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Period for Ordering Costumes Is Extended

Expect to Sell Out Three Sets Shortly

The period for ordering Fancy Dress costumes has been extended until after the Christmas vacation, it was announced today by Spot McClerkin, vice president in charge of costumes.

Orders will be taken from January 5 through 9, but there will be no more requests handled this week. Hours for the extended period will be the same as the original two-week limit which ended yesterday, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Student Union.

McClerkin explained that the reason in advancing the ordering limit was two-fold: "Many of the boys will have the opportunity to get dates during the Christmas vacation," he pointed out, "and we feel the recent announcement that two fine bands, Johnny Long and Ralph Marterie, will play may encourage many of the students who were previously not planning to attend or on the borderline to do so."

Over 250 costumes have already been sold and indications are that the total may surpass last year's total of 450. The post-Christmas ordering period last year was very popular and the Student Union was filled to capacity by last minute costume-seekers.

It is certain that three of the eight sets will be gone by January 5, McClerkin reports. The most popular combination has been the Royal Guard and Lady. The other two sets which were expected to run out by today are Hussar and Girl and Officer and Girl. There were a half dozen left yesterday, but these were expected to vanish before the deadline.

McClerkin emphasized that there are plenty of attractive costumes available in the five remaining sets, but a few more sets will probably be gone by the first few days of the five-day extension period.

Junior Clothes Drive Success

Friday's Junior Class clothes drive was a "success," class president Bob Smith said today.

Fifteen juniors helped in the drive. Clothes have been turned over to the Children's Clinic and are to be distributed sometime this week.

Smith said he had no way of estimating the number of articles collected but said that they were a "vast amount." From 24 to 30 pairs of shoes and a number of overcoats were amoung items obtained after three hours work at W&L and in town.

Although Smith said he considered the drive was a success, only half the town was covered. "If more of the class had turned out the drive could have been an even greater success," he said.

ROTC Unit, State Theater Will Hold Christmas Party

Washington and Lee's ROTC unit will join the State Theater to present a free movie December 23 for all children under 14 years.

Showing of the film will be a Christmas present from the unit and the theater, according to Sgt. William Foster, chairman of the event. Besides the picture, the ROTC-State show will furnish a Santa Claus and pass out treats following the movie.

Science Group Plans Awards

The National Science Foundation has announced its second graduate fellowship program for the academic year 1953-54. Fellowships will be awarded for graduate study in the biological, engineering, mathematical, medical, and physical sciences. These fellowships are limited to citizens of the United States.

More than five hundred Fellows will be selected for a year of graduate study. Selections are made solely on the basis of ability. The majority of the awards will go to graduate students seeking masters or doctors degrees in science, although a limited number of awards will be made to postdoctoral applicants.

Graduating college seniors in the sciences who desire to enter graduate school are encouraged to apply for the awards.

The three-part rating system for predoctoral Fellows will consist of test scores of scientific aptitude and achievement, academic records, and recommendations regarding each individual's merit. Postdoctoral applicants will not be required to take the examinations.

The stipends for predoctoral Fellows range from $1400 to $1800; the stipend for postdoctoral Fellows is $3400. In addition, tuition and certain required fees will be paid by the Foundation. Limited allowances will be provided for dependents and for travel to a Fellow's graduate institution. The tenure of a fellowship is for one year and can be arranged to begin at any time after June 1, 1953, but must not normally be later than the beginning of the academic year at the institution of the Fellow's choice.

Applications for the current National Science Foundation fellowship awards may be obtained from the Fellowship Office, National Research Council, Washington 25, D. C., which is assisting the Foundation in the screening and evaluation of fellowship applicants. Completed applications must be returned by January 5, 1953.

Board To Pick Editor For Paper Tomorrow

The Publications Board will meet tomorrow at 4:30 p.m. in the Circle Room of the Student Union for the purpose of filling the editorship of **The Ring-tum Phi.** All candidates for the position must be present at this meeting to be considered.

Hunter Lane, president of the board, states that previous experience and capability are the main qualifications to be considered by the board in making the appointment.

Lane said that there is a possibility that the post will be offered jointly to the two present managing editors.

Green States Policy on Cuts

Registrar Charles Green warned students today that cuts could not be taken before or after the Christmas vacation except by Dean's List students.

Green said other students who took cuts immediately before or after the holiday would "sever their connections with the University."

Mathematics Professor Will Speak Tonight At 7:45 in Reid Hall

Professor E. J. McShane of the University of Virginia will deliver a public lecture on mathematics next Tuesday night at 7:45 p.m. in the Physics Lecture Room, 26 Reid Hall. His topic will be "Mathematics is not Computation."

Professor McShane was born in New Orleans in 1904 and received his first degree in engineering at Tulane University in 1925. He later changed to work in pure mathematics and received his Ph.D. at Chicago in 1930. During World War II he did research work in applied mathematics for the Ballistics Research Laboratory at Aberdeen Proving Ground. He has been professor of mathematics at the University of Virginia since 1935.

In addition to numerous contributions to research journals in mathematics Professor McShane is author of the most complete work on integration yet published in book form. He is the translator from the German of Professor Courant's complete reference work on the Differential and Integral Calculus.

This is the first public lecture on mathematics to be held at Washington and Lee in six years.

Leyburn Plays For Basket Fund

Contributions pledged Thursday to hear Dean James Leyburn sing and play are believed to be the largest amount given for any single or group performance during the 8-12:30 p.m. benfit for the Christmas basket fund. The benefit was sponsored by the Lexington and Buena Vista Lions clubs, in cooperation with WREL.

Leyburn's performance was in response to calls totalling approximately $40 in pledges from W&L students. He played a Brahms sonata, then played and sang Gilbert and Sullivan's "Most Disagreeable Man."

The dean was roused from bed after the first request for his performance came from the Pi Kappa Phi house about 11:30 p.m. with a pledge of $7. By the time he arrived at the station, nearly 12:30 a.m., the total had grown to almost $40, with the Pi Kappa Phi donation then accounting for $26, and Leyburn himself another $2.50.

Some other W&L stars included Lt. Col. Richard Jones singing "Casey Jones," Francis Drake singing in French, the Phi Delta Theta quartet singing "Flaming Mamie," Capt. George Brashears singing "Anchors Aweigh," Brian Shanley's jazz band playing "The W&L Swing," also songs by Kitsey Moody, John Heard, Sgt. William Foster, and piano music by Ashley Brown.

Among unanswered requests was one for Coach Carl Wise to sing "It's All in the Game."

Student Christmas Seal Purchases Reach $242

Washington and Lee students have contributed $242.20 to the local Christmas Seal drive so far, Mrs. D. Allen Penick, Lexington Seal Sale chairman has announced. This total falls short of the $300 given by W&L students last year, although the drive is not yet over.

The seal sale is the only source of income for the Tuberculosis Association. As a result response to last year's drive the local association was able to continue the educational and X-ray programs and keep in contact with more than 200 known and suspected cases of tuberculosis in Rockbridge County.

Glee Club, Band Plan Joint Concert in Gym

IFC Sets Date For Hell Week

The Interfraternity Council has announced the days for Hell and Help Week this year: February 2-7, 1953. IFC President Bill McClintock made the announcement last night following the weekly meeting of the IFC.

McClintock also disclosed that the Interfraternity Council is planning to publish a 30-page booklet describing the fraternity system at Washington and Lee for the benefit of future freshmen.

Among the proposed items which will be included in the booklet when it is published are pictures of fraternity houses, a listing of the members of fraternities together with their home towns, and an explanation of the system and its rules.

New Pledges

The list of new pledges for the past several weeks as announced by McClintock includes: Jack Hare, Sigma Nu; Tom Bibb and Charley Claunch, Kappa Sigma.

The "Help Week" Committee of the IFC is making further investigations into projects which the pledges will participate in during "Hell Week" this year.

Sam Davidson, chairman of the committee, says this year's projects are aimed at giving aid to needy people instead of helping the town, as was done last year. So far the projects decided on have been painting a house and cleaning and making repairs on the Children's Clinic in Lexington. Projects around the school are also under consideration.

Help Week

The "Help Week" idea was originated last year, and the committee hopes to make it a permanent part of "Hell Week." Davidson says a large percentage of the fraternities participated last year, and the pledges found that they actually profited by the experience.

Each pledge will have a chance to work one afternoon during the week. He will be working with pledges from other fraternities. In addition to becoming acquainted with the boys in other fraternities, the pledges also get an idea of the conditions in the surrounding area.

Trapp Singers Present Carols

The Trapp Family presented a Christmas concert at 8 p.m. yesterday at Lexington High School, the second presentation of the Rockbridge Concert-Theater Series.

The program consisted of Christmas carols and music of many lands and many ages. Three unusual instruments were played, the recorders, the predecessors of the modern flute; the viola da gamba, an early form of the cello; and the spinit.

Priest Conducts

The Group, made up of Mrs. Augusta Trapp, six children, and two non-family members, is led by Father Franz Wasner, a Catholic priest.

The family left Austria in 1938 after the German invasion. They then came to this country where their success and popularity has been growing ever since.

Last night's performance was their second appearance in Lexington.

Christmas Program At 8 p.m. Tomorrow

The Glee Club and ROTC Band will give a joint Christmas concert at 8 p.m. tomorrow in Doremus Gymnasium.

Over 100 students will participate in the program, the first concert at Washington and Lee to feature both groups. In past years the band and Glee Club have each given separate concerts.

The band will offer music ranging from jazz to the semi-classics. Larry Raymond and Paul Maslansky will play a trumpet duet entitled "Two Riffs on Park Avenue." Also scheduled by the band are concert arrangements of "Deep Purple" by Peter DeRose, and "Christmas Rhapsody" by Newell H. Long. This medley of Yuletide songs contains "Deck the Hall," "Jingle Bells," "The First Noel," "Silent Night," and "O Come All Ye Faithful." At least one instrument from each section is given a solo during its performance.

Other numbers on the band's part of the program will be "Lady of Spain," "Parade of the Wooden Soldiers," and Sousa's "El Capitan" march.

Old School Songs

In an effort to revive some of Washington and Lee's old songs, the band will play its own arrangements of "College Friendships," "Fight! Fight! Blue and White" and the "W&L Swing." "Fight! Fight! Blue and White was popular here some time ago, but has lost in popularity recently. The band hopes to revive it.

Highlight of the Glee Club's portion of the program will be Dr. Randall Thompson's "Testament of Freedom." This composition, written while Dr. Thompson was head of music at the University of Virginia, is a group of the writings of Thomas Jefferson set to music. "Testament of Freedom" is divided into four groups: I—The God Who Gave Us Life, II—We Have Counted the Cost, III—We Fight Not for Glory, IV—I Shall Not Die Without a Hope. James Cook will accompany the Glee Club on the piano.

Corps Day

The band will begin practicing for its participation in the regular ROTC Corps Day exercises, shortly after Christmas.

The Glee Club will next appear at the annual Christmas Candlelight Service to be held in the R. E. Lee Episcopal Church at 11 p.m. Friday.

Parking Violators Pay $36 Total to Scholarship Fund

Campus parking fines have netted $36 so far this year, Treasurer Earl S. Mattingly said today.

Students are fined $1 for each violation of parking restrictions on the campus. Money is given to the Student War Memorial Scholarship Fund Committee.

Mattingly reported that $100 was given to the SWMSFC this year. This included $84 collected in fines last year.

Dr. Gaines Postpones Speech to Freshmen

Because of conflict with the lecture by Dr. E. J. McShane of the University of Virginia, the freshman assembly with Dr. Francis Gaines as speaker has been postponed until after the Christmas holidays.

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Answers to Apathy: I. Unity

Since the appearance of the editorial of one week ago, a surprising number of people from all parts of the campus have indicated that they agreed with the picture of W&L apathy painted in it. Moreover, some students have suggested what they believe are remedies. These do not concern **The Ring-tum Phi** in particular, but rather the whole University picture, of which the newspaper is only a small corner.

In general, the suggestions can be put in three categories: (1) we must have more unity, even if at first artificially imposed, in order to achieve more spirit or esprit de corps; (2) we must have a competitive system of political elections, which would make offices the reward of merit and make them worth campaigning for; and (3) we must have less apathy in the faculty, even if the only cure lies in firing a large part of the current faculty or in changing the promotion and tenure system.

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One method of achieving student body unity was suggested by a student who previously attended another small college. Noting the few occasions at which all W&L students have an opportunity to get together, he suggests regularly-scheduled voluntary-attendance campus assemblies. Interesting, worthwhile speakers and programs of religious or non-religious nature would be presented, and would not be difficult to secure for a college of W&L's fame and outside prestige, he says. It was also noted that many reputable c o l l e g e s, not necessarily church affiliated ones, conduct such programs.

University funds should be made available, another student suggests, for any presentations in the series which would require payment; management of the assemblies would probably fall to some existing organization, such as class officers—singly or all groups together, rather than to a specially created one.

One possible adaptation of this scheme would be the institution of weekly, non-denominational church services, to be held each Sunday in Lee Chapel. Since past University church services have always brought out students who do not attend local churches with any regularity, campus services should give the double advantage of getting more students to church voluntarily and of achieving more sense of community among students. In the light of these goals, whatever competition such a series would run with local churches is relatively unimportant.

A more basic plan for achieving unity has been put forward. In the 1952 President's Report, after outlining the need for more scholarships, Dean Gilliam stated:

> The other (of the two most critical needs) is the providing of a freshman commons with upper-class dormitory, a project that would be largely self-liquidating. The providing of a freshman commons would unquestionably weld the freshman class into a more homogeneous group and assimilate it more successfully into the fabric of University life. A badly-needed place for meals and banquets for large group meetings would be provided; and the staffing of the dining hall would open up a large number of positions of student self-help.

Dean Leyburn argued further for such a building in the same report:

> Fraternities serve many splendid functions; but the immediate division of the freshmen, within a week after their arrival on the campus, into seventeen different groups, inevitably tends to make the focus of their affection, not the whole university but the individual fraternity. To give an opportunity to freshmen to eat together for their initial year would not damage the fraternities nor limit their fine service to the university. Every student and every organization would benefit by a strengthened feeling for the university as a whole. A proper commons might also be useful for faculty members who wish to entertain distinguished visitors or to eat with student groups. The upper floor of the new building should be made available as dormitory space for students who do not wish to live in town. Washington and Lee is the only undergraduate college I know which makes no provision whatever for living quarters for upper-classmen.

If those in charge of the University's money and policy think this building is a minor need, I believe they are overlooking a big factor in W&L's troubles. And if students oppose this construction on the grounds of economic losses to fraternity house dining rooms and bed rooms, they are proving the statement that the existing system "tends to make the focus of their affection, not the whole university, but the individual fraternity." They are giving the primary organization less importance than those groups which are only appendages to it.

Favorite Sports Stories

Berra Can't Bat, Think at Once

By JAY GROSSMAN

Wilbert Robinson, whose name appeared in this column several times before, was managing the Brooklyn Robins (currently known as the Dodgers) when the team was in a bad slump. The sports writers were hitting the team and their colorful manager hard in the newspapers throughout the country.

Finally, Robinson went to the sports writers and said, "Alright, if you guys are so smart, you write up the line-up for today." The writers got together and made out their line-up which included Babe Herman, well-known first baseman, at the left-field position. Robinson fielded the suggested team and the result seemed to be a victory for the Robins.

In the last of the ninth, with the home team at bat and the Robins trying to hold a one-run lead, the bases suddenly became loaded with two away. A pop fly was hit to left field and Babe Herman came slowly in to grab it. Babe pounded his glove and waited for the ball to fall. It did—two yards in front of him, Robinson came rushing out of the dug out and looked up at the press box screaming, "Who put that --- -- ----- in left field?"

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QUICKIES: Yogi Berra when addressing his home town crowd on his "night" in St. Louis at Sportsman's Park said, "I want to thank all you people for making this night necessary."

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Dizzy Dean, when asked about his education, told the sports writers: "I went to the first grade and that weren't so tough, but that second grade was too much work, so I quit."

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Yogi Berra is noted for his suitcase full of comic books. Once, when he saw Bobby Brown laying aside his medical books he asked, "How did the story come out, Bob?"

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Berra is also noted for his hitting of so-called "bad balls." Once when he struck out by swinging at one of the "bad balls," Bill Dickey, Yankee coach told him that he would have to start thinking when he was at bat and stop swinging at pitches unless they were in the "strike zone." Berra agreed, but the next time he came to bat he struck out again in the same manner. "Why didn't you do what I told you?" asked Dickey. "It won't work," Berra answered, "I can't think and bat at the same time."

Lee Archives Given Letters About W&L, Lee Family

Five old letters, three of them pertaining to the family of Robert E. Lee, were presented to W&L recently to be added to the Lee Collection in McCormick Library.

Dr. Allen W. Moger, professor of history and archivist in charge of the Lee Collection, said the gift was made by Colonel and Mrs. Stanton F. Blain of Lexington.

The oldest letter, dated December 8, 1791, was written by Conarde M. Speece, a professor at Liberty Hall Academy. The recipient was Miss Polly Hanna, daughter of Matthew Hanna, a prominent Lexington pioneer.

Two letters were written by Miss Mildred Lee, a daughter of the Virginia hero, to Miss Lucia Blaine in 1865 and 1866. In these she remarks that "I will give your kiss to Papa when he returns," and "I walk to the spring every evening with Pa and Curtis. Agnes is still confined to the house." Pa, of course, was General Lee, Curtis a son. and Agnes a daughter.

Another letter was written by Mrs. Lee on January 9. 1871, to Mrs. Susanna Isham Blain, not

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Doris Day and Ray Bolger will cavort at the State's premiere showing of "April in Paris" Friday midnight.

Iris Tolly, News Secretary, Gives Her Impression of Minks

By BEN BENJAMIN

What would it be like to be 25, unmarried, and the only young man employed by Hollins College for Women.

Sounds like Eve's Paradise on the face of it, but would there be problems? Is there such a thing as an overbundance of women? Would you develop a shell against them?

Or then, again, let's take the problem in reverse. What would it be like to be one of the few young ladies employed by Washington and Lee University, 25, pretty, and unmarried? That's the problem faced by Iris Tolley, attractive blonde assistant in the W&L newsroom.

Miss Tolley answers the question, "Haven't noticed any great migration of males towards the news room during the four years I've been here!"

When told that she occupied a unique position among womanhood in that she was situated among 1200 famous "Minks," Miss Tolley wasn't much impressed. "Men are men," she said.

Actually Iris is in a good position to judge college manhood. She graduated from William and Mary College before coming to W&L so she has had eight years on college campuses. Prior to that she lived in Lexington so the nationally known "Mink" is merely another man to her. What does she really think of the Washington and Lee gentleman? "I wouldn't say they were timid," the tall blonde answers.

"I do like the conventional dress they wear. It gives them a more gentlemanly look. I'd say they actually are a pretty fine bunch as a whole."

"Really," Iris continued, "W&L is an unusual school. It is not co-ed, and therefore they have to make hay on the weekends. For that reason more emphasis is put on a big show for two days while the rest of the week is relatively calm. Girls coming to W&L for the first time are impressed by this show, and actually the Minks do throw good parties.

"Perhaps it's because there are so few places ready-made for the students to go to on weekends—they have to work harder to give girls a good time then they do at some colleges, and the result is a good one. However, after being around here for awhile I find some of the parties are pretty 'brawlish,' and the college antics on weekends appear childish."

When asked about the dance sets she replied, "Dances at W&L are like dances any place, but I do especially like Fancy Dress. It is an outstanding social event and undoubtedly contributes to the reputation of the Minks."

Iris doesn't think W&L students can be classed as a group. "There are all types," she says, "Some are obnoxious, some are cute, and some are bookworms. The W&L Mink is a myth once the conventional dress is removed from them."

When asked for faults of the Minks, she said, "There is one that does seem to be prevalent here, and that is insincerety. Too many of the students put on a show for the sake of conventionality. I'd advise them to be themselves, be attentive to their date, and they'll get along fine."

In conclusion Iris added a classic comment, "There are W&L Minks, and then there are Minks. I'd class the former as cousins to the real thing—strictly for show. The latter form one of the best student bodies to be found anyplace."

"As for me," she said, "I've got no problems, no paradise. I just work here."

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Rich Continues Hot Scoring Pace Though Cagers Remain Winless

By NELSON HARPER

Washington and Lee played host last weekend to a pair of Southern Conference basketball squads. As a result, the Generals plunged deeper into the Conference cellar, which they have occupied all season.

On Friday night Billy McCann's protegees faced previously winless William and Mary with high hopes of an upset based on excellent showings against West Virginia and Duke. These hopes crumbled to pieces, however, as the Indians proceeded to make mincemeat of the Generals after a closely fought first period, which was really only a battle between W&M and Jim Rich, who dunked 10 points in that quarter.

But in the next stanza Rich cooled off and the Indians took to the warpath, building up a 42-26 halftime advantage. After the intermission they merely continued to widen the margin, while the desperate Generals time after time fumbled the ball away and blew easy scoring opportunities. While W&L was able to contain Bill Chambers, high-scoring pivot of the Indians, they could not stop the set shots of Harris, Mahoney, and others who showed the ability to hit from the outside. By the time the rout was over the Generals were limping home on the short end of a 87-62 count, the identical margin by which they had bowed to N.C. State a week before.

While optimism had reigned over the players and fans before Friday night's game, the prevalent feelings before Saturday evening's contest with George Washington were of a dark nature. W&L fought the tall Colonials on even terms for more than one quarter and trailed at half-time by only seven points. Rich and Ben Walden sparked the Gens in the first half, scoring respectively 14 and 11 points. But in the third period Rich fouled out and GW poured on the steam to win going away, 92-77.

The winners were particularly good with their fast breaks and the ease with which they worked the ball in for driving layups. Their reserve strength made it possible for them to keep the play moving so fast, with their second team almost the equal to their first. John and Joe Holup and Larry Silverman led the visitors in the win, while Rich, Walden and Charlie Topp were standouts for the Generals. Walden was high for W&L with 21 points, while Rich poured through 18 markers.

Rich, as a result of his 40-point effort over the two nights, has taken over the lead in the Southern Conference individual scoring race. Jim has tallied 125 points in six games for a 20.8 average per game. This average is second best in the state to Bill Chambers, who sports a 22-point average despite his meager six points at the Fieldhouse Friday night.

W&L will attempt to garner a victory before Christmas holidays, but have only one chance and that

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Wrestlers Lose First To Blue Devils, 14-13; McSpadden Gains Pin

Duke's Fred Campbell decisioned Washington and Lee's Chuck Rauh in the final bout of the afternoon to give the Blue Devils a 14-13 wrestling team victory over the Generals in the first match of the season here.

The Generals had pulled from a 9-0 deficit to a 13-11 advantage as heavyweights Campbell and Rauh took the ring. The Duke grappler outlasted Rauh to gain the decision and the match.

W&L's Gibby McSpadden, a freshman, made his debut by racking up the only fall of the afternoon. He pinned Bob Levine in the 157-pound division after 3:45.

W&L Gains First Winter Victory As Mermen Win Initial Meet, 63-21

Washington and Lee's first winter sport victory was registered Saturday when the swimming team downed Catholic University in Washington, 63-21.

A clean sweep of first places marked the win. Dan Dickerson, Parker Smith, Alex DeVolpi, Guy Smith, Bob Goodman, Pat Patrick, and John Williamson individually accounted for their own events.

Smith, DeVolpi, and Ted Shields teamed up to lap the opposition in the 300-yard medley-relay. Smith and Shields later joined Frank Guenther and Goodman in the finale, the 400-yard freestyle-relay.

Tom Kenny and Pete Meals ran the score up for the Blue and White by taking seconds behind their teammates in the individual medley and the diving, respectively.

Keith Belch, Guenther, and Shields also figured in the scoring as they earned third place points and participated in the winning relays.

The next meet for the swimmers is with the University of Virginia in Charlottesville on January 10.

Summary of the events:

300-yard medley—W&L (Parker Smith, DeVolpi, and Shields).

60-yard freestyle—1. Dickenson, 2. CU, 3. Geunther.

220-yard freestyle—1. Goodman, 2. CU, 3. Belch.

120-yard individual medley—1. Williamson, 2. Kenny, 3. CU.

Diving—1. Guy Smith, 2. Meals, 3. CU.

100-yard freestyle—1. Parker Smith, 2. CU, 3. Shields.

200-yard backstroke—1. Dickenson, 2. CU, 3. Belch.

200-yard breaststroke—1. DeVolpi, 2. CU, 3. Kenny.

440-yard freestyle—1. Patrick, 2. CU, 3. CU.

400-yard freestyle-relay—W&L (Guenther, Goodman, Parker Smith, Shields).

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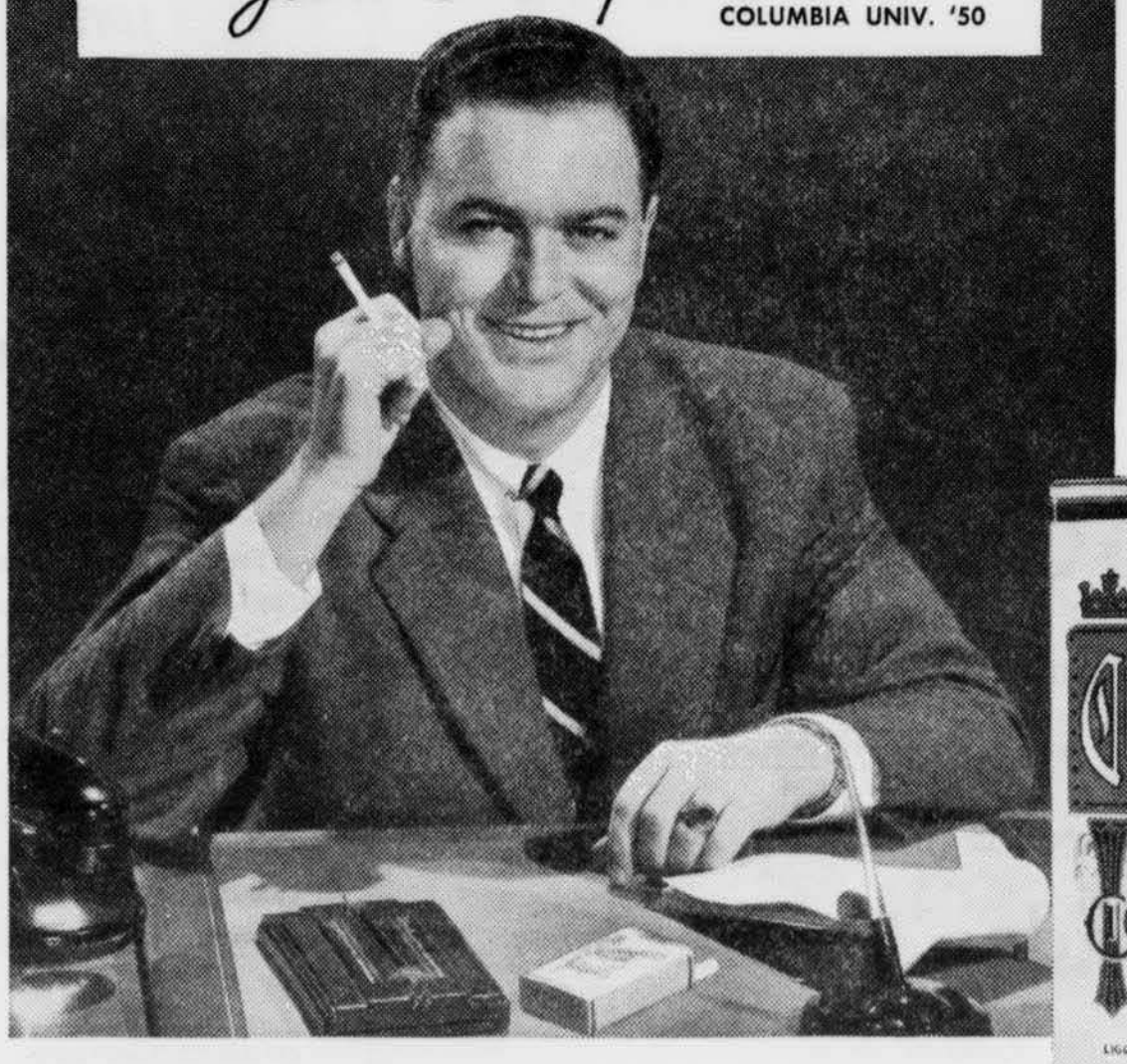

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7 Parties for Needy Children Set

Seven of Washington and Lee's social fraternities have scheduled parties at their houses for the needy and underprivileged children of the community this week, according to IFC President Bill McClintock.

Sponsored by the invididual Greek houses to benefit children who might not otherwise have as happy a Christmas, the parties, complete with Santa Claus, gifts, and refreshments, are arranged with the cooperation of the local welfare office.

Houses Sponsoring

Scheduling parties this week are the Delts, PiKA's, and Phi Gams tomorrow; the Sigma Nu's and Phi Kaps on Thursday; and the Sigs and Pi Kapps on Friday. Last week SAE and DU sponsored similar parties.

Guests for the parties, a swiftly-growing custom at Washington and Lee, range from four or five years in age to twelve, and they are selected by welfare workers in town from Lexington, Buena Vista, and the surrounding countryside. Usually at least one welfare worker is present at each party.

Basketball

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here Thursday night against tough Maryland. The Terps, who upset high-scoring West Virginia, 52-45, will floor the most impregnable defense which the Generals have yet faced. Billy McCann's squad will have a job on its hands working the ball into scoring position against Maryland, as yet unbeaten in Conference play.

Classes Shortened Saturday

Classes on Saturday, December 20, will begin at 8 a.m. and end at 11:45 a.m. Dean James G. Leyburn has announced. There will be five periods of 45 minutes each.

B— 8:00- 8:45
D— 8:45- 9:30
F— 9:30-10.15
H—10:15-11:15
J—11:00-11:45

Lee Letters

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long after the General's death. "The kindness & sympathy of so many friends, indeed I may say of the whole country has been very grateful to me," the widow said. "He couldn't have been more lamented or his fame brighter had he lived a thousand years & I ought to be content to pursue my weary pilgrimage alone."

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