## Homecoming 1977:

## Alumni, Parents, Dates To Flood Lexington

by Reid Slaughter

Prepare yourself. The annual mass pilgrimage of alumni to our quiet little town of Lexington is going to take place this weekend - only this time in duplicate.
Yes indeed, for every exGeneral motoring down ol' 81 to spend a couple of days reminiscing grain parties and road trips past, you can bet your parking place there is an ex-Keydet right behind him. Due to an unadjustable schedul ing problem, W\&L and VMI are both having Homecoming this weekend.
According to Alumni Board

Chairman Ray Washburn, this has happened before and will most likely happen again in the future. The problem is this: VMI plays most of its football games away due to increased revenues from away games. Therefore, the home game schedule is limited, usually to just enough games for Homecoming and Parents' Weekend. Since Washington and Lee alumni also want a football game on these two occasions, there is always the possibility of a conflict.
Washburn said the dates for these two occasions are usually set at the Alumni board's May meeting and at that time at-
tempts are made to cooperate with VMI's scheduling, but "sometimes things just don't work out."
Unfortunately, that does not help several hundred destitute females whose dates have been unsuccessful in finding them shelter for the weekend. There is not a hotel room available within 30 miles of Lexington, and many of these hapless stranded will be forced to shuttle to and from their far-away homes or (dare I suggest) temporarily accommodate fraternity houses, dorm rooms, and apartments.
Just how early does one need to make a reservation in this
quaint little town of 8,000 ? "Depending on the weekend, about two or three months in ad vance," says Holiday Inn manager Ken Myrick. "However, for such occasions as Homecoming and Parents' Weekend, reservations are often made a full year in advance."
To help work out scheduling conflicts with other surrounding schools for the rest of the year the annual "Peaks of Otter" Conference is going to take place in Staunton this week so that each school can present its proposed calendar of events and avoid conflicts with major weekends such as W\&L's Fan-
cy Dress. SAB Co-chairman Bil Tucker will be among four students representing W\&L
Because of the huge numbers of people in Lexington this weekend, and to avoid the mass hysteria which often results (Alumni were once just like you and me you know), the Lex ington Police have asked that individuals exercise extreme caution in driving in and around the city.
Also, after checking with various restaurants around Lexington, I have found it highly recommended that reservations be made or that you come very early, as there are sure to be large crowds

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## EC Survey Shows Honor Code Alive

by Jim Parker
W\&L students value highly the honor system, have trust in their peers, and believe untrustworthy pupils should leave the school. At least this is what can generally be concluded from a summer survey of W\&L students. Also, there is an overwhelming support of the independent exam schedule both by W\&L undergraduates and law school pupils.
The survey was a questionnaire sent to all 1706 W\&L students. 664, or 41 per cent responded to it. The remaining number (including this writer) found the survey more useful for playing waste can basketball than as a contributing factor to the poll. However, as Jim Underhill, E. C. president said, the results would not have varied much if a larger amount had filled out the sheet. This appears quite likely, considering the overwhelming agreement of answers relating to the questions on the survey.
The poll consisted of four basic questions, with sub questions for numbers 1 and 2. The questions, as E.C. vice president George Griffin stated, were designed for "a general overview" of opinions of the student body to garner a consensus of how W\&L pupils feel about the honor system. For those who don't remember what was asked or never looked at the survey paper, these were the questions:
1a) Do you value highly the concept of an honor system at W\&L?
1b) Do you think the students generally value highly the concept of an honor system at W\&L?

2a) Do you have a high level of confidence in the trustworthiness of other students at W\&L?
2b) Do you think the students have a generally high level of confidence in the trustworthiness of other students at W\&L?
3) Do you think that a student who cannot be trusted to be honest should leave W\&L?
4) So you think the use of an independent exam schedule (as distinguished from the more traditional schedule where all students in the same course take the exam at the same time undermines confidence in the honor and trustworthiness of the students?
The results, according to Jim Underhill, came as no surprise. The responses among the undergraduates to the first five questions were nearly all yes votes (over 90 per cent, 99 per cent on the first question) and answers to the last question were no in most cases (12 per cent yes). Among the law school, $3 / 4$ of the students voted yes on every question but the last one, which over $3 / 4$ voted no on. The only noticeable deviation in the figures was a lack of responses from the second and third year law students. Whereas the freshman through senior undergraduates and fourth year law school classes averaged around 40 per cent answering the survey, only 21 per cent of third year law graduates and 29 per cent of second year law graduates did likewise.
Since less law graduates filled out the survey, less law students wrote remarks on the
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Henry Howell, Democratic candidate for Governor, will be on the Washington and Lee campus tomorrow afternoon at $1: 30$. Mr. Howell, a former Lt Governor and the leading contender in this year's guber questions as part of a studentjournalist forum sponsored by the Washington and Lee Young the Washington and Lee Young
Democrats. This press conDemocrats. This press con-
ference will be held in the Fairfax Lounge of the Student Center and the public is invited.

## natorial campaign, will answer

## Noise Violations; <br> Police Crack Down <br> by Neil Cote <br> nities almost every night, and

Recent problems between the town's people and the fraternities have forced the Lexington Police Department into strictly enforcing an old local ordinance concerning how much noise will concerning how much noise will
be tolerated at fraternity houses during parties.
The ordinance, 15-31 and 15-32 in Section B of the town's laws, forbids Lexington residents and students from creating noise so it can be heard more than 50 feet away from its focal point between the hours of $11 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. un til 7 a.m. Although the police have been somewhat lenient with the ordinance in past years, numerous complaints from local residents have compelled the police to visit frater
ordering the members to tune down the music.
"It used to be that the people would tolerate some commotion from the fraternities," said Lexington Police Chief Kirby "But this year, the problem has grown all out of proportion. We don't want to arrest or fine anybody, but, unless we receive some cooperation from the fraternity houses, we will have no choice."
Chief Kerby went on to say that although he hopes it won't happen, the police department reserves the right to fine of fenders up to $\$ 1000$ and sentencing habitual offenders to one year in prison. As of now, most(continued on page 12)

## Union To <br> Book Cockpit

by Lee Howard

The Student Activities Board suffered more than a $\$ 4,000$ cut in its proposed budget, and then had an additional $\$ 2,200$ taken away from it and given to a group called the Music Union at Monday's three-and-one-half hour Executive Committee meeting.
The Music Union, formerly the Progressive Music Club, in cooperation with the SAB, will take over one of the main func tions of the University Center Committee: booking acts into the Cockpit. The University Center Committee had previously been controlled directly by the SAB. Music Union advocates said they believed the Union would have better contacts with local musicians and would be able to book acts into the Cockpit for as low a price as possible. Previously, he SAB had subscribed to a ser vice called "Coffee House," which sent in acts sporadically and at a relatively high cost.
The SAB had originally asked for $\$ 33,850$. Included in that budget was $\$ 2,200$ for Cockpit entertainment. The E.C. in its preliminary budget is allocating $\$ 29,550$ to the SAB , including the money they are giving to the Music Union. In addi-
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HOMECOMING 1977 Starting at 9:00 p.m. Friday October 7, in old Doremus Gymnasium a rock group. Razz matazz will play for one 90 minute set. Following an inter mission, Archie Bell \& the Drells will play two 45 minute sets from 11:00 p.m. until 1:0 a.m. Admission will be free cokes will be sold outside the gym .

# Liberty Hall's 

## past revealed

by Guy Brossy
While the Washington and Lee campus was virtually dead this summer, the site of the Liberty Hall Academy was bustling with students.
An archeological expedition headed by assistant professor of anthropology, Dr. John McDaniel, spent eight weeks of the summer trying to answer some of the cultural questions posed by the ruins of Liberty Hall. For four years McDaniel

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In my more rhapsodical moments (when I'm not banging on this damn typewriter) I think Washington and Lee University has an ebullient, creative power of diversity quenched by the steeped traditions of socially phlegmatic oligarchy. But most of the time I think W\&L is too damn conservative. Of course that's only one man's opinion so, being the good reporter I am, I went into the streets, classrooms and especially, bars to get the other side of the story. I came out of the bars with a black eye, but here are the "grass root" answers to my question: Is W \&L too conservative?
A: "Yes." Unfortunately, I made the mistake of asking this question to a girl who would have said yes to anything. Fortunately, I had the presence of mind to rephrase the question, giving it a different "thrust," and making the answer far more satisfactory in the longrun.
A: "No, I think W\&L is actually much too liberal," said an unidentified gentleman in a white hood. "But we didn't even allow blacks in the school until 1970," I protested. That's when I got a "White Russian" thrown in my face. And a black eye.
A: "I don't know." The answer which is the bane of existence to every noble pollster; it was the answer given by every female I happened to run into. Also every female I stumbled over. I must admire these females though, they have obviously studied the teachings of Socrates; when you are ignorant, admit it. "For those who know they don't know are wiser in some respects," Socrates would have said if he hadn't tried to get high on hemlock, "at least they know something." Like what alchohol does to your brain.
The results of my serendipitous study go like this: One person believed W\&L is too liberal, one person believed W\&L is too conservative, and the other 498 either said "I don't know," grunted or threw up. One person said "Hubba, hubba." His answer was disregarded. Conclusion? Don't ask an intelligent question on the weekend.
has been testing five hypotheses concerning the culture of the Scotch-Irish at the time of the Hall. Historically, the ScotchIrish settlers in this area have been portrayed as crude frontiersmen, unconcerned with asthetics. They are thought.to have been somewhat culturally isolated. So far, the artifacts, which include French gun flints, British and Chinese ceramics and several small Spanish coins show that these attitudes could be incorrect.
A group of close to 30 students and adults participated in the dig's most successful season to date. About a dozen of these people came from schools such as Clarion State in Penn sylvania, Sweet Briar, VMI and Tulane. Another group of the same size was sent by Ear thwatch, an educational and research program run by the Center of Field Research in Boston. The group of people who directed the operation consisted of former Washington and Lee student and Liberty Hall scholar, John Armstrong 1977, W\&L seniors Kurt Russ, Charlie Hall, Hank McKelway and Mark Derbyshire. The staff was rounded out by Parker Potter 1979, and Andy Holds 1980. Last summer's work centered in three basic areas. The group completed work left unfinished last year on the spring house, which they estimated to have been in use up until about 1930 The purpose in attempting to date the spring house was to try to determine whether or not it was part of the original Liberty Hall campus. So far, there has been insufficient evidence to establish a link between the two. This Fall's analysis of the artifacts produced by the intenshould yield an initial occupation date.
The expedition has also continued work inside the Hall inself. This work is part of a desire to substantiate speculation about the features of Liberty Hall itself. As well, there was an extensive search for small artifacts, which could lend some insight into the culture of the Scotch-Irish, who built the Hall in 1793.
The third area in which the expedition dug was on the site of a red brick farm house just behind the baseball diamond. Through the minutes of a Liberty Hall Academy Trustee's meeting, the group found evidence that the Academy campus included not only Liberty Hall, but also a steward's house, a rector's house and a number of other out buildings. According to the minutes, the brick for the rector's house was "burned (fired) on the site (of the rector's house)". The minutes also indicated that the rector's house was built in 1799 . Through survey of the site, the expedition found a brick kiln, which they dated at around 1800. Because of the close proximity of the two dates, the group believes that they have found the original site of the rector's house.
On the same site, however, the expedition found other foundations, which are not part of the red brick farm house. Due to this subsequent find, the group is not able to determine for sure whether or not the red brick farm house is indeed the original rector's house. Further analysis this fall should indicate analysis this fail should indicate
the exact location of the recthe exact location of the rector's house on the site.

## Undergrads Included

## Law School Plans Fun

by Galen Trussell
Washington and Lee's Student Bar Association (SBA) asked for a 95 per cent return on money paid by law students for student tax, during the E.C. budget hearings Monday.
Before this year the SBA had been receiving only approx imately 80 per cent of the money paid by law students for the student tax. SBA president Ray Leven felt that the request for 95 per cent was justified because the student tax is used primarily for undergraduate activities which don't affect law students.
Leven said that he didn't think law students were involved in 20 per cent of undergraduate activities. He explained that law students just aren't interested in attending grain parties or beer busts. He added that services such as the Calyx and Ariel are focused primarily on undergrads, but had been partially financed with law students' student tax.
Leven said law students are more interested in throwing smaller parties with a more "family" atmosphere than undergrad parties. He explain-
ed that the slice of SBA money that is budgeted towards the SBA Social Committee is used to throw two dances and to subsidize smaller parties in individual law students' apart ments.
Leven claimed that with the increased money the SBA Social Committee would throw more parties and invite the undergraduate community to them. However, Leven said the SBA Social Committee did not yet have any specific plans for this type party.
Originally the SBA asked for a total budget of $\$ 11,760$, out of which $\$ 4,500$ would be spent on social activities. The E.C., however, arrived at a figure of $\$ 10,060$ for the total SBA budget The figure won't. be final until after the E.C. meeting next Monday.
Another proposal Leven brought up was that of allowing the SBA access to funds before the E. C. budget hearings. Leven explained that law students start school as early as mid-August but have no funds until October, when the E.C. holds budget hearings.


## Contact Begins With Scotland Yard Director

by Jim Ingham
This year's Contact program gets under way next week on Thursday night, when the Contact Committee presents Sir Robert Mark, Director of New Scotland Yard in England. He is the first of a projected list of six to ten speakers. Admission for the 8:00 forum is free and the program will be held in Lee Chapel.
Sir Robert has a long and distinguished record in the law enforcement area. He served as Commissioner of the London Metropolitan Police from 1972-1977, and in this time, rid the force of the corruption and stealth that had thrived undected by the press and government. As commissioner, Sir Robert went on to polish the tarnished image the police force had acquired from these disclosures. After completing this project, he retired. Sir Robert has since come out of retirement and is now Director of the New Scotland Yard
This year's Contact Committee has altered its plans slightly from years past. The bulk of the
Tucker renovation
by Mark W. Danos The reorganization of Tucker Hall was completed this past summer for the use by the language department. Work began according to Frank Parsons, assistant to the president, "during the summer of 1976 when we started the library. It roughly coincided with the move from Tucker Hall to Lewis Hall by the law school."
Tucker now houses the language departments and classrooms. Remodeling was done, especially to the third floor, to provide the kind of classrooms the language department needs. This was done by subdividing large classrooms. The language lab will be moved to the third floor of Tucker Hall, probably in the large west classroom.
The remodeling was done by
program had usually been scheduled in March, where as many as four or five speakers have been presented. This year, however, the Committee's program will be more evenly distributed throughout the year. At least one more speaker will be coming before Christmas Vacation and in the months of January and February there will be an additional two or three.

Another change in the program will be the absence of a particular theme. Billy Webster, Co-chairman of the committee along with Walter Granruth, said, "The themes weren't being followed at all, so we just discarded the entire idea."

Anyone who knows of a speaker that they would like to hear or could possibly get to come to W\&L should contact either Webster or Granruth. The Contact Committee's list of speakers is based solely on choices that the students choices that the students
themselves make, according to themselve
Webster.
W.W. Coffey and Sons, Inc., and the schools' Building and Grounds. Robinson Hall is being expanded at the present time for the additional needs of the Mathematic Department.
The first floor of Reid Hall, the home of the Journalism Department, presently is being (continued on page 9)

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## by Ned McDonnell

In keeping with all the traditions that make up Washington and Lee, the sixteen frater nities, the Student Association for Black Unity, and the Law School laid the way for the upcoming Homecoming Weekend by nominating their respective "Queen" contestants. With a few exceptions, this year's girls come from area colleges and many are Art majors.
First of all, the nomination of Beta Theta Pi is Vonna Forsyth, a junior from Hollins. Vonna is a French major from Reistertown, Maryland. Junior Sandy McDonald will escort Vonna onto the football field at halftime on Saturday.
Sweet Briar senior Lucy Darby will represent W\&L's newest fraternity, Chi Psi. Peter Keefe, cofounder and incumbent president of Chi Psi, will be Miss Darby's escort.
Meanwhile at Delta Tau Delta, house brother Coates Simons of Chalestown, South Carolina will present Hollins junior Nancy Novak to the Homecoming crowd. Nancy is a studio art major from Baltimore.
Saturday's audience will be treated to, among other things, the "odd couple" of Kappa Alpha. The swinging pair to represent W\&L's lone Alpha chapter are Randolph Macon's Allison Wilkinson from Concord, North Carolina and Byron Hale Delavan, Jr. from upper New York state.
Representing Lambda Chi Alpha will be Margaret Wren, a freshman from Mary Baldwin. Says Hunt Shuford, a sophomore from Richmond of his date, "she looks good in wet hair." Miss Wren, a resident of Siler City, North Carolina, however will probably have the dry look Saturday afternoon.
The Law School will present

Betsy M. Callicott as its choice for royal honors. Her escort, Stan Brading of Lexington, is a second year law student. Miss Callicott is a veteran of five weeks at Lewis Hall.
Houstonian senior George "Scooter" Smith will team up with Sweet Briar sophomore Susan Smith, (contrary to any rumors, the two are unrelated and unmarried), to represent Phi Delta Theta at the Homecoming ceremonies. Miss Smith hails from Tulsa, Oklahoma.
Phi Gamma Delta, better known as the FIJI's, will match up Charlie Brown and Randy Mac's Ellen Schall. Miss Schall a proficient swimmer from Virginia Beach, is in her second year at RMWC.
Phi Kappa Psi has nominated Sharon Terry, an Economics student at Randolph Macon Escorting the Phi Psi designate from Charlotte, North Carolina,

for the coveted throne will be Andrew Fitzgerald from Potomac, Maryland.
Wendy McClatchey, A Hollins sophomore who has modeled for "Mademoiselle," will take a crack at the coronation for Phi Kappa Sigma. Peter "Botts" Meem, from Bluefield, West Virginia, will stand at the side of the beautiful blonde lass.
Phi Kappa Alpha's Chuck Sipple, hailing from Savannah, Georgia, will excort fellow
senior Mary Meade Atkinson from Mary Baldwin. Among other distinctions, Miss Atkinson is the present senior class president at MBC.
From Washington Street comes the Pi Kappa Phi nomination for the Queen, Louise Wright a junior Art History major at Sweet Briar College. Chalottesville native M. Kevin McCusty will show the M. Kevin McCusty will

Junior Bruce Williams will

escort Hometown honey Karen Parker as the Homecoming representative for the Student Association for Black Unity. Miss Parker is a student of Averett College in her native city of Danville, Virginia.
The SAE's will try to sustain the throne they earned last year by entering Eleanor Ross of Charlestown, South Carolina into the halftime competition. Miss Ross, who transferred from Hollins over the summer, is a junior at the University of North Carelina. She belongs to the Pi Phi sorority and joined the SAE's at UNC as a little sister. Raymond McIntyre, a senior C-school buff from Jacksonville, will escort Miss Ross.
Sigma Chi will take their shot at the throne by presenting Sweet Briar junior Jackie Kinner to the raucous fall crowd. Shreveport senior, Arthur Carmody, one of Dean Atwood's

boys in Newcombe Hall, will be Miss Kinner's.prospective throne mate.
Sigma Nu will put forth Julie Osborne as its choice for the top honors. Miss Osborne, a Fine Arts student at Mary Baldwin, will be led by SNU treasurer and fellow senior, Jim Ladky of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, (Fonzie's "turf").
The SPE's have named Kacky Fulgham, a second year Economics major from Suffolk

## Young Demos report growth

by Tony Carli
Last year, an article in the RtP, published soon after Carter's election victory, reported that somehow the club had "managed to find 33 cam pus Democrats willing to pay dues." Well, that was last year. Now, the Washington and Lee Young Democrats are gaining more recognition. Lee Cave, a junior and a philosophy major, might just be the only YD president to have taken over an active organization.

RtP: Along with the rebirth of your organization came many snide remarks and snickering. Now that this type of reaction has subsided, how would you assess your club's standing, after matriculation and the first three weeks of classes?
Cave: You never do as well as you like to do, but we have made such remarkable progress over last year that I cannot help but be happy.

RtP: When you talk of progress, to what are you referring? Cave: As far as membership is concerned, we have had an in crease of over $135 \%$ since last May. We've approximately eighty due-paying members with over twenty more students who are soon to join. Also, we possess a list of more than one hundred who we consider prospects.
RtP: Last year's RtP reporter suggested that your member-

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ship could wane, since another presidential election was four years away. How do you acyears away. How do you account for such a surge of in-
terest at this time? And I repeat last year's menacing question: "What's the dif ference between this and the previous unsuccessful attempts?"
Cave: Contrary to past attempts, the leadership of our organization is very serious about making the W\&L Young

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at Randolph Macon, to vie for the noble prize. Her date, Larry Bryant from Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, is also a sophomore Econ apprentice.
Last but not least, Zeta Beta Tau will take its shot at the regal distinction with Sweet Briar senior and Zeeb little sister, Addie Eschbach. House president, David Addison will be on hand for the competition as Miss Eschbach's date
Which one of these eighteen attractive young ladies will break the Homecoming suspense? Upon whom will Professor Shillington plant his big wet smackers thus culminating a somewhat hackneyed autumn tradition? The eighteen groups entered in the halftime competition think they have the answer but only Professor Schillington and his merry band of Homecoming Queen Selection Committee members know for sure.

## Pledging

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by Chip Hughes
Fraternity rush, a longtime tradition and major Fall social activity at W\&L, has ended and has ended with some very surprising results. Even though deferred rush is in progress, all indications point to a noticeable decline in the number of freshmen pledging fraternities his year as compared to years past. At many houses, the drop off ranges from 25 to 40 percent. To better understand the causes of this year's "slow rush," it is necessary to examine closely he attitudes of the three major groups involved in rush: the freshman class, the fraternities, and the IFC.
The freshman class. $9_{7}$ percent of which signed up for rush, appear to share the relief that most fraternities have conducted a poorly organized. unenthusiastic rush this year. The freshmen questioned for his article felt that at many fraternities, members were preoccupied with such things as seeing old friends and meeting girls and had neither the time nor the desire to meet prospective pledges. Also, the freshman class as a whole seems to be more aware of the alternatives to fraternity life: consequently freshmen seem to be weighing their decisions a little more carefully. This may be due in part to the IF'C's presentation at Natural Bridge, in which freshmen were advised to take their time and consider various options in making fraternity decisions. As one freshman independent succinctly put it. ${ }^{-1}$ went through rush and didn't really meet a bunch'of guys I liked that much, so I'm going independent.

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Theatre plans activities
by M. Gray Coleman Entertainment Editor
Work is building up to its usual fever-pitch at the University Theatre this fall. With Oedipus Rex recently cast and now well into rehearsals under Prof. Lee Kahn, business attention turns to other matters.

## UTofficers elected

The theatre's annual open house and business meeting was held recently. Among the items up for discussion was the election of new officers at UT. All people who have worked in any capacity for the theatre on a show are eligible to vote, and this year's polling brought up the following officers. Warren Mowry, a senior, was elected president for 1977-78, and is basically in charge of all liason matters between the theatre and "the hill," including the E.C. Hunt Brown, a junior this year, is the new House Manager, in charge of handling box office workers and ushers for each show. And Barry Godin will serve as this year's Publicity Director of the UT; all publicity work, from flyers to posters to radio blurbs is under his call.
The Ring-Tum Phi congratulates these individuals on their accomplishment and 'urges all students interested in working in any area of the theatre to contact one of these three.

## Open auditions coming next week

In other business; preparations are now under way for auditions for the second UT production: the 18th century comedy Beaux Strategem. As always, auditions are open to all members of the student body, and will be held next Thursday and Friday, October 13-14, at 4-5 and 7-9 p.m. in the Troubadour Theatre.

The comedy is a rolicking portrait of that special phenomenon of the 18th century, the adventurer. An easy comparison can be drawn between the men in this play and Fielding's Tom Jones, both filled with riotous scenes of life in the country houses and inns of England.

Beaux Strategem, originally produced in 1707 , will be done mainly in the style of the period, with a lot of music and women. A special note to W\&L students is that this play has a lot of nice, distinctive, good-sized but not overwhelmingly large male roles. These parts would be perfect for any student with an interest in theatre and some measure of talent, but without the hours necessary to master a lead role.

The show is to be directed by Prof. Al Gordon, with assistance from Stage Manager John Jacobsen. The show is slated to open in the Troubadour on November 30, right after Thanksgiving break.

Scripts may be picked up in the Troubadour now, so sign one out if you are interested.
Finally, Prof. Gordon has announced a program of "reading theatre," where plays are read together and aloud by a small group. This program is with group. This program is with Sweet Briar College, and will
begin there on the evening of October 18 . Tuesday night, with a group reading of a Shaw play.

Following readings will take place on the W\&L campus. For futher details, please contact Dr. Gordon in duPont Hall. Those who are interested and have forgotten to sign up, please do so immediately with Dr. Gordon.
NEXT WEEK: a special preview of the soon-to-open Oedipus Rex.....


Warren Mowry (left) and Ty York (right) show various degrees of disgust and piety in these rehearsal shots from the son-to-open UT production of OEDIPUS REX, to be previewed in the RING-TUM PHI next week.
-Photos by Bates

## "Lincoln" and "Silver Streak"

## The Land of Oz

## by Seth Oserin

It looks like our friends at the State saved us from the demoralizing experience of the Bad News Bears in the Astrodome. However, with a delay of two days (taken up by
an extension of the run of "Smokey and the Bandit"), Lexington will become.a premiere, first run city. Yes folks, for the first time since "Godzilla Blows Lunch on Tokyo," Lexington will be a world premiere city (along with
about a hundred others)! The movie is "The Lincoln Conspiracy." Although there are no real big "names," the movie should, at the least, prove to be very interesting. It's a two week run, and I'll have a review on it
(as if anyone cares) next week... Another flick worth seeing is over at the Lyric this week. Gene Wilder, Richard Pryor, and Jill Clayburgh (of " 1776 " fame) star in "Silver Streak," a comedy about murder and a runaway train. It is great. See it.

Did you see the "Trial of Lee Harvey Oswald" on TV this past weekend? If you didn't, you didn't miss much. Based on fact, it was a presentation of what his trial probably would have been like had Oswald not been shot. The direction was horrible, the acting mediocre, and the script was despicable. Too bad, it was a good idea....

Rumors have it that TwentiethCentury Fox plans on blowing it
all to make a TV series out of "Star Wars" .... Mel Brooks has a new movie, called "High Anxiety," coming out during Christmas.... Speaking about "Star Wars," the domestic box office of our sci-fi Gone With the Wind has already passed through the $\$ 155$ million mark, and is still going strong.
Last week I predicted Andy Gibb's "I Just Want to be Your Everything" would be number one for all pop singles for 1977. Well, it is now evident that it will have some huge competition. After debuting at number 50 on the Variety top 50 chart

Life" made a pit stop at number 19 before proceeding to number two. That's the number two spot in only two weeks' Furthermore, as though that isn't enough, Ronnie McDowell's tribute to Elvis, "The King Is Gone," debuted at number 9 , and is now standing at number 4. Can't remember anything like this happening since the Beatles.... Although not supercrazy about "Watcha Gonna Do," after listening to their whole album a musically inclined students who would like to get organized, perhaps with the intent (it will be possible) of the intent (it will be possible) of
performing in the Cockpit. There will be a meeting tonight (Thursday), at eight, in the Student Center. Be there. Aloha.

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## exhibiting work

Mr. Raymond Twiddy, of Sweet Briar College, will be exhibiting a collection of prints in duPont Art Gallery beginning the evening of Monday, October 10, and running through Friday, October 28, sponsored by the W\&L Fine Arts department.
Again, there will be a wine and cheese reception held on the opening Monday night, from 7 until 9 p.m., to give students a chance to talk to Mr. Twiddy informally. The reception will be in the main room of the gallery, and all are welcome to attend.
The artist has exhibited in many galleries and exhibitions throughout the Virginia and North Carolina areas. He is currently Assistant Professor of studio art at SBC and serves as the curator of their gallery. His works will consist mainly of a combination of silkscreen work and lithography.
In addition, Twiddy will give a slide lecture describing the techniques and procedures of his printmaking to the Art 100 class on Monday, October 10.
He received Master of Fine Arts degrees from George Washington University and the Corcoran School of Art in Washington, D.C.
He studied lithography with Garo Z. Antreasian and John Sommers, 19th and 20th century graphics with Cleta Downey, and photo-printmaking with Richard Graf at the University of California at Berkeley.
His works have been shown at the Franz Bader Gallery in Washington, D.C., and the Ward-Nasse Gallery in New York. He has also had a large number of one-man, two-man and group shows all over Virginia and the south east.

His work has been seen in Lexington before; he participated in Virginia Military Institute's Mini-Festival of the Arts in January 1976.
Gallery hours are 9-4 weekdays, no charge. So take a learning break from McCormick on Monday the 10th, and come to duPont.

## NOTICE

The Film Committee of the Student Activities Board needs projectionists to show its weekly films. Each weekend, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, a film is shown at 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. If you and your date would like to see a movie for free, leave your name, address and telephone number at the SAB office on the second floor of the University Center.

## Nickel \& Diamond Theatre

## New season announced

by M. Gray Coleman
The Nickel and Diamond Theatre, Lexington's community showease for theatrical talent, has recently announced its plans for the upcoming year, according to Ginger McNeese, Theatrical Director.
It will be a three-show season, kicking off with Jean Kerr's comedy "Mary, Mary." Directed by Will Cantler, a recent graduate of W\&L, the show will be in production in early November. "Mary, Mary" is a light comedy about a recently divorced husband and wife, who are brought together again due to the husband's present difficulty with the IRS. His ex-wife, Mary, is only too glad to become involved in the brouhaha that develops, and onward goes the plot to its natural, funny end. As Ms. McNeese puts it, "Taxes, divorce, reconciliation... the universality of the show and problems it covers
are its greatest asset and the source of its humor.
Later plans for the other two shows include a winter dinnertheatre production of the 1930's style musical, "Dames at Sea," and hopefully a full-scale musical in the spring.
The theatre's board of directors has been broadened, and all are optimistic about the new season, but certain problems must be overcome soon, said McNeese. One is the lack of any permanent facility for performances. The old Nickel and Diamond, in the basement of Old Main Mall, has been bought and occupied by the W\&L theatre, for their expanding Boiler Room facility. And technical people are greatly needed, especially those with some expertise in lighting. If any of this interests you, please give Ginger McNeese a call at 463-7622 as soon as possible, as rehearsals have begun already this week.


## Musical Mainstream

by Mark Mainwaring
Associate Music Director WLUR-FM and Ward Boult

To begin this week's Mainstream, you'll find album reviews on two comedy artistone up and coming and one down and going. First, the bad news.
On the Road
George Carlin
Little David LD 1075
George Carlin, as just about everyone knows, was one of the first youth-oriented, "antiestablishment" (remember that term?) comedians to really hit the big time. His appearances on the old Flip Wilson program and guest host spots on the Tonight Show rarely failed to leave the audience in stitches. Even after several years, in fact, his early albums (AM/FM and Class Clown, for example) seem nearly as hilarious as they were the first time around.
Unfortunately, Carlin's new album, On the Road, is further evidence that ol: George isn't as funny as he used to be. The routines on this LP range from "Death and Dying" to "Kids," and most of them just don't work. Most of the time, Carlin seems to be simply rehashing the same old stuff (or the same type of stuff, anyway) to the same old audience. To be sure, On the Road does have its moments: for example, Carlin,s ideas on what to do with the "Two Minute Warning" he says you get just before death. If he wishes to remain
successful, though, George Carlin will have to move on to some fresher material. We've heard most of this before, and it's wearing a little thin.

## Let's Get Smal

Steve Martin
Warner Brothers BSK 3090
Steve Martin, for any of you who've spent the last six months in a cave, is currently the hottest comedian around. A comparison here to George Carlin is in some ways inevitable. Martin's comedy, like Carlin's, is geared to a young audience, and Martin owes much of his popularity to recent appearances on NBC's Satur day Night and the Tonight Show (where, like Carlin, he has served as guest host)
The similarities end there, however. Steve Martin's new album (his only LP so far), Let's Get Small, contains fresh, new material. And even without the visual cues and gags which Martin frequently uses in his stage act, the stuff on this album is very funny. In addition to such familiar routines as Excuse Me" and "Let's Get Small," the LP contains ple.nty of short, individual gems. Martin reveals his beginnings as a comic ("I started off at the bottom. I was born a poor black child."), the secret of his success as a comedian ("Before I come out I put a slice of bologna in each of my shoes. So when I'm on stage, I feel funny."), and finally, his solution to the world population problem ("death penalty for parking violations."), Let's Get Small is
the best comedy album I've heard in quite a while, and I highly recommend it.
Cheap Trick
In Color
Epic PE34884
From the first line, "Hello there, ladies and gentlemen, are you ready to rock \&" It isn't hard to ascertain what will follow-fun lovin' rock 'n roll. Because let's face it, Cheap Trick is fun. In Color, their second effort, is ample proof.
Trick is made up of two pretty faces, in the spirit of Peter Frampton (lead vocalist and rhythm guitarist Robin Zander and bass player Tom Peterson) and what looks like a modern day Laurel and Hardy team (drummer Ben E. Carlos and lead guitarist Rick Nielson.) Robin Zanders vocals fit Trick to the T. (no pun intended) One of the albums' strong points is that you just have to "sing along." Admittedly, these are some of the corniest lyrics around, but on tunes like "Oh Caroline" even the most gourmet audiophile can't help but sing along with Zander;
In listening to tunes like "Downed""Southern Girls" and "So Good To See You," CT is easily comparable to late Beatles and perhaps The Who. But they have that distinct American Rock ' $n$ Roll flavor, as well. Heavies include "Big Eyes", "You're All Talk" and "Clock Strickes Ten.
In "Downed" Zander sings
'All you Walk is a Fine Line,'
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## Sprunt receives endowed chair

An endowed professorship of Bible in the Department of Religion at Washington and Lee University has been established in memory of the late Fletcher Otey Thomas by his children.
David Worth Sprunt, pro fessor of religion at W\&L and university chaplain, has been named the first Fletcher Otey Thomas Professor of Bible.
The announcements were made today by Washington and Lee President Robert E. R Huntley at W\&L's opening convocation today, the first university-wide assembly of the new academic year.
Mr . Thomas was a prominent religious, business and civic leader in Bedford, Va., until his death in 1948.
The new professorship in his memory "perpetuates the teaching of Bible as a point of major emphasis in the religion department" in recognition of the donors' interest in "superior teaching of Christian theology, Huntley said.
Mr . Thomas, a native of Bedford County, lived all his life in Bedford. He was a co-founder and long-time director of Pied mont Label Co. in Bedford and was superintendent of the Sun day school, a deacon, and an elder in the Bedford Presbyterian Church
Dr. Sprunt, the newly named Fletcher Otey Thomas Pro fessor of Bible, has taught at Washington and Lee since 1953 He became head of the religion
department in 1956 and was named university chaplain four years later.
He is a B.A. graduate of Davidson College and received his bachelor's and doctoral degrees in theology from Union Theological Seminary, Richmond.

His fields of teaching specialization include both the Old and New Testaments. He is a member of the National Association of Biblical Instructors and the National Association of College Chaplains.
He is chairman of the Virginia State Advisory Committee to the United States Civil Rights Commission, a member
of the board of visitors of Eckerd College, and an officer in several area mental-health, retardation, and drug-abuse service agencies
He is married to the former Elise Miller, and they have three children.

The Fletcher Otey Thomas Professorship in Bible is Washington and Lee's sixth endowed professorship. The oldest is the Society of the Cincinnati professorship in mathematics, established before the Civil War when the Virginia branch of that organization, of which George Washington had been a member. dissolved itself and gave its entire treasury to the college Washington had endowed.

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# Swimmers Undefeated In League Play <br> by Jerry Harris 

## Generals Win Doubleheader

## by Chris Fay

By winning their fourth game in five outings last Saturday over Eastern Mennonite, the Generals are sporting their best record, 4-1, since the 1964 team was 5-0. The J.V. team also won its match against E.M.
The Generals' perfect record was blemished on September 28, when the University of Richmond slipped by W\&L by a score of 2-1. In the Richmond game the team did not play up to par, but still only lost by one goal. One player, when questioned about the game, simply said, "It sucked."
In the Mennonite game the team was hampered by the wet and slick field. Players who tried sliding tackles often found themselves six feet of target and still sliding. The Generals had a difficult time controlling the offense as their passing game suffered, because the ball was too wet to handle.
The Generals' lone goal came midway through the second half on a penalty kick. Kelly Ryan took the shot about twenty yards to the right of the Mennonite goal. Once again Dave Williams scored by heading the ball into the net. That was William's fifth goal of the year.
Washington and Lee is still unscored upon in their four wins
to date, defeating the opposition $9-0$ in those four contests. Senior goalie Mark Bennett, the ODAC's leading goalkeeper has had a hand in each of those four shutouts. The team and individual record for shutouts is currently five, and that mark is certainly in jeopardy this season.
In the JV game Eastern Mennonite scored first in the second half. However the Generals did not give up, and responded with three goals in twenty minutes. This was their strongest offensive drive this season.
The JV team lost their first two games of the season. At James Madison, the first game of the season, the Generals were simply outplayed by a superior team as they lost $5-0$. In the second game against Lynchburg College, the JV team bottomed out early. The Generals had control of the game until the Lynchburg team scored to tie it at 1-1. Lynchburg put two more goals on the board and won the game by a score of 3-1.
The Generals host ODAC foe Roanoke College on Wilson Field at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, and play at powerful Elizabethtown College in Pennsylvania on Saturday.

## Harriers Grab 4 Out Of Top 5 Places

Washington and Lee's Cross Country Team raised its record to six wins and one loss with a strong performance in a quadangular meet here Saturday.
The fact that the race was run in a heavy rain and on a muddy and slippery track did little to slow the Generals down. Coach Miller declared "We had a good day, in the rain, mud, and all." The Washington and Lee team, off to its best start since 1972, dominated the meet with just 19 points. Roanoke College was a distant second with 44 points. Emory and Henry and Norfolk State followed with 83 and 92 points respectively.
Freshman Chris Daniels led the W\&L harriers with first place overall. He ran the 8000 meter course in 27 minutes and 57 seconds. Bob Bates finished second overall with a time of 28 $\min .25 \mathrm{sec}$. Allen Weeks and Richard Bird both came in at 28 $\min .37 \mathrm{sec}$. Weeks was awarded the fourth place, third for

W\&L; Bird, the fourth man for the Generals, was fifth place overall. Brain Adams was W\&L's fifth man, seventh man in the meet. His time was 30 minutes even. Bill Welch and Kevin Grimm placed sixth and seventh for Washington and Lee, and ninth and eleventh overall to round out an excellent performance by the Generals top seven men.
Coach Miller feels the team is steadily improving. The small time spread between W\&L's first and seventh man, Coach Miller said, points to the fact that on any given day any one of them could lead the pack.
Washington and Lee travels to Lynchburg Saturday to compete in another four-way meet. W\&L will face Lynchburg College, Virginia Wesleyan and Norfolk State. Although Coach Miller discounted any advantage Lynchburg might have due to running on their home course, he did say that they would be the strongest team W\&L has faced since Davis and Elkins.

The W\&L water polo team traveled to Columbia, New York over the weekend for an important Middle Atlantic Conference tournament. Enspired by the balanced play of several key performers, the Generals came away with an unblemished record of three wins including a stunning upset over John Hopkins.
By virtue of their three victories, W\&L remained as only one of two teams in the conference that are undefeated. W\&L will now host an Invitational tournament beginning this Friday that will provide some stiff challenges to that accomplishment.

## Two weeks from now the polo <br> Football Teams Takes 0-4 Record Into Homecoming impressive credentials such as goals).

A fumble proned offense and a sporadic defense contributed to W\&L's fourth loss in as many outings last Saturday against the ODAC defending champion, Randolph-Macon, by a score of 21-13. The offense turned the ball four times on four fumbles. Washington and Lee won the toss and struck first as quarterback Scott Swope connected on a 23 yard pass to Senior split end Bill Frear. The PAT was


Johns practicing for upcoming W\&L tournament.
-Photo by Bob Bates

## Tennis Team Fifth In State <br> As expected, Hampton In-

stitute and U. Va. fought it out for the 1977 Virginia Tennis Championship, with the Pirates winning $33-28$. The Generals finished tied for sixth with finished tied for sixth with
Virginia Tech, behind ODU, Richmond, and william \& Mary.
The second W\&L doubles team of sophomore Pat Norris and blue-chip freshman Cody Davis made it to the semifinals, as did Stewart Jackson in the number two singles spot. Last
early 7-0 lead. Swope, a Junior, making his first start in a varsity contest, had a good day completing 14 of 26 passes for 159 yards with two touchdowns. Coach McHenry was quick to point out that the offensive line gave Swope excellent protection.
Randolph-Macon tied the game up with 8:18 to play in the first half when Fulback Mike Woolfolk ran the ball in from 11 yards out. The defense had a
team will travel to Penn State to play five conference teams that will decide whether or not they will advance to the Eastern regionals. All of this is a rather startling development for a first year team but one that might have been expected considering the past success of Coach Stearns.
In Columbia the Generals first game was an easy 26-12 conquest of Lehigh University which was followed by a slightly closer $12-9$ verdict over Saint Francis. However, it was the final game, "the most important by far," that showed the true potential of W\&L.
Hopkins was undefeated coming into the march and sporting
the national swimming championship from last year. Ironically, it was the swimming ironically, it was the swimming
expertise that cost them the expertise that cost them the
game. Stearns pointed out that Hopkins attempted to outswim W\&L which had a disadvantage in numbers ( 8 to Hopkins' 15) but their strategy took away from their acting. Coming from behind on four different occasions, W\&L held on for an 11-10 victory.
Stearns pointed out that the key to W\&L's success throughout the tournament was balanced scoring and consistency. Especially effective were Keith Romich and Scott Duff (each with 11 goals), Biff Martin (10 goals), Drew Pillsbury (8 goals) and Bob Newcomb (6
tough time all day stopping RMC on the ground.
With the score tied at 7-7 the Generals fumbled the ball on their 43 yard line. Five plays later, the Yellowjackets scored on a 12 yard run with $1: 53$ left on the clock in the first half. RMC converted the PAT and held the lead for the rest of the game.
W\&L had an excellent chance to tie the game up in the second half when the Generals had the ball on the RMC two yard line. Once again the Generals coughed up the ball. The Yellowjackets took the ball and marched 91 yards to the W\&l seven. The defense held the Yellowjackets on a fourth and two. The offense took the field and gave the ball up again on the first play from scrimmage. RMC recovered the ball on the 19 yard line. The Yellowjackets took only five plays for their final score of the day, as Mike Woolfolk scampered five yards into the endzone. The PAT was good and the score stood 21-7.
Commenting on RMC's final score, Coach McHenry was disappointed with the defense's performance. "I realize that it's tough for the defense to go right back on to the field after they've stopped a team after a long drive," said McHenry. "But we've got to develop the mental toughness to do just that if we're to have a successful season."
The Generals did not fold completely and put together a splendid 15 play 86 yard drive. The drive was capped with a spectacular catch by sophomore splitend, Syd Farrar on a ten yard pass from Swope with $5: 10$ left to play. The Generals tried for a two point conversion, but failed. The final score of the game, RMC-21, W\&L-13.
One of the bright spots in the offense last Saturday was the running of Sophomore Stewart Atkinson. Atkinson, making his ' 77 debut after suffering an ankle injury in preseason, rushankle injury in preseason, rush-
ed for 102 yards. The General's week ground game is exemplified by the fact that the rest of the General backfield
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year's national Division III doubles champions, Jackson and Ben Johns, were eliminated in the quarterfinals. Coach Dennis Bussard called this year's competition, "So much stronger than in 1976, with five very strong teams as opposed to two last fall." The Generals finished in third place last year in Lexington.
The team is idle until October 14th when they will compete in the James Madison University Tournament in Harrisonburg.

## Questions Coach's Decisions

## Angered KickerQuits Football Team

After suffering setback after setback at the hands of opponents the Football Generals have been handed a setback of a different nature-their "Number One" placekicker for the past two-and-one-half seasons quit the team Tuesday. In an interview with the Ring tum Phi Tuesday afternoon, exGeneral Dan Thompson said he became frustrated after promises were repeatedly broken and he was not given the op portunity to play. He feels situations have arisen during the season for which his kicking abilities were needed, but not used.

Against Lock Haven State Thompson felt there were a least three occasions in the first half in which a kicker was needed, but the coaches chose in stead to punt or go for the first down. In the Davidson game, even though it was obvious the Generals were going to lose and the coaches were substituting heavily, Thompson was not given the chance to make the score more respectable or to gain experience by kicking in a game situation.
In the controversial Centre game, Thompson believes the coaches should have attempted a field goal instead of punting. "In the first half, when we were inside their territory, Sid (Farrar) punted the ball into the endzone, and the ball was'placed on the 20 yard line. If we had attempted the field goal, we possibly could have.scored, and even if we didn't, the ball still would have ended up on the 20 . I think they made a bad decision in electing to punt.

Thompson believes that when a team is in range for a field goal, it should attempt one. He said he believes McHenry knows the value of a good kicking game, but he doesn't understand why Mchenry doesn't use a kicking attack in his game strategy.

Thompson said he was called upon to kick some field goals of over 50 yards in high school and, as recently as last week was putting them through the goal posts from 55 yards out. He said he had worked hard all summer, lifting weights and kicking almost everyday. He reported to practice in Augus in the best kicking shape and with the best attitude and self confidence he had in his career His goals this year had been to score a lot of points, make all conference kicker, and work towards his long range goal of becoming a pro.
He said McHenry had told him on many occasions that he would be used in the upcoming
games. It never happened. He said he was only given ten minutes a week on Friday to work on his timing with the team in scrimmage, and most of this time was spent kicking PAT's. He said McHenry repeatedly told him he was pleased with his progress and apologized for not playing him more. Thompson does not understand this due to the fact that McHenry seldom had opportunities to see him perform in practice or in games
Thompson says he regrets not having approached McHenry earlier in the season to lodge his complaints as an alternative to quitting, but did not feel comfortable talking to the head

## Alumni Return For Preseason LaX Opener

W\&L's 1977 Homecoming Weekend will conclude on Sunday, October 9 th with the annual Alumni Lacrosse Game beginning at 12:00 noon on Wilson Field. All are welcome there is no admission.
Head Coach Jack Emmer ex pects the best turnout of alumni in recent memory as all Emmer coached first-team All Americans since 1973 will return to Lexington. That list reads like a page out of the Washington and Lee history book - goalie Skeet Chadwick (73, 74); defensemen Tom Keigler (76, 77), Rob Lindsey (75, 76), and Don Eavenson (73) ; midfielders Skip Lichtfuss $(73,74)$ and Ted Bauer (72, 73, 74); and attackman Sam Englehart (71, 72, 73). In addition to those first. team selections, also returning to the site of their glory days will be second-team All-American attackman Dave Warfield
honorable mention AllAmerican Don Carroll, and Rob Morgan, the school record holder for goals in one season.
The 1978 W\&L lacrosse Generals will have their work cut out for them against the stars of the past. The present team will be led by co-captains Charlie Brown in goal and Jay Sindler at midfield. Brown was a third-team All-American last season. Accompanying Brown and Sindler will be attackmen Jeff Fritz and John Black, both 50 plus point scorers of a year ago, midfielders Charlie Stieff, Mike Schuler, and Sandy McDonald, and defenseman Rod Roberts.
Jack Emmer expects a nip and tuck affair on Sunday, as most of the returning players are still playing club ball. The series currently stands at one win each, the Alumni winning 17-12 last fall after losing 7-4 in 1975.

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## Sports Leaders

## Football

Sophomore Syd Farrar, a split end and punter for the Generals, was named offensive player of the week. In last Saturday's game he had three receptions for 38 yards as well as six punts averaging 40.8 yards per shot

Junior middle linebacker George Ballantine received the honors for defensive player of the week. George had ten solo tackles and one assist.

## Soccer

Dave Williams remains the leading scorer for the soccer team with five goals in as many outings. Bill Stone has the second highest point total with two goals and one assist.

## Water Polo

Junior Keith Romich leads all scorers on the water polo team with 27 goals in six games.

## Football Game Con't.

could only contribute three yards to the overall ground game yardage.

Standing out on defense was the linebacking trio of George Ballantyne, co-captain Jeff Slatcoff, and Carl Folic, the team's leading overall tackler. They combined for 28 tackles and five assists against Randolph-Macon.
In the highlight of 1977's Homecoming Weekend, the football team will host the formidable Maryville College Scots on Saturday at $1: 30$ p.m. on Wilson Field. The Scots are now 3-0 this season, defeating Centre College 27.3 on Satur

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## REview and OUTLOOK

Editorial Opinion of The Ring-tum Phi

## Season Opens

It is upon us. The all important start of an integral part of life here at Washington and Lee-the "rack date" season. With the Homecoming festivities planned this weekend, the W\&L gentlemen now have a legitimate excuse to invite up that dainty "little thing" he has had his eye on for a long time.

We have been blessed with unusual luck this year. In the past, there were no questions asked, the girls stayed in the local motels during the day, partied with the guys in the afternoon and evening, and returned to the hotel by midnight to get their essential 14 hours beauty sleep. But this year, (heh, heh), the motels are full due to W\&L and VMI both having their homecomings.
If you are a "veemee," then you are out of luck. Your girl will have to go back, and you will have a lousy homecoming. But if you attend W\&L, you have something to fall back on; your charm, your personality, your room.

Unless you are a freshman. An upperclassman has the maturity, the experience and knows what it takes to come up with a quick, convincing excuse as to the reason why his date doesn't have a nice, quiet, private motel room like "all the other respectable girls." But a freshman has not been here long enough to develop the ultimate chivalrous alternative of, "Don't worry, you can stay in my room-I'll sleep on the floor."

Don't worry freshmen, you will learn. It takes time to develop your charm, personality, and overall general appearance. It takes time to get used to the girls up here. The equestrian majors, the home ec majors, and the "probable" kindergarten teachers are a special breed of women, and many times plan A or even plan B won't work.
You also don't know the absolute necessity of having a successful "rack date." It can add so much to your character, personality, GPA and campus prestige.
There is no finer feeling than on Sunday afternoon after your weekend honey has gone back and you and the guys are gathered in the hall discussing your first "rack date." In the "Tales of the Hall" you find yourself either bragging and boasting about your exploits, or feigning nobleness and a sense of honor, knowing all the while that it is all BS.
But it is really fruitless for you to be told all this. It all sounds very interesting, but you are probably pretty skeptical about all of the above happening. Even though there is a $95 \%$ chance that you considered yourself a high school stud, after this weekend many of you will feel like you have been put out to pasture. Good luck! Experience is the best teacher, and after this weekend you will be a W\&L man one way or another.
A closing note to those of you have been set up with "blind" dates by well-intentioned upperclassmen. Your date has been described to you as either a nice girl or a good girl. Sometimes this can be misleading, especially if this is your first blind date. You can never really be sure, but a 16 th century poet has given us perhaps the best criteria for judging the quality of your date: "Nice Girls go out, go home, and go to bed; good girls go out, go to bed, and go home."
j.m.g.

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## LETTERS TO EDITOR

## Responses to editorial outcry

Saturday, Oct. 1, 1977
Editor, Ring-tum Phi
Ther were some delightful pictures of some young ladies in the Phi last week just delightful and why were they in there they were there to remind us what girls look like because we hadn't seen any since the last weelend and we weren't destined to see any since the until the upcoming weekend and why is all this true because the nearest female college students except B. V.ers go to school thirty five miles away with most young ladies forty five miles away now that makes sense doesn't it fourteen hundred young men here who merely have to travel forty five miles over wonderful mountain roads to talk to a young woman unless they want to pay a dime every minute for a long distance voice without a face and why do we do this well it's all very logical back in 1749 some men founded a school for their genedr of their species and as we all know what's good enough for 1749 you know when we were all British subjects is good enough for 1977 and whoever those commies were who broke away from his majesty George III; well those pinko fags should have been exterminated anyway those 2,900 schools that have enrolled females ought to be ashamed thank goodness there are still sixteen colleges around that realize the importance of keeping the less intelligent sex out of higher education what mix the seses to provide an environment that more closely resembles the "real world" what blasphemy what sacrilege who ever said college is supposed to prepare students for life there is no such thing as a woman who lives during the week they only exist on weekends because I've never seen a girl during the week what wearing sloppy clothes like men impossible and without makeup it couldn't be so don't tell me about girls I've seen them they're all pretty and they all wear nice skirts and blouses or fancy slacks girls
don't wear jeans and their hair is always neatly combed that's what girls look like and they don't know anything about politics philosophy biology spanish mathematics psychology economics chemistry music english or anything like that they just go to parties and say college is a learning experience well, that's what I've learned that all makes sense to you doesn't it this is a very cosmopolitan school after we eliminate the less important fifty per cent of the population yearh that makes sense that makes sense that makes sense well thanks again for the pictures my memory needed a refreshment i had almost forgotten. Palmore

Clarke, ' 80.
Dear Mr. Editor,
It was with great.dismay that I read your editorial of September 29, concerning the football team. For someone who couldn't hack it himself on the W\&L football field, you seem to be quite an authority on the problems of the 1977 squad. If you have come to expect a loser, then I would say you are a loser yourself. We have eight games left this year with a good chance for a winning season.

As for myself, I take a lot of pride in playing for Washington and Lee. Win or lose, we get "dumped on" a lot because of the winning teams around us. I can safely say that the entire team has a great deal of confidence in our coaching staff. They are under pressure each week, trying to get us prepared for a team that is usually bigger and faster. Each game we win is a tribute to them. You must remember that it is the players on the field who lose, not the coaches. If anyone is to blame for our poor performance to date, we are. It could be said that my opinion is not objective enough because I am on the team, but I hope you will print this, as my sentiments are shared by all of my teammates and many other friends.
Maybe all of us should quit and become feature writers for the Ring-tum Phi like J.M.G!

Don Crosley, '79
Editor:
There appeared to be a great deal of response to Dan Beyer's letter in last week's issue. The Board of Governors of the Student Bar Association has authorized this letter to make one very important point about the whole controversy. That (continued on page 9)

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## Music Course

## In Winter

A music appreciation course in bluegrass music will be offered winter term for no credit. The course will meet on a one hour a week basis for the fu'l twelve week term. It will involve individual instruction (on guitar and possibly banjo, fiddle, mandolin, dobro and bass) and discussion of the history of bluegrass music, as it has evolved from "old time" until now.

The course will be taught by Burr Datz, who played with local bluegrass musicians while he was a student and who has worked with various bluegrass bands in New York for the past two years. Datz has set forth three major objectives for the course. Students should develop an appreciation for bluegrass, learn to identify different musicians by their styles, and learn or further an ability to play a bluegrass instrument. Emphasis in this last objective is placed on reading tablature. Each bluegrass instrument will be covered separately, and the individual styles of certain musicians will be covered. One textbook will be needed for the course, "Bluegrass" by Bob Artis, and each interested student will need two sixty minute tapes (cassette) for the course. The tapes will be used for class purposes and may be kept by the students.
All interested students should contact Burr Datz in Evans Dining Hall or sign up outside of Dr. Stewart's office in McCormick Library. There will be no charge to the students other than for the text and tapes.


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coach. When asked if he had confidence in the coaching staff. Thompson refused to comment except to say that he agreed with the editorial in last week'sking-tum Phi the coaching staff for indecision and its disorganization)
Thompson said when he realized that he was beginning to question the coaching decisions and lose his respect for the staff, coupled with the coaches broken promises to him, he decided that he no longer had a legitimate right to stay on the team. During his career, Thompson has kicked 25 PAT's and 9 field goals. When contacted late Tuesday night, McHenry declined to comment on the matter.

## Rush

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however, share a greatly different viewpoint. Many brothers questioned said they felt that this year's freshmen, as a whole, are calmer, and perhaps, more apathetic about choosing fraternities than past freshmen. Many of the more "stereotyped" fraternities are also finding it difficult to find people who fit their images. As one fraternity member sated, quite bluntly, "We didn't get nearly the amount of cream-of-the-crop guys in here that we expected.
Perhaps the most ignored, yet most influential group which has had a bearing upon rush this year has been the IFC. Two major actions taken by the group this year appear to have greatly affected rush: first, the aforementioned admonition to freshmen at orientation not to make fraternity choices hurriedly appears to have influenced many to make more careful considerations. Second, strict rush rule enforecement has prevented some houses from practicing illegal rush tactics which had previously brought in pledges (i.e. - In past years, some houses have plied freshmen with liquor during rush dates - a rule violation and then high-pressured these freshmen into pledging). In any case, this year's IFC actions have better prepared the freshmen for rush and forced fraternities to adhere to rush rules.
Whatever the causes of this year's lackluster rush, several conclusions may be drawn. First, this year's freshmen were, as a group, better prepared to go through rush than any class in recent history; second, fraternities are having a difficult time finding freshmen who conform to their standards for membership; and third, the IFC has made it harder for fraternities to employ dubious tactics in building pledge classes. If this trend repeats itself in years to come, fraternities may have to re-examine their ideals or suffer smaller-than-usual pledge classes. As for this year, though, it appears that rush and fraternity life are in a transitional stage which may lead to important re-evaluations in many houses.
tion the E.C. will give the SAB $\$ 2.000$ to buy new projector equipment
The SAB was not the only organization to see its proposed budget slashed from $\$ 7,500$ to $\$ 6,100$, almost a 20 per cent cut. It appears as though there is sentiment on the E.C., however, to give Contact some more money. Contact needs more money to put on a worthwhile program, said senior E.C. representative Mike Missal. The problem is going to be finding sources for that money.
One of the sources, as indicated by senior E.C. representative Doug Perkins, may be Ariel, the student literary magazine. Perkins commented that Ariel had only been able to put out one issue last year, and he thought that was enough. As it was Ariel's budget was cut from a proposed $\$ 1,200$ to $\$ 950$, more than a 20 percent cut. Peer, Perkins said he would propose to cut Ariel's budget down to $\$ 475$ next week.
The Ring-tum Phi's budget was given a preliminary cut of $\$ 500$, despite the fact that the Phi asked for almost $\$ 1,000$ less than last year. It was the only organization that asked for less money this year than it got last year. Business Manager Pete Goss protested the cut of the Phi's budget from $\$ 3,000$ to $\$ 2,500$., saying that he had "gone out on a limb" to propose such a low budget. He said that when he figured the budget he had tried to be optimistic on both the amount of advertising he could get and on the cost of getting out each issue.
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each issue costing $\$ 365$ to put out, although each issue could cost as much as $\$ 425$. In addition, he said the projected two pages of advertisements could be too high. Goss threatened to return the Phi to its original eight page format if he found the cuts were intolerable.
Goss seemed to lose a lot of support when he told the E.C. that last year's business manager Dave McLean earned approximately $\$ 490$ and last year's editor, Robert D. Lutz, earned about $\$ 450$. E.C. members were shocked at the amount of money the Publications Board gave McLean and Lutz for salaries. Jim Underhill, E.C. president, said he thought there was a fixed salary of $\$ 150$. Goss said the business manager receives $\$ 200$ plus 25 percent of the profits made by the paper, while the editor receives $\$ 150$ plus 20 percent of the profits.
Rick Goddard figured out that that meant the Phi made $\$ 1,300$ in profits last year, and requested the E.C. take $\$ 1,300$ from the Phi and give it to the law school. Compromise brought the figure down to $\$ 500$. The law school had $\$ 1,440$ trimmed from its request, but still got $\$ 2,500$ more than it received last year. The law school requested $\$ 11,500$ and is tentatively scheduled to get $\$ 10,060$. They were indications at the meeting, however, that this figure may go up. Student Bar Association President Ray Leven was adamant that the principle of funding the law school be "getting our fair share." He said the law school
was "underfunded last year because of the new building.' Both he and Goddard said they strongly believe that the law school get back 95 percent of the money it contributes to the student fund. They also sug gested, because the law school is in session more than three weeks before the E.C. first meets that all the money collected at matriculation for student activity fees be given directly to the law school, and then the E.C. could tax away "between 5 and 7 percent" of the monies as soon as possible but declined to set a policy stipulating that the law school should get 95 percent of its funds back directly.
The Calyx's budget was only cut by $\$ 200$, from $\$ 9,200$ to $\$ 9,000$. The Mock Convention got its requested $\$ 300$ for operating expenses, although it wanted more to avoid a $\$ 5$ rise in the student activity fee in 1980, which is sure to come now.
In addition, the E.C. appropriated $\$ 2,000$ for itself for operating expenses, laid away $\$ 3,600$ for further E.C. funding requests and put aside $\$ 1,540$ for the Student Body Reserve Fund, a fund used for bailing out organizations in financial trouble.
In other action, the E.C elected Robert Sundberg to the faculty E.C., Robert Atkinson and John Strong to the Commit tee on Courses and Degrees, Fred Brimberg to the Library Advisory Committee and Mark Bennett, Mark Derbyshire and Derrick Swope to the Athletic Committee.

## grants closing

The 1978-79 competition for grants for graduate study abroad offered under the Mutual Educational Exchange Program (Fulbright-Hays) and by foreign governments, universities and private donors will close shortly. Only a few more weeks remain in which qualified graduate students may apply for one of the 550 awards which are available to 53 countries.
Most of the grants offered provide round-trip transportation, tuition and maintenance for one academic year; a few provide international travel only or a stipend intended as a partial grant-in-aid.
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Survey
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essay question which also appeared on the form. (In general, the question concerned what improvements or changes could be made to the honor system itself or on the application and enforcement of it). However, some law students who responded felt there wasn't enough orientation to the honor system. They never obtained the benefits (what few there were) benents (what few there were)
of Natural Bridge, and only one speaker was sent there last year to discuss the honor system according to Underhill. Common replies of both the law school and the university were for stronger action by the E.C. concerning honor violations said Underhill and Griffin.
Some students answered that W\&L pupils must be trusted completely or not at all. As Underhill put it, the test of the honor system is not the rules themselves, but how the students and the school obey it and enforce it. It appears the students are solidly behind the honor system, at least in principle.
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Closing notes: Jimmy McCulloch, lead guitarist for Wings, is leaving the band to join the reunited Small Faces. Paul McCartney's curt reaction: "...The rest of us are happy to carry on without him."...Geils does it again! When Stephen Stills joined Peter Frampton for his "Jumpin' Jack Flash" encore in Miami recently , about a third of the crowd had already left. Frampton, as mentioned in this column last week, looks pretty tame after an hour with the former J. Geils Band. and a lot of people just weren't interested in sticking around 'til the end...On the local scene, WLUR/FM is holding a contest to find a station logo, to be used on T-shirts and the like. If you've got some artistic talent and would like to enter your design, send it to Mr. R. J. DeMaria, WLUR/FM, Lexington, Virginia, or bring it by the third floor of Reid Hall during business hours. The contest closes Friday, October 28, and the prize will be announced later..


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ly warnings have been given out with the one exception being a fraternity's social chairman who, despite repeated warnings, refused to turn down the house's stereo system. His case is now pending at the local courthouse

About

Frats

## Warned

Officer Marvin Hamilton add ed that although most of the complaints have primarily been directed at the fraternities situated on East Nelson and Washington Streets, the Red Square houses as well as the fraternities near Preston Avenue have committed their share of violations.

If necessary, we will arrest the fraternity's president or social chairman because we feel that he is most responsible for his house's behavior,' Hamilton said. "All I can say is that I hope the houses have enough sense to respect the local laws so we can avoid problems."

Although they haven't taken an issue on the stand as of yet, the Inter-Fraternity Council will probably start levying fines o violators of the ordinance. Last year, a fraternity was placed on social probation for making excessive noise and for
taking part in a bottle throwing incident.
"I hope the fraternities will take it upon themselves to obey the local laws," said Dean John, when asked his views on the situation. "Both last year and this year, the local councilmen have complained about loud music coming from fraternities at all hours of the night."

Dean John also attributed the recent problems as the result of the weeknight parties many houses have been holding during Rush. "In the past, most houses held loud parties on


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weekends but the trend with many fraternities seems to be in holding parties on Wednesday nights. The local people may be tolerant of weekend noise but it is an entirely dif ferent situation, when house play music full blast until 2:00 a.m. on a week night."

A number of fraternities com plain that the police have been unreasonably strict in enforcing the ordinance. Several house claimed that they were told to turn off their stereo systems during afternoon parties when the rule is not in effect. Other houses accused neighboring fraternities of making the com plaints themselves as a means of dirty rush.

## Demos

## Grow

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ideologies and beliefs; but in stead of looking at this as a weakness, a course for fac tionalism, we look at it as a sign of strength.
RtP: Many wonder, what is the ideology of the Young Democrats?

Cave: Basically, the average member of the W\&L YD's is like the average student at W\&L, conservative. Although, I do not think the average YD is nearly as conservative as is the average College Republican. We are far from being anything but a moderate political organization.

RtP: Could you outline some of your basic plans or objectives for the year.
Cave: The club plans to have a fairly impressive speakers' program which should include several Congressmen and at least one governor. We also hope to hold several seminars or workshops, such as the one that is planned for the December meeting, which wil deal with the pros and cons of the Equal Rights Amendment.

Further club plans include social activities with area clubs, such as UVa. and the establishment of YD clubs at the area schools, which do not now have them. They are preparing for a weekend trip to D. C. and expect to have an end of-the-year banquet. In the area of legislative affairs, they propose to lobby for the decriminalization of marijuana.
As it stands now, former President Ben Winn's prediction of last year, "I think we're going to be a growing club," seems to be a reality.


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