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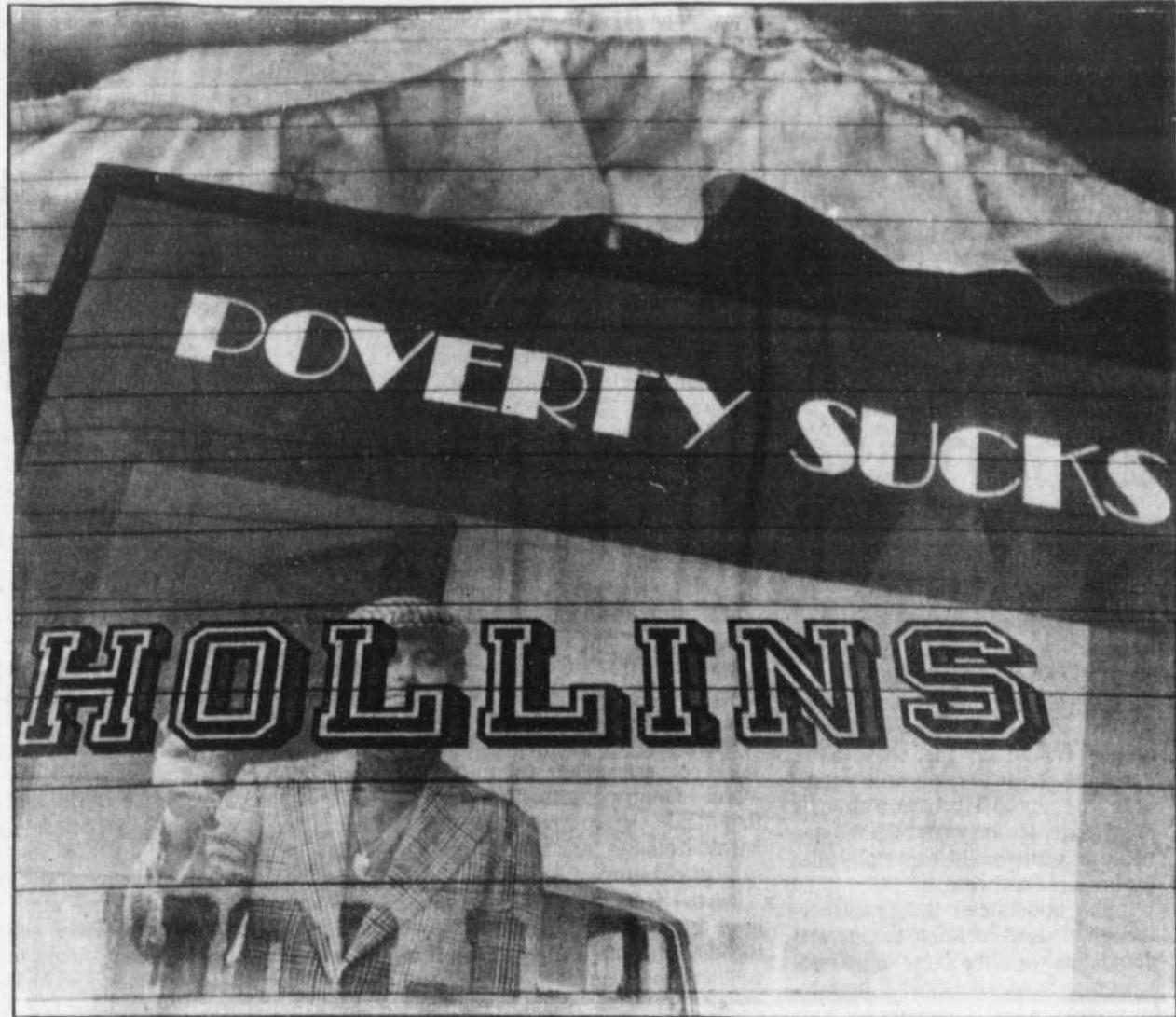
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By Reade Williams/The Ring-tum Phi

Confucius?

The driver of this Datsun 240ZX parked on Lee Street this week was packed and ready for the trip back to Tennessee after Hollins College finished its exams on Tues-

day. Visible through her hatchback is this thought for the day for drivers along Interstate 81. The poster is a favorite for dorm room walls.

Panel recommends lax go to Division III

By MIKE STACHURA
Sports Editor

President John D. Wilson said today he will bring before the Board of Trustees this weekend a University Athletic Committee proposal recommending the lacrosse team's NCAA classification be changed from Division I to Division III.

The proposal, unanimously agreed to by the committee in a 55-minute meeting yesterday, states that W&L cannot realistically expect to be competitive in lacrosse at the Division I level.

The committee's proposal calls for the lacrosse team's National Collegiate Athletic Association classification to be changed "immediately." The deadline for filing a request for reclassification with the NCAA for next school year is June 1. The Board of Trustees has the final say on W&L's divisional status.

The president reached his decision to submit the proposal after a meeting this morning with Athletic Committee acting-Chairman Barry Machado, and Athletic Director William D. McHenry and Dean of Students Lewis G. John, both of

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Trustees to study plans for auditorium theater

By SEAN BUGG
Staff Reporter

The Board of Trustees this weekend will examine architects' drawings of a proposed auditorium and theater to be built near the dormitory now under construction.

The meeting of the 25 trustees will begin tonight with an informal dinner. Tomorrow the board's seven committees will meet, and Saturday the entire board will meet for about four hours.

The project will be continued if the trustees approve funds for it, University President John D. Wilson said Tuesday.

Wilson said other board business will include:

• The Campus Life Committee will present a report on the first

year of the Student Control Committee's new disciplinary rules that specify "major" and "minor" offenses.

• The University operating and capital projects budgets will be presented by the Budget and Audit Committee. A review of the University's current unrestricted fund is also planned.

• Promotions and tenure for eligible faculty members will be considered, and department head appointments and reappointments will be made.

• A tentative list of degree candidates will be submitted, subject to final approval by the faculty, which will make the final decision after the examination period.

• The board also will discuss freshman orientation, coeducation, fraternity affairs, and inter-collegiate athletic affairs.

New treasurer: 'More methodical with money' after '84 audit

By SIMON PEREZ
Staff Reporter

Incoming University Treasurer Lawrence W. Broomall Jr. in 1983 violated state purchasing rules and exceeded his financial authority in furnishing his College of William and Mary office but broke no laws, a school auditor ruled in 1984. A subsequent state investigation also found that Broomall had not acted illegally.

Two top Washington and Lee administrators said they were unaware of the incident until this week. A trustee who knew about the matter before Broomall was chosen last month said he thought the matter was irrelevant.

The W&L and state inquiries probed whether Broomall, the school's vice president for business affairs, had misdirected funds the college received for the use of its facilities during the 1983 Economic Summit of Industrialized Nations in Williamsburg.

The school received about \$345,000 for services during the summit. Broomall's intention to spend \$38,000 of that on W&L office renovations drew the attention of Virginia Auditor of Public Accounts Charles K. Tri-

ble. Expenditures in question included the purchase of Broomall's \$1,254 chrome-trim desk, a \$698 chrome and leather chair and \$49 in decorative pottery.

The internal audit, which Broomall requested, found he had committed funds he did not have the authority to use.

The Newport News Daily Press reported that after the completion of the school audit but before the exonerating state review, the W&L board of visitors "chastised Broomall for his handling of the matter and appropriated private, non-state money to cover the expenses he had authorized."

Broomall, who begins work at W&L on July 1, initially said this week that he was unwilling to discuss the incident, but later said that Virginia spending procedures were "not precisely followed" in the matter.

"I tried to do something more expeditiously than the bureaucracy would permit," he said, adding that as a result of the investigation he will be "more methodical with money-spending in the future."

Broomall, 44, has been a higher-education administrator for 16 years.

President John D. Wilson, who appointed Broomall, and retiring treasurer E. Stewart

Epley, who participated in the selection process, said on Tuesday that they had not heard about the controversy over the summit funds.

James M. Ballengee, rector of the W&L Board of Trustees, said yesterday that he was informed about the matter prior to Broomall's hiring, but did not find the information important enough to pass on to Wilson or Epley.

"It seemed so insignificant I didn't even bother to do anything about it," Ballengee said from his home in Bryn Mawr, Pa.

Ballengee, who participated in the selection of Broomall, said he has served twice in government service and said he "can understand when one gets frustrated with the government procedure."

"It didn't reflect on his character — it was a matter of wanting to get the job done," Ballengee added. "It's not like buying a \$1,000 commemorative seat for the Air Force."

Wilson said yesterday that he didn't know whether he should have been informed of the matter during the selection process.

"I don't know what significance has been attached to this by others," he said. "From what I know of, this isn't a significant item. I'm not going to second-guess it, nor am I going to second-guess the character of the man we appointed."

Wilson said that in discussing Broomall with numerous W&L officials and staffers at Colonial Williamsburg, "no one thought this was significant enough to bring to our attention."

In discussing the 1984 Broomall matter, Wilson at one point called it "the newspaper thing." Indeed, the charges and investigation attracted considerable attention in the Daily Press, including three front-page stories.

Broomall said yesterday that he "didn't think about" informing Wilson or Epley about the matter and said he had "no feelings one way or the other" about whether they should have been told.

"It didn't occur to me that something that old has any bearing on anything that would come up now," Broomall said, adding that he would be "happy to provide my personal file to Wilson or anyone else."

Epley said on Tuesday that he was "completely unaware" of the investigation, and he would be "surprised" if any of the other members of the selection committee knew about it.

The committee, composed of the school's

deans and about 10 other staff members who work regularly with the treasurer, interviewed five candidates for the job and then submitted evaluations to Wilson.

Epley said Wilson selected Broomall and that the committee did not participate in the actual choice beyond the candidate evaluations.

Broomall said he had an "intermittent working relationship" and made "policy decisions" with Wilson at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in Blacksburg while Wilson was provost and Broomall was budget director.

Associate Administration Professor Roger A. Dean, a specialist in personnel management, said it is standard practice for a university president to hire people with whom he has worked, and Wilson actually has done that to a lesser degree than might be expected.

Dean said he is "a little surprised" that with the number of administrative posts that have been filled in the last few years, the treasurer's job is the first to go to an acquaintance of the president.

"This is the first person they've hired that Wilson knew, so that probably had very little to do with it," he said.

Rock, MTV and Costello mix in Bret Ellis' 'Less Than Zero'

Less than \$15.95

Nihilism comes cheaper, these days. Bret Easton Ellis' "Less Than Zero," which spent four weeks on the New York Times bestseller list as a \$15.95 hardback, now is available in the University Bookstore in a \$5.95 paperbound edition.

Penguin Books says it initially has printed 100,000 copies of the softcover version; a Simon and Schuster spokeswoman declined to reveal the press run for the original edition.

Susan A. LaRue, trade book manager for the University Bookstore, said "Less Than Zero" is "definitely the bestseller" of the year for the shop.

She said that since September, the store has sold about 60 copies of the original edition, which is "really unusual for a hardback book." LaRue ordered two dozen of the paperbacks, and since they arrived last Thursday, half have been sold.

LaRue said many purchasers, who have been almost exclusively students, say that they "recognize friends" in the book.

LaRue said she read the book last fall because she was curious about the following the book had developed.

"I'm impressed that [the readers she's talked with] seem to understand it's a tragic book," she said.

By MARSHALL BOSWELL
Entertainment Editor

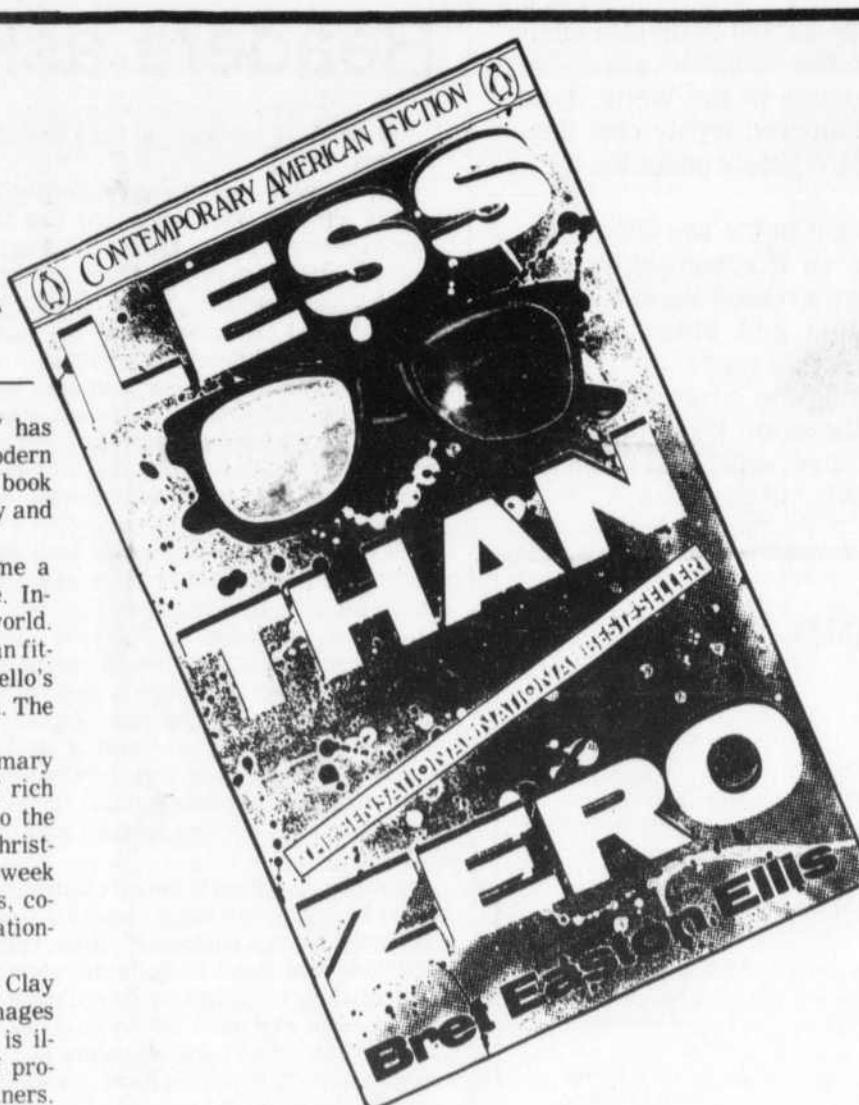
Now that Bret Easton Ellis' "Less Than Zero" has made it to paperback, the true impact of this modern study in nihilism can finally be gauged. This is the book that demands to be purchased cheaply, read quickly and discarded. Let me explain.

Bret Ellis, at the ripe old age of 21, has become a literary phenomenon in an alarmingly short time. Indeed, he is something of a Rob Lowe of the literary world. The instant success of "Less Than Zero" is more than fitting for a book named after a pop song — Elvis Costello's protest about Oswald Mosley and the National Front. The tune's chorus: "Everything means less than zero."

Elvis Costello, MTV and rock music are the primary images Ellis uses to tell his disconcerting tale of rich Beverly Hills teenagers. The main character (also the narrator) Clay, returns to Los Angeles on Christmas break from an Eastern College. The two-week vacation turns out to be a series of endless parties, cocaine binges, pulsating tunes and crumbling relationships.

The prose style is cold, detached and streamlined. Clay views the world as a flowing stream of sensory images and events. Nothing is commented upon, nothing is illuminated. Clay's world is a barren landscape of producers' mansions, seedy rock clubs and all-night diners. Hit song after hit song blares continually in the

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Dunnavan returns for arraignment

By JIM STRADER
Editor

Former senior Roger L. Dunnavan Jr. of Longwood, Fla., was arraigned Monday morning on credit card theft charges and released on a \$2,000 bond.

Dunnavan, who was indicted May 5 by a Rockbridge County grand jury, turned himself in to Lexington police Monday, according to Police Chief L.O. Sutton.

Dunnavan was sought by police for several weeks as a suspect in an investigation they were conducting involving the attempted use of a credit card in early April to withdraw \$1,800 from a local bank.

Dunnavan withdrew from Washington and Lee on April 29, according to University Registrar D. Scott Dittman.

Commonwealth's Attorney Beverly C. "John" Read, who asked for the indictments on charges of credit card theft and attempted grand larceny, said Tuesday that the case is "very serious."

Dunnavan is scheduled to appear in Rockbridge County Circuit Court on June 25 to plead to the charges.

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Contract plan to end at GHQ

DANIEL BUNCH
Staff Reporter

Changes in the General Headquarters tavern next year will include an end to the policy allowing dining hall contract patrons and shmen to eat for free in the GHQ, an end to the sale of beer in pitchers during Wednesday night contracts.

Food Services Director Gerald J. Darrell said this week that the change has been caused by the limited capability of the GHQ kitchen in face of the great success of the in.

"We created a monster," Darrell said.

The other change will occur because of "a problem down there with underage people drinking beer," Darrell said.

To combat the problem, beer will be served one glass at a time and the Student Activities Board, which runs "Wednesday Night in the GHQ" bows, will be given money to hire people to patrol the crowd to make sure no underage students are drinking.

The new Virginia drinking age of 21 went into effect in July, prompting Darrell to change the focus of the tavern — then called the Cockpit — from a beer tavern to a restaurant. With that change came the policy of serving dining hall patrons — those in contract and those using points — to eat their meals in the GHQ in order to offset falling revenues.

The contract plan had to be stopped, Darrell said, because the tavern was serving up to 150 dinners a night, and we couldn't get food out of the kitchen."

He said he has asked the University for money to expand the kitchen, was turned down.

Underage drinking problem has arisen even though the SAB checks customers' ages at the door and bartenders check them before serving beer, Darrell said.

The GHQ hasn't had any problems with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board this year, Darrell said.

"I think they realize we made every effort to conform to state law."



By Steve Sadler / The Calyx

Sunshine

Freshman Alexa Salzman of Atlanta takes in some sunshine on the Colonnade recently. Sunbathing activities

will be coming to a halt soon, as showers are predicted this weekend.

Sororities won't come to W&L until 1988-89

By CLARE KAYE
Staff Reporter

Washington and Lee's Greek community may expand next year with the addition of sororities. Word of their possible development has been circulating around campus for several months, including conflicting accounts of the actual steps being taken to make sororities a reality at W&L.

Freshman Caroline Boone of Houston says she has worked closely with Associate Dean of Students Anne C.P. Schroer and the Greek Committee of the Women's Forum to examine the possibility of sororities as an alternative for women in upcoming years.

"Sororities will offer women the opportunity to pull together and actively participate in the social life here by sponsoring parties with the fraternities and as separate groups," Boone said.

Representatives of 13 national sororities have contacted the University

about the possibility of colonization on campus. Kappa Alpha Theta, Delta Delta Delta, Beta Pi Phi and Kappa Kappa Sigma are some of the better known sororities included in this list that have shown strong interest in establishing chapters here. Research is being conducted to find out more about each sorority and how they might be beneficial to Washington and Lee.

From the original list of 13 sororities, five or six chapters will be invited to visit W&L to make presentations to women students next fall.

The women's interest will play a major role in determining whether sororities will be accepted or rejected here, as a social outlet for women, Boone said. If the women show interest in the institution of sororities, a rush will be initiated during winter term next year.

Actual colonization of recognized national chapters will not take place until the 1988-89 school year. The establishment of sorority houses, will

not be an issue until that time.

President John D. Wilson, Dean of Students Lewis G. John and the Interfraternity Council all have approved the steps taken so far toward sorority colonization and development. The real test now, of the sororities acceptance, will come from the male majority's reaction in the W&L community, Boone said.

"I think that it is important that the men realize that we are not trying to hurt W&L's fraternity system or take over their houses," Boone explained.

Reaffirmation of exchange rule won't affect applicants

By STEVEN POCKRASS
Staff to The Phi

When the seven-school exchange program which Washington and Lee participates began early in the 1970s, one of its key provisions was that host schools would not accept exchange students as transfers.

That rule was reaffirmed last Thursday at exchange officers' meeting at Hollins College, but it should in no way affect the status of three exchange students who have recently considered transferring, according to Associate Dean of the College Pamela H. Johnson.

One of these students, Randolph-Macon's College junior Elise Gaston, has been allowed to apply to W&L because of the misinformation she received from an RMC dean. Gaston, 21, completed her transfer application during spring vacation

but had not heard back from W&L as of yesterday.

A second student, Marguerite Ayers, a Hollins College sophomore, is withdrawing from that school and plans to attend Colorado University in her hometown of Boulder this fall. By leaving Hollins, Ayers will be allowed to apply for transfer to W&L.

"I think the cases were pretty well decided" before the meeting, Simpson said. "Elise has been allowed to apply. Marguerite plans to sever her connection by applying to another school."

Although she will not be a Hollins student when she applies to W&L, Ayers has expressed fears that her participation in the exchange program still will work against her. Simpson said it won't.

"I think her application will be considered totally on its own merits," Simpson said. "My own personal feeling is that what Marguerite's going through is not something most students would normally do."

Ayers' case closely parallels that of Kathleen Plante, a junior dormitory counselor who transferred to W&L from Hollins after participating in the exchange program from January to December 1984.

Plante had no intention of returning to Hollins and withdrew from that school before applying to W&L. She was not enrolled at any school between January and September 1985, although she did receive some academic credit for independent work that she did while on a six-month trip to Japan. Both she and Ayers said one of the major reasons they wanted to transfer was because Hollins did not offer majors in their fields of interest.

Plante also received permission from the presidents of both schools to transfer.

A previous case in which presidential permission came into play was mentioned in a background discussion of the exchange program, presented by David W. Holmes, associate dean for student academic affairs at Hollins.

Holmes said he remembered a woman from R-MWC transferring to Hollins after becoming an exchange student. Paula J. Wallace, associate dean of students at R-MWC, said in an interview that she thought a second student might have transferred to Randolph-Macon College in Ashland.

Simpson said one of the main reasons for the non-transfer agreement was to prevent home institutions from losing their best students.

W&L has similar exchange agreements with Chung Chi College of the Chinese University of Hong Kong, Rikkyo University in Tokyo and the Kansai University of Foreign Studies near Kyoto, Japan, said Roger B. Jeans Jr., an associate professor of history and director of East Asian Studies at W&L.

Jean said a student from Chung Chi had asked about transferring to W&L earlier this year. Jean wrote to Chung Chi on her behalf and said he received a "crystal clear

answer" from officials there that exchange students had a moral obligation to return.

W&L has received one or two exchange students from Chung Chi every year since 1973, and the transfer question arises every few years, Jean said.

Simpson and Holmes expressed positive feelings about their meeting, which also was attended by exchange officers from R-MWC, Hampden-Sydney College, Sweet Briar College and Randolph-Macon College in Ashland. Mary Baldwin College, the seventh member of the exchange group, was not represented at the meeting.

Simpson said all the officers in attendance affirmed their belief in the rule and agreed on the need to counsel students to make them better aware of the non-transfer provision and other alternatives to transferring. She also said that exchange applications would be altered to make it clear that by participating in the program, students would forfeit the opportunity to transfer.

NEWS BRIEFS

Best Products founder to address Law School graduates

Staff Reports

SYDNEY LEWIS Sydney Lewis, founder and president of Best Products Co., will deliver the address at commencement exercises of the Washington and Lee School of Law on Sunday, May 25.

The ceremony will be held at 2:30 p.m. on the lawn in front of the President's House. In the event of rain, the ceremony will be moved to Warner Center.

W&L expects to award juris doctor degrees to 114 third-year students.

SYDNEY LEWIS A 1940 alumnus, Lewis also attended W&L's School of Law, the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration, and the George Washington School of Law. A generous benefactor, Lewis and his wife, Frances, donated \$9 million in 1972 for construction of the Lewis Hall, which houses W&L's law school. Lewis is a trustee emeritus. Lewis founded Best Products, the nation's largest discount catalog showroom merchandiser, in 1951. He also served as vice president of New Standard Publishing Co.

Lewis has served as a trustee of the Hirshon Museum in Washington, the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, the Institute of Contemporary Art in Philadelphia, and Virginia Union University.

Washington and Lee will award its undergraduate degrees during commencement exercises on June 5.

Photographer focuses on W&L

Students wondering about the helicopter buzzing the last week need not worry that the campus was under attack. The helicopter was under the direction of William Strode, a Pulitzer Prize-winning photographer.

Strode and his company, Harmony House Publishers of Louisville, are preparing a large, case-bound and dust-jacketed coffee-table book on Washington and Lee. The book is part of Harmony House's "American College Series" that has already featured detailed looks at Centre College, the University of the South, the University of South Carolina and Rhodes College.

Strode — a regular contributor to National Geographic, Town & Country, Time, Life, and other publications worldwide — began his photography work at W&L last summer and will continue through commencement exercises next month. Selected passages from W&L's literary and social past and rare old photographs from the University's archives will accompany Strode's photographs.

The book, to be published in time for Christmas 1986,

will be officially announced to alumni in October and November. Plans are underway to have the book available in bookstores throughout Virginia and the South by early December.

Professor to be keynote speaker

Tom L. Beauchamp, professor of philosophy and senior research scholar at Georgetown University's Kennedy Institute of Ethics, will be the keynote speaker for Washington and Lee's annual Medical Ethics Institute on Friday.

Beauchamp's lecture is titled "Is There a Right to Health Care?" It will be presented at 8 p.m. in Classroom E of Lewis Hall. The lecture is free and open to the public.

The Medical Ethics Institute is part of W&L's program in applied ethics, "Society and the Professions." The three-day institute will involve students, faculty, physicians, and other specialists in health care areas in a series of seminars and discussions of case studies.

Science papers read at JMU

Washington and Lee students and faculty were well represented at the 64th annual meeting of the Virginia Academy of Science. The meeting was held May 13-16 at James Madison University in Harrisonburg.

Seniors Shawn Harvey, John McCaffrey, Michael Blackwood and Joe Whelan, juniors Chris Talley, Mark Whiteford, John Carder and Jeff Mandak and sopho-

more Brian Haggerty joined professors James K. Shillington and Michael A. Pleva in presenting three papers in the chemistry section.

Senior Jim Sperka teamed with Professor George S. Whitney to present a paper in the chemistry section. Whitney also presented a paper individually in the same section.

Senior Barry Funkhouser and Professor David Elmes presented a paper in the psychology section. Senior John-Paul Bouffard and junior Andrew Tartaglione joined Elmes and Professor Joseph B. Thompson in presenting a psychology paper.

Senior Lester Johnson, junior John Carder, Bouffard, Talley and Mandak joined Professor Leonard E. Jarard in presenting three different papers in the psychology division.

James Knox of the biology department made a presentation in the biology section.

Visiting professor to give lecture

Christopher Pelling, visiting professor of English, will deliver a public lecture Tuesday at 4 p.m. in Room 21 of Payne Hall.

The lecture is titled "Biography: Ancient and Modern" and is open to the public. A reception will follow.

Pelling is a fellow and paelector in classics at University College, Oxford.

Pelling's presentation is the sixth in a series of seminars sponsored by the English department.

SATs rise for class of 1990

By PETER BOATNER
Staff Reporter

The average SAT scores of high school seniors coming to W&L next year are 13 points higher than this year's freshman class, according to Director of Admissions William M. Hartog.

Potential students offered admission for next year had average SAT scores of 590 verbal and 630 math, for a total of 1220. Freshmen this year had SAT averages of 580 verbal and 617 math, for a total of 1197.

The University received 2,417 applications for admission to next year's freshman class and accepted 892, or 37 percent. So far, eight people from the waiting list have been offered admission, as opposed to 41 people from the waiting list last year.

Last year, W&L had 2,639 applicants. This year's total is down 8 percent from last year, but Hartog pointed out that this is not because of declining interest in W&L, but because the Admissions Office has made an effort this year not to encourage applicants who have slim chances of being accepted.

The number of visitors to W&L has doubled in the last two years, and the number of contacts from potential applicants has increased significantly, Hartog said.

Of the 892 offered admission, 650 are men and 242 are women. Six are minorities. Of these students, 425 have confirmed their admission by

sending in their \$250 deposit. May 1 was the deadline for confirming.

The University has a goal of 410 students for the class of 1990, with a composition of 290 men and 120 women. So far, 304 men and 121 women have confirmed. Past experience has shown that enough students will change their minds over the summer that the numbers will be down within the guidelines by September, Hartog noted.

Seventy-one of the incoming freshmen held major student offices in high school, 103 were captains of varsity sports teams and 43 were editors of their school publications.

Next year's class has an average class rank in the 81st percentile, compared with this year's 82nd percentile. Sixty percent are from public schools and 40 percent are from private schools.

"What we have is a class that has demonstrated excellence in and out of the classroom ... We had a really outstanding year. We were totally surprised by the yield," Hartog said.

"The real determining factor will be three or four years down the road, when this class has had a chance to prove itself at W&L."

The class of 1990 will come from 34 states and the District of Columbia, as well as four foreign countries. Virginia is the home of 62 of the students.

Next year's freshman class consists of 46 sons and 18 daughters of alumni.

Movie about pornography attracts 250

By MARGUERITE AYERS
Staff Reporter

The old cliche "sex sells" proved its validity last Thursday evening, when about 250 people packed Northern Auditorium to see a documentary on pornography and participate in a two-hour post-film discussion.

"Not A Love Story" wasn't the latest Student Activities Board revenue-raiser, and it wasn't produced to be viewed by a howling group of fraternity brothers throwing beer cans at the explicit scenes on the screen.

Instead, the film portrayed pornography as a social problem with pervasive influence that a faculty panel said needs to be recognized as something other than a source of entertainment.

One of the panelists, W&L Law Professor Andrew W. McThenia Jr., said the film relayed its message on "very disturbing and fundamental levels."

"It was a gut-wrenching movie that produced a period of audience silence when it ended," McThenia said.



Left to right, Novack, McThenia, Worth, Schroer and Margand discuss the film

By Steve Sadler/The Ring-tum Phi

Another member of the panel, University Counseling Psychologist James W. Worth, said pornography tends to bring about a desensitization toward the personal aspects of sex, and "sends bad messages about how men and women are sexual with one another."

McThenia said people sometimes attempt to detach themselves from the people on the screen in these movies, failing to acknowledge that the subject matter pertains to them

as well.

Psychology Professor Nancy A. Margand, another member of the panel, said men are the main consumers of pornography. This raised several questions from the audience about the different perceptions men and women have about sex, and why a magazine such as Playgirl has a lower circulation than many of its "male magazine" counterparts.

The exploitation of women that Margand said is persistent in this

subject matter creates misconceptions about gender and sexual dominance.

The discussion, McThenia said, showed an attitude change by and large among the males in the audience who came to affirm pornography as a degrading product.

Other issues raised in the discussion included the violence prevalent in pornography and the debate over censorship of films and other materials.

Students sell pro-coed shirt

By JASON LISI
News Editor

Although the decision to make Washington and Lee a co-educational institution has been criticized on bumperstickers, and the idea that "the roadtrip continues" is announced on T-shirts, four W&L students now are selling a T-shirt with a pro-coed slogan.

The shirts are white with blue lettering and read "W&L Women... Quality Doesn't Need to Travel."

"We came up with the idea in fun and thought it was time for a pro-coed T-shirt," said freshman Jenny Bray, who said she has sold the shirt to male and female members of the student body and the faculty.

Reaction to the shirt has been very good, according to Bray. "I think a lot of people have enjoyed it and very much felt that it was about time for that shirt," she said. "It makes a statement, but a fun statement."

She said the idea came about after she and a group of friends were joking about the anti-coed slogans on campus last term. The shirts went on

sale for \$8 at the beginning of spring term and almost all of the 127 shirts made are now sold out.

Senior Lou Mondello, who owns a shirt that reads "W&L Class of '86, The Last Class With Balls," said he likes seeing a shirt with a different point of view.

"After all the stuff that guys have put about the girls, I think it's pretty good that someone had the guts to put something like that out," he said.

Senior Ted LeClercq, who helped fund the project and sells the shirt, said he's glad he is involved.

"It's a shirt that says something positive about coeducation," he said. "I think it's long overdue."

"The slogan was not nearly as important as the concept of it being a positive message," LeClercq said. "It could have said anything that was just catchy, as long as it was positive, as far as I'm concerned."

LeClercq said he has not heard any women's college students' reaction to the shirt, but said he thinks they will create a shirt in response to this one.

Would he buy it? "If it were good, perhaps," he said.

Lacrosse

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whom are members of the committee.

"I think it's important that [the proposal] go before the Board so as to meet the NCAA deadline," Wilson said this morning. "I see the merits of the recommendation and I am impressed by the quality of the thinking of the committee."

The proposal cites the increasing prevalence of athletic grants-in-aid in Division I lacrosse and the negative effect W&L's lack of competitiveness in Division I has had upon athletes and coaches as reasons for making the move to Division III.

"Given the expansion of subsidized lacrosse in Division I," the proposal reads, "with special concessions in admissions and with some colleges awarding as many as fourteen athletic scholarships to their teams, the Committee has concluded that remaining at Division I would constitute an unacceptable hardship on coaches and players."

"To team morale it would be harmful; to the achievement and recognition of individual and team excellence it would be imminent."

Yesterday's meeting was the committee's second in the last eight days regarding the

divisional status of lacrosse. At the previous meeting, held May 14, the committee voted to recommend a move to Division III, according to Machado, after which a preliminary proposal was drawn up for yesterday's meeting.

Machado said Wilson asked the committee to consider the matter.

The committee's recommendation comes on the heels of the lacrosse team's fourth straight losing season, the worst slump since W&L decided to compete in Division I (where scholarships are allowed) in 1971, yet operate under the financial guidelines (no athletic grants-in-aid) of Division III.

Wilson said it was important for the Board to consider the matter now, but the debate should be free and open.

Head lacrosse coach Dennis A. Daly said the committee's recommendation is a step in the right direction.

"It was a wise decision. It was a sensible decision, and obviously it was well thought out," Daly said, adding, "It does not make any sense to continue to compete with someone who is using a different deck of cards or a stacked deck."

Wilson said yesterday the changes in the Division I game — with bigger universities offering more scholarships to players — "are not in a direction we are prepared to follow."

Daly said recruiting has suffered because W&L cannot attract the top-flight player

without the lure of athletic scholarships.

"In this day and age, with the cost of living what it is, any sort of break is enticing to parents and students," the Generals' third-year coach said.

Dean John said he agreed that a move needs to be made. A change in divisions "is no panacea, no cure-all, but at least in Division III there's a realistic chance to compete for the national championship," he said.

John's son, Chris, senior co-captain for the lacrosse team and a student representative on the athletic committee, agreed that W&L would have a better chance at going to the national tournament in Division III. "Why not compete against them? Had we been Division III this year, some games might have been different," he said.

He noted that the extra incentive of a national tournament bid may have worked to the favor of Roanoke College in its upset win over W&L last month. The Maroons won 17-14 and were the last team invited to the Division III national tournament.

In addition to competing for the Division III title, the reclassification would mean that more than half the games W&L plays would have to be against Division III opponents.

Wilson stressed that the University should seek to compete with schools that have an academic-athletic orientation similar to W&L's, whether that be in Division III or Division I.

Members of the committee agreed that the negative effect of consistent losing seasons in Division I upon the W&L student-athletes was a key factor in their recommendation.

"The student members of the committee let us know that morale on the team was very low," said Biology Professor John J. Wielgus, who co-authored the proposal with History Professor Machado. "At Washington and Lee, the students come first, and in my own mind we should not have a program that is demoralizing to our students."

John, who as a senior has felt the brunt of the four straight losing seasons, voiced the despair of a player. "It has been a very, very frustrating four years for me," he said, indicating that it was "demoralizing" to play the top-rate Division I programs — those competing for a tournament bid — and always lose.

"We're spinning our wheels," John said.

McHenry said this morning that it is becoming increasingly apparent that only teams that give athletic scholarships will be able to compete for the Division I national championship in lacrosse.

"I feel our student-athletes are at a severe disadvantage at the Division I level in competing for a spot in the national tournament, in earning All-America recognition, and are not even able to be recognized by a conference," McHenry said. "This is not in line with our total Division III philosophy."

Machado indicated that a concern of the committee was that another season in Division I might risk "greater demoralization."

Ancient Languages Professor Herman Taylor, another member of the committee, expressed this concern. "My impression is that it would be bad to let it wait another year," he said. "I really feel that you ought to be competitive, that you feel like you have a good chance at making the playoffs."

With only 10 days left to file a request for divisional change with the NCAA, the timeliness of the issue is of concern to many.

"[The decision] should be — if it is at all possible — made for next year," Dean John said, "but it is not absolutely essential."

He noted, however, that since a softer Division I schedule had been tried this season (with the removal of North Carolina and Maryland from the schedule and the addition of middle-of-the-pack Division I programs like Notre Dame and Dartmouth), now may be the time to make a move.

McHenry agrees. "Any delay might put us further behind in our efforts to stay competitive in Division III on the national level."

John said he would like to see his teammates play Division III next year and end the frustration. "I don't want the juniors to go out without having a winning season," he said. "I see absolutely no reason in wasting a year in Division I. I don't want the guys feeling the way I feel right now."



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background like a real-life "Miami Vice" episode.

Like the hit songs that serve as the book's unifying theme, "Less Than Zero" is a novel that purports to be a pop artifact. It is a quick read, it presents and does not comment, and it relies for impact on its immediacy — the book is written in the present tense. Moreover, the rock songs and music videos sprinkled throughout the novel most likely will be forgotten in 10 years. Which, of course, is the point.

Like a true piece of pop art, "Less Than Zero" relies heavily on shock value. Ellis starts off innocently enough. There is nothing too entirely shocking about college kids snorting cocaine. The streamlined and rapid nature of Ellis' prose, however, pulls the reader along as if he were chasing an ambulance. As the story progresses, so does heavily on shock value. Ellis starts off innocently enough. There is nothing too entirely shocking about college kids witnessing a "snuff film" (a pornographic film that concludes with the actual murder of the female), has watched a girl shoot heroin and has accompanied a friend on a

male prostitution "trick." These events are piled on one after another until the novel's message comes through loud and clear: When one sees too much too early, excitement comes at a much higher price.

A poster of Elvis Costello that hangs on Clay's bedroom wall serves as one of the novel's most arresting visual images. The word "trust" is scrawled along the bottom of the poster, alluding to the old joke, "You know how to say 'trust me' in L.A.?" Two-thirds of the way through the novel, Clay breaks down in his psychiatrist's office and shows emotion for the only time in the book. Hanging on the wall behind Clay is another Costello poster, this time with the words, "Elvis Costello Repents," printed in large, white letters. The psychiatrist observes Clay's weeping and says, "Come on, Clay... Don't be so...miserable."

"Less Than Zero" is not a modern "Catcher In The Rye." Nor is Bret Ellis a "voice for a generation." In deed, Ellis still has to prove if his pop novel is a controlled piece of literary craft or just a lucky first shot. Like the pop songs after which it is modeled, the book could very well see its Warholian "15 minutes of fame" and then drift quietly into obscurity. The most disconcerting thing about this idea, of course, is that that might very well be the whole point.

Less than zero, indeed.

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Bleggi named W&L's MVP

By DAVID EMIRICH
Assistant Sports Editor

Given the sparse crowds that patronize most Washington and Lee athletic events, it's a safe bet that a lot of this school's athletes could walk down the Colonnade without fear of recognition by their classmates.

Laboring in this relative obscurity can be very difficult for the athletes, so the athletic department has devised a way around this problem.

Beginning at 6:30 yesterday morning, several coaches spent most of the day cooking barbecue chicken for the evening's event — the W&L Sports Awards Banquet.

Some twelve hours later, Chris Bleggi would walk off with the P.R. Brown Most Valuable Athlete Award as the University's outstanding senior athlete.

The annual picnic honoring those so often overlooked by the students was held at Wilson Field last night.

Awards were voted upon by the coaches in every varsity sport, as well as in seven "special" categories.

These additional prizes ranged in nature from student service awards to the trophy for the University's most valuable athlete, won by Bleggi.

The R.E. "Chub" Yeakel Award, created to recognize outstanding contributions to W&L athletics, was awarded to Ring-tum Phi Sports Editor Mike Stachura.

Said Bleggi, "This [winning the award] is a goal you set for yourself at the beginning of the year but don't tell anybody about."

This year an award named for the former supervisor of the university's non-professional athletic staff,



Major Departmental Award Winners at yesterday's All-Sports Banquet (l to r): Ted Goebel, Chris Bleggi, Bill Holmes, Larry Anker, Tom Skeen, Elizabeth Miles, Mike Stachura along with Athletic Director William McHenry.

Richard E. Yeakel, who died in November, was added to the program.

The R.E. "Chub" Yeakel Award, created to recognize outstanding contributions to W&L athletics, was awarded to Ring-tum Phi Sports Editor Mike Stachura.

"Mr. Yeakel was a special person," said Stachura. "I am very proud to receive the award not only because of the honor, but also because of the man it was named for."

The J.L. "Lefty" Newell Memorial

Award for student service was presented to Senior Ted Goebel, who served as student manager for both the baseball and the football teams for four years.

Tom Skeen and Elizabeth Miles were named the outstanding freshman male and female athletes of the year.

Skeen was a second team All-ODAC punter and linebacker for the football team and Miles was an All-American swimmer.

The Scholar-Athlete Award went to senior Larry Anker. Anker was captain of the wrestling team and a

academic All-American. A triple major in chemistry, physics, and mathematics, Anker has a GPA over 3.8.

Said Anker, "This was very important to me, I tried to win [a similar award] in high school but didn't." He continued, "I wanted to leave my mark and I knew I wasn't the best athlete so I wanted to be the best scholar-athlete." Anker added, "This has driven me for four years."

The Wink Glasgow Spirit and Sportmanship Award went to senior Bill Holmes, captain of both the soccer and lacrosse teams this year.

By Perry S. Hayes/The Ring-tum Phi

In mettle test, Hope beats Lewis to finish first among student ironmen

By MIKE SHADY
Staff Reporter

Last Saturday's third annual triathlon had all the makings of a classic one-on-one confrontation with the outcome not to be decided until the finish line. But it was not to be.

Senior swimmer Chris Hope, with a time of one hour, 30 minutes and 27 seconds, edged out fellow senior swimmer David Lewis (1:31:24) to become the unofficial "student" winner of the triathlon.

Due to his age, Hope, 23 years old, doesn't fall into the student category of 22 years and under. As a result, Lewis captured the student title while Hope had to settle for his own personal satisfaction.

With the 5K (3.1 miles) run remaining, Lewis said he was totally confident that he was going to win.

"I was unsure at that point of the race because I knew he had been training for the run," said Hope. "I had only run one time last week [in preparation]."

But losing time in the transitional period between the bike and the run, Lewis dug himself a hole he was never able to climb out of.

"He lost it on the transition," said Hope. "I just tossed my bike down and started running while he stopped to talk to his helper."

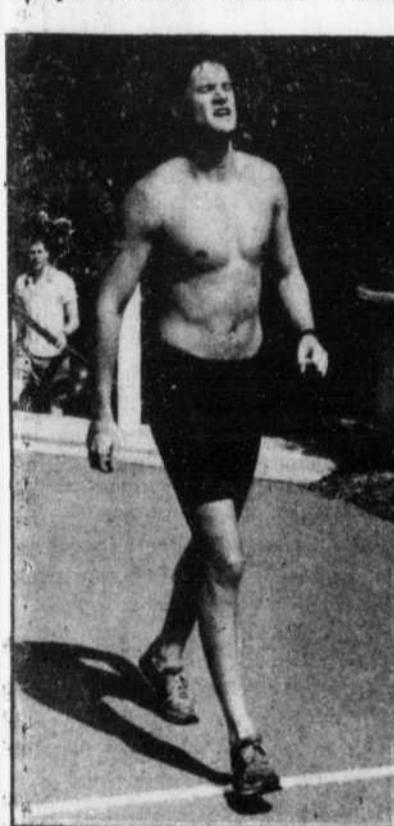
"He surprised me on the run," said Lewis. "I was catching my breath but I was taking too much time. He ran really well."

Hope said that besides the "friendly competition" that he had going with Lewis, he was also out to prove that swimmers are more than one-dimensional athletes.

Freshman Stephanie Smith, with a time of 1:58:43, was the winner of the student category for women.

"People say that the swimmers have an advantage, but you still have to be able to compete in all three areas in order to win," said Hope.

As a final argument, just look at the national finalist men's tennis team. People were interested and excited about this group's success, as they would be if given the chance for the lacrosse team. So, let's put the lacrosse team where it belongs, in Division III, where it will be competitive, where it will have something to compete for, and where ultimately the players will have fun. We owe our athletes that much....



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What we owe W&L lacrosse

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Washington and Lee does not belong in Division I lacrosse, for the same reason it does not play in Division I football or Division I tennis. And this is not an idle suggestion, this is a call for immediate (this weekend) action. You can talk about the budget, the Annual Fund, and Gaines Hall some other time. If something constructive isn't done at your meeting this weekend, you are damaging this school's greatest asset, its students.

You wouldn't send your best friend out into the rain with only some old newspapers to keep him from getting wet on his walk home. You wouldn't ask your parents for a graduation gift you knew they couldn't afford. You wouldn't try to make chicken soup if you didn't have any chickens. Yet, that is what you are doing — more often than not — if you ask W&L's lacrosse players to play against Division I programs. And that's not fun.

If you were doing something and it really wasn't all that much fun anymore, common sense tells us that you'd have two options: stop doing it or find some way to make what you're doing fun. As far as I can see, there is nothing all that much fun about Washington and Lee lacrosse anymore, and if you care anything about the program, its athletes, its coaches, its fans — I think you are obliged to make the game as enjoyable an exercise as possible.

It has been an ordeal even to watch W&L lacrosse this year. It has been an ordeal because in your heart of hearts you knew W&L was playing for nothing all season long. There was no chance of a tournament bid — despite the delusions of grandeur expressed in this space before the U.Va. game. There was no conference championship, no all-conference recognition for any players. It gets tough playing for pride when you get beat 26-2 by a team you thought you'd be competitive against.

Let's look at the alternatives to the way things are done now: Division I with scholarships? A University no-no since the disaster in 1951, and justifiably so. The scholarship does more harm than good and seems to smack of athletics taking precedence over academics, and that's not a good thing, that doesn't work here. In essence, Division I is not an option.

Division III? Well, that's what we are now. Let's explain. W&L played two of Division III's best teams and lost both games by close margins. Imagine W&L as a Division III team and if you don't get excited, you don't like lacrosse. The Generals would compete in the ODAC, where they would battle Roanoke for the conference title. They would battle for a national tournament. One's reminded of the thoughts of an NCAA lacrosse official who remarked that the Division III tournament would be a hell of a tournament if W&L were involved.

Beyond this, though, is the idea that governed this year's lighter Division I schedule. The philosophy was, "Let's play schools that place athletics in the same light as we do." I'll submit, however, that as long as you're playing a Division I opponent, you're not going to be playing a similar opponent. The reason is simple: W&L is not a Division I school. Operating under the financial constraints of Division III, yet trying to play Division I, is like trying to play goalie without a stick. You might stop a few shots, but that's not the way the game's supposed to be played.

As a final argument, just look at the national finalist men's tennis team. People were interested and excited about this group's success, as they would be if given the chance for the lacrosse team. So, let's put the lacrosse team where it belongs, in Division III, where it will be competitive, where it will have something to compete for, and where ultimately the players will have fun. We owe our athletes that much....

Netmen return proud and hungry for more

By LEIF UELAND
Staff Reporter

The Washington and Lee tennis team returned Sunday following their impressive second-place finish in the national championships. However, in the individual championships, the team did not perform up to their own expectations, failing to have a single team member attain All-America status.

Sophomore David McLeod won his first match in singles and then lost in a tight second match. In doubles, the Generals' No. 2 team of sophomore Roby Mize and freshman Bobby Matthews were able to upset the No. 5-seeded team but then lost to an unranked team.

Players returned from California expressing a multitude of sentiments, ranging from disappointment with losses to joy at having been able to participate, but all of their statements eventually returned to one central theme — extreme optimism towards the team's possibilities for the future.

"We knew that we were going to nationals from the start. Last year it was just a nice surprise, this year it was our whole season. It was a great accomplishment for the team to play for the national championship," Mize commented. "This wasn't something I was expecting when I came to Washington and Lee. You can't do it all in one year. We gave Kalamazoo their best match of the year — everyone thought that they were untouchable."

Sophomore Jack Messerly expressed similar sentiments about the trip, while he elaborated on the ups and

downs of the tournament. "It felt great the day that we made it to the finals, then the day after we were all bummed out, even though we had gotten second. We've come a long way though, last year we were eighth, and this year we're second — the future looks good."

Matthews saw the tournament in a somewhat different light, this being his first year. "It really was a lot of fun, I had a great time. Getting second was great. The team we lost to was very good and the experience that we got in the finals was really valuable."

Last night at the awards banquet, Matthews received both the Washburn Outstanding Freshman Tennis Award and the Memorial Tennis Cup for the team's outstanding player.

"That was just the way it worked, one of the awards was for a freshman and I am the only freshman. I think that it's the depth of our team which is the most valuable aspect," Matthews said.

The General's prospects do indeed look bright. The team's second place finish is a testimony to their outstanding talent. Senior Scott Adams is the only player not returning next year, which being the case, there is little doubt that the future holds only good things for the Generals. Adams may have put it best when presenting the NCAA second-place trophy to Athletic Director William D. McHenry.

"I am sorry that we couldn't bring back the first place trophy," Adams said, "but they are going to be working real hard, and I'm sure they'll bring it back next year."

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'Viktor Frankenstein' takes a new twist

By MARSHALL BOSWELL
Entertainment Editor

The five-day run of "Viktor Frankenstein," an original production written and directed by Drama Professor Joseph Martinez, begins tomorrow night at 5 p.m. at the Boiler Room Theatre.

Although Martinez draws heavily on the Frankenstein legend for his play, the story line of "Viktor Frankenstein" is original. The playwright poses the question, "Of what value are man's discoveries if they become inhumane?"

The play opens in a Vienna university, where young Frankenstein, played by Mathematics Professor Vernon Eagle, is reprimanded for his preoccupation with his own experiments. After watching one of these heinous experiments go awry, Frankenstein becomes insane. He recovers, returns home and falls in love with his future wife, Elizabeth Lavenza (freshman Delia Ford).

Elizabeth brings up Frankenstein's clouded past, and he flees from her in anger. She is found dead soon thereafter, and Frankenstein returns to

his ancestral home to resume his experiments.

There, Frankenstein takes a wandering ruffian named Igor (Drama Professor Thomas J. Ziegler) under his wing and begins to bring his "creation" to life. After that, Martinez's story truly begins to take on a life of its own.

The stage design is unique and visually arresting. Designed by Ziegler, the play's visual environment is enhanced by slides, clever props and innovative lighting techniques. Frankenstein's insular, tortured view of the world is frequently projected on a screen that acts as the stage's primary backdrop. The audience is situated above the action, as if viewing an autopsy in an operating theater.

Doug Harwood is the audio designer, Drama Department Chairman Albert C. Gordon is the costume adviser, and Skip Epperson is technical director.

The play is intended for mature audiences. Due to limited seating, reservations are required. Tickets may be obtained by calling the theater office at 463-8637 between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Elizabeth brings up Frankenstein's clouded past, and he flees from her in anger. She is found dead soon thereafter, and Frankenstein returns to



By Perry S. Hayes/The Ring-tum Phi

Vernon Eagle (right) as Frankenstein and Mark Daughtrey appear in "Viktor Frankenstein"

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Journey releases 'fascinating' record

By MARSHALL BOSWELL
Entertainment Editor

By now, it is safe to say that a Journey record is best judged by how bad it is, rather than how good it might be. Indeed, with each new Journey release, one must immediately ask oneself: Can they actually get any worse?

Well yes, actually. "Raised on Radio" is Journey's newest, worst and consequently most fascinating record to date. Fascinating, primarily because it is interesting how a record this barren and vapid can go on to sell millions of copies (which, let's face it, this record is bound to do).

I have a theory on how Journey sells millions of records. People love to buy this schlock. Why? Well, Journey's "gimmick" is that they act like they are a bunch of normal, sincere guys. And people buy the pose.

"Raised On Radio" is going to sell for exactly this reason. Steve Perry sings each of these 11 tracks as if he were deep in the throes of painful heartache. The photo on the inner sleeve shows "the guys" looking dead serious and dressed in blue jeans and "normal clothes." I can already see the videos: Steve Perry sitting backstage with a far-off look in his eyes, thinking about that "streetlight" girl he had to leave behind in order to "rock all night." Or something like that.

So the pose is all over this record, the music is utterly banal and flaccid, and it is going to sell by the truckload. The idea, I gather, is that Journey is just like the rest of us: "We're all raised on the radio," sez the chorus to the title track. And, of course, millions of people out there are unfortunately going to nod and say, "Yup. That's me. Wow, man. Brilliant."

How many of these songs could be hits? Well, all of them, I suppose. Or none of them. It doesn't matter, really. Nothing on the record stands out.

The first single, "Be Good To Yourself," is typical Journey: a couple of standard guitar chords wrapped in layers of studio gloss matched with a purile, inane lyric. The song's message, by the way, is contained entirely in its title.

"Raised On Radio" and "Be Good To Yourself" are the only "rockers" on the album as the remainder are either sappy ballads or mid-tempo radio-fodder. "Once You Love Somebody" purports to be a fusk number, but it is watered down enough to be absolutely harmless. Besides, it is full of classic "Journiesisms" such as, "Two young hearts...running wild," and, "Once you love somebody...it'll burn forever."

Brace yourself: this one is going to haunt us for the next couple of months or so. There is an alternative, however. Simply turn off the radio. Not only does Journey's message go out the window, but so does Steve Perry's increasingly annoying voice. Perhaps if we all close our eyes and wish really hard, these jerks might simply go away. But don't hold your breath.

ONCAMPUS

Thursday, May 22
7 p.m. — POLITICS FILMFEST: "Tora, Tora, Tora." Room 327, Commerce School.
8 p.m. — PIANO RECITAL: Yukie Kurihara, W&L exchange student from Rikkyo University, Japan. Lee Chapel. Reception to follow in du Pont Hall.

Friday, May 23
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING.
8 p.m. — MEDICAL ETHICS LECTURE: "Is There a Right to Health Care?" Tom L. Beauchamp, Georgetown University. Classroom E, Lewis Hall.
8 p.m. — PLAY: "Viktor Frankenstein." Written and directed by Joseph Martinez, W&L drama professor. Boiler Room Theatre.

Saturday, May 24
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING.
8 p.m. — PLAY: "Viktor Frankenstein." Boiler Room Theatre.

Sunday, May 25
2 p.m. — LAW SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT. Front Lawn. Speaker: Sydney Lewis, W&L Trustee Emeritus.
8 p.m. — PLAY: "Viktor Frankenstein." Boiler Room Theatre.

Monday, May 26
7 & 9:15 p.m. — WWII THROUGH JAPANESE FILMS SERIES: "Women of the Night." Room 327, Commerce School.
8 p.m. — PLAY: "Viktor Frankenstein." Boiler Room Theatre.

Tuesday, May 27
10 a.m. — HISTORY SEMINAR: "Politics in Central America and the Caribbean Between Wars." Classroom D, Lewis Hall.
4 p.m. — ENGLISH COLLOQUIUM: "Biography: Ancient and Modern." Christopher Pelling, University College, Oxford. Room 21, Payne Hall.
8 p.m. — PLAY: "Viktor Frankenstein." Boiler Room Theatre.

Wednesday, May 28
6:30 p.m. — SENIOR NIGHT. Lee Chapel.
7 p.m. — POLITICS FILMFEST: "Rollerball." Room 327, Commerce School.
8 p.m. — PLAY: "Viktor Frankenstein." Boiler Room Theatre.

Thursday, May 29
5 p.m. — CHEMISTRY SEMINAR: "The Farewell to Seniors Fry." Howe 401.
7 p.m. — POLITICS FILMFEST: "Rollerball." Room 327, Commerce School.