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Changes in tax laws affect financial aid

By Marie Dunne
Co-editor

Recent changes in financial aid laws and tax laws could cause some students to give up their part-time jobs.

Before the changes in the financial aid laws were enacted by Congress this year, students were routinely expected to contribute \$1,000 of their summer earnings toward their college costs.

These changes in the financial aid laws now require a student to contribute 70 percent of his or her entire yearly earnings, said John DeCourcy, director of financial aid for Washington and Lee University.

That means students who work several jobs during the summer and continue working part time throughout the academic year will be con-

sidered to have more disposable income and will no longer be considered as financially needy.

By earning "too much" money through summer and part-time earnings, students may lose eligibility to receive a guaranteed student loan, or GSL.

"What's the sense in working if you will be penalized for it?" said DeCourcy.

"Because [students] have been working hard, they lose GSL eligibility."

Last year, the changes in financial aid required that parents declare all their assets in applying for guaranteed student loans. Previously, parents declared only income.

Students whose parents were in the upper-middle income range had once been eligible for a GSL. If that same student's parents own their own home, that student is no longer eligi-

ble, and the parents are expected to mortgage their home to cover college costs, said DeCourcy.

Additionally, changes in the laws last year require students who receive scholarships or grants that cover expenses other than tuition and books (such as room and board) to pay taxes on those grants.

According to Gerard R. Esposito, IRS District Director in Richmond, "beginning this year only degree candidates can exclude from tax amounts received as a qualified scholarship. A qualified scholarship includes amounts used for tuition, fees, books and supplies required for courses. Other amounts such as those received for room and board or travel are no longer excludable."

One of this year's changes in the financial aid laws is that parents who are enrolled in college at least half-time (6 credit hours per semester)

are considered when deciding a family's need of federal assistance, said DeCourcy.

Parents were not previously considered as needing assistance if they were attending college.

For example, suppose a family is judged as having \$10,000 to spend on college tuition. If one son or daughter is the only member of the family attending college, he or she will not receive financial assistance, because \$10,000 is expected to cover all the costs. If a parent of that family takes six credits at a nearby community college by attending night school or weekend classes, there are two members of the family attending college. The available \$10,000 is cut in half (\$5,000 per person), and the student becomes eligible for financial aid.

"Obviously, [the law] is subject to manipulation by parents going to

school [just to get more financial aid for their son or daughter]," said DeCourcy.

The changes in the financial aid laws do not include a grandfather clause, and that bothers DeCourcy.

According to DeCourcy, many juniors and seniors came to W&L counting on the money they could receive from GSL and their own earnings. In several cases, students decided they could come to W&L rather than going to a less expensive state school because they were able, with financial aid, to cover the costs.

"As the kid moved through, everything is sliced away after the fact," said DeCourcy. Students who were once able to meet college costs may now find themselves scrambling.

The impact of the changes in financial aid laws will probably not be felt fully until January, when students begin applying for financial aid for

the 1988-89 academic year.

In the long term, the changes could mean fewer students applying to expensive private colleges and more people going to state schools, more parents taking out mortgages to cover college costs, and, perhaps, more parents themselves going back to school, said DeCourcy.

The changes themselves are most likely to achieve what they were designed to do: lower the number of people taking out guaranteed student loans, said DeCourcy.

DeCourcy suggested students try to prepare for the problems the new financial aid laws may cause.

"Better to get a good deal of warning on it, so you can plan the best approach."

For more information on changes in tax laws, students can call the IRS Tele-Tax number 1-800-554-4477 and listen to tape number 508.

BV man sentenced to four months

By Amy Balfour
Staff Reporter

Michael Camden, 30, of Buena Vista was sentenced to 120 days in jail for assaulting a police officer and will have a separate malicious wounding charge, against Washington and Lee University student Pete Petino, sent before a grand jury, decided Judge Joseph E. Hess yesterday during the trial in the Lexington General District Court.

Both charges stem from events that occurred at about 1:45 a.m. on Oct. 18 as Petino was leaving the Chi Psi fraternity house at 5 Lee Ave.

Petino said that Camden and two other men, Tommy Coleman, 27, and Robert Ward, 28, both of Buena

Vista, pushed by him and entered the fraternity after he had told them to leave because they did not belong at the party. Two of the men, Camden and Coleman, came back toward him after a few moments, Petino said, with knives.

Petino said that he told the men that the fraternity was not the place for such actions and as he turned back to look at a friend, was punched by Camden. A scuffle ensued during which the pair fell on the floor. Petino said he tried to keep the knife away from his body but still suffered a cut on his left index finger.

As the men were separated by partygoers, police pulled up outside the fraternity and the three accused assailants fled. Petino said he then

noticed that blood covered his hands, and he was taken by Officer Mark Ramos to Stonewall Jackson Hospital. Ramos said he did not need to have any stitches for the cut.

Petino said he saw Camden at the hospital, along with the two other men from the fracas at the party. Petino identified the men to Officer Ramos, who placed the three under arrest. Ramos said that he loosely handcuffed Camden so as not to irritate Camden's wounded hand. Ramos said that Camden was being verbally abusive, grew more and more agitated and swung his hands across Ramos' temple.

Camden's lawyer said that his client only became abusive after he asked to have the handcuffs loosened

and they were not. He also said that there was no direct evidence that Camden actually cut Petino because the cut may have come from some other object during the scuffle.

Judge Hess decided that the malicious wounding charge, known in some states as felonious assault, against Petino be sent before a grand jury. Camden appealed his sentence of 120 days in jail for the charge of assault against a police officer, Judge Hess said.

Tommy Coleman's charge of malicious wounding was reduced to assault. Coleman received a six month jail sentence, suspended on good behavior. Robert Ward received null process, or no punishment as there was not enough evidence to prosecute.



By Mathew Horridge/The Ring-tum Phi

Dr. Tibet

Dr. Jeffrey Hopkins points to a map of Tibet during his speech Monday night. "Tibet: Struggle for Identity."

Mumps outbreak strikes campus

By Marie Dunne
Co-editor

Several cases of mumps have been confirmed on the Washington and Lee campus this fall, according to Robert M. Pickral, M.D., director of the Student Health Center.

"I had personally never seen a case of mumps until this fall," said Pickral, who has been with the health center for four years and in private practice for almost a decade.

The six or seven cases of mumps on campus are unusual because they are affecting students who were immunized during childhood against

the virus. In the cases that have been clinically confirmed, only one student had not been immunized.

The virus generally takes three to four weeks to be confirmed through tests, said Pickral. Students who show symptoms now will not be confirmed as having the mumps until three weeks from now.

According to Pickral, two factors seem to be contributing to the high number of cases on campus: the immunization may not be "holding" as a student grows older and the closed environment may allow the virus to spread more easily.

In addition to the characteristic swelling of the glands in the neck, the

mumps virus can cause swelling of the ovaries or testicles. According to Pickral, none of the cases at Washington and Lee have had that symptom. Immunization may be a factor in helping keep the W&L cases from becoming severe and causing swelling of the reproductive organs, said Pickral.

Pickral said he sees no evidence that the W&L cases may be caused by a new strain of the mumps virus, although it may be possible. There is no evidence that affected students were given ineffective immunizations, said Pickral.

The week-long Thanksgiving break should help the situation by acting as

an unofficial quarantine, getting students out of a closed environment where the virus may spread more easily, said Pickral.

Pickral said he will talk with the state health department to determine if there is cause to have an epidemiologist to study the cases, but hopes that the Thanksgiving and Christmas breaks will prevent further spread of the virus.

"We'll just have to wait and see when the students come back," he said.

Other than the W&L cases, there have been no confirmed cases of mumps in the Lexington and Rockbridge area, said Pickral.

Faculty petition asks SAC for deferred rush

By Jessica Reynolds
Staff Reporter

Freshmen are not getting a good look at the academic life at W&L, said W. Lad Sessions, professor of philosophy.

Sessions said he gets the sense that the early portion of the fall term is very disruptive because the freshman males are forced to worry about their social life in fraternities at W&L, making it hard to focus in the classroom.

Sessions decided it was time to place the academic aspects of the school at the top.

In September, he circulated a petition among the faculty stating that those who signed the petition believe "there would be significant academic advantage to deferring freshman fraternity rush until the winter term" and requested the Students Affairs Committee (SAC) to present some proposals on the issue to the faculty by February 1988.

"It is important for students to relate to one another before they divide into groups," said Sessions, explaining that fraternities divide up the freshmen before they have the chance to form their own friendships.

"The primary emphasis at W&L should be on academics, but by the same token I do not think we will see a substantial increase or improvement (in grades) among the freshmen," said Mark Farley, Interfraternity Council (IFC) president.

Farley said in the fall of 1986, male fraternity pledges had an average grade point average (GPA) of 2.405 while the average GPA of non-fraternity males was 2.58. He said that the statistics show there is not much difference in the GPA's.

Farley said many of the professors say they are tired of having freshmen with hangovers in their Thursday morning classes.

"I think that if the faculty believes that a deferred rush will prevent freshmen from drinking or prevent freshmen from participating in fraternity parties, they are in for more of an education than the students," said Farley.

The petition received 116 signatures from all departments except ROTC and the law school, said Lewis John, dean of students. He added that the petition may not have been circulated in those two areas.

"I was surprised at the reception of the faculty. I did not think there would be as much support," said Sessions.

Farley said he understood the philosophical viewpoints of the faculty's reasons for deferred rush as positive, but "I do not think the quality of academic life would be improved."

Farley said that a deferred rush is not the answer and fraternities must find a proper balance. He suggested that rush continue to be held in the fall and that it go as quickly as possible, so that students can get on with a normal lifestyle.

Both Sessions and Farley foresee the possible financial damage deferred rush can bring to the fraternities, without the revenue that would usually come in with the new members. Farley said this could strain the fraternities' ability to finance parties.

But Sessions said it is not necessary always to have parties at fraternities. He suggested that students could have dorm parties, which would not be centered on the fraternities.

"There would be a sense of class and school unity," he said.

Sessions said he does not think the fraternities can rush for an entire 12 weeks because of the heavy financial burden as well as the time and energy it will take.



File Photo

W. Lad Sessions

As IFC president, Farley said he hopes that fraternities will continue to stress the concept of responsible drinking.

Farley said the SAC and IFC are addressing the problems. He said that one of the proposals that will be presented to the faculty in February will be a counterproposal from the IFC.

Farley said he would have trouble implementing a policy he believes is detrimental to the fraternity system.

"I'm not out to get rid of the fraternities, nor is this to reprimand the fraternities," said Sessions, adding that he does not believe the present system is the only way to carry out rush nor is it the best.

Farley said that if rush is held in the winter term, "the fraternities will be tripping over themselves trying to impress freshmen throughout the fall term."

Not only will it cause a financial burden, but a possible legal problem as well, said Farley. The freshmen will not be affiliated with the houses and if something happens to a freshman after drinking at a certain fraternity, then the fraternity could be placed in a difficult legal situation, he said.

"The biggest liability to fraternities concerns the possible injury of people who are not affiliated with the house," said Farley.

Students report theft of valuables from library

By Jessica Reynolds
Staff Reporter

"And here is our library, it is open 24 hours a day. We have study carrels where you can leave anything."

That is what the library staff at W&L hears Student Recruitment tour guides tell prospective students, said Peggy Hays, public services librarian.

"We would rather the tour guides did not stress 'you can just leave anything,' because it is not true," she said.

JoAnn Wilson, public services librarian, said she asked last year that the point be omitted, but Mark Farley, co-chairman of Student Recruitment last year, said he was not informed of such a request.

"I do not think that there is a tour guide saying that you can leave anything," said Farley, who is also chairman of this year's group.

He added that if the tour guides are misrepresenting the use of the carrels, then such an error does need to be corrected, but he does not think that they are presenting an unrealistic view of the situation.

He also said he does not think the prospective students are so naive as to think that they could leave watches and valuables lying around and expect to find them later.

Although there have been reports of missing items, Farley said, "people know that things are being taken and it concerns them, but it does not shake their view of the Honor System."

Farley believes it would be a disservice to the library if tour guides said it was an insecure place.

"There is a strong belief in the Honor System and I think it is our job, as tour guides, to represent that faith," he said.

The staff at the library said

students should not leave wallets, calculators and valuables, and it asks students to use common sense.

Farley agreed and said if students leave valuables, they are leaving themselves open to theft.

"There is a great honor system, but to assume that W&L is a little paradise is a myth," said William "Burr" Datz, assistant director of security.

He said that the library's 24-hour accessibility is the problem because it is difficult to monitor the coming and going of everyone.

"It is a Catch-22 situation, because the library should be open 24 hours a day, but because of the access, who knows who comes and goes," he said.

W&L Security is aware that items are being taken from the library and has a patrolman monitoring the building, but it said one is not enough.

"I would not leave anything around where someone would take it," said Charles "Murph" Murray, director of security.

Murray said that the reports of missing items and stolen goods "have been going ever since I've been here." He joined the W&L staff in 1959.

Hays said that students leave materials in the carrels so they will not have to carry them back and forth from their dorms to the library. She emphasized that caution must be used as well as common sense about the personal items being left in the carrels.

Brad Root, president of the Executive Committee, said that students must take a sensible approach because the library is a public facility and is very vulnerable to people from outside the University community.

Root said that freshmen are told during orientation that personal pro-

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When the new year rolls around, a large number of students may be surprised at what the federal government has in store for them.

Financial aid has been subject to government scrutiny as of late and with the new tax laws, changes have been made. Some of these changes will definitely discourage students from attending more costly private schools, and will herd them into the state schools. Some students may be forced to abandon their private education for cheaper instruction elsewhere.

At the core of these new regulations is a rule requiring students to use 70 percent of their income to pay for their education. This means students will no longer be able to apply only \$1,000 of their summer earnings toward school. Wages earned from jobs during the school year must also be declared.

The case of dorm counselors shows the effect another rule will have. In the past, students have become dorm counselors partly to defray the cost of college. Now the value of the free room and board they receive will be considered income. As a result, dorm counselors will be taxed for the income even though they never receive cash income.

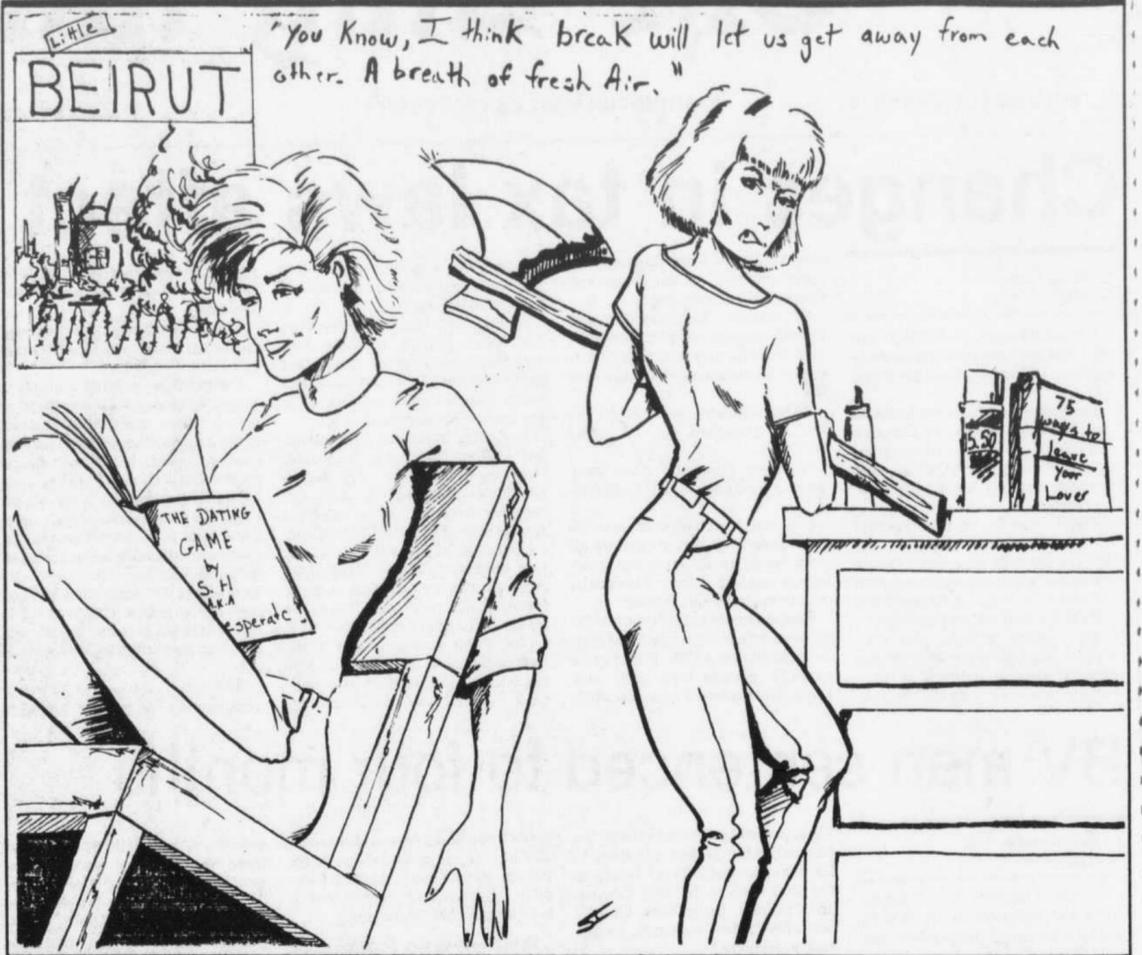
That is only one example of the inherent dangers of this new system.

To make matters even worse there is no type of grandfather clause to protect students who have already planned their college education with financial aid. That means students who have been enrolled at Washington and Lee for a year or more may find out they can no longer afford to attend school here. The least the government could do is agree not to pull the rug out from under financial aid students already in college.

Other victims of the new tax laws are parents. They are now required to declare all their assets, not just their income. So any family that owns, say, a house, will have to declare it as an asset. Consequently, because the asset will make the student ineligible to receive a GSL, the family must take out a mortgage on the house to pay for an education.

There has been talk recently of plans to crack down on former students who have defaulted on their GSLs, as well as colleges with a high rate of defaulting students. These plans make much more sense for saving the government money in financial aid than the new tax laws. Instead of punishing those who are trying to further their education, punish the people who have cheated the government out of money.

Let's hope no one will be forced to leave W&L because of these new laws. But Director of Financial Aid John DeCourcy is correct to warn students to understand the coming changes and be prepared. Only through careful preparation can students ensure their future education.



Honor system revisions depend on interested students who apply

MY VIEW

By Margaret Pimblett

How about another column on the state of the Honor System at Washington and Lee?

I don't mean glorifying the Honor System as the backbone of our entire educational environment. That's been done before.

Neither do I wish to extol the memory of St. Robert of Lee, the fine founder of the system as we know it, who brought the tiny Washington College back from the terrors of the War between the States to occupy a position of might in the world of education for young men (and now women) of promise. We all know how much General Lee did for our university.

What I would like to do is tell you about an opportunity that is available to every student at Washington and Lee.

Is there anything, anything at all, about the Honor System that you think should be changed? Specifically, should anything be changed in the White Book, the short but vital treatise that defines the expectations

and the administration of the system itself?

This year, Brad B. Root, the president of the Executive Committee of the student body, has called for applications for the White Book Revision Committee.

The committee will review the policies set out in the White Book and determine if any of those policies should be changed.

The Honor System is supposed to represent the views of the current student generation. What better way to guarantee that it in fact does that, than by allowing members of that generation to study the White Book and make corrections if they see fit?

Sounds like a great idea to me. In fact, it sounded like such a great idea that I thought students would be clamoring to be appointed to the committee and begging Mr. Root to consider them for the positions available.

That hasn't exactly been the case, however. The deadline for applications was extended several times to give more people time to submit their applications.

Unfortunately, even allowing for noted procrastinators like myself to finally get around to writing a letter of application, only about a half

dozen people did so.

Mr. Root said he had hoped to have at least 25 students would apply, so that the Executive Committee could choose about a dozen well-qualified students to work on the revisions.

Well, maybe I should have started this column as an overview of student apathy at sports events and just extended it to encompass the Honor System.

But it's a bit scary to think that nearly the entire student body simply ignored the chance to be actively involved in the Honor System.

So, I took a poll to determine if students really were apathetic, or maybe just uninformed. I interviewed the journalism students who were slaving away at the computer terminals in Reid Hall to see if any of them had known that such a thing as the White Book Revision Committee existed, and that applications had been accepted earlier in the term.

Of the six students working, only one had any idea that the E.C. had called for applications, and he wasn't really sure what it was all about. And remember, these were journalism students, who are supposed to have some idea of what's news.

This brought up an entirely different problem. Maybe the E.C.

didn't publicize enough, so that students would know what was going on.

The formation of the committee was noted several times in the official minutes of the E.C. that are posted around the campus, and was mentioned in a Ring-tum Phi article about an E.C. meeting.

Perhaps the E.C. should have hung posters announcing the application deadlines, so that the many folks who don't have time to read all of the items in the E.C. minutes or who don't read the Phi word for word would have known about the committee.

Since the E.C. didn't hang fluorescent orange 11 x 14 inch posters on every door, column, and bulletin board on campus, no wonder the average student didn't know anything about it.

Well, now you have no excuse for being clueless. Here is your notice. And you'll have another chance during winter term to apply—the E.C. has decided to try again and ask for applications in January.

And, lest you think that I'm not practicing what I preach, my application was one of the few that was received before the deadline in October. Now it's your turn.

Trust

Students at Washington and Lee take the Honor System very seriously, and trust their fellow students to an exceptionally high degree. This can be seen in the unlocked doors, the unattended bicycles and the backpacks left waiting in academic buildings.

However, students need to realize that sometimes their trust may be violated.

It is not other students that people must fear. It is the people that come on to our campus that do not fall under our Honor System.

A perfect example is the University Library. Students realize that they can keep their study carrel just by leaving their books and such in it (although students do have to sign up for the carrels before taking them over). It is wonderfully convenient to have all the materials necessary for studying waiting in the library whenever they are needed.

Unfortunately, students have often elected to leave valuable personal belongings, such as cassette players, in their carrels. This is unwise for a number of reasons, but particularly because it tempts people from outside the W&L community to steal it.

The library is a 24-hour building. It is open to students from schools other than W&L. To leave valuables lying around is foolish because it is virtually impossible for the library staff to keep every potential thief out of the building, especially at night.

This is not to say that every visiting student or towns person is a thief. It is merely to warn W&L students to be careful in their trust of the Honor System. Although it works wonderfully within our community, outside W&L not everyone understands or abides by it.

Stretching the truth thin over Thanksgiving

MY VIEW

By Jon Sbar

The Thanksgiving holiday begins tomorrow and for many students it will be the first time home since September. Of course, Thanksgiving is a good time to relax with the family, eat good food, and see old friends.

But don't lose perspective; the most important activity for any authentic college student is to go back to their high schools and lie! Washington and Lee students who are bound by the Honor Code cannot do this and instead return to their high schools only to stretch the truth.

To become truly adept at stretching the truth (lying) one must follow a few principals. To avoid stating these principles in the didactic manner which college has taught you to hate I will simply portray future dialogues between myself and various members of the high school community I attended.

Popular student (who I always hated): So, how's college?

Me: Well it's hard finding time to study between the every-night, all night keg parties, thousands of women who are constantly trying to get into my dorm room, and the president who keeps calling me for advice. Right now my G.P.A. is only a 3.85, but then again I am quadruple majoring in the four hardest areas. (The truth: No one will even let me into a party, there aren't even a thousand women at W&L and the ones who are here avoid me like the

plague, the president only knows me by my articles which he believes to be hurting the university's credibility, and lastly, all I do is study and my G.P.A. is nowhere near a 3.8).

My high school math teacher: (In a smug tone) So Jon, how do you like college calculus? Math never was your favorite.

Me: Well, Mrs. Dimwitty, I wish it was just a little more challenging. I've made an A-plus on every test and I only go to lecture when the professor needs me to teach a topic that he can't understand. (The truth: I go to two lectures every day and I'm praying I can make a D.)

My high school coach: So Jon, how do you like college water polo?

Me: I love it. I really felt good scoring the winning goal in the championship game. My college coach thinks I

can make the national team. (The truth: I sit on the bench).

I hope my examples will come in handy when you go back to your high school and tell lies (I mean stretch the truth). In the event that you feel guilty about stretching the truth, though you shouldn't, just remember that the basis of any high school conversation is lying. For example, high school student number 1: Did you hear that Jack was in a car accident? He broke his arm.

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LETTERS

Ban women from the library so everyone can study

To the Editors:

As a senior, and thus a member of Washington and Lee's last "all-male" class, I've had to accept, and even learn to live with, my school's decision to become coeducational. However, one aspect of that female invasion remains particularly annoying: the allowance/tolerance of women in the library.

Women must be allowed to use the facilities, I suppose, but (as I've sadly come to realize) certain restrictions need to be imposed. Why? Well for starters, it seems that no matter when—day or night—there are always five or 10 or 50 silly wenches running amuck on each of the library's five floors. Giggling, gossiping, and (dare I say it?)—bitching—may be the normal behavior attributed to W&L's version of the fairer sex, but leave it behind in the dorms! With tests and

papers burdening us with their ponderous weight, how can studying in a theoretically "quiet" library be achieved when one is constantly harassed by little lasses evoking high-school memories in thought, voice, and action? Answer: it can't be done. Solution: ban women from the library.

A ban is necessary, though to hope for one in the near future would be to chase an elusive dream. If not a total ban on women in the library, then at least keep them corralled in the fourth floor smoking lounges—out of sight, mind, and earshot. In addition to relieving the noise problem, there would finally be an adequate number of carrels for the W&L men who rightly deserve them. How about keeping the library open only to males and senior girls? The transfers from the neighboring women's colleges have enough maturity and poise to handle

themselves in a public place without embarrassing themselves by acting like 4-year-olds. If women must be permitted, then only from 2:00-6:00 in the morning—and provide free, mandatory muzzles.

These are but a few suggestions from a veritable cornucopia of solutions—hopefully they'll be put to good use. This isn't a blight on women in general, they are necessary after all, and they remain but helpless prisoners of their nature. Latent in that nature hides a vague silliness, lying dormant, only to be sprung upon us as a manifestation of its owner's childish transformation once the library doors slowly swing shut. I hope that W&L women will see the folly in their ways and begin to show a little more common courtesy.

Greg Unger '88

'Tis the season to begin search for next year's housing

By Abb Jones
Staff Reporter

Real estate agencies in Lexington offer a viable alternative for W&L students who are interested in living off-campus while at college—but according to many realtors, agencies help only those who start looking for housing early in the year.

Most of the local real estate agencies say that getting an early jump on

finding places to live off-campus is the key to finding the most convenient and affordable places to live. Many of the local real estate agencies fill up all apartments and houses available to students months in advance.

While most realtors suggest beginning the search for an apartment or house in April or May, some, such as Alice Strecker, rental manager of Mead Associates, suggest starting as soon as January.

"Students come in to see me and

fill out applications after the first of the year," she said. Like other real estate agencies, Mead Associates requires people to fill out applications before they even discuss options available.

In addition to the most basic information such as the applicant's name, address and age, applications, also called tenant questionnaires by some local agencies, usually request information concerning the type of property desired by the applicant, the number of roommates involved, the price range desired and whether the

applicant wants to live in town or in the country.

Once the applications are received, real estate agencies then begin the task of finding an available place to match the applicant's request. Housing is usually distributed on a "first come, first served" basis.

Local realtors say that most students usually prefer to rent apartments rather than houses, and that they would rather live in town than in the country, although there are many exceptions.

"Living in town is more popular,

especially among girls, because they like to be in walking distance to school," said salesman Mike Flint of Mays Real Estate. He added that the decision to rent a house in the country usually depends on whether transportation exists for the students.

Tamara Hamric, realtor at Vita & Associates, stressed the importance of students making appointments to speak with realtors. She also said it helps if students have an idea of what they are looking for before visiting the realtor.

Although there are a few nine-month leases available, most local leases are for a full year. Many realtors therefore have waiting lists for students who have made a decision as to which house or apartment they wish to live in, and some, such as Hamric, encourage students to check between semesters for newly available apartments.

All realtors encourage students to begin making plans early in the year and then contact the realtors as soon as possible to be assured of getting the type of housing desired.

Peer counselors are called 'listening ear'

By Jessica Reynolds
Staff Reporter

Where do students go if they are having problems dealing with school, stress, alcohol, drugs, parents, social life or depression and are not comfortable talking with a professional psychologist?

The peer counseling program at Washington and Lee University provides students at the university with an alternative.

The program started as an idea in the fall of 1986 and was available to students in the winter of 1987, said Dr. James Worth, university counseling psychologist.

Worth said the idea for a peer counseling group is not new, but in the years before coeducation, he did not believe students would have been as receptive to the program.

Since the start of the program there have been several calls to the hotline and several peer counselors have been contacted individually for counseling, Worth said.

"Last year nearly all peer counselors had some contacts. It was not a case of heavy usage, but the fact that they were being used says it is worth keeping," he said.

The group has nearly doubled in size from last year. Worth attributes this to the fact that the program has become more visible, which has encouraged more students to participate in it.

"I think students at W&L want to give of themselves. If they are given an opportunity, they will help the

community," he said. The peer counselors were chosen not only for their desire to reach out to other students, but for their own ability to overcome problems of their own, said Worth.

"We want somebody who has probably had intense problems and life stresses and have pulled their act together through counseling, faith, or maturity," Worth said.

"They are compassionate, mature, good listeners, empathetic and capable of earning the respect of students," said Worth.

Worth explained that the peer counselors are not presently in the middle of a problem, nor did they all have intense problems, but "they have the ability to look at the pain in their own life and look at their own hurt and understand the pain of others."

In order to insure that peer counselors are capable of taking on the challenge of peer counseling, they are interviewed and go through a mandatory and intensive training program, explained Worth.

The first training program lasts a full day, and subsequent sessions are held for half a day once a month, said Worth.

The training that peer counselors receive is life-long, said Bryan Bishop, head peer counselor and third-year law student.

"The first priority is to have the training so I can make the difference for someone with my experience and background," he said.

Bishop said the experience as a peer counselor does not stop at W&L, but can be carried into careers, fami-



The 1987-88 peer counselors will man a hotline (463-8999) beginning after Thanksgiving break.

By Perry Hayes/The Ring-tum Phi

ly life and other everyday situations.

"The whole focus of peer counseling is to provide students with a very accessible and appealing resource for talking about their problems. A student can understand another student more quickly," said Worth, supervisor of the program.

"One of the most important things we learned in the training session was how to listen in a different way. We really did not know how hard it was to actually be a good listener and at the same time let the person know

we were listening to him sympathetically," said Dana Anstine, a member of the peer counseling team.

Dorm counselors and resident advisors are available to help students with their problems, but after a student leaves the dorms, they are no longer a resource. Peer counselors can fill that void, said Baxter Sharp, a peer counselor at the university.

"The program is a group statement that it is not abnormal to have needs; you are human if you have problems," said Bishop. "We are the listening ear," said

Meredith Walker, assistant head of the peer counselor group.

Although the program was not frequently used last year, she hopes it will be utilized more this year.

"It is a slow thing, but it is gradually beginning to grow as more people are learning about the program," she said.

Sharp said the number of applicants shows that the program is more visible. Last year, people did not know much about the program, but Sharp said this is changing.

The hotline number, 463-8999, will not go into effect until Nov. 30, the day after students come back from Thanksgiving break.

The hotline operation hours are Sunday-Thursday: 7 p.m.-11 p.m.; Friday and Saturday: 8 p.m.-12 p.m.

Students can call or meet with any of the 26 peer counselors in confidence, said Worth.

The peer counselors' goal is to "provide immediate and non-threatening mental health resource as a first step," he said.

Satellite interview allows W&L students to question Governor Dukakis

By Jennifer Bandrowski
Staff Reporter

Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis appeared in W&L's Northern Auditorium via satellite on Friday, November 14. The live interview from Texas A&M's Rutter Theatre Complex was sponsored by the Young Democrats and the Mock Convention.

More than 50 schools across the nation participated in the satellite interview by telephoning with questions following the governor's brief opening remarks.

"The next president of the United States should be someone who brings strong economic leadership," Dukakis said, who has based much of his campaign on the "economic miracle" in Massachusetts.

"I hope this is an election where young people become actively involved," he said. "I hope that as much as

John Kennedy inspired my generation, I can inspire yours."

Washington and Lee was the last of approximately 10 schools able to ask a question on the air. The question was asked by law school student Samuel Conner:

"Governor, much of your campaigning has focused on the vastly improved economic situation in Massachusetts, for which you have taken much credit. However, in response to the shutdown of the GM plant in Framingham, Mass., which resulted in the layoff of 3,700 workers, you said, 'Every time something happens around here it has little to do with my political campaign.' On the surface, it seems that you are claiming responsibility for the victories, but divorcing yourself from the losses. Is this the sort of 'teflon' policy we can expect from you if elected president?"

The governor smiled as the quotation was cited. "Unfortunately, cars

aren't selling," he responded. "...We expect that production in that plant will continue in the spring...[we're] proud of Framingham and General Motors."

He pointed out the Massachusetts government's response to the closing of a General Dynamics shipyard. He emphasized the importance of "[responding] quickly, sensitively, helpfully," by teaching "new skills and training if workers are laid off."

Mock Convention co-chairperson Chip Gist explained, "We came up with six questions, and put them in priority order...and we were able to ask our first choice."

The questions were composed by Stephen Sears, William Maddox, Chip Gist, Sam Conner, and Young Democrats President Kristi Goodman.

Questions asked by other schools covered topics ranging from apartheid to acid rain.

Gist commented, "On the whole, I don't feel Dukakis really influenced

anyone's opinion either one way or the other because of his vague responses. But the event was beneficial because it allowed students across the country to directly interact with a Presidential candidate."

W&L sponsors Ethics Institute

By Betsy Parkins
Staff Reporter

For 13 years now, W&L has been host for the Legal Ethics Institute, bringing lawyers from across the country and students from W&L together to discuss the sensitive issue of legal ethics.

Two weekends ago the 13th annual institute took place as 28 professionals and students met for a two-and-a-half day conference.

The purpose of the program is twofold: one, it brings together professionals, mostly alumni, who refresh their memories on current trends in ethical rules, and two, it enables

Goodman was more favorably impressed with Dukakis. "I thought he did a real good job in explaining his particular views on various issues...It gave people a chance to find out more than they knew before."

W&L sponsors Ethics Institute

legal ethics students to get a feel for what "real life" lawyers face in their everyday practice.

"They talk about situations, hypothetical sometimes, and cases that would benefit both students and professionals," explained Nancy Hanna of the Society and Professions Program.

This year the Institute focused on the role of lawyers as providers of free legal services for the poor and commercialism within the legal field.

"We could see the difficult decisions that attorneys have to make," said Cheryl Barrett, a junior in the legal ethics class.

As to the overall event, Goodman said, "I was real pleased to see Young Dem's there as well as some College Republicans and others who were just interested."

Approximately 50 people attended the presentation.

In the Institute's keynote address, titled, "Will Commercialism Kill Self-Regulation?" Joseph M. Spivey III commented on the problems faced by the legal field today. He pointed out that because more and more lawyers are joining the work force every year, there is less and less self-regulation. If attorneys are to regain their status in society they must be willing to hand down harsher punishments to negligent attorneys.

Spivey also addressed the problem of attorney advertising. Should lawyers be allowed to advertise? And if they are, should they be regulated?

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TALKBACK

Interviews by
Cathy Boardman

What do you think about the \$9 million performing arts center?



Stu Sheldon — Junior "We need a new center, but we need a lot of other things too."



Margaret Pimblett — Junior "I think it's desperately needed on this campus. I know some people have complained that other departments need new things too, but being one of two music majors, I'm thrilled."

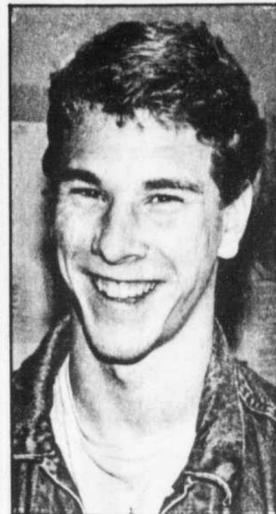


Abb Jones — Junior "Since we're a liberal arts university, it's about time we had adequate facilities."



Amy Balfour — Junior "It's needed because we don't have adequate facilities for speakers and large scale productions."



Stephanie Coleman — Junior "It's a waste. I know they got the money from donations, but come on. I know people who are in debt trying to go to this school and now they're spending \$9 million on a theatre. There aren't even 20 drama majors."



Prof. Robert deMaria — "Perform in the Troubadour Theatre and then ask yourself the question."

ROTC Rangers finish well in competition

By George G. Sparacio
Staff Reporter

The Washington and Lee University ROTC Ranger team fared well at the 1987 Fourth Brigade Ranger Challenge Competition at Fort Meade, Md., on Oct. 23-25.

Each Ranger squad from participating schools sends nine members to the competition each year, testing skills such as basic marksmanship, weapons assembly, construction of a rope bridge and physical stamina.

Led by Cadet Major and Ranger Commander Christopher Beckert, the team finished fairly well, coming in 13th out of the 25 teams. The team did best in the road march, finishing ninth.

Although the cadets did not win the competition, Beckert said that they were pleased with their performance and know what to improve on for next year. He also said that the team will do much better next year since only four seniors will be graduating.

"You have to lose before you know how to win," said Beckert. With five team members returning next year, they have a good shot at winning the title.



By Mathew Horridge/The Ring-tum Phi

ROTC Rangers practice construction of a one-rope bridge for the Ranger Challenge Competition.

The Ranger program at W&L has two major goals. Being a Ranger gives ROTC members extra practice and experience in Ranger skills, such as rappelling, spelunking and patrolling. In addition, it gives the cadets intensive training in regular army skills, such as marksmanship and

communications. Beckert said that in the first year of the program, a Ranger is taught basic military skills. In following years, the Rangers teach these skills to junior members of the club.

Beckert said, "The ROTC depart-

ment here at W&L is top notch. The Ranger program just allows the cadet to practice his skills in depth."

The Rangers have an orientation weekend for freshmen planned some time in the early spring, when the freshmen will have a chance to rappel and fire the M-16 rifle.

Computer Science's cup runneth over

By Melinda Conkling
Staff Reporter

The sign on the door in Robinson Hall said, "Class will meet in Parmlly 305." Computer Science 110 was being held in Parmlly for 81 reasons—81 students in one class.

Due to an overabundance of Computer Science students, the computer science class was being conducted in a classroom that could contain 81 students. Yet the question remained—How could one professor effectively instruct 81 students with individual problems and anxieties?

Answer: Teacher's Assistants. Associate Professor of Computer Science Kenneth Lambert divided the students into six sections—each directed by a teacher's assistant (t.a.). Lambert lectures four times a week in the classroom and the t.a.'s meet with their students at obligatory "help sessions" twice a week.

The t.a.'s responsibilities are varied. At help sessions they answer student questions regarding the week's assignment and attempt to solve any mechanical difficulties.

According to Lambert there were two main reasons for establishing a t.a. program.

"The first was because like any science course, students need attention outside the classroom and more

help than a single professor can possibly give. The t.a.'s also benefit from this experience. It helps upperclassmen who are majoring in computer science to deal with people who know very little about their (the t.a.'s) prospective field."

Lambert approached the t.a.'s at the beginning of the '87-'88 school year. Most of the assistants are computer science majors and he was already familiar with their knowledge of computer science.

The benefits of being a t.a. are equally rewarding for students and t.a.'s.

"I think there is a definite need for individual help. There are too many computer science students," stated freshman Mary Hampson.

"I've gotten a better understanding of Pascal than when I was taking the courses and I've met lots of freshmen who otherwise I probably would have never met," stated senior Etienne Cambon. "Dr. Lambert had 81 students whom he knew he couldn't give the proper attention to. He needed us to thoroughly grade projects and check student progress."

Being a t.a. requires two to four hours a week of student time. The help sessions last about an hour each and the grading of programs takes about one hour.

Student satisfaction was a definite goal for the t.a.'s. "I think student

satisfaction is better than in previous years," stated sophomore Scott Jackson. "As long as the grading is fair and everything is justified I would not complain. There may be an irregularity in the grading scheme but that's just like a course with two different teachers. Dr. Lambert briefly reviews most of the programs. If a student doesn't agree with the grade I give them Dr. Lambert reconsiders it. I have to be sure the grade I'm giving is justified."

The grading process is not totally in the t.a.'s control. The t.a.'s have a correct program solution that is

prepared by Lambert. The t.a.'s compare the student program to the prepared program and evaluate the various errors. Lambert grades all exams.

"This semester no one has bombed out and in previous semesters they have. I think this improvement is largely due to the teacher's assistants," stated Lambert.

And next year? According to Lambert, "if the enrollment remains as big, yes, there will be t.a.'s again. I'd like to see more t.a.'s because even with the six that we have, students have trouble getting enough help."

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Spivey lamented the loss of small law firms and their inherent "big-brother" atmosphere. Long ago, he said, attorneys did not have to advertise because they were well taken care of in their firms.

Spivey is only one of a long list of distinguished speakers the Institute has attracted. Other noted speakers have included William J. Brotherton, '47 and '50, a justice on the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals;

Monroe Freedman, an expert in client confidentiality cases and lawyer advocacy; and Randy Bell, a justice on the South Carolina Court of Appeals.

Although most of the participants are alumni, the majority of the speakers are drawn from outside the University.

"We tap a lot of law school professors and say to them, 'Tell us some people that are doing good things in legal ethics,'" said Hanna.

The program then contacts these people and, more often than not, they are happy to join the Institute.

Minister teaches about women in the Bible

By Alice Harrell
Staff Reporter

For those women who are interested in learning about the women leaders and heroines of the Bible, there is a new weekly discussion group which focuses on that subject.

The group is led by Sally Robinson, a minister at Grace Episcopal Church.

Last Wednesday evening she led the group of nine students in its second meeting this year. The topic of discussion for that week was Miriam,

the sister of Moses, who was a respected leader of the Israelites.

Robinson and former R.E. Lee Memorial Episcopal Church minister Nancy Taylor first got the idea for such a group two years ago when W&L started admitting women.

"But because of our schedules, and being new women ourselves, we just couldn't find the time to get it started," Robinson recalls.

This year, Assoc. Dean of Students Anne Schroer suggested organizing the group.

She arranged for the Women's Center to be used as a meeting place.

At the first meeting Robinson tried

to get a basic idea from the students of what they thought the discussion group should entail.

It was generally agreed upon that, because a lot is expected from the female students here, they could probably identify with many of the female figures of biblical times who were under similar circumstances.

"...These women in the Scripture...were the best and brightest of their generation," said Robinson. "I proposed that idea and think that a chord struck there with what those characters might have to say [to women today]."

Sophomore Kristi Goodman was glad that such a group had finally

been organized. "It's just good to get some of the girls together...She (Robinson) is really in tune with young people...good at communicating."

"I like it a lot," commented junior Courtney Harpold, "because I don't know anything about women in the Bible."

She added that having a woman minister as a leader was an especially interesting aspect of the group.

Discussions are held every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Women's Center on the bottom floor of the University Center. All female students are encouraged to come.

General Notes

Juba and Swing

The music division of the Washington and Lee University department of fine arts will present a program of student instrumental ensembles at 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, in Lee Chapel. The public is invited to attend the program.

The five ensembles, a brass septet, clarinet trio, saxophone quintet, flute quintet and a percussion sextet, will perform works by Scheidt, Tchaikovsky, and Gershwin, and other composers. The groups will combine to form a wind ensemble of 26 members to perform the Impresario Overture of Mozart, Juba Dance by J. Nathaniel Dett, and the Washington and Lee Swing.

Bianconi will perform Mozart's Sonata in F Major, Schumann's Davidsbundertanze, Op. 6, Sonett 104 del Petrarca and Funerailles by Liszt, and Gaspard de la Nuit by Ravel.

All Concert Guild performances are open to the public. Single concert admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for senior citizens and non-W&L students. W&L students, faculty and staff are admitted free.

D.C. in spring

Students interested in 2 6-credit spring term internships with the Washington Semester Program in Washington, D.C., should see Prof. Connelly in Room 108 of the Commerce School.

Giving thanks

The Lexington Ministerial Association will sponsor its annual Community Thanksgiving Service on Wednesday, November 25 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Patrick's Church, 221 West Nelson Street in Lexington.

The speaker will be the Reverend David Cox, rector of the R.E. Lee Episcopal Church. There will be a reception following the service in the church basement.

For more information contact Robert J. de Maria, 463-4394.

Spirit award

The winners of the McDonald's Generals Spirit Award for the fall season were the Leprechauns captained by Paul Burke. In second place were the Phi Kap Skulls. In third place were the Athletic Supporters. In fourth place there was a tie between Fiji and the Coaches.

Silver sounds

The Washington and Lee University Concert Guild will present pianist Philippe Bianco, the silver medal winner of the Seventh Van Cliburn International Piano Competition, Tuesday, Dec. 1. Bianco will perform at 8 p.m. in Lee Chapel.

Piped marathon

The Met Marathon, a special four-hour prelude to the 1987-88 Texaco-Metropolitan Opera broadcast season, will be aired from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 28, over Washington and Lee University's radio station WLUR-FM (91.5).

Library

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erty is generally safe on the campus, but "we are not immune to those who are lacking the integrity inside or outside the W&L community."

There have been eight reports of missing items compared to the 15 reports last year, the security staff said.

"Crime is 95 percent opportunity and 5 percent motivation," said Datz.

Elizabeth Smith, a junior at W&L, said that she had a book bag taken, which had her checkbook and a few dollars in it. A \$33 check was later forged at a Lexington business.

Although her things were taken, she continues to use her carrel

because of necessity and because the library is a central location.

Sophomore Tina Vandersteel had a sterling silver picture frame taken off her carrel. She said she will not be leaving anything else on her carrel, but will continue to use it to study.

"We will address this issue and work in conjunction with the library staff and try to deter such activity," said Root.

He said that the E.C. tells the student body that this type activity will not be tolerated and if reports are passed on to the E.C., they will be investigated as possible honor violations, he said.

Root said he understands the library's concern for the problem and agrees that prospective students should not be misled to believe that W&L "is some type of utopia, because it is not."

Correction

An article in last week's Ring-tum Phi incorrectly said that Alpha Phi Omega will sponsor a fast on Thursday, Dec. 3 to raise

money for OxFam America. The 'fast for the hungry' will take place Tuesday, Dec. 1. The Phi regrets the error.

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Hoyas humble the Generals in finale

By Jim Lake
Staff Reporter

The Washington and Lee football Generals ended their 1987 season with a 28-14 loss to the Georgetown Hoyas Saturday on Wilson Field, leaving head coach Gary Fallon disappointed about the loss but not about the season overall.

"The players stayed together throughout the year, no matter what happened. They played with intensity in every game," said Fallon, whose teams have won more games than any other football coach in school history.

"I am disappointed with the loss and our final record (3-6), but that is not an indication of the way I feel about this team."

After a late arrival on the field, the Generals received the opening kickoff only to punt three plays later. In fact, most of the first quarter was an exchange of punts. The only scoring threat of the first period came on a missed field goal attempt by W&L freshman kicker Carter Quayle. The drive began when W&L linebacker Tom Skeen intercepted a pass by Hoya quarterback Matt Zebrowski but ended when the kick sailed wide from 28 yards out.

The Hoyas took over and, three plays into the second period, kicker

Tom Timperman put Georgetown on the scoreboard with a 39-yard field goal. The Hoyas led, 3-0, with 13:36 left in the first half.

After another exchange of punts, Quayle missed yet another field goal, this time from 42 yards out. The Hoyas took over but fumbled on first down, and the loose football was recovered by the Generals. W&L wasted no time in scoring, as sophomore quarterback Phil Sampson hit split end Hugh Finklestein on a 27-yard TD pass on first down. The first-year law student suffered a wrist injury on the play, however, and left the game for good. Quayle's extra point gave the Generals their first lead of the game, 7-3, with 6:02 remaining in the half.

The Hoyas drove 49 yards in 11 plays and pulled within one on a 26-yard Timperman field goal with 1:50 left in the second quarter. After a short W&L possession and a Skeen punt, the half ended on a missed 30-yard field goal attempt by Timperman, leaving W&L on top, 7-6.

Georgetown was a different and much better football team in the second half, outscoring W&L 22-7. The Hoyas received the opening kickoff and drove 76 yards in nine plays, including a 26-yard scoring pass from Zebrowski to tight end Joseph

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Senior Jay Gorlowski (76) and sophomore Mike Pack (43) make a sandwich out of Dean Lowry of Georgetown.

By Mathew Horridge/The Ring-tum Phi

Polo ends season on sour note

From Staff Reports

The Washington and Lee water polo team's dreams of playing in the NCAA championships were thwarted by its own "pensive" offense at the Eastern Championships Saturday and Sunday in Annapolis, Md.

The Generals, seeded fourth in the East, lost their opening game to fifth-seed Bucknell, 15-3, putting them out of contention. W&L later beat Army, 9-7, and lost to the University of Arkansas/Little Rock 8-6. The top two finishers in the Eastern Championships receive bids to play for the national championship.

"I am disappointed that we didn't give our best effort. Offensively we were not all there. We were just too pensive and not in the flow," said head coach Page Remillard.

W&L finished the year with a 24-6 record and won the Southern League Championship. "Unless you win the national championship there is always something you can look at which your team could have done better. We could have played better last weekend, but it does not take away from the great season we had," said Remillard.

Clark's effort earns regional honors

By Mike Shady
Sports Editor

For the Washington and Lee cross country program, last Saturday's South-Southeast Regional Championship at Christopher Newport College was an opportunity to show off some of its individual talent.

Junior Bill Clark of the men's team ran the eight-kilometer course in a personal best of 25:49, good enough for 15th place and all-South-Southeast honors. Freshman Paige Cason of the women's team took 21st place in a time of 19:38, good enough to once again lower her all-course school record.

"I was really pleased," said Clark. "I had my best time ever for eight kilometers. I guess I just went down there ready to run."

Clark defeated fellow teammate and senior co-captain Scott Rippeon for the first time this season. Rippeon was the General's No. 1 runner for every meet this season but, according to head coach Dick Miller, Rippeon was not quite 100 percent for the regional meet.

"Scott's been running the last couple of weeks with a little hamstring pull," said Miller. "Nothing serious. Bill just turned in the best performance he's ever turned in, that's all there is to it."

Rippeon finished 18th in 25:57 with

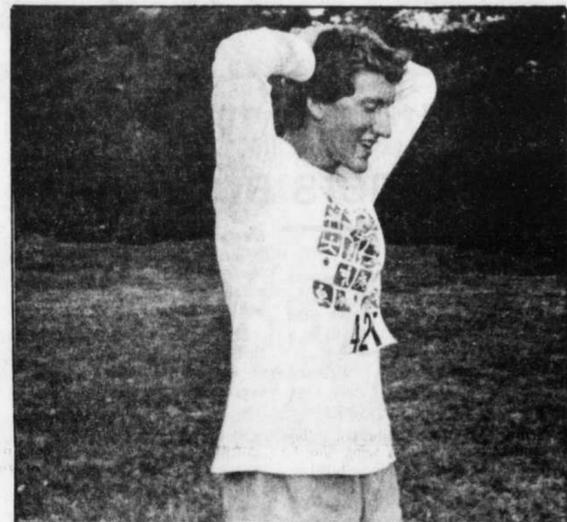
freshman Kennon Walthal (55th, 28:32) and seniors Richard Norris (59th, 28:38) and Joe Geitner (60th, 28:56) rounding out the scorers for W&L. The Generals finished eighth out of 12 teams in the team standings with American College of Puerto Rico the surprise winner of the region.

"Nothing happened. We just faced some better teams," said Miller. "This American College of Puerto Rico blew everybody away. Nobody expected that from them."

Miller was pleased with the General's season overall and is optimistic about next season. Clark echoed these sentiments.

"Next year we will be looking good," he said. "This year we started slow, but we got our act together when we ran against teams in the [Old Dominion Athletic Conference]."

For the women's team, Cason was the one who definitely had her act together. On the flat and fast course, Cason broke 20 minutes for the first time this season and was the ODAC's top finisher in the region. Freshman Shawn Wert (32nd, 20:54), junior Anne Geary (36th, 21:31) and freshmen Margaret Boyd and Pat Lopes (50th, 22:48 and 51st, 22:54 respectively) were the other scorers for the Generals. W&L finished seventh out of eight teams, well behind Mary Washington who won the meet.



By Perry S. Hayes/The Ring-tum Phi

Beat, but not beaten

Junior David Thompson looks beat after winning the I-M Turkey Trot.

Grapplers crank up for 87-88

By Gary McCullough
Staff Reporter

Washington and Lee's wrestling team is now starting to gear things up for the '87-'88 season. Although the bulk of the schedule will not occur until after Christmas break, there is a tournament following Thanksgiving break, and the team also competed in a tournament just last weekend.

The Generals went to Harrisonburg last Friday for a tournament with James Madison University and VMI. The team did pretty well overall with several individuals placing highly.

Senior John Lowe was the winner of the 134 lbs. weight division.

Sophomore John Bagwell placed first in the 150 lbs. division and senior Kevin McNamara, as well, won the 167 lbs. division. Senior Stephen Castle and sophomore Lee Garlove were runners-up in the 126 and 142 lbs. divisions, respectively, and freshman Richard Weinstein finished third in the 118 lbs. division. McNamara and Castle are the co-captains for the team this year.

The Generals will be competing in many more tournaments than actual one-on-one match-ups this season. The first tournament after Thanksgiving will be away at Lebanon Valley on Dec. 4-5. This tournament will have a large surplus of teams from the area, most of whom are Division III schools.

Canfield: Team will shoot the 3-pointer

By Mike Shady
Sports Editor

Changes. That's what's going to happen to the Washington and Lee basketball team in the upcoming season. Changes in offense, changes in attitude and, most importantly, changes in performance.

The Generals open their season this weekend by playing host in the W&L Tip Off Tournament, featuring teams from Newport News Apprentice, Wesley College and the University of the South.

Last season in college basketball, the NCAA passed the three-point shot rule, setting the distance at a measly 19'6". Last season, W&L head coach Verne Canfield said he didn't like the rule and wasn't going to incorporate the shot into his offense. Last season, the Generals watched as opposing teams buried three-pointers after three-pointers, resulting in W&L's 15-10 regular season record and an early first-round exit from post-season play.

This season, Canfield, starting his 24th year as head coach, has taken a 180-degree turn in his thinking about that little strip of tape on the Warner Center floor.

"We have designated three-point shooters," he said. "It's a very integral part of our offense. I've gone on record saying I don't like the rule, but we are going to deal with it because I really didn't coach well against it last year. We would like to make five to six three-pointers a game."

The change in offensive strategy is not the only alteration made in this year's squad. Canfield predicts that the personnel he puts on the floor is going to show more character and leadership.

"You'll see some guys playing with perhaps a little more heart," he said. "A little more of simple, basic wanting to win. That's extremely important to me right now—that we establish that attitude. I think we had some slippage in that area in the last couple of years."

One player that unquestionably showed character last year was Jefferson Harralson. Harralson, the team leader in scoring and rebounding, finished 11th on W&L's all-time scoring list with 1,219 points. Unfortunately for the Generals, Harralson picked up his diploma in June.

"You don't replace a player like Jefferson," said Canfield, "simply because he was a very fine athlete. I don't think any one person is going to do it. We've got to do it as a team, and that's more in line with our thinking. Good players come and go and you don't worry about replacing them, you worry about what you got."

The Generals have four seniors returning, with guard Steve Hancock the only player who started consistently. The other seniors are center Harmon Harden and forward Gary Schott, who are penciled in as probable starters, and center/forward Lou Troesch, who will see plenty of time coming off the bench. The other starters for W&L will be junior point guard Manny Klump and freshman forward Ed Hart.

As for the Old Dominion Athletic Conference, Canfield predicts the usual powers of Roanoke and Emory and Henry to be leading the pack, but is also looking out for the Scots from Maryville.

"Maryville will probably surprise everybody," he said. "They have got everybody back and three transfers who are 'impact' players." The Generals finished 4th in the conference a year ago with an 8-6 record.

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Hoyas

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Cesare. A two-point conversion pass from Zebrowski to split end Greg Adami gave the Hoyas a 14-7 lead.

After three plays by the W&L offense, Skeen again came into punt, and the Hoyas again put on a scoring drive. Georgetown traveled 77 yards in 13 plays to score on a one-yard carry by the Hoyas' all-time rushing leader, junior tailback Dean Lowry. Timperman's extra point gave Georgetown a 21-7 lead with 3:47 left in the third period.

But three great plays by junior running back Tony Waskiewicz put the Generals right back in the game. After freshman Mason Pope returned the Hoya kickoff to the W&L 33, Waskiewicz ran for fifteen yards on one play and 29 on the next. Two plays later, he scored on a 22-yard pass from Sampson. Quayle's kick pulled W&L to within seven with 2:15 left in the third quarter.

Georgetown was in possession and driving to begin the final period and scored with 13:13 left in the game on Lowry's second touchdown of the afternoon, a 39-yard pass from Zebrowski. Timperman's extra point put the Hoyas back up by 14.

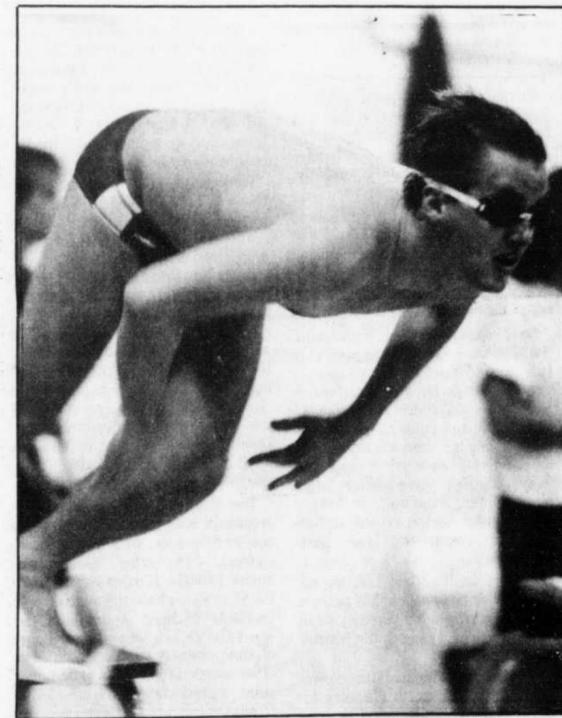
W&L had three more chances to try and cut into the Georgetown lead but fell short all three times. First, Sampson was intercepted by Hoya linebacker Joe Pecoraro with 9:16 left. The Generals second drive began after Zebrowski was intercepted by W&L freshman cornerback Clark Wight, but Sampson was sacked on first down and threw three incompletions.

The Hoyas took over on downs, ran three plays and punted. Sampson returned to face a first down at the W&L 34 with only 1:52 left. After driving to midfield, Fallon pulled most of his starters and ran out the clock.



Sophomore Phil Sampson throws downfield during the Generals' 28-14 loss to Georgetown.

By Mathew Horridge/The Ring-tum Phi



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Sophomore David Olson gets off to a fast start in last Tuesday's swimming meet.

Swimmers are ready

From Staff Reports

The 1986-87 season for both the Washington and Lee men's and women's swimming teams will be a hard act to follow.

The men's team had an 8-1 record and dominated the Tri-State Conference, beating second-place Frostburg by 125 points.

The women's team, in just its second year of operation and with just 10 swimmers on the roster, had a winning record (5-4) and a perfect Old Dominion Athletic Conference record (4-0).

In the freestyle sprints, W&L is blessed with a number of proven performers. Junior all-American Jeff Bercau, who was eighth in the 50-yard freestyle at the NCAA Championships a year ago, and junior David Reavy, an NCAA participant in 1987 and the school record holder in the 200-yard free (1:43.83), are two of many swimmers who will score points for W&L in those events.

The most experienced long-distance freestyle swimmer is junior Moose Herring, who owns W&L's second-best time in the 1000 (10:04.11) and third-best in the 1650 (16:55.90).

The backstroke events should also be a team strength with the return of sophomore all-American David

Olson, who placed seventh in the NCAA championships in the 200-yard backstroke last year. He holds the school record in both the 100 (54:04) and 200 (1:56.23).

The women will be entering year three as a team, but is already developing a winning tradition according to Remillard.

This year's team has 16 swimmers on the roster and seems to have an excellent balance for both dual and championship meets.

The most notable returnee is junior all-American Elizabeth Miles, who owns five school records. Miles earned her all-American award in 1986 in the long-distance freestyle events, but did not swim in last year's NCAA Championships because of a broken foot. This year she is fully recovered and ready to lead her team again.

Swimmers to watch are: sophomore Kris Amoroso, who holds the school records in the 100-yard back (1:07.14) and the 200-yard back (2:26.05); junior Nancy Whalen, who has the school record in the 50-yard free (27:06); sophomore Debbie Grove, who has school records in the 100-yard fly (1:06.60), the 200-yard fly (2:21.93), the 200-yard IM (2:20.72) and the 400-yard IM (5:01.72); and sophomore Heather Logan, who has the school record in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:15.14) and the 200-yard breaststroke.

Shades on sports

By Mike Shady

Sports Editor



Nice job, Mr. Chase

I like reading The Lexington News-Gazette's sports page because I like Sports Editor Doug Chase's column, "From the Sideline." Why? Well, because Mr. Chase has a rare talent—he's able to get personal with his audience without being boring and without sounding fake. Mr. Chase is genuinely interesting and sincere.

I wish I could say the same for those sports columnists at The Washington Post. Let me ask you one question: Have you ever noticed how one of those guys always writes a column on the Redskins' game? How many sidebars do you need for one football game? I want to know what these guys really think and feel about all sports, not whether or not they admire Jay Schroeder for his passing arm. The Post's problem is simple. Too much fluff, not enough stuff. Ken Denlinger, Thomas Boswell and Andrew Somethingorother (I can't even recall his last name, that's how memorable his writing is) have a bad habit of glossing over issues without really giving any opinions or arguments of substance.

Another gripe. What ever happened to a columnist's sense of humor? Is Sports Illustrated the only place where I can read something funny? The Philadelphia Inquirer is just as bad as The Post in this area. It's a game and funny things happen in a game. Why is everyone so damn serious all the time? Make me laugh, entertain me, do something to make me want to read your column. There's a time to be serious and a time to poke fun at people and situations. Be creative—Craig Neff's "Point After" in this week's SI is just some great creative writing. Curry Kirkpatrick's infamous "Me and my very good friends" story during the NBA championships was pure gold. Let's see some more of this kind of writing.

Which brings me back to my original point about Mr. Chase. He experiments. He is willing to take chances. He is, bottom line, fun to read. That piece on his childhood friend breaking the 100-meter dash world record? Great stuff. Surprising, isn't it? Sometimes it's not the "big-time" sports writer but the guy in your own backyard that successfully touches his readers. Writing a column (for me, at least) is one of the more enjoyable aspects of working for a newspaper. It's a chance to be yourself. Mr. Chase is himself. Denlinger, Boswell, What'shisname, Bill Lyons and Frank Dolson (of The Inquirer) just don't see to be as natural or as honest. Mr. Chase, I'm impressed.

NOTES—In last week's Phi, men's cross country runner Richard Moore was reported to have the "shingles," a virus that also is associated with the chicken pox. Although Moore did have the virus, The Phi's story somewhat exaggerated the extent to which Moore contracted the illness. Moore did not have the virus "break out all over" his body but, instead, was infected only on a small area on his chest. The Phi just wants to clarify the situation... William Perry does not deserve to play in the NFL. He is overrated, fat and a disgrace to the game of football. On Monday night, Perry maliciously pulled the facemask of a Denver running back, spinning the player 180 degrees and then giving an extra tug for good measure after the play was over. Couple that with Perry's body slam of Neil Lomax last season and you have an extremely dangerous 300-pound plus person running loose in the NFL...Another comment on the Perry incident. All three of ABC's broadcasters, Al Michaels, Frank Gifford and Dan Dierdorf, wimped out. I expected at least one of them to come out and say that Perry should have been ejected from the game. But, as usual, guts are not to be found in that broadcasting booth...Congratulations to the W&L water polo team for its great performance this season. The disappointing showing in the Eastern Championships should not mar what was an exciting and spectacular fall...

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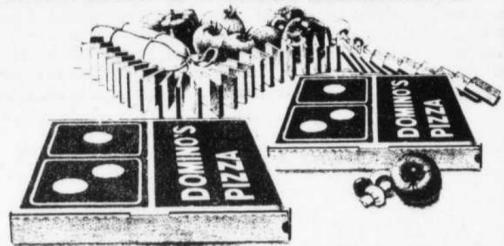
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8 p.m. — CONCERT GUILD: Philippe Bianconi, pianist. Lee Chapel. Public invited.

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