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DU'S PURCHASE COLONIAL INN

Back in Operation Again . . .



... The Old ATO House

Seven Fraternities to Present Skits in Varsity Show Monday

By MILAM TURNER

Plans have been completed for the SWMSFC Varsity Show and Drawing which will be held Monday, Apr. 13, at 7:15 p.m. in Doremus Gym. The admission price will be 35 cents.

Tryouts were held Thursday afternoon to select the participants in Monday night's show. Seven fraternities, Phi Delta, Beta, Phi Psi, Sigma Nu, Phi Ep, DU, and Delta were chosen to present their acts. Each act will be approximately 10 minutes long. The faculty will also be represented with a five-minute skit.

Two law students, Bob Goldsmith and Jim Russick, will act as M.C.'s with Randy Broyles and a 12-piece orchestra provid-

ing the musical background.

Mrs. F. J. Gilliam, C. R. Thomas, Dr. M. B. Perry, Dr. Marshall Fishwick, and Dr. T. A. Smedley will serve as judges.

Forty-one prizes will be won at intermission Monday night in the SWMSFC drawing. The holder of the first prize ticket will receive a Haspel cord suit, Cordovan shoes, and a pair of Bermuda walking shorts. The 40 other prizes range all the way from steak dinners to a new tennis racket. Chances on the prizes are on sale for 25 cents each or five for \$1.00.

The \$10,000 goal for which the SWMSFC was set up is rapidly being approached, but the Varsity Show is one of the last SWMSFC sponsored events of the year.

Arrival of Small Fry Brings Forth Variety of Comments From Minks

By BEN BENJAMIN

As the 24th annual SIPA convention moves along, here are a group of typical W&L reactions:

Freshman—"I went to class today and found thousands of females. Don't know what it's all about, but it's great, really great."

Sophomore—"SIPA—that's a convention of some sort isn't it—when the campus turns co-ed. Some cute little girls running around."

Junior—"They tell me they have some great speakers here. Always did want to know something about journalism. Any chance of meeting Elmer Davis?"

Senior—"SIPA? Whoopee! I love my wife, but oh you kids!"

Law Student—"What's the age in Virginia?"

Fraternity Man—"Come on down to my house, baby."

Big Clique Man—"Sign 'em up."

Little Clique Man—"These people know how to do it—they run 'em all for president."

Reformist—"Disgusting. The campus ceases to operate for a week. Complete apathy runs rampant."

Intellectual—"I go to class, I find it running over with six-year-olds, the desks are occupied with a strange species which giggles. Outrageous."

Journalism Student—"SIPA? Women? Speakers? I just work here."

Elmer Davis to Address 800 SIPA Delegates

Elmer Davis, wartime head of the Office of War Information, will address the 24th convention of the Southern Interscholastic Press Association at 12:05 tomorrow in Lee Chapel.



Elmer Davis

Davis, well-known as a radio and television commentator as well as

By CECIL EDMONDS

Purchase of the Colonial Inn on South Main Street as a chapter house for the Washington and Lee Chapter of Delta Upsilon Fraternity was announced today by Kent C. Horner, president of the group.

The transfer of deed yesterday afternoon gave the DU's possession of the 23-year old structure which housed Alpha Tau Omega prior to World War II. The DU's will not move into the house until September of this year.

An approximate sale price of \$50,000 was disclosed by the chapter counselors, Dr. Allen E. Ragan, Prof. E. H. Howard and Prof. R. N. Latture, faculty members of the fraternity. The sale price included all the furnishings.

The move next September will be the third in 20 years for Delta Upsilon. The newest fraternity on campus, the DU's first occupied the building now

used as the Grace Presbyterian Church on South Main. With the coming of the war the chapter disbanded and was re-organized in 1946 at the present home on Mulberry Hill.

Prior to being initiated into the National fraternity, DU was known as the Arcades Club. This group occupied five different houses in its brief history.

The Colonial Inn is presently operated as a tourist home. W. H. Harris, the former owner, will continue to run the house until September. Tex Tilson served as realtor for Harris and Delta Upsilon Fraternity, Inc.

The Inn was constructed in the early months of 1930 as a home for the ATO's. World War II found the ATO's unable to meet financial obligations and the house was sold at auction. Since the war it has served as a tourist home.

Slight remodeling will be necessary, Horner added.

Gil Bocetti Reported as Big Clique Nominee for Student President

"Glittering Gil" Bocetti, Washington and Lee's star quarterback during the Golden Age of Mink football several years ago, was reported this morning to have been tapped by the Big Clique as its candidate for Student Body president next year.

Although official representatives of the University Party

have not as yet released their slate, reliable sources within the Clique who have not desired to be quoted directly were fairly certain that when the slate is announced Bocetti would head the list. This year Gil is an intermediate law student.

At the same time other sources indicated that highly probables for the rest of the Big Clique slate for the Student Body elections on Friday, Apr. 24 might include Sam Davidson, ZBT freshman lawyer, for vice-president; and Peek Garlington, Phi Delta junior, for president of next year's Fancy Dress.

Speculation on the rest of the University Party slate was still too uncertain for report at this time. Ring-tum Phi sources indicated, but several commentators from the nominal Independent Party stated that they doubted that the Little Clique would try to place a group of candidates in the field this year. The last time the Independents elected a slate was in the spring of 1949.

The Executive Committee has announced that the Nominating Convention, when students are or-

dinarly placed in nomination for Student Body offices, is scheduled for Tuesday, Apr. 21, in Lee Chapel. Elections are three days later.

From Star Quarterback . . .



... To President?

Yale French Professor Talks Here Monday

Henri Peyre, noted scholar, will address the annual Cincinnati Convocation Monday at noon in Lee Chapel. The Convocation will mark Phi Beta Kappa day on the W&L campus, in addition to initiation ceremonies and a banquet that evening.

The noon Convocation is open to the public, and classes will be shortened so W&L students can attend. Professor Peyre will also speak informally at the Phi Beta Kappa initiation banquet in the evening at the Dutch Inn.

A native of Paris who has lived in America for twenty-five years, Peyre combines Gallic wit with American energy, and according to Dr. James G. Leyburn, dean of the University, high scholarship with colloquial earthiness. "His mind, like his speech, moves with the speed of a rapier," said Dr. Leyburn, "and reaches its point as unerringly."

Two Corrective Changes Before Student Body In Election on Apr. 24

Two proposed amendments to the Student Body Constitution will be placed before the campus in the elections on Apr. 24. I. M. Sheffield, Student Body President, announced today.

One amendment is designed to bring the Constitution into accord with the present way of financing the Christian Council. The other will assure the freshman law class of representation on the Executive Committee while providing two representatives, instead of one, elected now, for the senior class.

The full text of the proposed amendments is published in today's issue of The Ring-tum Phi.

The amendment concerning the Christian Council is a technicality.

Christian Council funds from the Activities Fee, according to the Constitution, are to be disbursed by the Student Finance Committee. However, under the present set-up the Christian Council's share of the fee is retained by the University and goes directly to

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James Street

of Roanoke, Bernard Judy of Toledo, O., John Jones of Asheville, N. C., and John Carper and Bob Jeffrey of Lexington.

Professional newspapermen who

Special Training Set For ROTC Officers

The ROTC began planning for the future Tuesday as it held the first of three classes in a special training school for officers and non-commissioned officers.

The school, attended by about 50 cadets, was originated by the battalion staff. It has as its purpose the training of a capable group of officers and non-commissioned officers for future years, although a spokesman for the battalion staff said he expected considerable improvement after the first class. He added, however, that improvement at daily drills and the success of the training school in general would depend on the number of men who attended and the attitude with which they came.

William M. Bailey, battalion commander of the cadet corps, said the program was begun to correct a situation which has become increasingly worse in recent months. He said the majority of non-commissioned officers lack the proper background to give adequate instruction because of the one-drill-a-week policy here. This policy is characteristic of most college ROTC units, but Bailey said it presented a particular problem at W&L because it had never allowed time for the training of a core of competent officers.

Foster Directs

The general order, in which the plan for the training school was presented to the cadet corps, stated that the school will be directed by Sgt. William J. Foster, ROTC drillmaster, the battalion staff, and five company commanders. Members of the school have been organized into squads averaging nine men each. Each squad will be directed by an officer of the staff or a company commander.

The curriculum of the school calls for concentrated instruction in all phases of close order drill. A member of the staff pointed out that the object of the program was to let each man in the various squads do most of the actual instructing, the squad leader acting only in the capacity of a supervisor.

The school is not compulsory, but it is highly recommended by the Military Department and the battalion staff. It has been an-

nounced to the cadet corps that every man successfully completing the course will receive two merits for each class, or a total of six merits. All three classes must be attended before a man becomes eligible to receive merits.

Increase in Grade

It has also been announced that men who attended the course will receive an increase in their drill grade, which counts a third of the overall ROTC grade. In addition the best non-commissioned officer of the cadet corps will be chosen on the basis of performance in this school.

The second and third sessions of the school will be held at 4:45 p.m. next Tuesday and Tuesday Apr. 21. In case of rain on either of these dates, the school will be held the following Thursday.

NOTICE

Fencing foils and masks have arrived for members of the fencing club. Payment for same should be made to John O'Brien.

Bentz Howard Wins General Education Board Scholarship

Bentz B. Howard, Jr., senior chemistry major, has been awarded a scholarship for graduate study by the General Education Board of New York.

Howard, of Plainfield, N. J., received notification of the award early this week. He is scheduled to graduate June 5.

He was chosen from a highly selected group of seniors nominated to the General Education Board by a number of southern universities and colleges. The General Education Board was founded by John D. Rockefeller in 1902.

The scholarship will provide tuition and fees, travel to and from the graduate school, and a subsistence stipend of \$1,125 during the academic year of 1953-54.

Howard has compiled an outstanding record as an undergraduate at W&L. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and a student affiliate of the American Chemical Society.

Leo Barrington, senior from Mochican Hills, Md., was named as alternate scholar. Barrington is majoring in Spanish and will receive his degree in June.

SENIOR INVITATIONS, GOWNS . . .

Orders for commencement invitations and measurements for graduation caps and gowns will be taken next Tuesday and Wednesday. Chet Smith, senior class president, has announced.

Text of Amendment

Article VI, Section B, Executive Committee

AS IT NOW READS:

"... Two Members-at-Large to be chosen from the Freshman Law Class and the Senior Class, exclusive of the Senior Law Class and other graduate classes."

AS PROPOSED:

"... One Member to be chosen from the Freshman Law Class.

Two Members to be chosen from the Senior Classes, exclusive of the Senior Law Class and other graduate classes.

Four-year students in the Freshman Law Class under the University's combination program shall be considered in the Freshman Law Class only and not in the Senior Classes for all office-holding and voting purposes."

Article VI-C-IV

AS IT NOW READS:

Election shall be as follows: "TWO-MEMBERS-AT-LARGE: The first Monday in October of the year during which they shall serve."

AS PROPOSED:

Election shall be as follows: "FRESHMAN LAW CLASSES: The first Monday in November of the year during which he shall serve.

TWO MEMBERS FROM THE SENIOR CLASSES: The first Monday in May of the Junior year."

Article XI, Student and Activities Fee

B. 2. Expenditure of Funds

"a. Each Activities Fee shall be disbursed on a percentage basis to be determined by the Student Finance Committee. The following organizations or other such organizations as the Executive Committee may designate by a two-thirds vote at two successive meetings, shall receive allotments.

The Calyx	Troubadours
The Ring-tum Phi	Glee Club
The Southern Collegian	Student Body Reserve Fund
Christian Work	Executive Committee Fund
	Debate Council

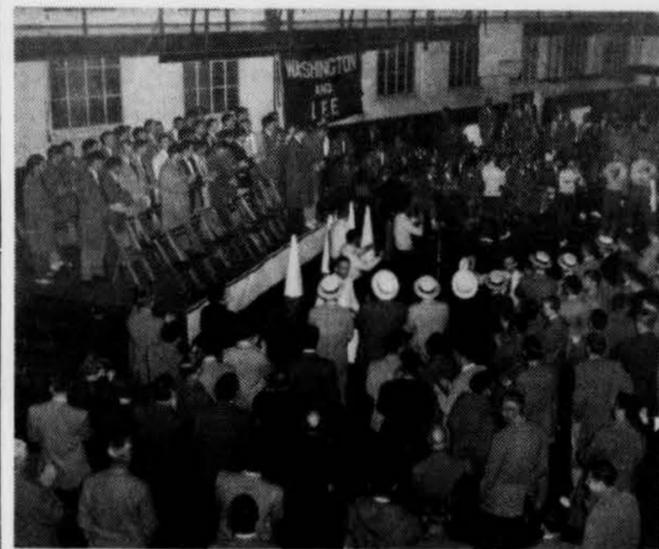
AS PROPOSED:

The above quoted article would read exactly as stated above except "Christian Work" would be deleted from the list of organizations.

The Hammer and Spade:

A Tale From Ye Olde Memories of SIPA

By Edmonds and Hoogenboom



The SIPA dance on Friday night is always well attended. Here a group of W&L students wait for the first girl delegate to arrive.

Once upon a time in the beautiful Shenandoah Valley there was a castle owned by two gentlemen named Washington and Lee, and in this castle lived King Voigt, known as Good King Chuck. Now every spring Good King Chuck sent out invitations over the Southland inviting little girls and little boys to come to his domain. And every spring little girls and little boys came to Lexington to see Good King Chuck. Most of the time more little girls came than did little boys.

But in this valley there lurked an evil monster named Raunchy Mink. Now, Raunchy Mink dearly hated journalists and every year he tried to get little delegates to stay away from the meetings. This is the story of two little girls and

a little boy who fell into his clutches.

One little girl was a fair princess named Cinderella and the other was a little peasant girl, in fact not a very pleasant little peasant, named Red Riding Hood. Now the little boy doesn't matter since he only came to see Marilyn Monroe and Niagra, and he spent the weekend in the theater.

Raunchy Mink was standing outside of Payne disguised as a handsome young prince when the two little girls stepped out loaded with

SIPA booklets and election notices.

"I think we are lost," said little Cinderella.

"I know the way perfectly," said little Red.

"A-r-r-r-r-r," said Raunchy Mink.

"Could you tell us where the Robert E. Lee Hotel is?" asked Cinderella.

Raunchy Mink smiled. He knew where the Robert E. Lee Hotel was. "I will take you there," he said.

"But this doesn't look like a hotel," cried little Red.

"S-h-h-, Red, don't be so dumb. This is a Greek Hotel, didn't you see the sign?" (Cinderella knew perfectly well this wasn't a Greek Hotel. Greeks own restaurants!)

"But, Cindy," said Red, "what about the conference on circulation?"

"Circulation, smirculation! I've been to seven houses already. How's that for circulation?"

Just then Red Riding Hood discovered a sweet little old lady sitting in the corner. "My what big eyes you have," she complimented.

"Don't knock the house mother, kid," snarled Raunchy Mink.

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Blue Drubs Delaware, 6-5

The Generals started off their home diamond campaign with a bang, gaining their first victory of the young season with a 6-5 victory over the University of Delaware nine yesterday.

Today the W&L nine takes on George Washington here. Game time 3:15 p.m. The brand of ball played yesterday was very good with each team making only a single error. This should add up to a good game today. Buddy Dey will get the nod to start today's game, said Coach Bill McCann, with Steve Schlossman ready if any assistance is needed.

Previously, the Big Blue had a record of six straight defeats, at the hands of Camp Lejeune, Cherry Point, and Wake Forest on a vacation journey southward.

Southpaw co-captain Tyson Janney started on the mound for the Generals and pitched shut-out ball for three innings. He gave up one run in the fourth, and was relieved with two out in the fifth after four runners had crossed the plate. Janney pitched four and two-thirds innings, giving up seven hits, walking three, and striking out three.

Freshman southpaw Ed Nulton came in at this point and struck out the first four batters he faced. Nulton went on to pitch shut-out ball for the last four and one-third innings gaining credit for the win. He yielded a measly two hits, striking out six and walking none.

IM Managers Repeal Their Plan to Give Varsity Points

The fraternity intramural managers voted 16-1 Monday to repeal the plan they voted on two weeks ago which would give fraternities points for their intercollegiate athletes. In its place the managers passed a compromise proposal.

On the basis of this new plan, the same intramural championships will be awarded as usual. Added to this, however, will be an

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Here are the men who will run W&L's football team next season. Left to right—Captain Bill McHenry, Coaches Gil Bocetti, Ed Kensler and Head Coach Carl Wise. Spring practice ends the 18 of this month with an intrasquad game on Wilson Field.

Colgate Downs Golf, Tennis Teams; Future Brighter

Coach Jim Farrar's tennis team lost their opening match to Colgate Tuesday by a score of 8-1. Singles player Dave Murphy won the only point for the Generals, 12-10, 6-8, 12-10. Farrar said that Colgate won because, "They were deeper, stronger, and more spreadout."

He explained our poor showing

by the fact that there had been no real practice before the match and that the doubles team was very weak. Farrar said he believed that the team would improve with more practice and more competition but that the addition of more men to the team would be a big help.

The golf team was also defeated

by Colgate on Tuesday by a score of 6½ to 2½. W&L winners were Al Vlerbome, 3-2, and Frank Summers, 4-3, while Dick Vedder hal-

with Cornell and Ohio, U., the golfers came in second with a score of 12½ while Ohio U. won with 17 and Cornell lost with 6½.

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Amendments Are Proposed

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the Christian Council along with other money to the group from tuition.

The proposed amendment would delete "Christian Work" from the section of the Constitution and "make constitutional" the present method of handling Christian Council funds. The Student Body Finance committee will still disburse all other Activities Fee funds in accord with the agreement between the University and the Executive Committee.

The second amendment would assure the freshman law class of proper representation on the Executive Committee. It would provide two representatives to the EC from the senior class instead of one in order to "facilitate the functioning of the EC," according to Sheffield.

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SIPA Memories

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Just then, good King Chuck and a regiment of ROTC second lieutenants rushed in and saved the two little girls from the evil clutches of Raunchy Mink. "Take them to the hotel," ordered King Chuck. "Thanks for the grapefruit juice," yelled Red Riding Hood as they marched away.

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