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## OPENING DANCES BEGIN TONIGHT

### Three Courses In Humanities To Start in Fall

#### President Gaines Calls The Curriculum Change Significant Innovation

Washington and Lee University has made a curriculum change which President Francis P. Gaines calls "among the most significant in its long history." Beginning next year, it will institute three groups of studies in the humanities: courses centered around languages and their literatures, history, and philosophy.

Dr. Gaines explained that the humanities are designed to give a broader cultural education in the direction of political wisdom. The humanities will teach the student how and what the best minds have thought and they will help to provide for him the "humanitarian foundation and discipline" which are the bases of international understanding and good will.

#### New Science Course

Dr. Gaines said that the student who elects a major in the humanities does so voluntarily and that the new curricula involve no changes in the required basic courses such as English, science, and mathematics. The treatment of science, however, will receive new direction. The freshman will study one science such as biology or physics, and then four years later in an intra-departmental course he will study the effects of science on philosophy, economics, sociology, and government.

At Washington and Lee the student may study the early humanities with emphasis on Latin and French or Greek; the modern humanities which stress two modern foreign languages; or the general humanities which emphasize the reading of foreign literatures in translation. It was remarked that the study of foreign literatures in translation is a comparatively new step.

#### Phi Kappa Psi Tea

An informal tea will be held at the Phi Kappa Psi House on Saturday afternoon for the students residing there and their dates, Jon Rugel, House Manager, has announced. Couples will be welcomed from four thirty to six o'clock in the evening.

#### No Issue Next Week

Technical difficulties will prevent **The Columns** from appearing as usual next week, which is Thanksgiving holiday week.

Regular publication will be resumed, however, on November 30.

### Atomic Opinion Requested From U.S. Colleges

#### Bennington College Group Asks President To Release Secret

Calling on the college students of the United States to forcefully express themselves on the vital issue of the control of atomic power, the student government of Bennington College, Bennington, Vermont, in cooperation with members of the United States Student Assembly have drawn up a petition addressed to President Truman favoring the immediate creation of an international commission to control the production and use of atomic energy. In a letter addressed to Washington and Lee, Miss Mary Walsh, Chairman of Student Government, and other campus leaders at Bennington urge that this university prepare a similar petition.

All communications concerning this question have been placed in the hands of Jon Rugel, President of the International Relations Club. No decision has been made however in regard to the course that is to be followed.

The Bennington petition reads: My dear President Truman,

In view of the grave challenge to our security and the peace of the world as stated so clearly in the declaration of the 400 experts

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### Mid-Semester Grades To Be Available Monday

All mid-semester grades are to be filed in the Registrar's Office on Monday, November 19. They will be mailed to the students' homes sometime later in the week.

Those students who tend to be disgruntled or disappointed that all of their hard work is apparently so little appreciated should keep in mind that "the mark of A is that of the greatest distinction, reserved for that small number possessing exceptional talent who are doing outstanding work." Remember that!

#### Tennessee, Duke Girls to Lead Figure



Miss Pennybacker



Miss Sherrill

### EC Announces Dance Rules

The University Dance Regulations will be in effect at the dance set this weekend as at all other Washington and Lee dances, the Executive Committee announced today.

The regulations are:

1. All Washington and Lee dances shall be free from intoxicants and the effects thereof.

2. Any person attending a dance in violation of Regulation 1 shall be removed from the gymnasium immediately and suspended from attending further dances until his case has been tried by the Executive Committee of the Student Body.

3. The penalty for the first infraction of Regulation shall be exclusion from one half of the dances of the session, commencing with the date of the offence; provided that the drunkenness or other disorderly conduct or for any second offence or for the possession of intoxicants anywhere within the gymnasium during the dance, the penalty shall be exclusion for not less than one calendar year. For visitors and alumni the penalty shall be not less than those provided for students under similar circumstances.

4. No visitor shall be admitted to any dance unless vouched for in writing by a student or by some

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### Committeemen, Sophs to Parade

Miss Jane Pennybacker, of Knoxville, Tennessee, will lead the Sophomore Prom tonight. She is the date of Bob Mosbacher, and a student at the University of Tennessee. All the members of the Sophomore Class and the summer school Freshmen, and their dates, will participate in the figure tonight.

#### Miss Sherrill to Lead

On Saturday night the figure will be led by Miss Sherrill, who is the guest of Jack Crist, president of the Dance Committee. Miss Sherrill is a student at the University of North Carolina, at Durham. Also participating in the Saturday night figure are the other members of the Dance Committee: Jon Rugel, Dick Spindle, Bill Doswell, Floyd McKenna, Wise Kelly, Bill Richards, Joe Rowe, Dick Walker, Don Bane, Alan Bauer, Dave Brown, Jim Carpenter, Bill Metcalf, Lou Mattisi, Tom Wright, Barton Quaintance, Bob Brown, Frank Burton, Joe DiLoreto, Ryland Dodson, Henry Foresman, Bob Gaines, Tom Gilleland, Bud Keland, Tom Lay, Ed Lyons, Gus Mayes, Mat O'Keefe, Bob Patterson, Peg Pettus, Andy Power, Lou Rehr, Russ Reynolds, Tom Scott, Chad Smith, Roscoe Stephenson, Gus Stombeck, Dabbs Sullivan, Al Turner, Cullen Wimmer, Roy Witte, and Al Woodruff.

### Soph Prom Friday; Attendance of 130 Expected Saturday

Final advance dance ticket sales stand at ninety-five tickets sold, the dance committee in its pre-dance report has announced.

The sales were satisfactory in his opinion, Jack Crist, Dance Committee Chairman, stated. "We fully expect to sell a total of approximately one hundred and thirty tickets what with the additional ones that will be sold at the door." Crist said. "The dance should be a financial success." He added.

Stressing the importance of the student body being clear on the details of the dance set, Crist went over the present arrangements. The dance on Friday night will be held from ten to two, while that of Saturday will be from nine to twelve, the Virginia law not permitting a dance to continue into Sunday. Both nights are to be formal. Friday night has been officially designated as the Sophomore Prom. The Opening Formal is the title of the Saturday dance. Jimmy St. Clair and his orchestra, a Roanoke aggregation, will play for both nights. There will be no tea dance.

#### Program Planned for Semester

The Opening Dance Set is the first of a large social program planned for this semester by the Executive Committee. An informal house party before Christmas, and other dances after the holidays and next semester were the subject of discussion at the last meeting of the Executive Committee, on Tuesday, November 13. If the number of the student body increases sufficiently, there will be a possibility of holding our first Fancy Dress Ball since the war next semester.

### Sommervell Awards D.S.C. To Father of Hauseman

At a recent War Department invocation, Brigadier General David P. Hauseman was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal and the Legion of Merit by General Brehon Sommervell, head of the Army Service Forces.

General Hauseman is the father of David Hauseman, a junior here at Washington and Lee. For over the past year, he has been in charge of the renegotiation of war contracts for the War Department, a job that has taken on ever larger aspects with the coming of the period of reconversion.

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## The Washington and Lee Spirit

Tonight Washington and Lee is having its first big dance set since the beginning of the war. The mid-terms are over, dates are arriving, the gym is decorated, week-end plans are solidifying, and aching eyes are about to be given a three-day vacation from the text-books. **This is college life**, not merely a war-time substitute. This is our first big step towards the return of peace-time activities.

But let no member of the Washington and Lee Student Body be led into believing that it is with the return of peace-time activities that Washington and Lee "Spirit" will return; for the Washington and Lee Spirit in its most fundamental sense never left the campus.

There was a time when the mention of this college Spirit brought to mind fraternity rush week, biting air at a foot-ball game, the Fancy Dress Ball, and a host of other activities normally connected with life at Washington and Lee. Perhaps there were even times when men at Washington and Lee were confused into believing that the Spirit and the activities were synonymous.

The severely diminished number during the war years put to acid test this Washington and Lee Spirit. It was when activities normally connected with the Spirit were failing on every side that truly important features of W & L life loomed into bold relief.

Fraternities had to close their houses; the **Ring-tum Phi** was cut twice and finally stopped. The budgets for dances were drastically reduced; and inter-collegiate athletics went the way of the world. But untouched by the diminished number of the Student Body were the traditions of honor and of gentlemanly conduct.

But even in terms of these traditions the Washington and Lee Spirit cannot be adequately defined. It is true that the Honor System symbolizes, perhaps more than any one other thing, the Spirit of which we speak, in that it expresses the unique relationship which Washington and Lee men feel toward one another. But even the Honor System does not fully express the Spirit of friendship and kinship between members of the Washington and Lee Student Body; nor does it convey the Spirit which hovers on the campus, of a bond between all former students with each present member of the Student Body; nor does it include that Spirit of duty which is felt on the campus towards all men who will come to Washington and Lee in the future. It is this Spirit—even more basic than the Honor System itself, for the Honor System is only a part of it—which has been left on the campus for us, and which we must leave on the campus for those to come.

And so, we are having our dance tonight. Good! This is one step towards peace-time activities, and in the days to come we shall see an even greater degree of normalcy returning to the campus. But as we become absorbed in a life that is ever closer to our pre-war campus life, let us never forget that these activities are but an external and perhaps temporary expression of a permanent and fundamental Spirit, a Spirit that has stood the test of a student body reduced to one tenth its normal size, a Spirit that has brought sons of old students back to the school, and will in turn bring their sons to the school, a Spirit that has made Washington and Lee the school that it is.

## Reporter-at-Large

By Charley McDowell

The best indication we know of that W & L is returning to its peacetime size and spirit is the welcome rumor that the Corner Store will reopen soon. We checked the rumor with established authorities (Jabo, Mr. Tolly, and Jimmy of Norman-Shepard) and are happy to report that if all goes well it will open in the Spring or next Fall, at the latest. Mr. James Norman, of Roanoke, will be the new owner, succeeding Jimmy Hamilton.

Although at present The Corner is "just that old storeroom under Jabo's," it has been, in days gone by, as much a part of W & L as the library or the gym. In fact, most students used to spend as much time in The Corner as they did in the classroom, and many learned more in the former. It was the universal meeting place for students, professors, coaches, and stray cracker-barrel philosophers; the imitation leather booths and counter stools were always filled with bull-shooters, political arguers, and Monday morning quarterbacks. The trusty counter men served up news and views along with beer and cokes, and "Buck" Buchanan, Jarvis and Charley Bosserman refereed more than one hot debate as they dished out "sandwiches made to order and the blackest coffee in town."

The atmosphere of The Corner has, to our knowledge, never been equalled; it was one of friendly confusion and mutual good humor. The juke-box played quietly enough that no one could really hear it, and the electric shoe-shiner could be heard whining spasmodically over the steady drone of conversation. Just

enough shoe-shinees were shocked to keep up interest and earn the book-makers three beers for one. The pin-ball machine never paid off, but it was a challenge to arm-chair athletes and did a roaring business. A dumb-waiter squeaked up and down from "Pop" Pitzer's poolroom taking beer and pretzels up and bringing dirty dishes and pool scores down. "Pop," incidentally, once beat the Willie Hoppe at straight pool before a wide-eyed portion of Corner society.

Once The Corner advertised curb service, but it was discontinued when it became obvious that everyone wanted to come inside and join the fun. Campus elections were decided by B.M.O.C.'s in The Corner, bets were made on anything, and various movies, books, and women were condemned there. A huge blackboard covered one whole wall, and on it appeared lost and found notices (Lost: Wallet containing two dollars and very valuable papers. Return two bucks, keep papers. Hugo Bonino), optimistic ride requests (Wanted: Ride to Lexington, Ky., Sat. after lunch. Joe Arnold) and personal messages (Joe, come home. All is forgiven. Ivor). On Saturdays the omnipotent blackboard recorded football scores across the nation, quarter by quarter. When the Generals were out of town the place was packed and jammed with rooters cheering or sighing as the scores went up on the board. When W & L won, beer was sold by the pitcher, and an extra dip went on all ice cream cones.

When The Corner reopens, the old W & L will have reopened.

## CAMPUS QUERY

By Marshall S. Ellis

**Which of the girls' schools is your favorite? Why it is your favorite?**

This is not an attempt to win the Nobel Prize for the greatest foible of the year. Furthermore, it is not one of our aims to "put the finger" on any fellow who will commit himself on the matter. All these opinions (really and truly) were given at the point of nothing more formidable than a co-op pencil.

The fact is that there are as many ideas on the subject as there are Minks on the campus. Some of the boys are weekly lured over the mountain by the strapping, rosy girls at Buena Vista. On the other hand, their very best friends may be totally immune to anything but the sultry, sensuous ladies so characteristic of Lynchburg and Staunton. But let the men tell their own story; we columnists get pretty well fed-up with depending on our own initiative and back "New Yorker's" for material.

**John McWhorter** turned glassy-eyed and looked up from his chocolate pudding: "Hollins! Good girls, good rules, good food. Oh, there are lots of reasons why I like it—but that's about the

sum of it. There's lots to do there; never a dull moment. Eating at the Hotel Roanoke (when I can afford it) and going to the country club makes the best evening you can find anywhere. And the girls! Everyone of 'em is a queen... no, no... Cleopatra. Everyone one of 'em is a Cleopatra!" We had to leave John, still wildly extolling the Hollins crew.

**"String" Bean:** "Personally, I'm a M.B.C. man. One of the main things is that it's convenient. ("String" did not say it was the main thing) Best connections on the bread truck, going and coming, in the state! Then when you get to the end of the line there's no doubt about whether the trip was worthwhile or not. I like the friendly cooperative spirit of the Baldwin girls; I like the Baldwin girls. It's pretty country over there—and lot's of man-made wonders—especially bridges. Excellent school, M.B.C."

**"Tex" Drake** coyly declined to state his choice. Later, though, he approached us with a bit of foolscap on which he had scribbled: "Sweetbraah is most especially keen because its locality affahds escape for no reluctant maiden.

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## Men About Town . . .

Our men have established a pretty good record as of last week. The amazing scarcity of oxygen tent cases is, to say the least, phenomenal. Reciprocating, we find that our gay counter-parts (dates, and any other of the tamer sex allowing themselves to become the object of a fixed, inhuman stare) have suffered, in addition to the usual scores of minor lacerations of the face, various wounds to the extent of requiring immediate hospitalization and vast amounts of plasma. This explains the excruciating agony endured by "The Boil," this week, who suffered a sad lack of said liquid. But this week... OyoyoyoyoyOY! What a week!... mid-term exams... last minute rush for dates... and the inevitable worry over corsages... even the weather has been uncertain.

Looking out, and employing unsuccessful escape procedures, this week-end, were the dates of Marshall Ellis and Charley McDowell, over at Mary Baldwin. Asked where they (Marshall and Charley) had been and why, both shrieked insanely and plummeted off the front balcony... These Baldwin girls must have something on the ball. We also discovered Charley ("Thay fellas") Belcher, Chad Smith, and Bill Richards leaving a completely bewildered feminine populace on ye hill... Incidentally, their dates were seniors, which, translated into the language of the common fool, might mean anything; but in this case means thirty (30) additional minutes minus the usual threat of eighteen million candlepower searchlights and mounted calibre planned to trap unwary thrill seekers in a mealstrom of confusion and death. We would derive from this jumbled narcotic jargon, that Staunton will probably see us again in the near future... Said a Stauntonian: "Nagasaki must be indescribable bliss." "Remember, they have only begun to feel the weight of oru armed might—Buy more opium."

### There's a Moral To This One

Bill Craddock phoned Barbara O'Connor (another one of those Hollins girls) and asked her for a date for the dance set. The next day Harry Berry, not Craddock, received the following telegram:

RU96 NL PD-WUX HOLLINS 8 PM 924  
HARRY BERRY  
103 EAST WASHINGTON ST  
WOULD LOVE TO COME TO DANCE AM  
ARRIVING ALONG WITH OTHERS  
AFTERNOON ON 16TH RESERVATIONS  
HAVE BEEN MADE AT LEE HOTEL  
MEET BUS LOTS OF LOVE

BARBARA

Barbara thought she was talking to Berry on the phone—Her very poor excuse even got Cupid (McAden) mixed up in the deal. Is her face red!!!

We have it on good authority that Ghengis Kahn invented the blitz krieg. The "Terrible Turk," after a charming evening spent at a local square dance, rocked the old Pi Phi Lodge to its very foundations (one very early morning) with this startling sophistry. If you don't believe me, ask Bob (The Village Idiot) Totty. If you don't believe anything, ask Bob Totty... All sorts of confusion should ensue, if the mother of "Handsome Hal" Chittum's current gal should happen to purchase an auditory device (that is an aid to hearing in vulgar parlance). What a track meet that would be... Speaking of fast company (and we were, brother), take an extended look at Bob Mossbacher's and Jack Crist's dates on the front page; when you've recovered sufficiently, try to convince yourself that there are other women in this world... If Bob and Jack aren't batting themselves over the head, they must be hiding something from the common herd... Plagiarizing one of the Brothers Graham (can't recall which one), "Just for the chuckles, fellas, a lot of chuckles."

When Lambda Chi backed Dabbs Sullivan in the race for Freshman representative on the Executive Committee with the slogan, "Vote for Sullivan, a Man of Experience," they made a gross understatement. For the dance Saturday night, Dabbs has a date with his former wife, it seems, a certain young lady from Mary Baldwin. That's not the half of it... get this... he has a date

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# Girls! . . . Girls! . . . Girls! . . . Girls!

## Hollins, Baldwin, Macon Stand Out In List of Dates

Following is an incomplete list of dates for the Sophomore Prom and the Opening Formal:

Jane Sherrill of Duke University with Jack Crist; Ann Stowers, Knoxville, Tennessee, with David Brown; Mary Cannon of Randolph-Macon with Dick Walker; Mrs. T. Ryland Dodson with Ryland Dodson; June Nolde, Hollins with John McWhorter; Jeanne Williams, Hollins, with Tom Scott.

Charlotte Griswold, Randolph-Macon, with Bernard Kaplan; Betty Ebaugh, Randolph-Macon, with Jon Rugel; Mrs. Richard Spindle with Richard Spindle; Isabel Coale, Richmond, Virginia, with Henry Foresman; Peggy Adams, Hollins, with E. P. Lyons; Natalie Latham, Hollins, with Bill Richards; Winnie Gochenour, Mary Baldwin, with Trent Siple; Sue Anderson, Mary Baldwin, with Russel Drake; Dee Knuckols, Hollins, with Bill Bowman; Lucy Barger, Lexington, Va., with Charley Belcher; Margaret Skelton, Farmville, with William Hopkins.

Jane Pennybacker, University of Tennessee, with Robert Mosbacher; Jeanne White, Hollins, with Chad Smith; Alice Weber, Southern Seminary, with Bill Burton; Evelyn Lacy, Mary Baldwin, with Marshall S. Ellis; Martha Wallingford, Randolph-Macon, with Otis Vernon Clark; Betty Bean, Sweetbriar, with Irving Joel; Mary Elisabeth Phalen, Lexington, Va., with Allan Turner; Josephine Booker, Waynesboro, Va., with Gus Stombok; Betty Jane Hamilton, Mary Baldwin, with Ralph Davis; Peggy Hanna Brocks, Lynchburg, Va., with Roy Drake Witte; Dorothy Fischer, Huntington, West Va., with James Lovins.

Robie Carter, Mary Washington, with Bill Doswell; Katherine Anne Hurdley, Farmville, with James Watson; Terry Kaplan, Randolph-Macon, with Howard Goldman; Millie Parrish, Hollins, with Spencer Leonard; Carlisle Bailey, Randolph-Macon, with Buck Bouldin; Stocie Cole, Charlottesville, Va., with Harry Harding; Margaret Ramsey, Richmond, Va., with Bryan Puckett; Emily Davis, Southern Seminary, with Augustine Signago; Katie Gallagher, Randolph-Macon, with Jim Hitz; Joan Jonson, Westhampton, with Bill Moore; Mary Ann Lewis, Mary Baldwin, with Dabbs Sullivan; Sally Lain, Washington, D. C., with Clifton Drake; Barbara Deane, Westhampton, with Bill Flanagan.

Martha Sanders, Hollins, with Bill Almistead; Mary Henderson, Sweetbriar, with Charles Dixon; Barbara Pamplia, Madison, with Eli Zuckerman; Kathleen Whitfield, Southern Seminary, with Roger Fritchie; Peggy Baun, Huntington, West Va., with Brooks Taylor; Alice Cleland, Washington, D. C., with Bruce

West; Barbara O'Connor, Hollins, with Bill Craddock; Scott Pharr, Randolph-Macon, with Walton Kingsbury; Betty Bohn, Southern Seminary, with Bill Rattner; B. T. McCluer, Mary Baldwin, with Jesse Coleman Bean; Cornelia Davidson, Farmville, with Al Woodruff; Henrietta Schlup, Mount Holyoke, with Donald Baine.

Mary Ainsworth, Randolph-Macon, with Beverly Owens; Marie Bryson, Atlanta, Ga., with

Tom Willingham; Bobby Gould, Hollins, with Wesley McAdin; Polly Breard, Randolph-Macon, with Stephen Ramaley; Joanne McAarty, Sweetbriar, with Art Birney; Ida Cary, Madison, with Guy Chamberlin; Virginia Newman, New Haven, Conn., with Frank DiLoreto; Dot Coolidge, Nashville, Tenn., with W. C. Bolen; Betty Boatwright, Stratford, with Frank Glasgow; Jean Gillespie, Allentown, Pa., with George Hutchins.

## A Guide to the Campus

By B.D.K.

Nature is a beautiful thing, principally, as our friend "Tulsa" who was a big outdoor man himself used to say, because it is so natural. Inherent lovers of the wooded vale anyway, many Minx will probably realize this weekend that, engrossed in their studies as they have been, they have missed much of the scenic joy that the campus has to offer, particularly in the direction of Woods' Creek and Wilson Stadium. And with dates on arm, they will seek to rectify this deplorable neglect.

For the information of the uninitiated, Woods' Creek is the name of the front lawn of Reid Hall, christened back in the misty days of history by Dr. Livingston Waddell Smith, with Dick Smith swinging the bottle of Poland Water. It was the genial Capt'n Dick as well who signed the franchise which allows the C&O Railroad to run through the Creek, thus giving Lexington a magnificent system of transportation, second only to that of Buena Vista. Well, enough background...

It is perhaps best if your date is a nature enthusiast too. Otherwise, things are liable to get boring. The view from Wilson Stadium (the higher up the better)

is not exactly inspiring, but both you and the little lady will be tired out after the long walk across the bridge anyway. Often times overlooked, is the scenery behind the stadium. This is unfortunate, for there are so many things to see there it is almost impossible to get to them all. Take your time.

To the north stands the Chemistry Building, looking rather cold and forboding, but actually, in some of the private laboratories at least retaining the spirit and the hospitality of the Old South. You and your date will undoubtedly be interested in the experiments with ethyl alcohol which are going on all the time in some secluded nook or other. All follow the dictum, "better things for better living through Chemistry." Do drop around.

Leaving the campus, one must not forget to note the picturesque subterranean chambers on Lee Avenue. These are a bit of sheer Bohemia and really must be seen, for they cannot be adequately described.

We have been dealing here with sights on the campus to be viewed in the day time. At night, scenery shoots up in the damndest places.

## Show Team Time

By Dave Guthrie

SunMon at the State brings **Too Young to Know** with Joan Leslie and Robert Hutton; about all we know of this particular story is just what the preview tells us...the hero flies from brunette trouble in Frisco to blonde trouble in Bombay, and somewhere along the line gets mixed up in divorce court; we suppose the only way to find out the connection is to see the darned thing.

Charles Coburn and Ginny Simms appear in **Shady Lady**, coming TuesWed, a few choice tunes from Ginny, but quite a let-down for veteran Coburn, who has certainly seen choicer roles in his career.

As a special attraction, there's a midnight show Thanksgiving eve, with Warner's **Confidential Agent** as feature fare. Just released within the last two weeks, this action-packed spy story brings together Lauren Bacall and Charles Boyer, of all people! In the cast also are Peter ("Mr.

Moto") Lorre, Katina Paxinou (of FWTBT fame) and George Coulouris; a tough and unusual sort of picture, we are told.

Over at the Lyric, which lack of space prevented our even mentioning last week, there's a pack of shows which, frankly, aren't worth mentioning this week, but, as a public service, here we go, anyway. MonTues features something called **China's Little Devils**, a Monogram picture—so that takes care of that. On Wednesday William Bendix and Joan Blondell play in **Don Juan Quilligan**, all about the romantic misadventures of a "lug of a barge captain with a heart of gold." Quotation happily not ours; you take it from there. Then Thursday, Van Johnson and Faye Emerson are billed in **Born for Trouble**, a re-issue of a Grade 'B' made back in VJ's hard-luck days. Wild Bill Elliot, no less, as the **San Antonio Kid** is the repulsion on FriSat. Doubt if we see you at all this week, 'cept maybe Wed midn.

## Movie Actress Rebuffs Dixon

Diana Lynn Says "No"; Charlie Is Unperturbed

Always an optimist (after all why shouldn't he be?) and loaded with sex appeal anyway, Charlie Dixon decided that this weekend would just have to be out of this world. He had been living in a state of ennui long enough.

Taking the bull by the horns, Charlie sat himself down (that being quite an operation) and composed a note to one Diana Lynn of Hollywood, California. Passionately, he invited her to share the joys of the Blue Ridge with him for this one weekend, and maybe more, who knows? The letter was a literary gem.

The reply, from Miss Lynn's own dainty hand arrived post haste.

Dear Charlie,

Thank you so much for your wonderful invitation, but I'm afraid that it's impossible for me to attend. You see, I have just started working again, and the picture won't be through until the end of November.

It was so nice of you to ask me, and it was also an honor. Thanks again, and my best wishes to you always.

Diana Lynn.

With a shrug of his shoulders, Dixon nonchalantly dismissed her with "Well, she's only nineteen," and retired to dash off a note to Dame May Whitty.

## Chaperones Announced

The Dance Committee has announced the following chaperones for the dance set this weekend:

Friday evening—Mrs. F. P. Gaines, Mrs. F. J. Gilliam, Mrs. Dove Kinnear, Mrs. L. J. Desha, and Mrs. R. N. Latture.

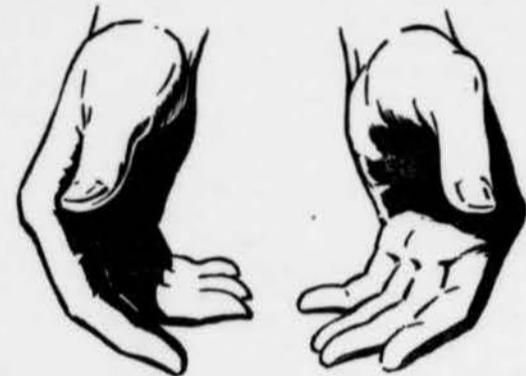
Saturday—Mrs. F. P. Gaines, Mrs. Robert Tucker, Mrs. C. E. Williams, Mrs. W. G. Bean, Mrs. Hugh Adams, and Mrs. T. R. Dodson.

## W&L Magazine Is Published

The November issue of the Washington and Lee Alumni Magazine went into the mails yesterday. This edition of the magazine, as all others during warime, concentrates on the contributions of W & L alumni to the war effort. It probably will be the last issue to do this.

On the cover is a picture of "Foxy" Moffett, '42, Naval officer and hero of the Philippine campaign. A propos of the changing academic conditions is an article by Frank J. Gilliam, Dean of Students, entitled "The Road Back." Dr. Gaines' editorial, "We Shall Honor Them," was a memorial to the one hundred and twenty boys who gave their lives in this war.

The Alumni Magazine was designed and printed at the Journalism Laboratory Press under the supervision of C. Harold Lauck.



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NATION-WIDE

RAIL-AIR SERVICE

## Student Charity Chest Drive For Nov. 26 - Dec 1; Goal at \$575

### Funds from Charity Chest Will be Divided Among World Organizations

Four national charities and one local charity will share in the annual Washington and Lee Charity Chest drive, planned for the week of November 26-December 1. With a total goal of \$575 with the suggested contribution of \$3.75, the Chest will be divided among the World Student Service Fund (49 percent), the Red Cross (15 percent), the National War Fund (15 percent), the Tuberculosis Fund (10 percent), and the Lexington Children's Clinic (10 percent).

#### Student Service

Of especial interest to college students is the World Student Service Fund, a charity for students from students. From American students relief has gone since 1937 to fellow students in wartorn countries around the globe. Through the WSSF, eighteen nations in Europe and the Orient have been helped in the job of keeping alive college work. Many universities of the conquered and bombed countries were destroyed or damaged and the faculties dispersed. Students, now returning from their studies, from prisons, forced camps, and the resistance forces, find themselves homeless and unable to trace their families. Severe shortages exist in textbooks, libraries, food, clothing, medical supplies, and even paper and pencil. In China alone universities have been moved 2000 miles inland, and as a result handwritten copies of texts are used. Gifts from W&L students will do much in rebuilding university life the world around and strengthening student ties across international boundaries.

#### National War Fund

The splendid work of the Red Cross is familiar to everyone. Today its activities girdle the globe. To the men and women of our armed forces it provided club facilities and other comforts. It dispels worry and helps in the solution of personal and home problems of servicemen and their families. It stands ready at all times to meet disaster caused by flood, fire, or storm. Recently the Red Cross completed two of its most gigantic tasks, aid to prisoners of war and the collection of life-saving blood plasma for the armed forces.

The National War Fund includes some twenty-one agencies of relief for the armed forces and the peoples of war-torn countries. The USO program has provided recreation for millions of armed men. The aid in feeding, clothing, and sheltering in foreign countries is of inestimable value. The months ahead will settle for millions of the liberated the grim question of sheer survival, and also shape the kind of peace and kind of world with which we shall have to live.

The Lexington Tuberculosis Fund, through its annual sale of

Christmas seals, aids thousands of tuberculosis victims throughout the nation to recovery.

The Lexington Children's Clinic maintains medical aid for some 400 Rockbridge County children. It is responsible for aiding many underprivileged mothers and children in a number of ways. This year the Clinic is endeavoring to raise additional funds in order to establish a permanent home for its work.

The student gift at Washington and Lee of \$3.75 will greatly aid these five agencies in their work.

## FU Decides U.S. Must Share Atom Bomb for Peace

At its regular meeting on Monday, November 12, the Forensic Union decided by a vote of six to five that the United States should share the secrets of the atomic bomb with the rest of the world.

The affirmative, led by Roy Rice, argued that this country really possessed no "secret," and that it was entirely possible that other nations would discover the processes of the bomb's production. Rice stated that if we withheld this information, other countries would be inclined to attack us when they developed the explosive.

Steve Ramaley, defending the negative, proposed that the future of the bomb be entrusted to a select United Nations Committee. This committee would restrict the secrets of the bomb from certain nations with warlike attitudes. Ramaley emphasized that this country would be giving away one of its most potent weapons if it gave its knowledge to the rest of the world, and that foreign nations would use the power of the uranium only in the channels of war. He argued that it would be to the advantage of the United States to use the atomic bomb as a bargaining weapon in establishing the peace.

The affirmative countered, saying that a peace gained through sheer force would be disastrous, as shown by history.

Next week's debate, "Resolved, that the Federal Government should place more restrictions on the activities of labor unions," will be led by Al Woodruff for the affirmative and Joe Rowe for the negative side of the question.

### An Apology

The Editors of *The Columns* wish to express their regret to many of the subscribers who did not receive their papers last week. This defection was caused by a partial breakdown in the system of circulation.

We assure our readers that in the future all possible steps will be taken to avoid a recurrence of such error.

## Men About Town . . .

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with her roommate Friday night!!! Dabbs, what is it you've got that we want?

The busiest organization on the campus this week has been the Armistead Date Bureau. Its biggest problem was getting a date for Ed Lyons. It seems there were qualifications involved, and Millie Parrish and "Werdy" Sanders (Hollins representatives of the A.D.B.) had some difficulty. Finally they secured Peggy Adams, but she later decided she had to go to Chapel Hill for the week-end. Everything turned out all right, however, because we understand he has a date with Cy Young's niece.

Washington must be wide open from all of the reports we heard after last week-end. Steve Ramaley and Bert Graham dashed madly to their "9:20" Monday morning wearing sport coats to hide their uniforms and battle ribbons. Also "a little worse for the wear" was Rodgers, who didn't even get to his first class. Art Birney and Dick Whitman got back on time but Art looked as though he had slept in the street... perhaps he did at that, since I don't see how there could have been any room left at his home with that gang all staying there. Bruce West was also there. We haven't heard his report, but we'll wager he "didn't miss a trick." Steve and Bert report that the Red Cross is doing a swell job (?).

#### Out of Character Department

Mrs. Richard Spindle is playing the role of Aunt Lilly in "Ah! Wilderness." She plays the part of an old maid who is a total abstainer and disapproves of any one else indulging... Well, maybe we don't know her very well.

Incidentally, there's a movement afoot to place Guthrie's famous B in the Hall of Fame... Watson and Hopkins have us convinced that their soul-rending pleas for corsages came from the heart and not from their merchandising interests... People still have more fun than anybody...

The Southern Inn was really jumping last Sunday night. The highlight was when a "vet" was "wounded" when he was hit by a cork from a champagne bottle!

If Ralph Davis' date is even slightly similar to that famous (Did anyone say notorious?) photo on his bureau, we're in for a delightful Dance Set... If Birney and Whiteman should ever convince anyone over at the Sem that automation is preferable to pedamotion, then we suggest that they be recommended for the Army-Navy "E". It's a losing battle, boys. Those proponents of Puritan Morality are against the 'back seat,' and there's no getting around it... If the enamel on our teeth is chipped, and you notice numerous fork wounds on our face, attribute it to the presence of our gal Agnes, in the SAE dining hall... Who notices the food? ... One vote cast for most popular man about town: Billy (pride of the Third Army) Bowman. Reason: Two ICC's in one afternoon. His unintelligible screams of rage are difficult to separate into any single category,

but the one most prominent and remembered is, "I've been had!" ... Fritchie, who shackled himself to the bed in order to stay at home this week-end, was finally overcome by the basic urge, and skated off to Hollins. There his ardent fervor, peculiar to Louisiana swamp Cajuns, caused all kinds of mental and physical distress to the young ladies of the institution.

"Eek, what a beak... is it a nose or a hose!!" Vaden cracked up his father's \$1,000 Studebaker last week-end. What did he have to say, Moe? Is he going to take it out of your allowance?

Ted Hochstim (that's Oiving's roommate) has been consulting a well-known medical authority, None of your tricks, Hoch!... New Item: One scrap of food (very small, we assure you was over-looked at a recent daily brawl in the SAE dining hall. This was no fault of Bill (Who said "The Pig?") Otter... We would be interested in knowing why Sherwood Smith (the milk-drinking champ) confuses himself with constant sorties to Bueeny's "Paradise Found," otherwise known as George's.

An appalling rumor has it that numerous veterans have been enrolling at Wahoo Subnormal. Note to Veterans' Administration: Surely the G.I. Bill does not subscribe to this atrocious treatment of ex-servicemen.

Don't try to get this columnist. Arrangements have been made for an armored car escort to and from the campus... We're thinking of changing our name to **Men About the Country**, if the present migration trend continues.

### Atomic Opinion

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of the Association of Los Alamos Scientists on October 13, 1945, the undersigned students and faculty of Bennington College feel compelled to ask you:

(1) to propose at once in the name of the United States Government the creation of an international commission for the control of production and use of atomic energy, and to pledge the readiness of the United States to comply with the full inspection of our production facilities and the control of their use by that commission, on the single condition that other countries do the same.

(2) to see to it that this action be taken regardless of the progress of legislation on domestic control of atomic energy, research, and production.

(3) to demand extensive hearings on legislation proposing the creation of a domestic agency controlling research and production in the field of atomic energy.

### New W&L Endowment

During the month of October, the endowment of Washington and Lee was substantially increased by the terms of the will of William R. Perkins. Mr. Perkins willed the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars to the general fund of the University. A new York attorney and a member of the class of 1897, Perkins was a native of Bedford, Virginia.

### Dance Regulations

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person officially connected with the University. If a visitor is found violating Regulation 1 a student vouching for him shall be excluded from one or more sets of dances.

5. Smoking is prohibited at all times on the dance floor and in the balcony.

6. General conduct shall conform to the generally accepted standards of good society.

7. The Dance Floor Committee is vested with full authority and accepts the responsibility for the enforcement of these regulations.

### Campus Query

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The nearest town, Amherst, is foah miles distant, and ah have yet to see the skeptical Sweetbraahan (citizen of Sweetbriar) who could elude the mad pursuit of a W and L youth, or monster, as the reader may desire. But, youth or monster, the fact remains that no one escapes him. Ah am very fond of Sweetbraah."

**Sparky:** "Sem is super! It's close-by and easy to get to. Besides you can have a good time there and still be able to buy yourself a coke when you get home. But just being close and cheap doesn't mean anything. It's the girls that count—and that's really the reason I like it. Sem gals have much on the ball. If it's any help, I'm always out to make Southern Sem... happy."

**Bill Burton:** "In a word, it's the 'atmosphere' of Randolph-Macon that I like. That ol' cool, easy-going attitude that everyone, especially the girls, have. Macon women are tops. There's lots to do too. The White House if you want a good meal. The country club or sorority houses if you want to dance. P'raps you'd better ask someone else. I'm prejudiced. Macon is the **only** school."

### Youth Church Service Held; Students Participate

As part of the observance of Youth Day last Sunday, the youth of all denominations in Lexington assumed the duties of the officers of their respective churches. The community-wide observance was a project of the United Christian Youth Council of Lexington. Sermons in all churches were preached on the subject "What Am I Living For?"

Among the Washington and Lee students taking an active role in the services were Harold Lauck, Jr., President of the Young People's Group of the Presbyterian Church, who presided, and Robert Patterson, Vice-President of the same organization, who made a talk on the activities of the Young Peoples' Group during the past year. Granville Bouldin and Sherwood Smith, acting as deacons, also took part in the ceremonies.

### Notice to Freshmen

The Executive Committee advises all members of the freshman class that the wearing of the traditional freshman cap is not required on the dance set night.

# Sport Shorts . . .

By Bill Burton

With the opening game scheduled with Lynchburg College less than a month away, the basketball team is striving earnestly to smooth out its attack. According to "Cy" Young, the squad is improving rapidly day by day, and should be ready for its initial test. If you happen to see "Cy" walking around the campus in a daze, don't phone the Staunton Asylum, because he's just dreaming of a way to keep Leon "Stick" Harris from scoring too-oo many points against the "Wahoos" this year. It's not that we wouldn't like to see "Stick" run wild against the Cavaliers, but we have always loved our brothers from Charlottesville so much, that to beat them would seem so unkind . . . oh yeah?

But getting back to the point of our story . . . Harris may prove to be just what the doctor ordered to send the "Youngmen" through a successful season. This 6 foot 5 inch center is fast, aggressive, and possesses an amazing pivot shot; just a mediocre player before the war, he has, in recent years, developed by leaps and bounds, and should add a lot of scoring punch to the "Generals" attack. As to the player that Young will have to drop to make room for Harris, we would not venture to guess; but whoever it is, he will be an indispensable substitute. No team can enjoy a successful season without capable reserves.

With such basketweavers as Harris, Bean, Tobynsen, McDowell, Lauck, Vierbuchen and Zinovoy roaming the court, W&L opponents will find the going extremely rough this season. Time will tell, but we cannot, so we'll drop the subject for now and go into other fields of activity . . .

As the days and weeks pass by, the intramural football race becomes more and more complicated. With two games postponed this week, (due to the Army tests and bad weather) only one game was played. However, this single affair was enough to turn the league inside out. The lowly Phi Psi's suddenly came to life and snowed the Lambda Chi's under, 20 to 7. By virtue of this defeat, the Lambda Chi's dropped into a tie for second place with Pi Phi's and ZBT's, while the idle SAE's moved into first place.

This victory might be just the tonic the Phi Psi's need to split the league wide open. Of course, the chances of finishing in first place are pretty poor, but by upsetting the Zeb's in their final game, the boys from 301 East Washington could knock their op-

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# Sports

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## Phi Psi's Defeat Lambda Chi 20 to 7; Score Major Upset

Yankee, West Are Stars; Fritchie Shines in Line

By W. C. Bolen

Monday afternoon a scrappy Phi Psi team turned the tables by overwhelming the favored and unbeaten Lambda Chi gridders 20 to 7. The Lambda Chi's were minus the service of their ace passer, Dick Vierbuchen, and were unable to make an aerial attack click. A fine mixture of running, passing, and punting baffled the unsteady losers who were forced to play most of the game in their own territory. It was another case of an underdog upsetting the over-confident opponent.

The Lambda Chi's drew first blood in the initial period when Lear took a long pass from Lindel and went all the way unmolested. The try for the extra point was good, and the Phi Psi's trailed at the end of the quarter 7 to 0.

But the victors made a spirited drive in the next frame to place the pigskin on their enemies' four yard line with a first down. A pass into the end zone was wide of its mark; West then went around his own right end to score. But a running play for the extra point was foiled by a hard-charging Lambda Chi line. The Lambda Chi's fought desperately to maintain their slim lead and left the field

ponents out of the running and gain a .500 season for themselves. What the Phi Psi bunch needs most of all is a leader, someone who knows football, and who could run the team. In Monday's game, Yankee and West handled the chores, and from the results they did a very creditable job. Maybe these two are the answer to the problem and maybe not. But if they can continue their good work in the future, watch out ZBT's.

at the half, ahead 7 to 6.

The Phi Psi's turned on the power in the second half. They forced the Lambda Chi boys right down under their own goal posts and held them there. West took a punt near midfield and raced up the left side for about forty yards and a touchdown behind excellent down field blocking, a characteristic displayed during the entire fray by the winners. The Phi Psi's led at the end of the third quarter 13 to 7.

Near the end of the fourth, Yankee put the game on ice by racing half the length of the field for Phi Psi's third and final tally of the game. Once again the extra point attempt was successful.

West and Yankee led the speedy Phi Psi backfield, while Fritchie and Chidsey were outstanding in their work in the forward wall. Every member of the losing team fought savagely to keep Lambda Chi's slate clean. Lear, Flanagan, and Stombock especially turned in good performances; but the whole team lacked the scoring punch it needed.

## Jack Crist Leads Scoring Race

Although only one game was played this week, another name was added to list of potential winners in the person of Bruce West, Phi Psi captain. By scoring two touchdowns and one extra point in the Lambda Chi game, West moved into second place behind Jack Crist of the ZBT's, who has 19 points to his credit. However, in the event that West should catch up with the ZBT speedster when these two meet in the Phi Psi-ZBT game, Crist will still have the advantage, because he will have one more game to play. Right behind the two leaders is Yankee, also of the Phi Psi's, and Lear of the Lambda Chi's, both with seven points. These two are followed by five players, all of whom have six markers.

### The Leaders

Crist-ZBT	2	3	1	19
West-Phi Psi	3	2	1	13
Yankee-Phi Psi	3	1	1	7
Lear-Lambda Chi	2	1	1	7
McKenna-ZBT	2	1	0	6
Sullivan-ZBT	2	1	0	6
Oder-Pi Phi	2	1	0	6
Anderson-Lambda	2	1	0	6
Lauck-SAE	3	1	0	6
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## Intramural Notice

Announcement has been made by "Cy" Twombly concerning the type of contests to be held following the end of the current football season. The league members will compete in a volley ball tournament. These activities will probably occur at night, since the army school is likely to occupy the gym in the afternoon.

Each team will be divided into two sections—a first and second string.

### STANDINGS OF THE TEAMS

	Won	Lost	Pct.
SAE	2	1	.666
Lambda Chi	1	1	.500
ZBT	1	1	.500
Pi Phi	1	1	.500
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# Columns Names 'Worst Picture'

By C. M.

Late Thursday night The Columns Academy of Motion Picture Awards announced its selection of "Worst Picture of 1945." On the third ballot "Tarzan and the Amazons" was selected unanimously. The first two ballots saw such epics as "Boston Blackie Returns" and "Murder in the Big House" receive scattered votes but there was never a real challenge to the Tarzan thriller.

The prize-winner played at the State recently enough that Mr. Daves is still hearing bad jokes about fumigation and we feel sure that it will work its way back to the Lyric sooner or later. So for your protection we offer a few words of warning.

Tarzan, as before, is good old Johnny Weismuller, ex-swimmer and hog-caller. He seems less interested than usual in this picture and in most of the scenes looks tired and hung-over. He speaks his lines sadly and at random, knowing they have no bearing on the plot. As far as fighting lions and tigers is concerned, Mr. Weismuller will have none of it; he kills the creatures with a handy little dime-store sling-shot. We never see the animals but we know he has felled them by the primitive smile which lights up his primitive face after he slings.

Boy, Tarzan's son, is played by Johnny Sheffield, a boisterous little fellow, whose mother has since changed his name. He is like Tarzan in that he looks reasonably primitive and can't act either. "Boy" has picked up a slight German accent from the spies that were in the previous Tarzan picture but it only adds to the atmosphere.

"Jane," Tarzan's mate, is played by one Brenda Joyce, who has since left Hollywood, probably for Siberia. C. Aubrey Smith as a confused scientist, and a band of Nazis who evidently wandered onto the set by mistake, complete the cast.

The plot is rather hazy, but it revolves around a happy group of

shapely Amazons, wearing two-piece Jantzen swimming suits. Jane is away in New York (honest) when Tarzan finds a stray Amazon in the jungle and with a sly wink agrees to take her back to Amazon-land. This he does, covering the two hundred miles on foot in the morning and getting back to Boy by suppertime. Jane comes home at this point, bringing with her a bunch of scientists posing as Nazis (or vice-versa) who soon invade Amazon-land in search of gold. Their guns are no match for the Amazon's bows and arrows, of course, and they are routed, leaving C. Aubrey Smith behind and dying. Mr. Smith must have had the script with him, because for the rest of the picture the

dialogue is evidently from another production. The crime ends with Tarzan killing a stuffed alligator in normally peaceful Silver Springs, Florida, much to the joy of a highly visible boatload of tourists.

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