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The Event of the Year!



Two years ago the E.C. decided to revise the White Book, the Bible of the Honor Code, the rules for trials both private and public. The picture above was taken during these revision hearings. Soon this year's E.C. will get the chance to show the same unbridled enthusiasm and interest that Leland McCullough, Unidentified Arm, Woody Ray and Scott Franklin show above.—Ed.

Amendments to the White Book will be proposed by Rick Goddard and possibly others when the Executive Committee meets Monday at 7 p.m. in the EC room.

representative, will propose amendments to three sections of the White Book. One of Goddard's proposals is changing the wording to give an accused student at least 24 hours warning in writing before an honor trial can be held.

Students must be given three hours notice the way the White Book stands now. Goddard wanted the EC to take up his amendment proposals at Monday night's EC meeting, but it was pointed out that the student body constitution requires the EC to put up a notice in Payne Hall and the law school before discussing proposals to amend the White Book.

Paul Larkin said he also has a

number of White Book changes he would like to make, such as clearing up whether or not advisors can be present at their advisee's honor trial.

But he said that changes in the White Book "can't be made piecemeal." He suggested a special meeting sometime in the future to discuss nothing but a restructuring of the White Book.

Walt Kelly said he has things he would like to change in the White Book. However, he did not see why the EC should call a special meeting to discuss the changes.

A motion that the EC post a notice that "substantive and procedural" changes in the White Book will be discussed at the next regular meeting of the EC passed unanimously. That meeting will be on Feb. 21.

Law women present demands

by BOB CHIAVIELLO

An "Affirmative Action Proposal" relating to treatment of women students at the W&L Law School was submitted Monday to the faculty and administration.

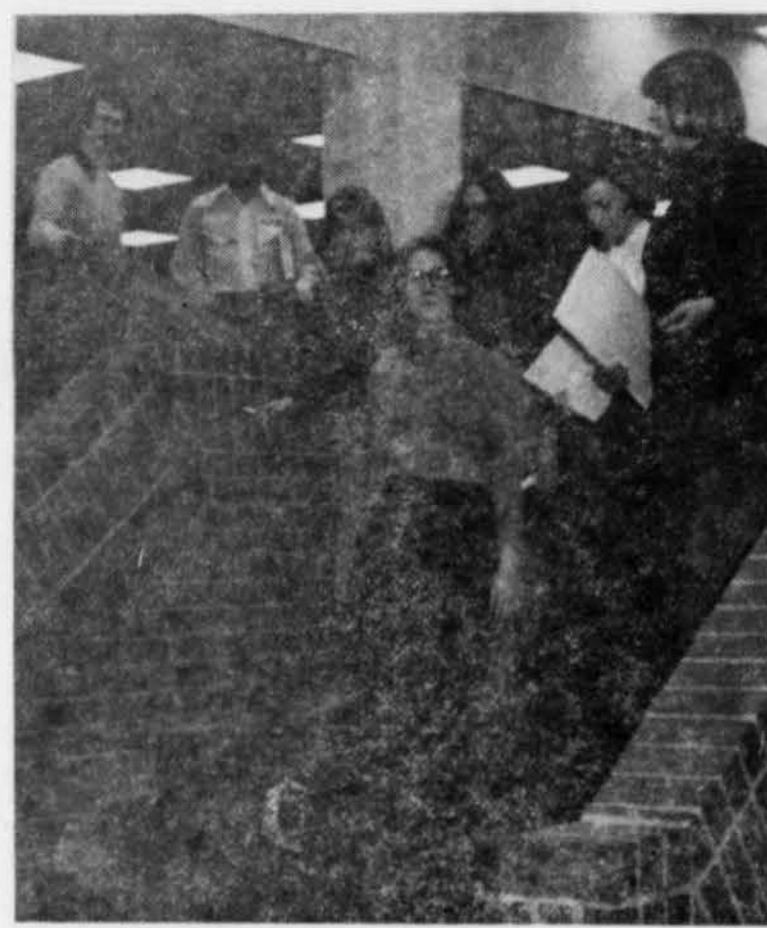
The proposal by the Women Law Students' Organization (WLSO) calls for the admission of all women applicants with a 3.0 GPA and 600 LSAT score, the release of all admissions information on WLSO applicants, the hiring of an assistant dean for the recruitment of women, and the hiring of more women faculty members. So far the administration has taken no action.

Patricia Thursland, president of the WLSO, said that the recent mixer sponsored by the Student Bar Association was "the straw that broke the camel's back."

Kate Schlech, who resigned from the SBA social committee in protest, said that she had been fighting the use of SBA funds for mixers back in the fall. She said the "social committee gave us a lot of back jazz so we took it to the SBA, who wouldn't take a stand."

The WLSO objects to the use of SBA funds for activities that cater to only a limited number of students. They said that 50% of the law students are either married or

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Denizens of Lewis Hall, from whence we hear strange rumblings about feminist dissatisfaction. From left, Brad Martin, Johnny Morrison, Pam White (Law News editor), Pat Thursland (head of WLSO), Jean Byassee, Mary Kay DePoy (upperclass law representative to the E.C.) and Berthenia Crocker.

EC grant closes '76 MC books

by LEE HOWARD

In order to close the books on the 1976 Mock Convention the Executive Committee Monday night voted to pay off the convention's deficit of almost \$700 from the reserve fund.

Jim McNider and John Trump presented the financial report from the '76 convention, which showed a deficit of \$693.23. They asked that the EC make up the deficit and "close the books on 1976" by digging into the reserve

fund, a fund controlled by the EC and used to help student organizations that get into financial trouble.

The fund has between \$5,000 and \$7,000 in it, said EC vice-president Sandy Stradtman.

When asked why the '76 convention overran its budget, McNider said the main reason was

the decentralized organization of the committee; no one had absolute control over expenses. He said much of the cost overruns were the result of a lack of control over state spending during the last few days before the convention when the states were pre-

paring for the parade.

States spent more than they had, and either didn't turn in vouchers at all or turned in vouchers a week after the convention ended, he said. It was, therefore, only after the convention was over that one could tell there was a cost overrun, he said.

Jim Lawson, administrative assistant for the '76 convention and co-chairman for 1980, said that one reason the '76 convention ran into trouble was that there were no written records on how the convention was run in '72. He assured the EC that extensive re-

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Notes & Events

There will be a slide lecture on "Galapagos: Island of Birds," tonight at 7:30 in room 305 of Parmly Hall. The lecture will be conducted by Dr. Cleve Hickman, professor of biology.

The movie in duPont this week-end is *Brigadoon*. The film shows at 7 and 9 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The flick stars Gene Kelly, Van Johnson, and Cyd Charisse. Admission is \$1.

Monday

Classes will be shortened in order to accommodate the Founders' Day Convocation in Evans Dining Hall at noon: 30. B-hour will begin 10 minutes early. C-hour 20 minutes early, etc. Conduct yourselves accordingly.

The director of the corporate research department of ICI United States, Dr. Alfred J. Restaino,

will lead a seminar in Howe 401 at 5 p.m. His topic will be "Industrial Chemistry: From Research Idea to Product." The seminar will be preceded by a tea in Howe 402 at 4:30 p.m.

Restaino's research experience has been in the areas of radiation chemistry, organic and polymer synthesis, and enzyme chemistry. He has been a consultant to the Atomic Energy Commission and has taught at the University of Delaware.

The W&L Concert Guild will present Rolf Bjorling, Sweden's leading tenor in Italian opera, in Jackson Memorial Hall at VMI at 8 p.m.

The son of the late Jussi Bjorling, he received much of his training in the United States, studying under Dimitri Onofrey

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Cockpit manager dies in crash

Marshall Sumner, manager of the Cockpit, was killed Friday morning while driving to Lexington on Interstate 81 from his home in Troutville. The accident occurred two miles north of Exit 44.

While driving in the left lane, Mr. Sumner swerved to miss some bricks that had accidentally fallen on the pavement. A witness of the accident said the car shot over the guardrail and overturned in the air before crashing in a ravine forty feet below. The driver's body was thrown from the car. The state police reported that he died instantly of massive head and body injuries.

A retired Air Force Master Sergeant, Mr. Sumner had worked at Washington and Lee since September of 1970. He was named manager of the Cockpit a year and a half ago.

He is survived by his wife, Catherine, and two sons, Marshall and Gary. He was 47.

The funeral and burial were held Monday in Bedford.

Co-founder discusses leadership frat origins

by BILL THOMSON

Next Monday a group of W&L juniors and seniors and four alumni will be tapped into Omicron Delta Kappa (ODK), the national leadership fraternity that was born at Washington and Lee. The ODK tapping ceremony will be held in Evans Hall in conjunction with the annual Founders Day assembly, and the student body is invited (expected) to attend.

President Huntley, fresh from his meeting in Dallas with the

trustees, will probably report on the university's ambitious development program.

Rupert Latture, now the last surviving co-founder of ODK, will attend the ceremony—63 years after he and his roommate, J. Carl Fisher, with 10 other students, two faculty members and the president of the university, Henry L. Smith, announced the formation of the organization on Dec. 3, 1914. (Dr. James E. Bear, who was the only other living co-founder besides Latture, died last Friday in Richmond. Latture, who graduated with Bear in 1915, attended the funeral on Monday.)

Being the last surviving co-founder is "kind of an odd feeling," said Latture, who remembers designing the ODK insignia during a dull moment in philosophy class. Although he has seen quite a few changes "in society and at W&L" through the years, he said that the same principles that governed ODK in 1914 have remained intact to this day. One of the major changes was the decision, made at an ODK conference in New Orleans several years ago, to allow women into the organization (the first female chapter was established at Mary Baldwin three years ago).

One aspect of the Washington and Lee ODK chapter that bothers Latture is the limited number of students nominated for membership. The two ironclad criteria are that a student, to be eligible for nomination, must: (1) rank in the upper 35 per cent of his class scholastically, and (2) exhibit leadership through various phases of university life. Latture, who thinks that Criterion No. 1 should be expanded to include the upper 50 per cent of the class, said that ODK "misses a lot of

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John Berley
SAB co-chairman

In the beginning there was the Fancy Dress Ball. It endured. Then there was the Dance Board. It died. Then came the Student Activities Board. It seems to be working.

It should. Each year the entertainment committee gets about half of the student tax allocated by the E.C. For a look at what is being done with said cash, and how, and why, we talked to SAB co-chairman John Berley about the situation this year.

RtP: As far as the budget goes, what is the bottom line on Homecoming and Winters weekends?

Berley: For Homecoming the final word is that we lost about a thousand dollars. At this time we've considered not taking any action. It would be pretty ugly for us to take any action against them at this time. They have offered us a much, much reduced rate to come back at a later time. Possibly during the Spring sometime.

Winter Weekend we broke even. The Coffee house circuit is coming along fine. Films are exceeding their budgeted earnings. Fancy Dress, the final bills aren't in yet.

RtP: What about the possibility of Crack The Sky coming back later?

Berley: Crack the Sky is booked for Spring as a lead act. Depending on the other group that we pick, which has not been picked yet, that could change. The only reason I'm saying that is because there are some acts that when you book them they do straight three-hour shows themselves. If we get an act like that, they will not play with anybody else.

RtP: What can you tell us about the Springs Weekend planning besides the fact that Crack the Sky is coming?

Berley: We don't know exactly what we're going to be doing yet. We've made some offers, we've been rejected on every offer we've put in so far. We've got one offer pending now that we're waiting to hear on. We haven't heard back on it yet. If not we have an alternative that I think will project the image of the SAB this year. It's a different type of body than I think they've seen around here for a long time.

RtP: Can you elaborate on that?

Berley: A different type of body? I'm not saying that the other boards haven't done damn good jobs. But the people on the board now are much more experienced. We've got more experience on the board

Military Science student profiled

Who takes ROTC? An examination of several statistics based on the 149 member Washington and Lee Cadet Corps provides a profile of the W&L ROTC cadet.

The average SAT score for the cadets is 1124 with the current MS IVs, the seniors, having the highest class average, followed by the MS IIs. The distribution of those SAT scores, high to low, is comparable to that of the total student body where the average SAT score is 1135.

The average cumulative GPA for the cadet corps is 2.54 with the MS IVs again having the highest class average followed by the MS IIIs, the current juniors. Once again the distribution of the GPAs among the cadet corps is comparable to the student body where the average cumulative GPA is 2.61.

Of the 149 members of the cadet corps, nineteen hold Army ROTC Scholarships. These scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis, not on financial need, and pay for tuition, books, and fees plus provide an allowance of \$100 per month. Based solely on need, 240 within the W&L student body receive financial aid; 31 of these students are in the cadet corps.

Approximately half the Corps, 87 or 58%, belong to one of fifteen fraternities on campus. Phi Gamma Delta and Sigma Phi Epsilon

tie for having the most ROTC members. Of the student body, 60% are fraternity members.

An analysis of academic majors of the cadet juniors and seniors shows the Arts have 45% of these cadets, the School of Commerce 40%, the Sciences 10% and the Law School 5%. Business-accounting and history are tied for most popular major among these cadets. This compares with school-wide statistics for the same two years when academic majors in commerce and history far surpass the other disciplines.

And the geographical background of the cadets also compares with that of the University students at large. In descending order, the following four states provide the bulk of the W&L cadets: Virginia, Maryland, New York and Pennsylvania. The four states providing the greatest number of students to Washington and Lee, in descending order, are Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania and New York.

These statistics show that the make-up of the cadet corps virtually mirrors that of the student body. The cadets come from neither the upper nor the lower end of the SAT or GPA spectrum. The Cadet Corps represents a healthy mix of financial backgrounds. Their academic majors, fraternity membership and geographical background also parallel that of the University student body. It follows then that based on these statistics, the cadet corps provides a true cross-section of the W&L student community.

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Notices

Petitions for the offices of president, vice president and secretary of the student body are due before the EC on Monday, Feb. 28 at 7 p.m. One hundred and fifty signatures are required for anyone seeking these offices. Candidates must attend the E.C. meeting on the 28th.

The Executive Committee will vote on specific White Book changes at their next regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, Feb. 21 at 7 p.m. in the EC room in the Student Center.

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E.C. clears convention debt, receives petitions

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records were kept on how the '76 convention was run.

Paul Larkin, senior EC representative, pointed out that the budget for the '76 convention was more than double the '72 convention's budget, yet the '76 convention ended up with a deficit and the '72 convention had a \$1,600 surplus.

The budget for '72 was \$18,000, compared to the '76 budget of about \$38,000, he said. He asked why, given these statistics, the '76 convention could not stay within its budget.

Rick Wolf, '76 convention co-chairman responded, "The '76 convention was twice as good, twice as accurate," and in order to get the quality they had to pay the costs. McNider added that the '72 convention had been given a substantial amount of money by the Sumner Foundation after the convention was over, turning a prospective deficit into a surplus.

Radar Davis suggested that the EC loan the '76 convention the money until it could be paid back from contributions. McNider said that wouldn't close the books

on '76 which was what he was there to do.

Stradtman said the most disturbing part of the financial report was the cost of the Mock Convention Journal. Lawson acknowledged that 2,000 extra copies of the magazine were still around, as well as a lot of '76 Mock Convention stationary.

He said however, that the items represented only about \$1,000 out of the total budget of \$37,000, and that other Mock Convention decisions, such as the decision to make Mock Convention T-shirts, were profitable ones.

Finally, Neil Pontifallo moved that the EC give the Mock Convention the \$693.23 requested. The motion passed, with only Larkin and Davis dissenting.

In other action, Jacob Jones presented two petitions to the EC. One asks for a student referendum to decide the question of whether or not seniors should be allowed to vote in the upcoming "big three" elections for EC president, vice president and secretary.

The other petition asks for a referendum to decide whether or not freshmen should have two representatives on the EC.

Latture: looking after his university

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good boys" because of this requirement.

He has attended almost every election and initiation since 1915, and estimates that there are about 152 ODK chapters at colleges and universities today. Although the chapters tend to be concentrated in the south and mid-west, the organization is growing (with an average of two additional chapters each year) into other areas of the country, Latture said.

Latture has had a long and successful career at Washington and

Lee—in fact, he has been a member of the W&L community longer than anyone else in the history of the school. As an undergraduate he was a student instructor in French (when faculty members were scarce and poorly-paid; the former was, to some degree, influenced by the latter). He also served on the student Executive Committee for two years.

In 1920 Latture joined the faculty and taught French for four years before channeling his interests toward political science. He

taught political science until 1962, when he retired at the mandatory age of 70. Latture now serves as assistant in the president's office, where he deals with matters concerning alumni and trustees.

What does he have to say about his function in the administrative machinery of Washington and Lee? He smiled slightly and, unable to conceal his amused tone, assessed the situation: "I'm just hanging around, looking after these boys who are running Washington and Lee now."

Law students seek affirmative action

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are women, and that they do not take part in these functions.

This is the first year that SBA funds are being used for mixers.

The ladies said that when they learned that women from the surrounding girls school had been invited some individuals hung pos-

ters on the Colonnade inviting undergraduate men. Schlech said that when some undergrads did try to come to the party they were turned away at the door by a male law student. It was said that there were three girls for every guy.

Mary Kay DePoy, vice-president of the WLSO and senior E. C. law

rep, said that the issue of the mixers was not the important one. She said that the mixer issue pointed out the problem of the dwindling number of women in the law school.

Five years ago the American Bar Association forced W&L Law School into sex blindness. Since then the women have had to do their own recruiting, with SBA funds. They claim that this should not be their responsibility.

Two years ago out of a class of 80 there were only 11 women. This year out of an enlarged class of 120 there were still 11 women who entered. This is over a 30% drop from the previous year.

The WLSO said that it will take further action if their proposals are not considered.

Bulletin

The latest NCAA Division III basketball rankings place Washington and Lee's dribbling Generals number four nationwide. The new higher ranking comes after W&L's stunning upset victory over Randolph-Macon, an honorable mention Division II team. The team has only to defeat conference rival Emory and Henry in the ODAC tournament to gain a berth in the NCAA regional playoffs. UNC-Greensboro and Bridgewater, both away, await the Generals before the all-important tournament, which will be held at Doremus during Fancy Dress weekend.

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in Chicago. While there, Bjorling was awarded the Metropolitan Opera Scholarship in competition with a thousand other candidates.

His successful debut as Pinkerton in "Madam Butterfly" at the Gothenburg Opera in 1962 led to appearances in "Carmen," "La Boheme," "Aida" and many other operas.

Bjorling's Concert Guild performance will include works by Schubert, Richard Strauss, and two arias from "Il Trovatore" by Verdi.

An expert on the question of free press and fair trial, Paul C. Reardon, retired justice of the Supreme Court of Massachusetts, will speak at 8:15 p.m., on the topic "Fair Trial: The Conflict Between the First and Sixth Amendments to the United States Constitution."

He will speak in the Moot Court Room in Lewis Hall.

Reardon, who retired from the Massachusetts high court at the beginning of this year, is the author of the so-called Reardon Report, a procedural guideline in-

tended to insure a defendant's fair trial, without destroying the right of the media to report it.

Reardon will participate in two seminars, one in the journalism department and the second in the law school.

Reardon's visit inaugurates a new Visiting Scholars Program in the School of Law, sponsored by the Student Bar Association.

Tuesday

The "Romantic Rebellion" film series continues in duPont at 4 and 8 p.m. Today's movies are a two-part film, **Turner, and Geri-cault**. The series is sponsored by the W&L art department and the Rockbridge Chapter of the Virginia Museum.

Last week 2001: **A Space Odyssey** showed on the tube. Stanley Kubrick's other masterpiece, **Dr. Strangelove**, will play in Reid Hall at 7 and 9 p.m. The movie is for free and stars George C. Scott and Peter Sellers, among others, in a spoof of **Fail-Safe**. The flick explores what would happen if a pilot who looked like Slim Pickens dropped a big bomb on top of a Russian doomsday machine. Enjoyable stuff for incurable pessimists, Kubrick fans, and international politics majors.

Wednesday

"The Theory of Social Justice in Plato's Republic" will be the topic for a lecture by Professor Gregory Vlastos, professor of philosophy at Princeton University and chairman of the department, at 8 p.m. in duPont Auditorium.

Vlastos taught at Cornell University and was a visiting lecturer at Oxford University and Greek University College in London before joining the Princeton faculty. He is the author of numerous articles and two books about Plato.

His visit is sponsored by the W&L philosophy department and the University Center in Virginia.

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Invitational Moot Court

Skip Burkhart and Jill Edwards represented the Law School on the last weekend in February when Washington and Lee was invited to participate for the first time in the William and Mary Invitational Moot Court Competition. There are seven schools at the competition: Duke, Maryland, North Carolina, Richmond, Wake Forest, Washington and Lee, and William and Mary.

They did not get the problem, which concerned whether the Eighth or Fourteenth Amendment prohibits use of corporal punishment on public school children, until the first day of the second semester. With just three weeks to do all their research and write an acceptable brief, Skip and Jill had their work cut out for them. They divided the issues, began research, and produced a first draft within ten days after receiving the problem. That draft was refined, some additional research was done, and a second and eventually a third draft were prepared.

Satisfied with their brief only because there was no more time to work on it, Skip and Jill continued to grapple with the problem. The week before the competition they practiced their arguments before several student and faculty benches. Since there were only two of them preparing for the competition, they would introduce themselves as petitioners, argue the petitioner's side, and sit down; then they stood up and introduced themselves as respondents and argued the respondent's side. Switching sides within the same day is difficult enough to do; switching sides before you have even given your rebuttal is unconscionable.

Their practice, however chaotic, paid off: our arguers bested each of the teams they faced orally. One of the teams against which they competed and beat orally was the University of Maryland which went on to the final round of the competition and which supplied the top oralist of the competition. Because of the short time they had to work on the brief, they did not score well enough over all to be selected to go on to the final round.

Skip and Jill are to be commended for their fine work on the brief, their noteworthy oral performance, and for their willingness to participate in this experience that allowed us to see the fine quality of competition which this invitational tournament provides.

Because of Skip and Jill's fine performance, Washington and Lee can expand its efforts to offer worthwhile opportunities for advanced exposure to appellate advocacy.

Client Counseling

by Steve Schwartz

The Washington and Lee Client Counseling Competition team of second year men Bill Efird and Steve Schwartz placed a strong second in the southeast regional contest held in Washington, March 5. This second place finish is the most impressive showing this year by any inter-law school team.

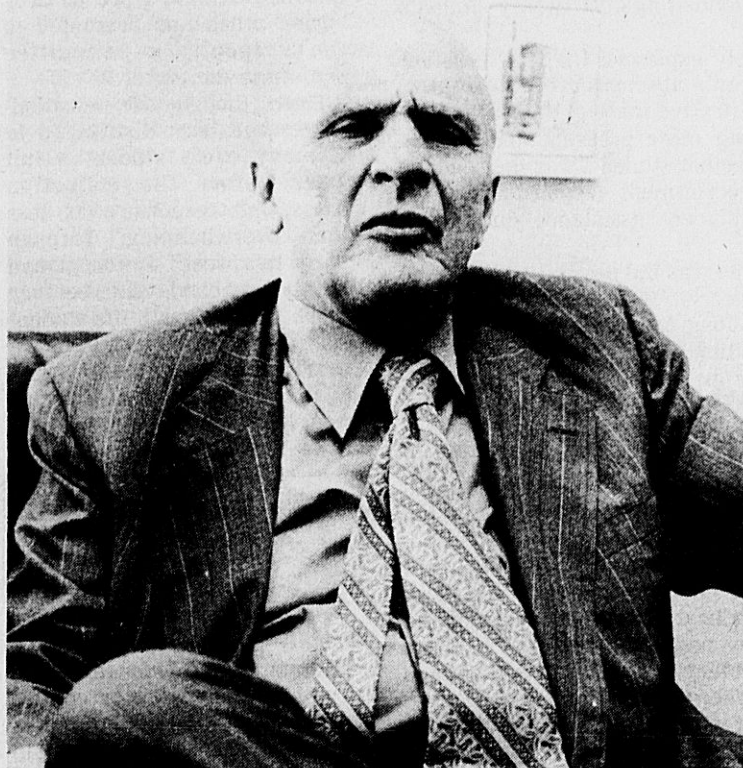
Client Counseling Competition judges a two-person team's interviewing and counseling abilities, testing style and demeanor as well as a command for the applicable law. The team discusses a hypothetical problem with a would-be client. This competition, more than any other, puts the W&L "act" on the firing line — and fired on it was.

Following preliminaries here at W&L two weeks ago, Professors Uncas McThenia and last year's competitor H. Ricky Harmon chose Efird and Schwartz as most likely to enjoy doing battle with other law school squads. Both Efird and Schwartz traveled to the nation's capital and hosting Antioch Law School with mixed emotions. They had received the problem just three days before regional competition — a self-styled Landlord-Tenant problem with a Landlord client. Both saw the real issue as something else — more in the way of corporate investments and cash flow. Both sought last minute coaching from Professors Groot and Graves and students. They were ready to display true W&L form. Both had met with early defeat in earlier inter-school competitions — Efird in National Moot Court and Schwartz in National Mock Trial. Both were determined to do better.

Early Saturday, March 5, after a sleepless night, the team taxied over to Antioch — a law school that professes a greater interest in why the applicant wants to be an attorney than how well he/she has performed in college or on LSAT's. During a tour of the facilities a law prof pointed out a grassy spot of the Antioch Campus, admiringly, as "a good place to get stoned." The team was having trouble getting acclimated.

A look at the schedule told W&L's team the W&L luck was continuing. There were four prelims; three teams in three and four in one — W&L in the four team heat. Efird and Schwartz put everything into their performance, inclusive of advice on their fictional firm's interest in lobbying for the passage of a favorable Uniform Residential Landlord-Tenant Act. The three judge panel took an unexpected five minute gap in the competition to critique the job. Two of the three, youthful practicing Washington lawyers

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CHARLES VAIL LAUGHLIN: A LEGEND IN OUR MIDST. See pages 4-6.

In Brief...

Pre-Christmas Exams

At its most recent meeting on Friday, March 11, the faculty approved a new academic schedule which sets exams before Christmas. The new schedule also features a week-long Thanksgiving holiday, and a second semester schedule similar to the current schedule. Graduation in 1978, however, will be held on June 1, after an exam period which features a week of reading days. The law school calendar for the 1977-78 session follows:

Fall Semester 1977
Monday, August 22, classes begin
Friday, November 18, Thanksgiving break begins after classes
Monday, November 28, classes resume
Friday, December 15, exams begin
Friday, December 23, exams end

Spring Semester 1978
Monday, January 16, classes begin
Friday, March 17, spring break begins
Monday, March 27, classes resume
Friday, March 27, classes resume
Friday, May 5, classes end
Tuesday, May 15, exams begin
Thursday, June 1, commencement

In other action at the same meeting, the faculty decided to begin daily coffee hours for both students and faculty, and to permit student access to the faculty lounge upon faculty invitation.

First Year Moot Court

Twenty-four first year students have survived the first round of moot court competition and have been invited to compete in the second round. Of these twenty-four, eight finalists will be selected to argue in competition during the annual Law Day activities which will coincide this year with the dedication of Lewis Hall during the weekend of May 6-7. The eight finalists will form the nuclear teams to compete next year in National and International Moot Court Competition. The twenty-four students include:

Ellen Arthur, Stan Brading, Bill Braunlich, Bill Broadhurst, Matt Calvert, Jack Coffey, Richard Crowder, Paul Dominick, Beau Dudley, Richard Goddard, William Hallam, Susan Hamilton, Gay Hellman, Bob Hill, John Jesse, Kurt Jones, Jessine Monaghan, John Murphy, Richard Muser, Stu Nibley, Lynn Prymas, John Pryor, Riker Purcell, Peter Williams.

These students have been chosen as alternates in the following order:

1) Scott Storey; 2) Vance Berry; 3) Rich Arnold; 4) Cecil Powell; 5) Albert Ettinger; 6) Mark Sharp.

Law Review Editor

The 1976-77 Editorial Board of the Washington and Lee Law Review has announced the appointment of next year's Editor-in-Chief. Mary Kay DePoy will be responsible for publication of Volume 35 in 1977-78.

WLSO Acts

Response to the WLSO proposal, submitted 14 February, has been mixed. The Faculty voted on 25 February to change the wording of the permissible criteria applied to discretionary pool applicants: they eliminated W&L undergraduates as a special category, eliminated "Sex is not a factor," and added "such other factors as create diversity," or words to that effect. These changes presumably give the Admissions Committee the option of using sex as a factor to create diversity.

The Presentation Committee of the WLSO met with Dean Steinheimer on 9 March to discuss the assistant dean proposal. The Dean said he favored the idea in principle, preferred a half-administrator, half-faculty position, noted how difficult it was to attract women faculty members to Lexington, and opined that a male assistant dean would probably not be able to represent the interests of the WLSO adequately. The Dean further promised to be "hyper-sensitized" to the needs of women applicants for financial aid. He offered to bankroll WLSO members who wanted to make recruiting trips next fall and also offered to pay for any speakers or presentations the WLSO may wish to bring to the Law School. He promised to try and draft a written response to the proposal by 14 March.

When the WLSO met on 14 March, the Dean had not furnished a written response, and he advised WLSO President Thursland that after giving the matter much thought he had decided not to do so.

Although the WLSO was disappointed with this response, subsequent discussions with faculty members and communication from the Dean has been more encouraging. Preliminary 1977 admissions data indicated that female enrollment percentages should increase. The WLSO remains committed to its proposal that the law school hire an assistant dean, not only for minority recruiting tasks but for enhanced administrative efficiency as well.

Watch for the next issue of the Law News for the special report on results of the WLSO survey of women admitted last year but who declined to attend W&L.

Dean's Press Conference

Dean Roy Steinheimer will hold his annual Press Conference on Wednesday, March 30, at 1:00 p.m. in the Moot Court Room. All students are invited to attend and direct any questions to the Dean. This law school tradition is one you will not want to miss!

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Dean's Press Conference

by Kevin Rielley

Dean Roy Steinheimer held his annual press conference last Wednesday. The Dean responded to student questions covering three major areas of concern — the hiring of an assistant dean, the admission of women students and the problems faced by women at W&L, and the faculty's make-up exam policy.



Anticipating student interest in his views on an assistant dean, Dean Steinheimer began the press conference by summarizing his feelings on the subject. The Dean noted that Lewis Hall had been planned for a maximum of 350 students and, therefore, did not include facilities for "a veritable bureaucracy of administrators" but that office space was available for an assistant dean. Because the assistant dean would serve the needs of students and faculty in all matters involving the law school, Dean Steinheimer favors a teaching dean rather than a straight administrator whom he feels would tend to be regarded as a second class citizen by both the students and the faculty. A teaching dean, he observed, would have a much better chance of achieving a rapport with the students. The Dean was indefinite when asked what sort of attempts were being made at the moment to hire an assistant dean and how long he anticipated would be necessary before the search was complete. He did stress, however, that the hiring of an assistant dean would be an administrative, not a faculty, matter (subject, of course, to faculty approval of the new assistant dean as a member of the faculty.) While Dean Steinheimer indicated a desire to hire an assistant dean as soon as possible, he would not set a target date for the hiring.

In response to a question concerning the wisdom of hiring an assistant dean from outside

the law school rather than choosing a member of the faculty who has demonstrated an ability to deal successfully with students, the Dean stated that he felt that he would be siphoning away good faculty members if he hired from within the present faculty. The Dean was frank in admitting that he did not feel it would be possible to find somebody to fill the assistant dean's position whose primary interests were scholarly pursuits. Because of the administrative duties of an assistant dean, he or she must necessarily be primarily interested in administration.

The questioning then turned to the matter of what, if anything, the Dean has been doing to improve the image of W&L vis a vis women so that more qualified women applicants will be attracted and a greater percentage of the women accepted will choose to enroll. The Dean commented that, while every effort is being made to improve the image of W&L, this presents a difficult problem because much of the poor image stems from the all-male nature of the undergraduate segment of the university. He indicated that the image would change gradually and that this change was hastened by the successful participation of women in activities such as Law Review and Moot Court. The Dean and the faculty are actively recruiting at numerous women's colleges and the Admissions Committee has recently been authorized to consider sex as a factor in achieving a diverse student body.



Commenting on the problem W&L has experienced in convincing women to enroll once

they have been accepted, Dean Steinheimer noted that he had offered to let the WLSO use the school's typing facilities, etc., so that letters from women students might be sent to prospective students, but that the women's organization had not accepted this offer. When asked if he thought such a follow-up was the responsibility of the women rather than the administration, the Dean questioned the utility of continued correspondence from him after the initial letter of acceptance.



Finally, the Dean was questioned concerning the necessity of the existing policy under which exams may be taken at other than the scheduled time only after formal petition to the faculty. While stressing that he believed the existing policy to be fair, Dean Steinheimer noted that students can work through the student representatives in an effort to convince the faculty that a change in policy is appropriate. His defense of the policy was based on faculty convenience. The Dean, again, stated that requiring individual professors to decide on the validity of a student's reason for wanting to reschedule an exam would put undue pressures on the faculty members. He also commented that make-up exams, in addition to requiring the faculty member involved to draw up a second exam, would make the grading of the exams even more difficult than it is under current policies. Professors generally prefer to grade all exams in a block to facilitate comparison of answers. This would often be impossible if an individual make-up exam was given. Another consideration noted by the Dean was that make-up exams would necessarily be segregated, destroying the possibility of anonymous grading.

1977-78 Student Leaders

Legal Research

The Legal Research Association has just completed its selections for chairman and writing director positions. Next year, Dennis Dougherty will serve as chairman. Writing directors will be Jim Hayes, Mike Flippen, Chip Kerby and Ray Leven. These students will assume the positions vacated by Morgan Maxwell, Jim Webster, Paula Mell, Jerry Short, and Jay Witzig.

Legal Aid

Next year's Legal Aid office will be headed by Chuck Barnhardt. The Lexington office will be the responsibility of Jack Kopald. Dave Johnson will be in charge of research, and Phil Heinerman was elected secretary-treasurer. Bob Morecock will head up the Western State office. Outgoing officers include Dick Gottlieb, Art Steinhauer, Ken Parks, Chuck Barnhardt, and Chuck Lollar.

Burks Scholars

Eight second year students have been appointed to fill the available Burks Scholar positions in 1977-78. Frank Barr, Berthenia Crocker, Bill Efird, Dave Falck, John Parker, Ray Price, Kate Schlech, and Mike Thornton will join forces to teach the entering first year class methods of legal research.

The present first year class has been inspired by the wit and wisdom of Kathy Bishop, Bill Braaksma, Norm Frink, Steve Greenhalgh, Debbie Johnson, Ed Kowal, Jim Nicholson, and Pat Thursland.

Law Review Editors

The 1977-78 Editorial Board of the W&L Law Review has been announced by the present Board. Joining Mary Kay DePoy as Editor-in-Chief will be Lead Articles Editor Townes Duncan and Managing Editor Jon Leckerling. Three Executive Editors include Keith Boyette, Bruce Kayuha, and Ben Philpott. Tom Trezise will be Research Editor and Emilia DeMeo will be Special Projects Editor. Rounding out the Board for Volume 35 will be Note and Comment Editors Dave Aldrich, Jean Byassee, Mark Coberly, Scott Hamilton, Bruce Perrone, and Jon Sager.

All editors next year will have successfully completed two semesters of writing publishable articles under the supervision of the present editorial board. Under current policy, second year writers receive four academic credit hours upon completing two semesters of work, while editors will receive two credit hours.

The anticipated size of the 1977-78 editorial board represents an increase over the current nine-member board. Editor-in-Chief George Moore is responsible for publishing Volume 34, joined by Lead Articles Editor Mike Rowan, Executive Editors Bill Baldwin and Jeff Morris, Managing Editor Sam Webster, Special Projects Editor Greg Williams, and Note and Comment Editors Dave Cranshaw, Russ Hewit and Pam White. This small group at times seemed to control the lives and fortunes of as many as twenty-three writing candidates in 1976-77.

While even casual observers cannot deny that members of the Law Review lead hectic lives under constant pressures of deadlines and high performance standards, ultimate benefits from Law Review participation are numerous. Besides helping to open doors of prospective employers (all 1976-77 W&L editors accepted permanent jobs by January 6, 1977), the research and writing skills developed in two years on Law Review always benefit a young lawyer.

Although specific invitation procedures may vary from year to year, the W&L Law Review generally extends twelve to fifteen "automatic invitations" to the highest grade-ranked second year class members during the summer between first and second year. In addition, all rising second year students may submit writing samples on assigned topics to the Law Review during the summer for acceptance on a competitive basis. The total number of writing candidates in 1977-78, including both automatic invitees and writing sample invitees may number between twenty-five and thirty students.

A writing candidate becomes a staff member, a writer, upon acceptance by the editorial board of a publishable article during first semester. Accepted writers generally are invited to write again during second semester. The current editorial board then selects its successors from among those writers successfully completing two semester's of work.

Current first year students interested in writing for the Law Review should watch for further information on official bulletin boards and in the next issue of the Law News.

Excerpts From WLSO Report On Admissions Questionnaire

In October, 1976, the Women Law Students' Organization decided to devote all its energies to the problems of admission and recruitment of women. The most disturbing statistic was the disproportionately high number of women accepted for the class entering September 1976 who chose not to come. The WLSO prepared a letter and questionnaire designed to discover the specific reasons why these women decided not to enroll in September. In November the WLSO asked the Dean to furnish a list of names and addresses of all accepted female applicants who did not enroll. This list was produced three months later. Despite the delay, 35 out of 64 questionnaires were returned as of 10 March 1977.

In response to the first question ("What is your opinion of Washington & Lee's attitude and commitment to women?"), those who had an opinion wrote the following:

"Taking women only because they feel they must."

"I thought law school would be enough of a challenge without the added problems of being a woman in an environment that is pretty much a male preserve."

"It was not the University's attitude that influenced me, but the vicious circle of so few women in attendance."

"Perhaps a personal attempt to keep women who accepted interested or even recruiting more extensively would help. Even as small a thing as more pictures of women in the catalogue might help overcome the all-male image the undergrad school's reputation conveys."

"To the best of my

knowledge, it seems to be tokenistic. I think you want to use the presence of women."

"I would think the administration would bend over backwards to help women, etc., because they need them; but in general I would think women would be considered 'invading' the sacred lands of W&L."

"I didn't realize that women had just been accepted in recent years or that they were so few. I admire your efforts to recruit more."

"Less than desirable. Widespread attitudes toward women lawyers is depressing. Women in the field must be prepared to prove themselves."

"Poor. This was the impression I was given by talking to women students when I visited."

"Indifferent. Given the small number of women at W&L, I was surprised to find no recruitment effort."

"Good attitude. Upon visiting the campus, I was favorably impressed by the helpfulness, etc. The drawback is that the undergrad community is not yet coed."

"Very poor."

"It never occurred to me to refuse W&L on the basis of your treatment of women. Quære: Is it any different from any other law school?"

"Poor. A predominantly male environment is not usually very supportive of women."

"Average."

"My impression is that it had good relations with women. Its relation with me was rather direct and perfunctory."

"I believe that W&L has a positive attitude toward women. I sincerely regret its 'women shortage.'"

"Poor."

"It is true that the school seems oriented towards men — for example, the medical form I was sent was designed for male students, and the general attitude seemed to be that the school is geared towards men."

"I have heard that W&L Law School admitted women only because they were pressured into doing so by the ABA. I have heard also that women are only tolerated more than welcomed. I think that W&L is a fine school and I would have chosen it over Emory or U. Ga., but its national reputation re women is not good. I hope that that will change and I applaud your efforts."

Of those responding, all but two are now attending law school; one is in a Ph.D. program at Michigan, and one will enter law school this fall. Other law schools which accepted these women include Columbia, Duke, Case Western, U. Va., Emory, George Washington, Cornell, Wisconsin, Stanford, B. U., B. C., Penn, NYU, Maryland, Georgetown, Catholic, UNC, and Tulane. W&L's academic reputation ranged from "excellent" to "middle of the road" to "good reputation in Virginia; outside of Virginia, not well known."

The most frequently mentioned reasons for not choosing W&L were rural, small-town location; small number of women; academic caliber; lack of financial aid; size of law school; all-male undergraduate school; and reputation in the job market.

In response to the question, "If you are in law or graduate school now, why did you choose to attend that particular school over W&L", over half cited the availability of financial aid, including tuition grants, work-study, and jobs in the community. For three this was the only factor controlling their

decision to attend the other school. The next two most important reasons were superior academic reputation and location.

Several of those responding offered extensive comments and observations. Among the more enlightening were the following:

"Our law school has always accepted a few women, but unfortunately women have had problems with faculty and administration attitudes. Our class is the first class that has a sizeable group of women (about one third) and attitudes have changed. Most of our professors treat us the same and our classmates accept us as 'part of the gang' which, according to upperclass women, is a new attitude."

"You state in the cover letter the number of women offered admission. What about the number of men who (a) were offered admission and (b) accepted? All law schools accept a number of students far above the number who eventually decide to come. W&L may be making more offers to men. Regardless, they should make a greater number of offers to women, if on the basis of past experience a smaller number of women offered a place in the class accept it. In these days, it's not unusual (in fact it's the usual) for all applicants to apply to 5-12 law schools to be assured admission to one. Admissions policies must deal with this."

"Washington and Lee was initially my first choice for law school, primarily because of its rural setting. I visited the school last spring after I had been accepted. Your Dean answered my questions in a perfunctory manner and then suggested that I wander around and visit classes. I was left to find a class and introduce myself to the professor. It would seem that any law school would want to encourage qualified applicants, particularly those who had been

accepted. Yet I was shown a minimal amount of courtesy, and not encouraged in the least to attend Washington and Lee...I want to emphasize that your Dean made no sexually discriminating remarks but my entire visit was not one of warm welcome...My reception at Washington and Lee was not the only factor in my choosing Virginia, but it made what was to be a difficult choice an easy one. It seems the students at Washington and Lee should review the attitude and procedure of the admissions process."

"Last spring I contacted the law school to arrange an interview with the dean or someone in that office. A specific time and date were arranged. After investing in a plane ticket to Roanoke and renting a car there to drive to Lexington, I arrived at the dean's office at the proper time. I was told by the secretary that no one would be available to talk to me on that day, but to 'feel free to wander around and see the school.' Needless to say, this did not create a favorable impression in mind. I talked to several students, none of whom had anything favorable to say with regard to the school. I was told that women were discriminated against, that there was nothing to do in the town other than study, and that placement was poor with the large firms in large cities. I sat in on one class, and although the professor was excellent, the students were unprepared and bored. In spite of the fact that I wanted a small school, I thought the class size was much too small to offer a reasonable opportunity to meet people from various backgrounds. After looking around the town itself, I could not see anything that it had to offer. I left Lexington convinced that I would not go to law school if it was to be anything like my impression at that school. This decision was made in spite of the fact that I had been very impressed by the friendly tone of my correspondence with the admissions office and the fact that I had been offered a scholarship."

"Because of your interest in improving the ability of the school to respond to needs of women, let me describe my reception at Duke. Accommodations were provided with other female law students, my interview with the dean went as scheduled, and there were opportunities to visit classes, social events, a meeting with the WLS chapter, etc. Every student I met was friendly and helpful. Everyone seemed quite happy with their decision to attend Duke Law School. Although the work is quite difficult, I have thoroughly enjoyed my first year of law school. The professors are stimulating, there is a good deal of social life, and there is no discrimination against women."

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Road Trip Maniacs

by Bruce MacFarlane

Early in the evening of April 16, a strange and rare disease struck six of our most solid and normally responsible law students, leaving them in an apparently nomadic trauma, and causing them great expense in finding a cure.

The disease was the dreaded "Grand Canyon Fever" and the victims were none other than our own Bill Broadhurst, Mary Kay DePoy, Sam Nolen, Bruce Perrone, Kate Schlech, and Frank Terwilliger.

The disease is alleged to have been brought on by excessive levels of recreational intoxicants provided at the Second Annual Bean's Bottom Sunshine Festival. Although the medical evidence was inconclusive, it was further found that none of the victims had ever been to the Grand Canyon, and thus there was no immunity from the disease.

The fever struck suddenly, and by 9 o'clock Saturday evening, the Peronne Grand Torino was seen pulling away from Baker Dormitory, supplied only with a bottle of wine, \$14 cash and some 'plastic'. No luggage was taken, no previous plan had been made. It was truly an impromptu trip.

After a few hours of delirious singing and laughing, sure symptoms of the fever, the disease reportedly reached its peak. Then came a lifting of the delirium, along with a sobering meal at an IHOP in Nashville, Tenn., and our friends managed to focus on a road map which told them a terrifying tale. Although it seemed they had been driving forever, the map clearly showed that they had completed only one quarter of their voyage to the Canyon.

In a moment of temporary clarity, the group decided that the cure for their nomadic madness would not be a visit to the Grand Canyon, but instead a visit to New Orleans. However, somewhere between Nashville and Memphis, the fever broke completely, and singing to the tune of "Old Man River" the travelers decided to end their journey with a taste of Mississippi Mud.

Crossing the Mighty Mississippi, they sought out a path to the riverbank, which they found with the assistance of an old truck carrying a few cane poles, clearly visible sticking out of the back.

Our friends finally found themselves at the mercy of "Dirty" Harry, the proprietor of a local fishing camp on the bank of the great river. For \$2.50 all day the group rented two rowboats and set out to explore the muddy waters. They were given three paddles in all for the two boats, but no fishing equipment. By noon on Sunday, the voice of commitments began to call them to return to Lewis Hall.

Dirty and dehydrated, the group dined at a truckstop to recoup their strength for the long ride home. The nomads pressed on, and returned the way they came through the Tennessee wilderness, arriving safely back at Lexington at five a.m. Monday morning, cured of the fever, temporarily at least, and almost \$100 poorer.

However, their leader and driver, Bruce Perrone, remained undaunted by the failure to reach the promised destination, and pledged that he "would be sure to do it again."

A chronic condition?

Cookbook Published

"Trolling the Bowl" is finally out!

The law wives' cookbook came on the "stands" Monday, April 18, and many copies were distributed at the law wives' picnic, April 24.

Members of the cookbook committee decided to ask as many spouses as possible to take orders for the book — at \$3 a shot.

Central distributors for the book are Celine Lucas, who may be reached during the day at the registrar's office (463-9111, ext. 272), and Beverly Jackson, who may be called in the morning or at night at 463-5921.

Persons wishing copies of the book — not even the committee gets them for free — may call any law wife or Celine or Beverly, who are also law wives.

Hurry — the 200-page book is a hot item.

Election Results

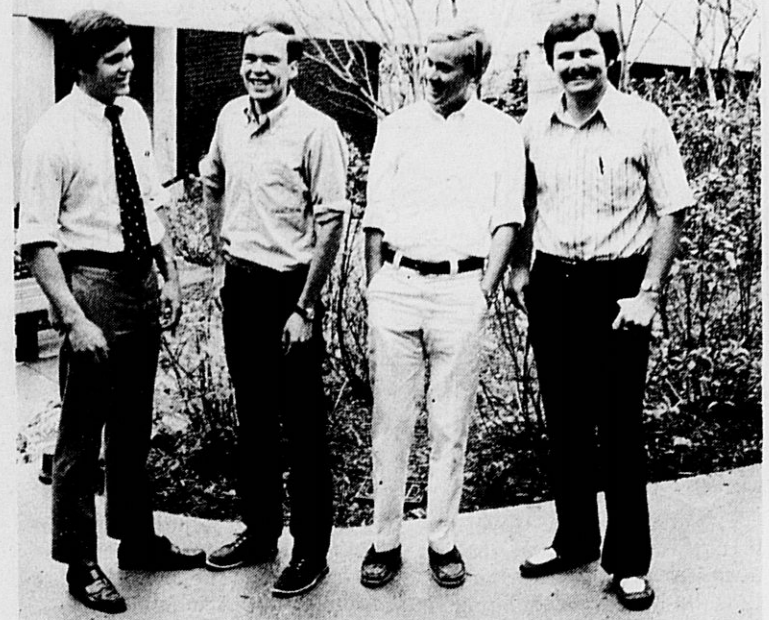
The short campaign for SBA and class offices has ended and new officers have assumed their positions. Ray Leven will be leading the SBA and Board of Governors into a new year at Lewis Hall. Joining President Leven will be Vice - President Bruce Perrone, Secretary Scott Tinnon, and Treasurer Herb Donica. The law school's representative on the University Council will be Bill Seidel, and W&L's ABA-LSD representative will be Bill Broadhurst.

Last week, the first and second year classes went to the polls to elect their leaders for the coming year. John Sheehan won the favor of the first year class, apparently parlayed his supreme skill on the squash court into sure, vote-getting power at the ballot box. Although the duties of the president of the second year class are pretty well confined to the planning of the class party and service on the Board of Governors, the office could become a stepping stone to a successful political career. After all, look what happened to two former holders of that office, Greg (Howdog) Williams, and Mark Dicken.

The second year class seemed to be equally aware of its great responsibility when they elected Derek Swope as president of next year's third year class. Like Sheehan, Swope chose sports as his stepping stone to power. Derek is not only the coach of the Law 2-3 I-M basketball team (still, at press time, fighting for the overall championship in the playoffs), he was the guiding force behind the recently completed (and modestly named) "Derek Swope Invitational Golf Tournament." Both of these endeavors no doubt contributed to his victory at the polls, but there have been charges that Derek attempted to enlist the still strong influence of former President Ford in order to seal his victory, using the golf tournament as a cover. The Swope campaign refuses to either confirm or deny this allegation. In any case, the Law News is sure that Derek will perform his duties in the same manner in which he does everything else, and is equally confident that he will sell plenty of invitations for next year's graduation, in addition to accurately measuring for his classmates' caps and gowns.

Alderson Head Chosen

Michael Jackson has been chosen to head the Alderson Legal Assistance program for next year. In addition to coordinating the program's activities next year Michael will be in charge of the summer program.



Moot Court Finalists

After three rounds of arguments, the first two judged by the Burks Scholars and the third round before benches composed of faculty members, the four finalists in the Burks Moot Court Competition have been selected. The four, Matt Calvert, Beau Dudley, John Jessee, and Peter Williams, will argue in the final round, before judges from the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, on May 6.

John Murphy, Lynn Prymas, Jack Coffey, and Stan Brading were the remaining four semifinalists and were ranked in that order. The eight first year students who reached the semifinal round, along with alternates Bill Broadhurst, Jessine Monaghan, Bob Hill, Ellen Arthur, Stu Nibley, and Richard Crowder, will comprise the pool from which next year's National and International Moot Court teams will be chosen.

Fourth Circuit To Sit

In addition to hearing the final arguments in the Burks Moot Court Competition, Judges Russell, Widener and Field of the Fourth Circuit will hear oral arguments in several cases on appeal to the Fourth Circuit, including: *Taylor v. Riddle*, an appeal from the district court's denial of a petition for writ of habeas corpus, involving a question of the admissibility of an admission; *Martin v. Bankers Trust Co.* involving subject matter jurisdiction over claims under ERISA by an employee who was terminated before the effective date of the Act; *City of Bedford v. The James Leffel & Co.* calls into question the application of the well-known "Continuing Contract Doctrine" (ask Uncas about that one); the final case, *King v. Gemini Food Services, Inc.*, revolves around an interesting labor law question—whether the host state's right to work law applies to private employment contracts within a federal enclave. Interested students are encouraged to attend any or all of these arguments on May 6. Specific times for the arguments should be posted at a later date so keep your eyes on the official bulletin board.

Nassau Party Tomorrow Night

Time is running out, so everyone had better buy their Nassau Party tickets as soon as possible. Tickets are priced as follows: \$2.50 per person for admission to the party and a chance at all prizes except the Nassau trip; \$3.50 for admission plus a chance at all prizes, including the trip (worth \$500.). The party will begin at 9:00 p.m. at Zollmans, and will feature Dave Falck's Band, tapes at the

intermissions, all the liquor you can drink (provided at no extra charge), and the pleasant atmosphere of the pavilion to enhance your overall enjoyment. The social committee wishes to stress, however, that because of A. B. C. regulations, no tickets will be sold at the door. It is imperative, therefore, that you buy your tickets today!

Dedication Schedule

The dedication of Lewis Hall will take place on May 6 and 7. All members of the law school community are invited to participate and forget about impending exams to follow. A reception will be held on May 6, Friday, at 4:30 p.m. at the front

entrance to Lewis Hall. On Saturday, Herbert Wechsler will deliver the annual Tucker Lecture at 10:30 a.m. The dedication ceremony will take place at 11:30, followed by a luncheon at 12:30.

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Mock Trial Contest Begins

by B. F. MacFarlane

The National Mock Trial Competition, an annual event open to second and third year students, will again pit the budding litigation attorneys of Lewis Hall against one another in fierce competition for a position on the four member inter-school team this fall.

The preliminary round of the competition, slated to begin in the next few weeks, will focus upon the direct and cross examination of witnesses under adversary trial conditions. Evaluation of competitors will be based on identification of important issues and the application of questioning and cross examination techniques.

Although knowledge of rudimentary substantive law will be required, the panel of judges, including Professor James Phemister, will evaluate composure and style in adversary skills.

The sample litigation problem is a civil case, dealing primarily with tort law. Scripts for this problem are on reserve at the library desk. Because of the nature of the problem, and the fact that identification of the issues is one criterion for evaluation, no further elaboration on the problem was allowed *The Law News*.

Each competitor will be judged on his or her individual performance, and teams will no longer be selected as in previous years. The four finalists will represent W&L at the regional competition held at the University of South Carolina on January 28th and 29th. For this purpose the finalists will be divided into two teams of two members each.

According to Steve Schwartz, a co-ordinator of the Mock Trial competition, preliminary and secondary elimination rounds should be completed by November 18 so that preparation for the inter-school regional competition can begin early.

"This competition is really very different from any other law-related activity in that the competition simulates a trial situation rather than an appellate argument such as the Moot Court Competition," said Schwartz.

The national competition is sponsored by the Junior Trial Lawyers Division of the Texas Bar. After regional eliminations are made in South Carolina, a national final will be held, tentatively set for Chicago. Any second or third year students interested should contact either Schwartz, Mark Dicken, Bruce Kayuha, Jack Kopald or Professor Phemister for details.



Librarian Peyton Neal.

Neal Resigns Library Post

by Bruce Perrone

Peyton Neal, Lewis Hall Law Librarian and associate professor of law, has resigned his posts at Washington and Lee and will leave the School of Law at the end of the present semester. Neal has accepted the position of Director of the newly-formed Virginia Automated Legal Information Data Base in northern Virginia.

Although Neal acknowledged disagreement between "the Librarian and the Dean and the Librarian and the (Faculty) Library Committee," he stated that the reasons for his departure

were, first, the challenge of a new job, and second, his dissatisfaction with small town life. Neal emphasized that he had been hired by the Dean to coordinate the building of a new law school and library, and that he had shouldered a large responsibility with the construction of the new facility. Comparing Lewis Hall with the inadequacies of old Tucker Hall, he seemed to imply that his task here was substantially finished.

Commenting on Neal's resignation, Dean Roy Steinheimer stated that, "in the course of performance of his library duties, there were very fundamental problems in his relationship with me and the central administration" which made it "advantageous for him to leave." The Dean emphasized that the disagreement did not concern Neal's teaching duties, but that they were policy matters concerning the nature of the librarian's authority and his position in the law school. Neal earlier had recognized that it was "fair to say that the Dean and I have not always seen eye to eye on administrative matters," but did not feel such disagreements contributed to his decision to leave.

When asked to comment upon Neal's resignation, Professor McThenia, chairman of the faculty library committee, stressed that there had been no policy disagreements between Neal and his committee. Further conversation did not specify Mr. McThenia's conception of "policy."

To date the Dean has not retained anyone to assume Neal's teaching duties next semester and was pessimistic about his chances of finding someone to teach admiralty this late in the semester. A practitioner from Norfolk has been approached about the position but the logistics of traveling from Norfolk to Lexington present a difficult problem.

For the remainder of the year, Sally Wiant will serve as Acting Law Librarian. The Dean has indicated that she is "certainly a possibility" to fill the librarian position permanently, but Ms. Wiant stated that she has not yet decided whether to submit her name for the post.

According to SBA President Ray Leven, the student seat on the Equal Employment Opportunity Committee is presently vacant. Interested students should submit their names to Ray by October 27.

BOG Submits New Visitor Policy

by John F. Allevato

The Board of Governors of the Student Bar Association recently has promulgated policy statements on two controversial areas of law student life, one being visitor use of Lewis Hall facilities, and the other dealing with "bumps" of final examination grades by professors.

According to Ray Leven, President of the Student Bar Association, the visitor use of Lewis Hall proposal has been adopted by the SBA Board of Governors, sent to Dean Schildt (not for his approval or disapproval but merely for wording changes in the proposal and his help in dealing with the undergraduates), and will be taken to the President of the EC and to undergraduate Dean Lewis John. After this meeting with Dean John, President Leven said law student input on the policy will be sought.

The bumping policy, also formally adopted by the Board of Governors, is in the hands of the Faculty Academic Standards committee of which Jon

Leckerling is a voting student member. Leckerling is chairman of the SBA Academic Standards committee. At this time, according to Leven, the SBA is waiting for faculty action.

The crux of the Lewis Hall visitor policy is that it applies to everyone who is not a law student to enable those visitors wishing to do legal research to use the Wilber C. Hall Law Library. If visitors get authorized permission from a Dean of the law school, then other facilities of the law school also may be used. Leven stressed the point that these procedures were designed to ensure a minimal amount, if any, of disruption to law students. Leven also hoped to get the policy acted on quickly so the entire W&L community would be aware of it before exam time, which this year is the same time for both law students and undergraduates.

The bump policy destined to be the more controversial of the two, was drawn up to put students on notice of the possibility of bumps from some

professors, and to see that bumping does not "get out of hand," according to Leven.

The various guidelines of the proposal include: discretion by the faculty member as to adopting a bump policy, with a decision to bump being clearly announced by the professor at the beginning of each term; abolishment of "grade floors" by professors; no bumps if a student writes an examination of 3.0 or higher; no "bumping" above a 3.0 for any student; limiting to all but extreme circumstances an adjustment of a grade to 0.5 of a point, and in no circumstances to exceed 1.0; and these guidelines are not to be effective for designated factors such as briefs, papers, other drafting, mock oral arguments, and other similar requirements.

The policy points out the "one exam" policy is not being condoned, but that guidelines need to be established when final examinations are not to be the last word on a student's grade.

Additionally, the SBA feels that if we do indeed have an anonymous grading system, then "an unlimited discretion to alter grades is in contravention" of that purpose. Also, the anonymous grading system is endangered when "bumps" are allowed because the reasons for having anonymous grading, namely avoiding favoritism and arbitrary grading, can be rendered meaningless if a professor is allowed unlimited discretion in bumping students' grades.

Law student input into these policies and other matters are encouraged, and suggestions and criticisms are welcomed by any SBA Board of Governor member, Leven added.

WLSO Fights Rising Apathy

by Dave Heilberg and Tom Trezise

Although female enrollment at the Law School is higher this year than in any previous year, the Women Law Students Organization has seen a precipitous decline in the percentage of women belonging to that organization. Only fifteen persons attended the group's meeting on October 12, with only three of those being dues paying members. Approximately six persons presently have paid dues.

The declining participation in the WLSO can be attributed to inactivity of many of last year's members and a lack of interest among the first year women. Mary Kay DePoy, WLSO vice president last year, explains that declining membership in women's organizations is a national phenomenon as well as a local problem.

Ms. DePoy has not taken an active role in the organization this year, but not because her interest in women's rights has waned. She presently is not ac-

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Halloween Hoots From Swopebird

by Derek Swope

TRICK-OR-TREAT! (This is the closest thing that this rag will publish concerning Halloween. Let's see what Halloween treats are up my sleeve. The tricks these clowns will exchange for their treats are probably self-evident.)

For Larry Rummel, 2nd year transfer, 100 Big Mac bonds and an unlimited charge account at Brooks Brothers;

For Jackie Boyden, first year rising politico, a 32 hour day to make up for the 8 hours she loses fighting against the Spanish Inquisition (Ditto for Rick Goddard);

For Tom Schetelich, die-hard Yankee fan (how pathetic!) a one way ticket to Yankee Stadium (a.k.a. the Bronx Zoo);

For Scott McCandless, Middle-America's representative at W&L, a one-way ticket to "Choke City" — Go Royals'.

For Betsy Callicott, impartial judges at next year's Homecoming;

For Mark (Birthday Boy) Sharp, his first pair of long pants and a better memory of what his "lady friends" look like (Eat carrots, Mark, it helps your night vision);

For John Klinedinst, team leader for Law Three, a wrestling helmet;

For "Disco" Kurt Drones, a calendar to help him keep his numerous social events in order;

For Jack (I'm shy and retiring) Coffey, scheduling the Turkey Trot at half-time of the Rose Bowl (Is that a big enough crowd, Jack?);

And for Jill and Dennis—new recipes for peanut butter and

jelly.

At long last, the much-heralded John and Karen DiPippa baby was born. Emilia DeMeo won the baby lottery, choosing the correct "Day of Infancy." Young Joel Michael, complete with moustache and full head of Italianesque hair, moved in to Davidson Park, and is doing well. I think they'd better check the mineral content in the water there.

Last Friday night the Social Committee "boldly went where it has not gone before" and held — Dare I say it? — A MIXER!! (Boo! Hiss! (Not Alger)) Of course, last year such an event would have been a cause celebre, but this year the fast-expiring WLSO raised hardly a peep! (See elsewhere in this paper for a shocking expose of this once-powerful organization's decline!)

John "Bar Wars" Pryor signed his second article, as he felt that the Dark Lord had discovered his authorship of said-masterpiece. Unknown to John, the crafty Lord of the Sith only suspected him, sneakily setting his trap so that Lexington's answer to George Lucas would unwittingly reveal himself. Alas, Poor John, I knew him well!!

Finally, I received a letter from the infamous Ed Fischer, coach of last year's LSFL Cinderella team. "Big Fisch" wrote to compliment me on my column. A Delaware education gives one an appreciation for the finer things in life — and to tell me of the marriage of Randy Walzer and Karen Klemm, late of the Class of 1978; Good luck, Karen, wherever you are!

Law II In Action



Ornithologist Bob Baeso astounded at the sight of the extremely rare closed-mouth swopebird.

Helms' New "Pets"



The Road Trip of the Year Award goes to Dan Helms for catching not one, but three Penthouse Pets at the Grand Prix in Watkins Glen, N. Y., last weekend. A slightly more interesting group of pictures of Cheryl Rixon, far left, can be found in the October Penthouse. Nice work Dan!

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tively participating in the group because it does not fulfill the purpose she envisions for such an organization. Mary Kay explained her position: "While I personally see a need for such an organization, one which would involve itself in broader questions of women's rights, such as ERA in Virginia, most of my colleagues are either apathetic or prefer to direct the WLSO toward internal law school issues. I disagree with this focus." Ms. DePoy emphasized, however, that if any major issue should arise, she would give the group her full support.

A brief survey of first year women revealed a variety of reasons for not participating in the WLSO. Although most of those polled expressed interest in the organization—only one person felt that the group had nothing to offer her, many explained their non-participation as a combination of workload and forgetfulness. Others observed that the WLSO is generally overly sensitive and alienates people by reopening wounds from previous years that have long since healed. One woman complained that the group lacked a sense of humor and that their bulletin board was more susceptible to graffiti than any other because the effect of posted notices was not evaluated. More than a few sympathized with WLSO goals, but believed that their interests could be better served elsewhere.

Present WLSO members disagree with the contention that the organization serves no purpose. One third year woman noted that although no burning



issues confront the group this year, the organization helps provide a healthy, supportive atmosphere for the women of the school. Donna Mueller, secretary/treasurer of this group, acknowledged that because the school has more women students this year, the group perceives fewer problems. She emphasized that the organization is not static, however, noting that the group plans to address the problem of a shortage of housing for women students and possibly undertake activities with the Virginia ERA campaign.

The WLSO also worked with the social committee earlier this year to avoid a repetition of last year's problem with mixers. Realizing that opposition to excessive freeloading at student expense, rather than exclusion of outside women, was in everyone's best interest, the groups agreed to hold only one open mixer each semester and to charge a nominal admission for non-law students at all other such events. (Ironically, some Sweet Briar students allegedly strenuously objected to the visit of W&L women to their recent boathouse party although all

W&L graduate students had been invited.)

Though decreasing numbers may alarm some of those interested in the WLSO, the group is far from on its last legs. SBA support for the organization was expressed recently with the appropriations of \$250 to fund WLSO activities accompanied by assurances of SBA backing by treasurer Herb Donica. As Ms. Mueller characterized the situation, the organization is "changing its focus, not dying out."

The Law News feels that an investigation of the Burks Scholars might be in order after this paper's recent abysmal failure at trying to elicit comments from first year students on their feelings about their individual scholar. A poll of twenty of the neophyte legal beagles found all of them unwilling to make a statement. Has Bill Efrid spread Marine teaching tactics to his colleagues and frightened the newcomers into submission, or are the Scholars' teaching abilities so dazzling that their students are left speechless?

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Representative Caldwell Butler speaks on 95th Congress achievements in Moot Courtroom.

Butler speaks frankly on 95th congress

by Sam Flax

It'll be a long time until we know what we Congressmen did to you last weekend," Rep. M. Caldwell Butler (R-Va.) to be a group of Law School students and faculty Tuesday afternoon. "An awful lot of legislation passed in the last legislative day."

Butler, fresh from Congress' 37 hour marathon to finish this session and head home to campaign, spent most of Tuesday addressing seminars at the Law School. The day concluded with an open question and answer session in the Moot Court Room covering a range of topics. Seminar topics included bankruptcy legislation and the legislative process.

Favorably characterizing the 95th Congress as the "hardest working" and "most conservative of any of the three previous ones I'd been in," Butler stated, "The Congress (last weekend) met and confronted a number of problems and issues. I'd be surprised if the President vetoed anything."

"All things considered (Jimmy Carter) learned a lot about Congress."

Regarding the legislation passed at the session's end, he admitted the energy bill is too complex but feels it is important that, "At long last we do have an energy policy. That's a credit to the country." The tax reform measure is, "a very good piece of legislation," but Butler worries it will, "probably will not keep pace with inflation."

Butler, who is not facing opposition in the November election, stated, "One of the best

things this country has going for it is the two year for Congressmen. (It leads a congressman to) spend more time with his constituents and that makes you reflect more what your constituents want."

He cited this for the conservative trend of this Congress, even though it was heavily Democratic, for it led to a "recognition that excessive government... is contributing to inflation."

He expressed disappointment that Congress did not get to several matters involving judicial reform including the abolishment of diversity jurisdiction and the upgrading of federal magistrates but predicted the next Congress will address these and related items after it convenes in January. He was pleased that the Congress expanded the number of federal judgeships.

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Appeal planned

Grad plan snags red tape

Dean Roy Steinheimer and University President Robert E. R. Huntley have expressed their joint displeasure over a proposal submitted to them by an ad hoc committee of third year students pressing for an "interim solution" to solve the controversy over graduation as scheduled June 7.

The committee, composed of concerned third year students, has suggested that a one-time only interim solution be adopted to alleviate the problems and inconveniences presented by this year's graduation date, which is scheduled 17 days after the last possible law examination. They advocate an earlier, separate date to be set for the last week in May. This proponents claim, would give law students who would otherwise have to petition the faculty to be excused from graduation because of Bar Review Courses or prohibitive traveling costs, an alternative ceremony to preserve the symbolism of graduation.

The President was confronted with the problem when the committee presented him with a petition signed by 102 out of 119 registered law students scheduled to graduate this spring. The petition demanded a response from the administration for the "inconvenience caused to law students because of the presently scheduled graduation."

Huntley, when presented with the petition at a meeting with the committee on October 2, refused to respond to the demand, citing lack of administrative authority.

"This matter will have to be

brought before the University faculty for their consideration," said Huntley. "Only with their approval could I sanction such a solution," he added.

The President refused to call a special meeting of the faculty to consider the proposal, but he expects the matter to be brought up at the next regularly scheduled meeting to held November 6.

Huntley also cited the symbolic value of a "unitary graduation" and the traditional importance of a joint ceremony as controlling over the law student complaints.

Dean Steinheimer met with the committee on Tuesday October 10 and he expressed a similar concern over the problem of separate graduation ceremonies. In lieu of the separate ceremony approach, he felt a "soft solution" would be appropriate, which would involve a type of "recognition day" for third year students, with the possibility of a formal dinner with a lecturer, but "definitely not a cap and gown ceremony with actual handing out of diplomas."

The committee, after consulting with officers of the third year class, called for a class meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 17, with the Dean present to explain the administration's position.

The turnout for the meeting was significant, with over half of the third year class attending. The Dean reiterated the administration's stand on the "soft solution" stressing the "festivity rather than formal-

ty" approach. He did not go into any great detail besides mentioning the possibility of a public-reception type of arrangement, funded by the University.

A straw poll taken of approximately seventy third year students after the Dean made his presentation indicated an overwhelming rejection of the "soft proposal", and a lively discussion of alternatives followed without any real conclusion reached on the issue.

The class did seem to be in favor of pursuing the procedural appeal process to the University Faculty Executive Committee, on which the Dean is the law school representative.

Mims elected E.C. rep

by Sam Flax

First year students Monday elected Jenelle Mims as their representative on the Executive Committee of the Student Body. Mims joins John Murphy in composing the law school's delegation to the group, which is in charge of all campus student activities.

Mims, somewhat surprisingly, gained 57 per cent, an absolute majority, in the three candidate field which also included Bill Abernathy and Malinda Dunn. None of the three had actively campaigned for the post. Approximately 70 percent of the first year class

voted in the election.

In other recent first year elections, Bucky Joyce and Sharon Corey won run-offs for the posts of first year president and vice-president, respectively.

Mims, a native of Prattville, Alabama, graduated in June from Auburn University where she majored in economics. She is "glad and excited" to have won the office. "I did that kind of work in college," she explains, when she was student body vice-president. "You learn so much by it. You get an insight into what's happening on campus."

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Dean Roy Steinheimer addresses third year class meeting to discuss the graduation situation.



John Fraser examines Brenda Crocker while John Jesse judges Mock Trial competition.

Mock trial team competition

by Dave Johnson

Under the guidance of Professor James Phemister, the National Mock Trial Competition is once again building up steam in contemplation of the regional inter-school competition to be held at an as-of-yet unannounced location early next semester.

The preliminary rounds of the intraschool competition were held earlier this week, and the semifinal rounds, from which a team will be chosen to represent Washington and Lee will be held on November 2nd.

At least four, and possibly six students will be chosen and divided into two teams for the interschool competition.

The preliminary rounds consisted of each contestant performing one direct examination and one cross examination of a witness. The semi-final rounds will consist of an entire trial, from opening statements and motions through closing arguments.

As was the case last year, each contestant is provided with a set of facts, and the written statements of each witness.

Each contestant expected to conduct his side of the case based on these documents. Extraneous facts are usually allowed only when consistent with the written facts.

Two of last year's team members, Bill Moffet and John Jesse, are helping Professor Phemister in the administration and judging of this year's competition.

After a team has been selected, they will also be involved in instructing the new team members concerning style and evidentiary points.

The competition this year will be concerned with a criminal case, and, as last year, is structured to involve mostly questions of federal law and federal rules of evidence. The contestants are not allowed to watch the arguments of others until they themselves have completed their arguments, and are expected to conduct themselves during the rounds as if a jury were present.

All noncontestants are welcome as observers during the rounds.

New legal assistance program aids Woodrow Wilson students

by Dave Heilberg

A new legal aid program is being instituted this fall, on a trial basis, at the Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center (WWRC) in Fishersville, Virginia. Arlene Laurenitis, Ed Stein and Dave Heilberg will be providing legal assistance under the direction of Larry Gaughan to Woodrow Wilson students.

now be providing legal assistance to the students that has heretofore been lacking. The types of cases that will arise, though presently uncertain, appear to be varied and broad. With a total average daily enrollment of 500 students (the staff numbers approximately 360) the workload volume is unpredictable. If the

program attracts a large number of clients, a need for more caseworkers will develop in the months ahead.

Any law students who may be interested in this new clinical program are invited to notify the W & L Legal Aid Society. Further information will be gladly provided by the present participants.

WWRC is a facility of the Virginia Department of Vocational Rehabilitation and its primary goal is to provide comprehensive services which are designed to prepare severely disabled individuals for gainful employment. These services are structured in such a way as to provide individualized programs geared to meet the specific needs of each person. WWRC provides a combination of medical, psychological, social, recreational, counseling, vocational evaluation and training services to the disabled students enrolled.

The Legal Aid Society will

Mims plans for exec council

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She says she does not yet know enough about the workings of the Executive Committee to make specific plans but is interested in the group's involvement with the student activity fees budget and the honor code.

"I love the way the honor code works around here," she notes, but admits to not being familiar with past disagreements over the code between the law school and undergraduates. "If there are

some types of problems that need to be corrected. . . I'd be glad to do anything I can."

She feels there shouldn't be any rivalry between the law and undergraduate schools but concludes, "There's a difference in attitude between an undergraduate and a law student."

She sees as possible ways to bridge any gaps between the two groups the inclusion of law students and law school activities in the Calyx yearbook and more parties that involve the entire student body such as the one outside Lewis Hall during last weekend's Homecoming.

In the class elections Joyce defeated Spiz Larrick for the presidency while Corey bested Debera Frick and Tod Ket-cham.

Corey reports that she and Joyce are already participating in Student Bar Association meetings. "Essentially the class budget is already decided.

Butler addresses issues

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Answering questions from the small audience for nearly an hour, Butler revealed his feelings on the following matters:

Regulatory Agencies: "We have a system of government that has established a fourth branch: the independent regulatory agencies. Congress has previously granted almost unlimited authority to these agencies to make regulations." The result of this, Butler laments, is that no process of review of such regulations exist. He supports Congressional

efforts to gain review over these agencies but reports Congress has run into constitutional questions whether Congress can reserve the right to change a law once it's been passed."

Congressional Scandals including the Korean bribery affair: "It's hard to discipline your own colleagues," concludes Butler while admitting Congress hasn't done enough in policing its own members. "The Justice Department is certainly doing a better job disciplining our members than we are." On

the matter of Rep. Charles Diggs (D-Mich.), recently convicted for payroll violations, Butler predicts Diggs will be re-elected and also be sent to jail. He labels the case, "About as clear a violation of the law as we've got going on up there. . . and (Diggs is) the most arrogant about it." Recalling a previous run-in with Diggs, Butler says, "I was just appalled at the brass the man had. I won't miss him."

The Republican Party: "the official line is that we are on the way (to recovery)." But he adds, "It ain't all that bad being a minority," citing the Republican influence on tax cut legislation and civil service reform including a limitation on the number of federal jobs.

National Health Insurance: "The people of the United States are saying, 'Don't spend that kind of money,'" Butler claims. He says he may support some kind of catastrophic health coverage if it could be done without a heavy infusion of federal money. On health costs in general, "I would sure like to see some way to hold down health costs but national health insurance sure isn't going to do it."

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The new Law Review Staff stops for a rare informal portrait.

Justice, professor Speak

Experts Address Ethics

by John Pryor

Last week the University's Legal Ethics Institute sponsored two distinguished members of the bar — one a jurist, one a theoretician — as part of the undergraduate college's Ethics and the Professions course.

On Tuesday evening, William Erickson, Associate Justice of the Colorado Supreme Court and noted criminal law reform expert spoke in the Moot Courtroom. Yale professor Geoffrey Hazard spoke the following evening on the Examination of legal ethics.

Erickson, titled his speech the "Tripod of Justice," the tripod being the balance sustained by the interaction of prosecutor, judge and defense counsel in the adversary system. He noted the long history of public suspicion of the bar and the reforms which have attempted to quell these suspicions. Erickson pointed out the adoption of numerous Codes and Rules which have sought to give guidelines to behaviour and to streamline procedure.

The thrust of his speech emphasized that the continuing expansion of the right to counsel in criminal cases required the assurance of competent counsel to fulfill the need. As they are that part of the bar most in the public eye, they should be the most keenly sensitive to issues of propriety and good judgement. He went on to say that without a balance to the tripod, public faith in the entire legal system would become exceedingly doubtful.

Professor Hazard, who is to be a resident Frances Lewis scholar in two years, continued a similar theme. He structured his talk around his work as

Secretary for the revision of the Code of Professional Responsibility, which he described as better than "reading blue books."

For all its limitations and necessary vagueries, he sees a Code as taking the place of custom in a society in which the customary controls have lost their effectiveness. According to Hazard, too many lawyers believe that law doesn't apply to them.

Hazard views this belief as a disservice to those "for whom we do our raindance." Controls are thus needed, "legislative" in nature and function, not "hortatory" as in the past. Hazard does not perceive the Code as one of Ethics, per se,

but of conduct, seeing ethics as having no validity outside of problems in action.

BALSA Sponsors Conference

Washington & Lee's Black American Law School Association (BALSA) will host an all day career symposium this Saturday in Lewis Hall.

Highlighting the conference will be an address by the Hon. Joseph Jordan, judge of the General District Criminal Division for the city of Norfolk. Jordan, a former city councilman and vice-mayor of Norfolk, is one of the few black judges in

Review Appoints 1979-80 Editors

by Joe Cosgrove

The W & L Law Review has selected its editorial staff for next year with Tom Henson as editor-in-chief.

Henson sees his duties to be organizational ones and hopes to "get everyone on the staff totally involved in the editing process." As editor-in-chief, Tom worked with the present editorial staff to select next year's editors. The resulting group of people is, to say the least, impressive.

Perhaps the most interesting item on next year's agenda is a proposed symposium in the first issue on recent changes in the antitrust laws. Rich Arnold conceived the idea this past year, and Bill Goodell has been appointed Special Projects Editor to carry the project through.

The job of Research Editor went to Bruce Schwartz, whose job shall be to pick topics for student articles and to aid in

editing student material. Gretchen Shappert, as Managing Editor, will be working with the publishing company to make sure that the Law Review gets printed. John Eklund will bring his very efficient style to the important post of Lead Article Editor.

The Executive Editors will be Dave Brandley, Mac Dorris, Jim Osick, and Cheryl Harris. Their job is to edit the style of the various student writers. They are also responsible for substantive criticism, but that burden will primarily fall upon the nine note & comment editors. They are Betsy Callicott, Warren Jervy, Mark Russell, Al Sant'Angelo, Eric Schless, Lisa Turley, Patti Van Allan, John Yellott, and Sue Yoder.

Congratulations to all of the above-named people. With an editorial staff like that, Volume 37 of the W & L Law Review promises to be one of the best.

First Year Competes In Burks Moot Court

Twenty-four first year students are participating this week in the initial round of the annual Burks Moot Court Competition. The 24 were selected from the entire first year class based on their performance in the first year moot court class.

Arguments will conclude tonight and eight of the 24 will be selected to continue on into the semifinals of the competition. Anne Unverzagt, moot court professor, says the initial full class competition went well and that she's pleased with the group of students selected.

Semifinal rounds will be held April 16 and 17 before faculty benches. Judging April 16 will be Professors Calhoun, Glenn, and Henneman. On April 17 Professors Kirgis, Groot and

Ulrich will preside. The final round of competition will be April 27 at 4:15 p.m. before United States District Court Judges Robert Mehrige (E.D. Va.), James Turk (W.D. Va.), and Sherman Finesilver (D. Colo.).

Those competing in the quarterfinal round are: Jim Berl, Neal Brickman, Alan Button, Phil Calderone, Meg Campbell, Randy Campbell, Jeff Edwards, Sam Flax, Debra Frick, Deborah Hughes, Bucky Joyce, Walt Kelly, Bob McLusky, Bill Milani, Jill Otey, Steve Piper, Tracy Savage, "Clara" Smith, Nancy Spritzer, John Sullivan, Stephanie Tsacoumis, Melissa Warner, Bucky Wellford, and Kerry Wilson.

the south. He will speak at 3:30 p.m.

Other events in the Black Law Alumni and Career Symposium (BLACCS) will include seminars on career opportunities, an alumni association meeting and a reception and banquet Saturday night.

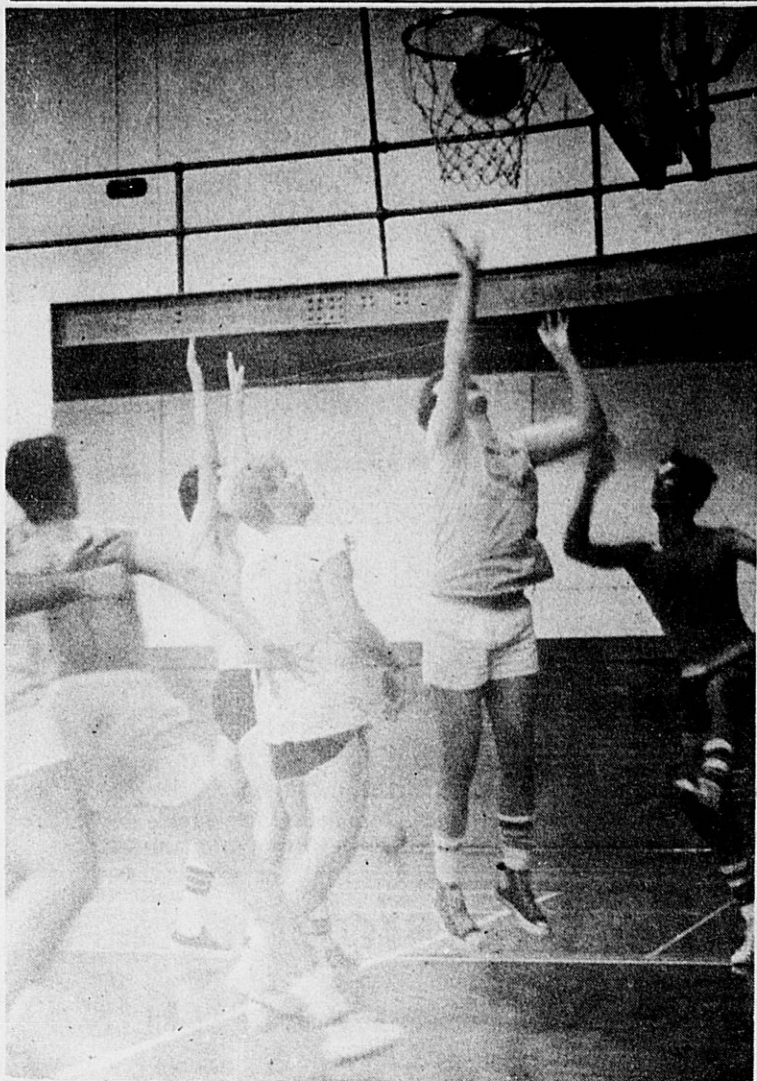
Alumni in private practice, working for the FBI and other federal agencies, in education, and employed by federal courts

will conduct the seminars and lead discussions on their respective areas of expertise. The seminars will emphasize the diversity of opportunities for individuals with a legal education.

The conference will begin at 9:00 a.m. The seminars and workshops will be from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The alumni association will meet at 2:45 p.m. followed by Jordan's address.



Nancy Spritzer pounds out her argument in quarterfinal moot court competition.



The Love Boat, et. al., wisely leave Mark Williams alone for a layup.

Law Students To Perform In Annual Talent Show

Polish your tap shoes and dust off your straw hat — the Second Annual Law School Talent Show is coming. The gala event opens at the Troubadour Theater on Henry Street, Saturday, April 14 at 8:30 p.m.

Sponsored by the SBA Social

Committee, the show gives all the aspiring performers of Lewis Hall a chance to grab their share of the limelight.

Everyone is encouraged to participate, so get your act together and see Ed Speidel, stage manager, as soon as possible. There will be one full rehearsal Friday night, before Saturday's performance, so practice, practice, practice.

Even if you can't sing, dance or tell jokes, you can enjoy the show. So come one, come all! Hear Joey Cosgrove sing.

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Basketball Competition Approaches Playoff

by Joe Cosgrove

As playoff time for LSBA approaches, the disparity between the haves & the have-nots is becoming more and more obvious.

The Haves

Berl, (8-0), has put together the team to beat. They move without the ball, play the "D", and control the boards. Way to go, Bimbo.

Badger, (8-1), has John Taylor, who is the best when he

wants to be. This team is tough to beat, and will be there at the end.

Sullivan, (6-2), has been crushing all in his path. However, this team probably has too much, thunder and not enough lightening to win it all.

Snake, (4-2), shouldn't be one of the haves. They lack size and rebounding. But how can you knock results? They are a good team.

The Have-nots

Plunkett, (0-6), tries hard.

Speidel, (1-5), has Dean Davis as his enforcer. Enough said.

Walker, (1-5), Hop Sing is still very funny.

Heilberg, (2-5), could beat anyone at any time. They are the biggest and strongest team in the league. But a total lack of outside shooting dooms this team.

Goodell, (2-4), This team also doubles as a large part of the Law 2 I.M. team, which explains a lot.

Testerman, (2-4), this team hasn't been the same since the captain jumped ship and headed for Florida. Now that Mule is back, this team should be OK.

The Unknowns

Broadhurst will win games come playoff time. They just have too many good athletes to reckon with.

Cosgrove could win it all or get knocked out early. They are the most inconsistent team this year.

Davis has a great shooting ballclub, but no rebounding at all. They can beat anyone, but will most likely not survive its first tough playoff game against one of the haves.

And remember, get all games played by April 15, or it's a double forfeit.

Women, Alderson Present Prison Film

by Cindy Fausold

On Thursday, April 12 at 7:30 p.m. the film "Like a Rose" will be shown in classroom D. "Like a Rose" was produced by a women's film company and deals with the lives of two women serving twenty-five year sentences in the Missouri State Penitentiary. It is being co-sponsored by the Alderson Legal Assistance Program and the Women Law Students' Organization.

A panel discussion on "Career Alternatives for Women" will be held in the Moot Court Room on Thursday, April 15 at 7:30 p.m. The discussion will include descriptions of careers in various legal fields and in addition will focus on the practical experiences of the speakers as women in their particular jobs and the legal profession in general. Speakers will include, Katherine Schlech, W & L Law Class of 1978, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Unit, Office of the Attorney General of Virginia;

Harriet Dorsey, W & L Law Class of 1976, partner Dorsey & Buhyoff (a two-woman firm), Blacksburg, Virginia; Angelicia Lloyd, W & L Class of 1975, Assistant General Attorney Norfolk & Western Railroad; and Faye Ehrenstamm, Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Virginia.

This panel offers a unique opportunity to hear first hand about the avenues open to law graduates. All interested students are urged to attend. The event is sponsored by the WLSO.

WLSO Aiding Search For Off-campus Housing

The WLSO is sponsoring an off-campus housing office to aid law students in the spring search for fall housing.

The office maintains a current list of all available off-campus housing in the Lexington-Rockbridge County area, for both current and entering law students.

The office supplies critical evaluation of the conditions of rental properties, obtained

from law students through a survey conducted at the beginning of the semester. To obtain information about the types of housing you are seeking, contact Rebecca Dolins or Dawn Warfield.

The WLSO Housing Office also maintains regular office hours from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday, in the Administrative Offices on the 3rd floor of Lewis Hall. The office is staffed by WLSO and PAD members. The office phone number is 463-9111, ext. 362. Both male and female law students are encouraged to contact the housing office, which will be in operation through the end of the semester.

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