

Radio Station Here Is Forecast; Company Obtains State Charter

Scott, Ravenhorst Represent School In Newest Venture

By EVERETT McCLINTOCK

Plans for a radio broadcasting station in Lexington are near completion since the State Corporation Commission at Richmond granted a charter to the Rockbridge Broadcasting Corporation on July 19.

Two Washington and Lee University members figure prominently in the scheduled enterprise. Tom Scott, a senior commerce student, is second Vice-President for the new organization and Henry L. Ravenhorst, University housing administrative officer, is listed as Secretary-Treasurer.

Although a permit and license to construct and operate the proposed 1000 watt standard and FM broadcasting stations are still pending approval from the Federal Communications Commission in Washington, authorization is virtually certain, according to board members.

Studios at Nuckles'

Plans to begin construction on the transmitter building and improvements on the already available studio space in Lexington and Buena Vista have been completed. Although the corporation did not release the site for the central studios in Lexington, reports have indicated that possibly vacant space on the second floor of Nuckles Radio shop on Main Street would be utilized for the venture.

AM and FM Permit

Ravenhorst announced that first the basic equipment for a standard broadcasting studio will be installed and put into use, and the majority of facilities for the FM (frequency modulated) station will be added at a later date.

The men responsible for the undertaking, who are also the present officers for the corporation are: Marshall L. Wilmer, Rockbridge County and Washington, D.C., Mason C. Deaver, Jr., Lexington, First Vice-President; Thomas A. Scott, Jr., Lexington and Roanoke, Second Vice-President; Charles H. Davidson, Jr., Lexington, Third Vice-President; and Henry L. Ravenhorst, Lexington, Secretary and Treasurer. Scott was house manager for the Sigma Nu Fraternity during the preceding year.

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Final Enrollment Tally Shows 537 Men Attend W&L Summer Sessions

Total enrollment at Washington and Lee for the summer session now stands at 537 according to figures released Tuesday by Registrar Magruder Drake. Of these, 365 are in Academic and Commerce Schools and 172 are in Law School.

Comparing this figure to the enrollment last summer, Drake noted that the 448 1946 summer attendance included only 75 Law Students.

He said the percentage of veterans attending school this summer is exactly the same as last year, 91 per cent. He added, however, that the summer veteran percentage is well above the 77 per cent listed for the regular term.

"The increase in percentage of veterans this summer," Drake asserted, "indicates that veterans are more interested in getting

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NOTICE

The business manager for The Ring-tum Phi requests that anyone not receiving his copy of the paper promptly send his name and address to Box 899, Lexington, Virginia.

Town Council Will Attempt To Meet Soon

Students Will Discuss Laundry Smoke Problem, And Davidson Speeding

By KENT TRUSLOW

The expected meeting between student representatives and a committee of Lexington officials has not yet materialized, committee chairman Jim Harmon announced today.

In spite of repeated attempts by members of the committee to reach Mayor Dunn, it has so far been impossible to contact him, Harmon said.

According to Town Manager Dunlop, as soon as the mayor returns to Lexington, the town committee will make every effort to arrange the desired conference at the earliest convenient time.

Although the Lexington officials have nothing to present for discussion at the present, the student committee feels that it would like to broach several questions of importance, Harmon stated.

One of the more important points will be the blanketing of "Red Square" by the large amount of coal smoke issuing from the Rockbridge Laundry. Also to be discussed is a somewhat more strict enforcement of the speed laws governing traffic in the Davidson Park zone.

Harmon expressed the hope that the joint committee would be able to clear up these problems as soon as possible, although he said that the first meeting would probably be confined to a discussion of general policies.

The committee, consisting of three student representatives; Chairman Jim Harmon, Hartel Toney, and Walter Potter, was appointed by the Executive Committee under President Fox last spring.

A similar group of Lexington officials, including Mayor Dunn, Town Manager Dunlop, and Town Attorney Glasgow, were selected to meet with the students. The problems which were to have been considered were, for the most part, those which face the committee at the present time, Harmon said. Special effort was to have been made to alter the unpleasant feeling between Lexington merchants and students, and to bring about a more general understanding in their relations.

No Suggestions Filed for FD

Fancy Dress Contest Will Close Saturday

No entries have been received thus far in the six-week-old contest to name the theme for the 1948 Fancy Dress, Ralph Davis, dance president, revealed this week.

The contest, which closes Saturday, has disappointed not only the Fancy Dress committee but the Dance Board as well, Davis said.

Some students have talked to the dance president about the theme and have given him a few oral suggestions, but to date no official entries have been received by the Fancy Dress Committee.

Committee Meeting

Set President Davis called a meeting of all members of the Fancy Dress Committee to be held on Wednesday, July 30, at 5 p.m. in the student union to discuss the theme and to formulate tentative plans for the forthcoming social classic.

Since students will still have time to submit entries after reading this week's edition of The Ring-tum Phi, Davis suggested that any student interested in winning free costumes and tickets

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Seersucker Ball Profit Assures Second Dance

Vagabonds' Orchestra Will Play for Informal Night on August 16

By STAN KAMEN

Having just engineered the first financially profitable campus dance in many moons, the Dance Board announced Monday night that a second "Seersucker Ball" will be held in the gym August 16.

Decision to sponsor a second dance was made by the Board after it learned that a profit of \$31.50 had been made on the dance last weekend. This profit the Board termed "disappointing."

The music for the August 16 affair will be provided by the "Vagabonds," a Lynchburg orchestra well-known and well-liked by summer session veterans. Bev Fitzpatrick, Dance Board Spokesman, said the popular band had been engaged in an effort to increase the campus interest in summer dances.

Advance sale of tickets for the second dance will begin on Thursday, August 6 and will continue through August 13. Ducats will sell during this period for \$1.75. Prices after the 13th and at the door will be \$2.25.

Fitzpatrick said that the hiring of a better orchestra (the Vagabonds) had necessitated the slight increase in price.

Last week's dance, adjudged a social success by a consensus of those attending, proved unimpressive financially to Dance Board authorities.

Said Fitzpatrick: "Frankly, I was surprised and disappointed in that students, who had requested the dance, did not support it as they should have."

According to Fitzpatrick, the small attendance was due in part to (1) the necessity of scheduling the dance on a holiday weekend, (2) the late arrival of G.I. checks, and (3) the difficulty encountered in securing dates on short notice.

Fitzpatrick noted that the small profit made in spite of meagre attendance indicated that, had student support been reasonable, a much larger financial success would have been possible.

"Had the students who remained on campus made a sincere effort to support the Dance Board, in the undertaking requested by the student body," he asserted,

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Second Fire In Prefab At Hillside Terrace Burns Student Home

Students, Firemen Fight Blaze Found In Crittenden Apt.

By BILL BIEN

Occupants of the Hillside Terrace University-sponsored housing project for married veterans were called out Monday afternoon to battle the second fire in that settlement since the apartments were completed last fall.

While Lexington's volunteer fire department succeeded in confining the blaze to one of three units in building 20, students from neighboring apartments removed most of the clothing and furnishings from the burning building.

The blaze started when Mrs. Kitty Crittenden, who was married in June to Tom Crittenden, Washington and Lee commerce student, placed a pan of ham drippings on the kitchen stove provided by the school. Grease fell through to a pan below the top burners and flamed up through a ventilator at the rear of the stove. Within a few seconds the asbestos sided kitchen walls had started to burn. Mrs. Crittenden said that "before I knew it the whole ceiling was on fire and I shouted for help."

"I called the fire department a few minutes after two and the first truck arrived within ten minutes," Mrs. Crittenden reported.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Crittenden have requested the RTP to include an expression of their sincere gratitude to all those who gave their assistance in the removal of belongings from the burning apartment. Said Crittenden, "I never saw so many people converge on one spot so quickly. I owe each of them my deepest thanks."

Bill Quisenberry, a neighboring Washington and Lee student, said that he and his wife had first noticed a peculiar odor about two o'clock, and that when they heard someone call for help they attempted to contact the fire department but that someone from the nearby lumber company had already turned in the fire alarm.

The other occupants of the burned out building did not recall having noticed any signs of fire until the blaze was well started. Hill and Anne Maury, on one side thought at first that toast was burning. Jim McNear, who lives in an adjacent building on the other side, said "the first I knew about it was when I heard somebody scream."

The accident marked the second time that a fire has broken out in building 20 in Hillside Terrace. Shortly before the first couple moved into the project last year, a blaze damaged the structure and delayed housing plans, at a time when the situation was

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Phi Alpha Delta Meeting Features Ballengee's Talk On Different Courts

A comparison of American and British judicial systems, was the subject of a talk by Jim Ballengee to the members of Phi Alpha Delta legal fraternity on Thursday evening at the Student Union. Ballengee pointed out the differences between court costs and recovery of expense litigation as they effect individuals under each system. Attorney's fees as an item of damages was also mentioned by Ballengee, Co-Editor of the Law Review.

After a short discussion on the talk by the members, it was announced that next week T. Ryland Dodson will speak on the subject of "The Relationship Between Judge and Jury."

At its next meeting Phi Alpha Delta will initiate Don Bain, an SAE Law student of Bridgeport, Connecticut.

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Cooperative Buying Plans for Fraternities Studied by IFC Members

By GEORGE STOTT

Washington and Lee's much discussed but perhaps little understood plan of interfraternity co-operative purchasing has received new interest and support on the campus among the students and the Interfraternity Council.

Jim Moorehead, president of the IFC, who is leading that group in its efforts to get such a project set up, said that program would probably be modeled after the Fraternity Managers' Association now in operation at Ohio State.

Tom Wilson, who last month made a detailed study of the functions of the set-up at Ohio State, recently explained the operation to the members of the Interfraternity Council.

By operating under the cooperative purchasing program the aggregate of 90 fraternities and sororities at Ohio State have not only reduced their operating expenses substantially, but have received profits from the organization each year.

Started in 1931

Since 1931, when the idea first became a reality at Ohio State, the Fraternity Managers' Association had shown a profit annually, and in the year 1946 alone a total profit of \$8,000 was divided among the participating groups.

In order to set up the cooperative buying plan, each fraternity that backed the idea was assessed an amount equalling two month's expenditures or \$400, whichever was the smaller sum. At the beginning 65 fraternities

joined the project which today has 100 per cent participation on the campus.

After capitalization, the Association received bids from local produce wholesalers and meat packers. The wholesalers and meat packers at first agreed to supply the co-op on a six months basis, but after it became evident that the set-up was a reliable agency, the period of time was lengthened to one year.

Bids were received not only from

food producers, but also from dairies, radio repair shops, coal distributors, furniture stores—from nearly all companies with whom a fraternity would have to deal. Fraternities, therefore, bought all of their supplies and services through the coop and had virtually no contact with local merchants.

All orders from fraternities for canned goods were placed with the co-op two months in advance. These orders specified not only the

New 'Swing' Recordings Due Soon

By NIXON DANIEL

The Washington and Lee Swing seems destined to continue to enjoy its great popularity.

According to information received from Lea Booth, W. and L. Public Relations Counsel, a large number of orchestra leaders have made new recordings of the Swing recently or are planning to do so in the immediate future.

Included in the impressive list of orchestra leaders who have indicated their intention of recording the song, are Johnny Long, who is recording for Signature (General Electric owned) and who played here for Opening Dances last fall, Tex Beneke, who is recording for RCA and who has a large part of the old Glenn Miller organization, and Bob Crosby, recording for Decca.

Johnny Long's recording of the Washington and Lee Swing will be included in an album of eight college tunes. Long said that he thinks that he has a good arrangement of the Swing, the vo-

calizing being done by a quartet. Tex Beneke's recording will be in an album entitled "Prom Date," which album in its entirety, consists of four records.

Booth said that Columbia is either going to make a new recording of the song or reissue a Benny Goodman recording, and that an organization known as Lang-Worth was also recording the Washington and Lee Swing for radio output.

The Washington and Lee Swing was composed by the late Thornton W. Allen, Class of '13, while an undergraduate of W. and L., but some credit must go to Alumni A. ("Tod") Robins and Mark W. Sheafe.

The song was first published in 1910, and since that time the melody is known to have been adopted by over 50 schools and colleges, including the University of Florida, the University of Arizona and Tulane University.

Prior to his death in July, 1944, Allen was regarded as the dean of college song writers.

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Strength and Unity

Once again the somewhat popular idea of interfraternity co-operative purchasing has received the backing of one of the numerous campus organizations. This time the project, which has been considered more than four times in the past decade at Washington and Lee, is being sponsored by the Interfraternity Council.

Congratulations should be extended not only to the IFC for its support of the shop-worn idea, but also to Tom Wilson, who devoted a considerable amount of his own time to a detailed study of the set-up as it existed at Ohio State and who has formulated tentative plans to put the idea into operation on the Washington and Lee campus.

As noble as their efforts may be, neither Tom Wilson nor the Interfraternity Council can do the job alone. They need support in the form of a mandate from the 17 fraternity houses to carry on their work. They have every right to look for support of this program among the members of these social organizations.

No small group of fraternities can accomplish this objective, and no campus organization can do very much without the support of the students they represent.

If the successful operation of this ten year old idea is ever to be realized, it must be done now, for further postponement of the project would be an admission of complete defeat. Because of the small number of fraternity houses on the Washington and Lee campus as compared to the total of 90 fraternities and sororities at Ohio State, the participation of nearly all of the fraternities would be necessary to insure the success of the plan.

Wholesalers who now sell to the local merchants will not sell to the fraternities at wholesale prices because they know that the local merchants will cut them off. Therefore, the object of the buying program is to present to the wholesaler a combined account of all of the fraternities that is large enough to preclude the risk of their losing their accounts with the local merchants.

Therefore, whether it pertains to canned goods, fresh vegetables, dairy products or meats, the question is one of volume, and that can be had only through 100 per cent participation of the fraternities serving meals. Still, there are some fraternities, who are not willing to back the idea on the utterly fallacious ground that such a plan would mean a standardization of menus and the equalization of food among the houses. The co-operative purchasing association, as explained by the IFC, does not support this charge. Any fraternity can have any menu at any time with any quality food.

Furthermore, some fraternities have the idea that the establishment of the co-op will be an initial gamble. Nothing could be farther from the truth. If a fraternity contributes \$500 towards the creation of the project, it can be assured of at least \$500 worth of food

at present wholesale prices, and would have just cause to look forward to more than that if the plan works.

The only way the success of this project can be attained is through the complete support of the student body and by unified action on the part of the fraternities.—G.B.S.

Press Box

In his "Generalizing" column this week, Walt Frye points out that the improvements on Wilson Field are offset by deplorable facilities in the press box atop the West-Side stands.

If publicity for our athletic events is an important element in the Bicentennial drive, we say a new, enlarged press box is a waste of effort and money. But if athletic publicity is the imperative factor in that Bicentennial campaign that it appears to be, judging by the enlarged sports schedules and improved equipment, we must have a more satisfactory place for the visiting press before the 1947 football season begins.

Washington and Lee is slated to meet schools this fall in tilts which could be attractive to cash customers. It would be nice, for example, to pack the stands for the Homecoming double-header offering in October, when we battle Davidson, and VMI plays the Wahoos.

Good advance publicity, through sports-writers who have seen a team operate, is necessary to draw a crowd for a football game. And to give a team publicity, those sports-writers must have adequate working conditions at the field.

We know the Generals play a razzle-dazzle type of football, interesting to watch. But outside football fans won't know it unless the papers tell them so. They will never know it, and may never attend a W. and L. game, unless the press facilities at Wilson Field are improved immediately.

We advocate an allocation of funds this summer for the rebuilding of the press-box. Such an investment will pay added dividends in the long run.—W. D. B.

More Fire!

They say that lightning never strikes twice in the same place, but the couples out at Hillside Terrace know better. The second fire disaster since the pre-fabs were installed swept the same apartment in the same building last Monday. Fortunately, no one was hurt seriously.

We were pleased to note that the Lexington Fire Department was there in good time and on the job. It made us feel a little bit safer.

But if we were living out at Hillside Terrace, we still would feel a little bit nervous, especially at night. A quick survey of the housing development showed us that the only piece of fire-fighting equipment in the area consists of a few lengths of hose.

This is not an ideal condition for an area of slap-bang construction such as Hillside Terrace. In the first place, the buildings seem only about half as well put together as those in Davidson Park.

In the second place, they look a little bit like firetraps. They have rock wool insulation in places, true, but the general effect is far from safe. At the recent fire, which started in the middle apartment, smoke poured out of the two end apartments for a considerable length of time after the fire itself was actually extinguished. This shows quite definitely that the ventilation in the buildings is so arranged that a fire could spread very quickly and very dangerously from one apartment to another if it were not checked.

It may be true that it would be hard to burn to death in one of these apartments; but it would be easy to suffocate; and even easier to lose all one's clothing and furniture.

We just want to know two things:

1. Why weren't fire extinguishers installed in both housing developments after the last fire?

2. When is the University going to get around to putting them in now that events have shown a very real need for them?

What is really needed is a small hand fire extinguisher in every apartment and a mobile unit both at Davidson Park and Hillside Terrace.

The need for some precautionary measures and equipment is imperative. It is up to the University administration to act at once to remedy a condition of which they must have been aware a good many months ago.

Campus Comment

By LUJAX SCHERMERHORN

Torn Sash Department: Before getting immersed in the more general aspects of last week's version of the rat-race we want to take our hat off to the Student Body President who really must have a way with the women. It isn't everyone who can be kissed in front of all the chaperones by a gal he's only met once before in his life. The femme in question, however, didn't confine her efforts to Freddy. Not satisfied with a mere one man — she had late — later, and latest — dates with various sizes, shapes, and we'll leave off the end of the comparison — varying from intra-mural wrestlers to visiting ATO's from Maryland. We guess she just wasn't "ready for Freddy."

Att'n Highland Falls, N. Y. Eds. Congratulations to Bobby Kearse, of Alcohol Alley Phi Psi and Miss Betty Thorn McCluer of Troub fame. Another one of the pinnings that took place last weekend.

Incidental Intelligence: We wonder if the Betas have any of their coveted athletic trophies left after Saturday night's awards were bestowed by Shabby Davidson. Shab made various and sundry awards to Beta dates along with speeches strongly reminiscent of McWhorter's Confederate War Bond speeches. While we're down Beta way, it might be noted that Publications Board Secretary Fred Holley was making the usual passes at his friend's wives.

The Phi Delt lounge was well-populated as usual, but the attraction wasn't women last weekend. The Auto Clubbers probably still don't know it but the reason most of their lads had dates disappear was no doubt due to the extended poker game which progressed from nine till four. Just knocks heck out of those Saturday nights.

Better luck next time to Bill Ingalls who made a vain, but gallant effort to induce a very lovely West Virginia lady-in-red from the PIKA lounge for "just five minutes." Maybe it was just that she didn't have her shoes on, or is it that Little Willie's charm is waning?

Len Wilde was his usual self, cracking Falstaff Openshaw jokes ("Watch out for that last step grandma the paddy-wagon's pulling away) and listening to hillbilly music, third floor Phi Psi house. Charlie Lemon was helping on the choruses.

Seldon McNeer, keeping quietly to himself playing "Martha" on his sax and urging people to try the "best olive in the world" immersed in a typically McNeer Martini.

Tom Hook, looking winded and all out of breath after making the long haul, with date attached, from the White Star refinery to the DU house to "look at the wonderful view from the back porch." A bourbon and sevenup was necessary before he could muster strength enough to get back.

The Refinery lounge itself was full of the usual heterogeneous

Letter to Editor

With reference to your last week editorial about "Ticket Sales" and "Monday Morning Dance Presidents:" it seems to me that Mr. J. D. J. had better take a course in statistics to learn how to conduct a sample poll.

If there is a deficit, the Dance Board, through their neglect to find out what proportion of the student body desired to have a dance this summer, is to be blamed.

As to Dance Board members being queried by the student body daily, I doubt this; for I doubt if 90 per cent of the student body (summer students) even know who makes up the Dance Board. (Maybe his fraternity buddies know, but who else?)

With reference to the "sudden air of indifference:" the dance was held on one of the two weekends off, and what student wants to stick around on a humid weekend for a dance when he can go home or elsewhere to get away from school for a change.

It seems as though the Dance Board is blaming the student body for non-cooperation. My suggestion is that they find out what proportion of students really want a dance, and then make their plans accordingly.

Yes, I have a right to write this criticism, for I supported every dance given last year, and still think that a few "wheels" tend to monopolize the affairs.

(Name withheld by request)

array of characters, ranging from Toto's wife (the sublime) to a worn out hitch-hiker from Ontario College (the ridiculous) who couldn't get a room at the Robert E. Lee.

About all the Sigma Chi house could boast was Charlie Ale, accompanied by (or at least near) R. B. Stipes and George (I sold that one last month) Kearns. It seems the Sweetheart Boys kept well to themselves, except for a wondering member of this sheets circulation staff who turned up in the Phi Kap lounge. (Jabo was nowhere to be found.)

True to form more of the Deltas arrived at the Dance until after intermission. Maybe they were trying to keep their record for always being on the winning side (the dance came into the red shortly before intermission according to Fitz) or maybe they were just trying to avoid the buck and six bits that those heartless souls were demanding at the gate.

With Ozzie Osborne among the ranks of the missing, the KA entourage to Red Square fell slightly short this weekend, with Don Murray adding to the general noise on Liquor Hill with heartrending renditions (we didn't try to do that) of Irish Eyes, Whiffenspool Song, Mother Machree ad nauseam.

Orchids: To Bev Fitzpatrick and the Dance Board for a swell dance (for those who made it) and one which we understand was the first financially successful campus social event to be held here in many moons.

Sweating It Out: The usual crowd of tired but happy boys,

telling gorgeous dates how "I wish you didn't have to go" one minute and shoving them on the bus the next. Dashing away for a beer soon as the bus has safely cleared the parking lot. One of franker expressions of that "Sunday-afternoon feeling"—"when I find a gal who I can party with all weekend and not be glad to see her leave on the 3:40 bus, I'll ask her to marry me."

Nineteenth Hole: Recently instituted, the beer concession at the Lexington Golf Club has proved a long-awaited boon to the collegiate divot-digging set. 'Tis said Jug Lanier now plays 24 holes a day, parring the 19th at least six times.

Social Notes From All Over: One visitor was drawn to a young lady escorted by a visiting fireman from Lynchburg. The two began mixing drinks for each other, with obviously questionable intent. At about nine both the gentlemen in question were sleeping soundly and ever present Smiley Harris trotted gaily to the dance with the young lady.

Our Phi Delt correspondent reports that Sperry Lee is very sensitive when anyone suggests he is dating somebody's mother. Something about two children that came along for the festivities, but beyond that our sources weren't quite specific.

Rod Rider Department: Word from up no'th had it that the most illustrious Sigma Nu alumni now working on the Washington Star was due in town this weekend to lend a little geniality to the affairs, but something happened (either the cattle cars were shunted off at Staunton or a yard detective was too alert) and the celebrity failed to appear. The planned singing of "Who Rides the Rods" and "Rah-ray Clayton, good game" were left unsung. It's too bad but Wally Clayton's unreliable.

Robert E. Lee Steals the Show . . .

By CATHY BIEN

It looks to this observer as if Washington and Lee has stolen the recent show on the Columbia University stage. Featured was the epochal decision to make General "Ike" Eisenhower president of that profound center of learning.

But General Robert E. Lee, beloved post-civil war president of Washington and Lee, who was to have been billed simply as a background character, stole the fancies of newspaper editors in every town and hamlet that can still remember the civil war.

The *Detroit Free Press*, in commenting on the scene at Columbia, said: "This nation never bred a better military mind or a more effective leader of armies than Gen. Robert E. Lee. Gen. Lee doffed his uniform after Appomattox to become President of Wash-

ington College-renamed Washington and Lee University after his death... the change of name is that institution's memorial to a man who came to it in a time of hate and tribulation to teach youth a better way by example and precept."

So the *Detroit Free Press*, a Yankee paper from the word 'go' sportingly shifted the spotlight from north to south.

Columnist Wright Bryan, commenting in the *Atlanta Journal*, recalled the story of the Greek immigrant applying for citizenship who had to tell the judge who was the greatest American. Without a second's hesitation he replied, "Robert E. Lee." Thank you, Mr. Greek, and thanks, Mr. Bryan.

Editorially, the *Philadelphia Bulletin* remarked that "There is (Continued on page four)

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Generalizing . . .

By Walt Frye

Generally speaking, Wilson Field looks pretty good these days, at least to a casual observer. The grass is coming up in fine style, and the green colored turf is a pleasant change from the worn and battered sod which greeted the eye last spring. We believe, however, there are one or two other improvements which could and should be effected in order to make the transformation complete.



Frye

The first of these projects is the improvement of the running track. Coach Broadbent is trying his best to stimulate interest in track, so Washington and Lee will be strong numerically as well as competitively in this spring sport.

Last year, several boys who were outstanding performers in high school, decided to pass up the varsity opportunity and compete in intramurals. When asked the reason for this decision, they remarked that the track was in such poor condition that they would not enjoy running on it every day.

A big item in the track improvement would be the creation of a sub draining system to draw off some of the rain water. At the present time, the water remains on the track for long periods and makes the running conditions very difficult, to say the least.

The second big improvement to complete Wilson Field's face lifting, is the enlargement of the press box which sits up near the top of the stands. We attempted to watch one of the JV games last year, and after being cramped in tiny quarters for half the game, craning our necks to follow the play below, we had only pity for any newspaperman who had to type a story under such conditions.

Newspapermen have been turned away in the past because of the inadequate facilities of the pint sized press box. When they did manage to crowd in, they were confronted by wooden supports which blocked the view most effectively.

This season Wilson Field will be the scene of three home games of the Generals, as well as several local high school games. What better time than this year to build a new press box? It would be a pity if the field, now appearing in such fine shape, did not boast of a first class press box for the convenience of visiting sports writers who will carry their impressions with them.

Fred Perry is back in the Lexington scene and, as usual, has optimistic plans for the future. The first thing on Perry's agenda is to build up tennis interest at W. and L. Past intramural records show that the number of students participating in the tennis tournament is slowly mounting, and next year should surpass last year in numbers and enthusiasm.

Perry plans to play several matches around these parts in the near future, with the possibility that W. and L. students will get an opportunity to see the former British Davis cupper in action on the home courts. Later on this summer, Perry plans to journey through the White Mountains in New Hampshire, playing exhibitions.

Sports in General
Joe Bartos, ex-navy gridiron star, is a lieutenant at the Quantico Marine base. We play the marines in the lid lifter of the 1947 football schedule.
The Lexington softball league is reported to be very fast and action-packed.

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Grapplers List Big Schedule; 8 Vets Return

Broadbent Announces 14 Meets; Kansas State and Navy Among Opponents

By JOE REESE

Announcement was made this week by wrestling coach Harry Broadbent that the schedule for the 1947-48 season will be the most ambitious in the history of the mat sport at Washington and Lee. To date, twelve matches have been scheduled, and two more are in the tentative stage.

Broadbent stated that he is increasing the number of matches in an effort to return wrestling to its pre-war popularity on the campus. In addition to the varsity schedule, a seven meet card has been arranged for the Junior Varsity grapplers in an effort to build varsity material for Bicentennial Year. The schedule that year will be an even more difficult undertaking than this year's, including a Northern trip, taking in a few Ivy League Universities.

The material for this year's team is now fairly promising. Seven, and possibly eight lettermen will be returning to help build Broadbent's team, thus making prospects good at this early stage.

Sorely missed will be Bob Crockett, Co-Captain of last year's matmen, and crackerjack 155 lb. man. Broadbent has yet to find a replacement for Crockett. Charlie Stieff, 1947 Southern Conference champion in the 136 lb. class, and the Generals' other Co-Captain, will be back for more action this year. In the 121 lb. position will be Sigma Nu Jim Connelly; Jim Evans, a veteran of two years action, will be back at his old position in the 145 lb. class. Evans will have competition from Ed Shelmerdine, although the latter may be shoved up as a replacement for Crockett at 155 lbs. The 165 and 175 lb. positions will most likely be filled by Ken Lindell, the slightly eccentric "Big Punch," and Bill Metzel.

Coach Broadbent will have to fill the vacancies left in the 155 lb. and heavyweight groups if Shelmerdine cannot take over the 155 lb. job. A possible filler for this lighter weight may be John Brownius, a boy who is entering Washington and Lee in September from Mercersburg Academy, Penna.

Another possible addition to the General wrestling team is Bob "Doc" Sharer, a 128 pounder from Suburban Philadelphia, who is already in attendance at W. and L. The schedule is as follows:
Dec. 6—Wrestling Clinic.
Dec. 10-12—W. and L. all University Tournament.
Dec. 18—Loyola (at Baltimore).
Dec. 19—Franklin and Marshall (at Lancaster).
Dec. 20—open.
January 10—open.

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Kappa Sigma, 10-Sig Chi, 6

The Kappa Sigs handed the Sigma Chi nine their first defeat of the season by a 10-6 count in an Intramural National League contest played last Wednesday afternoon.

Ray Prater issued a free pass to Woody McClintock in the seventh which constituted the only walk given up by him or Sigma Chi hurler Bruce Kling during the ball game. George Blackburn and Jack Coulter banded out two hits apiece to pace the Kappa Sigs, while Judge Sutherland rapped three of the losers' seven blows.

Phi Kap, 13 - Kappa Sig, 7
Playing their second National League game in as many days, the Kappa Sigs dropped their first league decision Thursday afternoon as the Phi Kaps slugged them into submission, 13-7.

Phi Kap Fireman Paul Shuford took over the mound from "Doc" Booker after four successive Kappa Sig bingles and then coasted in as his mates continued to comb the offerings of Ray Prater. Dick Working blasted a homer and two singles for the winner as Rege Pettus and Prater shone at the plate on the Kappa Sig club.

KA, 15 - SAE, 8
Paced by their speed-ball pitcher, John Miller, the KA's drove the hapless SAE's deeper into the American League cellar last Thursday by a score of 15-8. Miller struck out eight men and was effective in every inning except one, when hits and errors combined to score six of the SAE

January 13—University of Virginia (at Va.).
January 16 or 17—Georgia Tech (undecided)*.

January 30—Maryland (at Maryland).
January 31—Navy (there).
February 2—Kansas State (here)*.

February 9—University of North Carolina (here).
February 13—North Carolina State (here).

February 16—VPI (here).
February 21—Newport News Apprentice School (here).

February 22—Davidson (here).
February 24—Duke (here).
February 28—West Virginia (there).

March 5, 6 or 12, 13—Southern Conference (undecided).
March 25, 26, 27—National Collegiate Athletic Association Wrestling Tournament (at Lehigh University).
*Not yet settled.

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markers.
Bert Kyle and "Judge" Miller each slapped homers to aid the cause of SAE twirlers, Bill Burton and Don Malmo. In the KA onslaught of 15 clouts and 11 walks, Don Murray and Tebbs gathered three base knocks each and Fox walked four times.

Law School, 5 - Deltas, 2
Pitching his first contest for the Lawyers Tuesday afternoon, Bob Haley set the previously unbeaten Deltas down with two singles to give his team sole possession of the American League lead.

Backstop Orville "Lippy" Hardman led the Law School attack with two bingles while McKelway and Dike Norman collected the Deltas' allotment of knocks. Norman pitched steadily for the losing combine but couldn't match Haley's performance on the hill.

The Phi Psis won their second victory by the forfeit route when the NFU boys again failed to field a ball club Monday afternoon.

Softball Standings

American League

Team	Won	Lost
Law School	3	0
Delta Tau Delta	2	1
Beta Theta Pi	1	1
Kappa Alpha	1	1
Phi Delt	1	1
Phi Gama	1	1
SAE	0	3

National League

Team	Won	Lost
PIKA	3*	0
Kappa Sigma	2*	1
Phi Psi	2†	1
Phi Kappa Sigma	2	1
Sigma Chi	1	1
Sigma Nu	0	3‡
NFU	0	4‡

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NOTICE
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Crew Withdraws From Regatta

Will Seek Competition On James During August

A last minute decision by the members of the Washington and Lee Crew withdrew the Generals' entry in the Old Dominion Regatta held at Alexandria on July 20, on the Potomac River. The decision came as a complete surprise to all concerned because of the previous plans made for the oarsmen to enter the "half-mile sprint."

The reason for the late decision came after a concentrated two day practice session in which it was felt that the oarsmen were not sufficiently practiced to put up a good showing against crews which have been rowing every day since May.

On the optimistic side however, and taking everything into consideration, the crew will have a greatly improved team by August, and at that time is expected to enter in some outside engagements.

Although not definitely scheduled, a race with the Virginia Boat Club of Richmond will be held in Richmond during the latter part of August, and also at least one race with the Old Dominion Club of Alexandria.

Because of last minute cramming and examinations this week, the crew will probably not practice regularly; however, next week an intensive period of preparation for the August schedule will get under way.

Although the tentative crew for the races has already been picked there is opportunity for anyone interested to come out next week, and get plenty of practice with the oars. Captain Rowe has again asked The Ring-tum Phi to mention this fact, and for anyone interested to see him or any present member of the crew.

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Perry Plays Return Match With March Here Saturday P.M.

For those who were fortunate enough to see Fred Perry's torrid tennis match with Jack March in Lynchburg last Saturday here is good news. The two will play a return engagement on the Wilson Field clay courts this coming Saturday, July 26, at four in the afternoon.

Admission to Saturday's match, unlike that charged at Lynchburg a week ago, will be fifty cents. Prices at the Lynchburg exhibition ranged as high as two dollars.

Perry and March played three grueling sets in their last meeting before the Generals' likeable coach emerged on the long end of a 1-6, 6-4, 6-3 score. Observers said that Perry has seldom looked better in former years than he did in Lynchburg. March held the upper hand in the early stages, but Perry's driving style forced his opponent into the defense, and from there on, the match belonged to Perry.

Whether or not you fancy yourself to be a tennis enthusiast, it will be well worth your while to come out to Wilson Field's Courts Saturday afternoon. There will be a brand of tennis on display that is rarely seen in this section of the country, and two of the games' masters will be on hand to demonstrate.

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53 Students File Degree Applications

Plans for graduation exercises at the end of the summer session are indefinite at this time. The decision to hold commencement services will be determined by the outcome of a poll of graduating seniors. Law School professor Charles P. Light, member of the Public Functions Committee, announced this week.

Light stressed that "the commencement project is still in the fact finding stage" to determine the number of men who would be in favor of participating in such a program. The results of the poll will be stated in a report which will go to the faculty Executive Committee.

A total of 53 students filed applications for degrees with Magruder Drake at the Registrar's Office.

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Master of Arts

D. V. Guthrie, Jr., D. T. Lauderdale, Jr.

Bachelor of Arts

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Frank Markoe, J. M. Moore, W. H. Oast, R. D. Prentiss, H. A. Oder, Thomas Randall, W. T. Romaine, F. B. Rowe, F. C. Sage, J. D. Schofield, F. F. Socha, R. F. Stephens.

Bachelor of Science in Commerce
W. M. Atlee, A. W. Clark, C. B. Conner, W. H. Davidson, F. W. McRae, Hill Maury, J. A. Philpott, W. V. Richards, John Schuber, R. B. Taylor.

Certificate in Commerce
D. L. Jones, R. H. Moore.

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Bachelor of Laws

R. L. Campbell, H. D. Dickens, T. R. Dodson, E. W. Dudley, F. W. Flannagan, M. T. McCluer, D. C. Mayes, W. F. Moffett, R. B. Spindle.

Bachelor of Arts

E. D. Finney, J. D. Greenberg, J. C. Holloran, L. R. Redmond. (Will receive their BA or BS in combination with First Year Law.)

Bachelor of Science in Commerce
R. A. Mosbacher, R. A. Prater.

Seersucker Dance

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"the dance would have been a much more profitable one."

Speaking for the Dance Board as a whole, Fitzpatrick emphasized that the primary purpose of summer dances is to rebuild a Dance Board fund, which had been entirely depleted by losses on regular dance sets during the past year.

"This rebuilt fund will be used to help maintain dances on a standard to which the students have been accustomed. It is the hope of the board members that to insure themselves of better dances in the future, students will wholeheartedly support the second "Seersucker Ball," he concluded.

Fire

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termed critical by Henry L. Ravenhorst, head of the Washington and Lee housing administration.

Lexington fire chief William Hess remarked after the fire that "there should be an installation of fire extinguishers in all pre-fabs to cut down the possibility of another blaze."

He added that there is no ordinance in Lexington to his knowledge which requires buildings to have any fire fighting equipment on hand.

Mr. Sinclair, grounds manager for the government-built, school-operated, apartments said that he would check in other units sometime in the near future to see that all grease pans below the stoves have been cleaned.

Tom Wallace, who entered the smoke-filled apartment to help in recovering furnishings, cut his foot on broken glass in the kitchen and was taken to the Stone-wall Jackson hospital for treatment.

Representatives of the telephone company arrived at the fire shortly after it was discovered to tear out a phone which had been installed in one of the units.

Co-op Buying

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thoritative sources believe, however, that a minimum of 16 fraternities would have to back the idea to make it function.

If the project at W. and L. is successful and if a cold storage warehouse should become necessary to make the operation more efficient, such a warehouse might be constructed by the University.

Refrigeration equipment could be purchased from excess military supplies through the War Assets Administration.

Contrary to popular student belief, the University would have no control over the set-up and would not seek to make money either through the function of the plan or through the construction of any facilities to carry out the idea. It would be purely an association of fraternity house managers and would probably have one faculty member of the Commerce School on the Board of Directors for advisory purposes only.

To capitalize the project on the campus the fraternities supporting the idea would be assessed about \$500 each. It is impossible for the fraternities to lose their \$500 appropriation because this amount of money will be returned to them in food supplies of equal value.

The installation on the Washington and Lee campus of an interfraternity co-operative buying project which is based on Ohio State would, in the long run, not only facilitate fraternity purchasing, but save them money.

Enrollment

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through in the shortest possible time."

Registration records also show that 165 of the total 537 students here are married. No figures are available for number of married students last summer.

The Registrar added that because of the war many of the students here now will enroll for the second term of the summer session. Most of these men were in school this spring.

An equal number, or possibly more, he continued, of students now in school will drop out the second term.

Fancy Dress

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ets for next year's dance mail his suggestions to Box No. 2.

These suggestions, Davis said, should be as complete as possible and should include ideas for costumes, figure and decoration of the gym.

A suggestion using the theme of a former Fancy Dress may be accepted by the committee if there is enough student support to warrant its re-creation.

Judging from the results of the contest, student support for any theme, perhaps for Fancy Dress itself, seems to be at a relatively low ebb, Davis said.

Moffat Takes Medal Play in I-M Golf Round

Shooting a low net of 67 and a low gross of 81, Foxie Moffatt, lawyer luminary, emerged the winner in both ends of the 18-hole medal golf tournament held on the local fairways last week. Professor A. R. Coleman garnered second place honors with a low net of 68 while Collier Wenderoth and John Casey finished third and fourth respectively. John McKelway took the prize for collecting the most birdies in the one round tandem.

Harry Harner hit a 72 net on the head to win the laurels in an intramural blind bogey tourney also held last week by intramural director, Cy Twombly.

In team play last week, Dan Wells' boys took the top honors, but John McKelway's combine retains the lead by having won twice and tied for first on a third occasion during the four weeks of competition held to date.

Gen. Lee Steals Show

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a famous precedent for Columbia's choice in Washington College's (now Washington and Lee) selection of Robert E. Lee to be the president after the civil war."

Career Soldier

The Grand Rapids, Michigan, Herald beamed in editorially on Lexington when it commented "Gen. Lee, too, was a career soldier, a great military man, a leader. When the civil war ended he became President of Washington College, renamed after his death as Washington and Lee University in memory of his contribution not only to that institution but to the cause of amity and co-operation between North and South."

Yankee Propaganda

One yankee paper, however, apparently with its head in the clouds, or non-forgiving, or something, thinks that "never in the U. S. has a former general headed a major University." There has to be one in every crowd!!

At least a score of other papers scattered through the various states agreed that General Lee was a fine example for a man entering the educational field. All of them lauded his work at Washington and Lee University, monument to Southern progress.

It just goes to show, you can never tell who's going to take the limelight in the news.

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Reg Committee Meets Saturday

The Registration Committee will be in session from 2:00 to 3:00 Saturday afternoon, July 26 in Washington Chapel, according to W. Magruder Drake, Registrar of the University.

Attention is called to the fact that all schedule changes for the second term of summer school must be made Saturday afternoon. However, no registration is necessary for men now registered for both terms of summer school who do not wish to change their schedules.

The following must report to the Committee at that time:

- (1) Men who wish to make changes of any kind in their second term schedules.
- (2) Men now in school who will be here for the second term, but who originally signed up for only the first term.
- (3) Men who were not in attendance during the first term.

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