

## Spring Dances Open At Ten Tonight!

### Political Tension Rises As Convention Nears

#### Info Bureau Established

Campaign posters, buttons and other opinion manipulating materials were beginning to give the campus real political atmosphere today as most of the campaign managers began final drives for their candidates.

Activities for national candidates range from passive efforts by managers for some of the favorite sons to all-out publicity campaigns by managers for leading Republican contenders for the mock convention nomination.

Late this week convention officials were busy completing last minute arrangements on programs, rules and procedure. Jack Coulter, general secretary, announced the establishment of delegation information bureau for students, who are still uninformed as to their assignments in the convention.

Sandy Richardson and Lea Booth were still searching frantically for an elephant to lead the pre-convention parade. State chairmen are also completing details for their participation in the parade with Color Chairman Richardson. As they now stand plans call for more than 75 cars, 50 women and numerous animals in the mile long cavalcade which will herald the convention and boost individual candidates.

True to their national counterparts, Bill Wade and his Stassenites are conducting one of the most intensive political campaigns on the campus. During the opening stages of their drive the Stassenmen distributed pamphlets and posters to fraternity houses and student eating places.

Today Wade announced that he would open "National" Stassen Headquarters in a room at the Dutch Inn. The committee also expects to step-up poster distribution tomorrow and Monday.

Ben Haden, personal campaign manager for Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, began to put up posters early this week. The Dewey committee had not completed arrangements for opening a "National" headquarters when The Ring-tum Phi went to press.

Followers of Senator Robert A. Taft are to open a convention headquarters in the Signa Chi lounge next week. Led by Marsh Clark, the group expects to concentrate on using posters and passing out campaign literature to interested students.

In keeping with policy set by leaders under Gov. Earl Warren's banner, the campus contingent supporting the California Governor is not opening any headquarters. Larry Wales, manager, reported that he is conducting a favorite son campaign and expects to reserve most of his efforts for the parade and the convention floor.

Fran Russell is likewise directing a conservative campaign on behalf of Darkhorse Joseph Martin, Speaker of the House of Representatives. He has arranged to have the Covington High School band in the parade for Massachusetts and Martin.

Howard Fender expects to have no campaign office for the Gen. Douglas Mac Arthur's forces group. Phil Lanier will lead a quiet campaign for Sen. Arthur Vandenberg and Jim Stanfield

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#### NOTICE

Cavalcade of America, will present a drama entitled "Lee of Virginia" on Monday, April 26, at 7 p. m. over NBC stations. The play, written by Virginia Radcliffe, stars Leo G. Carroll in the part of General Lee.

The Cavalcade production, in relating how General Lee assumed the presidency of Washington and Lee, describes his successful battle in the field on behalf of his young countrymen.

According to advance notices, the drama refers to W & L as "halls once wrecked by cannon fire," where Lee "teaches young men to aspire to the practice of democracy."

#### Patterson Named Valedictorian

##### Was Honor Grad In February Class

The valedictorian for the Washington and Lee class of 1948 was named this week by the Faculty, according to Registrar Magruder Drake.

He is Robert G. Patterson, who was graduated this past February.

Patterson met the requirements for the honor by being a candidate for the Bachelor of Arts degree and attaining the highest scholastic average in the class. He was graduated Summa Cum Laude.

A student here during the war, he was editor of the Columns, wartime replacement for the Ring-tum Phi. He is a member of Omicron Delta Kappa, honorary leadership fraternity, and was elected to the W & L chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. He was a member of Delta Upsilon fraternity.

In his undergraduate years, he was also president of the Christian Council, speaker of the Forensic Union, and a member of the Washington Literary Society.

Patterson is presently teaching at the McCauley School, in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

#### SIPA Meets Here April 30 - May 1; 76 Schools From 13 States Entered

The Southern Interscholastic Press Association, and organization sponsored by the Lee Memorial Foundation of Washington and Lee, will hold its nineteenth annual meeting here on April 30 and May first.

The Association was founded in 1925 for the purpose of uniting in a common organization scholastic journalists from the Southern States and the District of Columbia. Any student or faculty advisor associated with a high school or preparatory school publication has been given an invitation to enter their issues and attend the meeting.

According to Executive Secretary E. W. Withers, 76 schools, including 13 states, have applied for reservations and will be housed in one of the three principal hotels or in private homes.

The convention will have social as well as journalistic activities. The first social event will be a banquet-meeting sponsored by the Quill and Scroll chapter of Dunbar



Miss Donna Davis will lead the Cottillion Club figure tonight at 11 o'clock with her date, Paul Murphy, President of the Spring Dance Set. Miss Davis is a Junior at Hollins College in Roanoke. Her home is in Little Rock, Arkansas. At Hollins she is a member of the prom committee.

#### 100 Mounts From Seven Colleges Entered In Horse Show, April 24

Seven Virginia schools will enter a total of more than 100 horses in the Intercollegiate Horse Show next Saturday, April 23, at 2 p. m., at the Lexington Fair Grounds.

Schools participating will be Mary Washington College, Southern Seminary, Hollins College, Chatham Hall, Virginia Military Institute, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, and Washington and Lee.

Proceeds from the show will be contributed to the W & L War Memorial Scholarship Fund. This will be the fourth project of the

fund committee to raise the \$10,000 for the student scholarship. To date, the fund has raised approximately \$400 through a beauty contest, a special Troubadour production, and a "W&L Weekend in Lynchburg" program last week.

Classes in the horse show will be:

Ladies and Gentlemen's Horsemanship, Equitation Championship, Hunter Hacks, Open Hunters, Hunt Teams, Rockbridge Hunters, Open-Three-Gaited, and Pleasure Horses.

Judges will be Major Lloyd L. Howard, of Lynchburg and Mr. Henry J. Hickman, of Lexington.

A feature of the show will be the "Human Steak Fry," in which a beautiful college belle will be sacrificed to the Indian Sun God, "at no extra cost to the customers," according to officials of the event.

In the case of rain on the afternoon of the exhibition, the horse show will be held in the Virginia Military Institute Riding Hall.

Many visitors are expected in Lexington for the show including representatives from the surrounding girls' schools. W&L men have been urged by the sponsors of the event to get dates "and join in the fun of the afternoon." The show is expected to end about 6 p. m.

#### NOTICE

The Treasurer's office announced today that to date there have been several violations of the new parking regulations. One man has been fined, and several others have been given warning. Also there are a few cases which are still pending investigation. It was also announced that the new regulations would continue to be rigidly enforced.

#### Archer To Feature Vocalist; Gym Set In Southern Aura

Washington & Lee's two night Spring Dance Set opens officially tonight with the Cottillion Club Formal beginning at 10 P. M. in Doremus Gymnasium.

Leading the figure, which starts at 11 o'clock, will be Paul Murphy, President of the set, and his date, Miss Donna Davis, a Junior at Hollins College hailing from Little Rock, Arkansas.

Featuring the music of Johnny Archer and his eight piece band, this year's spring set will feature the Formal tonight, followed by the informal Sigma Nu dance tomorrow night.

#### Trotter Is First In Camera Salon

##### Gregory And Lewis Win Student Prizes

The three winners of the W&L Camera Club Salon held last Saturday on the campus were announced today by club official Bill Gregory.

First prize went to Amos Trotter of the University of Tennessee, for his still life entitled "Distortion." Second prize was awarded M. J. Wilner of Georgia Tech. for his "Pastoral Scene," which depicted farm life. David A. Melford of Randolph Macon College in Ashland won third place with his "Deserted Dam."

The judges for the contest were; Harold Hammersley of the Roanoke Times, Alex Robertson of the Richmond Camera Club, and Professor Pierre Daura of Randolph Macon.

The winning pictures and 48 other entries will be on display in the basement corridor of McCormick Library from April 16 to 26.

Local club members did not participate in the contest although five separate ribbons were awarded to them. The first, third and fifth of these went to Bill Gregory and second and fourth places were given to Rube Louis. Gregory's winning print was entitled "Sunlight and Shadows."

The club plans to hold a salon again next year but on a national scale. The contest this year was limited to Southern states, entries being received from five states.

#### Legal Fraternity Elects Officers

At the regular bi-weekly meeting of Phi Delta Phi on Monday evening, April 12, the following officers were elected to serve during the coming year: Luther White, Magister; Hugh Hill, Exchequer; James Holloran, Clerk; Robert Irons, Historian.

A resolution was adopted and incorporated into the minutes, perpetuating the memory of Dr. Raymond Johnson, recently deceased member of the Law School faculty.

At the meeting the program committee announced that Judge Floridus S. Crosby of the Eighth Judicial Circuit of Virginia will be the guest speaker at the next meeting on April 26.

#### Info. Bureau

An informal bureau will be set up to post students on their delegation assignments for the mock Republican convention. Students may determine their delegation assignment by either appearing at the bureau's office in the basement of the student union building or calling 756 between 1:45 and 4 p. m. Monday.

#### Informal Dance Saturday

In regard to tomorrow night's affair, Murphy announced that he "expects a large attendance since the dance should be a large attraction for all who have sidled away from formals in the past."

With all final and last minute arrangements completed, Murphy announced last night that "all indications point to a highly successful week-end on the campus."

#### Favors For Dates In Figure

Following the figure tonight, in which all members of the Cottillion Club will participate, favors will be presented to the dates.

Besides the eight pieces of Johnny Archer's band who present music for both a fast and slow variety, an added attraction of the group is their vocalist, Mary Stevens. Along with her vocal talents, she also displays others which were of aid to her in acquiring the title of "Miss Rhode Island" several years ago.

#### Southern Theme

Decorations for the dances, handled by Tom Pressly, will depict the lawn of a Southern colonial mansion, surrounded by trees. The ceiling of the gym will present the sky, covered with stars on a blue background. The bandstand will be decorated to resemble the porch of the mansion.

Chuck Weeks, in charge of the arrangements for housing, reports that "although the housing situation is very tight at the present time, arrangements have been completed and all dates have been placed satisfactorily."

#### Chaperones Named

Chaperones for the Friday night dance will be Dean and Mrs. Gilliam, Mr. and Mrs. McDowell, Mr. and Mrs. Latture, Dr. and Mrs. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Johnson, Dr. Pusey, Mrs. Spence, Mr. and Mrs. Griffith, Dr. and Mrs. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Drake, and Mr. and Mrs. Hawke.

For the Saturday night dance, chaperones will be Dean and Mrs. Williams, Dr. and Mrs. Flick, Dr. and Mrs. White, Mr. and Mrs. Coleman, Dr. Pusey, Mrs. Spence, Dr. and Mrs. Hinton, Mr. and Mrs. Warren, Mr. and Mrs. Art Lewis, and Mr. Jenks.

#### NOTICE

In a letter to the Ring-tum Phi this week Dr. Games expressed regret that he would not be present during next week's Mock Republican Convention. The president said he had endeavored to keep his engagement book open but that the convention was being staged two or three weeks earlier than he had expected. During his absence from the campus Dr. Games will speak to the alumni organizations of Mobile and Pensacola and will deliver a banquet address to the Louisiana Lew Institute. He will be back on the 22nd.

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## Brain Food

By Brian Bell

After the Convention's first day fireworks and smoke have been cleared away, the neutral observer is able to get some kind of a line on which way the delegates are leaning. Of course, it is much to early to make any accurate predictions, so any attempt to give you an idea of what will occur here at Lexington in the Republican convention will have to be mostly speculation.

Things went about as expected yesterday, with Senator Doc Boyd elected as permanent chairman of the Convention. Attired in a snappy white and yellow palm, he rode up to the platform in a shiny chromium whirl-pool to take the gavel. His election created little surprise, as Doc Boyd has long been a prominent figure in the party.

However, the key-note address, delivered by Congressman Buddy Deaver, did arouse a little commotion in the ranks. Deaver pointed out that too long has the Republican party been represented by the staid elephant. In a startling move, he advocated a switch to the U. S. mule as the emblem, proclaiming a change to the sturdy

pack animal would show a new progressive element in the party. The rest of his address produced nothing other than was expected, except a rather strange statement in a keynote speech advocating "greater freedom for umpires with regard to dress and smoking privileges."

The rest of the day's activity was cut and dried, and delegates adjourned to bars and smoke-filled rooms to plan the next day's work. From where we sit, it looks like the favorite for the nominations will be Governor Earl Mattingly for President and Capt. Dick Smith (Naval hero) for Vice President. Their ticket of greater financial stability, headed by the catchy slogan "Everybody Pays," has caught the fancy of the crowd; and at this time they must be considered to have a definite inside track.

Other prominent candidates that must not be overlooked are Jabo and Nurse Allen, running on platforms diametrically opposed, the former with much support from the wet Northern and Western states, and the latter, with strong temperance backing in the South. Many banners have been seen with

the mottoes of these two candidates emblazoned on them. Jabo is using the phrase "Who ordered this case?" in gold letters with two beer bottles on either side, the complete motto outlined by cans. Nurse Allen's pennant reads "You've been drinking" written in white letters on a blue background over a recumbent figure lying in a gutter. Both candidates have predicted victory for their ticket.

A few lines on convention color are needed to give you the full picture of the assembled delegates resplendent in their native garb. The most unusual of the assembled multitude have been the delegates from the territories. The Hawaiian representative, a shapely native, came attired in native garb, simple hula skirt. The convention appreciated this homelike touch. The Alaskans stormed in incased in a huge block of ice and received a cold reception. The delegate from the Virgin Islands, however, really took the convention by storm when he entered the hall with two very young and innocent looking high school girls perched on either shoulder.

Yes, this has been a colorful convention!

## Religious Week

Response to the recent University Religious Conference was favorable to an unprecedented degree, according to records of the previous programs.

The Christian Work Council and Mr. Price, Director of Religious Activities, are to be commended. The theme of the Conference magnificently delivered by Dr. W. Sherman Skinner, was one that all thinking men are faced with today.

This age of destruction throws the future of our civilization straight into the laps of men as individuals—not mass faith in scientific gadgets. Practical

science, being man's own creation, can never be expected to produce its own control and leadership. And this leadership, which can emanate only from man, is the pressing need.

The University Administration is to be recognized for its part in backing the Conference. The Speakers universally lauded the hospitality shown them on the campus and particularly, in the various fraternities.

Students showed appreciation for the efforts expended by their response, which was apparently without precedent. It was truly a stimulating three days. J. D. J.

## Weekend In Lynchburg

The War Memorial Committee's "Weekend In Lynchburg" was the most successful project it has yet attempted.

The Lynchburg party seems to have served every purpose intended. It made money (10 times more than any stunt so far); it was inexpensive; and according to student comment, the five hundred couples attending had a lot of fun. Such a successful effort as this is rare, but not mystifying.

The committee is truly in the class of other scientific researchers who have harnessed forces of nature. Although the force in question is not one of nature, it is a mighty one that is around us every week end. All of the unrestrained energy devoted to partying was channelled into something constructive . . . funds for the War Memorial Scholarship.

Of course, it is very easy to say, after a successful affair is over, that it was a good idea in the first place, but **The Ring-tum Phi** feels that the War Memorial

Committee will make more money with affairs like this than with any other it may attempt.

Just as there is no indication that the ocean will ever dry up, there is no reason to believe that the degree of revelry on the campus will ever decrease. Therefore, why not keep it in harness and cash in on it?

The Ring-tum Phi would like to see more such "Weekends In Lynchburg." It could even become a thing of regularity. Affairs like this every month or six weeks could bring the War Memorial Fund to its goal within five or six semesters, and no student on the campus would have to be canvassed. There would be no begging or contributing, but instead, buying and selling

But whatever the War Memorial Committee decides to do in the future, it is due sincere congratulations on their work so far. Such success at raising money on this campus is unusual. J.D.J.

## Campus Comment

By Spence Morton

### FLASH! CONVENTION NOTES

Mock Convention notes on next weeks convention show the following interest by national press associations and the general public at large. As most campus readers have been told, the W & L Mock Political Election is a pretty true picture of the trends for the coming presidential election. The records in the past show W & L's choice to be correct five out of eight times in the selection of the presidential candidate for the party out of power.

Here are a few releases on big-time press people that think enough of this mock convention to cover it. They feel it has significant news interest for people all

across the nation.

1. The Associated Press is sending a special political crew including equipment to transmit on a national hook-up wirephoto releases of the convention.

2. Two national magazines have wired that they will cover the mock election. (Note, we are not allowed to disclose their names due to the highly competitive nature of the news gathering.

3. Several out of state newspapers including one leading eastern daily will be present to get rotogravure features of the convention. (Again, we are not allowed to mention their names, but they will come from Chicago and New York).

4. Several radio stations will handle the convention procedure from Washington and Lee. They feel that this convention is big enough and important enough as an indication of how the country will go politically to broadcast it over NBC. This is the biggest national publicity of any all-student function in America since the war!

We feel that students have been screaming for national publicity and now they're getting it. So now it's up to the students to cooperate and really turn out for the mock convention. It should be every student's duty in this Bi-Cent. Year to make the convention a news-worthy show the school can be proud of.

### BEST PRANK OF THE WEEK

Now it can be told, how Arch Alexander and his date pulled the wool over the eyes of several Don Juans on th campus. It seems the town was filled with lovely young ladies for the VMI dance a week end ago. Arch's date called up about six fraternities on the campus and said that she and two other girls were down at the Robert E. Lee Hotel, that their dates (Kaydetts) had taken them in early, and they were desirous of late dating some Washington and Lee men. "Did the house have any young men who wanted dates," the young lady said. Well, the Don Juans in the fraternities howled "you bet", and followed up with questions on the girl's room numbers, and ending with the statement they would be right over.

The only mistake on Arch's part was in the room number. Arch had a friend staying at the Robert E. Lee who he wanted to play a joke on. Actually the room quoted on the phone belonged to and old couple in their 60's who were returning from Florida. These people made a complaint in the morning to the desk, stating that all night long men were knocking softly on their door and whispering "Jean?—Mary? are you there?"

## Movie Review -- By Phil O'Connell

You may laff at that oldie "Robin Hood," but didja know it was high grosser on Broadway about three weeks ago, beating out a lot of newer jobs? It was taken from the story of Robin Hood who hid out in the forbidden parking area and dared long John Mattingly to fine him. He even got the Phi Deltis to park all their cars in the restricted area just to show their disregard for the law. He was trapped by the Executive

Committee, but just before expulsion, Friar Jabo summoned his band who stormed Washington Hall and whisked away Robin just before they were going to throw him out, for being a communist, to the tune of "When the Red, Red Robin Goes Bob Bob Bobin Along."

Playing in the face of student's gross remarks about My Girl's a Teaser, "My Girl Tisa" came to the State. Lilli Palmer was swell, not because she's such a terrific actress, but just because she's nice. Sam Wanamaker is a promising newcomer, although his eyes are too close together. The story was as dull as the last assembly, and some of the lines were pretty stupid. For example, his reciting "America" took the green banana for silly repartee. Lilli is so sweet, we forgive all. It followed faithfully the "I Remember" theme, and even showed a picture of a huge stein of nickle beer. If I hadn't been so bored, I would have liked it—up to the ending when Teddy Roosevelt dashes in to save Lilli, Sam and the plot—that's too much.

Thank you Mr. Daves for getting some decent pictures booked to the State. "Call Northside 777," "Bishop's Wife," and "Open City" are all swell. You were wonderful to get them here. Will you take my pin? I won't speak nasty to you any more if you'll just keep it up. For a while there, the shows were so bad the students were studying. Now we can get back on the team again. "Call Northside etc. etc. etc." is a documentary with some special extra acting. Jimmy Stewart is even listed as James, so you can see it must be a serious drama. If you like your pictures rough, tough and terrific, don't miss "Open City."

labor reforms and the reciprocal trade program. He opposed the fortification of Guam, the Lend-Lease Bill, and extension of the draft act.

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## Vandenberg And Martin Are Among Possible Republican Nominees

Editor's Note: This is the last of a series of articles on Republican Presidential candidates to acquaint the student body with the men and the issues it will consider at the mock Republican National Convention April 20 and 21.

By JERRY HOLEN

When the Republican National Convention is called to order, no less than a dozen men will be under consideration for the GOP Presidential nomination.

And each one will have a good

chance of capturing the Grand Old Party standard.

Among these men is a possible vice-presidential nominee, the man who, if elected, will preside over the United States Senate and be first in the line of Presidential succession.

Avowed Presidential candidates like Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York, Senator Robert A. Taft of Ohio, and ex-Governor Harold Stassen of Minnesota, are leading the factions of the GOP and are developing its policies. Potential candidates, including "dark horses," have, for the most part, steered a straight Republican course on major issues, although leaning towards liberalism and New Dealism in their respective States. Some others have been loud supporters of the GOP in Congress and have entered the national spotlight via attacks on the 15-year-old Democratic Administration.

SENATOR ARTHUR VANDENBERG OF MICHIGAN has been in the Senate for 20 years and is President Pro Tempore of the upper house. He has been the most influential man in shaping Republican foreign policy. When he preached "Nationalism—not Internationalism," the GOP was isolationist; when he saw the light and altered his political philosophy, the GOP followed him.

Vandenberg has been termed an

"opportunist" and a "liberal conservative." He is said to favor New Deal objectives, "...but is irked by the methods used to achieve them—government interference, spending into prosperity, and punitive taxation."

He has voted for the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, a balanced budget, a general pension, more liberal Social Security benefit payments, and was sponsor of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Law.

He opposed the Wagner Act,

TVA, and governmental reorganization.

Last year, Senator Vandenberg said that he was not a candidate for the Presidency—but he kept his fingers crossed.

GOVERNOR EARL WARREN OF CALIFORNIA refused second place on the Republican ticket in 1944, but this year he is shooting for top man. However, the Old Guard Republicans fear that it might be difficult to determine whether Warren is a Democratic or a Republican.

When the Eightieth Congress was booming tax cuts, Warren said that such action should wait until the national debt was decreased. He endorses universal military training and wants Western reclamation and industrial projects developed with Federal aid. He favors the Marshall Plan and the United Nations. In California gubernatorial elections, he has been supported by the AF of L, opposed by the CIO-PAC.

REPRESENTATIVE JOSEPH W. MARTIN OF MASSACHUSETTS, Speaker of the House, has been in Congress for 24 years, the last nine as Minority Leader. He is considered "a good political machine," having "whooped a frazzled minority into a tough opposition."

Martin has always kept right-of-center, almost in the middle-of-the-road. He supported New Deal



Senator Arthur Vandenberg



General Douglas MacArthur

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**Generalizing . . .**

By JOHNSON McREE

After being snubbed by all Cardinal fans the past week, one wonders whether this is worth the ensuing abuse; but still striving for accuracy, we're off again.

In the American circuit it takes little observation to pick the Boston Red Sox as the logical pennant winners. Tom Yawkey again shelled out to acquire Vern Stephens, Ellis Knider, and Jack Kramer from the Browns and Stan Spence from the Capital City club. With these men to supplement Williams, Dom DiMaggio, Doerr, Pesky, Mele, and Tebbets, plus a pitching staff of Harris, Hughson, Ferriss, and Dobson; they seem pretty well set to run away with the flag. The managerial ability of Marse Joe McCarthy, it seems to us, just about cinches it.

In second place we like a fast improving Cleveland outfit. With former Mackman Russ Christopher to supplement a better than average pitching staff including Bob Feller and Bob Lemon, the mound corps should better last year's record. Big Pat Seery has shown he's ready for big things this year by busting many fences during spring drills. With last year's hold-overs and some new men from the Browns, Lou Boudreau's team should nose out the Yankees for second.

The New York aggregation, little changed from last year, will drop to third. Charley Keller is still a question mark, Bucky Harris must string along with an aging George McQuinn on first, and their pitching staff, even with the addition of Lopat from the Chisox and Embree from Cleveland, has had all manner of trouble in spring training. Frank Shea is bothered by wildness, Spud Chandler is all through, and Allie Reynolds and Bill Bevens have sore arms. They still have last year's stars but lack of pitching will be the item which pegs the World champions No. 3.

Detroit looks like the club to round out the first division. They still have the best pitching staff in the majors on paper with Trout, Newhouser, Houtteman, Hutchinson and company; but the infield is inexperienced and the outfield looks only average. Catching will be a little better, but Steve O'Neil will do well to finish in fourth.

Pressing the Tigers hard in fifth place should be Connie Mack's Athletics. With a pitching staff equal to Detroit's in every thing but experience, they could easily give the bigger boys a lot of trouble by outstinting them. You'll hear a lot from Rookie Southpaw Lou Brissie to be AL rookie of the year. Connie Mack still wants a pennant to top off his long career, and he may be on his way in the next few years.

Washington will probably win the three-way race to stay out of the cellar. Al Kozar has won the

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**Generals Swat Virginia Tech Nine, 7-2 To Remain Leaders In Conference**

By TOM WOLFE

Opus No. Seven of the General's 1948 Slam Session, executed Tuesday at Virginia Tech, indicates that the Washington and Lees have not lost their hitting touch which momentarily eluded them last weekend in Lynchburg. This hitting touch, which, it seems, is considerably more than a touch, once again became its old run-happy self, as the Generals up-ended the Techmen, 7-2, driving out ten hits and also Gobbler starter William Crump.

A big fourth inning in which two home runs were co-featured with six runs gave the Generals their sixth straight Southern Conference win. Johnny Bell parked one in the stands, and Charley (Duke) Agnor exploded one (which they're still looking for) that cleared the stands, as the Generals put on their biggest power show of the year.

Not one bit less brilliant was the four-hit pitching of Lacey Putney, who fanned three, walked two, and was never in any real trouble.

Cap'n Dick Smith must be feeling pretty good about this time, for under his steerage the Generals have moved several lengths in the van of the S.C. field. And what is more, they have averaged, just a shade under 11 runs per game in doing so and own a team batting average of .302.

Namely one Brian Bell leads the hit parade. The muscular first baseman has in 40 trips, bludgeoned 17 hits, including a double and a brace of triples, for an average of .425. Willis Woods, leadoff man and basepath greyhound, is

**General Lacrossmen Meet Blue Devils**

With a 5.00 average in two contests to date, Washington and Lee's Lacross team will head for Tarheel land today where they will take on the strong stickmen of Duke University tomorrow.

The Dukes are expected to give the Blue their roughest competition to date. The home team has defeated the University of Virginia, 6-5, and lost out in an extremely close game to the powerful Maryland ten, 5-4. These scores denote that the Duke defense is very strong and that the Generals will have to be their

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second with a .382 mark, 13 for 34.

Agnor, though possessing a batting average of only .268, has clubbed a pair of homeruns and a like number of doubles. Johnny Bell's plate work reveals a stick mark of .290 the result of 6 singles, a double, a triple, and a homerun in 31 appearances.

Joe Judge's Georgetown University club came to Lexington today for the General's next contest. Judge, former Washington Senator player and coach, will be directing a sharp fielding combine with some batting power in the outfield. The Hoyas were defeated, 4-11, by the University of Richmond earlier in the season, after giving the Spiders a real run for their money for seven innings.

**Bulletin**

With Brian Bell, Duke Agnor, and Woody McDaniels lambasting honors, Washington and Lee's classy nine outclassed Roanoke College, 15-3, yesterday on Wilson Field. Nelson Newcomb tossed a two-hit shut-out over his seven innings of work.

**I - M Schedule**

Four intramural softball games are scheduled to be played on Monday afternoon on diamonds 1 and 2.

On diamond 1 at 3:30, the Betas will meet Pi Phi, while on the same field at 5, the Delts will go against NFU. Pi Phi and NFU are the home teams. The umpires for these games will be Jarchow and Compton.

Phi Delt is to oppose Sig Chi, the home team, on diamond 2 at 3:30, while the Law School will face PEP in the finale—the latter being the home team. Umpires will be Cross and Latta.

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**Tech Harriers Beat Generals 80 1-2 To 50 1-2**

Virginia Tech's track men slogged through the mud for a 80 1-2-50 1-2 victory over the Big Blue Wednesday at VMI.

The Gobblers swept the firsts in the running events, with times that were very slow, due to the poor weather conditions. Most of the meet was run in a steady rain.

Bob McLear of the Gobblers carried off the individual honors with 14 points. He took firsts in both hurdle events, second in the broad jump and third in the 100 yd. dash. He was followed closely by the General's big Jim Lukens, who collected 12 markers. In addition to winning the javelin and the high jump, Lukens took thirds in the shot put and the discus.

The Generals were badly outscored in the running events, being shut out in the 100 yd. dash and the two mile, and only collecting 10 points in the seven running events. Their big strength came in the field events where they copied five out of six firsts and racked up 42 points.

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**Blue Net Squad Nips Spiders, 5-1; Josephs Tops Cunningham In No. One**

By JIM PARADIES

Washington and Lee's tennis squad swept to its third straight victory Tuesday afternoon on the home courts with a decisive win over the University of Richmond. The contest was clinched in the last single's set as rain halted the proceedings there with the General's in command 5-1.

This followed up two other previous successful outings at the expense of the University of Maine and Hampden-Sydney. Both of these tilts ended with our netters at the long end of 6-3 counts.

Then W & L's two-man combinations of Joseph-Moxham, Farrer-Moody and Bernard-Swinerton sewed up the matches by coming out on top in all three verdicts. The doubles teams were indeed cheering to the Generals who had a great deal of trouble in the opening sets.

In the Richmond match, Art Joseph, number one player for W&L, encountered trouble for the first time this year, but finally came out on top with a 12-10 win in the third set to remain unde-

feated. In the number two spot Don Moxham dropped a hard-fought decision to Karl Calloway for the only loss of the Generals. Jim Farrar, Bob Moody, Bill Bernard, and Bob Knudsen then turned in successive wins for the victory. This left Knudsen along with Joseph the only undefeated members of the squad.

Today the 'Blue netmen faced Georgetown again in Lexington and on Tuesday Hampden-Sydney comes to town for their second crack at the big racquets of the Generals.

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## Forensic Union Meets Monday

Topic for debate at the meeting of the Forensic Union held Monday night in the Student Union will be "Resolved that Dance Board Heads Should Receive No Remuneration for Their Services."

Burt Litwyn will take the negative side of the argument while Bob Brown will debate the affirmative.

A challenge debate between Townsend Oast and Philo Coco on the subject "Resolved that Huey Long was a Detriment to Society" was heard by the members of the Forensic Union at the last meeting.

Oast, who took the affirmative, stated that Huey Long would appoint unfit officers in the State of Louisiana because they would support him in the elections, and that left the state in debt by misuse of public funds.

Expounding Long as a "benefactor of the poor," Coco stressed the point that Long's civic improvements were for the benefit of all the people in the state of Louisiana.

"Furthermore, the school attendance was increased by more than 25 per cent during his term of office because use of free textbooks," he stated.

"After his death," Coco said, "a vote was taken in Louisiana on the popularity of the Long Regime, with 55 per cent of the people voting in favor of the regime, and only 35 per cent voting against it."

The negative, as argued by Coco, won the debate.

SENATOR RAYMON E. BALDWIN OF CONNECTICUT, a dark horse compromise candidate, is the leader of the faction in the Republican Party which is said to have cracked GOP isolationism. Senator Baldwin, who was Governor of Connecticut for three terms before being elected to the Senate, favors internationalism, private enterprise, a balanced budget, and low taxes.

SENATOR EDWIN MARTIN OF PENNSYLVANIA, former Governor of the Keystone State, is considered a "loyal Republican," having been active in formulating the 1944 party platform, in campaigning for Dewey, and in denouncing Franklin D. Roosevelt. As Governor of Pennsylvania, he was chairman of the National Conference of Governors in 1946. Martin is opposed to "... any bill or plan designed to Federalize the administration of unemployment compensation."

REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CHAIRMAN CARROLL REECE, considered a good candidate for the vice-presidency, is the recognized head of the GOP in the South. He represented Tennessee in the lower house for 23 years. His voting record has been in line with the position of the party. In addition he favors anti-poll tax and anti-lynch legislation. On bills of special interest to organized labor, he has voted in opposition to the Administration.

SENATOR LEVERETT SALTONSTALL OF MASSACHUSETTS, "New England's Favorite

Son" and three-times Governor of the Bay State, has been called a "middle-of-the-road liberal." He has followed the GOP on most national issues, but has rebelled occasionally on foreign affairs. He voted for the confirmation of Henry Wallace as Secretary of Commerce and David Lilienthal as Chairman of the ATC. He has voted in favor of limiting the Presidency to two terms, the Taft-Hartley Bill, income tax reduction, voluntary rent increase, investigation of Democratic vote frauds in Kansas City, and the Greek-Turkish Aid Bill.

GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR has been entered into the Presidential race by such supporters as the Chicago TRIBUNE, the Hearst press, former Governor Philip LaFollette of Wisconsin, and former Congressman Hamilton Fish.

Although he is not personally campaigning for the nomination, MacArthur is considered a strong possibility in the event of a convention deadlock. However, his first interest is in rebuilding Japan, where he has promoted trade unionism and collective bargaining. He is a foe of Communism and British imperialism.

GENERAL DWIGHT "IKE" EISENHOWER is not a member of any political party and has rejected advances of both parties. It is felt that he would not accept any nomination, although the Republicans have a fear of an Eisenhower stampede if a deadlock occurs.

## Convention

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will direct the activities for Gov. Dwight Green from his home at 209 Barclay Lane.

Several managers explained that they would refrain from intensive campaigns in order to make the convention as representative of the national political trend in the Republican party as possible.

Bev Fitzpatrick announced that except for representative Clarence Brown's address, most of the time at the first Convention session Tuesday afternoon will be devoted to appointing committees and naming officials for the meeting. Reports will be made by committees on credentials, permanent organization, and rules and order of business.

The compulsory afternoon session will begin after the parade at 3 p. m.

## Lacross

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best to defeat the Dukers.

The General lineup will remain the same with Tommy Tongue back at his old attack post. Porterfield will remain lost to the Blue for the rest of the season because of an appendicitis operation. Bill Clements will be in the nets with Jim Pacy pacing the defensemen. The strong midfield will consist of Captain Frank Brooks, Alex Hill,

and Jim McDonald. Tongue and Gilly Brooks head the attack.

Tongue, who returned to the General's lineup last week against the University of Virginia for the first time this year, has been slow rounding into his form of last year when he was the ace of the Generals. It is hoped that he will regain this form this week when it will be needed direly. Some of his old playing combined with the solid playing of the Blue midfield could very well give the Generals a victory over the Dukers.

A look at the comparative scores of the Virginia games of both W & L and Duke show that the two teams are basically even except in the all-important department of reserves. The game could very well be decided by any one break along the course of the game. The high average that the Generals have attained in their first two games show that the Blue will be hard to stop and especially if Tongue returns to last year's all-American form.

## Generalizing

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second base assignment in his rookie year. Shortstop looks like the Nat's weakest spot and their hurling certainly doesn't look great, but they should have enough to top the Browns and Chicago.

The White Sox combine looks to be the number 7 bunch. They have little left except the perennial Luke Appling, but still can beat out the Browns, who figure to finish last without more than a couple of players with major league experience.

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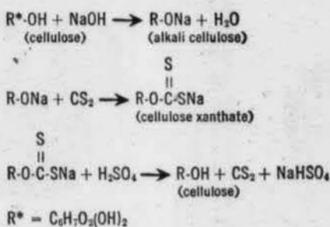
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## Many Theoretical and Applied Studies Behind Development of "Cordura" Rayon

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Du Pont scientists were working to improve on the properties of rayon made by this process when, in 1928, a rubber company asked for a rayon yarn that would be stronger than cotton for tire cords. The problem was given to a team of organic, physical, and analytical chemists, chemical and mechanical engineers, and physicists.

### Theoretical and Applied Studies

In developing the new improved rayon, a number of theoretical studies were carried out: for example, (1) rates of diffusion of the coagulating bath into the viscose filaments, (2) the mechanism of coagulation of viscose, (3) the relationship between fiber structure and properties by x-rays, and (4) a phase study of spinning baths.

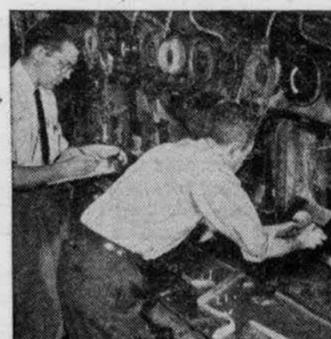
Concurrently, applied research was necessary. This proceeded along many lines, but the main problem was to perfect the spinning technique. It was known that a short delay in the bath between the spinneret and the stretching operation allowed greater tension on the filaments. Du Pont engineers, therefore, designed a series of rollers, each revolving faster than the previous one, to increase the tension gradually.

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### Engineering Problems Solved

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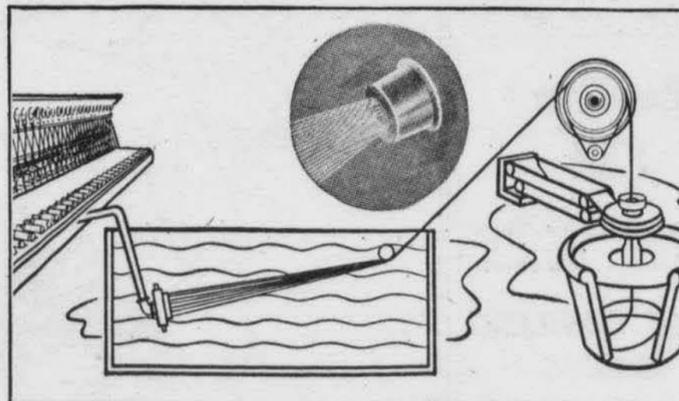
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