
MYRNA LOY  
Robert Montgomery  
**Petticoat Fever**  
MONDAY  
Edmund Lowe  
Virginia Bruce  
**The Garden Murder Case**  
Tuesday-Wednesday  
Clark Gable  
Myrna Loy  
Jean Harlow  
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