

## W&L's History To Be Paraded On Saturday

### Richardson Forecasts Color and Fireworks

Roanokers will be given a taste of W. and L.'s spectacular parading ability Saturday night when a pageant, described by Parade Master Sandy Richardson as "slightly less than gigantic," will move through the streets to Victory Stadium shortly before the kickoff of the Washington and Lee-Ohio game.

Twenty floats will highlight the parade, each depicting a memorable occasion in W. and L.'s history. The floats will be constructed and named entirely by students.

The lead float will contain figures representing George Washington and Marse Robert, and will be draped with both the Confederate flag and the flag of the original thirteen colonies. Following will come floats symbolizing every war in which the University had had a part, beginning with the French and Indian war and continuing down to World War II. Not content with being colorful, this part of the parade will be provided with a small arsenal in the form of fireworks, according to Richardson.

The remaining cars in the pageant will represent famous incidents in the university's history, including Washington's gift to the school, the founding of Liberty Hall Academy, General Lee assuming the presidency of the college, and similar famous occurrences of the past.

The parade will form at Roanoke's Jefferson High School in the six hundred block of Campbell Ave. The march will begin at approximately six-thirty and will wind through Roanoke to Victory Stadium in time for the kickoff.

Four bands, provided by the co-sponsoring Roanoke Junior Chamber of Commerce, will march with the floats.

Richardson urged all Washington and Lee students to fall in behind the parade for the march to the game. "Anybody who took part in the Convention parade last spring will probably want to be in this one, and now's the time," he said.

## Wilson Field Readied For Sports Season

Extensive improvements on Wilson Field greeted the opening of the new season, not the least of which was a complete new paint job on the southern stands. Replacing the aluminum paint, which produced no little glare, is the spanking new coat of battle-ship grey.

Unnoticed by the average spectator, but there nevertheless, is a new drainage system under the football field to erase puddles and cratically wet spots so evident in former years.

Final improvement carried on this summer was an overall recinder of the track surrounding the playing field. The entire oval was torn up and replaced by the new cinder covering.

## Life Still "Austere" in England E. Shannon Tells IRC Members

President Bill Latture opened the first meeting of the International Relations Club last Thursday night at 7:30. Latture introduced Edgar Shannon, a pre-war graduate of W. and L., who is now attending Oxford University on a Rhodes scholarship for graduate work. Shannon, whose father was an English professor at Washington and Lee, discussed life at Oxford as compared with Washington and Lee.

Living conditions in England are "grim" the speaker stated. Coats are padded at cuff and elbow, and the women "all wear tweed suits." Shannon stated. Chances for Churchill's Conservative party to regain political power in the near future were discounted by Shannon. The Labor party has bettered living condi-

## 'Academic Mortality Rate' at W-L Is One of Lowest in Country

Washington and Lee has one of the lowest "academic mortality rates" of any school in the country.

That's what Dr. Archibald MacIntosh, vice president of Haverford College, reports in his new book, "Behind The Academic Curtain."

### Admission Policies Hit

In a 2-year study of America's 655 liberal arts institutions, he finds that an average of 50 per cent of all students who enter college every year drop out before they complete their college education. The chief blame for these "drop outs," Dr. MacIntosh believes, is the poor admission policy used by most institutions and the lack of guidance most students receive after they enter college.

## Sigma Delta Chi Holds Initial Meeting

As in all other Washington and Lee societies, the discussion of the opening meeting of Sigma Delta Chi laid greatest stress on the part this group will play in the Bicentennial celebration this year. The fraternity will be host for a series of lectures by outstanding members of the journalistic profession. Ted Koop, CBS director of news and public information, will speak here in mid-October.

The two other major events on this group's agenda are the first post-war presentation of a Varsity Show and the annual Southern Interscholastic Press Conference. The latter will be held sometime in the Spring. Between three and four hundred high school students are expected to attend.

President Bill Bien also announced the consideration and study of pledges for Washington and Lee's thirty-four year old honorary professional fraternity.

## War Memorial Committee Plans Second Cabaret Dance for Nov. 6

Chairman Frank Brooks of the Student War Memorial Scholarship Committee announced today another Cabaret Dance to be held in the Lynchburg Armory. The dance will be held November 6 after the W. and L.-VPI game and will feature the music of the VMI Commanders in an affair that promises to be even larger and better than last Spring's highly successful outing.

In signing the Commanders, Brooks believes he has obtained one of the best dance bands in Virginia and an organization which has been enlarged and improved over last year's group.

Tentative ticket prices have been set by the Committee at \$2.00 per couple with a possible reduction in stag admissions. The extremely low price should make possible an attendance greatly in excess of the approximately five hundred couples who crowded the huge Amory last Spring for the first Cabaret Dance, Brooks asserted.

All girl's schools in this area have been notified of the dance date and it is believed that no

conflicts will be forthcoming on the VPI weekend.

Brooks was silent on the possibility of the ill-fated F.P. making an appearance during the dance, but indicated that "something of a sensational nature is bound to take place."

The Committee spokesman indicated that tables and set-ups would be provided at the dance as was done at the previous affair. "We have picked the VPI weekend as a time when most of the student body will be in Lynchburg for the game, which means that we can expect an even greater attendance than at the dance last year," Brooks said.

The Committee has also located a mascot for the Ohio game... the famous old General Randolph Edward Percival Venable, a direct descendant of the great Civil War General of the same name. General Venable will be on hand at the game Saturday, Brooks stated, and will be raffled off at the Homecoming game with Virginia here on October 16.

Brooks said that the dance last year was a success and that the committee is confident of a similar success this year.

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## Election Dates Set by E. C.

### Cold Check Group Named by Carter

The inaugural tilt of the current political year will take place on October 21, with voting for the Freshman and Freshman Law representatives on the Executive Committee and the proposed amendments to the Washington and Lee Constitution. The amendments, not yet in their final draft, will be published in **The Ring-tum Phi** at least two weeks prior to the election.

Frank Carter, acting president of the Student Body, announces the Executive Committee of the Cold Check Committee for 1948-49: Matt Paxton, chairman; Font Gilliam, Wink Glasgow, and Jack Coulter, members. The Committee will regulate credit transactions of students with town merchants.

## NOTICE

General Delivery at the Post-office is full of student packages and mail. If you are not receiving your mail, please inquire there.

## Calyx Pictures Begin on Oct. 4

### Registration Begins For Mug Mappings

Editor Judge Leedy announced today that individual pictures for **The Calyx** will be taken beginning October 4 and continuing until October 20. The hours during which students may have themselves immortalized in the page of the yearbook are from 9 until 12:45 and from 1:45 until 5:15 every day in the two week period.

Calyx representatives began signing up students in fraternities at noon today, and will register Law students on October 18, 19, and 20. NFU men can contact yearbook representatives in the beanery or at the Dutch Inn. Leedy stated that non-fraternity freshmen would also be signed up in the Freshman Dorm.

Prices for individual pictures range from \$3.50 for a new picture to \$2.50 for a picture which has already appeared in the book. Leedy urged men who plan to use their old picture to sign up with Calyx representatives for a regular day and time. "Then they simply come down to the Student Union and tell us they want their old picture used. There will be no new picture made and the process will be greatly simplified if these men sign up in the regular order," Leedy emphasized.

Approximately fifty men turned out Monday night for the business and editorial staffs of the yearbook, a number considerably above that of last year, Leedy said. He urged all men who could not make the Monday night meeting to drop by **The Calyx** office on the second floor of the Student Union any afternoon between 2 and 5. "We want to see every man who is interested in working on **The Calyx**," he stated.

Leedy added that this year "we are making a concerted effort to include as many snapshots as possible in **The Calyx**. We are trying now to contact every camera fan on the campus for candid photographs, and I would personally like to see any pictures which have been taken by students which they feel we might be able to use."

## Literary Societies and Politicians Will Hold Meetings Next Week

Literary society members and junior politicians—including Republicans—will make news, at least in **The Ring-tum Phi**, during the next few days. All the organizations are planning extensive programs for the coming year and expect record attendances at their initial meetings.

Here are some of the events being planned: Washington Literary Society will hold its first meeting Thursday, Oct. 7 at 4:30 in the Forensic Union room of the Student Union.

Bill Leedy, president, promises a lively session at the organization's second meeting, when current politics will be discussed. A speaker will present the position, platform, and policies of each of the four parties. Following this, the floor will be open for discussion. All members are urged to attend the first meeting.

### Graham-Lee Society

A demonstration meeting conducted by Paul Murphy for the benefit of last Spring's new members will make up the program when the Graham-Lee Literary Society meets Thursday at 7:30 in the Student Union.

Designed to show how a meeting should be conducted, the program will be similar to last year's final meeting.

The 20 new members last year drew a number, which will determine the order in which they will conduct this year's meetings.

Elections will be held a week from Thursday.

### Dixiecrats

States Rights Democrats (Dixiecrats) will hold an organiza-

## Forty-one Students File Applications For Law Degrees

## NFU Elects New Officers

### Committee Selected For First 'Smoker'

The organizational meeting of the N.F.U. was held in Washington Chapel last Wednesday night, president Buck Bouldin presiding. Twenty members were present.

Jim Trundle was elected to the post of secretary-treasurer following the resignation of George Pierson. Byron Sasser was appointed publicity chairman with the specified duties of reporting all news of the Union's activities to **The Ring-tum Phi** and posting notices of all meetings.

A general discussion was held on adopting a project for the Union. Several proposals were put forth but no definite agreement was reached.

It was decided by vote to hold a "get acquainted" smoker at the Student Union, October 6, at 8 p.m. The following persons were appointed committee chairmen for the affair: Finance, Harold Lauck; Entertainment, Al Hoerer; Refreshments, Lewis Zeigler; Notification, Jim Trundle; Freshman Publicity, Wendell Burns. The chairmen were to meet Tuesday to formulate final plans for the gathering.

## Meetings on Campus Today and Tomorrow

Crew: 2:30 p.m., Wednesday. All old men report to the gym with cars; new men report to pool.

Troubadours: Tonight at 7:30 in the Student Union Building.

White Friars: Tuesday, 5:00 p.m., in the Student Union building. Election of officers for the coming year.

## Reservation for SU Rooms Must Be Made

Organizations are reminded that in order to avoid conflicts in holding meetings in the Student Union, they should have a representative sign up for meeting rooms several days in advance.

A list of available dates is posted on the bulletin board of the Student Union. Those organizations that sign up first will be given priority in holding meetings in the building.

## Half Way Mark Draws Closer as Bicentennial Fund Hits New High

By GEORGE ROWELL

Bill Buchanan, Associate Director of the Bicentennial Fund, said today that \$1,150,000 of the \$3,000,000 Bicentennial goal has been reached.

When the sum of \$1,500,000 has been reached a foundation has offered to match it by one fifth, or \$300,000. This is practically half of the goal which will give Washington and Lee University a new auditorium, a new science building, an addition to Doremus Gymnasium and 134 Memorial Scholarships in the names of Washington and Lee alumni who died in the service during World War II. Also various teaching facilities will be improved and course offerings enlarged.

Since George Washington gave \$50,000 and Sam Houston's father gave a load of cordwood, Wash-

ington and Lee has been the recipient of thousands of gifts from old alumni, their friends and relatives, and from people who never came near the place, but admired it for its high scholastic standards and its great service to humanity.

Thousands of alumni are expected to return during the coming year for the various events. There will be thirteen more important events in the coming year, following Chief Justice Vinson's speech, to be topped by the Founder's Day Convocation, on January 19, the Bicentennial Convocation on April 12, and the Bicentennial Alumni Reunion and Final Convocation on June 16 to 18. No details have been decided yet as to what the Alumni Committee will have on the last meeting.

The applicants are: C. R. Allen, H. D. Bryant, P. G. Cavalier, H. C. Clark, D. B. Cofer, Jr., K. L. Coghill, G. L. Cowan, III, H. B. Crockett, M. H. Dennis, F. J. DiLoreto, G. C. Duffield, J. C. Evans, W. E. Fausel, H. M. Fender, H. J. Foresman, R. E. Freed, W. L. Fury, J. L. Crossman, R. P. Haley, G. E. Haw, Jr., B. S. Holland, T. H. Jackson, Jr., R. S. Kent, L. R. Klun, W. S. Lee, R. W. Lowery, J. W. Lukens, J. E. McNeer, W. S. Metcalf, Jr., G. E. Mouser, III, R. H. Pettus, E. R. Pleasants, Jr., J. O. Porter, J. A. Quisenberry, D. E. Pepass, J. E. Scheiffy, E. J. Shaffer, J. C. Stanfield, R. B. Stipes, III, L. B. Wales, and M. W. Watts.

## Glee Club Meet Nets Big Group

Last night the 1948-49 Glee Club of Washington and Lee held its first meeting with a record attendance of 95 men. The occasion was to launch the program for the club in its new program of representing the University in Concert and on Tour.

Walter Williams, this year's President, opened the meeting with a warm welcome to the many former members who were present and to the new men who were there to become associated with this organization. "It is gratifying to see such a large turnout for this first meeting," Williams said. "The Club this year has the most ambitious program that it has faced in years. With the interest shown by you men here, we can develop our 1948 club into one that will compete with any club on the east coast."

The large number of men who were present for this first meeting proved too big for the former rehearsal room. "We are making plans for a larger rehearsal room for though our club is larger than previously, we still want more new men out to train for the 1948 Touring Club," Williams concluded.

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## THE BICENT MAGAZINE

Maybe you'll think we've initiated a "pat-you-r-buddy-on-the-back" week, but we couldn't let this issue of the paper slip by without saying a few words about the Student Bicentennial Magazine.

Even if the magazine hadn't received favorable comment from several eastern newspapers and Newsweek, we'd still say it was one of the most commendable student projects that we've seen at W. and L. A glance at the magazine ought to convince anybody that this sort of brochure is indeed a fine tribute by the students to the University.

Of course, the story behind the magazine is one that deserves some mention. Art Wood, chairman of the Publications Committee, began work on the magazine over two years ago. That it was ever published is a fine tribute to his persistent work. He spent the greater part of the summer in Lexington and New York making final arrangements for publication.

Mr. C. Harold Lauck and staff, of the Journalism Laboratory Press, did what was expected. He did a printing job that excels anything he has ever done.

Members of the Publications Committee and all those who helped on the magazine should be proud of their accomplishment.

## THE SPIRIT OF '48

One of the most encouraging signs around the campus this fall is the spirit and attitude being displayed by the freshman class.

Friday night's first pep rally, it's true, was a somewhat sorry mess. Slightly over half the student body attended; and the enthusiasm displayed would compare favorably to our feeling for Russia's current Five Year Plan.

But the impromptu rally Friday night around midnight probably was much more indicative of how the freshmen really feel. Sponsored by a group of upperclassmen, the rally was one in which practically all the freshmen participated, more or less voluntarily,

with the feeling that we like to think really typifies W. and L.

A great interest in extra-curricular is also being shown by the freshmen which seems to indicate that they are sincerely interested in becoming a part of the University. At last night's Glee Club meeting, for example, nearly 100 students turned out; and over 50 attended the initial meeting of the Forensic Union.

All this makes us believe that the current crop of freshmen, with a little guidance from even a small group of sincerely interested upperclassmen, will turn out to be the best post-war class at W. and L. so far.

We would like to emphasize that upperclassmen have a big job and a big responsibility this year. After all, it is their job to set some sort of an example for the freshmen.

We have a feeling that the freshmen will do more than their share toward creating some real spirit around W. and L.—not only the kind of spirit that supports a football team whether it's winning or losing. But the kind of spirit that will dispell the post-war lethargy that has been far too evident in all the organizations at W. and L.

We, on The Ring-tum Phi, urge everybody on the campus—both freshmen and upperclassmen—to enter into some kind of constructive activity on the campus this year. If we want some "spirit" around W. and L. this year, we suggest that all students do something tangible about it.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters to the editor will be appreciated.

The Ring-tum Phi will not print anonymous letters, but the writer's name will be withheld on request.

Letters on any subject will be welcomed; we will, however, especially appreciate those that deal with some issue of interest to the student body at W. and L. All signed letters will be printed, unless they are libelous or contain obviously false statements.

# LETTER

Editor, The Ring-tum Phi

Dear Sir:

An article in Sunday's paper leads me to believe that W. and L. could do well to follow a program that is being planned by Colgate.

The program is to, as the paper said, "turn the spotlight on sex education." A committee is being appointed by the University's president to see that every Colgate man knows what sex is all about.

This year, as a starter, the Colgate committee plans to have a doctor give two lectures to freshmen biology students on the physiology of sex. In addition, the students can hand in written questions for frank answers. After the first lectures, the student body can submit recommendations for improving the program. There will also be certain people on the campus—such as the chaplain and the University physician—who are in a position to deal with the psychological aspects of sex.

The whole thing makes so much sense to me that I firmly believe we, the students, should ask the administration to do something along the same lines. Certainly, only a small per cent of students are even remotely well-informed on the subject. I, for one, would be glad to attend lectures, classes, etc., in my spare time.

Such a program has been in effect at the University of California for several years. And, I might add, it has been a terrific success.

W. and L. is among the most progressive schools in the country in most respects. So why not keep up with the progressive trends and ideas at other schools and initiate a program of this sort?

Name Withheld By Request

## Freshman Memo: Assimilation Rules

To emphasize the importance of freshman assimilation rules, The Ring-tum Phi is printing a complete list of the rules again this week.

1. Students must conduct themselves as gentlemen at all times.
2. Students must speak to all students, professors, and visitors both on the campus and up town.
3. Students must dress conventionally. Unconventional dress may be worn only after 9 p.m. in the Co-Op.
4. Single, non-veteran Freshmen under 21 must wear Freshmen caps at all times.
5. Freshmen must keep off the grass on campus.
6. Freshmen must remove their caps when they pass within a 30 foot radius of Lee Chapel.

## Newsweek Features Bicent Mag Cartoons

The current issue of Newsweek magazine (September 27) contains a reprint of two cartoons from the Student Bicentennial Publication released at Washington and Lee earlier this month.

The cutlines carried beneath the cartoons say, "Washington and Glee: To help celebrate its 200th anniversary in 1949, Washington and Lee University at Lexington, Va., has enlisted such comic stars as J. J. O'Malley, winged wonder of 'Barnaby' and Denny Dimwit, the brain truster of 'Winnie Winkle'."

Newsweek also asked permission to re-run Chic Young's cartoon showing Blondie and Dagwood on the W. and L. front campus but did not carry it in the current issue.

Several Eastern newspapers editorially commended W. and L. students for conceiving the idea of such a publication, which has been roundly termed unique in collegiate publishing.

Art Wood was editor of the All-student brochure.

## NOTICE

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 Box 899

What - Won't - They - Call - Us - Next - Dept.: Last week The Washington Post referred to us as "Washington and Lee Military Academy." Oh, well, we've heard The Post called some pretty bad names, too.

# Campus Comment

By LEONARD WILD

Crowded into this space, which was used up until this time as advertising space for the Rockbridge Steam Laundry, you will find from now on, the latest poop from the troop on campus characters, campus goings on, both under and out of cover, plus choice bits of numerous excursions to local beetle farms and other gay hostleries. Also confidential information for freshman and the "Mama-What-Are-Girls" type, gleaned from the boys in the know, that will put you on the inside, and tip you off to little-known angles on how to be a Man-About-Campus-And-Beetle Farms.

Commenting on the weekend: From the east came a splash and whirling lights and the sound of brass music. The Buena Vista carnival was rolling again, and the weekend started, early. Main attraction, as those who went will tell you, was one Miss Patty Pepper, of "under the canvas" fame. But reports say that the late date team went down in defeat. Somebody else was having a private party.

Al Wexner, manager of Club ZBT, was leading his faithful team in the rounds of amusements and local lovelies. Joe Vicars watched the whole thing with a smile... and Bill Shuck took a local beetle for two rides on the "Loop-O-Plane," just one too many...

The Corner Store was the headquarters for huge rally plans that night as Sandy Richardson, Bill Wade and the boys organized the troops for a planned march from Red Square to the Freshman dorms. Then led by Chap Boyd with his trombone and several of his musical Collegians, the parade went down Washington Street to get Pappy Lewis at the faculty apartments. Cheer leaders led the Swing and sundry cheers, and both faculty and students arrived for 8:25's next morning with sleepless eyes.

In spite of all pleas to the effect that I had been sick and couldn't stand the strain, Southern Collegian's Editor, Sandy Richardson, assigned me to follow Jabo's rounds that night. "Another Bob Gates," said Jabo, loading his green bullet.

The DU party was fantastic. All the dates were blind, especially by the time they left. The Madison team was there in force. Cal Guest couldn't find his, and Ray Snyder also made an outstanding contribution.

Ben Grimm was unofficial host at the Delt lodge, while over at the PEP hostelry Howard Gold-

man was acting as clean-up man with broom after an invasion of hearty Sweetbriar kids. Earl Levitt and his pretty wife were supervising the whole thing.

Bill Stodghill made the late run from the music and dance at the KA House to his own Beta Bungalow via Jabo's model A. Stodghill travels with only the best. Kitty Bray was back with the White Star Refinery boys, while Ken Wacker supplied the sparkling conversation. Sherry and Bill Hamilton were laughing about the latest deal they pulled, and Cancelmo was still giving his "Ode to the Sigma Nu's."

The Phi Gam lounge was going full tilt with Dave and "Crick-et" Douglas, Jerry Adams, and Glenn Chaffer and Muriel. Even Auto Clubman Bob Reid was out of Red Square for the moment.

At the Lambda Chi lounge Bob Brown was squiring a hauntingly lovely young thing from Hollins who could play a mean piano. Ellen Flemming is the name. Check this, troops. Joe Hunt was trying for funnies in a straw sombrero, and Gene Blankenvicker was being the perfect host. I should have it so good.

Selden and Judy McNeer grabbing some fast chow at the Sleep And Eat, while the Pi Phi's were going strong down the street. Pinck Gillespie was twoling it with Doris Carter, and Dick Holley was getting along by himself.

Out at the Phi Psi house Jabo posed for pictures along side of ravishing southern belles. Bruce Parkinson lead the loyal followers in a few songs. Mark Sours and Jim Ballard did their part to give the team some spirit at dinner time.

Jabo and I both were tired.

Lexington—Confidential: The telephone lines to the Sem will be just as bad this year. But if you call Buena Vista about ten minutes before lights out at the Sem, the operator, who is tired too, will probably let you hold on then and get you through to your cutie at Hungry Hill before curfew. Also operators can be bribed, if you get to know them, which isn't too hard. Operators can give you all the latest in "who's dating who."

Next Week there's more to come, after this Prodigal gets settled again. This is just a ghastly hint of what will go on in this space, and allows you ample time to cancel your R-t-P subscription before next Tuesday. Remember, a loyal campus commenter can't be bribed. Not with one beer, that is.

# How Wahoo Can a Wahoo Get? . By Joe Moffat

For the past several years, there has annually appeared a column on Wahoos written by the incomparable "Choo-Choo" McDowell, who slung the metaphors around with the best of them. Unfortunately, the aforementioned "Choo-Choo" has departed to spread the anti-Wahoo gospel throughout the hinterland. Naturally, there is only one expert on the classification of the Wahoo, and that is McDowell. This columnist cannot hope to approach the adroitness in describing this creature, the hated Wahoo, as well as Charley did. But someone here must carry on; someone must once again become the torch-bearer of this great crusade.

The inimitable Mr. Harry K. "Cy" Young, as everyone knows, is an ardent hater of the Wahoo. But Mr. Young is kept fairly busy with directing the Alumni Association, and cannot devote as much time to the subject of the Wahoo as he would like to. Therefore, since the Great Expert of Classification of Wahoos is no longer with us, and since Cy is busy with his other duties, we will endeavor as best we can to carry on in their stead.

For the benefit of all the new gentlemen here at W. and L., I would like to make clear to you just what the term Wahoo implies. No doubt all of you are aware that in order to be a Wahoo, one must first enroll in the University of Virginia, which, by the way, is an extremely prosaic institution, sometimes confused with the Western State Insane Asylum, located in Staunton.

Once a boy matriculates at the University of Virginia, known to most of us here as Darden State Teachers' College, he is well on the road to becoming a Wahoo. The evolution process may take some time, but, in the end, the

Wahoo indoctrination process always seems to win out. This indoctrination carefully screens out young men for signs of strength of character, and self-determination. All students who show signs of not succumbing to the Wahoo atmosphere, are made to feel most unwelcome, and these boys of moral character usually end up by enrolling at Washington and Lee. The others, the more likely candidates, stay on at Wahoo-land, and soon begin to revel in the uncouth atmosphere of the place.

One of the first prerequisites that a Wahoo must possess is a bottle-for without a bottle, a Wahoo just isn't a Wahoo. Next the embryonic Darden State student must find a party, since that is where the metamorphosis really begins. Once the lad has procured a bottle and has been able to crash some respectable party, which all Wahoos are taught how to do, the scene is all set. With carefree abandon, and showing an appalling lack of consideration for others, he throws himself into the proceedings by (1) starting to wolf some other guy's date, (2) drinking quickly and rapidly from his own bottle, until the contents are gone, (3) then stealing someone else's booze and exuding an air of overwhelming superiority while doing it, and (5) passing out noisily, and with no gentlemanly grace, upon the person closest to him. This procedure is strictly S.O.P. at Virginia.

Once the boy has attained Wahoo status, he can degrade himself further by passing a series of spine-tingling tests which boost him up to the rank of Wahoo, Senior Grade. Incidentally, most of the Wahoos do eventually become Senior Grade Wahoos, since they devote a large share of their time to such proceedings. Of

course this requires a great deal of stamina and a mind utterly lacking in virtue. This series of tests usually takes place at a football game, which, of course, gives the Wahoo a much greater scope for his talents. Unless he can make a complete Jackass out of himself before the end of the game, he just flunks the test flat as hell.

Of course, the young Wahoo has his ever-present bottle with him, which he proceeds to wave in the faces of the aid ladies, and members of the faculty, followed by such intelligent observations as:

"Noggin, Noggin, Noggin!"

After giving vent to his innermost feelings, he rapidly gets down to the business at hand, which is, to get as clobbered as possible in the shortest amount of time possible. Once this stage is reached, the candidate for Senior Grade Wahoo, next casts about for someone to pick a fight with, and from time to time muttering, "Lousy Minks," and blowing his whiskey breath in the faces of all the pretty girls. Once the Wahoo has found a victim, the rest of the process is quite simple. Usually it ends with the Wahoo having gotten the devil beat out of him, and being led off to the local clink by John Law. Of course, the Wahoo must attract as much attention to himself as possible, while being escorted from the proving grounds, which he usually does by swinging wildly at his uniformed escort, and grinning inanely all the while.

But now the Wahoo is completely content with his lot, for at last he has realized his most sublime ambition: He is now an official Senior Grade Wahoo.

This is the answer to the ageless question, which the rhetorical Senator McWhorter once asked: "How Wahoo can a Wahoo get?"



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# Generalizing . . . Eleven Bows to Purple Hurricane Through Fumbles in Final Stanza

By BILL CLEMENTS

Well the 1948 season for the Generals opened last Saturday and needless to say it was somewhat of a let down for the fans on hands at the fracas. The Generals had what may be termed as a good first half but the will and the way was definitely gone in closing stanzas. It was apparent that the Generals never made it to the 50 yard line stripe all through the second half but it seems to us that the team strategy kept us in bad territory rather than the play of the team itself. Many was the time when the spectator's heart leaped to his throat as Mike Boyda faded into his own end zone . . . to pass! rather than to kick.

To look at the otherside for a moment, Furman played the smartest ball game seen by these pair of eyes for quite some time. Here was a team that learned its opposition was the better eleven through the first half. They had to find some way to gain ground other than through the General line which held magnificently throughout the entire fray. So they took to kicking and in the exchange of punts they gathered up at least 15 yards each time. Strombaugh of Furman is a good punter, that is granted. However he is certainly not 15 yards better than Boyda on each try. But the Purple Hurricane used the element of surprise in their play and caught the General safety man napping countless times. We hardly ever had a chance to claim a runback. How about the big Blue? They couldn't worry about kicking with four good downs ahead of them so the team razzle-dazzled around on their three yard line until there was no other alternatives. So when Furman was ready, Boyda kicked, and fine punts they were, but Furman got the runback. Furman kept us artfully down in our own territory and waited for the breaks which had to come. As we all know they came in costly, rapid succession.

The moral of this story is, you can razzle-dazzle when you're behind, but if you've got the lead, you've got to play steady, safe ball to keep it.

Perhaps the most startling event of the weekend was the outcome of the fight between powerful Notre Dame and stubborn Purdue. From the 28-27 final score, we gather that Purdue wasn't the least bit interested in how powerful the Irish were supposed to be and we doubt if Coach Frank Lahey thinks they're unbeatable at the present either. We see a hard road ahead of the Irish this fall and doubt very seriously if they come through undefeated. Army surprised the football world with an apparent walk away over a much improved Villanova squad. The Cadets still seem to have plenty on the ball and the Irish will undoubtedly be watching.

Back in the South, Texas saw entirely too much Justice last Saturday as the gridmen that are absolutely destined for All-American honors this year led N.C. to a 34-7 victory over the Longhorns by taking a pair personally across the final marker and passing for two more. For a game that was supposed to be tight all the way around, the Lone Star State turned out a poor product.

Little Davidson scared the wits out of omnipotent William and Mary as the Tigers won a moral victory but lost 14-6. Someone must have punctured flying Jack Cloud and the entire Indian team is going to have to improve a lot to halt the fast moving eleven from North Carolina.

The baseball outlook almost passed into oblivion over the past weekend and undoubtedly would have if the American race wasn't so close. Hats off to the Braves who have been longing for the pennant since 1914 and personally, we're ready to place our money on the Boston Red Sox for the winning punch in the other brackets. True, Feller has at last come to life, but it will take a good deal more than Feller to step the power of the Bosox. . . Cleveland ain't got it!

By TED LONERGAN

After two years of close, fighting scores, the Purple Hurricane of Furman managed a fourth period touchdown last Saturday to win a season opener. It took a TD in the final minutes of play, by quarterback George Pruitt plus the subduing of a fighting General outfit, but the visitors came out on the long end of a 10-7 count.

Despite the fight the Big Blue showed, a bad case of the fumbles cost the Generals the ball game, and had coach Art Lewis in a bad state of jitters all afternoon.

The payoff came with but four minutes remaining in the contest. Brian Bell fumbled on his own ten, and right end Harry Bierman recovered. After Moats failed to gain through the line, Pruitt faded to pass, but could find no receivers. Shaking off three Blue linemen, he cut back to the six where he seemed downed, but carried the last man over the line with him for the winning score. John Little, who previously shot a perfect goal through the uprights, converted the extra point try.

The boys from South Carolina opened the scoring in the first stanza. A Pruitt to Little pass covered thirty yards. Two plays at the line gained nothing. Little then kicked the field goal straight between the posts from an angle of forty-five degrees from the eighteen yard stripe.

This score seemed to arouse the latent Blue to the attack. Bell ran the kickoff to the Blue forty-two. Charlie Harrington hit for six, and Jim Stark followed with nine, for a first down; one of twelve for the Generals to four for the Purple. After two fruitless running plays, Boyda limbered up

his throwing arm, hitting Bell for twenty, and Lukens for thirty in succession. The final toss carried to the one. Bell failed to carry the mail, but Harrington hit the line on the next play to put the home side out in front. They remained in the lead until Pruitt's run in the last period.

The second half proceeded to be a kicking duel between Boyda and Paul Strombaugh. Strombaugh kept the Lewismen in the back regions most of the time with beautiful boots, two of which were quick ones that caught the safety man napping. Two were angled perfectly into the coffin corner.

In the third period with the ball on the fifty yard line, Ray Leister brought the home stands to their feet by sending a long one into the arms of "Black Jack" Crawford on the fourteen, but the play was nullified by an off-side penalty. Leister's next throw was incomplete and the Blue was forced to kick.

Pruitt showed his passing ability as he hit Bill Anderson for several long gains, but the Furman running attack bogged down at the wrong times.

Boyda hurled over the five hundred mark in the passing duel, completing nine heaves out of fourteen attempts.

Bierman, the man who recovered the fumble that led to the winning touchdown, came up with three others during the course of the afternoon, cutting off W. and L.'s last stand on one of the recoveries on the final kickoff.

None of the normal or abnormal football color was lost as the 122 piece Beckley, W. Va., band paraded in formation to the tunes of "Let me call you sweetheart," "School Days" and "Auld Lang

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# Coach Broadbent to Count On Inexperienced Talent To Back '48 Countrymen

With these first brisk days of fall, Coach Harry Broadbent and assistant Cliff Miller will fill the near-by country side with their overland tracksters as the Blue runners prepare for a tough season.

Although losing a large group of last year's varsity squad in Pete Mitchell, Don Chandwell, Bill Flanagan, and Don Stilwell, the coaches are counting on a few veterans runners and a host of new talent to bolster the outlook.

Returning for the 1948 season will be Buddy Hare, Supe Gaulding, Jack Marsh and Gordon Isler. Hare and Gaulding were recently named co-captains.

The new blood of the team this year will be George Levitt, Davis Eyatt, Bruce Huntwork, John Martin, Ted Van Leer, Carl Croyder, Duck Henxthal, Ted Loneragan, Ken Finley, and Joe Sconce. These men are expected to give the returning lettermen stiff competition.

The coaches welcome any freshmen who want to come out this year and will guarantee chances to participate in some varsity meets for experience. Two men from the freshman class who have appeared promising so far as Echols Hansberger, and John Haslep.

On Wednesday at four o'clock, try-outs for upperclassmen for

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# I-M Roundup

By ART HOLLINS

Intramurals got underway once more as the football tournament takes the lead on September 27. Making up League A are the PEP's, DU's, Lambda Chis, Phi Kaps, Kappa Sigs, and the Phi Pals. League B is composed of SAE's, Betas, Phi Gams, Sigma Chis, Zets, and Phi Deltis. In League C are the Sigma Nus, PIKA's, Deltis, KA's, and the Pi Phis with four NFU teams composing League D. This year the NFU will be in a league by itself composed of four teams of NFU men. This might weaken NFU teams, but it will assure them of always having a team in the finals and will also give more men a chance to participate.

### Odds and Ends

Several fraternities have decided to wear their fraternity colors in all intramural contests this year.

All I-M athletes except freshmen must take a physical check-up at Dr. White's office in order to compete. These check-ups may

be obtained on Tuesday afternoons.

Intramural officials' certificates will be presented to all students who successfully pass the I-M exam on a sport and competently officiate in 10 or more contests.

An I-M manager's trophy will be awarded the fraternity, whose man does the best job based on getting entries in on time, having officials and participants ready on time, and has the least forfeits.

The tennis brackets will be posted this week and play will begin immediately. If half of the fraternities turn in entries, bowling will be one of the winter sports counting in the point totals this year. Five men will make up a team and entries must be in on

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or before November 19. The point schedule this year is sports such as football is the same as last year, ten points for entering and playing all games, 15, 10, eight, six, four and two for the first, second, third, fourth, fifth, and sixth teams in each league, respectively. The first, second, third, and fourth teams in the playoff of the league champs will receive an additional 40, 30, 20, 10 points respectively.

NFU men are to be reminded that they are as eligible as fraternity men to win the Individual Trophy, which is awarded the man with the most participation points. This requires participating in most of the sports and having a successful record.

**Furman Game**

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Syne." as well as The Swing between the halves.

The lineups:

W. and L.	Pos.	Furman
Lukens	LE	T. Wham
Smith	LT	Thornton
Conard	LG	McCorkle
Mastriann	C	Byrd
George	RT	Gordon
Fergusson	RG	Stepp
Fahey	RE	Bierman
Boyd	QB	Pruitt
Harrington	LHB	Strombaugh
Michaels	FB	Huggins
Bell	RHB	Little

Subs, Furman: Silk, Tezza, Hughes, Moates, Thomas, Barnett, Sims, Fletcher, D. Wham, Still, Akin, Breazeale, Evington, Anderson.

Subs, Washington and Lee: Crawford, Stark, Miller, Carpenter, Saur, Holt, Leister, Tulloh, Bennett, McCutcheon, Oref, Jack. Officials: Compton (Randolph-Macon), Linesman; Perry (Elon), Field Judge; Hooper (VPI), Referee; Tebell (Wisconsin), Umpire.

Score by periods:

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Tot.
W. and L.	7	0	0	0	7
Furman	3	0	0	7	10

**Freshmen Footballers**

Upset Staunton 33-7

Washington and Lee's freshman football team, coached by Bob Spessard, opened their 1948 schedule by trouncing a favored Staunton Military Academy eleven 33-7.

The freshman Generals showed several hundred fans just what to expect of the varsity in the next two or three years.

Scoring in every period but the first, the Generals were never seriously threatened except late in the second period, and this was an SMA drive which was stopped on the three yard line.

Long passes set up every touchdown except the last. Bocetti connected with several long passes either to Trammel or Hedge in several well executed plays.

Trammel made an excellent catch in the end zone for the first frosh touchdown in the second half to raise the score to 21-7.

The W. and L. victory was climaxed by Sideris' fifty-five yard run from the line of scrimmage for the last general touchdown.

Outstanding play was turned in by "Rollo" Thompson on defense and by Vince Pisano on offense. From all indications, the team should certainly come through with a successful season.

**Dr. Shelley's Back Again**

Dr. H. V. Shelley is now meeting his Latin and Greek classes after an absence of one week. Dr. Shelley returned last weekend from the hospital in which he had been treated for several days.

**NOTICE**

Anyone, freshman or upper-classman, interested in working on The Ring-tum Phi who was unable to attend the organizational meeting of the staffs last week, is urged to leave his name on The Ring-tum Phi desk downstairs in the Student Union.

**Cross Country**

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the starting octet will be held. The schedule is as follows: Sept. 25—VPI ..... Home\* Oct. 2—Randolph Macon... Home Oct. 9—Roanoke..... There Oct. 16—VPI, U.V.A., W-L... Home Oct. 23—Richmond..... There Oct. 27—Hampden-Sydney..... \* Nov. 5—VMI.....\*

Nov. 13—Davidson..... There Nov. 20—SC..... \* Indicates tentative game.

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