

## Final Rites Are Held For Dr. E. F. Shannon

Beloved Professor Dies At  
Home Yesterday From  
Heart Attack

SERVED 24 YEARS  
ON W-L FACULTY

Received Ph. D. From Har-  
vard; Taught At Uni-  
versity of Arkansas

By LATHAM THIGPEN

With the burial of Dr. Edgar Finley Shannon late this afternoon in the Lexington Cemetery, this University mourned the passing of one of the most distinguished scholars, one of the best loved friends, and one of the finest men ever to be associated with the teaching staff of Washington and Lee, ever to carry on her venerable traditions.

Dr. Shannon, who served with distinction as head of the Washington and Lee English Department since 1914, died yesterday afternoon at the age of 63 of a heart attack in his home on the campus. Death came suddenly, shortly after 2:00.

Moved by Dr. Shannon's sudden death, Dr. Francis Pendleton Gaines, president of Washington and Lee, quietly voiced his own tribute to a respected colleague:

"Dr. Shannon was a scholar in every phase of language and an authority of first rank in the field of Chaucerian studies. The force of his personality as well as his teaching made him a distinct power for the intellectual strengthening of our academic life."

**Stricken At Home**  
The fatal heart attack struck Dr. Shannon early Monday afternoon in his home on the University campus. He had taught all classes as usual that morning. Dr. Hunter McClung of Lexington was in attendance at the time of death.

He was buried shortly after 5:00 this afternoon in the Lexington Cemetery. Services were conducted in the Shannon residence by Dr. James J. Murray of the First Presbyterian Church of Lexington, of which church Dr. Shannon was an elder. Elders of the First Presbyterian Church served as pallbearers.

Members of the faculties of Washington and Lee University and of Virginia Military Institute were among the honorary pallbearers.

Born in Bourbon, Kentucky, Dr. Shannon received his A. B. from Centre College, Kentucky, and took his M. A. and Ph. D. degrees at Harvard University, Massachusetts. From Harvard Dr. Shannon went abroad, studying at the University of Leipzig.

Returning to the United States, Dr. Shannon taught at the University of Arkansas from 1902 to 1914, serving also in the capacity of Dean of College. From Arkansas the already-prominent educator and linguist journeyed to Washington and Lee in 1914, to take over the duties of head of the English Department.

Dr. Shannon was the author of the *Atlas of English Literature* and of *Chaucer and the Roman Poets*. In the field of the Anglo-Saxon language and usages and as a widely-known authority on Chaucer, Dr. Shannon occupied the position of authority.

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### C. H. Lauck Appointed Organizer of Eastern Group of Typographers

C. Harold Lauck, director of the journalism laboratory press at the university, has recently been designated as "foreman" of the eastern group of "Typographers," an association of persons actively interested in designing creative printing.

The Typographers grew out of the discussions of a group of printers and designers at the Printing Craftsmen's convention in Cleveland last summer. The main feature of the organization is a Traveling Exhibit by which members exchange ideas and specimens of their work.

A group originally was started in the middle west for this purpose, but it was found that the geographical limitations were too great to take in designers in the whole country. Mr. Lauck is in charge of the development of the new eastern division.

Membership in the association, which is a non-profit organization, is by invitation only.



DR. SHANNON

## Opening Finals Drive Begins On Wednesday

Kerkow Postpones Cam-  
paign For Subscriptions  
As Committee Meets

Spence Kerkow said late this afternoon that the first Finals drive scheduled for this evening had been postponed until tomorrow at supper time.

The dance leader, who announced last week the signing of Hal Kemp and George Hall for the three-day set on June 8, 9, 10, and that subscriptions would be offered at \$9.50 for the set. Details of the arrangements are to be worked out at a Dance Board meeting tonight.

The president predicted some action on the matter of invitations. "Dance leaders have too often been besieged with unnecessary demands for free tickets," he said. "It would help a great deal if the Dance Board would take some definite action in the matter by limiting the number of invitations available, and by defining the classes of persons to whom the invitations are to be given."

**Individual Dance Prices**  
Neither Kerkow nor Landon Jones, business manager for the set, would reveal prices for the individual dances. Jones said that it was impossible to announce these prices until after the Dance Board meeting tonight.

Both, however, said they hoped the drive beginning tomorrow would be the most successful in several years. A goal of above four hundred was hinted by the Finals Committee, one of whom declared: "We've been fortunate enough to get some good bands; and I think the students will cooperate in making the set a success."

Finals will begin on June 8, with the Interfraternity-Sigma Ball. The Senior Prom is scheduled for June 9, in conjunction with the Alumni Ball; and the set will be concluded on June 10 with Final Ball.

Leaders for the set in addition to Kerkow include Ben Anderson, Hardwick Stuart, and Compton Broders.

### Mme. Caro-Delvaile Lectures On Basques In Talk Here Saturday

Madame Aline Caro-Delvaile, Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur gave an account of the customs of the Basques last Saturday at 12:05 p. m. before a filled Washington Chapel.

Mme. Caro-Delvaile illustrated her lecture with slides showing the inhabitants of the Basque section, their colorful costumes, and their unusual type of architecture.

She outlined the numerous theories concerning the origin of the Basque race and their language. Her speech is similar to no other language in the world and differs entirely from that of the peoples surrounding the Basque corner of France and Spain.

Since their country lies directly on the border between France and Spain, which are in some places separated by easily passable boundaries, every fifth Basque man is engaged in smuggling.

The national Basque pastime, pelota, which is played in Cuba and Florida under the name Jai-alai, is one of the most colorful games in the world. The players use leather scoops to propel the ball against a high wall.

Mme. Caro-Delvaile also spoke in French at the 11:05 period before a group of French students.

## Calyx Appears On W-L Campus Over Week-end

Members of Publication  
Board Give High Praise  
To Yearbook

APPROVAL GIVEN  
BY STUDENT BODY

New Annual Introduces  
New Features and New  
Departments

Genuine satisfaction and approval for the 1938 Calyx, which was issued yesterday, was expressed by both members of the publication board and the student body yesterday.

Bob Watt, who will edit the yearbook in 1939, observed that it will be "hard to beat," while Charlie Clarke, another member of the Publication Board, asserted that it is a "fine book."

Approximately 250 books were distributed yesterday, with about 350 more yet to be taken by those who paid their campus tax. Nearly 100 extra copies were sold in the recent drive.

Between 850 and 900 copies were printed, leaving more than a hundred still on sale.

Billy Hudgins, editor of the W-L yearbook last year, was very enthusiastic over this year's edition, declaring that it was an outstanding book and offering hearty congratulations to Sam McChesney, the editor, Jommy Lamb, another member of the publication board, likewise termed the book "outstanding," adding that it was one that every Washington and Lee student should be proud to own.

"I think the Calyx this year is excellent," said Jimmy Fishel, editor of the Southern Collegian and member of the board. "It has fine photography, make-up, and content, and I think the cover is exceptionally pretty."

Similar sentiments were expressed by Sam Cleveland, another member of the board, who termed the annual as "mighty fine." It ranks with that of last year, in his opinion, and he added that the staff is to be highly commended.

The prevailing sentiment of the student body is that the yearbook is of excellent quality, the only exception being one student who said he thought that the make-up could have been better.

### Professor Hill To Speak Before T. K. I. Thursday

Professor L. L. Hill, instructor in the biology department, will deliver a lecture to members of Theta Kappa Iota on Thursday night. The subject of the lecture will be "Entomology." This lecture marks the eighth of a series of lectures which will be given before the society by townspeople and members of the faculty who are prominent in the fields of biology and medicine.

It was also announced that election of officers for next year would take place at the meeting Thursday.

TKI's annual banquet has been scheduled for May 19 at Forest Taverns. At that time, new members of the organization will be welcomed.

## Phi Psi's Raise The Roof And Then Dodge As It Falls Down

They threw something new in "house-wrecking" parties over at the Phi Psi house Saturday night—and that's not all they threw, either, as the evening wore on.

'Twas a wild party indeed, and the poor Phi Psi's, after issuing a blanket invitation which included the whole student body, looked in dismay as door panels, wall plaster, windows, floors, and an occasional head were cracked in by the riotous visitors.

Pinkish punch was served in profusion, and acted as an excellent chaser for the plentiful beer. The monstrous shindig was held to aid the contractors in wrecking the house, for the Phi Psi's are going to remodel next year. Conservative estimates placed the saving in wrecking fees at \$1,000.

Being only two days before scheduled class elections, the party became the mecca for many a politician. Dubious candidates became hopeful again as the benign students promised them all full support, which called for further

# Watson, Smith, Chapman, Burns Elected Presidents

## Politicians' Big Guns To Cease As Open Season Ends Tonight

### Cigar Smoke Wears Away Leaving Only Butts and Broken Hearts

And tomorrow the campus will be covered with a bunch of butts. Yes, as the cigar smoke clears away, comes the realization that the year's political wars have their final skirmish tonight in the annual class election battles.

It may be a long way from lowly freshman to the law fraternity, but tonight the "big guns" are firing all along the line. As to the candidates with the "Dr. Jeckel-Mr. Hyde" characters, we do not hesitate to forecast that the "hide" will soon be showing through.

We also hazard that dear Mr. Matt will find some serious competition among the various aspir-

ants to political office. At least so proficient have they become in remembering names and faces that the notorious memory of the registrar will be taxed to the limits if he is to protect his laurels in this field.

Still a novelty is the clique free system which now has hit its full stride on this campus. The closed primary and back room politics are now a thing of the past, "The old order changeth," and the rubberstamp has been definitely and finally "bounced."

Steve Brodie has the distinction of instituting a new method of button-holing during this campaign. His new personal touch comes through the mails as an autographed appeal, and is quite a card.

## Marines Accept Nineteen Men

### W-L Students Pass Tests For Entrance To Camp This Summer

Nineteen recruits were accepted for the Platoon Leaders Class of the U. S. Marine Reserve last week for the annual six weeks training camp this summer, Warren Edwards announced today.

Eight men who attended the camp last year are returning, while three third-year men are undecided.

The camps will be held from July 5 to August 15. The Eastern division will be located at Quantico, Virginia, while the Western division will encamp at San Diego, California.

The course requires two six-weeks summer camps, and graduates are given commissions as second lieutenants in the Marine Corps Reserve. The upper five per cent of the graduates are offered active commissions in the Marine Corps.

The recruits who passed their physical examinations last Friday and Saturday were: Bob Davis, Bob Walker, R. S. Hutcheson, Fort Pipes, Bill Boggs, John B. Cleveland, Reid Brodie, R. L. Jones, John Goodin, Art Smith, Stuart Robinson, Guy Witt, Jack Akin, Clarence Ferrell, Jack Gillespie, Fred Rusch, Ed Roff, Dick Smith, and Brooks Young.

Second-year men returning are: Warren Edwards, Sam Cleveland, Art Buck, J. L. Campbell, R. A. Nicholson, Paul Darsie, Bill Delaplaine, and M. E. Buchwald.

The third-year men who are as yet undecided are Bob Thomas, Powell Glass, and Frank Reese.

Included in this year's Calyx is a group picture of the recruits from W-L who attended the camp last summer.

## Librarian Sets May 15 Deadline For Entries For Library Contest

The seniors in the academic school who are interested in the library award for the best student library are urged to submit their names to her, Miss Susan Lancaster, acting librarian, announced today.

Each contestant's name must be entered before May 15. The award of \$30.00 will probably be given during commencement. This prize is offered each year by Dr. John Herndon, a W-L alumnus of the class of 1911, and now a member of the faculty of Haverford College.

This award is open to any senior who has collected and presents for commendation a collection of books acquired during his undergraduate course.

Each library will be judged by a committee whose members are not affiliated with W-L. Each will be judged according to its quality, size, and representation of the contestant's own private interests, and may include any book obtained by him any time during his college career.

Each contestant must explain to the committee his method of selection and must hand in a typed list, in alphabetical order according to authors, of the books in his library.

## Nine Will Meet V. P. I. In Return Game Here Tomorrow Afternoon

Washington and Lee's baseball team will be out to make it two straight over VPI tomorrow afternoon when it meets the Techmen in a return game on Wilson Field. The game was originally scheduled for May 14.

Roy Dart, who humbled the Gobblers, 7 to 4, in Blacksburg Thursday, will probably take the mound again, Manager Sam McChesney said this morning.

The Virginia Tech team dropped a 6 to 0 decision to the University of Richmond yesterday, with Porter Vaughan, Spider hurler, allowing only one hit. Dart bested Vaughan in a pitching duel when the Blue met Richmond last month.

The same line-ups that took the field in the last encounter will probably start tomorrow. Game time is 3:30.

## Faculty-Varsity Game Postponed Indefinitely

Postponed due to the death of Dr. Edgar Shannon, the faculty-varsity baseball game, scheduled to be played yesterday, will take place in the near future. Coach Cy Twombly said this morning. Tickets previously sold will be accepted.

## Hospital Notes

Only two W-L students are at present confined in the Jackson Memorial Hospital. They are: P. B. Robertson, of Easton Pennsylvania, and Francis Surue, of Nautucket, Connecticut. Each has a cold.

### Elijah Hogge, Bobby Hobson, Bill Young, And Rudy Hanna Elected To Executive Committee; Election In Senior Law Class Goes To Three Ballots

In the closest class elections in a decade, four classes named twenty men to office for next year in heavy voting tonight. Most interesting battles were fought in the freshman class where every office went into a run-off. Other features of the elections were the battle between Pete Grabill and Bill Young for Executive Committee of senior law, and the surprisingly

## New Alumni Magazine Featuring Politics Story To Be Issued Tomorrow

Mails from Lexington tomorrow will carry the fourth issue of the school's alumni magazine. Feature story of the issue tells of the return of open politics to this campus, and is by Charlie Clarke.

Bill Bagbey points to a trend of interest in new sports at Washington and Lee, particularly a renewed interest in lacrosse here in an article entitled "Old Sports and New At The University."

Dr. Gaines, speaking from "The President's Page" treats Finals as an opportunity for cementing friendships, which will last.

Unusual is the cover, arranged by Mr. Lauck, head of the print shop. It is an action track shot, taken from a former Calyx cut.

## Schedule Plans To Be Checked

### Faculty Rules Sophomores Must Submit Schedule Of Future Courses

Dean Tucker today urged sophomores to pay particular attention to the letter sent out last week to all members of the class concerning the resolution adopted by the faculty providing that each student must prepare a tentative schedule of the courses he will pursue during the following two years. In making out this schedule, the student should have his major selected and prepare it under the direction of the head of the department.

Dr. Tucker pointed out that the action of the faculty concerned primarily sophomores in the Academic School—candidates for the Bachelor of Arts or general Bachelor of Science degrees. Definite curricula have been prepared for students in the Commerce and the Science School, and the only action necessary for sophomores in these two schools is to check over their courses before the Spring registration period.

In commenting on the purposes of the sophomore registration plan, Dean Tucker said: "Nearly every year some member of the senior class finds at the last moment that he is unable to meet his graduating requirements due to faculty planning of his program earlier in his college career."

"The action by the faculty to improve educational planning in all the college years justifies and explains the plan. But need for this planning rests on broader grounds. Formerly, the number of courses offered at this institution were relatively small and the curricula were fixed. Recently, however, multiplication of departments, and a flood of new courses

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## Journalism Lab Prints May Graphic Arts Paper

The May issue of the News Bulletin of the National Graphic Arts Education Guild has just been released from the press, Mr. C. Harold Lauck, supervisor of printing, said today. The entire paper was composed and printed here in the journalism laboratory.

Featured in the paper is the annual conference to be held in Washington. A large cut of the United States Bureau of Printing and Engraving depicts part of the sights in the nation's capital.

The remainder of the issue is concerned with the news of the Guild and its members. The next paper will be printed here early in June, Mr. Lauck said today.

large victory of Jack Watson on the first ballot in the race for junior class president.

Winners of class presidencies were: Charlie Chapman, sophomore; Jack Watson, junior; Bill Burns, intermediate law; and Ralph Smith, senior law. Men named to the Executive Committee by the four classes were: Rudy Hanna, sophomore; Bobby Hobson, junior; Elijah Hogge, intermediate law; and Bill Young, senior law.

**Intermediate Law**  
Biggest battle in the intermediate law elections tonight came in the Executive Committee elections where Elijah Hogge piled up 17 votes on the first ballot to win over Bucky Stoops, Paul Miller, and Saxby Tavel. Stoops received 11 votes; Tavel, 3; and Miller, 1.

Bill Burns pulled up in the final stretch to beat out Bill Moscoso for president by 18 to 14. Lanier Thurmond won the vice-presidency from Stanford Schewel 20 to 11; and E. S. Roby completed the slate of candidates by taking a 22 to 9 count from H. J. Childress.

**Senior Law**  
Closest election recorded all evening came in the senior law classes where the battle between Pete Grabill and Bill Young for Executive Committee went to three ballots before being decided. Young finally won out by 20 to 18.

In other elections in the class Ralph Smith registered 22 votes on the first ballot to win over three opponents. John Hawkins recorded 9, John Beare 4, and John Goodin 3, for this office. After a deadlock at 19 all on the first ballot E. L. Smith defeated Winston Bain 20-18 for the vice-presidency in a run-off.

Ralph Mills was unanimously elected secretary of the class and following the tradition of the school, student body president Vaughan Beale was named class historian by acclamation.

**Junior Class**  
Voting in the junior class saw Jack Watson triumph on the first ballot for presidency. He was opposed by Reid Brodie, Ronnie Thompson, and Paul Muldoon. The count was Watson, 85; Brodie, 29; Muldoon, 19; and Thompson, 13.

In a very close race George Melville defeated Frank Nichols for the vice-presidency, 79 to 73. Bobby Hobson took the Executive Committee post from Jack Broome and Kelly Litteral by tallying 78 on the opening ballot to Broome's 59 and Litteral's 55.

The battle for the secretary-treasurership was forced into two

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## Generals' Tennis Team Decisively Beats Spiders With 9-0 Victory Today

The University of Richmond provided Washington and Lee's fifth shutout victim of the 1938 tennis season this afternoon as the Generals, led by the brilliant play of Clements and Washburn, thoroughly outstroked the invading Spiders, 9-0.

Bill Douglas and Charles Midelburg had plenty of trouble in winning the No. 5 and No. 6 matches, but in the other contests the W-L men easily outstayed their erratic opponents.

The summary: W-L 9, Richmond 0.  
Singles—Clements, W-L, defeated Leitch, 6-1, 6-0; Reynolds, W-L, defeated Chapin, 6-2, 6-4; Washburn, W-L, defeated White 6-0, 6-3; Robertson W-L, defeated Stewart, 6-0, 6-2; Douglas, W-L, defeated McClure, 6-2, 5-7, 8-6; Midelburg, W-L, defeated Abernethy, 6-3, 11-9.

Doubles—Reynolds and Washburn defeated Leitch and Chapin, 6-4, 7-5; Clements and Robertson defeated White and Stewart, 6-4, 6-2; Douglas and Midelburg defeated McClure and Abernethy, 6-4, 6-2.

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DOCTOR EDGAR FINLEY SHANNON GENTLEMAN AND SCHOLAR

Every man, whoever he be, has his own philosophy with which to answer the problems of life. Some would meet the day with forward living; others would shield themselves with a cautious restraint; and still others would face the world with full-hearted love and the serenity of gentility.

Among the latter was Doctor Edgar Finley Shannon, who yesterday unexpectedly passed into the sleep that men call death and left his place on the campus silent beyond recall.

To all that he undertook—on the campus or off—Doctor Shannon brought this understanding gentility. His work was a monument, built of men who had become great through his teaching. His spirit was a cool spring wherein men drank in the heat of living and left with quiet hearts. His life was a constant star, which beckoned all that knew him to follow in its high course.

As a scholar he was internationally renowned. His profound knowledge of Chaucer made him the outstanding authority in the field. His deep understanding of all phases of English made him a leader in the Modern Language Association. But more than a scholar, he was a teacher who sounded the depth of ideas and avoided the bewildering shallowness of facts.

Those, who as students and friends knew and loved him, can only feel that something—someone irreplaceable—is gone. No more will there be hours to hear Wordsworth and Browning chant so deep as they did through him; nor again will the pilgrims to Canterbury ride so near as they did with him; and in no other day will the beauties of Shakespeare appear so clear as they did, reflected in him.

But those hours—though they cease—are for today and for tomorrow. They are hours which will live and grow in the hearts of men who cherish them. Like the bounteous spirit of Cordelia brightening the grim grayness of "King Lear," Doctor Shannon's spirit of love and gentility shall hover over long after the curtains have been drawn.

The sun which shone so brightly yesterday lighted the fullest stature of a man to his last sleep. Today in the great unknown—wherever, whatever it be—a gentleman has his final triumph—smiling gently and understandingly in the sun of the everlasting.

CALYX—VOLUME 44—ARRIVES ON PROMISED TIME

While most schools in the country now await anxiously some announcement on the appearance of their annual and while year-book staffs in these schools sweat in the hope that their volume will arrive in time, Washington and Lee can rest back and reflect over a Calyx that was distributed yesterday and its staff can proudly add the feather of early delivery to its already plumed cap.

Featuring a year at Washington and Lee as the theme, the annual tells the story of the ordinary student from his registration in September to Finals in June. The idea is no better illustrated than on the fresh green cover where a new man with luggage in hand and a senior with his diploma march across the cover.

Most interesting to the majority, however, were the natural color campus photographs, which replaced sections of art work used in previous annuals. Of added notice was the comparative emphasis placed on the various campus activities in relation to student interest.

Some few readers thought that the book might be improved here or touched up there,

but the majority who made comments found the volume compared very favorably with previous high standards set by Calyx editors. And all were impressed at the early date of release. For a job well done, editor McChesney, business manager Willis, and their staffs are to be congratulated. Their example should be a measure for future Calyx officers to follow. Our only comment would be that the present theme, although depicted in the best of taste, might better have been "On Promised Time."

GRADUATING SENIORS DESERVE A BREAK ON EXAMINATIONS

Some twenty-five days from now the big grind starts; and ten days later, when seven hundred juniors, sophomores, and freshmen have done with singing or crying over examinations, about 175 seniors will be anxiously waiting—with families in town—to know if they graduated.

As a presentation of facts the above paragraph deserves several comments. For the exams themselves, or for crying or singing underclassmen, there is little space here. Examinations are seeming necessities in the present educational system, and underclassmen in the general scheme of things think little more of an exam than a somewhat harder hour quiz.

But to seniors, whose parents proudly come to the campus in June to watch their sons graduate, the examinations of the last semester have a magnified importance. In most cases the senior must pass every one to receive the coveted degree. In a few cases his grades must be above average if he is to graduate. The coming of parents to town before grades are able to be known and the magnified importance of these final semester examinations cannot fail to put even the exceptional student under some pressure.

There are at least two sensible possibilities for relieving this strain: Elimination of all last semester examinations for seniors with the substitution of more seminar work; or the advancement of senior exam schedules so that candidates for graduation might complete their work sufficiently ahead of time to be able to warn their parents of unforeseen eventualities.

The first suggestion is probably too revolutionary for immediate acceptance; but the second—with very little adjustment—would be feasible this year and would go a long way toward removing some of the examination tension which seniors must naturally experience just before the most important event in their college life.

FOR A LITTLE MORE ATTENDANCE AT INSTRUCTIVE LECTURES

To the polite "damn" uttered by the editor of the Daily Tar Heel of the University of North Carolina over the response of students of that school to a series of instructive entertainments, we would add our own polite cussing for the attitude of students at Washington and Lee toward a similar series of lectures and entertainments here.

Last week three lectures by Barclay Acheson and Mme. Caro-Delvaile attracted slightly under one thousand students, where nearly that many should have attended each of the lectures. In the past such features as the Hampton Quartet, Bernard Maloney, and other distinguished speakers have never more than comfortably filled the Chapel unless students in certain departments were required to attend.

Merely to deplore the apathy of students to instructive entertainment is not to provide a remedy for the situation. Correction may only come from an understanding of the causes for this apparent apathy and from a more than half-hearted attempt to eliminate those causes.

One very probable cause of this apathy among the students is the failure of sponsoring organizations to announce properly the speaker or attraction they are sponsoring. Too often announcement of the event is only haphazardly circulated and too often no word at all is circulated except for a hasty notice an hour or two before. As a problem of getting notice of the event to the students, this one cause for apathy could be quickly removed by an effective, well organized program of publicity.

But this could only remove surface difficulties. Deeper down is a lackadaisical philosophy toward the purpose of college and a sheer disregard for opportunities for cultural progress. Both involve complex remedies for cure; and although the best would be an increased amount of good hard scholastic work plus an iron-hand policy for flunkers, the cure for the present shall probably be left to time and nature.

Organizations and departments, who are planning to sponsor programs in the future might well seek some means for stirring a group of snorting socialites to interest. If they succeed, they will save themselves a great deal of future embarrassment in explaining the lack of attendance to a lecturer—and they will have done a service to the students in showing them that, after all, learning is a part of college life.

PERSONAL OPINIONS

By BILL BROWN

Dr. Shannon's Death Marks Close Of An Era In College Life

I have spent hour after hour just sitting and waiting for my thoughts to collect in my pen-point so that my themes would be acceptable to Dr. Shannon. I always found difficulty in satisfying myself when there was something to be written for him. And now I find the greatest difficulty ever in writing a final word about him—for myself—and those of you who care to glance over my shoulder.

Dr. Shannon's death for me and for many others, I am sure, marks the close of an era in college life and ushers in a new. Neither the old nor the new will be named—the old one simply had Dr. Shannon: The new one doesn't. In this latter one we will miss his dignified person in our midst. We will no longer have the pleasure of his grand association, his humanness, his liberality of thought, his broad good humor, his kindly understanding, and his gracious advice.

The university loses a great asset in his passing. A keen student of the English language and literature, Dr. Shannon gained wide recognition as an authority in his field. He was a professor who lent to his university something of that air which makes a university worth while. Washington and Lee needs men like Dr. Shannon.

Indeed, the university has suffered a great loss and I, one among many of his students, have lost a personal friend. I had known Dr. Shannon but two years, and in that short period I feel that my life has been made infinitely richer through association with him.

One who came in contact with him could not help feeling a deep respect and affection for him. He made one feel that his interests were his own. His ear was always open to what one had to say. He was a man about whom no unkind word was ever said.

I always had the feeling that Dr. Shannon was a completely happy man, thoroughly in love with life. With his death Washington and Lee loses a great friend, the scholastic world a fine scholar, the town of Lexington an honorable and useful citizen and his associates a beloved acquaintance.

LETTERS TO EDITOR

Suffolk, Virginia.

Dear Sir: We are making a study of newspapers in our English class at Holland High School. We have heard much about The Ring-tum Phi as a good college paper and we would appreciate it if you would send us one or two copies of the paper as a guide. As we have only a limited time for our study, I wish that you would send the papers as soon as possible.

Nelle Austin. (Editor's Note: The above letter was received last week from a high school girl of Tidewater Virginia. She received several copies of The Ring-tum Phi by mail on Saturday.)

CAMPUS COMMENT

By TOM MOSES and PAUL MULDOON

Our Crude Crew . . .

Phi Psi's In Difficulty . . .

A New Calyx . . .

There's one born every minute . . .

Oscar Ennenga, oarsman extraordinaire, made the New York trip with the varsity crew and managed to get back even warming up. Oscar, however, is the fellow that the man had in mind when he said you can't keep a good man down. After watching his colleagues lose their grueling duel to Manhattan, Oscar sought diversion at Honeymoon Lane, one of New York's finer dime-a-dance palaces. As is so often the case, the kid was completely carried away by one of the hostesses, and after asking her to finals, he asked permission to see her home. The girl wanted Oscar to show his devotion by purchasing some five dollars worth of tickets, which he did with great dispatch and returned to dance the rest of the evening with his queen. Incidentally as a tribute to his mastery of dancing the management presented him with a silver loving cup and proclaimed him the dancing champion of Honeymoon Lane. (This trophy is now on display in the Phi Delta collection.)

After making a short but fitting acceptance speech, he sought out the lady of his choice and escorted her to a waiting taxi. The story ends at this juncture rather abruptly, for when they arrived at her apartment house a huge sign and a burly doorman met him, saying in the same breath, "For Ladies Only."

Construction?? . . .

The Phi Kappa Psi's have managed to wheedle someone out of a staggering sum for remodeling their house. They undoubtedly feel that this is a bit too much for the necessary repairs, for last Saturday night a rather organized wrecking crew attempted to inflict sufficient extra damage to make the repairs and the money come out even.

For several weeks the ground of the new Lambda Chi House has been in the process of being broken. The workmen have had several psychological difficulties to surmount. First, there is a big tree that could stick up through the kitchen if left standing, but is really too pretty to hack down wantonly, so they are saving this vexing problem to the very last since no one has the heart to take an ax to it. Second, the state road crew is working some twenty yards away, and this is just about the right distance for a little playful rock tossing. The boys are having a great old time and both foremen are losing their respective minds. Besides these distractions there is an old gentleman in the adjoining field, who seems to think that he has prior rights on the Lambda

Chi's property for his garden. Every time the workmen get a nice big ditch dug, he whips by with his plow and fills it up. With construction going on at this dizzy pace, even Charley Hart will have graduated before the cornerstone is laid.

Calyx . . .

Sam McChesney's 1938 Calyx is fresh off the press and the year that we spent at Washington and Lee during the past hour and a half was one continual round of parties, dates and athletic contests of one type or another. Sam, canny soul, was particularly careful to make no reference to the side of college life that deals with a lot of dull books that someone writes for nobody to read.

Strangely enough, Sam's own Sigma Chi's didn't appear quite as prominently as one might suppose but they managed to get in a few candid shots here and there. Without a shot of genial Jan Garber no Calyx would be complete, so one of Sam's cameramen managed to get a real useful snap of the old camera shy maestro himself, hitting a few hot licks on his fiddle.

Another Calyx, and just Hal Kemp and George Hall before we rack up another year. Well, it takes a heap of heapin' to make a heap of heap.

So we hear . . .

We understand that Sam Hiden and Everett Bryant have become the very best of friends . . . they now have something in common . . . Bill Torrington and Johnny Alnutt are in a better position to add a little more light on the subject . . . Ben (Mitty) Pollman is now one of the regular visitors out at the Tiny Town Tavern . . . Merrie Vee Johnson, the blonde bombshell, was stuck with her date Saturday night over at Da Sem . . . All sixteen of them . . . Kit Carson, our eminent playwright, has no statement to make at the present time . . . However, he admits that competition is getting mighty tough . . . Joe Hunter says "I think the Seminary is the finest school in Virginia" . . . Concerning Bill Burn's late date bureau, Dorsey Wilson says that he'll start one over his dead body . . . Chubby Howard has been trying to get a job with Warner Brothers all week, and he has also been quite a nuisance to the directors . . . We sincerely hope that one benevolent Sigma Chi will tip him off . . . It's not your personality, Chubby . . . With the Calyx now out we find that Price Beryman is among those listed as seniors not having pictures taken . . . Wonder why?

Between The Sheets

By ROBERT ESPY

All Hot Up . . .

Dean E. L. Cloyd of the Raleigh division of the University of North Carolina was probably all hot and bothered after 400 of his students burned him in effigy. The demonstration came as the result of a ruling against a post-graduation dance which is a campus tradition.

Ice Cream Plot . . .

At the University of Virginia a similar exhibition of protest is going on, but for slightly different reason. A racketeering plot, which is called "comparable only to the Johnstown Flood, the Chicago Fire, or the Vassar Daisy Chain," has been discovered which limits a student's quota of ice cream per nickel to only one scoop.

Another Fire . . .

Via the Charlottesville institution comes news of another fire at NCU. Someone in the Deke house accidentally dropped a chair in the open fire in the living room, and, trying to smother it with a rug, started the rug to burning also. He called the fire department, which began functioning by ringing a bell to notify the town that it was doing its duty. The noise of the alarm bell waked a Deke in the upstairs of the burning house, and he rushed into the front yard to scan the sky-line for flames, only to be greeted by the sirens of the fire-fighters.

Phi Betas . . .

The Gamecock, student newspaper of the U. of S. C. asked the seven co-eds who were elected to Phi Beta Kappa if they thought their new positions would injure their social prestige. One said yes, five said of course not, and the seventh lamented the fact that she had no social prestige to be injured.

And More Phi Betas . . .

The Richmond Collegian has also investigated the more learned undergraduates, and has found that most of them are as uncertain of future jobs as the average student. Even the president of ODK is "in the market for anything in the way of remunerative employment."

Scoop . . .

The night editor of an eastern college daily, hearing that a Communist meeting was being held in town, assigned one of his reporters to cover the assembly. When the story was not in and the deadline was quite near, the editor sent another reporter to find the first. When reporter number two entered the hall he saw his colleague

PREVUES

By HAROLD GADDDY

Beloved Brat (State, Thursday and Friday) with Dolores Costello, Donald Crisp, Natalie Moorhead, Lucille Gleason, and others.

It's the old theme of the spoiled but rich little brat, who gets in one scrape after another. Those of you who have the paternal (or the maternal) instinct and yearning might like it. Incidentally, it's supposed to be a comedy, but we think that the only person who would laugh at it is Gus Bernd.

Lost Horizon (Lyric, Wednesday) with Ronald Colman, Jane Wyatt, John Howard, Margo, and others.

The fantastic, yet strangely gripping story of an adventure in another world. Aside from its highly imaginative plot, it also offers some really beautiful photography and scenes of unforgettable beauty . . . It's a lily!

Farnell (Lyric, Thursday) with Clark Gable, Myrna Loy, Edna Mae Oliver, Billie Burke, and others.

The historical plot is rather clumsy and unwieldy, and we're afraid that it does not suit Gable at all. Aside from this misfit, the show is well directed and is a creditable production. After all, Myrna Loy is in it, and she has what it takes.

Wild Horse Rodeo (Lyric, Friday and Saturday) with Bob Livingston, Ray Corrigan, Max Terhune, and others.

It's a rip-roaring, knock 'em down and drag 'em out, straight-shooting, hand-riding. Who's got the gun? western. Nuff said.

seated on the platform by the chairman.

"You'd better hurry back to the office with that story," he shouted.

"Sorry, I can't," came the reply. "They've just elected me secretary."

College Man . . .

Governor Hoey of North Carolina, speaking to the students at Wake Forest, declared that "the college man is one who has acquired the habit of weighing people and facts impersonally, cultivated the ability to be fair and intelligent in his judgments, and maintained the character to support his decisions."

In South Dakota there is an institution which will sell a college degree for \$45 and a master's degree for \$55. In educational circles these are termed "counterfeit degrees," and all of little use in America. But in India and China they like titles, and thousands are sold yearly to these two countries.

Washington and Lee University

THE CALENDAR

1937-1938

Monday, May 2—Saturday, May 21

Monday, May 2

- 3:45 P.M. Varsity Tennis Washington and Lee vs. Elon
3:45 P.M. Faculty Meeting
4:30 P.M. Baseball Varsity vs. Faculty
7:30 P.M. Forensic Union—Student Union

Tuesday, May 3

- 3:45 P.M. Varsity Tennis Washington and Lee vs. Richmond
7:30 P.M. Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Student Body—Student Union

Saturday, May 7

- 3:45 P.M. Varsity Tennis Washington and Lee vs. Loyola

Monday, May 9

- 7:30 P.M. Forensic Union—Student Union

Tuesday, May 10

- 7:30 P.M. Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Student Body—Student Union
8:00 P.M. "Detail study of Michelangelo's Paintings in the Sistine Chapel." Illustrated lecture by Professor F. S. Walls—Washington Chapel

Wednesday, May 11

- 3:45 P.M. Varsity Baseball Washington and Lee vs. Wake Forest

Thursday, May 12

- 7:15 P.M. T. K. I. lecture, Professor L. L. Hill: "Entomology"—Room 202, Chemistry Building.
8:00 P.M. "Detail Study of Michelangelo's Painting in the Sistine Chapel." Illustrated lecture by Professor F. S. Walls—Washington Chapel

Saturday, May 14

- 3:45 P.M. Varsity Baseball Washington and Lee vs. V. P. I.

Sunday, May 15

- 5:00 P.M. Band Concert by the Washington and Lee University Band—Main entrance to campus.

Monday, May 16

- 3:45 P.M. Varsity Baseball Washington and Lee vs. Virginia

Tuesday, May 17

- 7:30 P.M. Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Student Body—Student Union

Thursday, May 19

- 6:30 P.M. T. K. I. Annual Banquet. Address by Dr. J. N. Williams, Virginia Bureau of Mental Hygiene—Forest Tavern

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# Delts Increase Lead In I-M Tournament

Track Victory Gives DTD Tight Grip On First Place

BETAS HOLD SECOND WITH SLIGHT EDGE

Phi Delta Theta Win Second Place In Track Meet

Forging ever farther ahead in the intramural races, Delta Tau Delta drove into the home stretch with a commanding lead by virtue of their victory last Friday in the intramural track tournament. By adding 29 more points to their total, the Delts firmly entrenched themselves in first place with the sum of 214 points to their credit.

The Beta boys, nearest rivals, held second place with 132 points, some 82 points behind. PIKA's and KA's are still much in the running for second honors with 127 and 120 points, respectively.

The Delt track victory came after closing rallies by the Phi Delts and the Betas had been overcome. The winners finished strong to capture the mile relay.

**Individual Honors**  
Individual honors were shared by Ross Hersey, Delt; Hunt Collins, Phi Delt; Shack Parrish, Phi Gam; and Sam McCorkle, Phi Kap. All four of these men captured two first places.

Collins showed fine form in breezing over the high hurdles in 16.2 seconds and coming back to win the low in a walk. In both events his main competition was furnished by Crane and Shafer of the Betas.

In the quarter, ten men started off at a fast clip with Ross Hersey outdistancing the field to win in 55.8 seconds. Martin, K. A., finished second, while Bowles, Delt, and Gaddy, Sigma Nu, tied for third. Hersey scored his second win of the afternoon when he showed his heels to a stellar group of shut-clads to win the half in 2:14.7. A beautiful home-stretch drive enabled him to pass Bob Junger, PEP, and finish in front.

Shack Parrish, Phi Gam, won both the 100 and 220 yard dashes. In the former, he finished strong to pass Pinck, PEP, and win in 10.6 seconds. In the latter he came

## Intramural Standings

Delta Tau Delta	214
Beta Theta Pi	132
Kappa Alpha	127
Alpha Tau Omega	120
Delta Upsilon	89
Phi Kappa Sigma	65
Kappa Sigma	55
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	50
Phi Delta Theta	42
Phi Kappa Phi	39
Sigma Chi	37
P. E. P.	29
Phi Kappa Psi	24
Phi Gamma Delta	17
Law Fraternity	14
Lambda Nu	11
Lambda Chi Alpha	3
Sigma Phi Epsilon	3
Non-Fraternity Union	0

from behind to nose out big Sam Chamness, Delt, in the closest race of the day. His time in this event was 24.6 seconds.

Sam McCorkle, Phi Kap, was the fourth double winner, capturing firsts in both the discus and the javelin. He tossed the discus 114 feet to win over Jack Gillespie, Phi Delt, and Roberts, Delt. In the javelin throw, he won with a throw of 153 feet 8 inches to win easily over Gary, Sigma Chi, and Stanley, Phi Delt.

In the mile run, Gil Meem led a fast pace for two laps, but yielded to Barney Farrier, Sigma Chi, who romped home to win in 5:08. Charlie Clarke, Beta, spurred to pass the tiring Meem and capture second place.

**Bowles Wins Broad Jump**  
Charlie Bowles, Delt, broad-jumped 20 feet 3 inches to win another first for the Delts, while Bob Gary, Sigma Chi, and Ed Wagg, Phi Psi, tied for first place in the high jump with leaps of 5 feet 4 inches.

Bud Crane, Beta, won the pole vault with a jump of ten feet, nosing out Hanna, Phi Delt, and Kirkert, Phi Psi.

Al Szymanski, Phi Phi, won the shot put with a throw of 38 feet 3 inches. He was followed by Williams, Phi Kap, and Moses, Beta.

The Delts won their fourth first of the afternoon and clinched the meet when their relay team of Karonowski, Roberts, Baker, and Hersey set a fast pace and held the lead throughout to win over the Phi Delts and Sigma Chi's.

## I-M Golf Entries Start Qualification Thursday

The 1938 edition of intramural golfers will take the links Thursday and Friday in their qualifying rounds, according to Coach Cy Twombly.

Twombly stated that the low sixteen scores would qualify for the intramural tournament. He is also very well impressed with the field of contestants this year and expects a great deal from the freshmen entries, among whom Wing, Avert, Avery, Hartwell, Stein, and Burkholder are outstanding.

The intramural head also said that the softball games would not start until about two weeks before the test periods, due to the use of the diamond now by the baseball squads.

## W-L Courtmen Beat Elon, 5-2

Generals Favored To Beat Spiders In Richmond Today

On the rebound from a courageous 2-7 stand against the formidable University of Virginia team, Washington and Lee's tennis men spent a strenuous yesterday afternoon in winning 5-2 from the amazing ball retrievers of Elon College.

Though it was the first General victory over an Elon tennis team in three years, the W-L squad, vastly improved this year, had not expected to have to play as late as 6:45 to gain a decision from the invaders.

Rusty Jones, Elon's tall No. 1 player, provided the best match of the day in turning in a surprising three-set victory over Dick Clements. Clements played his usual unhurried, fluent game, but he was not steady enough to turn back Jones, who rallied from 1-4 in the final set to win five consecutive games and the match. All the other singles matches were close, with the Elon players making up in scrambling ability and consistency what they lacked in stroke equipment.

**Blue Rallies In Third Set**  
Reynolds and Washburn clinched the victory when they rallied in the third set to win the No. 1 doubles contest with a brilliant display of overhead smashes. After playing well into the third set, Elon defaulted the No. 2 doubles when Greenwald turned his ankle.

In Charlottesville last Friday, Willie Washburn, the W-L No. 3 singles man, played a fine match to defeat Henry in three sets. The No. 2 doubles team of Clements and Robertson also chalked up a W-L victory to maintain their undefeated record. It was a very good showing against the powerful Cavaliers, even though Frank Thompson, Virginia No. 1, did not play in the singles. On April 13 the Vir- Continued on page four

## Big Blue Oarsmen Lose To Crack Jasper Crew In Harlem River Race

The Washington and Lee oarsmen lost their second race of the season and their rowing shirts last Saturday afternoon when Manhattan University's crew finished the Henley mile and five-sixteenths run on New York's Harlem River two and a half lengths in front of the Generals. The Jasper shell never relinquished the lead it took at the outset, and finished in 6:10 minutes, as compared to W-L's time of 6:19.

The victory was Manhattan's first in three attempts, they having previously lost to Columbia and Rutgers in a three-cornered regatta, and to the University of Pennsylvania in a two-shell event.

In spite of the rather wide margin by which they lost, the Generals impressed the New York crew followers very favorably. The Green coach, Allen Walz, congratulated the Blue rowers on their showing and expressed the hope that the annual General-Jasper duels could be carried on in the future. The two schools staged their first race last year, in which Manhattan was the victor by four boat lengths.

As the boats broke water in the start, the Jasper shell jumped out ahead, and settling down to a 32-34 per minute beat, gradually increased its advantage. At the 440 yard mark, about a quarter of the Green boat showed in front of the W-L bow. However, always keeping a beat faster than Washington and Lee, Manhattan pulled steadily away to finish with a few feet over two and a half lengths to spare.

Back in the hosts' boat house, the Generals handed over their rowing shirts to Walz, despite the coach's refusals to accept them. A pre-race wager between the two crews had placed at stake the shirts of the losing eight.

The boatings:  
W-L—Bow, Bratenahl; 2. Hudson; 3. Lykes; 4. Dunn; 5. Captain Kesel; 6. Braun; 7. Moscoso; stroke, Davis; coxswain, Summerall.

## Blue Cindermen Win Mile Event At Penn Relays

Harvey, Curl, Ragon, And Melville Cover Course In 3:24 Time

Washington and Lee's fast-stepping quartet, "Flash" Harvey, Charlie Curl, Heartsill Ragon, and George Melville, made Big Blue track history last Saturday when they won the one mile college relay event of the famous Penn Relays by covering the mile course in 3 minutes 24 seconds. This is the first time that the Big Blue tracksters have ever copped the college mile title of the Penn relays, which are held annually at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Of the seven other relay teams that competed with the Generals in their race, Wayne University of Detroit, Michigan, made the most formidable bid to nose out the Big Blue relay milers. Charlie Curl ran first for the Generals and took the lead for the first quarter. On the second lap, however, Wayne University was at the head, but "Flash" Harvey warmed the cinders when he ran the third lap of the relay to give anchor-man Heartsill Ragon an eight yard lead over Wayne's final sprinter. Ragon, living up to his usual form, held this lead until he broke the tape at the conclusion of the fourth quarter-mile run.

Each of the Washington and Lee entries was presented with a personal silver trophy of the Penn Relays. In addition to this the winning four brought back to the university a handsome victory plaque. "Flash" Harvey said that "it was a swell trip and a fine race." Harvey related that there were about 4,000 track fans watching the relays. Also, he stated that the Generals were very fortunate not to have to run their race in the rain, for immediately after their mile relay, while they were receiving their awards, it began to pour and kept raining during the remainder of the meet.

## Varsity To Compete In State Meet Saturday

After the fine record which Washington and Lee's four fastest quarter-milers made at Philadelphia last Saturday, the Generals are making final preparations for their entrance into the State Track Meet which is slated to take place at Blacksburg, Virginia, next Saturday, with VPI acting as host. The meet is scheduled to last but one day, and will most likely get under way about 1:00 p. m.

Last year VMI walked away with first place with the University of Virginia cindermen close on their heels. Washington and Lee took third place and VPI came in fourth. This year, however, two new teams will make their bow into state track competition—University of Richmond and William est Fletcher, General track mentor, and Mary College. Said Coach Ford in regard to the new entries: "Although Richmond and William and Mary's entrance into the competition will make it possible to win the meet with a fewer number of points, nevertheless, these winning points will be much, much harder to get. Both the Indians and Spiders have good material to enter Saturday, and it looks as if every single event will be mighty hotly contested. Of course, we are expecting most of our trouble from VMI and University of Virginia." Continued on page four

## Johnny Beck In Line-up As Stickmen Face U. Va.

Boasting a three-game winning streak, a rejuvenated lacrosse team will face Virginia again next week in Charlottesville. The match was scheduled for this Saturday, but has been moved up tentatively to Monday.

The ten have improved steadily since their defeat at the hands of the Wahoos early in the season and have gained much-needed experience in contests with Lehigh, North Carolina, and Duke, each of which has been won by a more decisive score than the preceding match.

With Johnny Beck, who was hurt in the Virginia match, back in the line-up, the team will be at full strength. Practice will be held every day this week, including Saturday and Sunday. Stress will be laid on the close attack.

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## Linkmen Seek Revenge In Richmond Tomorrow

Seeking their third victory for the season, the golfers will invade Richmond tomorrow for a battle with the Spiders. The latter administered their first defeat of the season to the Generals.

The team for the trip will be made up of Captain Spence Kerrow, Bill Brown, Henry Ray, and Earl Morgan. Next week the squad will take on Duke on the Hot Springs course Friday and compete in the Southern Conference tournament the next day at the same place. A match at Annapolis with Navy on the 21st will close the season.

## Generals Beat VPI Nine, 7-4

Dangler Smashes Homer In Ninth With Two On Base

History repeated itself at Blacksburg Friday when Jack Dangler, currently known as the local Frank Merriwell, cracked out a ninth inning home run with two on base to give Washington and Lee a 7 to 4 victory over the Virginia Tech baseball team.

Dangler, catcher on the W-L team, planted a long circuit clout in the same spot of the grandstand when the Blue yearlings were playing the Tech frosh there last year.

Roy Dart won his third victory of the season with a creditable pitching performance and able support by his teammates, who collected fifteen hits and turned in but two errors. He held VPI to nine hits and struck out four batsmen.

**Tomlin Smashes Double**  
The Generals went to bat in the ninth inning trailing by a 3 to 4 count, but Mike Tomlin, first man up, poled out a double to start things going. He was sacrificed to third, and brought the tying run across when Jones reached first on an error. Another error put Max Breckenridge on base and set the stage for Dangler's terrific wallop, which sewed up the ball game and knocked the VPI hurler, Weddle, out of the box. With Garber taking over the relief duties for Tech, the Blue filled the bases on two singles and a walk, but the scoring had ended for the day with Dangler's story-book homer.

The Generals had taken a one-run lead in the first inning when Breckenridge doubled to score Ronny Thompson, but the Gobblers came back in their half to score two runs on three hits. Charlie Hart tied it up in the second when he came home after singling. Tech grabbed a two-run lead, however, in the sixth, with two singles and a double by Probst. Breckenridge accounted for another W-L marker in the eighth to bring the score to 4 to 3 in favor of the Techmen, who held the lead until the fatal ninth.

Breckenridge and Hart paced the Generals at bat with three hits each.

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## Blue Nine Invades Washington On Week-End Baseball Jaunt

### Varsity Averages

	AB.	H.	Ave.
Breckenridge	39	13	.333
O'Conner	6	2	.333
Hart	25	8	.320
Tomlin	44	14	.315
Burton	14	4	.286
Dangler	35	8	.229
Wilson	14	3	.214
Davis	45	9	.200
Schriver	10	2	.200
Watt	5	1	.200
Thompson	50	9	.180
Dart	23	4	.174
Nastri	7	1	.143
Frazier	33	4	.121
Dunlap	10	1	.100
Jones	16	1	.063
Booth	2	0	.000
Disharoon	2	0	.000
Skinner	5	0	.000
Team	382	81	.212

## Generals To Face Maryland And Georgetown In Capital

**By BOB STEELE**  
Just how long this "up and down" streak the W-L baseball team is working under now will last, one can't say—but one can get a pretty good idea Friday and Saturday when the Generals invade Washington to meet Georgetown and Maryland, two of the strongest collegiate nines in this part of the country.

If the streak continues, they are docketed to take a lambasting from the Georgetown outfit Friday, and come back strong Saturday to upset the Maryland sluggers. This inconsistent brand of baseball has marked the play of the team all this season, and to all appearances should continue.

Captain Dick, strange as it may seem, probably wouldn't feel so badly if the boys did go on with the streak, because a victory over Maryland would be surprising to say the least, even though it did involve a 99 to 1 defeat at the hands of Georgetown.

**"Up and Down" Baseball**  
This "up and down" type of baseball has been conspicuous all this season. The Blue opened up with a peak performance and whipped Ohio State's invading nine, 3 to 2, but started sliding the next afternoon and lost a 6 to 3 game to the same team. Then they snapped out of it and absorbed two heart-breaking one-run defeats from Randolph-Macon and William and Mary.

After playing top-notch ball against R-M and W-M, the Generals again went down on the seasaw and dropped a 6 to 3 game to the Newport News Apprentice School. The next afternoon the score was the same, but this time W-L was on the long end of it and Newport News on the short end.

After whipping the Shipbuilders, the Generals again started down on the seasaw and this time stayed down for quite a spell, losing to Virginia, Michigan, and North Carolina. But at last they came up for the pay-off and shut out the Richmond state champions, 2 to 0.

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## Following the BIG BLUE

With LEW LEWIS

**CREW INVENTORY:** Out on the North River, jammed in between the south bank of that serene stream and the steep mountain wall which rears up as if from the river bottom itself, there stands a building—a ramshackle, swaying, 60-year-old, about-to-tumble-down building... In this building is housed the best equipment the Washington and Lee crew can call its own—two patched-up, weak, four-oared shells, both of which have passed the age of useful service and are worthy of well-deserved retirement. Also under the age-mellowed roof of this boathouse are found other shells—four or five others which have long since fallen into disuse and now lie, half rotten, to furnish odd parts from time to time needed to repair the two active shells. On a rack above are slung the oars, mostly old and cracked, but with a few worthy of the name "new." About the floor of the boathouse is strewn miscellaneous crew equipment, detachable seats for the shells, paint, and disused and worn-out articles long since coated with dust and cobwebs...

This is not exactly a pretty picture, but it is one of harsh reality. Under these conditions the crew is waging a valiant but difficult struggle to get along and make a go of it. Crew is no new sport here—from time immemorial it has been one of W-L's most regarded intramural sports, and the exploits of Albert Sydney and Harry Lee oarsmen of the past are vividly recollected by many oldsters. But in the past two years, crew has come to hold a more significant meaning to those hereabouts—the sport has expanded and regattas with outside schools in foreign waters have been staged, with fair success, considering...

But if crew is to continue to expand here and continue to assume a position of far-flung prominence, the existing evils must surely be remedied. No sport engaging in outside contests can flourish with such outmoded and scanty material. The crew doesn't even own its primary necessity for success—an eight oared shell, and when outside schools are raced, such shells must be borrowed for the event.

We criticize no one for these conditions, but merely try to point them out, and ask if something, by hook or crook even, can't be done. Washington and Lee is "in on the ground floor" as far as crew in the South is concerned. Until this year, when Richmond took to the waves, W-L and Rollins were the only schools south of the Mason-Dixon line boasting crew teams. It is not far-fetched to envision the Generals assuming a position of national importance in the crew world, if...

In view of the drawbacks which they have had to combat, the Blue and White has not fared too badly in crew contests. Its defeat at the hands of Manhattan Saturday was not nearly so bad as it might have sounded. Marietta was decisively defeated by the locals, who were barely nosed out at the finish by the Rollins veterans. And even now the crew enthusiasts are eagerly anticipating the race with Richmond May 14.

One member of the local crew team, Oscar Ennenga, has figured approximately how much money it will take to provide the overdue and much-needed equipment to put the sport on its feet, and we subscribe to his findings, within certain limits. Oscar believes that \$2,000 or so will do the trick nicely. This money would be used to buy two good used eight-oared shells, racing and practice oars, and erect a boathouse over on the James River near Balcony Falls, where conditions are ideal for the operation of full size shells. In view of the already heavy burden of the Athletic Association, no aid seems forthcoming from this source, so the crewmen will have to turn elsewhere. Ennenga believes that an alumni drive will provide the only real possibility of even partial success, and even this idea may have some weak points. We have our doubts as to whether such a canvass would net more than a show of success, unless there are more former Harry Lee and Albert Sydney boys among the alumni than your columnist suspects. But whether via a bolt from the blue, Santa Claus, Buddha, or any strange and divers means, we're pulling for some kind person or persons to come through and take monetary notice of the crew's plight, even if with only enough to furnish one eight-oar shell for practice purposes. We think the boys deserve this much at least, but aside from that, a lone eight-oar shell would give the oarsmen some semblance of proper preparation for races with other schools.

# Brigadiers Beat Greenbrier 5-2 As James Stars

## Pitches Six Shut-out Innings; Drives In Two Winning Runs

Faced by the stellar play of Ernie James, who pitched shut-out ball for the first six innings and drove in two of the winning runs with a long triple into left field, Washington and Lee's freshman baseball squad chalked up a 5 to 2 victory over the Greenbrier nine here Saturday afternoon.

Although the Generals could manage to get only four hits as compared to 6 for the Big Green, they bunched two of them with two walks and an error in third inning for four runs. The first man up struck out. Eddie Wagg secured a pass, and Jim Richardson also reached first when Beaman made a wild throw in trying to force Wagg at second. Dinty Moore walked, filling the bases. Then Bob Keim banged a line drive single into deep left center, scoring Wagg and Richardson.

The next man went down swinging, but Ernie James, batting in the clean-up spot, continued the spree when he caught one of McCarter's curves and sent it sailing to the wall in left field. Moore and Keim came home on this hit, but James was left stranded on third when the man who followed struck out.

The other Baby Blue counter was rung up in the fifth by Richardson. The W-L third-sacker socked a liner over second base and into center field for a hit. He stole second, then took third and home on wild pitches.

Greenbrier, after being held to three scattered hits in the first six innings, used singles in the seventh and ninth to mark up their pair of runs.

The game was notable for a total of twenty-one strike-outs, nine by James and twelve by McCarter.

# Prize Will Be Awarded By The Group Theatre For Best Original Play

To the person under 25 years of age writing the play adjudged best throughout the nation by the Group Theatre of New York will go a prize of 500 dollars, Group Theatre officials announced yesterday.

Well known during recent years for the production of "hits," among them "Men in White" which was a Pulitzer Prize winner and all the plays of Clifford Odets, the Group Theatre sponsors the nation-wide contest on the belief that it is one of their most significant functions "to seek out new and youthful writing talent and to foster, encourage it, and stimulate it."

The deadline on this contest is January 1, 1939. Official judges include Harold Clurman, director of the Group; Miss Molly Dan Thacher, Group play-reader; and Clifford Odets, leading Group playwright and author of "Golden Boy," now a current hit on Broadway.

# W-L Courtmen Beat Elon 5-2

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gians had turned back the Generals 8-1 in Lexington.

This afternoon the varsity was scheduled to meet Richmond on the home courts. The Spiders recently lost 9-0 to Maryland and were not expected to provide strong competition for W-L.

The match against William and Mary, which was supposed to have been played in Williamsburg Saturday, was cancelled because of rain.

The summaries: Virginia 7, W. and L. 2.

Singles—Bill Garnett, Virginia, defeated Clements, 8-6, 6-2; Mahoney, Virginia, defeated Reynolds, 6-3, 6-2; Washburn, W-L, defeated Henry, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3; Channing, Virginia, defeated Robertson, 6-2, 6-2; Jimmy Garnett, Virginia, defeated Douglas, 6-0, 6-1; Sloan, Virginia, defeated Middelburg, 6-1, 6-1.

Doubles—Thompson and B. Garnett defeated Reynolds and Washburn, 10-8, 6-3; Clements and Robertson defeated Mahoney and Henry, 6-2, 6-1; Channing and J. Garnett defeated Douglas and Middelburg, 6-2, 6-4.

W-L 5, Elon 2.

Singles—Jones, Elon, defeated Clements, 8-6, 4-6, 6-4; Reynolds, W-L, defeated Greenwald, 6-1, 6-4; Washburn, W-L, defeated Matthews, 6-3, 6-4; Robertson, W-L, defeated Flory, 4-6, 5-7; Pittman, Elon, defeated Douglas, 6-2, 6-2.

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# Page To Speak Here Tuesday

Noted Lecturer Brought Under Auspices of Christian Council

Kirby Page of La Habra, California, will speak to members of the student body on Tuesday, May 10. Page is brought here under the auspices of the Washington and Lee Christian Council and will give two addresses. Tuesday morning he will speak on "What Shall We Do About Germany, Italy, and Japan?" and that night he has chosen the subject, "What Shall We Do About the Economic Depression?" He will also speak at a special student-faculty luncheon to be held in the Student Union building.

Page is a Christian Socialist—believing the teachings of Christ imply political socialism—and a former congregationalist minister. He is a noted author of several books on international affairs, and at present is on an extended lecture tour over the United States.

The time and place of the speeches have not definitely been decided upon, Harry Philpot said, but will be announced in the next issue of *The Ring-tum Phi*.

The first of a series of religious programs with neighboring schools was given last Sunday night at Mary Baldwin College, under the cooperation of the Washington and Lee Christian Council and the Baldwin Y. W. C. A.

The vesper service was conducted by Fred Bartenstein and featured a lecture by Harry Philpot on the subject, "Being Modern." Hugh Avery read the Scripture, Art Basile led the group in prayer, and Bill Read sang.

Philpot announced that this was intended to be the initial program in an exchange series which would be continued next year. The local Christian Council will present services at a number of surrounding colleges, which in turn will put on programs here.

# Foreign Political Posters In Journalism Display

An exhibition of European political posters will be on display in the journalism lecture room, Payne Hall, all day Thursday, May 5, officers of the Lee School of Journalism announced today.

Collected in Europe by Professor O. W. Riegel, the display will include a number of the outstanding political posters used by Hitler in the campaign which won him power in Germany.

Although intended primarily for members of Mr. Riegel's course in Public Opinion, the exhibition will be open to the public.

# Interfraternity Council To Hold Annual Election

According to the announcement made today by Ben Anderson, the Interfraternity Council will hold its annual election of officers on Thursday night, May 5, at 7:30, in the Student Union building.

A president, vice-president, and secretary and treasurer will be elected by the council. Anderson urged all members to be present.

# Professor Walls To Give First Lecture Thursday

Professor F. S. Walls of the Romance Languages Department will deliver the first of his lectures on art Thursday night in Washington Chapel at 8:00.

The subject of his lecture will be "Detail Study of Michelangelo's Painting in the Sistine Chapel." The lecture will be illustrated.

# Riegel To Demonstrate Enlarging To Photo Club

O. W. Riegel, head of the Lee School of Journalism, will give a demonstration of enlarging before the Camera Club at the club's regular meeting this Thursday. The demonstration will take place in the club's dark-room in the first basement of the Chemistry building at 7:30 p. m.

Riegel is faculty advisor of the club. During the club's recent exhibition he won second prize and an honorable mention with two of the four pictures which he exhibited.

# Committees Appointed For Sigma German Ball

The committees and arrangements for the Sigma German Ball, which will be held on the first night of the Final Dance Set, were announced yesterday by Hardwick Stuart, president of the honorary society.

The Ball will be led by Stuart and Miss Florence Cover of Elkton, Virginia, while Carl Anderson and Miss Adelaide Hill of San Antonio, Texas, will assist.

The committees appointed for the dance were:

Finance—J. G. Tomlin, Chairman, W. D. Ellis, D. A. File, and O. K. Jones.

Floor—E. H. White, Chairman, W. D. Borries, H. T. Dickinson, and S. E. Kerkow.

Reception—J. M. Capito, Chairman, C. W. Taylor, R. W. Arnold, Jr., and R. S. Parrish.

Arrangements—W. M. Rogers, Jr., Chairman, F. B. O'Conner, J. C. Bear, and J. D. Wilson.

# Newly-Elected Trustee Pays W-L Visit Sunday

Oscar C. Huffman, distinguished alumnus and newly elected member of the university board of trustees, was in Lexington Sunday and visited the campus.

Huffman, president of the Continental Can Company, was in Virginia to dedicate the Community House in Buchanan, of which he is the donor.

When the Law School burned in 1934, Huffman gave ten thousand dollars for the third floor classroom dedicated to Henry St. George Tucker.

According to the *Roanoke Times*, although now head of a concern with plants worth millions, Huffman received his greatest thrill when he opened his first plant in the town of Buchanan on the Roanoke road in 1903.

# School Classes Elect Officers

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ballots as Lou Plummer and Bill Whaley failed to receive a majority on the first ballot. Plummer won out in the run-off vote by 82 to 62.

**Sophomore Class**

Elections in the freshman class were so close that run-off votes were necessary for every office except historian. Charley Chapman took the presidency 117 to 82 from Bill Murray. Candidates eliminated in the first ballot were Joe Street and Howard Dobbins.

Charlie Thalheimer, lacking only a few votes on the first ballot, picked up needed ballots in the run-off to win by 129 to 68 from Eddie Wagg. Henry Crocker defeated Marion Simon in a close run-off by 106 to 87 to take the secretary-treasurership. Winner of the Executive Committee post was Rudy Hanna, who pulled up from second position on the first ballot to defeat Charlie Hobson 113 to 89. Clinton Van Vliet was unopposed for the class historian.

# Blue Prepares For State Meet

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The Generals will find the going tough in all the events. In the dashes they must contend with Virginia's Billy Hopkins, one of the fastest sprinters in the state, Herring of VMI, and Bishop of Tech. In the quarter-mile, Mast of Tech and William and Mary's entries will make it a hard race for the Big Blue's Heartsill Ragon. The Fletchermen will have their hands full with such hurdlers as Virginia's four-man team, which won the Penn Relay 400 yard shuttle relay last Saturday. In the mile run VMI, VPI, W-M, and Virginia are all making strong bids, and in the half-mile run Harvey of W-L will have to be in top form to retain his present title in this event. Charlie Prater, Virginia champion in the two-mile, will have to face such foes as Draine of Tech, Spohr of VMI, and Conner of Tech in his gruelling jaunt. In the field events Douglas of Tech looms as the high-jumping king, and Paul Shu of the "Flying Squadron" looks like the man to beat in the javelin toss.

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# Dean Gilliam Returns Home From Conference

Dean Frank J. Gilliam returned to Lexington yesterday after several days absence, during which he attended the conference of the American Association of Deans and Advisors of Men at Madison, Wisconsin.

Dean Gilliam served as a member of the committee on N. Y. A. work during the sessions which were held May 27-30 at the University of Wisconsin.

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# Shannon Rites Are Held Today

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Dr. Shannon was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Omicron Delta Kappa, the Society of Cincinnati, and served as a distinguished member of the Modern Language Association of America. He was a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon social fraternity.

Dr. Shannon is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary Duncan Shannon, formerly Miss Mary Elean Duncan of Fayetteville, Arkansas, and by his son, Edgar Finley Shannon, Jr., Washington and Lee Junior.

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