

## THE WEATHER

Tonight: partly cloudy, low in 40's.  
Saturday: fair and continued warm.  
Sunday: fair and warm.

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And The Winner Is . . .



Kenn George's bellowing voice outclassed the rest of the field during the "hog-calling contest" in Doremus Gymnasium Tuesday afternoon. This distinction won him the position of Clerk of the Rolls for the Mock Convention.

Photos by Pops

## SIPA Convention Convenes Here While Students Are On Vacation

By PAT AREY

Ah Spring! When a young man's fancy turns to . . . well, would you believe the Southern Interscholastic Press Association convention?

The SIPA (pronounced SEE-PAH) convention will open its 39th session on the W&L campus next Friday. The convention has been sponsored since 1925 by the University's Lee Memorial Journalism Foundation.

About 1,200 high school journalism students and advisors will attend the two day convention.

The leading speaker this year will be Charles McDowell, syndicated columnist and Washington correspondent for the Richmond Times-Dis-

patch. McDowell, who has also authored several books ("Campaign Fever," Morrow, 1965; "What Did You Have in Mind?"), is a graduate of Washington and Lee.

McDowell will speak at the opening convention session Friday morning in Doremus Gymnasium. All general sessions will be open to the public.

Richard L. Tobin, managing editor of the Saturday Review, will also speak at the convention. He is an author, newspaperman and commentator. He served with the New York Herald Tribune for 24 years as reporter, editor, and editorial writer before joining the Saturday Review in 1961.

Tobin has covered national political conventions, served as a war correspondent and worked in the Eisenhower and Nixon presidential campaigns. He will speak Saturday at 12:05 p.m. in Lee Chapel on "Mass Communications: Pattern for Progress."

Aside from the speeches by Tobin and McDowell, a series of short classes and workshops will be conducted for the SIPA delegates. The subjects will include all aspect of secondary school journalism—newspapers, magazines, photography, yearbooks, and radio work.

About 14 W&L students will be on campus during the weekend to help run the convention.

## Number of Applicants Down from 1967

## Committee Announces Acceptances

By NEIL KESSLER

The Committee on Admissions has announced the initial acceptance of 660 high school seniors to fill the class of 1972. This number includes 39 who were accepted on early decision.

The initial acceptances were sent out on March 12. As of March 27, 110 had already sent in their intentions to attend W&L next fall. This includes early decisions acceptances. This pace is slightly ahead of last year's.

The majority of acceptances will begin coming after April 1, at which time financial aid applicants will be informed of the amount of the scholarships, grants and loans they will receive. Another batch of acceptances will come in after April 15, the date on which some of the schools W&L competes with in the northeast send out their initial acceptances.

The admissions committee chose the 660 initial acceptances out of a

total of 1147 applicants. This number is down from the 1295 applicants last year.

According to James Farrar, director of admissions, this reduction in the number of applicants reflects a national trend.

He said that all smaller, independent colleges are falling in numbers of applicants. This is the third year W&L has had a decrease. Since 1965, about 100 fewer applications have been received each year.

Farrar cites three main reasons for this general reduction. First, and probably the most prominent factor, is that the population of college-age children is lower. This reflects the lower birth rate during the late 1940's and early 1950's. However, the birth rate of the middle 1950's increased substantially, and a new increase of college-age students is expected to begin next year and possibly last through 1978.

A second reason for the reduced number of applicants is the necessary

expense for the independent college as compared with that of the state university. The tendency has been for students to move toward the cheaper state institutions. Nevertheless, the state institutions have not experienced an upsurge of applications, indicating that they, too, are being hit by the fall in college-age students.

The last reason for the smaller quantity of applications is improved guidance. Although there are fewer applicants, there are also fewer who apply who are unqualified. This makes admission procedures harder, but also guarantees a stronger entering class. "All indications point now to the strongest class we've had in a long time," said Farrar. "We seem to be hearing more and more from those boys who have the credentials to get in. Those that don't are applying elsewhere."

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with clarity of pronunciation.

Yelling at the top of their voices, 17 W&L students competed Tuesday in Doremus Gymnasium for the position of Clerk of the Rolls in the upcoming Mock Convention. The position is one of utmost importance, for the Clerk of the Rolls is the person who announces the states and the number of votes per state for each candidate at the Convention. A very loud voice is required plus a voice

the taped background noise of the 1964 Mock Convention was used. This proved to be a most adequate substitute for the pigs.

The 17 contestants, all students, first read a roll of ten states. After the students "blew" their lungs, the judges made their first elimination.

Much to the disappointment of the contestants, live pigs were not used to provide background noise. However,

They chose the six they thought were the best to compete in the second trials.

The "loud" six included Haskell

Dickinson, Kappa Sigma junior from Little Rock, Ark.; Louie Paterno, Phi Delta law student from Charleston, W. Va.; Hugh Hill, Sigma Phi Epsilon freshman from Roanoke, Va.; Devon Allen, senior from Lynchburg, Va.; Paul Neville, law student, from Meridian, Miss.; and Ken George, Sigma Nu sophomore from Midland, Texas.

Each semi-finalist read half the roll of states in his loudest voice. From these six, the judges chose two finalists—Paul Neville and Kenn George.

These two each read a role of five states, and then the judges made their final decision—Ken George was declared the winner and became the Clerk of the Rolls for the 1968 Mock Convention.

The judges also decided that Paul Neville, due to his rather distinct accent, would occasionally be added for color.

Some Sigma Nu's at the competition took the credit for George's win by saying they allowed George to practice at 6:30 every morning.

## These Didn't Quite Make It



Paul Neville



Haskell Dickinson



Devon Allen



Jeff Twardy



Randy Lee



Louie Paterno

## Started by U. of Chicago

## Law School Considering J. D. Degree

By REED BYRUM

The Washington and Lee School of Law is now "actively considering" changing its present degree from an LL.B., Bachelor of Laws, to a J.D., Juris Doctor. Both, however, are equivalent professional degrees.

William and Mary, University of Chicago, Emory University, and West Virginia University are among the law schools now granting the J.D. degree to their graduates. Currently, about one-third of the nation's law schools offer the J.D.

The Juris Doctor was begun in the early 1900's at the University of Chicago by Professor Joseph Beale, the first dean of the law school there.

Dean Charles P. Light, acting head of the law school, stated "Ever since the Self-Study Report of 1964-66, serious consideration has been

given to the possible institution of the J.D." A faculty vote will eventually be taken to determine such an addition to the curriculum of the law school, but the time of faculty consideration is as yet unknown.

Two principal benefits of the J.D. degree exist and are being pondered by the W&L law school. The first is

that people who work in some government agencies would receive a higher rating by possessing a doctorate instead of a bachelor's degree. The government does not differentiate between the undergraduate and the graduate professional degrees, so it would be most advantageous to the

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## 'Notes From Underground' Dies: Unnamed Publication Takes Over

Like Harold Stassen and the legendary Phoenix, the underground press at W&L has risen from its ashes.

On the same day that the campus was covered with yellow fliers proclaiming the death, after one issue, of Notes from Underground, which was published last week, a new unnamed publication believed to be the work of the same people appeared.

The fliers read "Due to well-founded and well-taken criticism . . . Notes from Underground is dead!" After the first issue of the paper, several letters protested the content of some of its articles, especially one attacking the tenure system.

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This issue contains in its four pages mostly reactions, favorable or otherwise, to the first publication. At least one is by a faculty member. It concerns the tenure system article.

Other articles commented on the war, the peace demonstration, and the Mock Convention, while short features throughout the paper included quotes from famous men, cartoons, and signs asking for "Love" and "Peace."

On page 4 is a picture of President Johnson with the caption "Le Presidente . . . Le Grande Illusion."



THE HONORABLE Robert R. Merhige, United States District Court Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, relaxes at the Alumni House after speaking to the Student Bar Association Tuesday.

Photo by Fulghum

# The Ring-tum Phi

Friday, March 29, 1968

## No Defense, No Redress

"Every faculty member should be a good academic citizen, loyal to the University with freedom of thought and expression, ready to co-operate with other faculty members, willing to share committee work and administrative responsibility and to represent the University to outside organizations, academic and/or civic. He must be an individual of intellectual integrity, whose statements shall merit the trust and authority accorded his position."

—University-Wide Policy  
On Salaries and Promotions



The appearance of a letter in this newspaper recently alleging unfair grading practices on the part of a professor here, and the publication last week of an underground sheet attacking a number of other professors, has made apparent a very serious and potentially unpleasant problem in an area of W&L life which has traditionally been placid—faculty-student relationships.

Few would deny, we think, that the faculty and the attitudes towards education which it represents is one of the most successful features at W&L. Students here from freshmen up are granted opportunities for close working relationships with their teachers which are inconceivable at most major universities. The student-teacher ratio is maintained at approximately 12 to 1. Emphasis very definitely is placed upon teaching, rather than upon research. No W&L student spends his first two years studying under graduate students, as happens frequently at larger universities. In most courses, teachers can and do spend time with individual students, pursuing the individual student's interests, and ironing out individual problems. It is a rare situation in an American college when a department chairman is as easily available for consultation with students as the lowliest visiting lecturer. Not surprisingly, both faculty and administration point to such attitudes with pride, and encourage them.

But what happens to the student when something goes wrong? If a faculty member were to willfully grade a student down because of "poor attitude," where would the student go for redress? If another teacher should average out a student's grades and then drop them by two letters, where does that leave the student? To whom can a student appeal when his professor "refuses to discuss the incident" or "sees no purpose in argument"? The answer to these questions, as any student who has ever been in the situation is well aware, is that at W&L there is no redress, no defense, and no place to appeal to.



Teachers in ancient and medieval times were paid directly by their students, so it was good business policy for them to be both interesting and fair. The modern university has made the teacher independent of student control, thereby giving him his right to be dull, without limiting his right to be unfair. At W&L, as at many other colleges, the right to be unfair has been erected into a fixed principle.

If this seems difficult to believe, then we might examine a couple of hypothetical cases, which, however, have grounds in actual occurrences on this campus. Imagine that Student X has received a C in a three-hour course, after having made grades which he feels certain entitle him to an A or at least a B. Suppose, too, that for whatever reasons the teacher in question refuses to discuss the subject any further than to say, "A large number of factors went into your grade." If student X, unlike most students, chooses not to accept this, he may then approach the dean of the appropriate school with his grievance. Here, Student X receives a hearing on the express condition that nothing whatever can be done to alter grades which have already been recorded—it being the teacher's prerogative to give grades as he chooses. Accepting this condition immediately removes Student X's whole purpose in being there, and leaves him with

the option of pursuing the issue to no tangible goal, or of giving up the whole affair as a bad job. The teacher retains the right to act and grade as he wishes. The student retains the C.

Or take Student Y, the member of a campus organization directed by a faculty member or official. Following the publicizing of certain thoughtful but critical remarks about the organization, Student Y is removed from his position in it without explanation, and then expelled from the organization altogether. In this case, there is not even a dean for him to appeal to.



The problem as we have stated it is not exaggerated. It is actually made worse by the refusal of those most concerned—the faculty—to recognize it as a problem. An examination of the 460-page "Self-Study Report" of 1964-66 indicated that that massive and careful self-examination suggested not one word on the subject. To a majority of professors and administrators, the mere possibility of unfairness on the part of another professor is inconceivable; judging their colleagues by themselves, they automatically assume that every student with a grievance has either misunderstood the facts or is only pursuing a personal vendetta. They react with amusement to the idea that a student can possibly be in a position to judge of a mature professor's actions. And they react with shock and anger to any student who tries to press his case.

This blindness is mistaken and potentially dangerous. The absence of any apparatus for the correction of grievances at this university leads naturally to considerable bitterness on the part of the students concerned, and gives respectability to underground satire of the cheapest quality. As conditions are now, a serious and moderate student, if he finds himself in a situation which he honestly considers unjust, is forced into the position either of weakly acquiescing or of raising a public outcry—neither of them really satisfactory alternatives. The best course, a quiet and fair inquiry into the case, is simply not open.



Frankly, we don't know where the answer to the problem lies. We rather doubt that any organization made up solely of students could handle such a delicate job, or that its decisions and recommendations would receive much consideration within the faculty. Perhaps some faculty group could take the job, although we suspect that very few teachers would like to have to sit in judgement on their colleagues.

Perhaps, as at some other colleges, there could be someone along the lines of the "ombudsman," an officer directly responsible to the president, with the duty of investigating student grievances of this nature; but then, it is difficult to imagine anyone wanting to play the Devil's advocate. He would tend to be somewhat unpopular. Some apparatus needs to be found to execute some policy which neither displays a cool and suspicious attitude toward all student complaints, nor limits by inquisition the teacher's proper freedom of action. The consideration of what form such an apparatus should take, and the policy it should pursue, should be the job of both faculty and students during the very near future.

What is more important for the present, however, is that members of the faculty and administration recognize that the problem does in fact exist; that to ignore it further is to invite increasingly unpleasant incidents; and that their cherished freedom of action cannot be made the excuse for arbitrary and unfair practices—practices against which at the present time the student has no defense. Once this recognition is made, then a major part of the problem will have taken care of itself. And positive action, we hope, would follow.

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## W&L Alumnus Lost To Coolidge by 7 Million

# Right With J. W. Davis In 1924

After a break of eight years ("due to unsettled conditions in 1920 no interest was taken in the matter and it passed by without action on the part of the students"—Ring-tum Phi, April 19, 1924), Washington and Lee's Mock Democratic Convention was revived in 1924.

The faculty voted to declare a one-day holiday for the revived convention; the Ring-tum Phi billed the issue as having "Action [that] will be taken to make the trial as realistic as possible, a serious occasion underscored with humor, and make believe."

The fourth Mock Convention was called to order at 3:30 p.m. on May 14, 1924. Thirteen candidates were nominated, including ex-Secretary of

the Treasury William G. McAdoo, Governor of New York Al Smith, 1920 Democratic Candidate James N. Cox, Senate Minority Leader Oscar Underwood, and ex-Ambassador to Britain and President of the American Bar Association John W. Davis.

**A floor debate developed over inclusion of prohibition article in the platform. "The wet element, fighting for an amendment for wines and beer as part of the party platform clashed with the proponents of . . . unflinching enforcement of the laws of the government . . . A telegram was read a few minutes before a vote was taken from the Plumbers' Union of Bangor, Maine, urging the con-**

vention to take action toward modification of the Bone Dry law" (Ring-tum Phi, May 14, 1924). The drys voted to adopt the platform as originally presented, 199 to 119.

Another resolution lauded "the people of the Irish Free State, who after many years of valiant and ceaseless effort have at last attained that inherent right due to every son of God . . . [we] extend congratulations on their success and notable advancement during the short length of time that they have been in possession of these rights." This resolution was received overwhelmingly.

The balloting began on Tuesday, May 14. William McAdoo appeared to be the leading contender. On the second ballot, the ex-cabinet member polled 202 votes, followed by Governor Al Smith's 114. Carter Glass was third with 79; John W. Davis polled but 64 votes.

"Carter Glass of Virginia steadily gained strength until the eleventh ballot when his followers began to decline. New York threw her vote to Davis after upholding Alfred E. Smith her 'favorite son' on the first four ballots. West Virginia, Pennsylvania,

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## Underground Paper Criticizes Teachers

By RON KESSLER

Dr. Ollinger Crenshaw left Lexington Thursday to go to a wedding. When he returned on Sunday, he learned that his name was in the news.

The "news" appeared in an embryonic thing called "Notes from Underground." A boxed item at the top of the legal-sized page stated:

"This paper is dedicated to providing a public media for the controversial."

With this, "Notes from Underground" sliced into five professors. "Tenure Breeds Senility" read the headline, prominently placed at the top of page one.

Age is thus equated with incompetence.

"Our faculty," says "Notes from Underground" has a few members whose tenure at the University has meant that they no longer convey intellectual vitality to their courses."

Five stories about five professors follow. The stories are cute. They are even funny. They don't indicate senility, though. Nor do they indicate a lack of intellectual vitality," to quote from "Notes from Underground." They're just cute. And funny.

But the headline is there: "Tenure Breeds Senility." In capital letters. Thus, according to "Notes from Underground," five professors are senile.

Not everyone agrees with "Notes from Underground." After all, "Notes from Underground" is dedicated to the "controversial."

So, a protest appeared. Mimeo-graphed, distributed throughout the campus, the protest asserted.

"It is obvious that the author of that statement has never taken one of Dr. Crenshaw's courses. . . Dr. Crenshaw is a vigorous, personal lecturer with the ability to

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## W&L Sculptors At Work



Sculptor Bob Dunbar (right) poses with his self-portrait (left). Dunbar hopes to cast his head in bronze.



Sculptor-in-Residence David Hall molds a portrait of Champe Leary (Althea of "Country Wife" fame).

—Photos by Sler

## Letters To The Editor . . .

To the Editor:

The Tuesday Edition's snide, smug commentary on last Friday's Vietnam demonstration represents a high standard of journalistic objectivity not equaled since President Johnson's State of the Union message was covered in *Komsomolskaya-Pravda*.

In their clumsy, club-footed attempt at humor, by placing a cute caption and precious headline around the photograph of last Friday's demonstrators, they demonstrate an intolerance that is unbecoming and slightly unethical. What's more, it was wretchedly poor humor.

I am not in sympathy with the viewpoint of the demonstrators. Nevertheless, I strongly feel that they deserve reasonably accurate coverage, if only as straight news. Passionate commitment to anything is rare at Washington and Lee, and few of those in front of Commons last week were on a frivolous spring lark. They should not be discouraged.

Sincerely,  
S/Steve Saunders

Editor, Ring-tum Phi:

I write to correct an error in the Tuesday Edition. A flippant Tuesday Edition writer asserted that last Friday's peace vigil and parade proved "the presence of 30 or so pacifists in the student body and faculty." It proved nothing of the sort. Opposing a particular war does not qualify a person as a pacifist. Pacifists oppose wars in general.

Students Against the War is not a group of pacifists. It is a group of students who oppose American participation in the Vietnamese civil war. Individual members of S.A.W. oppose the war for different reasons. Some members are pacifists, some feel that he necessarily approved of it.

American participation in the war is immoral, more oppose American participation because they do not believe a country can be "saved" by destruction, many members feel that a foreign policy that requires Americans to participate in the internal affairs of other countries will lead to disaster.

s/Dan Higgins '69

Attention: Editor, Ring-tum Phi:

I write in behalf of several W&L "hippies" who were both amused and somewhat dismayed at the photo appearing on page 4 of the March 26 [Tuesday] edition. We feel both the heading and the caption to have been unnecessary and unprofessional.

The heading is patently unfair ["The lady (man?) doth protest too much."] To call into question the masculinity of the vigil's participants seems to us a childish manner of approaching the situation. We cannot help but think such a puerile attempt at humor reflects gravely upon whomever wrote the precis.

Regarding the amused townspeople, we noted many Lexingtonians reading our flyers with not a bit of amusement—take that as you wish;

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## A Clarification

Nothing in the article entitled

"Notes From Underground Attacks Faculty, Students" which appeared in the March 22 issue of the Ring-tum Phi should be taken to suggest that Mr. J. Thompson Brown of R. E. Lee Memorial Church was or is in any way associated with the founding or writing of that publication, or that he necessarily approved of it.

## Movie Review: 'Dr. Zhivago'

By STEPHEN JOHNSON

David Lean has learned how to make films beautifully, tastefully, painstakingly, even perfectly. And these all hold, provided that no one strenuously questions the character or disposition of the beauty, the quality of the taste, the focus or result of the painstaking patience, the worth or purpose of the perfection. "Doctor Zhivago," under David Lean's direction, is this sort of perfect film.

I am sick unto death at seeing this kind of self-destructive love for and pride in absolutely controlled and absolutely worthless effect, at seeing all manner of skill and devotion used in nothing whatsoever; it is as if all the power of the language of Shakespeare and Milton were to culminate in the prose of "The Saturday Evening Post."

The film is generally praised for its photography. And it is praise-worthy—as photography, a subject which is to be understood as something separate and distinct from what they call cinematography, the art of moving (m-o-v-i-n-g) picture photography. The frequent shots of snow-covered scenery or sunny Spring landscapes, pretty

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*View From The Footbridge*

## A View In Perspective Of Doremus Gymnasium

By JERRY PERLMAN  
Friday Sports Editor

The patient suffers from a persecution complex. He feels that someone is out to "get" him. He reads unfounded meanings into the things written about him. He feels that he is right and the others wrong, and, consequently, he gets mad. The other person, seeing that things are getting out of perspective, pulls up short and attempts to scrutinize the situation.

So what's all the b.s. about? No, we are not reviewing the *Caine Mutiny*. The above paragraph just about describes the feelings of the Athletic Department towards the Friday Sports Page, and I, as Friday Sports Editor, feel that it is necessary that these feelings be analyzed and some conclusions reached.

### Policy Statement

In my opening column back in the fall, I stated that I hoped to help "put athletic awareness and team pride back into the student body of Washington and Lee." I spoke of the merits of "athletics in an unsubsidized environment" and hypothesized, rather idealistically perhaps, about the future of athletics at this University. That column, I felt, set the tone for the 1967-68 edition of Friday Sports.

I feel that, to the best of my ability, I have not deviated from this goal, and this is where I and the

Athletic Department disagree. While pledging myself to the athletes of Washington and Lee, I said nothing about my obligation to their coaches and to the Department in general. Many of the coaches have failed to make the distinction, and therein lies the rub.

If desubsidization at W&L created no other great distinctions, it did separate coaches from players in a way different from before. The amateur replaced the professional on the athletic field, but the professional coach remained. He was still getting paid to do a job, and his success was still measured in the yardstick of the past—the won-lost column.

### Weeding The Garden

With the change in the basic athletic philosophy at the University, coaches who could not see themselves fitting into the new pattern were gradually replaced by those that would accept the new status quo. These are basically the coaches that today comprise the Athletic Department, and I firmly believe that they all, in viewing the overall picture of the University, believe in unsubsidized athletics at Washington and Lee. These men are sincere men who are 100 per cent for their boys and, most of the time, like Caesar's wife, they are above reproach.

But one would have to be blind not to recognize that things are not all smiles in the Athletic Department. While perhaps a little harsh, the "Sumerod" story in the Tuesday Edition of a few weeks back was a fair indication of the behind-the-scenes maneuverings that Doremus has been and is witnessing. An old guard-new guard rivalry does exist. What its outcome will be is anybody's guess, but this columnist feels that he would be shirking a journalistic duty if he ignored it in print.

When things such as this crop up, the parties involved naturally tend to react suspiciously toward their revealing source. The Ring-tum Phi is probably read more between the lines than on them in the gym, with the disease Ring-tum Phobia the result.

Before that disease reaches epidemic proportions, this columnist would like to give the Athletic De-

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The scrimmages (see above) are over and the action is for real as the Generals open their 1968 lacrosse slate tomorrow against Hofstra.

### Thunder's Theories

## Understanding UCLA Proven A Deadly Sin

By THUNDER THORNTON  
Friday Sports Columnist

Somedays there's nothing to eat but crow.

Last week UCLA showed the nation who is really number one in college basketball. The tournament is the best way to provide proof of such a statement, and the Bruins fifty-five points worth of evidence (their total margin in the two final round games at Los Angeles) was certainly enough to make me a believer.

I recall settling down before the tube last Friday expecting to see a tightly contested game between the field's two stalwarts, Houston and UCLA. In my ignorance, I even gave the Cougars a chance to win, disregarding the fact that they had lost a big man in their plans, George Reynolds, as just a challenge to make the game more interesting.

It was interesting. Most of that interest was generated in wondering how this Houston team could have beaten the west coast boys before. True, the circumstances were different. In the previous game UCLA had played with a half-speed Lew Alcindor and suffered through a poor shooting night. Also, the loss of Reynolds hurt the Cougars to a certain degree. But after watching the Bruins sprint out to as much as twenty point spreads in the first half, I had doubts as to whether the Texans

would have benefitted from the best guard in the country as a replacement for Reynolds.

It was a question of too much talent packed into the blue and gold uniforms of UCLA. Coach John Wooden has roamed the nation over to assemble possibly the strongest college basketball team ever. Of contemporary (post 1950) squads that have dominated NCAA play, none seem to have put five players on the floor to match UCLA's lineup. San Francisco had Bill Russell and K.C. Jones, Cincinnati had Paul Hogue, Ron Bonham, and Tom Thacker, but the fivesome of Warren, Allen, Shackson, Lynn, and Alcindor seems to come as close to a "dream team" as a mortal coach can recruit.

An example of the team strength that the Californians possess is the way the Big E, Elvin Hayes, was shackled. It was not Alcindor, but Mike Lynn, who did the defensive job that turned Hayes, who had been a tiger in the Astrodome, into just another ballplayer. So good was Lynn, the "fifth" man on the team who probably is a little less well known than his four teammates, that Edgar Lacey, a member of the Gail Goodrich-led UCLA champs, had to find a new place to display his wares. Apparently Lacey was a mere mortal, thereby not fitting into Coach Wooden's lineup of supermen.

Number one of the bigger-than-life

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## Stickmen To Meet Dutchmen Tomorrow With New Coach And Surprising Depth

An experienced defense, an attack led by All-America candidate Chip Chew, and a midfield loaded with depth will characterize Washington and Lee University's lacrosse team when the Generals open a nine-game schedule this Saturday at Hofstra University.

Under new head coach Dick Szlasa, a former All-America at Maryland, W&L will send 12 lettermen against the Flying Dutchmen, that itself a signal the Generals should be and will be a better club this season.

At one time, though, right around the start of pre-season drills, there were some doubts W&L would be able to field a squad competitive with its opponents.

A lack of consistency, difficulties in picking up assignments, and a minimum of unity were the chief culprits.

"We were having our troubles," says Szlasa, "but we feel we ironed out most of them in our scrimmages. We made progress all along, to the point where we now think we are ready to go."

The Generals met Adelphi, Ohio State, Yale, and Dartmouth in a series of controlled scrimmages over the past two weeks. In each event, Szlasa stopped action when he felt his charges needed a little inspiration.

"We went over our mistakes then and there," says Szlasa, "and it was probably the best thing we could have

done."

The scrimmages indicated W&L was particularly strong at defense, where lettermen Charlie Stewart, a junior, and seniors Harold Stowe, Holmes Raker, and goalie Dave Johnson appear set for opposing attackmen.

Johnson has held a starting assignment in the nets for the past three years, so his experience there should have a guiding influence on his mates up the field.

Stewart, Stowe and Raker each have the size necessary for a defenseman, which combined with their savvy makes for a dependable trio helping to protect Johnson.

Perhaps the most improved aspect of the Generals' scrimmage play was attack, a spot where senior Chip Chew seems to have taken command. Chew was impressive in every contest, often beating his man to score

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## Lyles And Company Head South In Search For Winning Season

Washington and Lee University's eager baseball squad, which has not experienced a winning season in seven years, will be seeking to change that format this time around when the Generals take to the road next week for Spring Vacation games in the Sunshine State against Florida Presbyterian, St. Leo's, and the University of Tampa.

With lettermen sprinkled just about everywhere, 13 of them, head coach Joe Lyles' outfit is at its best strength in years, thanks in part to the return of all three outfielders and a construction job in the infield that makes that area tops in defense.

"We're definitely looking for better fortunes," says Lyles. "We have a solid outfield with juniors Jim Wilson in left, co-captain Thom Mitchell in center, and Charlie Freret in right.

"Each one can handle a bat well, and that's going to take a lot of pressure off our pitchers," adds Lyles.

Wilson was W&L's leading hitter last year, swinging for a .348 average and batting in 15 runs.

Where the Generals' infield was once spotty, Lyles has succeeded in rebuilding it to the point that it now must be considered a W&L stronghold.

Sophomores Jack Baizley behind the plate and John Nolan at third return to their old positions, but junior shortstop Gill FitzHugh, and sophomores Steve Kalista at second and first baseman Scott McChrystal are newcomers to those spots.

FitzHugh, a second sacker by trade, didn't play last spring, was moved over to short this season to help there. Kalista is a transfer from Gannon College, while McChrystal was used in the Generals' outfield last year.

"They're real scrappy," says Lyles

of his infielders. "They hustle all the time, and that gives us a plus we haven't had for some time."

Lyles' main concern is with his pitching staff, a corps that includes only a few veterans. Senior co-captain Bill Rasmussen, a righthander, leads the group which includes junior port-sider Lee Halford, senior righthander Ed Mitchell, and freshman southpaw John Botcheller.

"We could use some more help," says Lyles, "especially from a left-hander or two. Maybe a couple will come out of the woodwork at mid-season."

For the time being, though, enough outstanding personnel exist so that Lyles finally can hope for his first winning season since the '61 Generals went 8-4.

Yes, there can be joy in Lexington this spring.

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ROTC RANGER participates in physical fitness manuevers last weekend in preparation for the Spring Bivouac, April 6-7. (Photo by News Services)

### Generals Stickmen Meet Hofstra

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a quick goal off a tough corner shot. "He's definitely our best," says Szlasi. "He's quick, very agile, and can sense a wrong move by a defenseman that will lead to a score. We're counting on him a great deal."

More attack help this season will come from senior Tom Pitman, junior Joe Wach, sophomore Tim Groton, and freshman Frank Brooks.

Washington and Lee can brag of a batch of veteran middies, among them seniors Terry Griffin, Bob Frost, and Hugh Baugher, and juniors Clark Carter and Bart Goodwin. Sophomores Dick Capron and Jay Meriwether, and freshmen Whit Merrill and Jay Knipp will lend solid support.

"We have the nucleus for a fine team," says Szlasi. "We just hope our players will continue to improve as they have these past few weeks."

The Generals will meet Loyola of Baltimore next Monday before taking their Spring vacation break.

After that come games with North Carolina (April 13), Notre Dame (April 18), Towson State (April 20), Washington College (April 27), Roanoke (May 2), Duke (May 11), and Virginia (May 15).

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### Letters To The Editor

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we claim no broad support from the community, but many people were at least willing to read our statement of purpose.

The "hippie" accusation is a biased generalization. Why did not the Ring-tum Phi take note of the insane loudspeaker attack from an unknown "gentleman" in Baker Dormitory? The labeling of the entire group as "hippie" indicates to us the desperation of the "other side" at finding a real flaw in the vigil.

The comment about rioting is absolutely ridiculous.

We'd appreciate Ring-tum Phi's taking notice that there were between seventy and eighty participants in the vigil, not the "thirty or so" quoted in the caption. We suspend judgment as to whether the inaccuracy of the figure was deliberate.

### Understanding UCLA Proven A Deadly Sin

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Bruins is Alcindor. Lew had an eye injury in Houston for the first game, and his less than aggressive play didn't impress me, nor the sportswriters who named Hayes player of the year. But the L.A. meeting was a clincher. Alcindor fit right into the UCLA wrecking crew, scoring, rebounding, and even stealing passes for breakaway layups. He best epitomizes the spirit of Bill Russel, some intangible force that awes opponents, something more than physical ability. Remembering that I once said that Hayes was the better of the two, I can only ask for a plea of temporary insanity. Big Lew was the tiger in Los Angeles.

Oh yes, the Bruins went on to beat North Carolina in the finals by a (ho-hum) 78-55 score. Anyone suggest that the group "tied" up the Bruins?"

### Underground Paper Criticizes Teachers: Cute, Funny, Unfair

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make what could easily be dull quite interesting."

It is obvious that the writer of the Protest has taken one of Dr. Crenshaw's courses.

The article in "Notes from Underground" was unsigned. In fact, the whole newspaper was unsigned. Anonymous. Perhaps the author of the article did have one of Dr. Crenshaw's classes and was afraid of retribution.

Dr. Crenshaw would not stoop to malicious revenge.

Thus, why is the article anonymous? Why is the newspaper anonymous?

Dr. Ollinger Crenshaw returned to Lexington on Sunday. A friend showed Dr. Crenshaw "Notes from Underground" and the Protest to "Notes from Underground."

"Perhaps I am too old to teach," mused Dr. Crenshaw.

Age is not the equivalent of senility or incompetence.

Dr. Crenshaw must have been quite proud last week when he finished his history of Washington and Lee. He'd worked on it a long time.

And then came "Notes from Underground." A potential kick in the teeth. But we're too wise to fall prey to unfair unsigned, untrue allegations. Aren't we?

### Right With Davis In 1924

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and New York were the strongholds of the Davis faction, while Ohio, Georgia, and Texas led the fight for McAdoo.

"On the twenty-second ballot, following a plea for harmony from the permanent chairman of the convention, the Virginia . . . Texas, Ohio, and Connecticut delegations temporarily withdrew from the convention, throwing the entire assemblage into an uproar. After a heated discussion and arbitration, the insurgent faction reappeared on the floor of the assembly. On the next ballot the Hon. John W. Davis received the required majority and the results of the ballot was greeted with mad applause" (Ring-tum Phi—May 17).

Davis was an alumnus of Washington and Lee, class of 1892. An editorial in the May 17 Ring-tum Phi asserted, "any depreciatory comment about Washington and Lee nominating an alumnus should be lost in the fight the supporters of the West Virginian had to make in order to get his candidacy assured . . . Of wonderful character, unsmirched and recognized by many, a master of oratory, wise in the wisdoms of the sages and statesmen of all times, an American in all of those respects we hold dear . . . the students of Washington and Lee offer to the Democratic vote the biggest man of the times—John W. Davis."

The charge that the group "tied" up the Bruins?"

The National Democratic Con-

### View of Doremus Gymnasium

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words on this page. When this paper's sports comments hit a sensitive partment some food for thought. Gentlemen, the Friday Sports Page is by no means against your programs. They embody what this editor feels to be the best in intercollegiate athletics in this country today. To be against them would mean being against the student-athletes that represent this University, and this will never be.

But, gentlemen, you yourselves are being paid by the student body to do a job. You are in the public eye, and the organ of this eye—the W&L student newspaper—reserves the right to take you to task whenever it feels circumstances deem this necessary. The Friday Ring-tum Phi does not measure you by your won-lost records, but by the effect that you have on the University community. Sincere dedication and honest effort will always be commended in print, but actions to the contrary of the spirit of athletics at this University (which undeniably have been committed in the past) will not go unnoticed.

As long as you are behind the ideals of this University, in relations with your athletes, the student body as a whole, and with each other, this sports page will be behind you. But do not think that things will be withheld from print if your actions do not coincide with the aforementioned ideals. On this sports page, the pen is definitely a two-edged sword, and your actions will be interpreted by

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### Johnson Reviews Dr. Zhivago: 'Worthless Effect'

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as they are, never rise above the level of still photographs.

Or think of it this way: it is as if we were looking at some vast, multi-colored and architecturally perfect vault and there, in some far corner of this structure, a group of figures, so far removed that even their echoes fade before they reach us, are moving

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about. These are the film's characters. It is not that the scenery is excessive in itself; some of it is quite lovely, but its excessive intrusions do impose a rigid and glacial immobility upon everything so that the film becomes a picture postcard history of the Russian Revolution.

**The Writing:** It is a good rule of thumb that if films with a large budget the photography sharpens in direct proportion to the story's blurriness. The script is almost incomprehensible. The photography has been discussed (or mourned over, if you prefer).

In Robert Bolt's original play "A Man For All Seasons" there was a slight and subtle fuzziness, but here, with an adaption, he completely falls apart. Clarity was maintained in certain individual scenes, but it seemed impossible to tell what the overall story was about; the film focuses first on one thing, then on another, characters zip in and out, back and forth like water bugs (why exactly does Victor turn up in the second half, why does Lara turn up anywhere?)

Patience with the characters and detail might have led to understanding of them and their actions which could possibly have led to a coherent story. But Bolt, and I doubt that he alone is at fault here, has already transposed episodes from the book to the screen. Probably he and his associates felt that these scenes were the most "cinematic," but there was no attempt to give them a cinematic idiom. Bolt has, it seems, intended to tell the "love story" of "Doctor Zhivago" but lacked the patience and aesthetic intelligence to exclude those episodes and characters which, although possibly bearing upon the romantic story, never force its progress.

**The Acting:** The less said about this the better. The characters, for reasons already dealt with, do not seem to have much to do. It is to be assumed then that it is for these reasons that the actors stand around most of the time with their hands in their pockets, looking at the scenery. Lean et alia have provided to keep their minds from their problems.

This was particularly effective in the case of Omar Sharif. An artist, a serious one, must certainly be under great pressure from disappointment, frustration, and even, I suppose, self-pity even under ordinary circumstances; in the society which the film describes the temptation to suicide, madness, or martyrdom must have been almost unbearable. Throughout the entire length of the film (which was, by my watch, twenty three hours and forty-three minutes) Omar Sharif walks with an expression on his face life that of a man who has just received a severe blow on the head, or like that of an awkward and pimply adolescent whose invitation to The Big Dance has just been accepted by the local beauty queen, or like that of an actor in one of David Lean's films. Rod Steiger and Alec Guinness

are both adequate; Ralph Richardson has a few very good moments; Rita Tushingham is the only performer in the film who could pass for Russian (or for any nationality exclusive of Chinese); Julie Christie is very attractive.

It is true, I suppose, that condescending aesthetes like me are not supposed to enjoy such movies to begin with. But it is possible that somewhere there are amateur critics of sufficient good will and passion who could enjoy a Hollywood spectacle if it showed both genuine talent, as distinct from professionalism, and a genuine love for films, as distinct from exclusive concentration on them.

I shall end the wake on a cheery note by making a barely unsolicited advertisement. Ed Side informs me that he is scheduling "Ulysses" sometime in May. I consider that quite a piece of good news. "Accident," which I have not seen, but which is playing there now, is, I am sure, at least worth the dollar and a quarter it now costs to see it.

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