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Mull Sells College Inn

by Dick Moss

The College Inn, for ten years a traditional haunt of Washington and Lee students, was closed over the summer by its proprietor, Clyde Mull.

Mull, who closed the Inn because "it was just too much work," has leased the building at 16 N. Main St. to Michael and Sue Anne Brooks, who have opened Brooks Metalware, which sells primarily pewter items. The Brooks' expect most of their business through the tourist trade.

The large keg beer concession which Mull ran out of the College Inn has been moved to the Paramount Inn on Washington Street. Mull is advising the Paramount on the beer conces-

sion through the busy Washington and Lee fraternity Rush season.

Mull said that his decision to sell the Inn was "a very hard one to make" and said that he intends to devote most of his time to the Robert E. Lee Hotel, which he purchased late last February and is refurbishing.

The hotel is reportedly half-full at this writing, housing retired local citizens and 15 W&L students. Work on the fifth and sixth floors has been completed and the fourth floor is three-quarters finished, but, according to Mull, the work on the second and third floors has not yet begun.

Mull has also leased out a section of the first floor of the hotel

to Fred and Helen Fix, who have opened the Robert E. Lee Sandwich and Soup Shop in the same space that the Bamboo Garden Restaurant occupied last year.

Mull said that he is planning to equip the second floor ballroom with a large screen T.V. and a pool table, and will rent it out for parties. When he was asked by a reporter how much the rental for the completed ballroom will be he replied, "whatever the market will stand."

The student body Executive Committee attempted to clarify its stance on the recent granting of a second closed honor trial to a former Washington and Lee student at Monday night's EC meeting.

The situation involved a W&L senior who was found guilty of an honor code violation last May, four weeks before he was to graduate. The situation came into the public's view when the student filed suit in Lynchburg Federal District Court contending that his rights of due process had been violated and asked that he be reinstated as a student and given another trial in order to present additional evidence.

Normally, all honor trial proceedings are secret.

Steve Abraham, Student Body President, reading from a prepared statement, cited a provision in the White Book (which explains the honor system) providing for the reopening of an honor case:

"A hearing may be reopened upon the production of new evidence directly bearing on the question of guilt or innocence or to prevent injustices." (Article L, p. 8)

Abraham then went on to say that "the granting of extensions to the 24 hour time period an accused student has to request a

public trial is not unpreceded but commonplace."

He went on to quote again from the White Book: "the time for making such a request (for a public trial) may be extended in particular cases at the discretion of the Executive Committee." (Article J, p. 7)

However, the student involved, Peter Engel of Oakhurst, N.J., was granted a private trial, not a "public" trial as Abraham stated, leaving the situation of granting a second private honor trial still unclear.

Abraham continued:

"At no time did any administrative official of this university bring on pressure to bear on any member of the E.C. to conclude an agreement with the accused. The agreement was made by last year's E.C. and was found to be binding on this year's E.C."

"Finding ourselves in this position, we sought to clarify the situation for ourselves, the accused, and the Honor System by adding one item to the agreement: a reopening of the case, to be reheard in its entirety, according to procedure of the White Book."

Abraham also said that Engel's federal suit against the school has not been withdrawn, as had been reported in the Ring-tum Phi last week. The Ring-tum Phi has learned, however,

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EC Explains Second Closed Honor Trial

by Randy Smith

ween 2 and 20 acts, then he sends the list to the university. Next, the SAB selects a group and notifies the agent.

The agent then contacts the group's agent and obtains from the group a "rider" or a list of items that the university must provide above and beyond the contract price.

Firefall's concert would have cost the university approximately \$12,000. Their ten page rider included such things as "a local piano tuner, who is a registered member of the Piano Technicians Guild,...(to be) available six hours prior to show time" and 300 amps of power, according to Cappeto, enough power to supply all of Lexington with electricity.

Other features of the rider included: one-fifth of Jack Daniels Whiskey, three cases of

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Two Houses On Social Pro

by John Billmyre

The Interfraternity Council's Judicial Board placed Phi Kappa Sigma and Sigma Nu on two weeks social probation, effective Oct. 8, the Monday after Homecoming, for violating Lexington's noise ordinance.

Both fraternities had been convicted in court and fined \$28 each.

Under a rule passed last spring, the Judicial Board could not decide the case until the fraternities went to court.

The two-week penalty is the minimum punishment for re-

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Big Rock Concerts Are Dead At W&L

by Stuart W. Snyder

There will be no more big rock concerts at Washington and Lee, according to Michael Cappeto, Director of the University Center and Assistant Dean of Students. Cappeto, faculty advisor for the Student Activities Board and signer of any major concert contracts, cited a landslide of problems over the past several years that led to the decision.

Last year the SAB's Spring Concert was supposed to be Firefall. According to William Ridge, one of the SAB Chairmen, the group was selected from a list of possible acts.

The standard procedure in selecting a group according to Cappeto is to first select an agent. Then the agent locates possible acts based on: music type, an estimated budget and the proximity to Washington and Lee.

Once the agent has obtained a list of bet-

No More Big Concerts

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 Heineken Beer, Remy Martin Cognac, Cuervo Gold Tequila, specially carpeted rooms for the Artists crew, furnished throughout the day with beer, coffee, juice, soft drinks and sandwiches and finally a special diabetic meal that had to be provided or "there would be a breach of contract."

Next, the university acknowledges all that it can provide and the rest of the negotiations are left to the agents.

However, according to Ridge, apparently last Spring there had been a break down in communications and Firefall's manager arrived here expecting more than W&L could give.

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in order to attend a smaller university."**

Large concerts are one of them." -Michael Cappeto

The biggest complaint of Firefall's manager was there was not enough power, Ridge said. (200 amps were provided)

According to Ridge, at the time of the concert it was agreed that both sides had "messed-up". Since there would be no concert both parties agreed to let it drop. However, in July Firefall's lawyer sent word to the university demanding their "guaranteed" pay for the concert or they would take legal action.

According to Cappeto, he has not heard from them since. "But who can tell about the legal process," Cappeto added.

In the past four years, W&L has booked Harry Chapin, Orleans, The Atlanta Rhythm Section and the Spinners. Cappeto has only termed one of these concerts as very successful—The Atlanta Rhythm Section.

In the winter of 1977 The Atlanta Rhythm Section appeared before a crowd of about 1,000 people at a cost of \$3,000 to the university. "We had hired them before they became popular. They were just releasing a new album when we contracted them," Cappeto explained.

Earlier that year the SAB had booked Orleans for a Fall Concert. That concert, according to Cappeto, "fell apart because of back stage problems."

In 1976 The Spinners played W&L to the tune of \$18,000 before a crowd of 1600-1700 people. "It was successful...but there were student complaints because it was a soul band," Cappeto said.

undertaking, said Cappeto. Virginia Polytechnic Institute, which has one of the largest concert schedules, has six or seven concerts a year. By the time an underclassman is a senior, he has a lot of experience behind him.

"Our university is too small for a big concert population. All other schools our size gave up years ago. We just can't do them any more," Cappeto stated. He added, "There are many other benefits that our university provides that other schools our size don't have...There are sacrifices that one must make in order to attend a smaller university. Large concerts are one of them."



Junior EC Representative Bruce Poole, pensive and concerned about YOU.

Social Pro

ceiving a noise ordinance violation.

Pi Kappa Alpha, through the services of an attorney, had its case postponed.

All penalties imposed by the IFC are subject to review and possible revision by the Student Affairs Committee, a joint student-faculty body.

While on social probation no fraternity is allowed to have women in the house, hold parties or have members congregate in groups consisting of more than five persons.

Sigma Chi was charged \$25 by Sweet Briar College for damages done to a carpet during a recent impromptu party.

The fraternity was also warned not to take kegs into the dorms again.

During the regular IFC meeting which preceded the Judicial Board hearing Syd Farrar, IFC President, discussed his recent meeting with Lexington Officials and explained pledging as it will be handled this year.

"Not much came out of the meeting with City Manager Doane and Police Chief Kirby that we didn't already know," Farrar said.

One change was made in the issuance of noise permits.

"Originally the police were not going to issue noise permits on weeknights, but they have changed their stance and will issue them now for big occasions like Fancy Dress," explained Farrar.

However, Farrar told representatives that summonses will still be issued at the officer's discretion.

Farrar also reminded representatives that freshmen can attend parties after rush dates 3 and 4, even if they do not pledge.

Fraternity members were warned not to go after freshmen when it comes time to pledge.

"No fraternity members are to go and pick up freshmen at the dorms or to be in the vicinity of the dorm after rush dates 3 and 4," warned Farrar.

Representatives were also reminded that "no-contact" rules do not apply after a freshman has "torn" (pledged) with a house.

Fraternity inspection lists were handed out and are due October 1.

The next IFC meeting will be in two weeks on Tuesday.

What The Hell's A Ring Tum Phi

(Reprinted from the Ring-tum Phi of Tuesday, Dec. 5, 1967)

Back in the days when telephones (all 68 of them in Lexington, an advertisement boasted) were known as "up-to-date electric call bells," back when stealing a bell-clapper was called "a naughty-one's frolic," in the same year that the New York Post conferred on this city (really) the title "Athens of the South"—there came into being a little newspaper published weekly, "by the students for the Washington and Lee University community," and named after the most popular of that University's football cheers: "Ring-tum Phi."

"Coincident with the administration of President Wilson begins the career of a new publication at Washington and Lee, the Ring-tum Phi. The Ring-tum Phi is a weekly journal and presents a pleasing ap-

pearance. It meets a distinct need in the University and relieves the Collegian of what formerly has tended only to clog and retard."

Literary Magazine

"The Collegian is primarily a literary magazine, and when the editors heretofore were forced to cram in a limitless number of locals, they always bewailed the dismal incongruity. Henceforth, we rejoice to say, the Collegian is freed from matters of this kind, and will not be compelled to try to serve two ends at once..."

"Gentlemen of the Ring-tum Phi, you have our best wishes. Gentlemen of the Ring-tum Phi, we give you our sincerest thanks. Students of W. and L., we congratulate you on the advent of the long needed weekly!"

The year was 1897. The Southern Collegian was still a high-quality magazine, being

published by the Graham Literary Society. The Ring-tum Phi was designed to be a somewhat lighter, perhaps even ribald, complement to the Collegian.

Eighteen and ninety-seven. The year the football coach had to send away for a special noseguard "to protect the colossal proboscis which accompanies Mr. Fitzhugh's countenance." ("Mr." Fitzhugh was a student; everybody then was Mister or Doctor or Professor or Reverend.)

Scandalous Verse

Eighteen and ninety-seven. The year of the Great Hell Scandal. It seems the very first editor-in-chief, George Houston, in the fourth issue of the neophyte newspaper, published a column of "Football Songs," one of which concluded with this verse:

"Each other's back, boys,
"Has got a knack, boys,
"For making gains, sir,
"Round the end.
"And it's a sin, sir,
"For Oberlin [a W&L player], sir,

"To buck the V.M.I. boys' line so awful hard.

"Then join the yell, boys,
"And yell like hell, boys,
"Sure enough.

"To W&L U., boys,
"And foot-ball, too, boys,
"Let's give a rousing, rumbling,

roaring football yell.

"Ring-tum Phi, stickeri bum,
"&c. &c."

Well, hell broke loose. The next issue, an incensed letter-to-the-editor writer (we told you things haven't changed much) said:

"There appeared in the columns of the Ring-tum Phi, last week, a song which, to the thoughtful person had very little to recommend it...The only

thing that I can see that would have recommended it to the editorial eye is the little smack of naughtiness which makes the first rhyme in the last verse.

"The Editor seems to be filled with pride to even know the author; he puts the verse in the first column of his newspaper, and writes an editorial commanding it as 'especially good.' He says the words tire the voice very little.

"Now everyone, who knows anything of the subject, knows that the sound of that 'h' has a very rasping effect on the vocal chords. How much better it would have been had the line read: 'And yell right well, boys.' It would have sounded better, been easier on the voice, and would have saved the writer and Editor from showing off their weakness.

"It can be admitted that, to some eyes, there is something worthy of admiration in a dark,

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Search On to Find Photographs

An extensive search campaign is underway throughout the Valley of Virginia, in order to locate original photographic prints by Michael Miley—"General Lee's photographer"—for a major exhibition next January at Washington and Lee University.

The four-week show, scheduled to appear in duPont Gallery, is being researched by Mame Warren of Rockbridge County, and supervised by Pamela H. Simpson of the Washington and Lee art department.

Preliminary research has already begun for the exhibition, according to Ms. Warren. "We have found a number of unique items," she commented, "but it is absolutely essential that we encourage area residents to dig in their attics and drawers if the show is to be composed entirely of original Miley prints."

Miley was the most noted photographer in this area of Virginia for some 50 years. He first arrived in Lexington in 1866—shortly after Lee assumed the presidency of Washington College—and continued making prints almost until his death in 1918.

Original prints are easily recognized—on most of them, "M. Miley" may be seen on a front corner or the back side. Extremely early works may be distinguished by the words "Boude and Miley," referring to the photographer's partner-

ship with a local financier in the period 1866-1870. And still others may be marked "Miley and Son," dating from the 1890s, when Miley's son Henry entered the family business.

An oral history by Henry Miley, transcribed in 1941 and now in W&L's University Library, provided a "wealth of dates, inside family (stories), and valuable technical information," according to Ms. Warren. The document tells of the advanced carbon process Miley used regularly in his work—a technique used by no more than a half-dozen photographers in the entire country at that time.

Also noteworthy are Miley's pioneering efforts in color photography. His color work dates from the 1890s, and includes 100 subjects, from the painting of the Battle of New Market in Jackson Hall at V.M.I. to still life photos of flowers and bowls of peaches. Several of these prints have already been collected, as well as the bowl used for the still life photos, now owned by John Whitesell of Brownsburg, Va. (Whitesell, a relative of Miley's, has also uncovered a number of fine family pictures.)

"All the color prints are extraordinarily well preserved," Ms. Warren noted. "They don't fade, and may not even be recognized as photographs, so a careful examination is necessary." She added that scenic prints and bridal por-

traits are of particular interest for the exhibition.

Other items already located include Miley's large view camera, to be displayed with his prints; prints of V.M.I. historical figures Scott Shipp and Francis Smith; and George Marshall's football team portrait from the V.M.I. class of 1901. Many other original prints are known to exist—such as the scenes of Lee's funeral—but locating the works will be nearly impossible without the help of area residents.

Ms. Warren concluded that items loaned to the university for the exhibition would be held about 2 months, including several weeks necessary for the prints to be matted, mounted and framed. But those with Miley originals should call in their information as soon as possible—either to Mame Warren at 703-348-5036, or to Dr. Simpson at the W&L art department, 463-9111, ext. 228 or 351.



New Faces In Admissions

Two men—a new Washington and Lee University graduate and the assistant director of admissions at a college in Alabama—were appointed admissions counselors at Washington and Lee during the summer.

They are Peter M. Williams of Cincinnati, who received his B.A. degree with honors in history last spring from Washington and Lee, and W. Michael Hallman, formerly assistant admissions director at Southern Benedictine College, a small, Catholic liberal arts institution in Cullman, Ala.

Williams, 21, and Hallman, 24, will have substantial responsibility for student recruitment of W&L's behalf, including visits to secondary schools, on-campus interviewing, and reviewing applications for admission to Washington and Lee.

Williams was president of his class at W&L in both his freshman and junior years. He was elected to Omicron Delta Kappa, the national honorary leadership society, in his junior year. He was a member of W&L's Student Recruitment Committee throughout his undergraduate career and played on the General's tennis team as well.

Hallman is a B.S. graduate of the University of Alabama and earned his master's degree in



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Bartini, who began work at W&L Aug. 13, succeeds Van H. Pate, financial aid director at W&L for seven years. Pate has been promoted to the position of associate director of admissions at Washington and Lee, the number two spot in that office.

A 1976 graduate of Westfield (Mass.) State College with a B.A. degree in economics, Bartini worked for a bank in Westfield for six months before accepting his current position at Simon's Rock.

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Entertainment

W&L Concert Guild Announces Season

The Washington and Lee University Concert Guild has announced a five-concert series for the 1979-80 season—including the first symphony orchestra to be heard on the campus—according to Robert Stewart, professor of music and head of the music department at Washington and Lee.

Opening the season on Tuesday, Oct. 2, at 8 p.m. in Lee Chapel will be the Richmond Sinfonia, the nucleus of the Richmond Symphony. Established in 1973, the Sinfonia is the only fully professional, full-time orchestra in Virginia.

Led by French conductor Jacques Houtmann, the group is comprised of outstanding musicians from conservatories and orchestras across the country, and has been described as a "tightly knit, well-disciplined ensemble, flexible in technique and musicianship, and responsive to the interpretive aims of its conductor."

The Sinfonia has appeared in all areas of Virginia, and is especially noted for its educational concerts, which have been attended by more than 50,000 school children.

The program at Washington and Lee will feature Clark Suttle, virtuoso bassist, in the performance of "Concerto for Double Bass" by Johann Sperger. Suttle is the assistant conductor of the Richmond Symphony. In addition, the orchestra will present music by Handel, Stravinsky, and Tchaikovsky.

Other performers scheduled to appear during the year include two piano soloists and



both a brass and a wind quintet.

Leon Bates, pianist, will be seen at the Concert Guild's second presentation on Nov. 13. One of America's leading young

musicians, his achievements include winning the prestigious Philadelphia Orchestra competition, which gave him the opportunity to perform with that group.

A second pianist, Joshua Pierce, will present a program on Jan. 15. A graduate of the Manhattan School of Music, he is perhaps best known for his

first recording of Cage's "Sonatas and Interludes for Prepared Piano," which received a Grammy Award nomination for the best classical-contemporary album in 1977.

The Clarion Wind Quintet will return to the campus on Feb. 10 for a varied program of music from the Classical period to the new music of the 20th century.

The members of the quintet are all first chairmen of the Piedmont Chamber Orchestra from the North Carolina School of Arts in Winston-Salem,

All performances are at 8 p.m. in Lee Chapel. Tickets for the season are available from Stewart at Washington and Lee University and from members of the Concert Guild.

Movement Toward Regional Music

by Mark Kinniburgh

Recently, you may have purchased a record album on a record label such as Warner Bros., Elektra or Columbia, but you probably didn't even see an album or 45 on the LIMP records label. That is probably because of the limited distribution of these records, but also for another major reason, the talent which each label offers.

What is happening all over the music world is a move away from the major record producers and management, and a move toward more regional oriented success formulas. A band with the appeal of the Cars on Elektra records is an example of a local success made good on a national market.

The Cars were bums around Boston, Mass. for a good while before the backing from a major label surfaced. In the interim, however, they were very

well known on regional radio and interested outsiders through their practically homemade, home pressed records and demonstration tapes.

Major record companies are now more than ever backing down on their search for new, untried talent. They are going behind successes in regional markets, such as The Nighthawks from the Washington, D.C. area, or Exile from Louisville, Ky. or Facedancer from Northern Virginia. (Each of the above had several albums on a small, local label before signing with a major label.)

Billboard magazine reports that to produce a new band from the street, into the recording studio, and into the record stores can cost a minimum of \$500,000. A quality demonstration tape to use as an audition

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Eye and Ear from the Bookstore

Between the ages of 12 and 24 I kept, for some earnest reason, a list of every book I read. Today, I find those notebook listings with their varied colored inks (even purple), appalling...

First off, I read far too fast. It was almost as if I had a master list of Culture. So that a classic was swallowed whole, checked off and never opened again. Too, how much time I had! Books were a window on the world: actual living offered very few diversions. Reading was both retreat and recreation. However, by far the most absurd aspect of that long list of books is my narrow—almost minute—range of experience within which to place the powerful human emotions and dread crises that I was reading about. How could I know of murder and soul-searching guilt when I read *Crime and Punishment* at 16? The self-destructive passion in *Wuthering Heights* at 15? These and similar books told it with greatness but I had no frame of reference except a tendency to cry (secretly)

over lost love-affairs.

A marked change appears in the list after I entered college. A high majority of the books are out-and-out relaxation types: mystery stories, romances and humor. The only real carryover from the earlier years is poetry—an addiction which I have never lost. Obviously, in college, especially as I was a science major with long hours of lab work, textbooks were the solid reading; lovely trash was for pleasure.

This message from the past is an important guide post for me in the Bookstore today. We must offer a wide variety of recreation reading. There must be pure delight and exciting escape. But even here there are limits: a certain level of dignity; a respect for the uses of the English language, and above all, tolerance and understanding. Plus a good healthy dash of nonsense.

Betty Munger

Bands Take Up Local Emphasis

(continued from page 4) for a major recording contract will invariably run \$10,000 after pre-production costs, actual studio time, engineering, mixing, remixing and final pressing or dubbing onto the final cassette.

It appears that most of today's working bands are content to be local favorites as opposed to trying to make a dent in the iron market of nationally established rock acts. Simon Kirke of Bad Company reveals the secret of the high success of the English rock quartet in the same manner.

"We were wary of the big record deals at first because they (the record company executives) had no idea if we'd last even one more gig. Actually, we all preferred to play small clubs and halls until we were sure that Bad Company as a band could achieve what would be called "commercially successful" status.

Along these same guidelines, there is a year-old rock band out of Washington, D.C. by the name of D. Ceats (pronounced "deceits"). D. Ceats are the hottest new wave band in the metropolitan area, if not the East coast. They are a band full of personality and what could be called "star-quality" because of the amount of energy which they can develop onstage backing larger draws such as the Clash on their first U.S. tour.

D. Ceats record on Washin-

ton's LIMP records, a label which is very sympathetic to the new talent in the area, and more specifically, rock acts. LIMP puts out 7" extended play records which contain two songs per side, and D. Ceats has titled their e.p. "Monumental".

Although the production is very poor due to a limited recording studio, there is an energy and urgency that accompanies live performances clearly audible on "Monumental".

D. Ceats put the formula together of: 1. a good, solid base of local fans, providing an immediate response to new material; 2. a local record label willing to press e.p.'s or 45's at a risk, and 3. talent enough to express the musical feelings that they have to offer.

Consequently, a major recording contract would be very little risk for both the company and the band, because each has a type of insurance. D. Ceats could continue making Washington fans happy for years, even without expanding to a national level, while Warner or Polydor could count on at least a regional market with good possibilities of semi- or national acceptance.

A final note. These 7" extended play records are available at most reputable record stores for about \$2.00, and they are an excellent way to hear good local talent while helping to support a struggling band that someday could be million sellers.

Review

North Dallas Forty

by Dash Coufal

The weird part is that while having a petty narrative NORTH DALLAS FORTY leaves a powerful impression: the movie both fails and succeeds.

It fails in its attempt to be overtly artistic. What is meant to be a deep and profound relationship between Nolte and his girlfriend is hopelessly shallow and enigmatic.

The movie's attempts at symbolism (e.g. NORTH DALLAS FORTY: the football team is the NORTH DALLAS BULLS, there are forty men on the football squad, and Nolte owns forty acres of ranch land north of Dallas) are clever but lack meaning. Someone involved was pushing hard for art and failed.

The narrative is spotty. The characters are there right from the start rather than being introduced and emerging. Much of the first quarter of the movie is spent in confusion trying to figure out who's who, with even strong characters becoming enmeshed in confusion. In order to catch what's going on at first one has to see the beginning twice.

The movie succeeds in leaving a powerful image. While the narrative is spotty the characters are strong and resilient. Nolte plays an aging football receiver who is rife with contrasts.

On one hand he is the old pro whose body is bent and torn, whose hands are the best in the business, and who risks further injury just to give one hundred percent. Yet he is also the cocky youth who is overconfident, who thinks he can buck the system, and who plays for what he can get out of the game.

While Nolte is the best man on the team he is also the disruptive element who first sits on the bench, and later is purged from the team. In the end he is wholly the old hand who, losing his youthful enthusiasm for the

Weekly Calender

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

7:30 p.m. Free amateur radio license classes begin. Reid 203.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

CLASS AGENT WEEKEND

WLUR-FM: Fall All-Request Weekend.

5-7 p.m. A reception for artist Arturo Gusma in duPont Gallery.

7 & 9 p.m. FILM: Wait Until Dark. DuPont Auditorium.

W&L admission \$1.

7-10:30 p.m. Fraternity Rush Dates 3-4. (Bid acceptance on the part of the freshmen is set to begin after these dates at 11 p.m., according to new IFC rules.)

8 p.m. Services for the Jewish New Year. All welcome. Lee Chapel.

8 p.m. FILM: Freaks (directed by Tod Browning). Presented by the Hollins Cinema Society. Talmadge Hall in Bradley on the Hollins campus. \$1.50 general admission.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

CLASS AGENT WEEKEND

Jewish New Year.

12:30 p.m. CROSS COUNTRY: Generals vs. Davis & Elkins College, Mary Washington College.

1:30 p.m. FOOTBALL: Generals vs. Centre College. Wilson Field. 7 & 9 p.m. FILM: Wait Until Dark. DuPont Auditorium.

W&L admission \$1.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

2 p.m. FILM: Wait Until Dark. Dupont Auditorium.

W&L admission \$1.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

CABLE IX, W&L's television station, signs on today.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

5 p.m. Chemistry Seminar. Howe 401.

7:30-9:30 p.m. LECTURE: "Stonewall Jackson in Lexington." Jackson House Docents Meeting. Upstairs lounge, Moody Hall at VMI.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

AWAY ATHLETIC EVENTS: SOCCER—University of Richmond.

game, goes on at last to other things in life.

Mac Davis, the musician(?) who sold out to television, plays a quarterback who has sold out to the computerization of playing that benefit the "team", to the business of winning.

The movie abounds with well-drawn characters. The Malloz gulling head-coach, Nolte's mistress who leaves him to marry into money, the jock who knows the game isn't what it should be because of the coaches, the owner who has no concept of the sport, the manager who runs the game by computer, and Jo-Bob, the ex who makes the rules at parties because he's the biggest. All combine to create a vivid image.

The movie is terse and well edited, perhaps to the suffering of the narrative. Director Ted Kotcheff relies not on especially

strong scenes, but rather on skillful editing to produce an almost impressionistic film.

Structurally North Dallas Forty is similar to Nashville, American Graffiti, or Welcome To L.A. in its impressionism created by the appearance rather than introduction of characters, the limited time frame (here the week from one game to the next), and the multiple conflicts.

After seeing the movie the posters seem weirdly unrelated to it. The film is not the comedy the posters seem to indicate and "the weird part" is so insignificant that all I can really say is that it has something to do with the scent of strawberry.

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Mock Convention Report

Presidential Hopeful Phil Crane Profiled

by Kevin Dwyer

Presidential campaigns have been starting earlier every four years than they did before. The 1980 Republican contest kicked off in August 1978 with a very early announcement from Rep. Phil Crane of Northwestern Chicago, Illinois. Crane figured that only a start some 27 months before the election could offset his terminally low name recognition among voters, even in Illinois. Carter started early, Crane figured, so I will too.

What kind of man is Phil Crane? He and his wife Arlene, Methodists, have eight children. He considers himself a born-again Christian. Crane's brother Dan is also a Congressman from downstate. What about Crane's politics, the central issue for a Presidential candidate? Crane is more conservative than the undisputed front runner, former California Governor Ronald Reagan. On most issues he has staked out positions to the right of Reagan. Crane honestly thinks that the electorate's shift to the right since Reagan's loss in 1976 is enough to elect him in 1980.

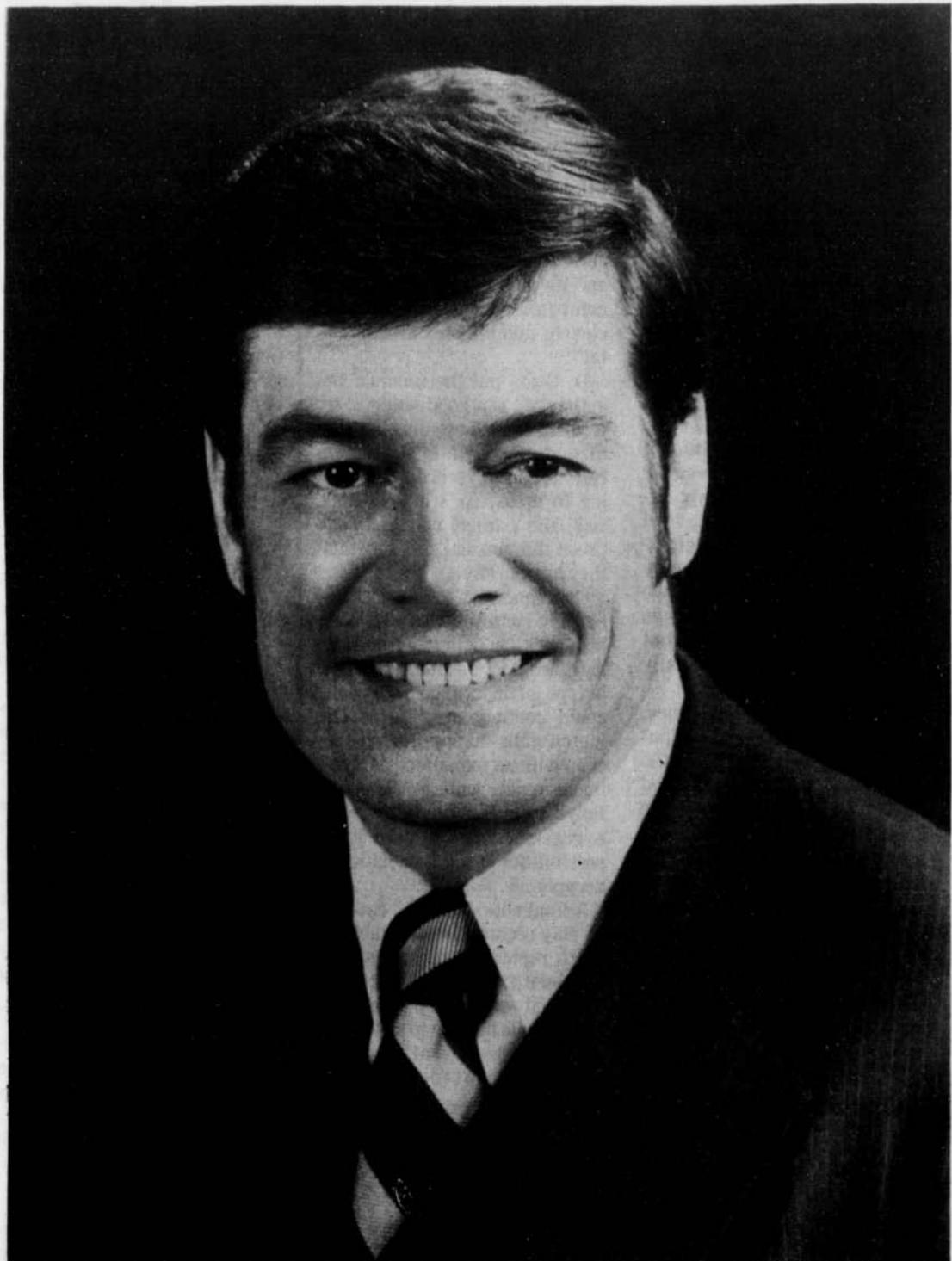
For an unknown, the Crane candidacy was achieving a remarkable success until May of this year, when a series of mishaps beset the campaign. First, Crane fired his campaign manager, Rich Williamson. Williamson said Crane lacked "the commitment or capacity to wage the sort of campaign necessary to win." At the same time, it was revealed that New Right direct-mail fundraiser Richard A. Viguerie had raised an admirable \$2.3 million for the Crane campaign, at the cost of over \$1.8 million. Crane's campaign was acknowledged to be in debt to Viguerie to the tune of \$500,000.

Following Williamson's firing, the entire senior staff resigned. Several days later

the \$2 million Viguerie mailing list was misplaced by the campaign staff. After the FBI had been called in, the list was discovered in the desk drawer it was supposed to be in. Crane's new campaign manager, Iowan Jerry Harkins, was revealed to have been an unindicted co-conspirator in one of the largest stock frauds in Iowa history.

Enough! you say. But there is more—and the most serious problem Crane seems to have is his strong-willed wife Arlene. Reports concerning the staff firings and resignations unanimously place the blame on Arlene. "I'm even gutsier than Betty Ford," says Arlene and her statements and actions support her claim.

Despite the traditional backseat role of a candidate's wife, this one seems determined to run the campaign herself. Her terming the top three aides "the devil's triangle" led to their firings and resignations. Personal gossip about the Cranes goes to lengths seldom seen in politics. A vituperative Manchester (N.H.) Union-Leader article in March, 1979 accused the Cranes of being sexually promiscuous, heavy drinkers, power-mad and inveterate partyers. The New Hampshire legislature roundly denounced the newspaper. Yet Arlene, on politics: "I love it... love the scheming, the power grabs, the ego of it all." Of Williamson and the campaign organizers, she says, "Those punks weren't capable of running a notions counter much less a presidential campaign." To quote the Washington Star: "She is, they say, one tough customer. In fact, Crane herself may have gone too far with one woman who once worked for Crane, and a slander suit is in preparation. Believe it or not she calls herself 'Philspoo."



Will Mrs. Crane be Mr. Crane's ultimate downfall? Time will tell, but at least she has remained in the background for sometime now. Crane is back out on the campaign trail, stressing issues like SALT II, abortion, gun control and taxes. And the crowds love it. Most of them haven't heard the Arlene Crane horror stories. They just know the handsome

candidate and like what he says. And a few primary wins on the issues can offset a lot of gossip and maliciousness.

To quote John Connally campaign chairman Eddie Mahe, "Phil Crane is far from finished in this campaign. We still consider him a threat." The Reagan forces do not write him off, either. Crane will get \$2 million or more in federal

matching funds in December. Two million can do a lot to pay debts, of course, but it can do more in the last few minutes of intense New Hampshire primary campaigning. If he can keep things settled and keep his wife's mouth shut Phil Crane may surprise Connally, Reagan, and a lot of other people who relegate him to the lunatic fringe.



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First EC Meeting Is Eventful

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ever, that the papers of non-suit have been drawn up for several weeks.

Abraham said that no new trial date had been set as of Tuesday evening and would not answer any further questions about the case.

Cold Check

In other business during Monday night's first EC meeting of the academic year, the Cold Check Committee was allowed to raise its fining power from \$5 to \$10 for the first bad check, \$10 to \$20 for the second bad check, and from \$25 to \$30 for the third bad check.

Jim Vines, chairman of the Cold Check Committee, made it clear that he and his committee would take a hard-line approach this year toward students who write bad checks.

"The people who bounce a lot of checks are 50 percent of our business, which was about \$4,000 last year," Vines told the EC.

"In the past, in my opinion, the Cold Check Committee has been too lax" in fining repeat offenders, Vines said.

The purpose of the increased fine, Vines said, "is to keep it from being a discount fine for the students" who know the Cold Check Committee will cover their checks for a smaller fine than the banks or many businesses in town would impose.

Vines said that he especially hoped the increased fines would stop "people from floating checks hoping to get a deposit from their parents before the check bounces. That's a really bad habit," he said.

Not voted on by the EC was another request by Vines that he be given permission to distribute lists to merchants in town of those students barred from obtaining credit because they had a history of bouncing checks.

Vines also requested that the statute of limitations for first, second, and third offenders be raised from one year to two. (If a student does not bounce another check within that period, his record would be wiped clean.) But the EC deadlocked 5-5 on the proposal and the motion failed.

Cockpit Bands

The University Center Committee was advanced \$500 to finalize its plans for booking the All-Stars band in the Cockpit the night of Thursday, Oct. 4.

To help pay for the band, a \$1 cover charge will probably be charged either at the door or through advanced ticket sales. It was also not clear whether the All-Stars would play one show or two.

During his request for the money for the All-Stars Jamie Small, chairman of the University Center Committee, lashed into Jerry Darrell, director of university food services (which includes the Cockpit), for not having given "any money in the past for bands in the Cockpit."

"He made \$1,000 in beer sales the night the Nighthawks played (last year)," Small said.

"He (Darrell) makes more money in one night with a band than he would make in a week without one," Small continued.

He said he felt the Cockpit should "kick in" to help pay for the band.

But Burr Datz, former assistant manager of W&L food services and the man who helped put most of the bands in the Cockpit last year, refuted much of what Small said.

"I remember in the case of the Jack Skinner Band from California that the Cockpit paid \$70 to help make up for the guaranteed price not met in cover charge collections," Datz said when asked about Small's statements.

He said he also recalled another instance where the

Cockpit threw in \$40-\$50 to a band to make up the difference between the guaranteed payment and the cover charge take.

Datz also cited food and refreshments provided to band members by the Cockpit.

"Jamie is under a misconception," he said. "To say that Jerry Darrell makes money in there (the Cockpit) hand over fist is wrong. He does a lot that just can't be measured in dollars and cents."

S.A.B.

Also at the EC meeting Abraham verbally spanked the Student Activities Board for not having given notice of their meeting last Sunday night.

SAB chairman Bill Ridge said that it had just been "an introductory meeting," strictly for the SAB members to get acquainted with each other, and that nothing important happened.

Ridge and his co-chairman David Harpole then went on to report about the Homecoming weekend activities for Friday, Oct. 5. The bands Sandcastle and The Catalinas will play beginning at 8 p.m. in Doremus Gym. They were reportedly booked last year because Homecoming comes so early this year.

The EC also adopted the following statement:

"The Honor System applies fully to the University Library, Evans Dining Hall, and the Law School Library. Students are advised to become familiar with the procedures of each and abide by them."

The EC chided the Law School faculty for posting bulletins defining certain actions as honor violations and thereby usurping some of the EC's power.

Faculty Committees

Appointments to faculty committees will be held Monday, Sept. 24 at 7 p.m. in the E.C. room. The following positions are open:

Faculty Executive Committee (1)

Courses and Degrees (2)

Freshman Admissions Committee (2)

Lectures Committee (1)

Student Financial Aid (2)

Library Advisory Committee (3)

Student Health Committee (3)

University Athletic Committee (3)

Student Body Funds

Requests for Student Body Funds must be made by 7 p.m. on Oct. 1, and should include last year's budget request and the amount allocated, a breakdown of the year's expenditures,

and this year's request. Hearings will be held on Oct. 2 and Oct. 9 starting at 7 p.m.

Elections for Freshman class President, Vice-president, Executive Committee representative, and University Council representative, and for the First Year Law School representative to the EC will be held on Oct. 15. Petitions with 50 signatures are due Oct. 8 at 7 p.m. in the EC room. Run-offs will be held on Oct. 18.

Research Grants Available

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Applications to the NRC must be postmarked by January 15, 1980. Awards will be announced in April.

Application materials and detailed information about specific opportunities for research and the federal laboratories which participate should be requested promptly from the Associateship Office, JH 608-D1, NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL, 2101 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20418, telephone (202) 389-6554.

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Broadcasting for the fall season is scheduled to begin the following Monday **Sept. 24**.

The station, which broadcasts approximately 20 hours a week, presents a blend of news-documentary and panel programs, as well as occasional dramatic and musical offerings.

Founded in 1973, Cable Nine is one of no more than three collegiate television stations in Virginia, according to Robert J. DeMaria, station manager and assistant professor of journalism at W&L.

FREE—Get an amateur radio license. Two free classes will prepare you to take the FCC exam starting this Thursday, September 20, at 7:30 in Reid Hall. Anyone interested should contact Tom Bradshaw, 463-2521 or Ron MacDonald, 463-9111, ext. 255.

Instruction will be offered for both the beginning level (Novice Class) and General Class licenses. Instruction by members of the Rockbridge Amateur Radio Club will include FCC Rules and Regulations, electronic theory and Morse Code.

The Washington and Lee University Big Band is 'Back in Swing.' It meets every Thursday night from 7 to 9 p.m. in the University Center's Music Room. Performance schedule has not been determined yet. For information call Phil Calderone at 463-7464.

Campus Paperback Bestsellers

1. **The World According to Garp**, by John Irving. (Pocket, \$2.75.) Hilarious adventures of a son of a famous mother.
2. **Evergreen**, by Belva Plain. (Dell, \$2.75.) Jewish immigrant woman's climb from poverty on lower Manhattan.
3. **Wifey**, by Judy Blume. (Pocket, \$2.50.) Housewife's experiences on road to emotional maturity: fiction.
4. **The Women's Room**, by Marilyn French. (Jove/HBJ, \$2.50.) Perspective on women's role in society: fiction.
5. **My Mother/Myself**, by Nancy Friday. (Dell, \$2.50.) An examination of the mother-daughter relationship.
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7. **Scuples**, by Judith Krantz. (Warner, \$2.75.) Rags to riches in the fashion world: fiction.
8. **The Amityville Horror**, by Jay Anson. (Bantam, \$2.75.) True story of terror in a house possessed.
9. **Alien**, by Alan Dean Foster. (Warner, \$2.25.) Space travelers encounter horrifying creature: fiction.
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Registration for the course should be done through Mr. Mike Cappeto in the Career Development and Placement office in the University Center **immediately**. Mr. Cappeto will also have information on the classroom location and will distribute the Math Refresher.

The cost of the entire course is \$100 and a deposit is needed immediately.

Contact

Applications for membership on the Contact '80 Committee should be submitted to the University Center Office by Monday, October 1.

Contact is the symposium that brings nationally recognized speakers to the Washington & Lee campus. Past speakers include Eugene McCarthy, Ralph Nader, William Colby, and Sam Ervin.

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Weekend

College Republicans

The College Republicans' annual Fall Picnic will be held this Saturday at 4 p.m. on the Law School field. There will be girls, food, beer, and a possible appearance by Congressman M. Caldwell Butler of Virginia's Sixth district.

At the football game Saturday, the Club will be collecting money for the Lexington Association for Retarded Citizens during half-time. Anyone who would like to volunteer some time should see Kevin Dwyer at the gate before the game.

The Foreign Service exam will be given on Dec. 1. You must register by Oct. 19.

(All applications are available in Mr. Mike Cappeto's office in the University Center building.)

Services for the Jewish New Year will be conducted by students, faculty, and townspeople on Friday, September 21 at 8:00 in Lee Chapel. Refreshments will follow at the Alumni House.

On Sunday, Sept. 30 there will be services for the Day of Atonement in Lee Chapel at 8:00 p.m.

All are welcome at both services.

Tuesday

There will be a meeting of those interested in representing W&L in College Quiz Bowl Competition on **Tuesday, Sept. 25** at 4:30 p.m. in room 203 in Reid Hall.

Davidson College won the competition last year and the team was flown to England for the international contest, losing in the finals, in overtime.

Later rounds of the U.S. competition will be broadcast on radio throughout the country, and the last several rounds will be telecast.

College Republicans

by C. Randall Talley

The Washington and Lee Republicans will be stronger and larger this year than in the past. As of this writing the membership total is not available, but it looks as if the Club will have over 300 members this year. The enthusiasm shown by the freshmen class is very encouraging, which is a good sign in an off election year.

Some upcoming events include the annual fall picnic, with over 100 girls expected to attend, a campaign workshop in Harrisonburg on Sept. 29, and various mixers and guest speakers to be announced later. The picnic will be held next Saturday, Sept. 22, at the field by the law school.

This fall the College Republicans will be campaign-

ing for Commonwealth's Attorney John Read and State Senate candidate Lois Kindt. Read is running unopposed for his office, to which he was elected with the help of the Club in 1976. Kindt will be opposing incumbent Frank Nolen.

This summer the Club was presented the award of Best Newsletter in the Nation by the College Republican National Committee. The Club's newsletter, the TUSK, has won many awards in the past, including Best Newsletter in the State in February.

Executive Board meetings this year will be held on Sundays at 4 p.m. in the Student Center. All interested members are invited to attend. For those who still wish to join, come to a Board meeting or call Randy Talley at 463-3617.

Teacher

Students completing teacher preparation programs and advanced degree candidates in specific fields may take the National Teacher Examinations on any of three different test dates in 1979-80. Educational Testing Service, the nonprofit, educational organization that administers this testing program, said today that the tests will be given November 10, 1979, February 16, 1980, and July 19, 1980, at test centers throughout the United States.

Prospective registrants should contact the school systems in which they seek employment, their colleges, or appropriate educational association for advice about which examinations to take and when to take them.

Birth Of The Phi

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purple crime, but to bow before a sinlet like this is weakness personified.

"In the future let me suggest that the Editor follow the path of virtue. He will not only find it pleasant, but may keep himself from showing his lack of taste." — R."

Well, "R." intimidated Mr. Houston. Who wouldn't be intimidated if he were editing a brand-new paper that nobody, not even students, had ever heard of, named the Ring-tum Phi; and somebody came along and accused him of printing sinlets right on his front page?

Price War In Lexington? No, Just Lower Beer Prices

by Dick Moss

While everyone's denying it, there does seem to be a beer keg price war going on in Lexington.

Of the five major stores involved in the beer keg business: East Lexington Grocery; Red Front; Central Lunch; Lee's Corner; and the Paramount Inn, at least three have lowered either some or all of their prices for the duration of Rush.

Jim Bowen, manager of the East Lexington Grocery, said that while he has lowered his prices on Old Milwaukee and Black Label kegs, he does not think that a price war, as such, is occurring. He did admit however, that "everyone's scrounging around to get the

business" that has suddenly grown with the closing of Clyde Mull's College Inn.

Jim Greene of Lee's Corner Restaurant also denied that there was a price war, but he too stated that things were "up in the air" as far as the fraternity keg business went.

The Paramount Inn, which purchased Clyde Mull's concession and records, according to Wayne Hartless had to lower their prices to compete with "a certain place" (which he would not name), which is "selling its kegs at only one to two dollars profit, rather than the usual five".

Elizabeth McKemy of the Red Front Grocery Store, said merely, "I don't think we're in a price war."

Mr. Duck of Central Lunch said, "I haven't changed my prices since last year, and I don't intend to. I just don't do business that way."

One of the cheaper beer keg buys in town last year was Old Milwaukee at the College Inn for thirty dollars. When this figure is taken into account, along with the 13% inflation rate of the economy over the summer, and the prices given in the price chart below, the results are interesting.

At any rate, if you start doing keg business this Rush, be prepared, because after Rush, after exactly who is doing business with whom has been settled, prices may very well go up.

Beer Keg Prices During Washington and Lee Fraternity Rush*

Red Front	East Lexington Grocery	Lee's Corner	Central Lunch	Paramount
Tuborg Gold				\$28.00
Black Label	\$23.00		\$24.00	
Pabst	\$29.50			
Old Mill	29.75	28.00	28.00	28.00
Miller		33.00	31.00	31.00
Bud	31.75	30.00	30.00	30.00
Schlitz	31.75	30.00	30.00	30.00
Busch		30.00		
Mich	35.00	35.00		
Strohs	31.75	30.00	30.00	
Deposit (keg & tap)	35.00	30.00	35.00	30.00

*Other brands of beer may be purchased on order from some of the above outlets.

The History Of Beer—In The Beginning

According to Chinese legend, its creation was decreed by heaven. Egyptian mythology credits the gods Iris and Osiris as having been the first to make it. An Assyrian tablet of 2000 B.C. relates that it was one of the provisions taken aboard the Ark. And in the University of Pennsylvania Museum, a slender golden straw on display is said to have been used by Queen Shubad of Mesopotamia to sip it in royal celebration.

The subject, of course, is beer—one of mankind's oldest occupations and enjoyments.

But what is this mysterious brew? What had Isis wrought? What goes into this (usually

amber liquid which today follows only coffee, soft drinks and milk in the taste preference of the American adult? The fact is that despite the popularity of this ancient beverage—more than 160 million barrels of beer were consumed in the United States in 1978—few beer buffs know much about its origins or the art of brewing.

It is believed that contrary to the usual course of cultural migration, the consumption of beer and the knowledge of brewing were not transmitted from one race or nation to another. Brewing developed independently among several, separate agricultural peoples,

beer being made from practically any grain but primarily barley.

By the time Alexander the Great was moving from Macedonia to the world, brewing had developed among most peoples on the continents of Europe, Asia and Africa. Brewing expanded even further through the Middle Ages, but beers of ancient times and even of the Middle Ages were not like beers of today. Generally a sweetish beverage then, beer was often mixed with pungent spices to make it more palatable.

But perhaps the biggest advance in the brewing process was the introduction into the

brew of hops, an ingredient that added aroma to beer and also served as a preservative. Hops were used first in brewing by the Finns of ancient times, but were not used again until the ninth century in Germany.

Lagered or aged beer, which originated in Germany in the eighth century, was a brew that was allowed to ferment and ripen at low temperatures, brought to a mellow maturity and enlivened with natural carbonation. Originally, because of the cold temperatures needed, it had to be brewed in the winter and stored in caves.

While Germans brewed with hops seven centuries before

most other nations, England followed suit in the 1500s. Enormous quantities of hopped English beer were exported to the continent, especially France.

Ale, however, which was believed to have originated in England, was still brewed without hops. This was at a time when approximately 13 million barrels of beer were consumed annually in England, which had a population of just over five million.

The colonization of America developed new markets and gave a marked increase to the production of beer in England.

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Sports

From the Pressbox:

Winning Soccer?

by Ray McNulty
Sports Editor

This could be the year. After five years of mediocrity, it looks like the soccer Generals have come alive.

While the W&L football team was down at Emory & Henry losing its second game of the year, the 1979 version of the W&L soccer team opened its regular season Saturday with an impressive 2-1 victory over the Hampden-Sydney Tigers on Wilson Field. The Generals were led by junior forward Mark Turner who scored both W&L goals and by tri-captains Doug Seitz, Dana Samuelson and Doug Dorsey (who each played an outstanding two-way game.)

But individual praise seems unimportant to this year's soccer team. Saturday's win was a total team effort. Team play is emphasized and has become an effective weapon used by Coach Rolf Piranian.

"This is a much more balanced team than I've had in the past. We have a very cohesive group and the captains have done an outstanding job," explained Piranian after the game.

Piranian attributes much of the improvement of this year's squad to the development of the upper-class players, the leadership of the tri-captains and the addition of several good freshman players. "We have some talented freshmen who are playing well," said the General coach, adding, "this has been a big plus for us."

And there has been improvement—vast improvement. Improvement in team offense. Improvement in team defense. Improvement in all-around team hustle. The passing game was crisp and accurate while the stubborn General defense stymied the Sydney attack. Except for one short lapse in the second half, W&L dominated every facet of the game and played almost flawless soccer.

Another improvement has been in their goalkeeping. Junior Kevin Carney has developed into a capable and dependable goalkeeper for W&L. He is presently chasing the school record for most career saves.

Although soccer is not my favorite spectator sport (I've always preferred football and hockey), it was a pleasure to watch the Generals play Saturday. They were explosive and exciting. And from the cheers I heard in the bleachers, I would assume the other 150 or so fans who watched the game would agree. It's a shame more of you weren't out there...but that's another story altogether.

Anyway, Washington and Lee University has a good soccer team this year. They played a superb game against Sydney and hopefully they played just as well Wednesday against West Virginia Wesleyan.

Now, I'm not promising that the soccer team will go undefeated—or even that they will win the ODAC. But they will win more games than they have during the past five years. That may be more than we can say about a certain other W&L athletic team.



Tailback Stewart Atkinson will be in action this Saturday as the Generals entertain Centre College. Atkinson is the Generals' leading ground gainer.

Generals Lose 12-6; Atkinson Gains 164

by Bill Whalen
Asst. Sports Editor

Leo Durocher, the elder statesman of baseball managers, once said, "nice guys finish last." Leo Durocher obviously had W&L football in mind when he uttered those infamous words.

Head coach Gary Fallon is a nice guy—too nice to have a career record of 2-10 after last Saturday's 12-6 loss to Emory & Henry. Let Woody Hayes or Bo Schembechler lose every Saturday—they're poor enough sports to deserve so.

The General's record slipped to 0-2 after last week's game, a loss in which the Generals made only a handful of mistakes and shut out the Wasps for three quarters of the game. The Generals led in every offensive category except one—the score.

"We got ourselves in an early hole," said Fallon. "Our drives were stalled and we couldn't get those needed inches. We dominated the game," added the coach, "except for twice when Jimmy Wenke was stopped in

ches short of a first down and Stewie Atkinson was stopped short".

The Generals started the game with the same mistake-prone football that resulted in last week's 30-0 rout. On the second play of the game, starting quick Rich Hachenburg fumbled on the W&L 27 to set up the first E&H touchdown. Wenke replaced Hachenburg later in the quarter.

On their second possession of the game, the Wasps moved 99 yards in 15 plays to boost their lead to 12-0. That ended the scoring in the first half as the Generals found themselves shut out for the fifth and sixth straight quarters.

The second half was a different story. Atkinson, who had picked up 63 yards rushing in the first half, exploded for 101 in the second half to put W&L back in the game.

"It was Stewie's best performance," said Fallon of Atkinson, who carried the ball

38 times without fumbling. Not only did Atkinson not fumble, but the entire team committed only three turnovers—a far cry from the week before.

Still, the Generals could only produce six points despite rolling up 266 yards on offense. The reason was simple—W&L could not move the ball for short yardage on fourth down.

In the fourth quarter, Atkinson was stopped short on fourth and two with the ball on the E&H 26. Another drive was stopped deep in Wasp territory after a Wenke interception.

One of the standouts was backup quarterback Wenke, who probably earned the starting slot for this Saturday's game against Centre College.

Fallon described Centre as being "a physical team, quick and aggressive. They have a breakaway threat on offense and two standout performers in their defensive secondary," said the coach.

Kickoff time is 1:30 p.m. on Wilson Field.



Who is this man? Turn to page 12 and find out.

This Week In Sports

September 22	Football vs. Centre College, Home 1:30 p.m.; Cross Country vs. Davis & Elkins College, Washington College, Home.
September 25	J.V. Soccer vs. University of Virginia, Away.
September 26	Soccer vs. University of Richmond, Away.

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Tad Renner and Ben Muskin in action against Hampden-Sydney.
photo by Dave Favrot

Outdoors: Dove Hunting In Rockbridge

by Jim Feinman

The first half of a split dove season opened in Virginia on September 8, with the Rockbridge County area offering good dove hunting for Washington and Lee students.

The season will run through November 3, at which time it will close and re-open December 22-January 3. Shooting is allowed after 12 noon and the daily limit is 12 birds.

In Rockbridge, the dairy country to the north and the James and Maury River basins are choice areas. Many hunters who were able to find harvested corn fields during the first week of the season reported plenty of birds and quick limits. Other hunters, however, were frustrated in finding a field to hunt as a late growing season has left standing corn in more than one nimrod's favorite field.

All hunters should be sure to secure the landowner's permission before taking to the field. Most landowners are receptive if approached in a polite and considerate manner. Outdoorsmen, especially W&L students, should treat hunting property

with proper respect. It would be a shame for future students to be denied the right to hunt because of the actions of a few thoughtless students before them.

A small-game license is required to hunt in Virginia. They are available in state-wide or single-county form. Licenses may be purchased at the court house or in area sporting goods stores.

Jesse Suber reports a limit on doves this past Saturday. He was hunting over harvested corn.

Alex Richards didn't have any luck on his favorite trout stream last week. "I should've been kayaking instead of dry-fly fishing. Way too much water in the stream," said Richards.

Rain-swollen streams from the recent hurricane should begin to recede this week sparkling some of the best fly-fishing of the season.

(Editor's Note: Jim Feinman will be writing a weekly outdoors column. Anyone wishing to donate ideas or information can contact him at his home at 7 Tucker St., or call 463-9880.)

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Four Goal Half Boots Soccer Team

by Bill Whalen

The Washington and Lee soccer Generals played a good first half in yesterday's match on Wilson Field. The second half was a different story.

The Generals, who had played well enough to earn a 1-1 first half deadlock with Division II West Virginia Wesleyan, were outscored 4-1 in the final period to end up on the short side of a 5-2 decision.

"We made some defensive errors," said a very disappointed coach Rolf Piranian. "We showed we could play with those guys and we never quit," commented the coach.

The contest was started before only 20 spectators, half of which were other athletes waiting for their own practice to begin. The crowd later "swelled" to over 50 but the game was decided by then.

Wesleyan started the scoring with the game not quite five minutes old. Martin Woodstock blasted a 20-yard shot that barely eluded W&L goalie Kevin Carney by landing in the lower

right hand corner of the net.

The Generals retaliated five minutes later on a penalty kick by Brian Williams. Williams was given a free shot when a Wesleyan defender was called on a hand ball penalty in front of his net.

W&L was able to keep the game deadlocked thanks to some strong defense by Carney and his teammates. On one sequence, Carney was caught out of the net but stopped a point-blank shot whose rebound was headed away from the goal by the ever-present Williams.

Unfortunately for the Generals, no such luck prevailed in the second half. It took the visitors only two minutes to net their second goal, a 10-yard chip shot by Matt Engle that crossed the goal diagonally.

Three minutes later, Engle netted his second goal of the game by scoring in almost the same way. Wesleyan now had a 3-1 lead and was seemingly in control of the game.

"That third goal broke our

backs," said Piranian. "It looked like the man (Engle) was off-sides, but you can't rely on that as an excuse."

Not content with only two goals, Engle picked his way through the Generals' weakening defense for his third and fourth goals of the afternoon. Wesleyan moved ahead 4-1 at the 10-minute mark and added their fifth goal at the 15-minute mark.

W&L was able to make the score look semi-respectable by adding one more goal less than a minute later. Ben Muskin scored on a deflection of Tad Renner's shot to end the scoring at 5-2.

Despite a losing performance, Piranian still has faith in his team's ability. "I believe that we can win as long as we play a good game against every team," stated the coach.

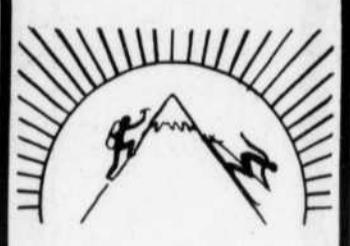
The Generals' next game is Wednesday, September 26, against the University of Richmond. The match will be held at Richmond and game time is 3:00 p.m.

Sports Notices

Water polo coach Page Remillard is still accepting help either in the form of players or that of students who would like to assist him in the administrative and/or managerial aspects of the sport. If anyone is interested, contact Coach Remillard in his office at the Cy Twombly Memorial Pool.

The varsity lacrosse team needs a freshman manager to help with fall lacrosse now and to learn to manage the varsity after the present manager passes on to the "Great Scorer's Table in the Sky" next June. Interested freshmen should contact Coach Emmer (463-9111, ext. 145) or Palmore Clarke (463-3031) as soon as possible.

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Water Polo Begins

by Dave Johnson

The 1979 W&L water polo team opens its season next weekend with the Johns Hopkins Invitational Tournament. The two-day tournament, which will be held at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Sept. 28-29, is one of six tournaments in which the water polo Generals will compete this fall.

Unlike most W&L varsity teams, the water polo squad plays only in tournaments, with no dual matches on the schedule. This is due to the large distances between collegiate water polo teams here on the East Coast.

The team enters this season with a new coach and a lot of optimism and desire. The new coach, Page Remillard, comes to W&L from California, which is the water polo capital of the world. Last season, as coach at Claremont Men's College in Claremont, CA, Remillard compiled a 20-8 record against top

national competition, while taking the conference championship.

Remillard is outspoken and extremely positive concerning his views on water polo and on the way it should be coached. He feels that his time is best spent on the pool deck coaching his players, and not in the office dealing with the administrative duties that plague coaches of every sport. To this end, he is engaging several students who are interested in taking over some of this administrative work, including recruiting, keeping statistics and managing finances.

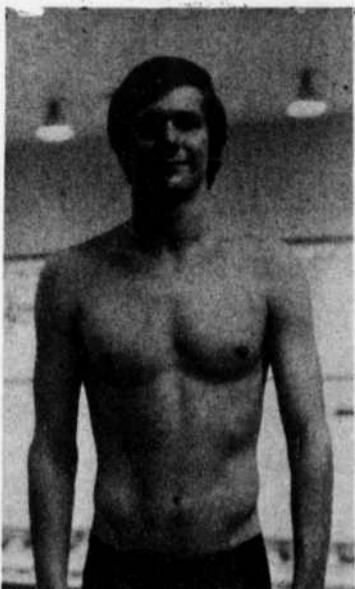
W&L has consistently finished second to Richmond in the Virginia State Championships over the past several years. Last year the team posted an impressive 15-9 record in the highly competitive Southern Water Polo Conference. Led by senior co-captains Mike Foley (continued on page 12)

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Hoke Wins Scholarship



Harry Franklin "Chip" Hoke, III, a four-year All-American swimmer at Washington & Lee and a June honor graduate of the University, was awarded a \$1,500 NCAA Post-Graduate Scholarship this summer.

Hoke, a resident of Richmond, Va., and 1975 graduate of St. Christopher's High, becomes the sixth Washington & Lee student-athlete since 1970 to receive the coveted award. He joins Bill Brotherton (W&L '75) as the only W&L swimmers to win the scholarship.

"Chip had an outstanding career at W&L, academically and athletically, and is most deserving of this prestigious scholarship," said W&L athletic director and physical education chairman William D. McHenry. "As an All-American swimmer and straight-A student, Chip represented the University in a manner with which we are all proud and pleased."

Hoke won six varsity letters at W&L, four in swimming and two in water polo. He received All-American swimming honors in the 1650-yard freestyle event (senior year), and 800 freestyle relay (freshman, sophomore, and junior years), and the 500 freestyle (sophomore year). Hoke helped the Generals attain three top-ten national rankings in swimming and a pair of second-place state finishes in water polo.

Hoke graduated second in a class of 305 this past June, earning summa cum laude honors for his 3.95 grade point average. At W&L's commencement ceremonies, Hoke received the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Medallion, awarded by the faculty to the graduate who excels in high living ideals, spiritual qualities, and generous service to others.

Hoke, 22, is included in *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*, and was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa, the national scholarship fraternity, and Omicron Delta Kappa, the national honorary leadership fraternity founded at Washington and Lee in 1914. In addition, he served as vice-president of the W&L chapter of Lambda Chi Alpha.

A mathematics/physics major, Hoke will use his scholarship at the University of North Carolina, where he plans to obtain his doctorate in mathematics.

by Kip Gordon

Although the season opener is still many months away, preparation for W&L's number one spectator sport is already well under way.

On September 12, the lacrosse Generals commenced a four-week practice session in which new talent is being evaluated and fundamentals reviewed, as recruitment and fall practice are vital steps toward the final product which is showcased in the spring.

Seventy-five players are competing for positions on the 1980 W&L lacrosse team. Thirty-five freshmen, about a dozen of whom were recruited, reported to fall practice. Of the 35, Emmer expects about 10 to make the varsity squad.

The first week of fall practice was devoted entirely to the freshmen for a period of evaluation which one freshman described as "vigorous and intense." Lacrosse fans can get their first look at the rookies on October 14 in a game against

the Roanoke College freshmen which will be played on Wilson Field. The game will provide the coaching staff with a view of the new talent under game situations before the squad is trimmed to 45 for pre-season practice which begins in February.

The annual Alumni game, always the highlight of fall lacrosse, is scheduled for October 7. It will feature the 24 returning veterans of last year's varsity as well as a number of highly-talented

alumni. The game will be played, as it is every year, on Wilson Field.

In spite of the large fall turnout this year, the familiar question remains: Can Washington and Lee lacrosse continue to compete against the larger schools without the aid of athletic scholarships? Coach Emmer himself is uncertain about the future and said, "As long as we can stay competitive, we'll keep playing Division I lacrosse."

Water Polo Starts Under Remillard

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and Biff Martin, along with fellow senior Drew Pillsbury, the team and its coach have high hopes for this season.

Although he falls short of making any actual predictions, it is obvious from talking with Remillard that he is very confident in his players and is optimistic about W&L's chances of capturing the conference championship in his first year here. The key to this goal will be to defeat Richmond, the perennial powerhouse in this area. East Carolina is also expected to present the Generals stiff

competition.
Remillard is convinced that water polo is on the rise in the East as a major intercollegiate sport. He is insistent that he and the W&L water polo team will play a large part in that rise.

There is a long road to be traveled before reaching the Southern Water Polo Conference Championships, which will be held here at W&L, November 2-3. Considering the attitude, talent and energy exhibited by the coach and players alike, that road could quite possibly be a bright and pleasant one.



Basketball Team Travelling To Europe

by Bill Whalen
Asst. Sports Editor

Last Spring we reported on a certain W&L sports team's plans to travel to Europe. We were not joking.

The basketball Generals are definitely going to Europe over Christmas vacation. Following the tour of Europe, the team will rest in Nassau for a few days and then return to the mainland for a tournament in Florida.

There is only one problem with a trip of this magnitude—money. To get the players, coaches and the rest of the entourage through the tour, the cost will be approximately \$25,000.

"We're about 70 percent of the way there" said assistant coach Jim Casciano. If this is true, that would give the team a total of between \$17,000 and \$18,000 leaving them almost \$8,000 short of their goal.

To earn the extra money, the team has several projects set up. Among the top three possibilities are a raffle for a vacation in Myrtle Beach, S.C., a raffle for a "basket of cheer" (full of beer and liquors) and possibly a raffle for a chance to travel with the team.

Casciano also mentioned two other gimmicks. The team might hold a "24-hour running marathon" or sponsor a "concert out at Zollman's Pavilion."

The entire touring group will consist of 20 players, three coaches, one trainer and 12 other people making a total of

38. The players, who each had to raise \$625 this summer (plus \$200 out of their own pockets), will be selling raffle tickets at this Saturday's football game.

As of this writing, 12 seats were still available to anyone who wants to travel to Europe with the Generals. The cost of the trip would be approximately

\$900 and does not cover the trip to the Bahamas and Florida. Anyone interested should get in touch with Casciano or Head Coach Verne Canfield.

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New And Old Faces On The Faculty

The appointments of 11 new teachers at Washington and Lee University—five in the School of Law, four in the undergraduate college and two in the School of Commerce, Economics and Politics—have been announced by deans of the three academic divisions.

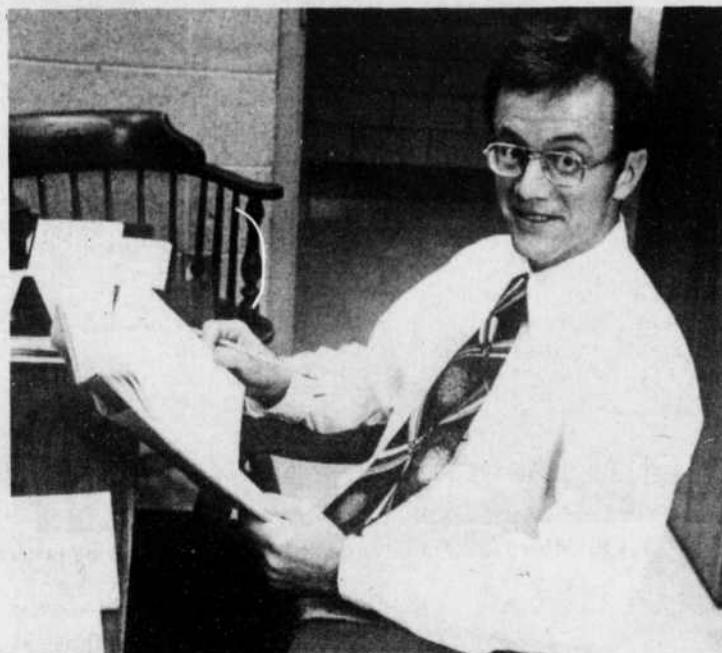
One of the new law teachers will hold the rank of assistant professor, two will be visiting lecturers, and two will be adjunct professors of law, according to Roy L. Steinheimer, law dean. The four newly named faculty members in the College, Washington and Lee's arts and science division, will hold assistant professor rank, according to Dean William J. Watt. The two new teachers in the School of Commerce, Economics and Politics will be associate professors, according to Dean Edward C. Atwood, Jr.

The new assistant law professor is Catherine M.A. McCauliff, now in the general practice of law in New York.

Visiting lecturers in law will be Thomas L. Shaffer, a former dean of Notre Dame University's School of Law, who will be W&L's Francis Lewis Scholar-in-Residence for the fall semester, and William B. Stoebuck, professor of law at the University of Washington, who will be visiting professor of law for the 1978-79 academic year.

Clark R. Mollenhoff, the Pulitzer-prize winning journalist and professor of journalism in W&L's undergraduate school since 1976, and Ross D. Young Jr., as associate with Webster & Chamberlain in Washington, D.C., will be adjunct professors of law for the coming year.

New teachers in the college will be Stephen J. Kowall, assistant professor of geology, Ronald L. Reese, assistant professor of physics, Allan Page Remillard, assistant professor



of physical education, director of aquatics and head swimming and water polo coach, and Dale S. Wright, assistant professor of

religion. Kowall will substitute for Dr. Edgar W. Spencer, professor of geology and department head, who will be on academic leave for a year. Wright will be a one-year replacement for Dr. Minor L. Rogers, assistant professor of religion, who will also be on academic leave this year.

New teachers in the School of Commerce will be Carl P. Kaiser and Richard A. Williams Jr., both to be assistant professors of economics. Kaiser has been an instructor of economics at Webster College in St. Louis, and Williams has taught economics at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. Williams will substitute for Dr. Charles F. Phillips Jr., who will be on academic leave this year.

Announced earlier was the appointment of Almond R. Coleman, one of the nation's foremost professors of business administration for 40 years, who will rejoin the faculty at Washington and Lee as distinguished lecturer in ac-

counting in 1979-80. Coleman was professor of accounting at W&L from 1939 until 1954.

The Department of Military Science at Washington and Lee will also have a change in its faculty for this academic year. Lt. Col. Thomas B. Vaughn will replace Lt. Col. Medley M. Davis as professor of military science and head of the military science program. Capt. Jerome F. Kelly and Capt. Charles H. Hill III will be new assistant professors.

Kaiser, the new economics teacher, has taught economics at El Paso Community College, the University of Texas at El Paso, and Webster College in St. Louis, Mo. For five years he was an aeronautical engineer with the Boeing Co. in Seattle. He received the M.A. degree in economics from the University of Texas and the Ph.D. degree from Washington University in St. Louis.

Kowall, who is an assistant professor of geology at the University of Oklahoma, received the B.S. degree from the State University of New York (SUNY) at Albany and the Ph.D. degree from SUNY at Binghamton. He has also taught at Brooklyn College in New York.

McCauliff, the new assistant professor of law, has been in the general practice of law in New York since 1975. She received the A.B. degree from Bryn Mawr College, the M.A. degree and Ph.D. degree from the University of Toronto. She is a law graduate of the University of Chicago.

Mollenhoff, a Pulitzer-prize winning investigative journalist and a former Presidential ombudsman (1969-70), is a 1944

graduate of Drake University Law School. He was a Nieman Fellow at Harvard in 1949-50 and an Eisenhower Exchange Fellow in 1960-61. He became a Washington correspondent for Cowles Publications in 1961 and Washington bureau chief for the Des Moines Register and Tribune in 1970. Since 1976 he has been professor of journalism in W&L's undergraduate school.

Reese, the new physics teacher, taught astronomy and physics at Bates College from 1971 until 1977 and was a visiting assistant professor of physics at the Worcester Polytechnic Institute in Massachusetts for a year before accepting the same position at Pacific University in 1978. He has worked on a number of scientific publications dealing with chemicals and their ferroelectric and light-scattering properties. He received the B.A. degree from Middlebury College and the Ph.D. degree from Johns Hopkins University.

Remillard, the new assistant professor of physical education, has taught swimming and water polo since 1975 at Clare-

mont, where he was also aquatic director. He received the B.S. degree from California Polytechnic University in 1974. He has also taught at a number of secondary schools.

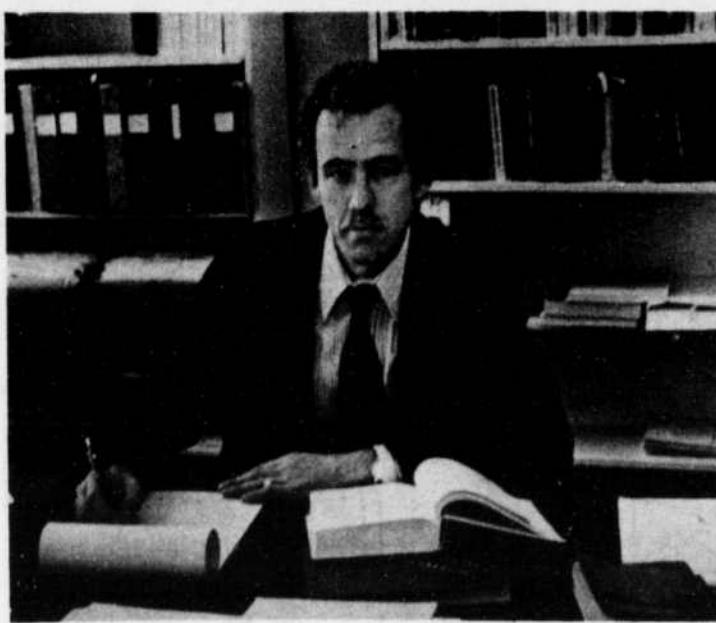
Shaffer, who has been a visiting professor of law at several law schools throughout the country since 1975, is a 1961 law graduate of Notre Dame University. After practicing law in Indianapolis from 1961 until 1963, he was appointed professor of law at Notre Dame. He later became associate dean and then dean of the school in 1971, a position he held until 1975.

Wright is an assistant instructor in the University of Iowa's Division of Continuing Education. He received the B.A. degree from San Diego State University in 1971 and expects to receive the Ph.D. degree from the University of Iowa this year.

Young, an associate with Webster & Chamberlain in Washington, D.C., is a 1951 law graduate of the University of Virginia. He was a senior trial attorney with the Federal Trade Commission's Bureau of



litigation from 1953 until 1962, and worked for the Bureau of Restraint of Trade from 1965 until 1973. He is a former assistant to the general counsel for anti-trust of the Martin-Marietta Corp. in New York and a former associate with McMurray & Pendegast and with Hamel, Parke, McCabe & Saunders, both in Washington, D.C.



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Miscarriage of Justice

Several weeks ago now, an Evans Dining Hall construction worker made an apparent attempt to break into a female law student's room. That's good journalistic form for saying that the guy broke down the woman's window screen and may have actually entered her room through the window. We will never know for sure because the frightened student fled her room to take refuge elsewhere with a friend. She had been bothered before by the workman and did not want to take her chances again.

What is important about this case is that today, over two weeks after the incident, the man has not been prosecuted and no charges are even pending against him. "In order to press charges and prosecute," Commonwealth's Attorney Beverly C. Read told our reporter John Billmyre, "an intent to commit crimes prior to the offense of break-in must be established."

What legalese is this? There are a number of nagging questions in this most bizarre case. Perhaps there is not enough evidence to prosecute the intruder on charges of attempted rape, but could he not have been prosecuted for destruction of private property? Why were no finger or footprints taken by the Lexington police when they arrived on the scene? The most nagging question of all is *why is this man still roaming the streets as if he had done nothing wrong?*

The Commonwealth's Attorney claims that "a peculiarity" in Virginia law prevented him from prosecuting the worker for the break-in and he hinted that the reason the Lexington police department was unable to positively identify the man for destruction of property was their gross ineptitude. But, in the true tradition of bureaucratic buck passing, Chief of Police James A. Kirby says that it was Read's decision not to prosecute, while Read claims that both men had a hand in deciding to do nothing.

Meanwhile, the only group to take any decisive action was the University, which told the worker that he would no longer be allowed on school property—a move that had the effect of firing him from his job.

We find this whole situation very disturbing. A potentially dangerous man is still prowling the streets of Lexington while the police and Commonwealth's Attorney sit idly by. And we cannot help wondering if this city's law enforcement officials wouldn't be better occupied if they devoted more time to criminals than parking tickets and noise violations.

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Jay Blumberg looks mildly amused during EC swearing-in ceremony Monday night.

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Letters To The Editor

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Getting Dumped Persiflage

It's amazing how insensitive some people can be. Here I sit, emotionally crushed, and the only thing these journalists can think of is their deadlines. These alleged human beings expect me to crank out the words after having gone through a devastating and traumatic experience. Evidently, a broken heart isn't a good enough excuse to get out of writing for this rag sheet.

Look, I'm sorry. I shouldn't talk this way. It's just that I'm very distraught.

She was everything to me. Although she had the intelligence of a toaster, she made up for it in other ways. Her acrobatic body and rabbit-like inclinations might not have been enough for some people, but I've never been a snob.

We used to go everywhere together. My room, her room, a motel, a car—it didn't matter to us. Ours was a love that seemed capable of enduring the strain of time.

Alas, it was not to be. While we were apart this summer she began to change. On my return to school she told me that she had to be alone for awhile, that she had to find herself. Maybe it was the way that I laughed in her face that made her suspect that I wasn't very sympathetic to her emotional needs.

Anyway, it ended just a few days ago. She's going on to major in dance while touring Europe with Daddy's American Express card. Me? Well, I'm just sitting here with a six-pack, a naive young freshman girl and a lot of imagination, trying to kill the pain.



In Focus

Has Social Security Become The Nation's Largest Welfare System

Donald Lambro

With all the pious rhetoric swirling about the social security system, no one seems able to summon forth the courage to say out loud what a few economists have now realized, namely, that for many young, middle- and upper income Americans just entering the labor force, social security's retirement program is a rotten investment.

Certainly, for retired workers and those approaching retirement, social security remains a bargain. These workers have been taxed at the substantially lower rates of the past while their total future benefits have been raised far out of proportion to what they have contributed into the fund.

For example, a 25-year-old man who began work in 1937, when the program began, upon retirement in 1978 had paid in a maximum employee share of only \$8,728. Today, this worker is receiving a monthly benefit check of \$459.80, or \$5517.60 per year. At this rate he will recover his payments in less than 32 months—assuming they earned interest at the time they were taxed, at 5 percent per year compounded annually. If the worker is married with a spouse age 65 or older, his monthly check is \$689.70, and it will take only twenty-one months to recoup his share of the social security tax plus the interest his money would have earned over forty years.

*Donald Lambro is a Washington reporter for United Press International and the author of the book *The Federal Rathole*. This article is reprinted with permission from the September 10 issue of the magazine *Inquiry*.*

But most workers live considerably longer than these payments would allow. Today the rest of the retired worker's benefits come out of the earnings of the nation's current work force. This is why social security is anything but an insurance or pension scheme: It is the nation's largest welfare program.

The story is considerably different, however, for those just beginning their working lives. These workers—people who have been working for several years and those just getting started—will be paying vastly more in social security taxes than they can ever expect to recoup in pension benefits during their retirement years.

When social security's retirement provisions are examined it is clear the plan is an abysmal investment for young workers. They are finding, particularly this year, that sharply rising payroll taxes are expropriating bigger chunks of their weekly income. Under the tax rate hikes enacted by Congress in 1977, social security levies will eat up nearly 14 percent of all payrolls by 1987, compared with less than two percent in 1940. It is no wonder that today, among all federal, state, and local taxes, the bite of social security is second in size to that of the federal income tax.

On January 1, 1979, workers found that the maximum tax had shot up from \$1,070.85 to \$1,403.77. That is because the payroll tax rose this year from 6.05 percent to 6.15 percent and total wages subject to social security taxes went up from \$17,000 to \$22,900.

This sharp escalation, however, is only the beginning. Social security taxes as set by Congress are due to rise dramatically in the years ahead in order to finance expanded benefits for an ever increasing number of beneficiaries. By 1981 the maximum employee share of the tax will be \$1,975.05, compared to the \$374.40 maximum that workers paid in 1970, and taxes for workers earning the maximum taxable income will nearly triple in the next decade.

Married working couples will be among the hardest hit in terms of their total tax bite. For a couple, each earning \$17,700, the combined social security tax last year was \$2,141. Their employers' matching tax payments, which after all are paid on their behalf, pushed their annual total to \$4,283. Allowing salary

increases to 6 percent, the couple's annual social security taxes in three years will climb to \$2,803. By 1981, their total employer-employee tax will be \$5,506.

Each year the social security fund receives nearly \$112 billion from 110 million workers. And each month it sends out almost \$5 billion in checks to 21.5 million

But the option of staying out of social security is available only to people who work for the government—like members of Congress and federal civilian workers—and for those who are privileged enough to work for nonprofit organizations.

State and local governments also are able to

	MAX. WITHHELD	% CONTRIBUTION	EARNINGS MAX.
1960	\$144	3 %	4,800
1961	no change	—	—
1962	\$150	3.125	4,800
1963	\$174	3.625	4,800
1964	same as 1963		
1965	same as 1963		
1966	\$277.20	4.2	6,600
1967	\$290.40	4.4	6,600
1968	\$343.20	4.4	7,800
1969	\$374.40	4.8	7,800
1970	\$374.40	4.8	7,800
1971	\$405.60	5.2	7,800
1972	\$468	5.2	9,000
1973	\$631.80	5.85	9,000
1974	\$772.20	5.85	13,200
1975	\$824.85	5.85	14,100
1976	\$895.05	5.85	15,300
1977	\$965.25	5.85	16,500
1978	\$1,070.85	6.05	17,700
1979	\$1,403.77	6.13	22,900
1980	\$1,587.50	6.65	25,900
1981	\$1,975.05	6.9	29,700
1985	% contribution will gradually increase from 6.13 up to 7.65 in 1990.		
1986		7.15	
1990		7.65	

As this table illustrates, the percentage of both the employee and employer contributions to Social Security has increased dramatically over the past several years with

the percentage of contribution and the taxable earnings limit being pushed ever higher each year. Social Security levies will eat up nearly 14 percent of all payrolls by 1987.

retirees, \$1.5 billion for 7.6 million widows and children, and \$900 million for 4.8 million disabled. It also pays out an average of \$1.4 billion per month in medicare payments to 9.6 million recipients.

withdraw from social security, and since 1970 more than 477 separate groups have taken themselves out of the system. Another 284 municipalities have given notice of their intention to withdraw.

San Jose, Calif., is one community that has withdrawn and had added benefits to its own pension plan which, a city official said, "provides better benefits than by continuing in social security."

Employer's Share

Figuring out whether the social security retirement component is a good buy in and of itself, depends largely upon whether an employee counts his employer's matching tax share when computing the overall return on his or her "investment."

Robert Myers, formerly chief actuary for the Social Security Administration, believes strongly

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Best To Get Out

A relatively small number of economists have finally begun to question the program's true value as a retirement plan for moderate- and upper-income Americans in the years ahead. Is social security a good buy for these and other Americans? Jodie Allen, once an analyst for a Washington economic research firm and now a top assistant to Labor Secretary Ray Marshall, is one of the few to have spoken frankly about it: "Social Security is no longer as good a buy as it once was for the average, relatively well-paid worker," she said. "Anyone who can legally do so," she added, "will do well to opt for his own private system of retirement benefits."

Social Security Has Become A Rotten Investment

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that it is "dead wrong" to include the employer's share because, he says, that money "should be considered as being pooled for the general benefit of all covered workers in the system."

Most economists, however, disagree. Rudolph Penner, director of tax policy studies at the American Enterprise Institute, correctly argues that the employer's matching share is paid on the worker's behalf and that some share of it, if not all, must be considered payment in lieu of wages. In other words, both the employer's and the employee's total contributions, i.e., taxes, must be combined when measuring the program's actual value in terms of a real return on one's total lifetime investment.

Even figures compiled by the social security system's own actuaries indicate that the program is not a good buy for a single male worker, age 22, who always earns at least the maximum wage base on which the payroll tax is levied. Using their figures, the present value of that individual's benefits upon retirement as projected for the year 2022—will only be 35 percent of the present value of the social security taxes paid by him and by his employer on his behalf during his working life.

A 22-year-old "low earner" (earning around \$4300 in 1978) who remains unmarried throughout his working life fares somewhat better—the comparable figure is 73 percent—but he is far from breaking even on his tax contributions.

One of the greatest tragedies of the entire social security debate is that few Americans take the time to figure out how much money they will be paying into the system and what that money might have earned if invested over their working life. The sums could be enormous.

Two Cases

Consider two hypothetical wage earners, both age 21, each beginning work in 1978. The first person starts out at \$20,000 a year. The second year begins at \$30,000 a year. Both receive 6 percent salary increases each year. Each would retire at age 65 in the year 2022.

While the starting salaries may seem high, incomes within this range are not uncommon for college graduates in the physical sciences and the professions, nor for many blue-collar workers. Postal clerks are now earning close to \$20,000 a year. Construction and auto workers can earn far more. The \$30,000 level was chosen to illustrate the fullest bite possible under the maximum social security tax rates workers will face in the coming years.)

The computations for these hypothetical cases were made by Myers, who based his figures solely on that portion of the tax that funds social security's retirement benefits; they do not include that portion of the deduction used to fund disability and health insurance. The exercise compares the benefits a retiree expects to receive from social security with those he would get if the same amount of money were put into a savings or similar investment account paying 7.75 percent compound interest. Both cases were also based on the assumption that the interest would be tax-free, as it is now on certain types of individually financed retirement plans.

Illusory Gains

Although the monthly benefit projected in the year 2022 appears enormous, inflation and the dollar devaluation it reflects will have substantially destroyed any significant improvement in buying power. Here's what the figures show:

The \$20,000 earner will get a monthly social security pension of \$6,209 upon his retirement, but if the \$20,255 he will end up paying in taxes over his work-

ing life had gone instead into a savings plan, he would have retired with a personal estate of \$891,229. Such is the power of compound interest. Assuming an additional fifteen years of life, the value of his benefits will be 98.8 percent of taxes paid—just about a break-even proposition.

If this worker, at age 65, were to take just his own investment payments and buy a life insurance annuity, one that leaves no money after death, he would get a yearly income of \$90,030 for life, \$15,522 per year more than social security income would provide.

The \$30,000 earner, who will receive a monthly social security benefit of \$6,905, would have seen his \$244,145 in taxes grow to over \$1.036 million if he had been allowed to put his money into an interest-bearing account during his working years. The present value of his benefits-to-taxes figures out to 94.4 percent, however, as close to a break-even point. If this worker bought the same type of annuity with his invested payments, at retirement he would receive an annual income of \$104,714, or \$21,854 more per year than social security would pay.

generation would find that its initial net Social Security wealth was negative....Each generation would pay taxes with a greater present value than the benefits it received."

The Harvard economists said that of 150 million Americans 18 years of age or older, about 50 million have negative net social security wealth. Older people have a positive net social security wealth "because they are closer to receiving benefits and have fewer taxpaying years left."

In another study, June O'Neill, a Congressional Budget Office economist, sets the real rate of return, adjusted for inflation, for those now entering the system at between 1 percent and 2.2 percent for married couples, with a negative return for single men.

In a paper presented to the American Economic Association O'Neill said the rate of return on social security investment over the long haul "is expected to fall below 2 percent in real terms for workers retiring over the next 75 years." Her figures are based solely on the retirement tax plus survivors' benefits.

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The percentage of benefits to taxes paid is based on just the employee's employees' tax share. When their employer's share of payroll is included, however, the value of the benefits-to-taxes plunges to 49.4 percent and 47.2 percent respectively—turning their "investment" into a very bad buy indeed.

Critics of any proposed change to a retirement-investment plan may argue that such wage earners are still better off with social security because the pension will regularly keep pace with inflation and an annuity will not. But the beneficiary would have to wait for the increases to match what the annuity would pay him immediately upon retirement, assuming he lives that long. Far more important, however, the investment approach leaves the beneficiary with a sizeable estate, which social security does not. Such an estate can be used to purchase an annuity or some other retirement-investment plan, or the retiree could simply spend part of his accumulated estate for his own personal needs and invest the remainder in some income-producing plan.

Our two hypothetical examples are not unique. Other studies measuring what is termed "net Social Security wealth" (the present value of benefits retirees will receive at age 65) conclude that it will be negative for most young wage earners.

The Real Losers

Who will be among the losers? Harvard economists Martin Feldstein and Anthony Pellechio say that the net social security wealth is negative for families whose wage earners now range in age from 25 to 34. These people can expect to pay more in social security taxes than they will receive in benefits.

"If the current relation between benefits and taxes were to remain unchanged," they said, in an analysis for the American Enterprise Institute, "each new

For those with more education who can expect higher earnings, the rate of return will be lower—in some cases negative—according to Social Security economist Dean Leimer in a study presented to the Western Economics Association. Leimer's projection for a person born in 1965 and reaching retirement by the year 2030 shows a rate of return adjusted for inflation of approximately minus 1 percent for college-educated married couples. For couples with an eighth grade education, he calculates a rate of return of plus 1.4 percent.

Thus, for many members of the next generation of retirees, social security "is no longer a good buy," as Allen restated in an interview. "You have to ask yourself," she said, "why federal workers don't want into this system."

A Bad Deal Gets Worse

All of this tells us that social security's retirement program is becoming an increasingly bad deal for the nation's young. And as the birthrate continues to fall and longevity grows, this deal will grow worse. Greater amounts of income will have to be taken from a shrinking base of workers to support an expanding number of retirees.

Establishment circles have been able to dismiss out of hand every proposal that would allow optional modifications according to some "investment" formula. Such highhandedness would not be possible if the public were aware of these alternatives and their implications. If people understood that they could achieve greater wealth if they were able to invest their social security contributions—perhaps grandfathering in everyone who prefers the present program and giving only new workers the option to invest—there is every reason to believe that most Americans would enthusiastically embrace the opportunity.

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