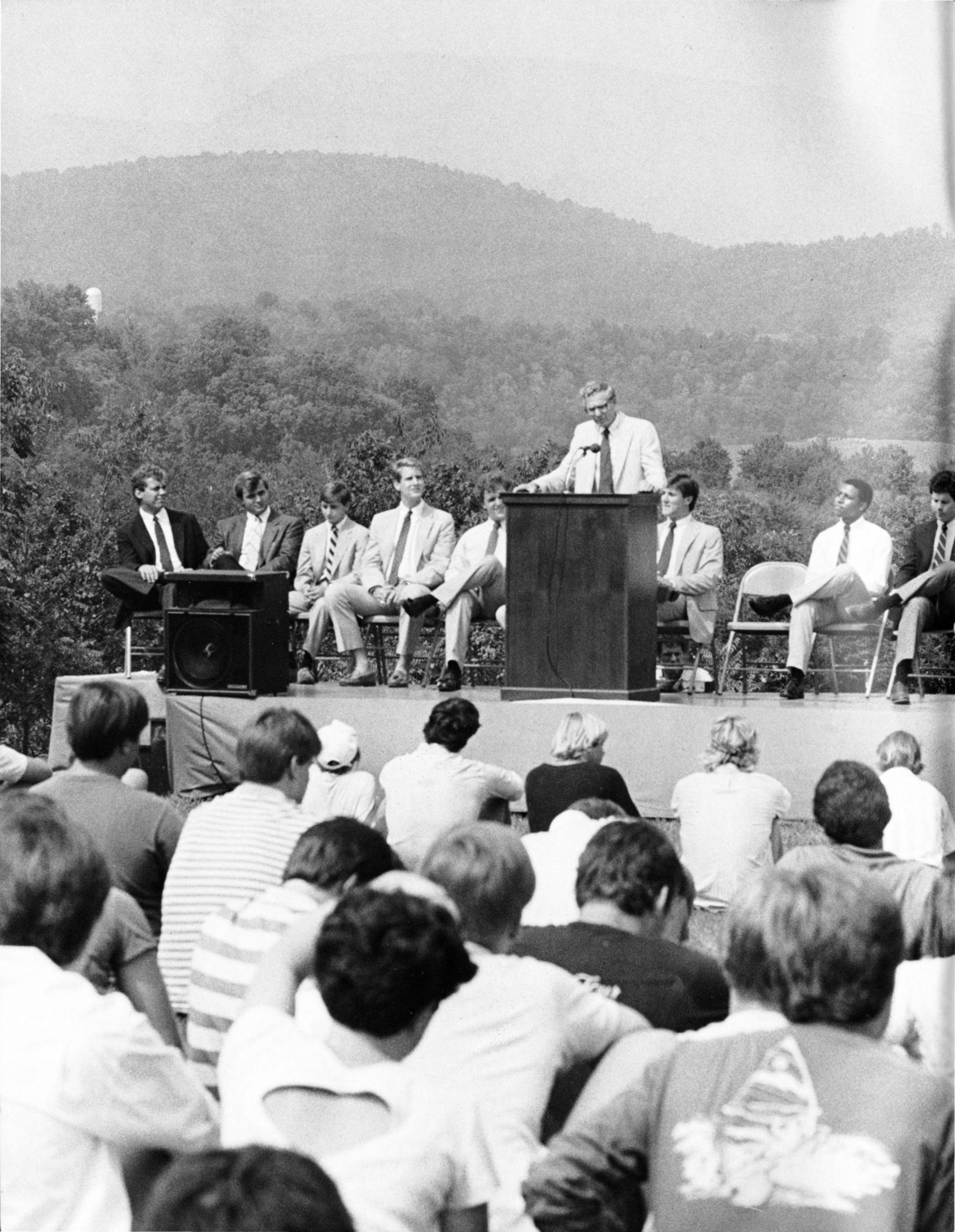


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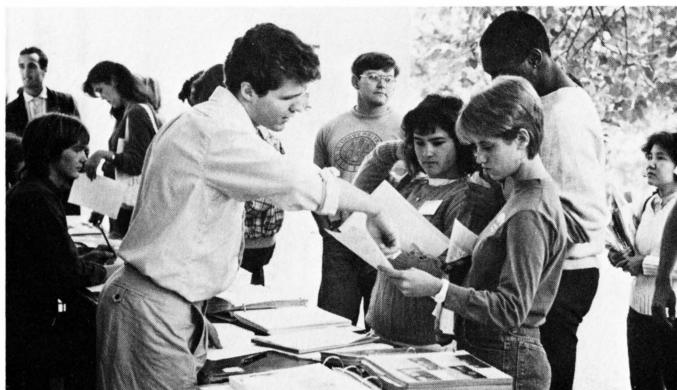
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# A Grand Entrance

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*The Class of 1989 Ushers in a New Era*

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The heat and humidity were oppressive. The television cameras and newspaper reporters were omnipresent. The questions and the answers were predictable.

Moving-In Day for Washington and Lee's Class of 1989 was, at least in some respects, less than typical.

And yet, in most respects, the University's first coeducational undergraduate class made a routine entrance on the second Sunday in September.

There were trunks to be carted up dormitory steps. And curtains to be hung. There were stereos to be installed.

And roommates to be greeted. There were bare walls to be covered with posters. And window fans to be purchased.

Had it not been for the media attention accompanying the occasion, the arrival in Lexington of 406 freshmen would have been remarkable primarily because it was so normal.

But the media representatives were hard to avoid, let alone ignore. When he addressed parents of the entering freshmen in Lee Chapel, W&L President John D. Wilson took note of the television cameras that were eavesdropping on

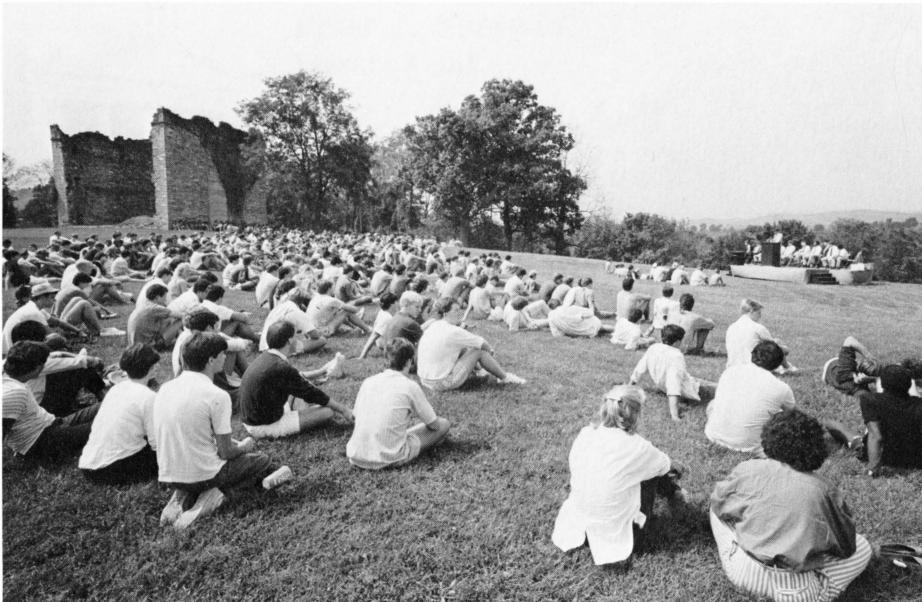
the proceedings and elicited laughter from the parents by telling them: "If you don't wish to comment on the historical significance of your 17-year-old going off to college, you don't have to."

By the first day of orientation some of the freshmen—particularly many of the 105 women students—had been interviewed (and photographed) so often they were as comfortable in front of the cameras and microphones as the interviewers.

In addition to the state and area media, the University's change was the subject of stories on the national wire



Freshman Katherine Nelligan (right) of Lynchburg is interviewed on Moving-In Day.



For the second year in a row freshmen were introduced to the University's Honor System in a session held near Liberty Hall.

services and in *USA Today*. (See box)

The attention had not been unexpected. When the W&L Board of Trustees made its decision in favor of coeducation on July 14, 1984, newspaper accounts of that event appeared as far away as Paris and London—a fairly clear indication that there was considerable interest in the transition.

In the 13½ months between the decision and the arrival of the first undergraduate women, the University experienced a remarkable increase in applications—a 76 percent jump over the previous year. Admissions officials traced some of that increase to the high public profile that the University enjoyed in the aftermath of the coeducation decision.

But while the admissions office was busier than ever selecting the first coeducational undergraduate class, committees on the campus were equally busy planning for its arrival.

Physical changes to the campus were held to a minimum: locker-rooms were remodeled in the gymnasium, lighting was improved on the campus, adjustments were made to the dormitories.

Many of the changes were less visible. Among those was a revised orientation program. Although not quite a return to the bygone days of freshman camp at Natural Bridge, elements were added to the week-long orientation in an effort to build a sense of class identity and to instill an appreciation for the University's rich history and traditions. The revisions in orientation had been planned for some



As usual, registration was a process of standing in lines and filling out forms.

time; it was a happy coincidence that they were implemented this year.

One new feature was a historical sketch by University Historian Taylor Sanders. Addressing the class from in front of the Lee Chapel, Sanders used four campus landmarks—Ol' George, the Cyrus McCormick statue, the tomb of Jockey John Robinson, and Lee Chapel—to illustrate the various phases of Washington and Lee's development.

Concluded Sanders: ". . . our University, like our campus, continues to evolve. Like a crusty old snake beside a



Freshmen examine *The Ring-tum Phi* at the Alumni Association's picnic.

stone wall, we seem constantly to be sloughing off old skin and emerging something new, yet still basically the same. The core goes deeper than mere tradition. We remain an independent small school, a friendly school, but with the broad offerings of a university. We champion academic achievement and competition, but always shaped by collegiality and courtesy. We encourage independence among students, whom we expect will excel in all areas of life as alumni. . . And at our very heart is honor."



University Historian Taylor Sanders presented a historical sketch of Washington and Lee at one of the sessions during the orientation program.

Another feature added to this year's orientation was a freshman class picnic, which was sponsored by the Alumni Association and featured remarks by Trustee A. Christian Compton, '50, Virginia Supreme Court Justice, who described the intangible concept he called "the Washington and Lee Experience" to the new students.

"This so-called 'Experience' is unlike any that you could have at any other college in America. The experience is real and not illusory. It will have a positive, lasting effect on your lives," said Compton.

Central to that experience, Compton said, is the Honor System, which is "a viable force that is central to every student relationship; it is not a mere platitude."

Compton told the freshmen that, "as a direct result of the rich intellectual development that you acquire here . . . you will have an intellectual self-esteem that is unique to graduates of Washington and Lee. This will not manifest itself in an air of superiority as you relate to others with whom you come in contact. Instead, it will be a personal sense of satisfaction with your intellectual and social experiences here—a sense of well-being, if you will, as the result of having received a superior liberal arts education that can serve as the springboard for any future endeavor."

There were other innovations in this year's orientation program—a "Mocktail Party," part of the University's ongoing alcohol awareness program, an Adventure Weekend of activities such as spelunking and hiking sponsored by the Army ROTC program, and a series of "initiative games" to build camaraderie.

Those activities were interspersed with the more traditional orientation fare—registering with faculty advisors, taking placement tests, and receiving an introduction to the Honor System.

By mid-week the 90-degree temperatures and the reporters both departed. Cooler fall weather and upperclass students returned. Fraternities began their annual rush activities; freshmen started selecting their classes; the tranquility of a Lexington summer quickly gave way to the comparative bustle of the school year.

And by the first day of classes, the questions turned from coeducation to the drop-add procedures.

Finally, the fanfare had ended for the Class of 1989, and their lives as Washington and Lee undergraduates had begun.

## From the Press Clippings

### *Roanoke Times & World-News*

September 9, 1985

"I didn't really choose the school because Dad went here," Cathy Boardman said of her father, John K. Boardman Jr., '51. Rather, she said, it was because W&L's admissions staff made her feel more "comfortable" than those anywhere else. She wanted a small school. "The campus is gorgeous, the people are nice. It just felt right."

### *Richmond News-Leader*

September 9, 1985

Robert H. Manson, a freshman from the Richmond area, said he likes the decision to admit women, but "it didn't have any bearing" on his attending W&L. "It's much more relaxed than just with guys," said Manson, a graduate of Douglas Southall Freeman High School in Henrico County. "It will be interesting to have girls around. It will be interesting to see how it works out the first year."

### *The Washington Post*

September 16, 1985

"I toured all over the East Coast: UNC, Duke, Dartmouth, Harvard, Vanderbilt, U-Va," said freshman Lucy Anderson of Houston, great-niece of a former trustee. "I wanted a rural campus because the urban ones are so ugly; I wanted a small school, because there is more personal attention; I wanted good academics and I wanted that sense of history . . . ."

### *USA Today*

September 16, 1985

Alumnus Bill Ford of Atlanta, Class of 1961, has mixed feelings: "I said to the school, 'Don't do it, but if you're going to do it, hurry up in time for Dee.' "

They did, and this fall his daughter, Delia, enters as a freshman.

# Why W&L?

## *Four Freshmen Explain Their Choice of a College*

*No other college in America experienced a greater surge in applications a year ago than Washington and Lee did. The numbers were impressive indeed: 2,639 men and women applied for a 76 percent increase over the previous year; 886 applicants, or 33 percent of the applicant pool, were offered admission; 423 of those offered admission accepted the University's offer. On Sept. 9, 408 freshmen arrived in Lexington to begin the orientation process for the Class of 1989.*

*Moreover, all the standard measures of quality—high school grades and class standing, standardized test scores—increased dramatically in comparison with the past several years. Too, the Class of '89 displayed a remarkable diversity in interest and talents outside the classroom and in the leadership roles individual members of the class had taken during their secondary school years.*

*What caused them to choose Washington and Lee?*

*The Alumni Magazine asked four of the entering freshmen to reflect on their decision. Their individual stories follow.*

**Peter J. Sherwin**  
**Fresno, Calif.**

*Washington and Lee is composed of more than just faculty, students, and buildings. . .*



*Sherwin graduated from Bullard High School in Fresno, Calif., where he acted in German and French plays and won several awards for his participation on his school's forensics team.*

Like most recent high school graduates, I was plagued this summer with questions concerning my future. Usually the responses were easily found, yet there was one question with which I had difficulty: why did I choose Washington and Lee?

It would have been simple enough for anyone else to answer, but I was not exactly sure what in particular had drawn me to W&L. When I finally decided to find out what that special thing was, I was amazed at what I discovered.

I looked first at the traditional and historical aspects of the University. I realized that her firm grasp upon the past enables her to deal with the present and prepare for the future. That history, though, is significant in its own right, because Washington and Lee is composed of more than just faculty, students, and buildings; history helped greatly in making her what she is today. I recognized that all these things were important, yet this was not what convinced me to attend W&L.

I knew that I had looked for a university that had high scholastic standards and had the respect of the academic community. Also necessary were good chemistry and language departments, along with a strong study abroad program. I found these and more, for I was most impressed by the fact that I could study for bachelor of science and bachelor of arts degrees simultaneously, receiving both in about five years. Yet, this was not the deciding factor either.

The Best Products Scholarship I received from Washington and Lee was also a consideration; the money itself was rather nice, but the recognition was more important to me. Certainly, many other schools had scholarships for those in financial need or those involved in varsity sports, but W&L was the only school I looked at that was willing to reward a student for academic achievement. Once again, though, I knew this was not quite why I chose Washington and Lee.

Since tradition, academics, and many other things were not that one particular item that influenced me over all the others, I thought that maybe the people of Washington and Lee made up my mind in the end. I considered this because during my short visit in mid-March, I saw the friendliness of the students, the interest of the professors and administrators, and the hospitality of everyone. These qualities did not even disappear when I returned home, for there I met an alumnus who was more than kind to me, and showed me that Washington and Lee produces gentlemen, not just economists, lawyers, doctors, and business leaders.

Finally, when I looked at all these separate items, what amazed me was that they all could have been found in other

schools in varying degrees and different combinations. Yet nowhere were they combined as they were at Washington and Lee. I realized that the uniqueness of this University did not lie in any one factor, but instead in the singular combination of them all. I know now that this is why I could choose no other school but Washington and Lee.

**Valerie Pierson**  
**Greensboro, N.C.**

*. . . I felt that, at W&L, I would not merely be a number in a classroom.*



Pierson is a graduate of Southeast Senior High School in Greensboro, N.C., where she was an honor student, a varsity tennis player, a member of the National Honor Society, secretary of the student council, and coordinator of Teenagers Against Drinking/Drugs.

As the daughter of a Washington and Lee alumnus, I had quite naturally harbored a keen interest in the University since childhood. Needless to say, I never really expected to be eligible to enroll at Washington and Lee as an undergraduate since it had always been exclusively for men. I was most excited to learn of the decision for coeducation, and I decided to take a closer look at my father's alma mater in order to determine not only what Washington and Lee had to offer me, but what I, in turn, might be able to offer Washington and Lee.

As I examined these thoughts, I was immediately impressed by the reputation Washington and Lee had established for academic excellence. Both the outstanding faculty and the highly qualified student body had, through the years, demonstrated themselves to be leaders in the academic field. Furthermore, the alumni of Washington and Lee had proven themselves in the "real world" by the numerous successes encountered in their respective careers.

In addition, Washington and Lee's size had allowed for the development of close friendships between the faculty and the students. Unlike most of the large universities, the professors at Washington and Lee were available outside the classroom for help on an individual basis should the need arise. This facet of the educational process was especially appealing to me because I felt that, at W&L, I would not merely be a number in a classroom; rather, many of my professors would be interested not only in my intellectual development, but also in my growth as a person.

One particular factor that favorably influenced my decision was the existence of the Honor System. Administered solely by the students, this system had played a vital role in maintaining the atmosphere of mutual trust, honor, and faith characteristic of Washington and Lee. In my opinion, this type of atmosphere has created an ideal learning environment.

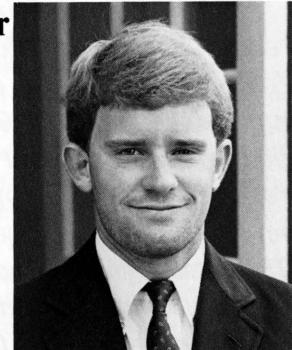
As a member of the first coeducational class, I knew I would find an additional challenge; this challenge will be to help pave the way for future female undergraduates. This prospect is both exhilarating and frightening: exhilarating

because of the chance to be a kind of pioneer and frightening because of the possible negative reception by students, faculty, alumni, and others associated with Washington and Lee. After careful consideration, I decided that the challenge of being part of the rapid and constructive changes occurring at Washington and Lee was one that I wanted to accept. In fact, the relative uncertainty of the tradition ultimately served to increase its appeal.

These are some of the concrete reasons for my decision to choose Washington and Lee. There was, however, an additional contributing factor, which was less clearly defined. Perhaps it was the sense of belonging that I felt as I walked the paths so many before me had walked. Perhaps it was the challenge to establish new paths for the young women who will matriculate in future years. Or perhaps it was the gleam of pride in my father's eye as he referred to his years as a "mink." This intangible quality had created the aura of Washington and Lee that persuaded me to become part of the W&L experience.

**Donald C. Schaeffer**  
**Lexington, Ky.**

*Washington and Lee offers one of the best East Asian Studies programs in the country. . .*



Schaeffer is a resident of Lexington, Ky., and a graduate of Armand Hammer Union World College in Montezuma, N.M. He was a member of the National Honor Society and an Honor Roll student, won varsity letters in golf, soccer, and basketball, was editor of his school yearbook, and served as president of the Key Club.

Before I received my acceptance from the admissions office, I returned to Washington and Lee in March to take a closer look at the facilities and to talk with students and faculty. My visit in the summer of 1983 was unsatisfactory because the campus was empty; I needed another look.

The enthusiasm of my interviewer, Bennett Ross, and the availability on short notice of Dean [Edward] Atwood of the School of Commerce, Economics, and Politics, and Professor [Roger] Jeans of the history department to discuss my academic goals helped me narrow my choice. I was also taken with the congeniality of students who took the time to fill me in on things not mentioned in the catalogue, such as certain aspects of social life. The tradition of academic excellence, a friendly atmosphere, a low student-faculty ratio, and access to the outdoors finally resulted in my decision to attend W&L.

My experiences at the Armand Hammer United World College in New Mexico spawned an interest in international affairs, especially in the Orient where our economic ties are very strong. Washington and Lee offers one of the best East Asian Studies programs in the country, unusually strong for a small university, and that program fit my plans to pursue a career in international business. During the next few decades, as China opens her doors and Japan becomes a key economic

partner in the world, I think the benefits of the East Asian Studies program will come in handy.

Comparing my experiences in a large, public high school in Kentucky and a small, private, international school in New Mexico, I discovered what a difference a low student-faculty ratio made in my development both in and out of the classroom. My teachers' sincere interest in my academic progress made me feel like an individual rather than just another face. Outside the classroom, I developed close friendships with faculty members; this past summer I spent three weeks in Europe, including 10 days behind the Iron Curtain, with the international school's science lab coordinator, and had a great time. I sensed that the faculty at W&L had a similarly good rapport with the students.

Although Virginia does not offer the same intense downhill and cross-country skiing I enjoyed in New Mexico, the Shenandoah Valley allows escape on occasional weeks to go white-water rafting, fishing, and camping. My wilderness experiences in the Rockies provided relief from the academic pressure; I'm sure I'll enjoy the Virginia mountains in their own special way. I hope others take advantage of the accessible outdoors to maximize their W&L experience.

Tradition played a role in my decision to attend W&L. My father (Ed Schaeffer, '52), I must say, could not hide his enthusiasm when I initially applied. However, the choice was mine. In retrospect, my labor spent trying to find the right college was worth the effort. Although the school is now moving into the coeducation phase, I am certain W&L will maintain its old traditions, and I am looking forward to my next four years.

## Erin Cosby Vienna, Va.

*I appreciated the fact that W&L dealt with me as an individual.*



Cosby was an honor roll student at Oakton High School in Vienna, Va. She was a member of the Keyettes and the yearbook staff and was listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students.

During the past 10 years, I had envisioned a future which included four years at the University of Virginia. Although I had never set foot on the UVA campus, I heard wonderful accounts of the school's reputation.

My definite projection changed, however, toward the end of my junior year in high school when I developed an interest in both journalism and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. These new interests created increasing confusion in my college plans.

As time passed, I worried about my indecision until finally I sought my father's opinion. Dad limited his response to a simple listing of each school's relative benefits. He also named

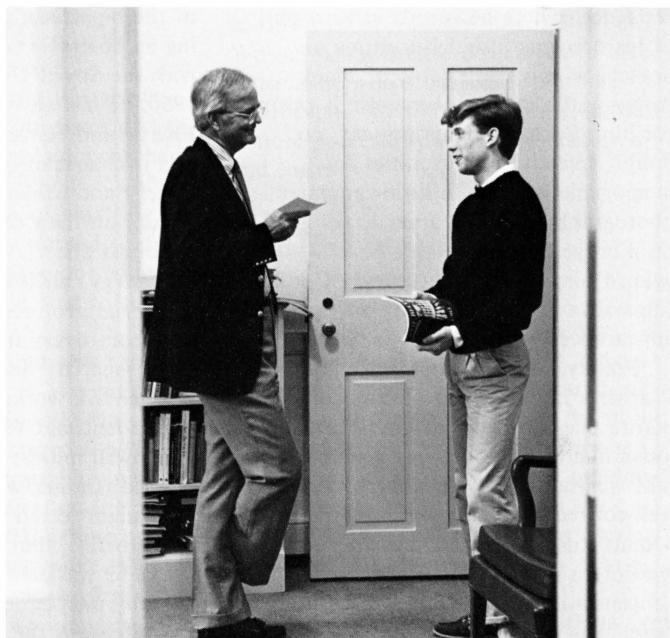
his personal college favorites, including a university named Washington and Lee.

My father's endorsement of Washington and Lee was especially significant coming as it did from a graduate of two W&L rivals, Hampden-Sydney College and the University of Virginia law school. I took little note of his talk until he mentioned that W&L intended to admit women the next year. Half-jokingly, I raised my eyebrows, commented on the male-female ratio, and asked my father to schedule an interview. Once that interview was arranged, I found myself en route to Lexington last November.

Nearing W&L, I found that I failed to share my father's enthusiasm. Yet, when I arrived at the brick walkway leading to the Colonnade, I immediately realized that I should give Lexington a second thought. After a relaxing and entertaining interview and a student-led tour, I knew I wanted to spend my college days at W&L. The students were friendly, the grounds were beautiful, and the administration was extremely personable and supportive through my entire application process. I appreciated the fact that W&L dealt with me as an individual.

Although I applied to the University of Virginia, the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, and Dartmouth in addition to Washington and Lee, I decided that after spending 12 years in a public school system, I might enjoy a more intimate learning environment. My concern about being one of the first W&L women undergraduates played a minor role in my choice. I am not a feminist hoping to carry the women's movement on my coattails through the doors of Washington and Lee. By the same token, I am not a boy-crazy girl looking for a husband. Strangely enough I sympathize with those alumni, faculty, and male students who resent the new women students.

W&L is a special place as a result of its rich tradition and heritage. Nonetheless, I am thrilled to have the opportunity to attend Washington and Lee—not as a woman, but as a person anticipating spending four years in a wonderful atmosphere and developing into a well-rounded adult.



John Elrod (left), dean of the College, greets freshman Peter Sherwin.

# The Senators

*Warner, Trible, Johnston 'On the Moon'*

by Robert Fure

**T**he monument to the dead and missing American soldiers of the Vietnam War, in this city of proud and lustrous perpendicularity, is the most subdued of memorials. A low, triangular series of black granite tablets, the monument does not rise into the air but sits within the contour of a gentle slope like a fault in the earth, as if a groundswell in the nation's grief had suddenly dropped away to reveal a stark, simple testament. The tablets are inscribed with the names of the lost American servicemen, all of them, and only their names.

You cannot look at these tablets without your throat hurting. The names upon names. For diversion, then, you can study the faces of passersby—noisy children on school outings; solitary men in their 30s and 40s, their jaws set; elderly couples strolling by in mild bewilderment; and those family members who have found the particular name and rub the broadside of a pencil point back and forth across a piece of paper placed over the name until that is what they have.

Were it not for the temporary signs pointing the way—signs that seem almost a violation of the monument's eloquent muteness—the Vietnam Memorial might well be hard to find. It lies in a slight hollow amid trees, a mere stone's throw from the west end of the long reflecting pool below the Lincoln Memorial. Enthroned within its white marble shrine, the great statue of Lincoln gazes out across the pool toward the Capitol some two and a half miles distant. To some it may seem that Lincoln's enormous visage has a new heaviness, as if mindful that now another legion of tragic war dead lay at his feet. For them, his measured words of peace and union, carved into the walls around him, have assumed a new resonance.

To the left of the Capitol, just out of view in the hazy distance, are the Senate Office Buildings. The three Washington and Lee alumni who are United States Senators have offices there.

## John W. Warner, '49

**T**he Republican Senator from Virginia lists as his other occupations lawyer and farmer. This is to say, "gentleman farmer"—Warner has a nice spread outside Middleburg, Va., his permanent residence, where he spends at least part of his precious little leisure time on horseback surveying herds of Black Angus cattle that someone else is raising for him. Such moments present, no doubt, splendid opportunities for memorable imagery, a little campaign photography. John Warner looks good on a horse. This shouldn't be held against him, for it is the curse of politicians always to be "making an appearance."

Plainly, one must deal with John Warner's rather theatrical handsomeness before one can begin to know him. He looks like a television soap opera senator: tall, well-tailored, with a thick shock of well-coiffed gray hair over a strong, Mount Rushmore face. His deep-set dark eyes often narrow into a cast of troubled concentration, a scowl of intense purpose. It is as if Warner had borrowed his expression from the American eagle.

But the purpose is there, after all, and it is weighty. Now in his second term, Sen. Warner is the second-ranking Republican on the Senate Armed Services Committee and chairman of its Subcommittee on Strategic and Theater Nuclear Forces. Currently he is co-chairman of the Nunn-Warner Working Group on Nuclear Risk Reduction and is a member of the bipartisan group of Senators serving as observers to the arms control talks with the Soviet Union in Geneva. Since 1980, he has also been a member of the Energy and Natural Resources Committee and is chairman of its Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources. He serves as well on the Committee on Rules and Administration.

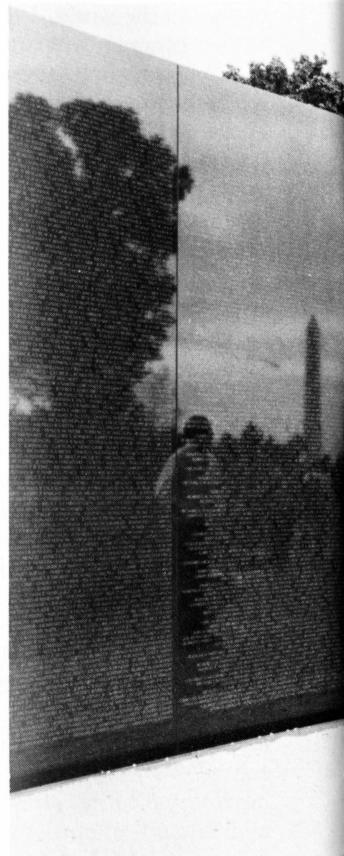
Energy, nuclear weaponry, and senatorial propriety—responsibility for such controversial issues would exhaust lesser men. By his ready admission, Warner is a workaholic. Washington correspondent and W&L classmate Charley McDowell muses, "When John Warner phoned (former wife) Liz Taylor night after night to tell her he had to work late at the office, that's no doubt exactly where he was. He's one of the hardest-working people on the Hill."

Defense is the key issue. Warner entered the Senate with a background in

national security and foreign affairs, as if he had been training in his top priority for years. His interest in the military began at the age of 17 when he left high school to volunteer for the Navy near the end of World War II. After his release in 1946, he entered Washington and Lee, taking his B.S. degree in basic engineering in 1949. A year later he re-entered the service, this time in Korea as a Marine.

After a successful career as a lawyer, Warner went to work for the Department of Defense, first as Under Secretary of the Navy from 1969 to 1972 and then as Secretary of the Navy from 1972 to 1974. As administrator of the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration from 1974 to 1976, Warner stayed at home more or less on dry land. This quintessentially patriotic chore enhanced his popularity in conservative Virginia. His run for the Senate in 1978, however, succeeded only after his party's nominee was killed in a plane crash. With Liz Taylor's quixotic assistance and a campaign treasury three times the size of his Democratic opponent's, Warner managed a narrow victory.

But his re-election in 1984 was resounding. By then he had clearly established a reputation among the





general electorate for hard work, intelligent pragmatism on defense issues, effective management of Virginia's economic interests, and a compassionate concern for victims of the nation's energy crisis—he sponsored successful legislation to provide federal assistance for heating oil to low-income families.

Warner's office in the Russell Building on Capitol Hill is a jumble of 18th-century American portraits, Bicentennial memorabilia, ship models, flags, eagles, and, across the long table that serves as his desk, piles of books and thick file folders. It's a little bit like a college boy's political dream—the position and power, lots of really neat stuff, but with all the serendipitous clutter of a dormitory room.

Among the objects most precious to Warner are the gold medals, encased in lucite, won by his father at W&L. The younger Warner attended W&L on the G.I. Bill and helped defray the cost of his education by summer employment and work as his fraternity's house manager. He remembers Roger Mudd, his classmate and fellow native Washingtonian—"We were almost fraternity brothers." And Mudd remembers Warner: "Yes, I knew John well. He spent his first summer back here in

Washington working as a hod carrier. Then he met Catherine Mellon (his first wife). I don't believe he ever carried bricks again."

Warner has warm recollections of Mudd, Charley McDowell, Freddy Vinson, Ed Gaines, Bryan Bell, and Pat Robertson, the evangelist—"His lifestyle now is somewhat different from what it was back in those days."

Warner's favorite W&L professors were Dr. Bean in history and Dr. Dickey in physics. He remembers "the tremendous human contact of the deans and the faculty with the W&L students who had come back from World War II," adding: "They were so conscious of what the veterans had done. They wanted to do everything possible to make our education profitable, enjoyable, and to see to it that we all graduated."

Among his W&L chums was Linwood Holton, later Governor of Virginia. Warner kicks back in his tall senatorial chair and drawls, "He busted a paddle across my butt during fraternity initiation; we've been the closest of friends ever since." Laughter. "He came up for the ceremony when I was sworn in as Secretary of the Navy, and we got to reminiscing about how we were impoverished in the old days at school and

living on the fourth floor of the frat house while the more affluent boys were living on the first and second floors, and here I was head of the world's largest navy, and Linwood was Governor of Virginia, and where were they?"

Warner never did carry bricks again.

But what is life in Washington like for the Senator? "Well, I've lived in and around Washington and Northern Virginia all my life. I practiced law here, worked in the Pentagon for five years, and I understand how the city functions, the power structures, the political structures. It's old hat to me." Does the city seem to him his hometown, his community? "At one time it did, when I was raising my three children, but they're all grown and gone now. I still see my mother quite often—she's now, what, 96 years old. But now it's just my farm in Virginia. Every chance I have to get out of here that's where I go. The only social life I have in the city is the one necessitated by my office. Still, the periods of solitude are very brief."

Warner, the workaholic, reflects, "Solitude is while I'm sleeping." He smiles. "Bob Dole observed the other day that some of the best work we do in the Senate is not while we're standing up."

The next day, still upright, Warner was off to Alabama. A few days later, the former W&L Trustee raced down to campus to deliver the School of Law's commencement address. Shortly thereafter he was off to Oxford University to lecture on nuclear risk reduction, then Brussels, Geneva, and the Soviet Union.

It is a life of huff, puff, and bother to this man of military might. But Sen. Warner has a tireless dedication to his cause. The words trail after him like hoofbeats—"to work, hopefully, towards a more peaceful world for my children and theirs."

## Paul Trible, '71L

**T**he junior Senator from Virginia, Republican Paul Trible, has his quarters in the new, modestly elegant Hart Senate Office Building. He shrugs off the irony: as a member of the House of Representatives, Trible had opposed the building as too extravagant. But once in the Senate, Trible needed a place to set up housekeeping. His conscience is clear—somebody had to use it.

To get to Trible's suite of offices, you pass through security on your way into

an immense atrium of glass and polished marble. It's sort of echoey. Trible's offices are on the fifth floor overlooking the atrium. The reception office is homely and small, with two secretaries answering correspondence; the large main office has a whole battery of secretaries clattering away; Trible's own room is grandly handsome, furnished and flagged the way you'd think a Senator's office should be, but with one tiny, touching exception: Behind Trible's desk, taped to the glass of an enormous gilt-framed mirror, are children's drawings. *Ecce homo.*

Trible won his Senate seat on the first try in 1982 at age 35. Capitol Hill had been his home since 1976, however, when at age 29 he became the First District of Virginia's only Republican representative in this century. So, although Virginia's "junior" Senator, Trible has worked in Congress actually longer than John Warner has. He points this out quietly while acknowledging that, yes, he is about the youngest Senator currently in office—no, the second youngest, but the youngest Virginian ever.

He continues softly, "I am the 1,555th American to serve in the United States Senate. Very few Americans and even fewer Virginians have been afforded the opportunity to help shape the life of this nation and the life of this world. That's an incredible opportunity to have an impact for good." Trible makes such statements without vanity or guile, apparently without wishing to seem remarkable, only serious about his patriotic task.

His political genius lies in organization and in consolidating the generally conservative but nonetheless manifold interests of his constituency. Trible is a congenial conversationalist, but in a public interview, he tends to speak slowly in lofty, cumulous paragraphs:

"I have a central core of ideas about our nation and where we should go. To that end I believe that we ought to put our economic house in order to ensure economic growth and jobs and opportunities for future generations. But my primary focus is defense and foreign policy. In the House of Representatives I served on the Armed Services Committee; in the Senate I serve on the Foreign Relations Committee. I feel passionately that America is the leader of the free world, that we have a solemn responsibility to promote peace and freedom. Virginians have always believed that freedom is the birthright of all people and that progress against poverty is greatest and peace most

secure where people are free. The forces of tyranny are on the march around the world, and America must hold that light of freedom high in a world where people ought to be free to love God, and to dream dreams, and to make themselves happy."

Trible acknowledges that all of that is tough on a freshman Senator, tougher than he thought it would be after six years in the House. "Every good Congressman tries to work 25 hours a day, but a Senator, by virtue of the fact that he's one of only 100 and must represent an entire state, has a lot more responsibility and things to do each day. I thought I'd have a lot more opportunity to get to know my colleagues. Not true, and the reason for that is we're all so overwhelmed by the demands of public office."

Trible has two children, a girl eight and a boy five, with his wife Rosemary, a former America Junior Miss whom Trible courted at Sweet Briar. How does the family cope with the Senator's schedule? "Well, I have a loving and understanding family who are very much a part of this public life. But I think the hardest thing for me is to reconcile my responsibilities as a Senator with my responsibilities as a father and husband, and I take all of those responsibilities seriously. Obviously, I don't have all the time I want for my family. That is a very difficult aspect of public life."

In addition to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Trible is a member of the Commerce and Small Business committees. He is extremely attentive to his constituents, maintaining three regional offices and firing off a newsletter at regular, frequent intervals. He also maintains a close working partnership with Sen. Warner, with whom he shares a quite similar philosophy of government and a "warm and cordial personal relationship."

Trible is eager to describe how his education at Washington and Lee and Hampden-Sydney, where he earned his B.A. in 1968, helped him form values critical to his success. "There's a great deal of emphasis these days on dollars and cents. All that's well and good, but the primary purpose of education ought to be to teach character and values and to pass on our culture and history to each generation of Americans. That's what Washington and Lee has been doing for a long time."

His personal recollection of his college days has the kind of high-minded esteem

that is disinclined toward anecdote. When pressed he allows, "The lasting picture that I'll always carry with me was the handful of days that I spent at W&L preparing for the bar exam. I had returned to Lexington after a bar review course to continue the cramming process. I remember walking along the Colonnade and climbing through one of the windows of a vacant classroom and studying my heart out and looking across that magnificent campus and realizing, perhaps for the first time, how really special that environment is for shaping and building character and thoughtful and productive minds."

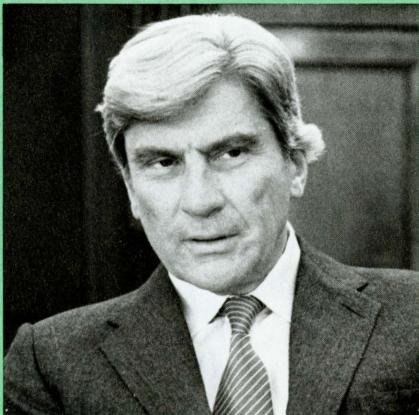
Trible passed the exam and went to work for the Justice Department, where he worked on litigation involving the Watergate tapes. Three months later he went back to his Eastern Virginia home to accept an appointment as Commonwealth's Attorney for Essex County, then on to Congress for three terms, each time with a significantly larger majority of the vote, and then the U.S. Senate. No more climbing through windows.

## J. Bennett Johnston, '54

**B**ennett Johnston is a Senator's Senator—knowledgeable, intelligent, a shrewd parliamentarian, and an effective manager of his constituents' interests. The third-term Democrat from oil-rich Louisiana, Johnston is known on the Hill as Mr. Energy. He is now the ranking Democrat on the Energy Committee. If and when the Democrats regain control of the Senate, he will have the title of chairman along with his already considerable influence.

But Johnston is no pawn of big oil. As an effective advocate of federal subsidies for the development of synthetic fuels, a sponsor of the 50-cent-a-gallon energy conservation tax on gasoline, and an outspoken opponent of big oil mergers, Johnston clearly votes according to his perception of the nation's best interests.

His other committee memberships include Budget and Appropriations, with several subcommittee assignments in the latter including Defense, Interior, Foreign Operations, and Energy and Water Development. His principal senatorial mission these days is a balanced federal budget. The Johnston Amendment for a balanced budget failed in 1982, but not before it had earned a surprising degree



*John W. Warner*



*Paul S. Trible*



*J. Bennett Johnston*

of support from both sides of the aisle.

In his efforts to reduce the federal deficit, Johnston is philosophical, though nonetheless determined. "I think the constitutional amendment is really not the answer. I'm for it as much in frustration as I am because I really think it will work. But if you don't have either an administration or a Congress that will face up to the issue of the balanced budget, having an artificial device like the constitutional amendment is not going to solve the problem."

The nation's fiscal dilemma is Johnston's abiding concern: "The huge deficits, the strong dollar, the trade deficits exporting our jobs—in a few words that's our largest national problem, and it is a serious problem indeed.

"On an international front, we have Central America and the growth of Marxism there. The continuing competition with the Soviet Union, of course, underlies all of our international problems. The ultimate peril is one of nuclear war. The intermediate one is Soviet expansionism."

Johnston rates the Reagan administration very high in terms of its national and international leadership. "I'd give the President an A+ in that area. On his fiscal affairs, I'd give him, well, a D because of the size of the deficit. We have to wait a couple of years to see how it all works out. If the deficit leads to great difficulties, as I think it will, then the D becomes an F. If it works out very well, then the D becomes a B." Johnston, one of the Senate's most powerful Democrats, is not going to risk grade inflation on a Republican administration.

Bennett Johnston's office is conveniently located on the ground floor of the

Hart Senate Office Building, just off the atrium. Johnston was chairman of the Senate Office Building Commission. When the building was authorized in 1972, the cost of the project was estimated at \$48 million. By 1978, the figure had risen to \$175 million.

Johnston ordered a ceiling of \$138 million and threatened to fire the Capitol architect if it went higher. It held, the architect kept his job, and Johnston got his office, the one with the huge pelican on the door.

In fact there are pelicans all over the place in Johnston's office. The Eastern Brown Pelican is the Louisiana state bird. A beautifully carved pelican adorns Johnston's desk; the ones that he wears for cuff links are gold. It's an odd bird, of course—taciturn, aerodynamically eccentric, and yet a superb flyer, a bird of paradox.

Johnston himself is at home with the paradox, the most telling characteristic of an educated mind. Of his experience in the Senate, Johnston reflects, "The life of a Senator is the best and the worst, though more of the best. It's filled with excitement and challenge—a whole smorgasbord of issues that you must deal with daily. Therein lies both the thrill and frustration—the thrill because there's so much that you can accomplish, the frustration because you so often fail. But I would not trade it voluntarily for any other endeavor. I very much like what I do."

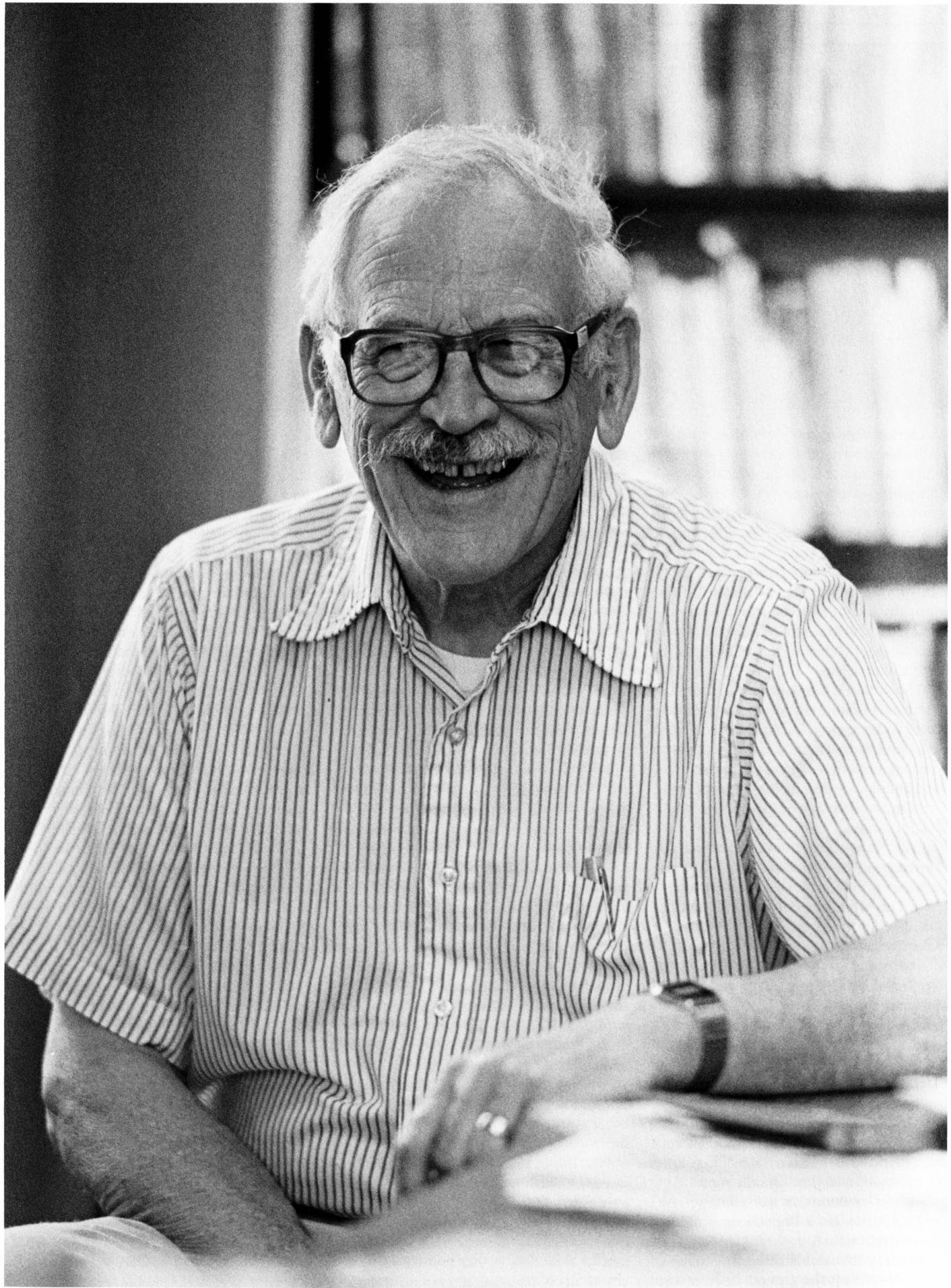
On life in the nation's capital, he muses, "Washington is a beautiful, exciting city. It is the political capital of the world, so if you're in politics this is the place to be. But what is both its strength and its weakness is that it is a transient city. I don't feel that it's home, though

I've been here for 13 years. And yet with each new political administration it's constantly being renewed with new people and new ideas. Washington is ever-changing, and that's why it's always exciting and challenging. I suppose that's why I like it."

Recalling his college days, the 53-year-old Shreveport native explains that he never actually graduated from W&L. He spent his freshman year on campus, 1950-51, and then accepted an appointment to West Point. After a year at the Academy, he decided to pursue a career in law, so he returned for an additional year at W&L before enrolling in law school at LSU. "At W&L, unfortunately, I was always on the way somewhere else, so I missed, and regretted very much, not having the full four years at W&L because I loved the time I was there."

Specifically, Johnston recalls the interpersonal relationships he had with his classmates and professors. "The development of personal skills and the University's emphasis upon the whole person became very important to my life. I found the Honor System important in forging my attitudes toward integrity in business and certainly in politics. So Washington and Lee had a very profound effect upon me. Despite my relatively brief time as a student there, I continue to be a very strong supporter of the school."

*Friends in high places. Harvard and Yale have more in the Senate. Princeton, Columbia, and the University of Virginia law school are the only other institutions with more alumni who are Senators, and each has only one more than W&L. On a per capita basis, of course, no institution can compare.*



# True Confession

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*A Politics Professor Who Has Little Use for Politics*

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by Jeffery G. Hanna

**T**he revelation comes in the form of a confession. Buck Buchanan hunches forward in his chair, drops his gravelly voice to a whisper, and avows: "You know, I don't much like politics anymore."

Coming as it does from a man who has spent the better part of his adult life studying—and teaching—the American political process, such a statement seems blatant heresy.

And yet, once you understand where Buck Buchanan began, it's not such a startling revelation after all.

Sitting in the semi-darkness of his corner office in the Commerce School Building with a summer storm pounding against the windows, Buchanan is putting his confession in perspective: "I guess a lot of people who go into political science are frustrated lawyers, and I was never interested in law. Some are frustrated power-seekers and, God knows, I'm not interested in *that*. So I guess I'm sort of a frustrated psychologist-statistician without adequate preparation for psychology or statistics. Politics was the way to go."

And politics was the way Buchanan went.

That was in 1949. Buchanan (his first name is William, but it's always Buck to anyone who knows him more than a minute or two) was eight years out of Washington and Lee where he had majored in French, received a certificate in journalism, and earned a master's in English—all in 1941. His plan had been to use the journalism background. And he did for a time, writing for newspapers in Danville, Lynchburg, and, after the war, Mobile.

"I did the obituaries and the church news column and all the things nobody else wanted to do," he says. "So many people in that generation stayed away from teaching because it didn't pay very well. Well, I went into teaching because it paid *better* than working for a newspaper, which tells you about newspapering back then."

In 1947 Washington and Lee was planning for a Bicentennial celebration and campaign. Buchanan, who was Roanoke College's public relations director by then, returned to his alma mater to work in the Bicentennial. As such things often are, the events that turned Buck Buchanan from a journalist into a political scientist were quite unexpected.

Two events occurred almost simultaneously. Buchanan read a book titled *The Proper Study of Mankind* about what George Gallup was doing with his new public opinion poll.

"The book came out just before the Gallup poll failed in 1948," says Buchanan. "But the author described this new world of public opinion polling in glowing terms, and that intrigued me. Upon re-reading the volume recently I've determined what a very bad book it was. But sometimes a bad book can trigger something that way—the worse it is, the more it promises."

About the time he was reading that book, a group of

fundraising specialists arrived at W&L for consultations on the University's Bicentennial campaign.

"Those analysts from John Paul Jones took a look at some alumni records," recalls Buchanan. "Then they told us: 'You will raise approximately \$3 million (which was a very large sum then) and you will receive one or two gifts of half a million, five or six of \$100,000, and so on.'

"In my innocence about all mathematics and statistics, I thought this was truly miraculous, when actually it wasn't really anything except the application of normal statistical distribution. But I got intrigued by that and L. K. Johnson (the late professor of administration) gave me a statistics book that intrigued me further."

Here Buchanan pauses, leans back in his chair, and interjects one of those characteristically self-effacing remarks with which he punctuates conversations. "You know," he says, eyes dancing merrily behind his glasses, "I had never been interested in math. In fact, (retired math professor) Charlie Williams has always said that he taught me everything I know about math and that it's no credit to either one of us."

Be that as it may, Buchanan's interest in statistics was piqued by the bad book and the expert fundraisers. So when his duties on W&L's Bicentennial celebration ended he headed off to Princeton to pursue graduate studies while working part-time with Gallup and other pollsters who were based at Princeton.

"I landed in the political science department almost by default," he says. "I had hoped to study psychology with Hadley Cantril, a social psychologist. But since I didn't have any biology I couldn't get into psychology and since I didn't have any math I couldn't make economics. The politics department was fairly receptive, however, so I wound up majoring in politics, which was compatible with my interests in public opinion and polling, which (former W&L journalism professor) Tom Riegel had developed in journalism classes."

At the time it was a brand new field, a very different way of looking at politics by using quantitative methods and analyzing the way people behave.

"Political science," Buchanan explains, "was on the verge of a movement, which was subsequently called behavioralism, in which quantitative analysis of attitudes was just developing. In that era there was a belief that we could use these new mathematical techniques to discover things that were not known before, that we could reveal tendencies no one was aware were there, that you could get a survey of 2,500 or so cases and find something new and important."

"As it turned out we didn't find all that much new. The statistical approach is one very useful way of looking at politics and government, but it's not the only way or the only good way."

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Still, it was from that direction that Buchanan first approached the world of politics and political science.

"I really wasn't much interested in day-to-day politics or politicians," he says. "But I found myself teaching political science, and I haven't regretted it a bit."

Perhaps that helps explain the manner in which Buchanan teaches politics. He aims to steer away from a particular philosophy in favor of a non-partisan, detached approach.

"There are some people who can teach politics and present their point of view," says Buchanan. "I never have believed in this. You can't really be detached, not totally, but I've certainly tried to be."

"I think students, for the most part, feel a bit uncomfortable with such efforts at objectivity on the professor's part, because they're never quite sure where I stand and don't know where they ought to stand in relation to me. I don't think that's so bad, though."

"Over the years I have used textbooks with clearly evident viewpoints. If it's a viewpoint with which the students agree then they think it's a simply wonderful text; if it's a viewpoint with which they disagree, they can still cope with it but not as easily. So in a sense you're fighting with the students the whole way."

Again Buchanan pauses, flashes that quick smile, and pokes at the air for emphasis: "You know, the United States originated political science, and most of the nations in the world don't permit its study because they think government is too important to be scrutinized by a bunch of academics. That's considered a dangerous idea in Europe, for instance.

"I think that even in England and Australia and such places the notion that one can achieve a detached view of government is not really accepted. You ought to be a socialist or you ought to be a Marxist or you ought to be a conservative, and then the whole task is interpreting government from a particular position. Those people would say to the American political scientist that you can't do what you're trying to do and you ought not even to try."

**Y**et, Buchanan has spent these past 43 years trying. "I happen to think it's worthwhile to try," he says. And he's not ready to stop yet. His first teaching assignment was in 1952 as assistant professor of government at Mississippi State College. He was still completing work on his Ph.D. from Princeton at the time.

From Mississippi State he went to the University of Southern California and the University of Tennessee before returning to W&L again in 1966, this time as professor and head of the politics department in 1966.

Over those years his own interests have not changed much, really. His desk is always cluttered with papers full of numbers and tables and graphs, all of which, when properly analyzed, point to some current trend or opinion or correlation. The only obvious difference is that nowadays those numbers and tables and graphs are on computer printouts.

While Buchanan's approach to politics is no different now than it was when he first entered the field, the very nature of the American political system has changed dramatically in those years since he first became intrigued by a set of figures. It is partly that transformation that has soured Buchanan on politics.

"I would argue that the system has been corrupted, probably inadvertently, by the cost of running for Congress, which is the result of the necessity for television advertising," says

Buchanan. "Congress hasn't coped with this adequately because the people who are in Congress are the people who must raise the money to get there, and it's not in their interest to change the system."

"I don't think these are bad people who run for office, but I do think they get where they do through a system of catering to those people who can produce the money that gets them there and at the same time by looking out for the interest of their district in a competitive way that often sacrifices the national interest."

Several years ago Buchanan made some analyses of campaign contributions. At that time the rule was that candidates for a U.S. Senate seat could not receive more than \$25,000 in contributions toward their campaigns.

"That was absolutely absurd, because it virtually made perjurors out of the Senators, who had to swear that they hadn't spent more than that amount, which actually represented a fourth or a half of what they really had to spend," says Buchanan.

"There has been a self-reinforcing notion that when you've got a contest for an office, if one person spends money the other one has got to spend money. The costs of reaching people are so immense that these amounts spiral upwards and there seems no way out of it. It's exacerbated by the fact that incumbents get a lot of money because they can provide favors for people who have an interest, and then it becomes harder to challenge them."

The system, contends Buchanan, simply has not adapted to technology—specifically to the crucial role that television now plays in the process.

Buchanan's solution—one he tosses out to students each year—is for the government to intervene and give politicians free access.

"The students react very badly to this notion," Buchanan says, chuckling softly. "But suppose the government were to say that if you're going to run a television station and make millions of dollars, then you ought to give free advertising time to people who are running for public office. That seems to me a reasonable thing since the government has given the television owners the monopoly of a channel, which is worth millions. I am quite certain, however, that such a solution doesn't seem at all reasonable to the station owners."

Buchanan believes the system will suffer at least a minor disaster if radical revisions are not made soon.

"Now this is the least original observation that I can make, but the disaster would involve the budget deficit," says Buchanan. "Whether that will ultimately precipitate a change of some sort, I just don't know."

"I can remember when Sen. Harry Byrd said that if the deficit gets beyond \$40 million, grass will be growing in the streets. He was wrong. The deficit is now a trillion dollars."

"Does anyone know just how large it can get? Sure enough, you've got deficits in European countries and Argentina and so on, and they're surviving. I don't think we'll have a revolution. But the question is: how serious a blow will have to occur before people get to revising the system? Or, will even a severe blow to the economy cause people to reexamine the question? I simply don't know."

**A**nother short pause as Buchanan shifts in his seat and tries to frame these thoughts in a more personal perspective by suggesting quite cheerfully: "Every time I think about such things as this I think it's all probably because I'm getting old."

That is Buchanan's way of lamenting the manner in which things have changed in the years he's been studying the political system. He laments, too, the manner in which his students approach certain public policy issues that he raises each year.

"Take the issue of toxic waste, which is one of the problems that the public policy course looks at," Buchanan says. "Students are not at all interested in thinking about such subjects."

"I can understand that, I suppose, because what I'm saying to students is that their world is going to be considerably more unpleasant than my world has been. Everything has gone well for my generation; we've profited from the expanding economy and the development of technology and all these

wonderful things. Now I say to the 20-year-old: 'Your world is going to have deficits; it's going to have pollution, assuming that it doesn't all go up in an atomic blast; and you're going to have to make difficult decisions.'

"Students don't like that, and I don't blame them for not liking it. It's not an encouraging thing to have to say, but I happen to believe it, and they often choose not to believe it, so . . ."

He shrugs his shoulders, letting that sobering thought hang there, unfinished.

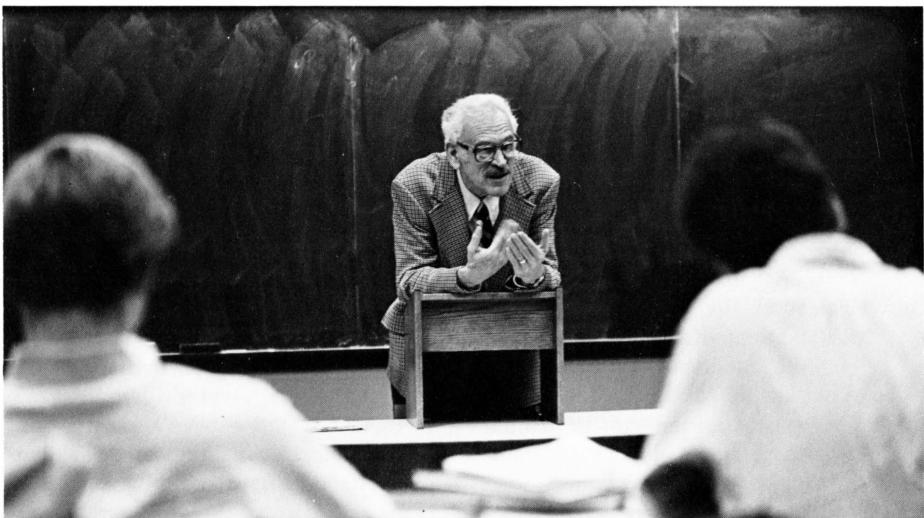
Buchanan worries that his attitudes toward the subject he teaches and studies seem overly pessimistic—particularly compared with the way he once felt about government, with the hope he once had.

"I remember at the time I was in graduate school there was a feeling that the university could contribute by qualifying people to hold administrative jobs in the government," Buchanan says. "A lot of my colleagues in graduate school and others who were at the Woodrow Wilson School in Princeton had the notion that they would like to go into the Washington bureaucracy and achieve something like what the British civil service achieves, where the top people, the best people, out of Oxford and Cambridge do become permanent civil servants."

"There, in England, it's a well-paid, respectable profession, with a knighthood waiting if you do well. For the last several years I've been talking to our placement specialists here at W&L about whether we can teach people the administrative skills so that they could contribute to the government. I finally concluded that it probably isn't going to happen because this just is not a highly regarded career. Students are fascinated with Capitol Hill, but they aren't excited about the contribution they can make as a career civil servant."

When he becomes discouraged by such ruminations as these, Buchanan can at least take heart in the fact that whatever else might have changed, the numbers and the techniques that are part and parcel of his specialty have not. And knowing what to make of the statistics, knowing how to translate the numbers into patterns of behavior, is just as intriguing to Buchanan today as it ever has been. If there is a difference, it is that such approaches have become such an accepted part of the political system.

"I had an administrator tell me that the name of the game in Congress today is the computer printout, where one fellow



comes in with his stack of printouts and another with his stack," says Buchanan. "The question that remains is, which set of figures do you believe? So my purpose in my courses is to enable people to assess that information intelligently, whether it comes from polls or from correlations in the census data between crime and urbanization, or whatever."

This summer Buchanan has been preparing the fourth edition of the textbook he first published in 1969. Entitled *Understanding Political Variables*, it is widely used in political science courses throughout the country.

Actually his book has a wider audience than even he would have believed. Back in 1979 a former colleague of Buchanan's, Jim Wafler, who taught politics at W&L in 1971-72, happened to spy a copy of *Understanding Political Variables* in a bookstore in Port Moresby, New Guinea.

He is also the author or co-author of several other books, starting with *How Nations See Each Other* with Princeton's Hadley Cantril in 1955 and including a 1979 volume with W&L psychology professor Joseph B. Thompson entitled *Analyzing Psychological Data*.

Several years back, Buchanan was asked to reflect on his Washington and Lee teaching experience in comparison with his experiences at Southern Cal and Tennessee. His observations are as apt today as then, especially when it comes to the satisfaction he gets from introducing undergraduates to social science and political research.

"We approach it not as something they'll necessarily be doing professionally but as a way of looking at their world," Buchanan said then. "It requires some skills, some knowledge of logic and statistics, a certain detachment or objectivity, a certain mode of discovery, and certain precise ways of communicating. This is obviously not the only way of looking at the world. Other departments teach other ways, and this is really the essence of the liberal arts education: to look at the world from two or three different valid points of view, to be able to contrast different approaches and different ways of thinking."

So Buchanan's early confession must be understood in light of the perspective he puts on education and politics.

"I wouldn't still be doing this today if I didn't enjoy it," Buchanan says. "When you get a student who is very bright and very perceptive and who sees patterns in politics that you yourself didn't see—well, that is really what it is all about. And I still wouldn't trade those experiences for anything."

# Broadening Horizons

*Touring England with W&L's First Alumni College Abroad*

by Matthew W. Paxton Jr., '49



*Sandford Orcas in Dorset, an Elizabethan manor house visited by W&L Alumni Collegians*

## Alumni College Abroad.

Each of those three words expresses an essential ingredient of the experience that 36 alumni and friends of Washington and Lee enjoyed this past August.

Led by a quartet of knowledgeable W&L faculty members, we became immersed in the treasures of Elizabethan England for 17 days. Such immersion was possible only because we were freed completely from the logistical distractions

that are the unhappy lot of most European travelers.

This "hands-on" experience of Elizabethan England was the sequel to an on-campus Alumni College program which had been held during the summer of 1984. That one-week session, "Elizabethan England: Court and Country," had focused on that glorious era when the Renaissance blossomed in England and had been designed to "train eyes and ears to perceive the interconnections among the many aspects of life in the period."

The faculty members who directed the on-campus college—John Evans

(English), Pamela H. Simpson (art history), and Taylor Sanders (history)—and Robert Fure, the director of summer programs, served as our tour guides. And a number of those who attended the campus course the previous summer did take advantage of the opportunity to continue their study by making the trip to England.

Those of us who had not attended the earlier course were made to feel at home, too. We were given appropriate remedial "homework" in the form of some excellent reading on the era, which helped put us in the proper frame of mind and greatly enriched our experience.

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Paxton is the president and editor of *The News-Gazette* in Lexington.

From the time we assembled at Dulles Airport and began to renew old ties with fellow W&L alumni, our every need was taken care of. Since we did not have to worry with those nettlesome problems that plague most travelers—from baggage tags to hotel accommodations—we were able to relax and prepare for the experience that awaited us.

Breezing through customs at London's Heathrow Airport, we were whisked onto a luxurious bus and were shortly at our charming, small hotel, The Chesterfield, in the Mayfair area of London.

With several days in London to "get our land legs" we launched right into the Elizabethan period by attending a performance of Shakespeare's *Coriolanus* at the National Theatre. Professor Evans gave us a sprightly preview of this play as he did of the Shakespeare plays we would later see at the splendid Royal Shakespeare Theatre at Stratford.

Leaving London by bus (and undoubtedly with one of the best drivers in all England), we began a tour that was centered on the great Tudor and Jacobean country houses. Our planners had wisely chosen to avoid the one-night stand. Instead, we spent several nights each in five of England's choice smaller cities and traveled out from them to the great estates.

Every morning when we set out on the bus through the manicured countryside, we were prepared for the day's treasures by an edition of the "Pam and Taylor Show," which featured a lively and informative session led by Professors Simpson and Sanders.

A number of private tours of the houses had been arranged for us—a stroke of genius in view of the swarm of tourists in England this summer. Probably the highlight of these was the connoisseur's visit to Hever Castle, which began with coffee in the inner hall and ended with sherry in the dining hall. Because we were an academic group we were treated with respect at every point, and I trust we did nothing to reflect discredit on W&L.

To me one of the most appealing aspects of the program was its happy blend of concentration and diversity. We studied in depth the great Tudor houses, but we also delighted in cathedrals, Roman sites, medieval colleges, castle ruins, and Elizabethan plays.

Even among these impressive sites there was variety. One day we visited Penshurst and Knole, almost overwhelming in their size and grandeur. The next

day we saw Hever Castle and Ightham Mote, each one a gem on a much more intimate scale.

Adding diversity to the trip was a rare tour of the Bodleian Library in Oxford, for which our leader was Charles Mould, the distinguished secretary of the Bodleian.

The planners of our trip had not forgotten that the Elizabethans loved to eat. We had some splendid meals, notably in pubs or small inns, and a great debate raged among us about which was the best. My favorite was Sunday lunch at The Castle, a pub in Chiddington. It began with salmon mousse and ended with fresh red raspberries and heavy cream.

The pace of the tour was excellent, accommodating an age span that ranged from the 20s to the mid-80s with the concentration in the 50-70 bracket. The congeniality of the group would have been judged remarkable by ordinary standards but was not unexpected with W&L alumni.

When we were not discussing palace architecture or Shakespeare's genius, the conversation invariably turned to Lexington and memories of our days at Washington and Lee. The reminiscing culminated, inevitably perhaps, with an impromptu *a cappella* version of the Swing on our last evening together.

One of the tour's prominent storytellers was Dr. Harry Lyons, '22, of Richmond, who shared numerous anecdotes about growing up in Lexington where his family operated a tailoring business.

Bette and Allen Overton, '42L, shared their grateful memories of arriving in Lexington during the post-World War II housing crunch only to have the late Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kinnear create a small apartment in their Lexington home where the Overtons were able to live.

Joe Ellis, '43, of Clarksdale, Miss., recalled how he had hoped to spend some post-graduate time in England on a Rhodes Scholarship only to be edged out in that competition by another W&L alumnus, Edgar Shannon, '39.

The job of making all the pieces of the trip fit together rested on the shoulders of Robert Fure, director of summer programs.

The care with which he handled every detail was illustrated near the end of our trip. We had a close connection between our arrival at our London hotel and our departure for an Elizabethan banquet and tour at Hatfield House. Some of the baggage had not been distributed to our hotel rooms, resulting in understandable distress.

Rob delayed the departure, then called each one of us to advise us of the delay. He alerted our British travel agent who cajoled the people at Hatfield into staying at their posts so we would not miss our tour of that splendid house before the banquet. Even the most jaded travelers would have marveled at that feat.

The whole experience was such a rare combination of pleasure, of stretching the mind, and of broadening horizons that I may never try a trip abroad again—unless I can go with a W&L Alumni college.

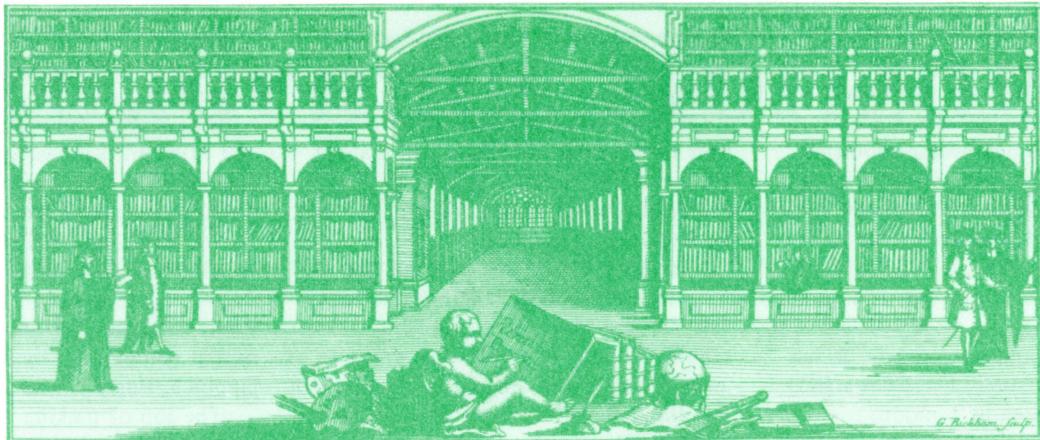
## First Liberty Hall Scholars

The W&L Alumni College awarded its first four-year diplomas to seven alumni collegians during its 1985 session. Designated "Liberty Hall Scholars," the seven earned their diplomas by attending at least one program each year during the four years of the Alumni College program.

The inaugural group of Liberty Hall scholars are Lou-Lou and Bill Hill, '29, of Hilton Head, S.C.; Dr. Harry Lyons, '22, of Richmond; Elise and Don Maloy, '38, of Richmond; and Woodley and Tait Trussell, '49, of Washington, D.C.

The 1985 Alumni College programs included "Great Writers, Etc.," "Society and Health," and "Classical Athens." The series of one-week vacation learning seminars began on June 30 and concluded on July 20. Well over half of the 1985 participants had previously attended sessions of the Alumni College.

The Liberty Hall scholars all chose to attend the "Society and Health" program. At the program's farewell breakfast, each received a diploma complete with a Latin inscription that read *Paideia Supervacuum Est Pueris*. The motto translates, "Education is wasted on the young."



# An Oxford Education

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*A Comparative Look at the British Approach*

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by William J. Watt

**A**merican higher education was the subject of considerable scrutiny last year when several committees issued reports about the state of our nation's colleges and universities.

Perhaps the most publicized of those reports, "Involvement in Learning: Realizing the Potential of American Higher Education," was prepared for the National Institute of Education by a study group headed by Kenneth P. Mortimer of Penn State.

When the Mortimer report was making headlines across the country ("U.S. Colleges Blamed for Student Deficiencies"—*The Washington Post*) last October, I was preparing to leave for six months in residence at University College, Oxford, as part of Washington and Lee's exchange program for faculty. With the various criticisms leveled by the Mortimer report fresh in my mind, I was afforded the opportunity to examine firsthand the Oxford educational methods and to make some observations with regard to the questions about American higher education that Mortimer and his group had raised.

What I discovered was that several of the key problems Mortimer finds with American higher education have been at least partly solved at Oxford. But, on the other hand, Oxford has a complete set of problems which are not as pressing in the United States.

Before addressing specific questions raised in the Mortimer

report and the answers I found for them at Oxford, I should set the stage a bit.

Ever since my colleague in the W&L psychology department, Len Jarrard, suggested the exchange program for faculty, I had looked forward to participating in it. Our arrangement allows dons from Univ. (Oxford usage) to come to W&L for a term or a year to teach and provides the opportunity for W&L faculty members to visit Univ. to carry out research and study at Oxford.

As you would no doubt expect, I found many differences between the Oxford and American approaches to undergraduate education, partly because of the differences in secondary and post-graduate education in Britain and the United States and at least partly because of the kind of students who are attracted to Oxford from all over the world. Oxford and Cambridge have always been considered the most prestigious British universities, so they are somewhat different from the rest of British institutions of higher education.

Oxford University has about 9,000 undergraduates, a third of whom are women. In addition, there are approximately 3,000 students working for post-baccalaureate degrees. The students live and are tutored in one of 35 colleges. They go to lectures given by the department of their major.

University College, where I spent my leave (from January to July 1985), is listed in the Oxford catalogue as the oldest because William of Durham bequeathed it an endowment in 1249. The money was not actually used to support dons until a few years later, after Merton, the next oldest college, had constructed a building, part of which still stands today. Most of the colleges enroll 300 to 500 students, Univ. about 450. Each college is supported by fees and by its own endowments. The departments provide lecture and laboratory space as well as offices for the professors and lecturers. They are supported by university funds from endowments and grants.

To enter Oxford as an undergraduate, you apply to the

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** William J. Watt, professor of chemistry, served as dean of the College at Washington and Lee for 13 years. A member of the W&L faculty since 1955, Watt retired from the dean's post at the end of the 1983-84 academic year and returned to fulltime teaching this September. During his year's leave of absence in 1984-85, Watt participated in Washington and Lee's faculty exchange program with Oxford University, spending six months at University College there. This article is based on that experience.

colleges (usually no more than four) of your choice, ranking them in order of preference. (Three of the colleges take only women. As of the fall of 1985 all others are coeducational. Oriel, the last college to remain all male, began enrolling women for 1985-86.) Since each college faculty has a limited number of tutors in a particular discipline, some consideration is given to the major a student plans in determining his or her admissibility.

At Oxford, students take work only in their majors or in subjects very closely related to their majors. For instance, a chemistry major studies only inorganic, organic, or physical chemistry.

Such a narrow approach flies in the face of one of the Mortimer report's primary points—i.e., that

American college curriculum has become "excessively vocational in its orientation . . ." There is one major difference, however. In Great Britain students get their formal liberal arts education in the secondary schools.

In order to receive a B.A. from Oxford, students must pass two examinations. One is usually taken at the end of the first year. The final examination is customarily taken at the end of the third year. This work is graded I (very few), II (almost half), or III Class Honors. A "pass"

is possible but does not entitle the student to a B.A. Students may take the final examination before three years have passed (a 13-year-old mathematical whiz accomplished that this year), but the degree cannot be awarded until three years after the student has matriculated. In several subjects, an additional year of research or study is required to complete the B.A. The M.A. is awarded to any B.A. recipient seven years after matriculation without further work.

The final examination is usually an ordeal. In chemistry it consists of eight three-hour long "papers" extending over five or six days. Chemistry majors begin by taking a test on inorganic chemistry—essays for three hours in the morning followed by problems in the afternoon. The second and third days are devoted to similar papers in organic and physical chemistry. The fourth day is Sunday—a welcome break for rest or further review. On Monday and Tuesday the "Advanced Papers" in each of the three fields are given. Only two of these Advanced Papers are required. In most fields the only grade during a student's entire career at the University is the I, II, or III on the final examination. Those who receive a "first" take the distinction with them the rest of their lives and, to some extent, beyond since such honors are often mentioned in obituaries.

The examinations are set and given by a special committee appointed for that year from the department of each major. That means all students in a particular major sit the same ex-

amination in any given year. The examiners are relieved of teaching duties to compensate for time spent devising the questions and grading the papers.

There are several methods of study employed at Oxford. A recent survey of chemistry majors there identified four of those and ranked them in order of student-assessed effectiveness as tutorials, self-directed study, lectures, and laboratory work. While self-directed study can be carried on throughout the three years after a student matriculates, the other approaches are offered only during the terms when the university is in session.

A student spends an hour to an hour and a half each week with his tutor, usually on a one-on-one basis although

sometimes with two students to a tutor. The student will have prepared a paper for these meetings, and there will be discussion of some specific aspect of the major subject. Students have several tutors during their years at Oxford. Since the student's achievement on the final examination is a reflection on the tutor, both student and tutor are anxious for the best possible results.

Lectures in chemistry are scheduled so that a student can attend all the series between the hours of 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. over the three-year period. This schedule leaves

afternoons free for laboratory or tutorial work. There are no courses for which students must register. They choose whatever lecture series they want and attend whatever lectures they want to hear. There is no roll taken nor are any tests or grades associated with any lecture. Even so I found that most courses in chemistry were very well-attended, but a lovely spring can cut down on the audience—something, of course, that hardly ever happens at W&L.

Although the differences between the British and American approaches to higher education are numerous, I found that in Great Britain, as in the United States, there is today much concern being expressed about the effectiveness of education at all levels. The same buzz words and phrases appear in British discussions of education—"relevance," "excellence," "diversity," "educational technology," and "access." Even at Oxford faculty members are worrying about the quality of the lectures, the appropriate coverage of topics in their field, and the kinds of experiences necessary for their students.

These concerns notwithstanding, it was interesting for me to make some evaluations of the Oxford approach in light of suggestions made by the Mortimer report last October.

Mortimer and his Study Group dealt with three requirements for achieving excellence in American higher education: 1) student involvement; 2) high expectations; and 3) assessment and feedback. The Group made many recommendations to improve these conditions in colleges and universities in the United States. Some are quite as relevant to Oxford.



When President John D. Wilson (third from left) returned for his 30th reunion at Oxford University in June, he was greeted by William J. Watt (second from right) and W&L alumni (from left) John Vlahoplus, '83; Bill Montgomery, '75; Quinn Peepo, '82; and Jack Goldsmith, '84.

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For instance, Mortimer believes that student involvement can be increased by allotting more faculty resources to first- and second-year undergraduates. At Oxford, students at every level have equal access to faculty members. In fact, some of the most effective lecturers presented the first-year courses. To me, this practice did not seem at all unusual; it is precisely the way Washington and Lee operates. But Mortimer's concern hits primarily at many larger American universities where the first- and second-year courses are more apt to be taught by graduate assistants than full professors.

A second suggestion by Mortimer was that undergraduates should be involved more actively in the learning process—through independent study and internships; through small discussion sections; through seminars and debates in which students themselves present the material to be learned. At Oxford, I found that research and independent work are accepted as essential to the preparation of a well-educated person. Small group discussion is an idea which, at least in the formal sense, is less common at Oxford. In inorganic chemistry, for instance, one small group course was offered for the first time last year on an experimental basis. Of course the tutorial is a very small group, but the class small enough for student-student interchange as well as faculty-student interchange is rarer at Oxford.

One of Mortimer's recommendations holds up as a model for what I found to be an important feature in the Oxford education. The Group's report recommends that "[e]very institution of higher education should strive to create learning communities. . ." At Oxford, the college is such a community. The first-year students live together in the college and eat together with the other students in the hall. Even though most colleges can no longer house all their students in the space built in the 16th century, many provide facilities for their upperclasses (W&L usage) in apartment or bed/sitting-room complexes. Living together and eating together provide opportunities for continuous student-student interchange about intellectual concerns. The faculty have offices in the college, do their tutoring there, and, at least occasionally, dine at the High Table in the hall at dinner. Their presence does create a more learning-centered atmosphere in the college, although it doesn't inhibit the natural exuberance of students at the completion of final examinations, at the winning of a boat race, or at the Chemist's Dinner, a notoriously ebullient affair.

One of the central themes in the Mortimer Report is the importance of student-faculty contact. This goal is at the very center of an Oxford education. The tutor is the most important feature of instruction at Oxford. Students invariably rate the tutorial as the most effective aid to their learning. The tutor not only instructs the student but also advises, counsels, consoles, inspires, and, at times, reprimands. The tutors are allies, however, in getting the student through the final examinations with the highest possible mark. The college tutors, who also serve as lecturers in their own disciplines, are highly gifted teachers whose tutelage makes a lifelong impression on their students.

Another of Mortimer's critical conditions for excellence is high expectations. The report suggests that all bachelor's degree recipients should be expected to complete at least two years of liberal arts work before beginning work on a major subject. In Great Britain, it is assumed that this liberal education has been acquired prior to entrance in the university.

British students have a more intense educational experience in their secondary schools, where the breadth component of their education occurs.

The desire for continuing liberal education after secondary school is strongly instilled in British students, perhaps more so than in U.S. students. People I met who had not gone to college often showed great interest in science, literature, the theatre, and music—interests no doubt owing to their secondary school background. For students going on to the university, being at Oxford is a liberal education in itself. There is a constant stream of lectures, plays, concerts, and activities from which students can create a broad cultural life. Students participate in these programs as actors and actresses, instrumentalists and singers, directors and technicians.

And yet, there is no longer the certainty that the general education component of English education is sufficient. Medical educators there, as in the United States, are deplored the lack of a broad education in the humanities and social sciences among students currently completing their medical degrees.

Mortimer's last category of conditions for improving American higher education focused on the assessment and feedback processes. Assessment by one final examination for each major is at the heart of the Oxford system. Each college may differ in its tutoring, but the university has only one standard for all the students in a particular field. Progress in learning during the years at Oxford can be established by this comprehensive test of students' knowledge and understanding of their respective fields.

Student feedback concerning educational experiences is used at Oxford, too. The chemistry department conducted student evaluations of various aspects of their education in 1983. Not all comments were favorable. The faculty considered the students' suggestions with care and were making adjustments in their teaching styles to meet the students' criticisms.

My overall impression, then, was that the uniquely different approach offered by Oxford goes a long way toward answering the criticisms of American higher education cited by the Mortimer report.

There is another side to that coin, of course. Oxford is not without problems peculiar to its approach. For instance, tutorial education is a very expensive process since the student-faculty ratio is so low; the coverage of topics is very narrow; there is time for only 240 lectures and 24 tutorials in a year (compared with 900 lectures at W&L); and students must master vast amounts of a subject on their own. The problems of taking courses only in the major field and the lack of breadth in the university work have already been mentioned.

My impression is that Oxford's success, built over 700 years, is primarily due to the manner in which it has been able to maintain a distinguished faculty of extremely able people. The faculty has used its abilities to create an excellent atmosphere for teaching and learning. They have not attained perfection. But Oxford is a great place to be.

Like my predecessors from W&L, I had an intellectually stimulating and spiritually refreshing time at Oxford. And all the while I could not help but think of what one of Oxford's faculty members, Jeffrey Gray, had said after he spent a semester at Washington and Lee. Said Gray: "The reason Washington and Lee's exchange program with Univ. has worked so well is that Washington and Lee is so much like Oxford."

# The W&L Gazette

*A Happy 35th Birthday for Shenandoah*

**S**henandoah, Washington and Lee's literary magazine, is celebrating its 35th anniversary with an anthology that features works by some of the best writers of the 20th century.

The special 512-page issue includes fiction by Alice Adams, Flannery O'Connor, Jean Stafford, and Peter Taylor; essays by Harry Crews, Eudora Welty, Hugh Kenner, and Richard Wilbur; and poetry by e. e. cummings, James Dickey, J. R. R. Tolkien, and Wallace Stevens.

The works in *Shenandoah: An Anthology* represent an eclectic compilation from a publication that poet Allen Tate once called "the best 'little' magazine in the country."

James Boatwright, professor of English and editor of *Shenandoah* since 1962, writes in the preface to the anthology that the selection of the works is "arbitrary."

"It [is] purely a personal selection of the best work *Shenandoah* has published over the years," writes Boatwright.

Pulitzer Prize-winning poet Richard Howard, who is the poetry editor for *Shenandoah*, made recommendations for the poetry that is included in the anthology.

*Shenandoah* was founded in 1950 as a student literary magazine, featuring student work and supervised by a faculty board. Included in the first issue was a short story by one of the student editors, T. K. Wolfe, '51, who has gone on to become one of the best-known chroniclers of contemporary American society with such volumes as *The Right Stuff*.

Later, the magazine came under the auspices of a rotating board of faculty editors until Boatwright was named editor.

Over the 35 years of its existence *Shenandoah* has been widely praised. In 1967, poet Robert Lowell said, "I go on admiring it. None in the country does better with its resources."

In addition to a paperback version that is now available, *Shenandoah: An Anthology* will be published this fall in a

hard-bound volume, the third in a series of anthologies from American literary magazines issued by the Pushcart Press and distributed by W. W. Norton.

Copies of *Shenandoah: An Anthology* can be ordered for \$10 each from *Shenandoah*, P.O. Box 722, Lexington, VA 24450.

## Japanese university president visits W&L

Takehito Takahashi, president of Rikkyo University in Tokyo, and David O. Tsukada, director for staff at Rikkyo, visited Lexington in August for a firsthand look at Washington and Lee University.

Washington and Lee is one of four colleges and universities that have an exchange program with Rikkyo, one of Japan's top-ranking private institutions.

Roger B. Jeans, associate professor of history and director of W&L's East Asian Studies Program, said Takahashi and Tsukada visited Lexington en route to the Conference of American and Japanese

University Presidents at Drew University in Madison, N.J.

Jeans described Takahashi's visit as "informational." He said Takahashi also visited the University of Chicago, another university in Rikkyo's exchange program.

While in Lexington, the Japanese visitors toured the Washington and Lee campus, met with President John D. Wilson, viewed the collection at the Reeves Center for Research and Exhibition of Porcelain and Paintings, and toured the city's historic attractions by carriage.

## Lexington's changing face

Each time they return to visit the campus Washington and Lee alumni are struck by the changes that have taken place in Lexington.

The latest of those changes are an elegant new restaurant and daily carriage tours.

The Willson-Walker House opened this summer in the Main Street building that was once home to the White Column



Visiting Rikkyo University officials were joined by W&L professor William J. Watt and his wife, Helen, for a tour of Lexington in the new horse-drawn surreys.

Inn. Not only will returning alumni have a difficult time recognizing the building, they'll never recognize the menu.

The Willson-Walker House was built in 1820 as the residence of Capt. William Willson, who was treasurer of Washington College in addition to serving as the postmaster of Lexington. In the early 1900s Lexington businessman Harry Walker converted the lower floor of the building into a storeroom.

The restaurant features American cuisine and is open for lunch and dinner. The Willson-Walker House serves to complement the two country inns that have opened downtown during the last several years—the Alexander Withrow House on the corner of Main and Washington streets and the McCampbell Inn on Main Street. The latter is best remembered as the former home of the liquid lunch.

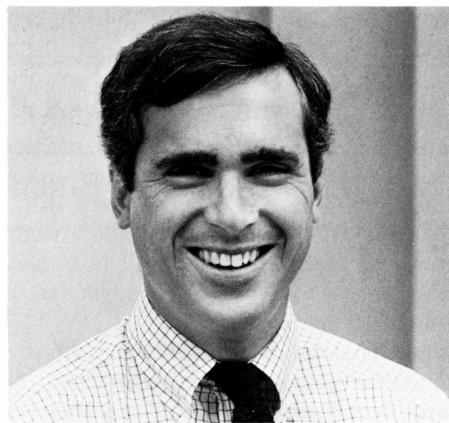
In June the Lexington Carriage Company began offering surrey rides through the historic downtown and residential districts of Lexington. The horse-drawn carriages leave from the Visitors' Center on East Washington Street for a 20-minute tour of the city.

## Law Center names lawyer-in-residence

Jeffrey L. Sher, an Australian lawyer and teacher, has been named lawyer-in-residence at Washington and Lee's Frances Lewis Law Center.

Sher's appointment is effective through the first semester of the 1985-86 academic year. His areas of special interest include commercial and company law matters, the law of contracts, town planning, and media law.

He has served as Queens Counsel for the State of New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory.



Shaw

## News office director named

Brian D. Shaw, an education writer with the Greensboro (N.C.) *Daily News and Record*, became director of the news office at Washington and Lee in August.

A graduate of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro where he majored in English, Shaw, 30, has worked for newspapers in North Carolina, Kentucky, and Virginia.

He began his newspaper career in the advertising department of the *Greensboro Daily News and Record* in 1975 and served as a retail account representative.

In 1978 he became a reporter for *The Gazette*, a tri-weekly newspaper in Galax, Va.

From 1979 to 1981 he was news editor of *The Sentinel-News*, a semi-weekly newspaper in Shelbyville, Ky.

In 1981 he joined the *Roanoke Times & World-News* as the principal reporter for that newspaper's Shenandoah Bureau, which is headquartered in Lexington and involves coverage of a three-county area.

Prior to joining W&L Shaw had been covering the Greensboro city schools as an education writer for the *Daily News and Record*.

## A proud father

Supreme Court Justice Lewis F. Powell Jr., '29, '31L, took the role of proud father back in May when he left the bench to move for the admission of his son and daughter-in-law to the Supreme Court bar.

Lewis F. Powell III, '74, and Mims Maynard Powell were routinely admitted to practice before the nation's highest court after Powell placed their names before his colleagues.

Lewis III is with the Richmond law firm of Hunton & Williams; his wife is with the Richmond firm of McGuire, Woods & Battle.

This was not the first time Justice Powell had served in such a role. In 1976 he did the same thing for his daughter, Mary Lewis Powell Sumner, and her husband, Christopher J. Sumner.

## Law School Association seeks undergraduate members

It has heretofore been a well-kept secret that membership in the Washington and Lee Law School Association is open to any W&L graduate who holds a law degree, even if that law degree is from a school other than W&L.

Almost all the current members hold the W&L law degree, but the Law School Association would welcome as members other lawyers from the W&L family, according to Frederic L. Kirgis Jr., dean of the School of Law.

The Law School Association supports the School of Law in a number of ways. For example, it provides two scholarships each year for deserving law students; sponsors an orientation picnic for entering law students each fall; donates a year's subscription of the *Washington and Lee Law Review* to graduating law students; and hosts a reception on reunion weekend. Members of the Law School Association receive the annual School of Law Alumni Directory, a handy reference tool when a W&L lawyer needs to find a reliable colleague in another city.

Dues for 1985-86 are \$10 for those who received their law degrees in 1982 through 1984 and \$25 for those whose degrees antedate 1982. Membership is free for those in their first year out of law school. For information, contact Ms. Darlene Moore, School of Law, Washington and Lee University, Lexington, VA 24450.

## New science journal

*The Washington and Lee Journal of Science* made its debut last spring with a 20-page issue including articles by W&L students and professors on topics ranging from AIDS to comets.

Guy A. Caldwell, '86, was editor of the publication with Jeffrey P. Blount, '85, and John D. Long, '85, associate editors. It was a product of the Biology Forum at the University.

According to Caldwell, the journal is designed as "a literary arena for opinionated expression and information about current issues confronted in modern science, biotechnology, psychology, bioethics, and medicine."

Caldwell emphasizes that the publication would welcome contributions—both literary and financial—from interested Washington and Lee alumni who can contact him by writing in care of the Department of Biology.

## Professor challenges polygraphs

Today's polygraph tests are no more reliable than the "ordeals" of 13th-century England were in determining guilt in criminal cases, according to a Washington and Lee law professor.

Roger D. Groot, who specializes in criminal law at W&L and writes about 12th- and 13th-century legal history, argues that permitting the result of polygraph tests as evidence in jury trials is inconsistent with the very origin of juries.

"Permitting polygraph results to be admitted as evidence takes us back 750 years in the adjudication of criminal cases," says Groot. "We should not admit polygraph results under any circumstances."

Groot points to the ordeal of the sacred morsel as an obvious forerunner of modern polygraph tests.

"In 13th-century England if a person was accused of a crime and denied having committed that crime, then a test was administered to determine whether the oath was perjured," explains Groot. "In the case of the sacred morsel, the accused swore an oath of innocence and was then given a piece of bread or cheese which had been adjured to choke him if his oath was false. If he could chew and swallow the morsel, then he was not guilty."

Groot explains that since fear reduces salivation, the ordeal of the sacred morsel is based on an obvious psycho-physiological fact.

The problem with such a test, Groot says, is that it requires considerable interpretation.

"The rule is simple. If a person could chew and swallow the morsel, then he was innocent," Groot says. "But exactly when was the standard met? How much of the morsel had to be consumed? Suppose an accused person chews and swallows the morsel, but then can't keep it down—does that constitute guilt or innocence?"

"My contention is that the old ordeals rarely gave a clear-cut result and always required that someone interpret the event. Then in 1215 the ordeals were banned by the church, and juries were empaneled to act as judges of the credibility of people."

"By allowing polygraphs to be admitted into jury trials, we have taken an enormous step backward because the polygraph is not much different from those ancient ordeals. Instead of having



Groot

the community present as was the case with the ordeals, we have substituted a cross-section of the community by having a jury hear polygraph results."

Like the ordeals, says Groot, the polygraph is based on answering questions in the negative—that is, the defendant is required to deny something. And, also like the ordeals, the polygraph presents two sets of data: a physiological set and the polygraphers' interpretation of that physiological data.

Groot argues against allowing polygraph results on other grounds as well. He says, for instance, that "for the system to work, it must be based on deception. Polygraphers will say, on the one hand, that the machine is not infallible, but they then turn around and tell the person who is taking a polygraph that the machine will determine whether they are lying or telling the truth. My question is, which story do they tell the jury?"

Although Groot's emphasis is on the use of polygraphs in criminal law cases, he thinks that increased use of polygraph testing by businesses poses similar problems.

"It seems to me that the imperative to interpret polygraph data as positive is strong in these instances," he says.

Groot contends that the polygraph has a certain aura about it that causes most people to believe that the machine and the machine's operators can do more than they actually can.

## Law News honored

The *Law News*, a newspaper published monthly by W&L law students, took top honors in a recent contest sponsored by the Law Student Division of the American Bar Association.

The newspaper received awards for

the best overall newspaper, best feature article on law in the community, best editorial on broader aspects of the law, and honorable mention for an editorial on internal law school affairs.

Law school newspapers from across the country participated in the contest. The *Law News* competed in Class A, for law schools with less than 700 students.

The *Law News* won the award for best overall newspaper for its January and March issues. Jack Clary, a third-year law student from Grand Rapids, Mich., won the prize for the best feature article on law in the community for a story he did last September on local companies operating without valid pollution permits.

*Law News* editor Paul Fletcher, who graduated in May, won the award for best editorial for a piece on Attorney General Edwin Meese's reaction to attorneys' requests for fees. Paul Beers, a third-year law student from New York City, won honorable mention for an article on the *Law Review*'s move to scrap the third-year writing program.

## Grant for symposium

The Virginia Foundation for the Humanities and Public Policy has awarded Washington and Lee, the Historic Lexington Foundation, and the Stonewall Jackson House's Garland Gray Research Center and Library a \$1,900 grant to organize a symposium on Southern women this fall.

Entitled "Women in the South: Her Story is Also History," the symposium was held on the Washington and Lee campus in September.

Directed by Pamela H. Simpson, associate dean at Washington and Lee, and Michael A. Lynn, director of the Stonewall Jackson House, the one-day event brought together five historians to present papers and discuss the role of women in Southern history.

The symposium was an interdisciplinary program, and speakers approached the subject through history, literature, and architecture.

The symposium was held in conjunction with several exhibitions at W&L, including "Women at Washington and Lee," a duPont Gallery exhibition of portraits, objects, and documents relating to the role women have played at W&L during its long history, and a display on "Rockbridge Women in the 19th Century" in the Boatwright Room of the University Library.

The symposium featured five women historians: Catherine Clinton, assistant professor of history at Harvard; Kathryn L. Seidel, assistant professor of English at the University of Maryland; Ann McCleary, architectural historian for the Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission; Vivian Dreves, a Ph.D. candidate in history at SUNY-Binghamton; and Mary Coulling, a Lexington historian.

## Faculty activities

• Television viewers in the Roanoke Valley got a glimpse of a familiar face this summer when W&L journalism professor Ronald MacDonald wrote, produced, and reported a series on the 50th anniversary of the Blue Ridge Parkway for WDBJ-TV in Roanoke.

Before he joined the journalism department at W&L in 1969, MacDonald had been the anchor for WDBJ.

MacDonald and the WDBJ crew spent seven weeks shooting footage along the entire length of the Parkway from Afton Mountain to the Great Smokies. The result was a 24-part series of one-minute segments, which aired throughout the summer.

• A zoology textbook by biology professor Cleveland P. Hickman Jr. has won several awards for design. *Integrated Principles of Zoology*, written by Cleveland Hickman of W&L, Larry S. Roberts of Texas Tech, and Frances M. Hickman of DePauw University, has won awards from the American Institute of Graphic Arts, the Art Directors Club, Inc., of New York, and Graphic Design.

• Gerald J. Darrell, director of Washington and Lee's food services, was one of 18 food service directors selected to attend the first leadership institute of the National Association of College and University Food Services. Only two participants from each of the organization's nine regions are chosen to attend the conference.

• An article by history professor Roger Jeans was printed in the June issue of *Republican China*, a publication of the University of Illinois Center for Asian Studies. Jeans's essay, entitled "In Search of the Middle Way: Chang Chun-mai and The Debate over Democracy and Dictatorship in the 1930s," was originally included in a selection of papers published by the Southeast Conference of the Association of Asian Studies.

• Leonard E. Jarrard, professor of psychology at Washington and Lee University, has been named to the advisory panel for psychobiology of the Na-

tional Science Foundation. The panel, which consists of 10 members from throughout the United States, reviews proposals and advises the National Science Foundation about research trends and opportunities. Panel members usually serve three-year terms.

• Richard W. Oram, former reference and public services librarian at W&L, had an article entitled "John W. Fuller and the Franklin Society Library of Lexington" published in the July issue of *The Virginia Magazine of History and Biography*. The Franklin Society was a debating society whose members included Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson. Oram is now director of the Ward M. Canaday Center for the Use and Research of Special Collections at the University of Toledo Library.

• John W. Elrod, dean of the College, presented the address at the opening convocation of his alma mater, Presbyterian College, in September. Elrod is a 1962 graduate of Presbyterian. He became W&L's dean in August 1984.

## Alumni directory requests information

All alumni should have received a request for the information needed for publication in the new alumni directory tentatively scheduled for release in April or May 1986.

During the next several months the Harris Publishing Co. of White Plains, N.Y., which is responsible for the production and marketing of the directory,

will contact alumni by telephone to verify the information to be printed in the directory.

Alumni who have not returned their questionnaires and are not reached by telephone by the Harris firm will be listed in the directory with the information provided by alumni records.

## New faculty appointed

Ten new teachers joined Washington and Lee's undergraduate faculty this fall.

In addition, one visiting professor, two adjunct professors, and two assistant professors were named to the W&L law school faculty.

New teachers who joined the undergraduate faculty when classes began in September were Gwyn E. Campbell, assistant professor of romance languages; Michael Collins, visiting professor of mathematics; Vernon A. Eagle, assistant professor of mathematics; Elizabeth Geimer, instructor in journalism; Randall R. Hill, assistant professor of military science; Kenneth A. Lambert, assistant professor of computer science; John A. Lambeth, assistant professor of romance languages; Michael A. Malpass, assistant professor of anthropology; Mark Packer, visiting assistant professor of philosophy; and William K. Smith, visiting professor of mathematics.

Gregory Stanton and Lyman P.Q. Johnson are new assistant professors of law; James R. Elkins is a visiting professor of law for the fall term; and Ann M. Massie and J. Frank Surface are adjunct professors of law.



New faculty and administrators: first row, from left: Anne C. P. Schroer (associate dean of students); Michael Collins (mathematics); Anece McCloud (minority affairs director); Kenneth A. Lambert (computer science); William K. Smith (mathematics); Randall R. Hill (military science); Vernon A. Eagle (mathematics); Gregory Stanton (law); Elizabeth Geimer (journalism); Barbara Brown (head librarian); Gwyn E. Campbell (romance languages); Lyman P. Q. Johnson (law); John A. Lambeth (romance languages); Michael A. Malpass (anthropology).

# The Bookshelf

## From Westerns to Professional Ethics for Lawyers

**Henry Ashby Turner, '54**

*Hitler—Memoirs of a Confidant*  
(Yale University Press)

Turner, professor of history at Yale, has edited these revealing memoirs of Otto Wagener, who was purged by Hitler only months after the Nazi takeover and immediately withdrew into obscurity. From 1929 until 1933 Wagener was a confidant of Hitler, first as chief of staff of the Nazi storm troopers and then as head of the Economics Policy Section of the Nazi party.

Wagener's memoirs provide one of the rare firsthand accounts of Hitler during the years of his successful drive to become dictator of Germany.

In the memoirs, Wagener depicts the mesmerizing yet unstable personality of Hitler, his day-to-day life, his ways of manipulating others, and his entourage. Wagener's memoirs recount long conversations in which Hitler talked on such varied topics as power politics, marriage, homosexuality, art, economics, and "the Jewish problem."

Those conversations give an insight into many of Hitler's more exotic characteristics—his drug use, celibacy, insomnia, and vegetarianism. In addition, there is much to learn from Wagener about the way in which men of intelligence succumbed to Hitler's ideas.

Turner is the author of numerous books and articles, including *German Big Business and the Rise of Hitler*.

**William Hoffman, '50**

*Godfires*  
(Viking Penguin Inc.)

*Godfires* is Hoffman's ninth novel and, by his account, the "most commercial." Written within a mystery framework, *Godfires* is the story of prosecutor Billy Payne's attempts to solve a sensational murder case involving his small Southern town's most prominent citizen.

What begins as a routine investigation turns into a nightmare of religious and sexual obsession.

In an interview in the *Richmond News Leader* Hoffman, who lives in Charlotte Court House, Va., refers to a writing class he had at Washington and Lee in 1950 as the turning point in his career.

"Three people in the class went on to become writers," Hoffman said in the interview. "One was me. One was John Bowen; he published a novel and works in Norfolk now. One was Tom Wolfe; you've probably heard of him. I think that's pretty good for one writing class."

Hoffman was a law student at the time. He had earned an undergraduate degree from Hampden-Sydney. The writing class prompted him to drop out of law school in 1950 and pursue his new interest.

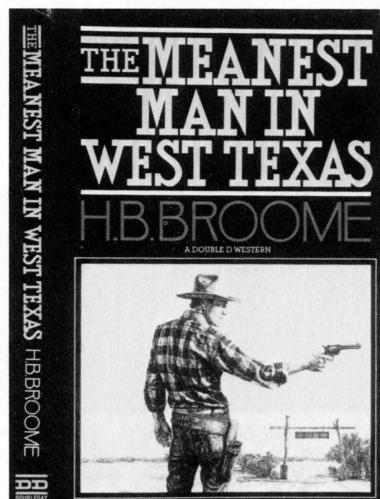
**Horace B. Kelton, '50**

(under the pen name H.B. Broome)  
*The Meanest Man in West Texas*  
(Doubleday and Company)

H.B. Broome's first novel is a western adventure in which 17-year-old Tom English becomes an instant legend by killing the second-best gunman in West Texas in self-defense. The question quickly arises: Can young Tom English live up to the new reputation? He hardly has a choice.

H.B. Broome/Kelton's great-grandfather was the U.S. marshal in the part of West Texas which serves as the setting for *The Meanest Man in West Texas*. The family ranch was located at Broome, Texas, which was named for Kelton's grandfather, the first man to head the Texas and Southwestern Cattlemen's associations as well as the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association.

Broome/Kelton now lives in Arlington, Texas.



**Thomas L. Shaffer, professor of law**

*American Legal Ethics*  
(Matthew Bender & Co.)

In the introduction to his new volume Shaffer writes that "there seems to be a difference between saying to a naughty child, 'A good girl does not turn the garden hose on her grandmother,' and 'If you turn the garden hose on your grandmother, you're going to be in trouble.' My bias in American legal ethics is for the first kind of statement; I approach the subject not as a matter of staying out of trouble, but as a matter of being good."

Shaffer's latest volume on legal ethics emphasizes morals rather than rules and focuses on essentially two questions: (1) Is it possible to be both a good person and a lawyer? and (2) If so, how?

He examines the questions by blending a rich sampling of literary materials (including Harper Lee, William Dean Howells, William Faulkner, David Hoffman, and Louis Auchincloss), philosophy, and theology along with legal material integrated throughout.

At the heart of Shaffer's approach is the incorporation of almost 50 sets of discussion topics developed through years of classroom use and refinement.

Designed as a textbook for legal ethics or professional responsibility classes, the volume can be used for a variety of class settings.

**Halford R. Ryan, professor of public speaking**

*Persuasive Advocacy: Cases for Argumentation and Debate*  
(University Press of America)

The distinctive part of this textbook for college courses in argumentation and debate is a collection of first-degree murder cases constructed by Ryan.

Students advocate these cases in moot fashion. Testimonies for practice in debating skills for direct and cross examinations are also included.

A member of the W&L faculty since 1970, Ryan developed the text from his work with W&L's forensics squad and through teaching argumentation and debate at W&L.

# Alumni News

*Alumni-Admissions Programs Established in 67 Areas*

The Alumni-Admissions Program continues to play a crucial role in the University's recruiting efforts and currently has active programs in 67 areas with more than 375 volunteers.

According to statistics compiled by A-AP Director James D. Farrar, A-AP members submitted interview reports on 20 percent of the 2,639 applicants last year.

"Some of the most important work that our A-AP members do involves converting applicants into students, which represents the 'yield,'" said Farrar.

"This year the yield was eight percent higher in the areas where we have active A-AP committees than in those areas that do not have A-AP chapters.

"From contacting prospects to encouraging applications to urging those who were accepted to enroll at W&L, A-AP representatives were significant factors in the most successful admissions year in the University's history."

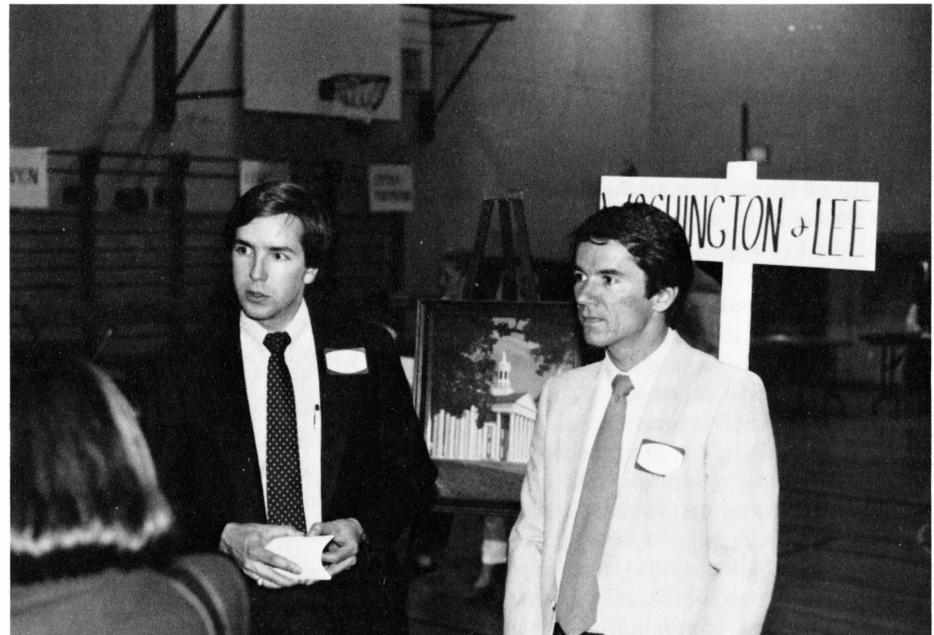
Last year A-AP members represented the University at 180 "college nights" throughout the nation.

"These were functions at which Washington and Lee would not have been represented without the assistance of A-AP volunteers," Farrar said. "We anticipate having A-AP representatives at more than 200 college nights this year."

## Welcoming newcomers

Entering freshmen and first-year law students were welcomed into the Washington and Lee family by several chapters at functions during the summer months.

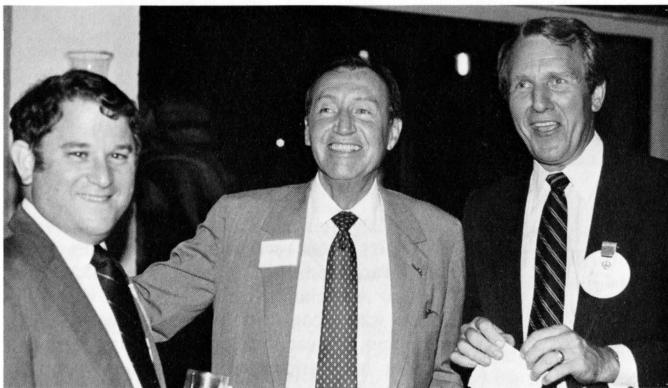
The **Houston Chapter** met in August at The Forest Club. Rob LaRue, '72, chapter president, presided over the gathering at which Bill Clemons, '77, the Alumni-Admissions Program chairman, introduced the new freshmen. The first recipient of the Houston Honor Scholarship, Matt Bryant, was among those in attendance. Buck Ogilvie, '64, gave a status report on the endowment funding for the Houston Honor Scholarship, which had reached \$160,000 with a goal



SAN FRANCISCO—Alumni-Admissions Program committeemen Michael Armstrong (left), '77, and John Stoudemire, '71, represented Washington and Lee at a College Night Program at a San Francisco area high school last year. The University's A-AP committees involve hundreds of alumni who assist the student recruitment efforts throughout the country.



HOUSTON—Bill Clemons (left), '77, chairman of the Alumni-Admissions Program in Houston, is shown with two Houston-area students, senior Paul Davey (center) and entering freshman Matt Bryant, at the Houston Chapter's reception for new students. Bryant is the first recipient of the Houston Scholarship.



**HOUSTON**—Renewing acquaintances at the Houston Chapter's mid-summer reception for new students are (from left) Fred (Buzzy) Griffin, '60; Jim Morefield, '52L; and Buck Ogilvie, '64.



**HOUSTON**—Attending the Houston Chapter meeting this summer were (from left) Allan and Pat Tomlin, '69, and Jim and Robin Livesay, '69.



**RICHMOND**—Richmond Chapter officers are shown with two entering freshmen who attended a barbecue in August. From left, Ware Palmer, '82, treasurer; Bob Priddy, '67, president; Jones Tyler, an entering freshman from Charles City, Va.; Amy Balfour, an entering freshman from Richmond; and Channing Martin, '75, '79L.



**WASHINGTON**—President John D. Wilson (right foreground) talks with Pete Straub, '61, '64L, at the Washington Chapter's reception for new students.

of \$200,000. Alumni Director Dick Sessions brought greetings from Lexington.

The **Washington Chapter** gathered at Episcopal High School in Alexandria, Va., for a cocktail/buffet honoring the new students. W&L President John D. Wilson spoke to the gathering, which was organized by Chapter President Beau Dudley, '74, '79L.

The **Cleveland Chapter** held its reception at the Cleveland Clinic, where Dr. John D. Battle Jr., '34, and Thomas E. Goss Jr., '80, were hosts.

Charles F. Porzig, '35, the Alumni Admissions representative in northern New Jersey, had entering students from the Montclair, N.J., area to his home for a reception in July.

Similar receptions were held by the following chapters or in the following areas: **Florida West Coast, Westchester/Fairfield, Tidewater, Louisville, Long Island, and Shenandoah.**

## On the diamonds

Diamonds played a key role in the

summer activities of more than one chapter.

Members of the **Baltimore Chapter** descended on that city's Memorial Stadium in mid-July for the first annual Virginia College Night sponsored by the Baltimore Orioles. Alumni from other Virginia institutions joined in the pre-game picnic and then watched the Orioles drop a 10-8 decision to the Chicago White Sox.

Other chapters took to the diamonds for softball games. Both the **Atlanta** and **San Antonio** chapters battled their counterparts from the University of the South while the **New Orleans Chapter** squared off against the W&L of the North, Harvard. No results were available at presstime.

## Barbecues to banquets

The **Rockbridge Chapter** gathered at Skylark, the University's mountaintop retreat on the Blue Ridge Parkway for a picnic in late July.

The **Richmond Chapter** imported North Carolina barbecue from Rocky Mount and conducted its second annual

mid-summer barbecue in early August at the restored Kanawha Locks. Bob Priddy, '67, president of the chapter, organized the gathering with assists from Channing Martin, '75, '79L, vice president; Pres Rowe, '60, secretary; and Ware Palmer, '82, treasurer.

In Hagerstown, Md., the **Cumberland Valley Chapter** observed its annual dinner in mid-August. William M. Schildt, '64, '68L, the chapter president, presided at the function, which featured a report on the University by John Elrod, dean of the College.

The **Middle Tennessee Chapter** held a meeting in August at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clay T. Jackson, '76. Buddy Atkins, '68, associate alumni director, and Milburn Noell, '51, '54L, associate director of development, represented the University at the party.

The **Upper Potomac Chapter**'s annual dinner was held in late August at the Cumberland, Md., Country Club. Al Darby, '43, is president of the chapter, which made a contribution to the Heart Fund in memory of the late Billy Wilson, '38.

# Class Notes



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1922

**Dr. Harry Lyons** received the Outstanding Alumnus Award from the Medical College of Virginia Alumni Association of VCU earlier this year. Lyons was recognized for his service in dental education, dedication to professionalism, and continuing inspiration and support to dentistry students. He was dean of the School of Dentistry at the Medical College of Virginia from 1950 to 1970.

1924

**Andrew H. Harriss Jr.** is currently the county energy coordinator in Wilmington, N.C. That is the latest chapter in Harriss's long and varied career. Planning at one time to enter the University of Virginia Medical School, he volunteered for service in World War I with the American Expeditionary Forces in 1918 and saw action with a trench mortar battalion. After Washington and Lee he returned to his home in Wilmington and entered the North Carolina National Guard. He was recalled to active duty in World War II, was promoted to colonel in the artillery in 1943, and was relieved in 1946. He was promoted to brigadier general in the National Guard. Harriss was assistant chief engineer of the communications and signaling department of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company until he retired in 1967 and served as the county's coordinator of civil defense from 1968 to 1976. In June, Harriss and his wife, the former Louise Ogden Wright, celebrated their 42nd wedding anniversary with the Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Wright, retired Episcopal bishop of the diocese of East Carolina, who was formerly rector of Robert E. Lee Memorial Church in Lexington.

1927

After retiring from the ministry, **R. Wilbur Simmons** spent three years in New Zealand before settling in Claremont, Calif. Simmons and his wife helped found a retirement center in Te Kauwhata, New Zealand, just south of Auckland, and were invited back for the opening of a third facility in September 1985. Meantime, Simmons spends time raising cymbidiums and chrysanthemums for an annual festival held in November.

1929

**Harry E. Godwin** has been elected a board member of the Tulane University Jazz Archive.

1936

**Charles B. Cross Jr.** retired as judge of the General District Court of Chesapeake, Va., in January 1985 but is remaining active as a substitute in other districts.

1938

**C. Price Berryman**, president of the Home Lumber and Supply Co. of Southwest Kansas, was appointed chairman of the State Highways Commission by the governor of Kansas.

1939

Although he has retired twice, **Warren H. Edwards** has recently been appointed an acting circuit judge by Florida's chief justice.

## 1940

**Richard W. Boisseau** has retired as executive director of the Appomattox Basin Industrial Development Corp. in Petersburg, Va. Boisseau and his wife, Babs, have moved to Lancaster, Va., which is in the Northern Neck area.

## 1942

**Samuel F. Ciener** retired from his family's 76-year-old clothing store in January 1985.

## 1943

**Donald J. Crawford** has retired after more than 33 years of service with State Farm Insurance Companies. He lives in Frederick, Md.

## 1944

In June **Earle Palmer Brown** was appointed by the governor of Maryland to the 12-member board of trustees of St. Mary's College of Maryland. Brown is the chairman of Earle Palmer Brown and Associates, the largest public relations and advertising agency in the Middle Atlantic region, and is active in sports and community activities in the Bethesda area.

**Howard N. Greenblatt** has formed Corporate Real Estate, Inc. in Chicago, to provide corporations and institutions real estate services in such areas as construction, management, marketing, financing, etc.

**A. Linwood Holton**, former governor of Virginia, has retired as vice president and general counsel of the American Council of Life Insurance to join the Washington law firm of Zuckert, Scourt, Rasenberger and Johnson.

**William McIndoe Jr.** is retired from the California state government.

## 1945

**Collier Wenderoth**, president of O. K. Feed Mills since 1950, is now chairman of the new O. K. Industries.

## 1950

**Douglas I. Buck** has been joined by his son, Douglas I. Buck II, in the law firm, Buck and Mangapora.

**Barnett Robinson Jr.** moved his law office to Coral Gables, Fla. Robinson is a partner in the firm of Robinson & Greenberg, P.A., and has been practicing law in Dade County, Fla., for the past 25 years.

## 1951

**Robert H. Brown** was the overall winner in the Eighth Annual Volunteer of the Year Awards sponsored by Volunteer Kingsport (Tenn.). Brown works in the research lab at Tennessee Eastman in Kingsport. His volunteer award was for his work counseling prisoners and ex-offenders. He has been involved in the prison ministry for about 12 years and played a leading role in the creation and operation of Hay House, a Kingsport residence for ex-prisoners. Brown, his wife, Beverly, and their four sons live in Kingsport.

**Pike Hall Jr.** is chief judge of the Louisiana Court of Appeals' second circuit. He has served on the court since 1971 and was recently re-elected without opposition to a new 10-year term.

**Richard B. Taylor** has sold his burglar alarm business. He is retired and now lives in Las Vegas.

**William G. White** is district manager of operator services for AT&T Communications in Tulsa, Okla.

## 1952

**Richard G. Ballard** has begun a second career—the automobile business—in Baltimore.

## 1953

**John W. Dodd Jr.** has become general manager of the poultry business unit for the Campbell Soup Co. Formerly business director of Red and White Soups, Dodd joined Campbell in 1955 as an assistant to the general promotion manager and has held numerous marketing and advertising positions with the company. He and his wife, Jane, have five children. They live in Haddonfield, N.J.

**James M. Gabler**, a Baltimore attorney, has written a book, *Wine into Words, A History and Bibliography of Wine Books in the English Language*. His work lists and describes more than 3,350 entries and gives biographical sketches of prominent wine writers. It was published by Bacchus Press Ltd.

## 1955

**David W. McCain** has moved to Atlanta where he is vice president of development for Portman Barry Investments.

## 1956

**Douglas I. Buck** (See 1950.)

## 1958

**MARRIAGE:** **Samuel C. Dudley** and Anne Whitaker Gilliam on Feb. 3, 1985, in Richmond. P. B. Winfree III, '59, was best man. Dudley is with Branch Cabell and Co., a Richmond investment house. The couple resides in Richmond.

**Thomas F. King** is executive vice president of Treco Communities, Inc., a real estate development subsidiary of Sunstates Corporation in Jacksonville, Fla.

**Nelson S. Teague** has been appointed president of the medical staff of Community Hospital of Roanoke, Va. Teague has a practice in urology surgery.

## 1959

After nine years as headmaster of Linden Hall School in Lititz, Pa., **John H. Esperian** has become headmaster of St. Mark's School in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

**Robert E. Shepherd Jr.** was chairman of the University Faculty Council at the University of Richmond during the 1984-85 academic year. A professor of law at Richmond's T.C. Williams School of Law, Shepherd was appointed chairman of the Virginia Justice Services Board by Virginia Governor Charles Robb.

## 1960

**Barry M. Fox** is president of Barry Fox Associates, Ltd., in New Orleans, where he lives with his wife and two children.

**A. Eugene O'Dell Jr.** is now living in Lakeland, Fla., where he is district manager for the Social Security Administration.

## 1961

**John R. Farmer** has been named general partner in the investment banking firm of Goldman, Sachn and Co. He is head of the firm's West Coast fixed income department, based in San Francisco.

**Robert E. Shepherd Jr.** (See 1959.)

## 1962

**Charles E. Gay** has been promoted to senior vice president of account management with Doremus and Company in New York City. He lives in Stamford, Conn., with his wife and two children.

## 1963

**Craig T. Distelhorst** is president of the Benjamin Franklin Savings Association in Houston. He lives in Kingwood, Texas.

**Stephen H. Stull** handles management consulting with correspondent financial institutions for Citibank in Seattle. He lives with his family in Issaquah, Wash.

## 1964

**MARRIAGE:** **Alonzo Atkins Jr.** and Julie Hurlbut in September 1984. Atkins is vice president of engineering for Ordain, Inc., a newly formed company that develops and manufactures relational data-base computers. They live in Long Beach, Calif.

**Britain H. Bryant** has been practicing law for 20 years in Christiansted, St. Croix, the U. S. Virgin Islands.

**Brice R. Gamber** has completed a two-year term as chairman of the Minnesota Insurance Information Center and continues to serve as a director of the center. He lives in Minneapolis.

**John H. Kirkley** practices law in New York and is pastor of the Unification Church of Hempstead, N.Y. He and his wife, Marie-France, have three daughters, Sunnie Marie, 6, Gabriella, 4, and Sophia, 2.

**Thomas C. Lewis** is a second-year resident in anesthesiology at Vanderbilt University Hospital in Nashville, Tenn.

## 1965

**Larry M. Meeks** is a founding partner in the Los Angeles law firm of Pircher, Nichols and Meeks.

**Michael J. Michaelis** has opened his own general law practice in Worcester, Mass. He specializes in business litigation and was named Massachusetts Lawyer Advocate of the Year for 1983 by the Small Business Administration. He and his wife, Gay, a psychiatric specialist, live in Bolton.

**Woodard D. Openo** lives in Somersworth, N.H., where he is researching and restoring his house, which was built in 1850. He does architectural research for National Historic Register nominations and similar purposes.

## 1967

**MARRIAGE:** **Aron L. Suna** and Marjorie Morgan on May 12, 1985, in New York. He is with Suna Brothers, Inc., a jewelry manufacturer and diamond importer in New York.

**James W. Elliott Jr.** of Bristol, Va., was among 12 Virginia lawyers elected to the governing council of the 18,700-member Virginia State Bar, the administrative arm of the Supreme Court of Virginia responsible for regulating the practice of law in the Commonwealth. A member of the firm of White, Elliott & Bundy, he was president of the Bristol Bar Association in 1983-84 and has been actively involved with the Local Government Attorneys of Virginia and the Conference of Local Bar Associations.

**J. Mac Holladay**, executive vice president of the Charleston, S.C., Trident Chamber of Commerce, is moving to Columbia, S.C., to become director of the South Carolina Development Board.

**Dr. John R. McGill** has been elected president of the Penobscot County Medical Association for 1985-86. He has a private practice in plastic and reconstructive surgery in Bangor, Maine.

**Giancarlo Marchetti** recently was transferred to Proctor & Gamble headquarters in Cincinnati after spending most of his business career with Proctor & Gamble in Mexico, Argentina, and his native Italy.

**James C. Treadway Jr.** is a resident partner in the Washington office of the Houston law firm of Baker and Botts. He had served for three years as a commissioner of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

**John H. Zink III**, a partner in the Baltimore law firm of Cook, Howard, Downes and Tracy, serves on the peer review board and judicial selection committee of the Maryland Bar Association. He and his wife have three daughters, Anne, Cary, and Laura.

## 1968

"The Capture of Daniel Boone's Saltmakers: Fresh Perspectives from Primary Sources," an article by **W. Dodd Brown**, has been published in the *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society*. Brown lives in Chicago.

**Donald R. Ellis Jr.** has been the first full-time director of public relations for New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary since July 1983.

**Edward I. Hutchins Jr.** left Hawaii to become director of marketing for the Vista International Hotel in Washington. The Vista is part of the expanding division of Hilton International Hotels.

**Michael J. Michaelis** (See 1965.)

## 1969

**BIRTH: Mr. and Mrs. Glen P. Mattox**, a son, Davis Balfour. He joins three sisters at home in Atco, N.J.

**BIRTH: Mr. and Mrs. M. McGill FitzHugh III**, a son, Christian Grayson, on July 18, 1985, in Fairfax, Va.

**Houston Armstrong** and his wife, Mary, are professional photographers in the Pittsburgh area.

**Dr. Anthony F. Berliner** is in the private practice of internal medicine in Minneapolis. He lives with his wife, Karol, and sons, Adam, 5, and Daniel, 1, in Shoreview, Minn.

**Leonard A. Blanchard** is with Southland, the parent company of 7-Eleven Food Stores and Citgo gasoline. After completing a development program for sales managers, he started work in marketing.

## 1970

**David D. Kympton** is executive vice president of Mesa Industries of Opelika, Ala., a small manufacturer of plastic containers. He lives in Auburn, Ala.

**Bruce R. MacQueen** has moved from Sydney, Australia, to Brussels, Belgium, where he is now the general manager of Manufacturers Hanover Belgium.

**Donald C. Smith** is an ecologist with the Office of Environmental Policy for the Federal Highway

Administration in Washington. He and his wife, Diane, live in Fairfax, Va.

**Aron L. Suna** (See 1967.)

**John H. Zink III** (See 1967.)

## 1971

**MARRIAGE: David B. Galt Jr.** and Alice Walz on Aug. 11, 1984, in St. Louis. Robert Gill, '71, was a groomsman.

**BIRTH: Mr. and Mrs. John H. King**, a daughter, Sara Alexandria Chappell, on May 15, 1985. King completed his Ph.D. in child development and family relations at UNC-Greensboro in May 1985. He continues his free-lance photography and has a private practice as a family therapist. The family lives in Greensboro, N.C.

**BIRTH: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Tompkins Jr.**, a son, Claiborne Forbes, on April 16, 1985, in Alexandria, Va. In July, Tompkins was elected assistant secretary to the Council of the American Bar Association's criminal justice section. He has served as chairman of the section's task force on computer crime since 1982. In 1984, Tompkins was appointed to the Virginia Commission on Health Regulatory Boards by Virginia Governor Charles Robb. He is now vice chairman of the commission, which oversees the work of 10 health regulatory boards, including the board of medicine and board of dentistry. Tompkins is a partner in the Washington law offices of Sidley and Austin.

**Donald E. Earls** formed a new law firm, Earls and Dotson, in January 1985 in Wise County, Va.

**Walton M. Jeffress Jr.** is the deputy chief in the office of legal advisor to the National Guard Bureau at the Pentagon. His office provides legal guidance and opinions for the Army and Air National Guard units of all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and Guam.

**Michael W. Kirshbaum** is director of merchandise planning and mail order operations for Bergdorf Goodman in New York, a division of Carter Hawley Hale Stores. He lives in North Brunswick, N.J.

**H. Drake Leddy** has left Arthur Andersen Company in San Antonio, Texas, to become senior vice president of real estate investments with the USAA Services Co. in San Antonio.

**Maj. Gordon S. Macrae** is the chief of intelligence and security for the 29th Area Support Group of the U.S. Army in Kaiserslautern, West Germany.

In May 1984 **Donald C. Poppke** earned a master's degree in research and development management from the American University, where he was selected as the Outstanding Graduate Scholar of the Year in the College of Public and International Affairs. He is currently the administrative officer for the Cancer Therapy Evaluation Program, the largest chemical research program in the world, for the National Cancer Institute in Bethesda, Md. He lives in Washington.

## 1972

**BIRTH: Mr. and Mrs. W. Tennent Houston**, a daughter, Alice Sanders, on June 6, 1985, in Augusta, Ga. Houston is president of Merry Land and Investment Co., Inc., a publicly owned real estate development and investment company based in Augusta. He joined the firm as comptroller in 1981 after working for Ford Motor Co. in Atlanta.

**J. Hudson Allender** is practicing pediatric cardiology in Fort Worth, Texas.

**Peter F. Davidson** is owner and administrator of a Montessori school for children ages three to nine in Beaverton, Ore. He is president of the Oregon Montessori Association. Davidson and his wife, Mary, have four children ranging in age from four to 10.

**W. McKenzie Woodward** is staff architectural historian for the Rhode Island Historical Preservation Commission. He recently completed a book on the architecture of Providence, where he lives. Woodward is on the vestry of St. Martin's Church, the corporation of the Providence Public Library, the board of trustees of the Providence Preservation Society, and the board of directors of Hill Realty.

**Millard S. Younts** is with Chapman Associates, a nationwide radio and television brokerage firm in Washington.

## 1973

**BIRTH: Rev. and Mrs. Frederick E. Roberts**, a son, Benjamin Brodie, on July 28, 1985, in Graham, N.C. Roberts is minister of the Mount Herman United Methodist Church in Graham.

**Brian R. Adams** works for the National Park Service at the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historic Park. His primary duties are law enforcement and supervision of search and rescue operations in the Washington, D.C., area. He lives with his wife, Anne, and two sons, Sean and Graham, in Glen Echo, Md.

**Paul C. Archer** is general manager of Cavalier Beverage Co., Inc., a wholesale beer distributorship in Charlottesville, Va.

Virginia Governor Charles Robb appointed **Michael Campilongo** to the State Advisory Council of the National Legal Services Corp.

**J. Jason Matthews** is vice consul at the American Embassy in Budapest where he is in charge of issuing immigrant and special visas and providing citizen services. Matthews and his wife completed a tour in Madrid and a year's instruction at the state department's Foreign Language Institute.

In February 1985, **J. Stanley Taylor** became vice president-trading for The Westcap Corp., a national securities firm headquartered in Houston, where he lives.

**Timothy S. Wright** is now commissioner in chancery for the Circuit Court of Chesapeake.

## 1974

**BIRTH: Mr. and Mrs. Dennis C. Gilchrist**, a daughter, Meghan Mallory, on May 24, 1985. Dennis continues to practice as a partner in the law firm of Brown and Hagins in Greenville, S.C.

**BIRTH: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Leary**, a son, David Minges, on April 11, 1985, in LaGrange, Ga. He joins his sister, Marlea, 6, and Josh, 3.

**Jeffrey D. Burke** was promoted to audit senior manager with the Richmond office of Price Waterhouse.

**Capt. David V. Finnell** has been selected by the Army for promotion to major. He is starting his fourth and final year as an instructor of English literature and composition at the U.S. Military Academy.

**Dr. Fred W. Frick** is the director of the Care Unit Hospital of Coral Springs, Fla., a 120-bed inpatient facility that concentrates on the treatment of

chemical dependency. Frick has spent the past year specializing in treating alcohol and cocaine addiction.

**John E. Lane III** is practicing law with the firm of Eller & Lane in Altavista, Va. Lane lives with his wife and son, Mark Graham, 2, in Altavista.

**Bryan E. McNeill**, a Jesuit scholastic, completed a 2½-year period as a community organizer and social justice coordinator in Houston. In September, he began attending the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley, Calif.

**Gerard D. Porath** is general sales manager for Edge Computer Systems in Cleveland and assistant basketball coach at Case Western Reserve University. He, his wife, Ann, an attorney, and their son, Brendan, 2, live in University Heights, Ohio.

**John J. Regard III** is senior vice president of operations for Tissue Banks International in Baltimore.

## 1975

**MARRIAGE:** **Benjamin L. Bailey** and Amanda Cox on June 20, 1985, with West Virginia Supreme Court Justice William T. Brotherton Jr., '47, '50L, presiding. They live in Charleston, W.Va., where Bailey is an administrative assistant for West Virginia Governor Arch Moore.

**BIRTH:** **Mr. and Mrs. Donald M. Hathway**, a daughter, Joanne Marie, on July 24, 1985, in Bowie, Md. She joins two sisters, Christine, 3, and Patricia, 1. Hathway is an audit manager with the accounting firm of Deloitte Haskins & Sells.

**Richard M. Koch** has become a partner in the Charlotte, N.C., law firm of Walker, Palmer and Miller. He and his wife live in Concord, N.C.

**J. William Lassetter** works in real estate in Tallahassee, Fla., and has special interest in the restoration of historic homes in the city. He is studying for a master's degree in architecture at Florida A&M University.

**Channing Martin**, an attorney with Williams, Muller and Christian, is the 50th president of the Richmond Jaycees.

**Dr. James E. Pope** has been promoted to assistant professor of medicine in cardiology at the Bowman Gray School of Medicine at Wake Forest University. He has been on the Bowman Gray faculty since 1983.

**Dr. Perry T. Sowell Jr.**, who received his D.D.S. degree from the University of North Carolina School of Dentistry in 1982, currently practices dentistry in Charlotte, N.C., where he, his wife, Helen, and their daughter live.

**Mercer E. West IV** is vice president for system sales with Choice Computer Corp. He lives in Marietta, Ga., with his wife, Rita, and children, Sarah and Mercer V.

## 1976

**BIRTH:** **Mr. and Mrs. B. Davis Jackson**, a daughter, Madeleine Elise, on May 30, 1985, in New Braunfels, Texas.

**BIRTH:** **Mr. and Mrs. James F. McMenamin**, a son, Daniel Vincent, on Feb. 3, 1984, in Baltimore.

**BIRTH:** **Mr. and Mrs. Roderick R. Scott**, a son, Brian Roderick, on Dec. 24, 1983, in Basking Ridge, N.J. Scott works for AT&T in Piscataway, N.J.

**Robert L. Amsler** joined Central Fidelity Bank as assistant vice president and regional manager of the international division in Vienna, Va. He and his wife, Julie, live in Sterling.

In January 1985, **Robert C. Kelly** became a partner in the Columbia, S.C., law firm of Robinson, McFadden, Moore, Pope, Williams, Taylor and Brailsford.

**John G. Podgajny** is director of career development at RETS Electronics School in suburban Philadelphia. He lives in Glenolden, Pa., with his wife, Laura Jean, and their son, Brian David, 2.

## 1977

**MARRIAGE:** **David C. Davis** and Marie E. Lewandowski on Sept. 2, 1984, in Baltimore. They live in St. Louis, Mo. Davis is an attorney in Collinsville, Ill.

**MARRIAGE:** **Joseph D. Dubuque II** and Reneta Walsh on May 3, 1985. Classmates attending were Edward Callison and Ferris Mack. The couple lives in Clayton, Mo.

**BIRTH:** **Mr. and Mrs. Leon F. Joyner Jr.**, a son, Leon Franklin III, on May 19, 1985, in Marietta, Ga.

**BIRTH:** **Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Rathbun**, a son, Bennett Eastman, on May 31, 1985. Rathbun is director of communications for the International Council of Shopping Centers in New York City. The family resides in Rye, N.Y.

**BIRTH:** **Mr. and Mrs. Clark G. Thompson Jr.**, a daughter, Genie, on April 13, 1985, in Houston.

**Dr. H. Cobb Alexander Jr.** is a third-year orthopedic resident at Greenville, S.C., Memorial Hospital. His wife, Eloise, will complete her pediatric residency there in December.

**Dr. David A. Austin** graduated from Indiana University School of Medicine with highest distinction and is serving a residency in internal medicine at the Harbor-UCLA Medical Center in Los Angeles.

**William E. Craver III** lives on Sullivan's Island, S.C., and is a partner in the Charleston law firm of Robinson, Craver, Wall and Hastie.

**Michael E. Forry** is a vice president in the corporate real estate division-midwest of Security Pacific Bank. Forry and his wife live in Fullerton, Calif.

**Craig F. Hamilton** has returned to the Florida National Bank as an associate vice president. He is also pursuing a chartered financial analyst designation.

**Mark E. Hoffman** is a partner in the Birmingham, Ala., law firm of Donovan, McCord and Hoffman, which specializes in real estate, securities, and corporate law.

**James G. Houston** joined Southeast Bank as a vice president in the corporate banking group of the bank's Broward County (Fla.) division. He lives in Fort Lauderdale.

**David B. Johnston** has left Ford Motor Co. to become manager, financial planning and analysis, for Sprague Electric, a manufacturer of electronic components and semiconductors in Lexington, Mass.

**W. Dana LaForge** received the M.B.A. degree from the Harvard Business School and is a vice president in the government bond department of Banker's Trust Co. in New York City.

**Thomas H. McBride III** is a financial planner and licensed securities broker with F.S.C. Securities Corp. and a registered investment advisor. He lives in Des Moines, Iowa.

**James E. Nicholson** is now a partner in Faegre & Benson, a firm of 160 lawyers in Minneapolis. Sadly, Nicholson's six-year-old daughter, Megan, died last spring following a long illness.

**Charles D. I. Powell** practices corporate law in Dallas, where he lives with his wife, Betsy.

**Douglas A. Scovanner** returned to Atlanta from Seattle in his work with The Coca-Cola Co. He is assistant treasurer of Coca-Cola Bottling Enterprises, Inc. As such he is involved with mergers, acquisitions, and operational and capital planning for Coke's company-owned bottling franchises.

**Gregory S. Walden** is special assistant to the assistant attorney general for the civil division of the U.S. Justice Department in Washington. In the five years he has been there, Walden has lived in the Old Town section of Alexandria, Va.

**James N. Wohlfarth** has been promoted to manager of scheduling for Teledyne Systems Co. He lives in Reseda, Calif.

## 1978

**MARRIAGE:** **R. B. Nash Francis Jr.** and Katherine Curtis Meanley on Sept. 15, 1984, in Virginia Beach. They live in Wayne, Pa. Francis is an insurance underwriter in the international department for the Philadelphia office of the Chubb Insurance Group.

**MARRIAGE:** **E. Brewington Houston** and Mary Lou Franklin on April 13, 1985, in Houston, Texas. Houston is a resident in anesthesiology at Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas.

**MARRIAGE:** **Dr. Robert H. Jackson** and Sue Nelson on July 6, 1985, in Shreveport, La. The best man was the groom's father, T. Haller Jackson Jr., '48. Edward S. Peterson, '79, and T. Haller Jackson III, '73, were in the wedding. Following a honeymoon in Italy, the Jacksons returned to Shreveport where Robert is chief resident of internal medicine at LSU Medical Center.

**MARRIAGE:** **O. Warren Mowry Jr.** and Mary Lee Smith on Jan. 12, 1985. Lawrence S. Lumpkin, '76, attended. They live in Greenville, S.C., where Mowry is an assistant solicitor for the 13th Judicial Circuit of South Carolina. He received his law degree from the University of South Carolina in 1981 and was a judicial clerk in Florence, S.C., before joining the solicitor's staff in 1982.

**BIRTH:** **Mr. and Mrs. Arthur R. Carmody III**, a son, Arthur IV, on April 7, 1984, in Richmond.

**BIRTH:** **Mr. and Mrs. Alexius A. Dyer III**, a daughter, Caroline Chiles, on Feb. 11, 1985, in Atlanta. Dyer is a stockbroker with Thomson McKinnon Securities, Inc.

**BIRTH:** **Mr. and Mrs. Alexis B. LaMotte**, a daughter, Sarah Armstrong, on June 6, 1985, in Richmond. In February 1985 LaMotte left the LaMotte Chemical Co. after 6½ years there and joined Garratt-Callahan Co., which sells industrial water treatment chemicals.

**BIRTH:** **Capt. and Mrs. Roland B. Walters**, a daughter, Emilce, on April 3, 1985, in Fort Belvoir, Va. Walters is in El Salvador for a year training Salvadorian armed forces.

**Peter J. Abitante** has been named director of information for the American Football Conference of the National Football League. He joined the NFL as an assistant in public relations in 1978 and has helped organize and staff the last seven Super Bowls. He is now responsible for public relations for the 14 teams in the AFC. Abitante and his wife, Sharon, live in Franklin Park, N.J.

**A. Michael Airheart** is a corporate banking officer in St. Petersburg for NCNB National Bank of Florida. He lives in Tampa.

**A. Greer Barriault** has joined the frontier section of the exploration group for Pennzoil. He is analyzing data from offshore exploration in Alaska. Barriault lives in Houston.

**George L. Carson Jr.** was promoted to manager of special markets for Walker Manufacturing. He works in the corporate headquarters at Racine, Wis., and lives in Gurnee, Ill.

**Stuart L. Craig Jr.** manages Bruce Coleman, Inc., one of the world's leading stock photography agencies, and provides photography for advertising and annual reports. He earned his M.B.A. at Fordham University and lives in New York.

**George W. Faison Jr.** started D'Artagnan, Inc. in August 1984. The company transforms and distributes foie gras, ducks, game birds, and game throughout the country, but with emphasis in the New York City area. He lives in Garfield, N.J.

**Walter Granruth III** is in the mergers and acquisitions department of the investment banking division for Prudential-Bache Securities in New York. He joined the firm after receiving an M.B.A. from the Colgate Darden School at the University of Virginia in 1983.

In August 1985, **Christopher P. Reid** earned a B.S. in business administration from the University of North Carolina-Greensboro.

**Richard W. Stewart** is a vice president in Manufacturers Hanover's North American Division.

**Charles C. Steiff** is now an account executive with Provident-Bache Securities in Baltimore.

## 1979

**MARRIAGE:** **Thomas A. Wiseman III** (See 1981) **Elizabeth P. DeVine**.

**MARRIAGE:** **John S. Hyslop** and Mary Margaret LeCato on July 28, 1984, in Franktown, Va. They live in Blacksburg, Va., while Hyslop studies for his doctorate in physics at Virginia Tech.

**MARRIAGE:** **John F. McIntyre Jr.** and Mary Louise Harper, on June 1, 1985, in Avondale, Pa. In attendance were Dennis Dougherty and Jill E. Dougherty, both '78L. The couple lives in Northbrook, Pa. McIntyre practices law in West Chester.

**MARRIAGE:** **Dr. Mark F. Prysi** and Nancy A. Holifield on June 8, 1985, in Demopolis, Ala. Members of the wedding party included Scott S. Prysi, '84, and Ed Kissell, '79. Prysi is a third-year resident in general surgery at the University of Alabama Hospital in Birmingham. He received his M.D. from the University of Virginia Medical School in June 1983.

**MARRIAGE:** **Peter G. Strasser** and Stephanie L. Ackermann, on May 23, 1985, in New Orleans. The couple lives in New Orleans where Strasser is an assistant U.S. attorney.

**BIRTH:** **Mr. and Mrs. David Hamra**, a daughter, Sarah Christian, on Jan. 17, 1985, in Columbus, Ohio.

**BIRTH:** **Mr. and Mrs. Stanley E. Packer**, a daughter, Andrea Helton, on April 6, 1985. The family lives in Louisville, Ky.

**BIRTH:** **Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Price**, a son, Penfield, on May 23, 1985, in Jamestown, N.Y. He joins two sisters.

In July 1984, **Marshall M. Barroll** was promoted to captain in the U.S. Air Force. Since then he has had temporary duty assignments piloting KC-135 aircraft in the United Kingdom, Spain, Saudi Arabia, Hawaii, the Philippines, and Australia. He is stationed at Loring Air Force Base in Maine.

**O. Lee Cave III** is associated with the law firm of Clark, Ward, Stuart and Hopgood in Lexington, Ky.

**Joseph F. Cox** has formed an independent construction management firm performing projects in the Baltimore-Washington area.

**Charles E. D'Auria** received a doctor of osteopathy degree in June from the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.

**David L. Heilberg** practices law in Charlottesville with classmate Richard A. Davis as the firm of Davis and Heilberg. He is also an adjunct professor at the University of Virginia School of Law, where he teaches a third-year course in domestic relations.

**Douglas M. Jackson** is vice president of marketing for Budget Signs, Inc. in San Francisco.

**John T. Jesse** was reelected to a second term as president of the Roanoke Valley Historical Society. He is an attorney in Roanoke.

**H. Lawrence Remmel** has joined the law firm of Reboul, MacMurray, Hewitt, Maynard and Kristol. He lives in New York.

**A. Jeffrey Somers** graduated from the Western New England College/School of Law and is now an associate with a West Haven, Conn., law firm. He and his family, including son Michael Jeffrey, 1, live in Wallingford, Conn.

## 1980

**MARRIAGE:** **Mark E. Lockhart** and Jeanette Lee Reynolds on June 1, 1985, in Walla Walla, Wash. Lockhart is general manager of Empco, an employment service.

**BIRTH:** **Dr. and Mrs. H. Devon Graham III**, a son, Homer Devon IV, on March 28, 1985, in New Orleans. Graham is in the second year of a general surgery residency at The Ochsner Foundation there. They live in Metairie.

**BIRTH:** **Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Olive**, a son, Justin Ryan, on May 19, 1985, in Levittown, N.Y.

**Michael M. Adams** bought an interest in "The Horse You Came In On Saloon" in Baltimore and plans to turn it into a full-service restaurant by the spring of 1986.

**Jacquelyn K. Boyden** is an associate in the Fairfax, Va., law office of Miles and Stockbridge, which merged with her former firm of McCandlish, Lillard and Rust in July 1984.

**Leslie A. Cotter Jr.** has completed a one-year judicial clerkship for South Carolina Circuit Judge Rodney A. Peebles and is now a clerk for U.S. District Judge Clyde H. Hamilton in Columbia, S.C.

**Edward I. Curry III** is an associate with the Luckett law firm in Memphis, Tenn. He specializes in products liability and medical malpractice cases.

**Lt. Robert B. Earle** left the Navy in April 1985 after the decommissioning of the *USS Thomas Jefferson*. He now works for Tracor Applied Sciences of Rockville, Md., as a nuclear systems engineer in the submarine engineering division.

**Capt. Sydney D. F. Farrar** has left the Army and moved to Silver City, N.C. He works for Silver City Mills.

**Terry Frankenberger** is working on a master's degree in theater administration at Yale.

**Michael D. O. Lavitt** is a section editor for New York Videotex, a *New York Times* company.

**Scott G. McLam** is a sales representative for Fieldcrest Mills in Chicago. He also coached the Chicago Lacrosse Club to the Midwest Club Championship for 1985.

**David E. Meyers** completed his M.B.A. at Loyola College in May 1985 and is vice president of marketing for a computer software distributor in Baltimore. He and his wife, Sandy, just built their first home in Lutherville, Md.

**Capt. Gilbert H. Pearsall Jr.** has been assigned for duty at Fort Benning, Ga. He was previously assigned in West Germany.

**Christopher T. Porter** is a stockbroker for Smith, Barney, Harris, Upham, Inc. in New York.

**Reid M. Slaughter** is president of Slaughter Publishing Co. in Dallas and is publisher and editor of *Park Cities People*, one of the largest weekly newspapers in Texas.

**Thomas W. Turner** is an assistant manager and purchasing agent for Blue Ridge Hardware and Supply Co. He lives in Lenoir, N.C.

**Dr. Scott W. Zackowski** is the ship's medical officer for the helicopter assault carrier, *USS Nassau*. He completed his surgical internship at Portsmouth Naval Hospital and will complete his residency after a one-year tour on the *Nassau*.

## 1981

**MARRIAGE:** **Elizabeth P. DeVine**, '81L, and **Thomas A. Wiseman III**, '79, on Sept. 29, 1984. They live in Nashville, where he is an associate with the law firm of Doremus, Gideon and Trauger and she is with the legal staff of First American Bank.

**MARRIAGE:** **David B. Irvin** and Anne Watson Gurkin on June 8, 1985, in Norfolk. Members of the wedding included the bride's father, John A. Gurkin Jr., '39, '41L; George A. Polizos, '81; David H. Harpole Jr., '80; and John K. Sanders, '81, '85L. The couple lives in Richmond, where Irvin is an associate with the law firm of Thomas and Fiske.

**BIRTH:** **Mr. and Mrs. Blas P. Arroyo**, a son, Andrew Blas, on March 4, 1985. Arroyo is an attorney with the firm of Belle, Seltzer, Park and Gibson in Charlotte, N.C. He specializes in patents, trademarks, and copyrights.

**BIRTH:** **Mr. and Mrs. John W. B. Northington**, a son, John Wesley Bigby II, on May 8, 1985, in Midland, Texas. Northington is a partner in Ezell-Woodman Properties, a commercial real estate firm.

**Peter H. Benda** is an engineer with Global Analytics, Inc., a research firm based in San Diego. He moved there in July.

**Capt. James F. Berl** has transferred to Fort Stewart, Ga., as a trial counsel for the office of the Staff Judge Advocate of the 24th Infantry Division. He lives in Hinesville, Ga.

**Thomas K. Coates**, certified public accountant, earned his law degree from the University of Baltimore law school in June 1985.

**Kevin B. Dwyer** graduated from the University of Virginia School of Law in May. He is now an associate in the Washington office of Mudge Rose Guthrie Alexander and Ferdon, a New York law firm. Dwyer concentrates on international trade with an Asian emphasis.

**Randolph B. George** is a group life counselor working with emotionally disturbed adolescents at the National Children's Rehabilitation Center in Leesburg, Va. He lives in Brunswick, Md.

**John S. Hastings** is a copy editor on the news desk of *The Times-Picayune/The States-Item* in New Orleans.

**David A. Lewis** earned an LL.M. degree in banking law from the Boston University School of Law in May 1985. He works for the legal department of Chemical Bank in New York.

**George A. Polizos** entered the M.B.A. program at William and Mary in September. He has been an advertising and public relations account executive for Arthur Polizos Associates, Inc. in Norfolk.

**Alexis V. Richards** works in commercial insurance sales for W. D. Campbell and Son, Inc. in Lynchburg. He specializes in insurance for service and manufacturing industries in the area.

**James K. Vines** entered Washington and Lee's School of Law in August. He had been an accountant with Price Waterhouse & Co. in Washington, D.C.

## 1982

**MARRIAGE:** **Ensign Bruce C. Jones** and Linda S. Zech on Aug. 26, 1984, in Alexandria, Va. Classmate Mark Beamer was a groomsman. Jones completed U.S. Navy flight training in June 1985 and is now stationed with the U.S. Coast Guard in Houston.

**MARRIAGE:** **Dale F. Park** and Kathy Stone on July 6, 1984, in Annapolis, Md. Classmates attending were Bill Whalen, Gary Johnson, Jay Harris, and Chris Coogan. Park is working on a combination law and M.B.A. degree at the University of South Carolina.

**BIRTH:** **Susan May Eckman** and Richard P. Eckman, a daughter, Elizabeth Anna, on Feb. 24, 1985, in Wilmington, Del.

**David Black** is senior staff writer for the *Atlanta Business Chronicle*.

**David R. Cordell** received his law degree from the University of Oklahoma and is an associate with the Tulsa law firm of Conner and Winters.

**Barry R. Dunn** was a summer intern for the Chase Manhattan Bank. He is a second year M.B.A. student at the Fuqua School of Business at Duke University.

**William Dupree** is a third-year law student at the University of Georgia.

**John W. McIntyre Jr.** has entered Harvard Business School to work on an M.B.A. He spent three years with Chemical Bank of New York.

**Eric T. Myers** graduated in May from the

Marshall-Wythe School of Law at the College of William and Mary. He is an associate with the Newport News law firm of Jones, Blechman, Woltz and Kelly.

**1st Lt. Kelly J. Niernberger** completed his tour in Turkey and is now reconnaissance and survey officer for the howitzer battery, 1st Squadron, 2 Armored Cavalry Regiment, in Bindlach, West Germany. He lives in Bayreuth near 1st Lt. Russ Recor, '82.

**Charles F. Randolph** is a credit analyst for Texas Commerce Bank in Houston. He earned his M.B.A. from the University of Oklahoma.

**Kenneth X. Warren** joined the Baltimore law firm of Semmes, Bowen and Semmes as an associate in September.

**Daniel L. Weiss** was promoted to assistant vice president and head of the USA/Canada region in the international division of the National Bank of Washington. He is responsible for the bank's trade finance activities and credit administration for the division.

## 1983

**MARRIAGE:** **Thomas A. Harrison** and Laurie Beth Tuttle on June 29, 1985, in Erie, Pa. Classmates Chris Kibler and Jim Hess attended. Harrison is city desk editor for the *Corry (Pa.) Evening Journal*. The Harrisons live in Corry.

**MARRIAGE:** **G. Martin Thomas** and Patricia Ann Embrey on Jan. 5, 1985. They live in Salisbury, Md., where Thomas is a credit analyst for Perdue Farms, Inc. He earned his M.S. in financial management from Carnegie-Mellon University in May 1985.

**Michael J. Farr** is in the staff judge advocate's office at Tinker Air Force Base, Okla. He specializes in government contract law.

**V. Jay Fechtel** is a vice president with Schaffer Properties, Inc. of Tampa, Fla. The firm is involved in real estate development and construction and specializes in commercial renovation and historic restorations.

**David K. Friedfeld** has joined his brother in Clear Vision Optical Co., designers and manufacturers of optical products and sunglasses headquartered in West Hempstead, N.Y.

**1st Lt. David P. Ridlon** completed a tour of duty in Korea in January 1985. He is now assistant intelligence officer for the Second Brigade, 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, N.C.

**Edmund W. Schenecker II** left the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce in January 1985 and in March began work as a career agent with Connecticut Mutual Life in Fort Worth.

**Christopher D. Schram** has been promoted to area account executive with Coca-Cola USA and was transferred to San Antonio, Texas.

**Jackson R. Sharman III** attended the Institute for European Studies in Geneva on a Rotary International Scholarship. He received a Certificate in European Studies upon completion of his work. Sharman had a short story, "Seance," published in the summer 1984 edition of *Southern Review*. He lives in Montgomery, Ala.

**M. Thompson Rattray** (See 1984.)

## 1984

**MARRIAGE:** **Gregory L. Flentje** and Joanne Gentry on Aug. 18, 1985, in Mt. Vernon, Ill. Flentje is a graduate student in communications and

medicine at the University of Illinois.

**MARRIAGE:** **2nd Lt. Stephen J. A. Smith** and Elizabeth Blair Clark on Feb. 9, 1985, in Norfolk, Va. Smith is the battalion communications officer with the U.S. Army's 9th Engineer Battalion in Aschaffenburg, West Germany.

**BIRTH:** **Joy Mallick Rattray** and **M. Thompson Rattray**, a daughter, Emily Joy, on April 12, 1985, in Reston, Va.

**David B. Arnold** is a staff accountant with Arthur Anderson and Co. in New Orleans.

**Catherine N. Currin** earned her law degree from the University of Virginia in May 1984 and is now working on U. S. Constitutional law for a federal judge in New York.

**Ellis B. Drew III** is an associate in the Winston-Salem office of Womble, Carlyle, Sandridge and Rice, a North Carolina law firm which also has offices in Charlotte and Raleigh.

**Foster S. B. Friedman** is a first-year law student at Boston University. He had been a supervisor in the retail services division of the Martha's Vineyard National Bank.

**Joseph E. Mamo III** has left Dean Witter Reynolds to join Peers and Co. Merchant Bank, a new firm providing counselling in mergers, acquisitions, and investment as principal. He lives in New York.

After spending a year in Colorado, **Martin E. Manasco** is working on his M.B.A. at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth.

**Charles W. Mason** is chief photographer for the *Daily News-Miner* in Fairbanks, Alaska.

**Charles M. Plumly II** left Merrill Lynch Pierce Fenner & Smith, Inc. in June to become account executive with Johnston, Lernon and Co. in Washington, D.C. He lives in McLean, Va.

**2nd Lt. Parker B. Schenecker** is an electronic warfare platoon leader in the 312th Military Intelligence Battalion of the 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Hood, Texas.

As part of his master's degree study in international business at the University of South Carolina, **C. David Schroeder** has a seven-month internship with the accounting firm of Touche-Ross in Frankfurt, West Germany.

**2nd Lt. Donald B. Smith** graduated from the Air Defense Artillery Officer's basic course and is stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas.

**John E. Taylor III** is a marketing representative for the business systems group of Xerox Corp. in Century City, Calif. He lives in Santa Monica.

**M. Eugene Wood III** is a corporate banking representative and industrial development officer for Wachovia Bank and Trust Co. in Asheville, N.C.

## 1985

**Virginia M. Greer** is a trust and investment management trainee with the Trust Company Bank in Atlanta.

**William R. Mauck Jr.** is clerking for Justice A. Christian Compton, '50, '53L, of the Virginia Supreme Court.

**Craig N. Waddell** was approved in the spring by the foreign mission board of the Southern Baptist Convention to be one of 69 journeymen, college graduates under 27 years old who go overseas to work alongside career missionaries. He will be a youth worker in Linz, Austria.

## In Memoriam

1914

**Frederick Micajah Davis** died June 19, 1985, in Lynchburg. He was 92. He served as a naval officer during World War I. Following the war he was admitted to the Lynchburg Bar Association and began to practice law. Later he became president of Davis, Childs and Co. Insurance Agency. He was a member of Virginia Freemasons for 70 years and was also active in Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts of America, Salvation Army, Sons of the American Revolution, Sons of Confederate Veterans, and Rotary Club. He was a member of Rivermont Presbyterian Church in Lynchburg.

1917

**Frederick Micajah Davis** (See 1914.)

1922

**Herbert Adams Riley** died March 23, 1985, in Concord, Calif.

1925

**James Ellegood Humphreys**, a retired stockbroker, died April 29, 1985, in Fayetteville, N.C. He had been with the Merrill Lynch Pierce Fenner and Smith Inc. brokerage firm and was a member of the Highland Presbyterian Church.

1925

**Dr. Henry Siegfried Liebert**, a retired osteopathic physician, died April 25, 1983, in Callao, Va. Liebert received his degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathy in 1927. He was a Rotarian and a member of the Lutheran Church.

1927

**Henry Allison Ingalls Jr.**, a retired accountant, died Dec. 12, 1984, in Albuquerque, N.M. Ingalls worked with the district and state Supreme Court. He was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity.

**Walker Neill Jolliffe Jr.** died Nov. 19, 1984, in Frederick, Md. Jolliffe began his employment with the Potomac Edison Co. in 1934 and served in various capacities until his retirement in 1970. He was a member of Calvary United Methodist Church and PE Quarter Century Club. He was active in the Community Theater and the Mountain Theater in Braddock Heights. Jolliffe was a veteran of World War II in which he served with the U.S. Marines as a chief warrant officer.

1928

**Lyle Maddox Armentrout**, former Rockingham County commissioner of revenue, died Jan. 23, 1982. Armentrout was a sales representative for American Agricultural Chemical Co. for 20 years and worked 10 years for Dedrick and Gambrill Co. before becoming commissioner of revenue. He was a charter member and past president of the Linville-Edom Ruritan Club and a 50-year member of Masonic Lodge. He was director of the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Chamber of Commerce for two terms. He was a deacon, Sunday school superintendent and trustee for the Singers Glen Baptist Church and a trustee of the Singers Glen Cemetery.

**Robert Elton Berry** died on July 21, 1985, in Weston, Conn. He was a long-time journalist with

several magazines and New York newspapers, a former associate editor of *Holiday Magazine*, and a retired columnist for the *New York World Journal Tribune*. His biography of Nathaniel Bowditch, *Yankee Stargazer*, was published in 1941 and a volume for boys, *Sextant and Sails*, was published in 1944.

1931

**Frederick Keller Pearman**, a retired lieutenant colonel in government service, died June 7, 1985, in San Antonio, Texas. He was an active member of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church for many years and served as senior warden. He served in the Quartermaster Corps in World War II after which he retired as lieutenant colonel in the Army Reserve. He was a member of the San Antonio Retired Officer's Association.

1933

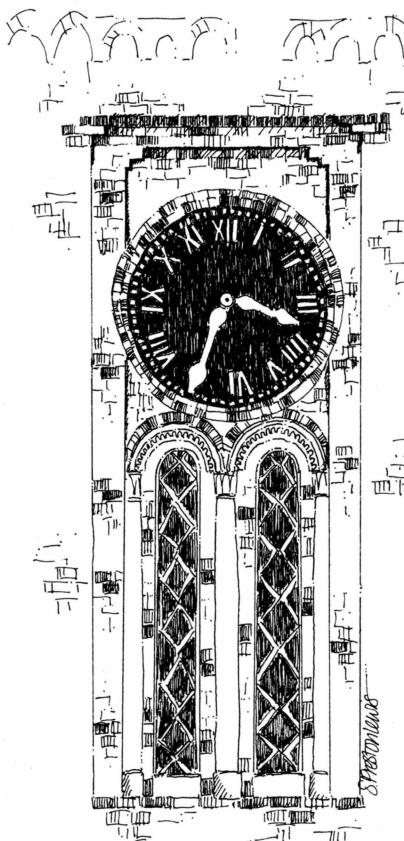
**John Dravo Bliss**, a retired employee of the machine shop of Jones and Laughlin Steel Corp., died July 17, 1985, in Fredericktown, Pa. He had been a resident of Deemston Borough for the past 40 years. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army and served in World War II.

1934

**John Joseph Cuomo**, a retired proctor supervisor at Princeton University, died June 3, 1985. He lived in Princeton, N.J.

1938

**Mosby Johnston Williams Sr.**, a retired attorney, died June 13, 1985, in Roanoke, Va. He received his law degree from Cumberland University Law School in Lebanon, Tenn. He worked three years



with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and was a practicing attorney in Roanoke from 1938 until his retirement. He was a member of Raleigh Court United Methodist Church.

**William Laney Wilson Jr.**, an attorney, died June 8, 1985, in Cumberland, Md. He practiced law in Cumberland from 1938 until his death. He served in the U.S. Navy as a lieutenant during World War II and retired from the Naval Reserve as a lieutenant commander. He was a director and former president of the Queen City Brewing Co. and was chairman of the board at the time of his death. He was a former director of the U.S. Brewers Association, the First National Bank, the County Fair Association, and the Greater Cumberland Chamber of Commerce. He was a trustee of Southern Seminary Junior College and St. James School, of which he was an alumnus. He was the Maryland banking commissioner from 1971 to 1978, treasurer of the Maryland Democratic Party, chairman of the Allegany County Democratic Central Committee, a delegate to several Democratic National Conventions since 1968, and former chairman of the Board of Trustees of Maryland State Colleges and Universities. He served on the State Roads Commission and the boards of Frostburg State College, the Allegany County Board of Education, the State Board of Education, and Memorial Hospital. He was a member and past senior warden of Emmanuel Episcopal Church. He was active in the American, Maryland, and Allegany County bar associations and a fellow of the American Bar Association.

1939

**Robert Colby Esten**, former owner and operator of Colby Photo Supply Co., died April 12, 1985, in Cape Cod, Mass. He served for many years as the general manager of the family business, the Doctor Parker-Holt Babywear Co. in Canton, Mass. In 1954, Esten moved to South Dennis, Mass., and, until 1984, owned and operated the Colby Photo Supply Co. in Hyannis. Esten was director of the Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce and was a member and trustee of the Congregational Church of South Dennis.

1941

**William James Torrington Jr.**, a retired attorney in Albuquerque, N.M., died May 12, 1985. Torrington earned his law degree from the Georgetown University Law School and was a member of the Maryland, California, and New Mexico bar associations. He practiced law, mostly in the West. He specialized in transportation law. He was a member of the Society of the Cincinnati and served as a communications officer in the Army Air Force during World War II. During his retirement he was active in hospital and church volunteer service.

1942

**Whitt Northmore Schultz**, career guide and writer, died May 28, 1985. He lived in Wilmette, Ill. He was vice president of Executive Careers, Inc., headquartered in Chicago. He was the author of five books and more than 2,000 magazine and newspaper articles. He was a columnist for the *News/Voice* since 1977.

1943

**Floyd Knight McKenna** died March 24, 1985, in Lynchburg, Va. McKenna had been with the City of Lynchburg's Recreation and Parks Division for 36 years and was director for 26 years. He was a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church.

## 1944

**Everett Joseph Schneider Jr.** died July 17, 1985, in Virginia Beach, Va. He was a senior vice president of Sovran Bank at the time of his death. At the end of World War II, he was employed by Peoples Bank in Buena Vista, Va. He later became associated with First National Bank of Buena Vista, which merged with Virginia National Bank. He was transferred to the home office of Virginia National in Norfolk about 18 years ago.

## 1950

**William Iverson Boswell**, owner of The Enterprise Company, a lumber firm, died in March 1985. Boswell lived in Savannah, Ga.

## 1951

**Alvin Nicholls Wartman**, a prominent Las Vegas attorney for three decades and former district court judge, died July 29, 1985, in Las Vegas. As a young lawyer in Las Vegas from 1952 to 1958, Wartman was associated with the late attorney William Coulthard. He later went into independent private practice and remained in that status for most of his professional career, except for a one-year partnership with attorney John Laxalt. For a time, beginning in 1969, he was also a partner in the law firm of Lionel, Collins and Sawyer. Wartman was on the Southern Nevada Memorial Hospital board of trustees from 1957 to 1961, served a one-year term as president of the Clark County Association for Mental Health, and was twice chairman of the Clark County Cancer Crusade. He was chairman of other charities and civic groups and was a longtime member of the board of directors and executive committee of St. Jude's Ranch for Children in Boulder City.

## 1973

**Raymond Ransom Averett** died April 14, 1985.

## 1977

**Everett Levoy McHan** died Feb. 23, 1985, in Roanoke, Va.

## 1982

**Stuart Parker Neff** died July 9, 1985, in Louisville, Ky. He was an employee of the commercial loan department of First National Bank. He was a member of Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity.

**Carlon Martin O'Malley III** died April 21, 1985, in an automobile accident. O'Malley was a native of Pennsylvania.

## 1985

**James (Jay) R. Wingert III** died Aug. 25, 1985, in an automobile accident in Dallas, where he was employed by Arthur Andersen & Co. A native of Hanover, Pa., he received the bachelor of science in commerce degree in June. He was active in the Brass and Percussion Ensemble and was treasurer of Mu Beta Psi music fraternity. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Robert Wingert Jr., '54, of Hanover.

## 1986

**Albert Paul Knight** died in June 1985 during a climbing accident in Yellowstone National Park. A graduate of Sewickley (Pa.) Academy, he was majoring in sociology/anthropology. He was a member of the Outing Club and Phi Kappa Psi social fraternity. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert F. Knight, '51L, of Warren, N.J.

# And Furthermore

### EDITOR:

I have just returned my 1985 alumni trustee ballot and I am grateful for the opportunity to vote for a new member of the Board of Trustees.

I do, however, have two comments about the election process that I would like to pass on. First, it seems to me that each nominee should be asked to make a statement as to what he or she sees to be the chief issues with which he or she would like to see the Board engage itself and what his or her general views are as to overall University policies. While I am sure that all nominees are well-qualified, it would give us a better "feel" for the candidates' outlook about Washington and Lee. (Incidentally, such statements are made by alumni candidates at a number of other institutions.)

Second, it seems to me that the president of the Alumni Association ought to notify all alumni that he or she is appointing a committee to choose nominees and that suggestions for possible candidates could be forwarded to him or the chairman of the committee. In this way, perhaps, some well-qualified candidates might come to the attention of the committee who, under the present system, could be overlooked. The Alumni Association already does this in developing its nominees for the Alumni Board, so why not use the same procedure for the trustee nominations?

Finally, while on the subject of the Board of Trustees, I want to congratulate the present Board on its courage and wisdom in making the decision in favor of coeducation. Somewhat belatedly, I would also like to express my thanks to Tom Touchton for his fine analysis of the problem, published some time ago in the *Alumni Magazine*. As an early advocate of a positive decision on coeducation, I am glad to see that it is already having excellent results!

WILLIAM C. WILBUR, '37  
St. Petersburg, Fla.

### EDITOR:

Because silence amounts to tacit approval and I do not approve of the implementation of coeducation at Washington and Lee, I must write and make my position known, even if there be no benefit other than the placation of my own conscience.

Even to discuss the possibility of women on the campus bringing about academic dilution is idle and I have been shocked that any alumnus would entertain the prospect. Sound minds and clear thinking are not the exclusive properties of the XY genotype. Indeed, it is universally accepted in this country that to go half as far in the business and professional world a woman must be twice as good; and those of us who have competed against them at graduate levels know that usually it is the girl in the class who has to be bested for standing, honors, etc. These bright ladies are also much more attractively packaged than their male counterparts and can only further grace the shaded lawns and colonnades of W&L. Readily recognizing then the benefits which the distaff might bring to our school, it must be added that they do not justify the action of the decision-makers if they would constitute the total gain.

What about tradition? Well, traditions are great, but it has been my observation that you rarely hear them spoken of by any but the aging and frankly old. Of course we post-World War II undergraduates remember with fondness the time and special kind of grace that engraved it in our memories. It must be remembered, however, that in 2025, when the balding, hypertensive males of the Class of '86 have their ingathering, they will remember with equal fondness the year the girls came to Washington and Lee. No, it's still true that the only thing constant is change, and tradition is the ultimate poor excuse for doing, or not doing, anything.

What, then, is my complaint? Specifically, it is that the decision-makers, with considerable sound and fury, have gone about fixing something which was never broken and then, all their garment-rending and breast-beating notwithstanding, came up with the wrong answer to this theoretical exercise by following the path of sheer convenience. Falling SAT scores during the period in question were a national phenomenon and the fault of basic education below the collegiate level, and it was at that level that course corrections were indicated. This was recognized and since appropriate measures have been taken it is now apparent that admission test scores are again on the rise. Given the validity of the "crisis" as the good men on the Board perceived it, however, one can only wonder what alternative courses of action they might have considered had W&L already been coeducational. Did they even consider such alternatives? If so, they were publicized little if at all. That such viable options did, and do, exist is attested to by the fact that other schools have continued without academic compromise or sweeping changes in policy.

Pragmatic and going with the drift of things, our Board relied upon computer-generated "risk assessments" and "cost-benefit analyses" to reduce problems of choice to problems of grade-school computation. Their final decision was trendy, cute, totally lacking in originality, and dead wrong.

How ironical that by their action the Board has destroyed the one thing they sought most to preserve: the unique character of the school as a small, quality enclave of all male students. Now, size alone will distinguish it from the other quality educational institutions in this country and, the American people being what they are, small size is rarely considered a virtue.

Addressing the subject of quality, I think it needs to be said that we must guard against self-proclaimed superiority. It is always suspect and usually with good reason. Goodness, whether in a school or in a person, doesn't have to be advertised; it is communicated by what the person or institution does and produces and gives back to the world. Washington and Lee has certainly always given back much and I am sure will continue to do so in the future. This will be true without all the hype, and I would be pleased if the PR men were given severance pay and sent off to be hired by a soap company or someone else who can really use their not inconsiderable talent.

My catharsis completed, I should like to add that I am not a bad sport or poor loser. W&L has given me far more than I can ever repay, and I will never give up trying to square the debt.

DR. MARSHALL S. ELLIS, '48  
Clarksdale, Miss.

EDITOR:

From the contents of "And Furthermore," "Number One," or "Here Come the Judges" in the March/April issue of the *Alumni Magazine*, apparently some former judges were omitted from the list.

There have not been many Washington and Lee alumni to sit as members of the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia. But now with Bill Brotherton, '47, '50L, recently elected for a full term (12 years) on said Court, it makes two in recent years.

THORNTON G. BERRY, '34L  
Retired Chief Justice,  
The Supreme Court of Appeals  
of West Virginia  
Charleston, W. Va.

EDITOR:

I have read and reread the report entitled "A New Drug Policy" by Anne Coulling in the July/August issue of the *Alumni Magazine* and still have difficulty believing what I have read. The only comforting thing to me is that this is acknowledged to be a report on a trial policy, which may be changed.

The basis of any university policy regarding illegal activities must be that the university fully supports the civil authorities, and requires all students to abide by the laws of the community, the state (or Commonwealth), and the nation. If I remember correctly, one of the reasons a student would be expelled when I was at W&L was conviction of a crime by the civil authority!

How can we educate citizens who will be law-abiding, if we encourage an ambivalent attitude toward law?

Not to be nit-picking, I think that to classify a "racial or sexual slur" as a major offense, while classifying defiance of the federal law to register for the draft as "not grounds for discipline" borders on the insane. The former offense, if enforced during my stay at W&L, would literally have resulted in the expulsion of almost all of the student body. Are today's students that much more enlightened? I doubt it.

Again, to place spoken slurs in the same category as assault and murder seems to be stretching reason to the limit.

Another consideration which Professor [Leonard] Jarrard and his committee seem to have overlooked completely is the question of retaining the tax-exempt status of the University should the committee's recommendations become official University policy. It should be recalled that Bob Jones University lost a fight (at the Supreme Court) with the IRS over tax exemption simply because it refused to accept unmarried black applicants. How will the IRS look at an official policy which protects draft evaders and users of illegal drugs, if someone with an ax to grind decides to take the University into court?

It should be the official policy of the University that any student found in violation of civil law will be reported by the University to the civil authority, and that any student convicted of a crime will automatically be expelled. To do otherwise is to place the University above the law. It

is not for the faculty or the administration to decide which laws are to be obeyed, and which ignored!

How does the committee justify excluding marijuana from the category of illegal drugs, the distribution or use of which constitutes a "major offense"? It is against federal law to grow, distribute, or use this drug, and its widespread illegal distribution and use do not alter the law. If Professor Jarrard and the committee disagree with the law, then they should apply their efforts to getting it changed, not encouraging the students to break it.

A policy of legalizing all narcotics, and registering all addicts, as is the case in Great Britain, is one I would support, but this must be done by the Congress. Unless and until this is done, the laws now on the books should be enforced, and certainly W&L should support this enforcement, both by her stated policies and by disciplinary actions.

To say the least, I am appalled by the type of thinking expressed in this article. At an alumni seminar some years ago, I was shocked to learn that at that time W&L undergraduates were permitted to "design" their own degrees and could actually graduate without having studied either mathematics or English. That was bad enough, but this latest example of muddled thinking is worse.

Now that W&L is coeducational, since I have no grandsons I was somewhat consoled by the possibility that one of my granddaughters might attend the University. But until I see a complete renunciation of the idiotic policy expressed in this article, I cannot recommend the University to them, nor to any other potential applicant.

Over the years, I have supported the Annual Fund as I have been able, never having been totally discouraged by University policy, but now I must consider whether the gifts I can afford would be put to better use elsewhere.

FILLMORE G. WILSON, '37  
Houston

EDITOR:

I would like to compliment you and your staff on the recent "overhauled" *Alumni Magazine* format. A new look is always refreshing. However, Mr. [Romulus] Weatherman's talents were most impressive and his passing is a tragic loss to the University.

First: Please restore the elegant and uniquely different W&L logo (on the front of previous magazines) and make it constant. It conveys the style and elegance of the University as compared to the one now in use.

Second: I don't believe that our *Alumni Magazine* need show a picture of Mr. Jefferson's

Memorial. That's for UVA's publication—not ours. Re: the quote from (Charles) McDowell—" . . . and the Jefferson Memorial is lit up every night." You might have added—"And so are the Damn Wahoos."

Thirdly: The "And Furthermore" section has been an excellent addition. You seem to have forgotten it in the recent issue except for the one letter by Mr. Wise.

DONALD S. HILLMAN, '46  
Scarsdale, N.Y.

EDITOR:

It was interesting to read of the petition presented to President Wilson by the Campaign Against Apartheid (July/August) and to read of the options they asked the Trustees to consider.

The interesting part was realizing that this petition only dealt with South Africa, which made me wonder if the C.A.A. goes by a double standard regarding its views on discrimination, or do they plan to present a similar petition against other countries which practice much worse acts of discrimination? I wonder if the C.A.A. is equally concerned about our country and companies such as Occidental Petroleum doing business with Russia? How does the C.A.A. feel about our Department of State wanting to include Romania in the Most Favored Nations list, Romania being a nation whose discriminatory acts against Christians are well-documented? I wonder how the C.A.A. feels toward Ethiopia with its practice of napalm bombings of innocent women and children in Eritrea?

I don't condone the discrimination in South Africa, but neither do I endorse the discriminatory petition of the C.A.A., and I hope our Trustees will see fit to reject it. Quite frankly I would have expected something of more substance to come from our school, something other than joining the national pastime of kicking South Africa while ignoring worse situations.

No doubt this group is sincere, but being sincere doesn't equate with being right, and, needless of being corrected as this situation is, this is not the way to go about it. I suspect, however, that the communists are enjoying it very much.

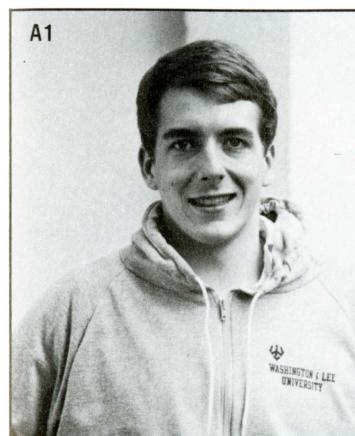
DR. WILLIAM C. WILLIAMS, '54  
Richmond

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**A1** Full zip sweatshirt by QUADRO with navy trim. 50% cotton/50% polyester. Grey only. Sizes S, M, L, XL. \$22.95

**A2** W&L stamp T-shirt from CHAMPION. 100% cotton. Choose from yellow, white, powder blue. Sizes S, M, L, XL. \$6.95

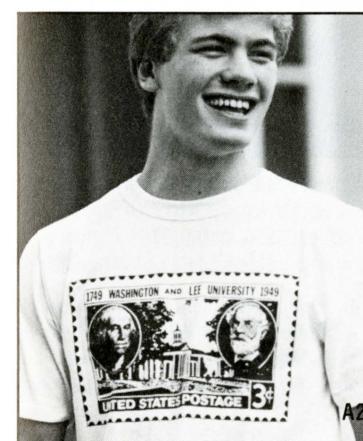
**A2b** Not shown: a towel with the stamp! 39" by 21" white only. \$7.95

**A3** T-shirt with W&L and crest by VELVA SHEEN. 50% polyester/38% cotton/12% rayon. Colors are grey with navy crest or white with navy crest. Sizes S, M, L, XL. \$7.95

**A4** Children's T-shirt by VELVA SHEEN as above. 50% cotton/50% polyester. Colors are navy with white crest, grey with navy crest or white with navy crest. Sizes XS (2-4), S (6-8), M (10-12), L (14-16). \$5.95

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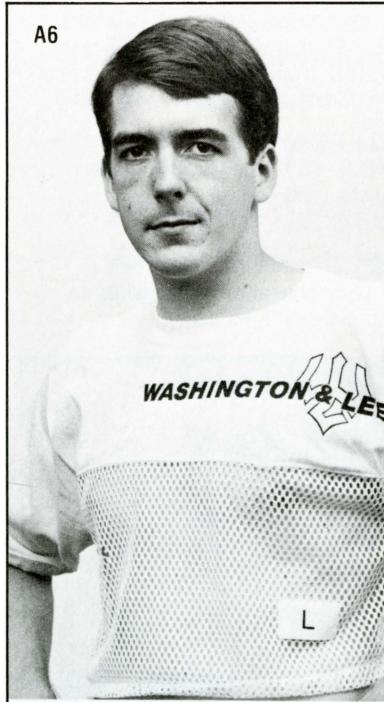


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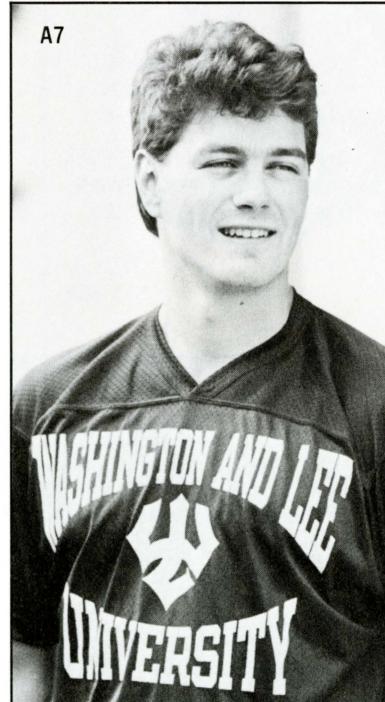
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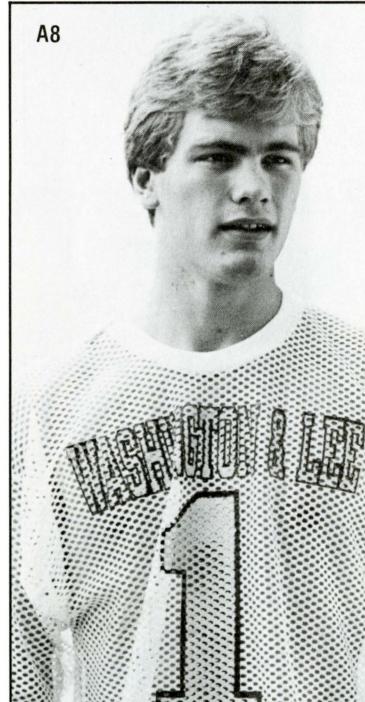
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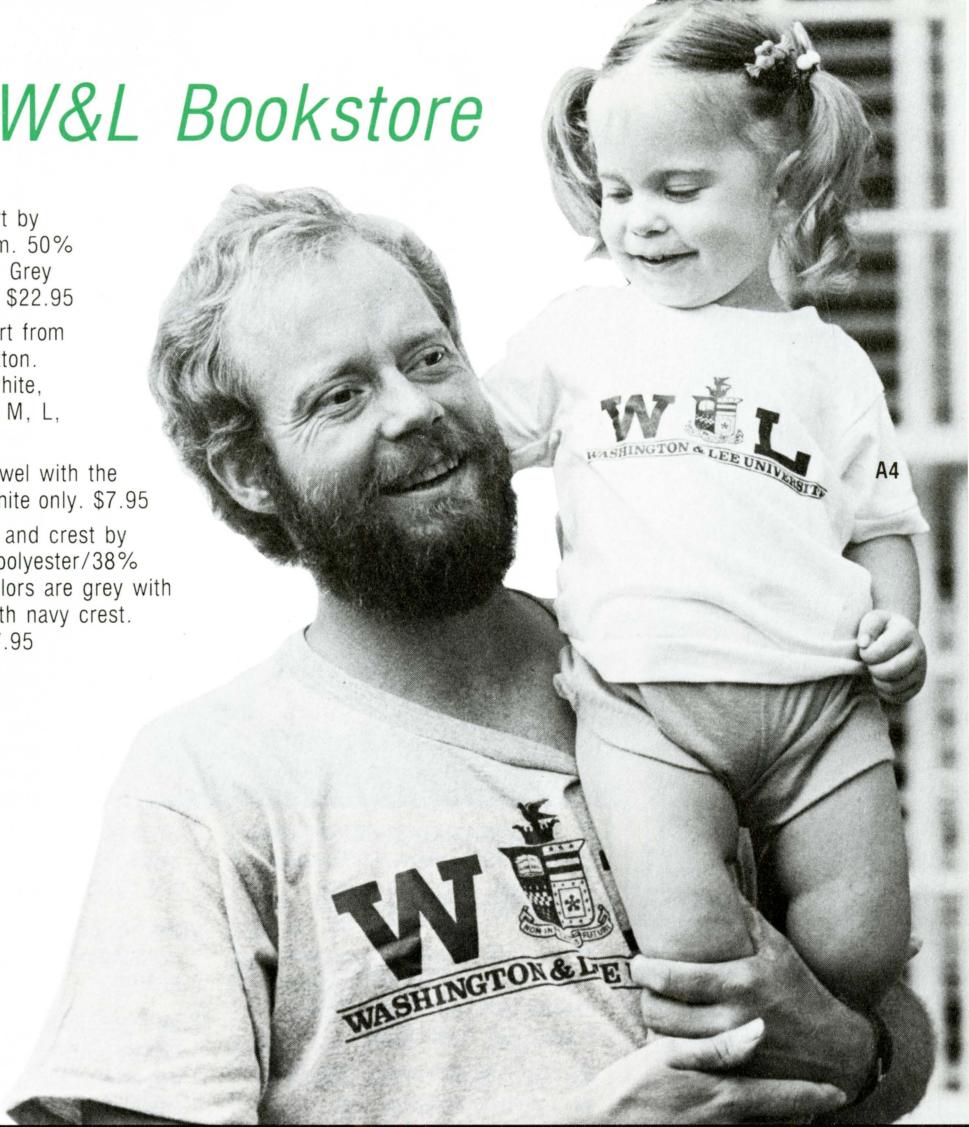


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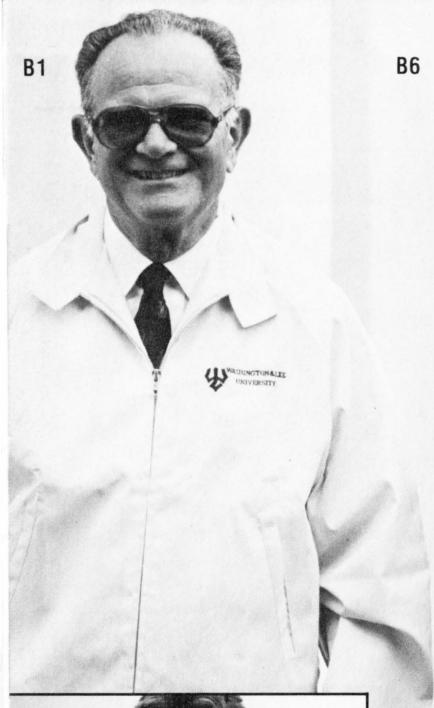


**A8** Shimmel shirt by CHAMPION. 100% nylon. White only. Sizes S, M, L, XL. \$13.95



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**B1** Golf jacket by SPORTSMASTER. Unlined. 35% cotton/65% dacron. Cream with navy embroidery. Sizes S, M, L, XL. \$29.95

**B2** Ladies' Extra-long sweatshirt by WOLF. 50% cotton/50% acrylic. Choose from raspberry or aqua. Sizes S, M, L. \$17.95

**B3** W&L BEAR. Choose from grey, tan, or white complete with royal sweater & hat. \$12.75.

**B4** W&L Baby bib with 3 color crest. \$3.99.

**B5** Scarf by June Critchfield 10" x 40" with W&L scenes. Polyester crepe. \$12.00.

**B6** Four button sweater by ARTEX. 50% cotton/50% polyester. White only. Sizes S, M, L, XL. \$29.95.

**B7** The W&L crest in counted cross stitch. Kit includes fabric, instructions and embroidery floss. \$9.99.

**B8** The Colonnade in a 14 x 14 needlepoint kit. Yarns are 100% wool. \$29.95.

**B9** Three button golf shirt by CASUAL KNITS. 50% cotton/50% polyester. Choose from navy with grey embroidery or white with navy embroidery. Sizes S, M, L, XL. \$17.95.

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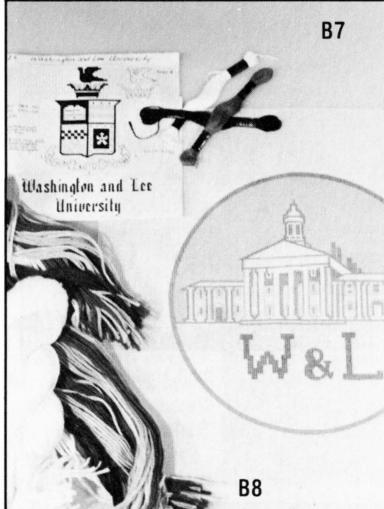
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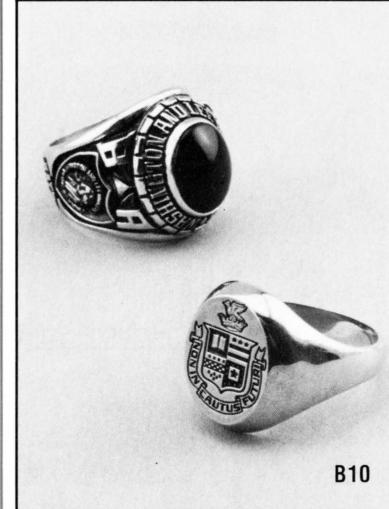
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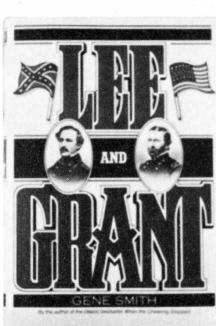
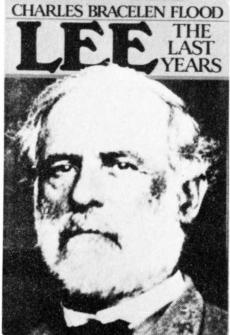
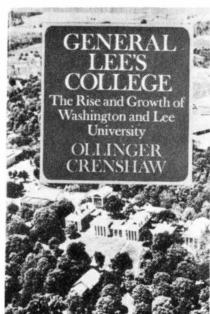


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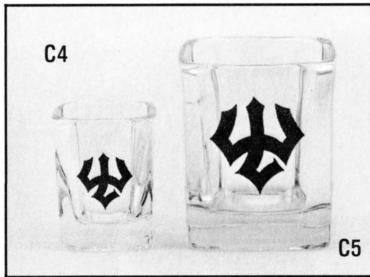


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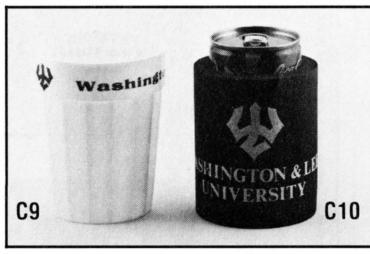
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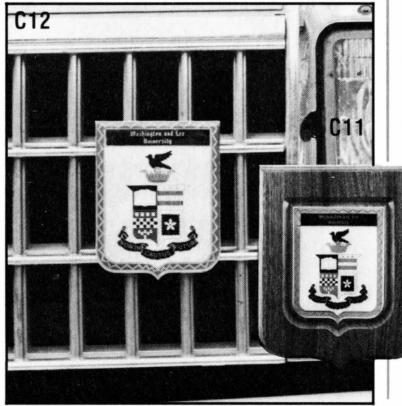
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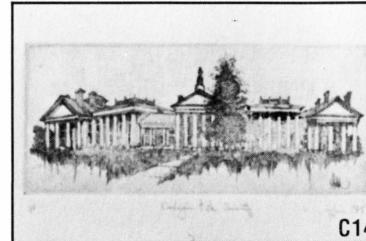
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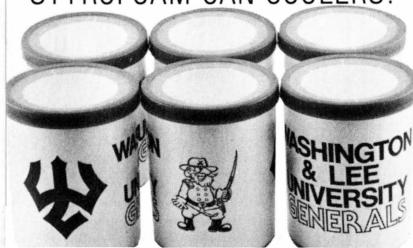
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# From The President

*The following is an excerpt from remarks that President John D. Wilson made to parents of the Class of 1989 during a Parents' Orientation program in Lee Chapel.*

We are absolutely delighted to have your "children" here. I am going to have "children" mentally set aside in quotation marks because they are not really children any longer. They are on that threshold, that awkward stage of young adulthood, and it is our deep privilege to preside over the ultimate transition from childhood to adulthood in these critical four years.

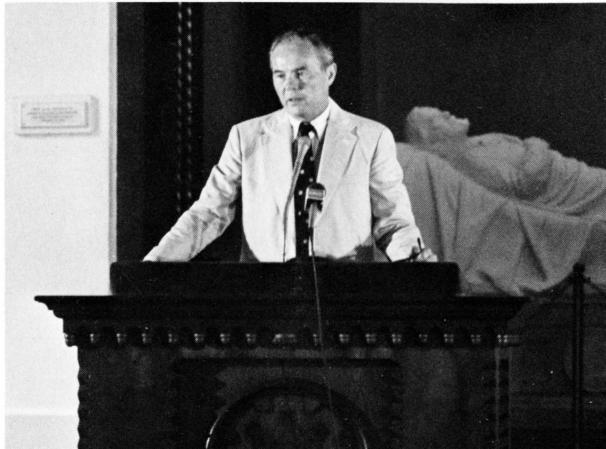
It is a bittersweet time for you parents. Your children have now moved out their things (and, no doubt, many of your things as well). They will call; they will come home at holiday time and maybe in the summer; they will accept your financial support. But, really, they are very far along now in separating themselves from the basic unit which has given them the nurture and the care and the love which has made them what they are—very promising, successful young people. They are in the process now of achieving autonomy, which is a cause for celebration and for gladness. But it is also inevitably the cause of some modest amount of sadness, too.

The price of this huge brain that is the gift of homo sapiens is a long period of being together, some 20 years—unlike anything else in the animal kingdom. The bonds are strong. They are hard to bend. They will only bend, because after autonomy is achieved the union takes place on an entirely different level, and that brings satisfactions, too.

But now your sons and daughters must take over their own lives. You will not be there to call them for breakfast. If they wish to sleep in and miss breakfast and miss their first hour of class, no one will be pushing them out of the bed to meet their obligations. (Someone, however, will note that those obligations have not been met.) But they are really taking over for themselves now and the first lesson of their maturity must always be that actions and decisions produce consequences, and one must learn to live with the consequences of one's own decisions.

The hardest thing for parents to do is to allow students to live with the consequences of their decisions. We have tried to shield them from some of the worst consequences for most of the years of their young lives. Now that must largely stop, and they must learn this most difficult lesson: that by acts of commission or omission consequences will flow—sometimes unwanted consequences. And they must learn how to cope after that happens; they must learn how to dig out of their own difficulty.

Students will assume their responsibilities quickly here because the institution insists that they do. Lee's code of the gentleman took the place of a very elaborate rulebook that the faculty had in place. We have as the central feature of that code the Honor System. You should know that the Honor System, which is totally managed by the students of this University, has been in place for more than a century now. That system simply says that none of us in an academic



community will lie or cheat or steal. And if we do we will forfeit our right to continue here. This severe code produces an ambiance in which trust and mutual respect and teaching and learning can go forward, because we all know that learning, fundamentally and finally, has to be a solitary act. One's work must finally be one's own.

The Honor System does underline, too, the fact that life here as a student is a privilege. It is not a right. It is a privilege and it has to be earned by entering into this sense of mutual respect and mutual trust, which makes it possible for faculty to give assignments and to say, "You can do this in your own room and you can take no more than two hours." And it permits a student to come to a faculty member and say that he or she was ill last Tuesday and was not able to take an examination. It is assumed that truth is being told so that this does not have to be accompanied by medical records or telephone calls or checkups. We rely upon each other to tell the truth here.

These students are embarking on a great adventure—a gift of four years before mortgage payments and automobile payments and insurance premiums and all of the pain and strife of adult life with its responsibilities. These four years are a time when one can deepen one's human experience in vicarious ways: One can explore the constraints that envelop the human condition, study the nature of our world and the constraints of our own living selves, get glimpses of great human possibility in works of fine art and literature and music, in religion, in works of the imagination, in mathematics, and on and on.

Your sons and daughters will come to know themselves more deeply, more fully, in these four years here. They will discover a little more clearly where they are in the inherited cultural envelope that you have helped to give them and America has helped to give them and Western Civilization has helped to give them.

In that discovery they will increase their chances to live happy and rich and satisfying lives of service to others as well as to themselves.

There is no other time quite like these four years. We take it very seriously here, and we promise you faithfully that we will do everything in our power to make those the rich and wonderful years that they have a right to be.

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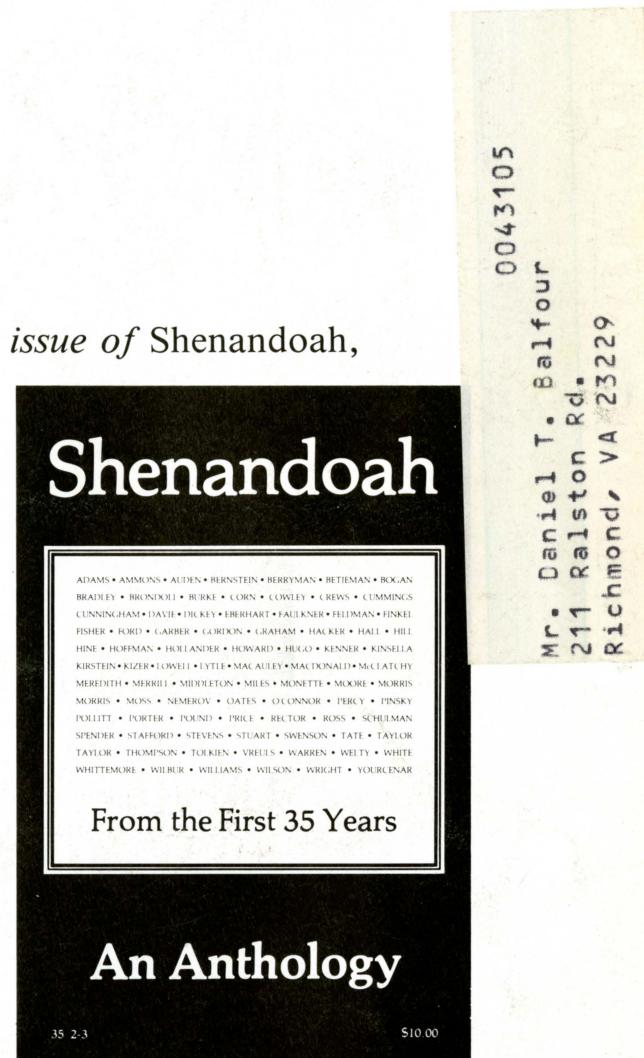
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