

# The Columns

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## Vocalists Plan a Revival of Old Vesper Service

### Glee Club Members Working on Numbers For Christmas Service

Although subjected to the setbacks that most new organizations go through at their outset, the Glee Club has begun to shape into a good group of singers. A program has been tentatively arranged for the Midnight Service at the Episcopal Church which was traditionally held just before Christmas when our Club of bygone years was in operation. Meetings of the organization are now being held at Washington Hall 25 for greater convenience and better acoustics which the hall provides. The meetings, or more appropriately "practices," still take place at 7:30 p.m., on Wednesdays.

At the first few meetings, it was apparent that the members were not accustomed to working together vocally, so progress was slow as a result. However, these difficulties are in the process of being worked out, and if improvement keeps up at the pace it has shown, it won't be long before we have a first class group.

The midnight performance of the Glee Club at the Episcopal Church has long been an institution at W. and L. Started many years ago, it has been continued through popular interest and desire on the part of the students in the Glee Club. The program proposed by Mr. Drake, faculty adviser of the Club, shows every promise of keeping up the past records.

All members have shown an eagerness to make the Glee Club a "going concern." The fact that attendance is regular and the spirit of wanting to put the club across proves this. With such support, success is assured.

## "Commonwealth" Carries Sketch of Harold Lauck

C. Harold Lauck has been given recognition in last month's edition of *The Commonwealth*, magazine of the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce. Appearing in that publication's special section entitled, "Virginians in the Public Eye," Mr. Lauck was mentioned in a biographical sketch which

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## Dr. Howe Taken Ill



Dr. James Lewis Howe, Professor Emeritus of chemistry and University Historian, has been taken to Jackson Memorial Hospital where he is undergoing treatment for pneumonia. His condition at this time is said to be satisfactory by Hospital authorities. He was taken from his home at 30 University Place early this morning by ambulance.

The Columns extends sincere wishes for a speedy recovery.

## Exam Schedule

The following is the schedule for Examinations for the Quarter ending November 10, 1944:

**Monday, November 6**  
9:00-11:00 a.m.  
All classes in Block J—TTS-12:00

**Monday, November 6**  
3:00-5:00 p.m.  
All classes in Block A—MWF-8:00

**Tuesday, November 7**  
9:00-11:00 a.m.  
All classes in Block C—MWF-9:00

**Tuesday, November 7**  
3:00-5:00 p.m.  
All classes in Block E—MWF-10:00

**Wednesday, November 8**  
9:00-11:00 a.m.  
All classes in Block G—MWF-11:00

**Wednesday, November 8**  
3:00-5:00 p.m.  
All classes in Block I—MWF-12:00

**Thursday, November 9**  
9:00-11:00 a.m.  
All classes in Block B—TTS-8:00

**Thursday, November 9**  
3:00-5:00 p.m.  
All classes in Block D—TTS-9:00

**Friday, November 10**  
9:00-11:00 a.m.  
All classes in Block F—TTS-10:00

**Friday, November 10**  
3:00-5:00 p.m.  
All classes in Block H—TTS-11:00

## Registration on Thursday

Registration for classes for the Quarter beginning November 11, 1944, and the Quarter beginning February 17, 1945, will be held in Room 33, Washington Hall, from 2:30 to 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 26.

Lists of available classes will be posted on the bulletin boards, and mimeographed copies of these lists can be secured at the Registrar's office. The lists are tentative. Changes in courses and in class hours will be made, when possible, to meet the needs of individual students.

All students are requested to report promptly for this registration.

Robert H. Tucker, Dean

## Golf Cap Style Is Subject for Next FU Discussion

### Federal Endorsement Of Planned Sterilization Has Support of Union

The golf-cap controversy will be taken to the floor of the Forensic Union, when Carlos Latimer, speaking for the Affirmative, and Irving Joel for the Negative, will debate the issue, "Resolved: That the wearing of golf-caps be prohibited on the campus." As lively a discussion is expected as was had last week, when T. M. Wright and Bernard Kaplan spoke on opposite sides of the question of scientific sterilization. Wright held that relief from the responsibility of parenthood for the mentally ill has proved in at least one state (California) already a benefit both to society at large and to the individual affected, and such relief should be extended to all states, side-stepping, however, the issue of Constitutional possibility. Kaplan countered that such action would make lax the individual's inhibitions, and would consequently make sex offenses more prevalent. During open discussion, however, it was brought out that a twenty-second amendment would make the procedure legal, and the Negative's fear of increased sex offenses had not proved the case in California. On the basis of this refutation, the Affirmative won the confidence of a majority of the Union.

It is announced that at the meeting of October 30, there will be an election of officers.

## Five W&L Men Will Be Included In Who's Who

### Lee, Davidson, Kelly, Crowder, and Hillman Appear in Publication

Five Washington and Lee students will be included in the 1944-1945 edition of "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities," annual publication recognizing honor students throughout the nation's colleges. Tom Lee, Wise Kelly, Don Hillman, Jack Crowder, and Bill Davidson will appear in this year's volume. These students were elected by an anonymous faculty committee appointed by the Dean of Students. In general, the pre-requisites for being chosen are leadership, scholarship, and extra-curricular achievements. The publication has been edited and distributed at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, for the past seven years, and has come to represent an honor highly sought after on more than 600 college and university campuses in the United States.

Thomas Carter Lee, from Roanoke, Virginia, enrolled in Washington and Lee in the fall of 1942. He was a member of the Glee Club until it was disbanded, and also became a member of the Kappa Sigma fraternity. He was elected to the Executive Committee in September, 1943, and became president of the student body in the spring of 1944. He has been active in intramural baseball, football, and basketball.

Henry Wise Kelly, of Fairfax, Virginia, enrolled in the fall of 1941. A member of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity, he was president as well as historian of the house. He was one of the Troubadour players before that body disbanded. He was elected senior representative to the Executive Committee, and became Prosecutor for Honor System cases as well as serving on the Assimilation Committee, of which he became chairman. In the spring of 1944 he was elected vice-president of the Student Body. Kelly has also been active in intramural sports, specializing in baseball, football, and ping-pong.

Jack Andrew Crowder, who came to this University in September, 1943, is from Charleston, West Virginia. He was freshman representative on the Executive Committee, and has been chairman of

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Wartime successor to The Ring-tum Phi

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## There Are Ways

The old complaints are coming up again—they always seem to pop up around Exam time. Students bemoan large assignments, heavy parallel work, memory work—not enough time to do everything. It just seems like one continuous grind without any relaxation to break the tediousness. It is true that with an accelerated system such as Washington and Lee has been adhering to for the past two years, the work is severe and concentrated. It is true that due to the great loss in student population, fraternity houses have been discontinued, prominent campus organizations put aside for the time being, and vacations shortened in order to fit in an accelerated system. However, to grumble at this time is without reason.

Students have managed somehow to leave Lexington over the weekends for neighboring girls' colleges and cities. There they have found some relaxation and change in environment. It wasn't easy getting there because the convertibles are no longer with us and the bus schedules were not made to please college students. It's inconvenient, but we find ways. It was inconceivable that the once proud and popular University Glee Club could be brought back to the campus during wartime, but we found a way. The Forensic Union is still in progress for those who wish to indulge in heated debates. We found a way to revive the International Relations Club.

There are plenty of activities going on before us, not on the large scale of former years, nevertheless functioning and inviting your participation. And if they don't appeal to you—there's the State or Lyric Theatres, your radio or phonograph, and the dances at Doremus. For those who wish it,—there's the Christian Council, the Baptist Student Union, and social service work. No, you can't say there's nothing to do to alleviate the school grind.

Under the guidance of Cy Twombly an excellent intramural schedule is under way which includes baseball, football, basketball, volley ball, ping-pong, handball, swimming, wrestling, golf, and tennis. A wealth of sports to choose from in the athletic field! And so we have on all sides activities in which every college student can participate, and the faculty will cooperate with any student groups wishing to start anew some club of past days.

Instead of complaining of so much work and so little time to do it, and no relaxation, just pause a while, look around. This acceleration isn't as severe as it seems if organizations can be brought back on the campus and athletic programs function with marked success.

## Show Team Time

By "Bama" and Dave Guthrie

(MOVIES)

Another week finds the Show Team still in top form, so here's the schedule. SunMon brings us Deanna Durbin in somewhat of a B. Davis role, playing the fem lead in **Christmas Holiday**, with Gene Kelly, Gladys George, and Gale Sondergaard; the plot relates the development of a Vermont girl into a bitter, mature woman. Highly recommended. Pat O'Brien and Carole Landis star in **Secret Command** TuesWed—has spies, counter-spies, saboteurs, explosions, and all the trimmings. Then, the Thurs-Sat fare features Paulette Goddard, Sonny Tufts, and Barry ("Going My Way") Fitzgerald in **I Love a Soldier**, which brings out the problem of wartime marriages, and answers it in expected Hollywood style; a Disney **Pluto** cartoon is a side attraction.

Now to the exclusive Club Lyrique—MonTues offers Lon Chaney and John Carradine in another of those big, awful scare-shows... **The Mummy's Ghost**: they seem still to be having trouble with Egyptian curses... Chapter No. 11 of the **Desert Hawk** is co-billed. Trudy Marshall and Sheila Ryan appear Wed as **Ladies of Washinton**, another melodrama for you; a **Community Sing** is what you should go for, though. An old 1941 thriller, re-issued, **Manpower**, with Edward G. Robinson, George Raft, and Marlene Dietrich, is due for a Thurs showing, while the Fri-Sat attraction is **Partners of the Trail**, a Johnny Mack Brown dust-raiser—also Chapter No. 12 of **Haunted Harbor**.

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(RADIO)

Ken Murray returns to radio Wednesday at 9:30-CBS, for a brand-new comedy series. John Nesbitt's **Passing Parade** drops out this week from its TuesWedThurs spot at 7:15-CBS; replacing it is a new musical show, featuring Paul Barron's Orchestra, Johnny Johnston, and Monica Lewis, vocalists. The Detroit Symphony Orchestra begins a new series of concerts this Saturday night at 8:30-MBS (directly competing with the Boston Symphony on the Blue). This Saturday afternoon at 2:45-MBS you can hear the Georgia Tech-Navy play-by-play; Senator Robert Wagner of New York will speak for Roosevelt at 8:15-MBS same night. Two other recommended political commentators: (both Sunday night Blue) Dorothy Thompson at 8:15 and Walter Winchell at 9:00. Good listening!

## Men About Town...

Last weekend saw the gay Hollins debs throw their annual hop for the new freshman class. Those invited, VMI, VPI, Army, Navy, and les grandes Minks, crowded the dance floor. Previously, the boys had anxiously awaited in "The Hall of Mirrors" to meet their dates for the evening. After meeting their blind dates and their seeing eye dogs, Washington and Lee students have aptly renamed the chamber "The Hall of Horrors." The boys lined up, after drawing straws—Merrin wouldn't give his straw up—said he needed it for some new cola drink.

Oder appeared to be up in the clouds with his date, however, they ran into fog conditions and had to come down to earth after a while. Bill Bernard, trying to make time with D. Stuart's Openings date, contracted a bad case of lovesickness and hasn't been the same since. A good prospect for next year's wrestling team was Glasgow who held his girl in a half-nelson. His date's father, a former athletic coach at Washinton and Lee, should have been there to supervise the wrestling match. When one student asked Charlie for a cigarette later in the evening, he handed him a toothpick—strange sort of weed he's been smoking lately.

Tom Lee had them in the aisles asking for autographs, but old Lee just pushed the gals aside and danced away. The reason Funkhouser has been thinking of ending it all may have been his date. She hailed from out Colorado way, and is rumored to be at Hollins on an athletic scholarship for the hockey team. Gauling carried on his Mad Russian act with much success. He's gotten that old look back in his eyes, so probably he's a strong Hollins supporter now. Burton tells us he had trouble pushing away his date's German Shepherd—that's really a blind date! Martin was seen dashing madly around looking for a steer that broke loose. He had a lariat in his hand and a branding iron in the other. Kidding aside it wasn't as bad as that. But that was only the beginning!

Next stop was Roanoke and the Ponce de Leon. Room 333 will long be remembered in the annals of University social activities. The hotel owners are thinking of placing a commemoration tablet in the chamber. It all began when one of our Lexington swains tipped the bell boy a nickel. Oder, Glasgow, Gauling, Davidson, Hart, Burton, and Jones crowded into the room, stepping over the prostrate bell hop. The door slammed shut at 1 in the morning. The next time it opened was for a few of the fellows to head back to Lex. Wilcox enjoyed his table, and is thinking of installing one at Mrs. White's to replace the bed. Merrin still hung on to his straw, but was all out of "cola." Hart ran into some old soldier friends in the hall and had a gay old time.

Have you seen Mitzi? That's the cry of the freshman class after learning that this alluring creature had paid a visit to our fair campus. Burton hasn't been the same since, so if anybody can identify her, let us know, we're in the market, too. Mosbacher and Doswell failed in their attempt to reach Hollins, returning to the R.E. Lee to drown their sorrows.

Carlos, our South American friend, headed over to Greenbriar. He reports that the gals there are just begging for more W&L boys in that vicinity. Latimer was greeted at the bus station by a bevy of beauties with flashlights. They told him they were looking for an honest man, but he just laughed, showed his white teeth and twirled his mustache, and they forgot all about the honest part!

A few of the fellows have received invitations to the Vassar Sophomore Prom to be held on November 4 and 5. D. Stuart has been bemoaning the lamentable situation—he just can't go—exams start on the 6th. A reminder that next Saturday is the

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**Sport Sidelines . . . . .**

**By Warren G. Merrin**

Downing the SAE touch football team Wednesday afternoon by a six to nothing score, the Phi Psi outfit made the winning of the championship a mathematical certainty, and the sweaters will be awarded soon after the final game has been played Monday. And, so that the sweaters may be a real award, the Executive Committee has ruled that they will be considered conventional and therefore may be worn on the campus.

In the deciding encounter the boys from the white house failed to make a single first down, but they threatened seriously on several occasions by running back with intercepted passes deep into Phi Psi territory, but there the threat was always successfully countered. The victors threatened at least once in every period, but they failed to show the necessary punch in every instance but one, that one coming in the second quarter when Doswell completed a toss to Pitts in the end zone. Once, however, proved to be quite sufficient. As the game ended Doswell faded far back and completed a pass to Wilcox who narrowly missed breaking away for an ad-

ditional score.

We shall now take this opportunity to expand that meager cavity referred to as a chest and boast briefly but loudly about that successful prediction on the winners of the football tournament, giving this department a perfect average on such activities. The next tournament, however, will be volley ball, and we'll leave that one to you. From where we sit it's just about a toss up.

Cy Twombly has arranged a real treat for the golf players and fans in the student body by obtaining Lieutenant Ben Hogan for a demonstration in the Doremus Gymnasium Wednesday night. The long driving pro is now attending the

School for Personnel Services on the Washington and Lee campus, and he apparently proved that Army life had taken little of the edge off his usually brilliant game by throwing up an even par at our Cy on the local cow pasture last Sunday in a friendly match.

Improving slowly, Coach Young's basketball team has finished the

second week of practice. Greatly lacking in experience, the youngsters are beginning to gain momentum, and they are now showing promise. Among the standouts are Pitts, Eacho, Lee, Breedin, Needham, and Josephs. It proves worthy of mention that half of these boys have not yet completed their freshman year.

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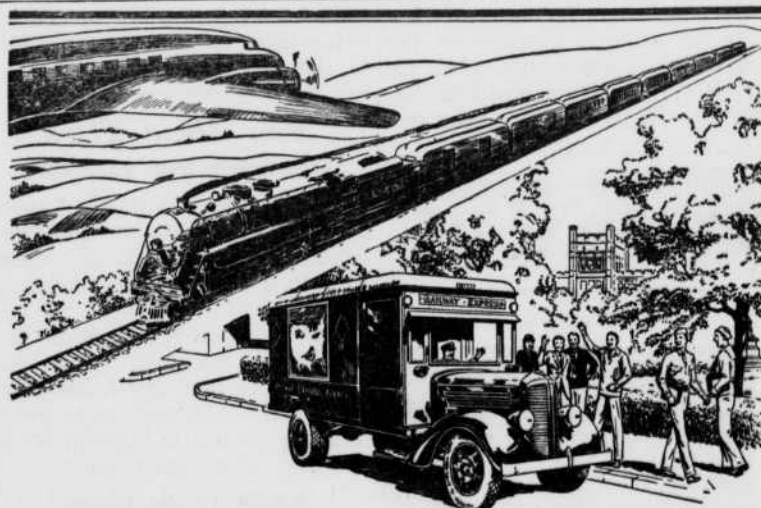
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**Who's Who**

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the Dance Committee twice. He became a member of Phi Eta Sigma freshman honor fraternity, and was elected president for the present school year. He is also president of the International Relations Club and Assistant Speaker of the Forensic Union.

Donald Stuart Hillman, of New York, New York, enrolled in the University in September, 1942. He served on **The Ring-tum Phi**, becoming Alumni Editor and Asso-

ciate Editor by the end of the year. He was also on the Literary Staff of the Southern Collegian, contributing several stories. He went into service in July of 1943, and returned to this University in May of 1944. He became Editor-in-Chief of **The Columns** on his return, and has held that position ever since.

William Alexander Davidson, of Chicago, Illinois, was awarded the honor last year, and appears again in the 1944-45 edition.

**Men About Town**

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Wahoo-Keydet tilt over at Lynchburg. Let's have a good representation at the stadium and cheer VMI to a win over the "untouchables."

This weekend will see those fellows, who remained home last Saturday to hold the home front while their colleagues were away, head for Hollins to take up where they left off at Openings.

**Letter to the Editor**

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:

It was with some dismay that I today read the attack on "Orphan Annie" by a "welfare worker." As the letter pointed out, Harold Gray may occasionally create a false impression, but can any reader in his right mind believe that Gray is against welfare work in general? "Orphan Annie" has long been an American tradition. Harold Gray has for years put such drama, suspense, shrewd psychology, love, and human kindness into "Orphan Annie," as to make it consistently fascinating reading for adults as well as children.

EDGAR HOLLADAY

**Lauck Sketch**

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made note of many of the honors he has received since entering the profession of printing.

Recently he was awarded the Friedman Memorial Medal by The New York School of Printing for outstanding contributions to the cause of graphic arts education which prompted the sketch in **The Commonwealth**. Coming to the University in 1932, Mr. Lauck assumed the position of laboratory instructor in journalism and superintendent of the Journalism Laboratory Press. He has become nationally known for his effective use of a single type face, Baskerville, and among various activities in the graphic arts, has served as president of the National Graphic Arts Education Association.

**BSU Meeting**

Before a fairly large gathering of students at the Phi Psi lounge Thursday night, the Rev. William L. Lumpkin led an interesting discussion about the use of leisure time.

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