

Snell Says Science Progresses, Talks On Medical Discoveries

Scientist Speaks At Convocation

"Science is in a state of continual progress," Dr. Foster D. Snell, eminent research chemist and lecturer told the Richmond Professional Institute faculty and student body Thursday.

Dr. Snell made and proved this statement at the third convocation of RPI held February 13 in Grove Avenue Baptist Church. Introduced by Dean Henry H. Hibbs, Dr. Snell spoke on "Looking Ahead With Science" stressing particularly recent discoveries which will strengthen America's health.

The development of penicillin, Dr. Snell believes, is the greatest achievement of research workers during the war. The speaker served as one of the twelve members on the War Production Board.

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Vets Need Business Texts

"New business students cannot get some needed books until used texts are sold back to the bookstore."

This declaration was made Friday by Mr. W. C. Shafer of the business department who urged students who no longer need their copies of Swayzee and Hicks, "An Introduction to Business" to re-sell them to the book store at once.

An estimated 70 veterans students taking Survey of Business 115 need these books. New books are not available. The only way to obtain them is to requisition them through the book store.

The call for texts from former Survey of Business Students was echoed by L. D. Nichols and R. B. Smith, both of whom teach sections of the course.

"We need about 40 books in my section," Mr. Smith said. Mr. Nichols estimated that 25 copies are needed for his group.

The R.P.I. Book Store will purchase the needed texts and re-issue them to the new students.

Calendar, Feb. 19-26

Feb. 19—Advertising Art Group rear library—8 p. m.

Feb. 20—Theatre Associates present "The Director," Studio Theatre, 7:30-8:15 p. m.

Feb. 20—Meeting of all men students interested in baseball, softball, tennis; Room Ad. 1, 2 p. m.

Feb. 21—Freshman Class meeting—all new students, Rear Library, 12:45 p. m.

Feb. 21—Cotillion Initiation, Founders' Hall, 5 p. m.

Feb. 22—Sophomore Dance, Gym. 8:30-12:30.

Feb. 24, 25—Free X-rays for RPI students, Gym, 9 a. m.-5 p. m. and 7:30 p. m. to 9 p. m.

Feb. 25—Men's Glee Club meeting, Music Building, 4-6 p. m.

Feb. 26—Commercial Art Club Banquet, YMCA, 6:15 p. m.

Free X-Rays To Be Given Next Week

All students at Richmond Professional Institute will have an opportunity to be X-rayed free of charge February 24 and 25.

The service will be held in the Gym from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m., and from 7:30 p. m. to 9 p. m., next Monday and Tuesday, according to announcement made by Miss Frances Chapman, physical education instructor.

Miss Chapman announced that students may be excused for five minutes from classes for the test. The X-ray takes at most only three minutes and requires no disrobing. No metal jewelry should be worn during the test.

Tuberculosis causes more deaths among the college age group than any other disease. It is the duty of every student to guard his health in this way, Miss Chapman declared. Dean Hibbs has also urged students to avail themselves of this opportunity.

All information will be held strictly confidential.

Wood Elected N. S. O. Chairman

Earl Wood, senior student at Richmond Professional Institute, was elected chairman of the eighth region of the proposed National Students' Organization at a meeting of college students from Virginia held in Roanoke Saturday. Wood will attend the national convention March 1 to make plans for the summer constitutional convention at the University of Chicago.

Named secretary of the regional group was Miss Nancy Tucker of Randolph-Macon Woman's College. T. A. Wood of Virginia Polytechnic Institute will serve as housing chairman. Co-chairmen of the agenda committee are Daryl Farley and William M. Woods of West Virginia Institute of Technology. Miss Din Goodall of Randolph-Macon Woman's College heads the financing committee, and Miss Kay Fitzgerald of Sweet Briar College will handle publicity.

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Business Club Organized At RPI

"The Administrators" is now a reality. The organization meeting was held Thursday, Feb. 13, in the rear library and the club was formed. Seventy-two Richmond Professional Institute business majors attended.

The purpose of this club was defined by Mr. William C. Shafer, business department chairman as, "A medium between potential employers and RPI Business students interested in obtaining jobs.

Seven volunteer committeemen will arrange to have prominent local businessmen address future

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Negro Poet Speaks To RIC

Langston Hughes, renowned Negro poet and playwright, addressed the Richmond Intercollegiate Council Wednesday, Feb. 12, at the Egyptian building of the Medical College of Virginia. His topic was "Color Around the World."

Hughes related many of his travel experiences in the United States, Africa, Russia, France, Italy, Germany and Sicily, and read several of his poems which were inspired by these ventures.

The speaker, after attending Columbia University for a year, rented a room in Harlem and attempted to secure a clerical job. He was unable to find one, however, and was forced to accept more menial "blind alley jobs." His poem "Elevator Boy" was written during this time. Mr. Hughes disclosed that much of his poetry was produced during such periods of despair.

After this, Hughes secured employment on a ship bound for Africa. It was there that he was "surprised to discover the beauty and dignity of my own racial background." Also in Africa and in European countries, the poet realized that racial prejudice exists outside the U. S. He is of the opinion that this discrimination was largely economic. Racial relations in Soviet Asia were compared before and after the last Russian revolution. The

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Darden Installed W&M Chancellor

Former Governor of Virginia Colgate W. Darden has been installed as the 16th Chancellor of the College of William and Mary. The new chancellor, who succeeds the late John Stewart Bryan of Richmond, took office at Williamsburg, February 10.

Lord Inverchapel, British ambassador to the United States, addressed the faculty and the student body on the British Commonwealth's part in building the United Nations. The ambassador had previously spoken at Williamsburg in 1917 on the three hundredth anniversary of the founding of the first English colony in Virginia.

All New Students To Meet Friday

A meeting to welcome the new students, Freshman and transfers, will be held on Friday, February 21st at 12:45 in the Rear Library. As announced by Dorothy Turock, president of the Student Government Association, this meeting is being held primarily to tell the students about the various organizations in this college. The college handbooks will be given out and the Honor Code is to be explained and reviewed. To be present are: Dorothy Turock, Stanley Waranch, president of the Men's Student Body, and the freshman class president, Katherine Shane.

RPI Enrollment Is 1611 622 Men, 989 Women Counted VPI Extension Included

Vote Today For Queen

Voting for May Queen will take place today, in the front hall of the administration building until 4 p. m. The nominees, Anne Wooten, Margaret Snell, Quincey Parrish, Anita Spivey, and Lillian Smith, will be presented to the student body from 11:30 to 11:45 a. m. in the gymnasium on that day. Their pictures will be posted on the bulletin board. Each class has chosen two representatives to the May Court.

All students are urged to vote by Dorothy Turock, president of Student Government, for May Day is one of the major events of the school year.

Glee Club Open To Men

Men's Glee Club is still open to any students who are interested in singing. In making this announcement, Director Charles Williams repeated that neither a good voice or a high degree of musicianship is necessary for becoming a member of the choral group.

"Anyone who likes to sing is welcome," Mr. Williams said, "and you may sing for credit or just for fun."

The Glee Club meets at the Music Building Tuesday afternoons from 4 to 6 o'clock.

Spivey Elected Cotillion Secretary

Anita Spivey, Senior in the School of Social Work, was recently elected to succeed Jody Miller in the Cotillion Club.

Other officers who will continue from last semester until June are Anne Wooten, president; Kay Buckley, vice-president; and Jean Elbersen, treasurer.

Wood Addresses Lost Battalion

"The Lost Battalion is not a pressure group nor is it affiliated with any national organization," Earl Wood, president of the "Lost Battalion" said at a meeting held in the rear library the past Wednesday afternoon.

The meeting was to acquaint the veterans of R.P.I. with the veterans club. The function of the club is to promote a spirit of fellowship with the veterans and students in school.

The club is looking forward to increasing membership.

AA Meeting Held On Diamond Sports

R.P.I.'s Men's Athletic Association Council discussed February 10th the possibility of having baseball, softball and tennis teams at R.P.I. this spring. Posters have been placed on the bulletin board and all who are interested are urged to sign. A meeting will be held in Ad 1 on Thursday, February 20th, at 2 P. M. concerning these topics.

Increase Over Sept. Reported

Richmond Professional Institute now has a total enrollment of 1611 students according to a report issued by the Registrar.

This number includes 113 male students in the Virginia Polytechnic Institute Extension with RPI's separate total 1498.

Including the VPI Extension 622 men are attending RPI in contrast to 989 women students. The men were 517 in number when college opened in September 1946.

Largest enrollment in any one department is in the School of Business with 215 students. Only 160 were listed in September. Liberal Arts claims 131 second semester to 109 last term.

Distributive Education follows Liberal Arts with 112 students. Most other departments have had their enrollment increased.

The Freshman class now numbers 701, an increase of 127 over September's record. There are 513 veterans matriculating, 49 of whom are women.

Soph Dance To Feature Floor Show

The birthday of our first President promises to find R.P.I. sophomores enjoying a gala evening, according to the class president, Gladys Watson.

A dance scheduled for 8:30 Saturday evening will be held in the gymnasium. Music will be supplied by juke box and a floor show will feature: A monologue by Raymond B. Hodges; a skit by Jack Turner and Stanley Waranch; a dance by Peggy Kelly and Martha Ganzert; a humorous reading by Mrs. Christine Shotts, a former R.P.I. student; and other novelties.

Arranging for refreshments are: Jacqueline Gaines, Bessie Dunkum, Hunter Purdie and Virginia Calisch.

Exclusively for sophomores, the dance will be free to those who have paid their class dues, for others the admission will be 75c stag or drag. The class dues are \$1.25 and a drive is on this week to have them paid. Miss Watson has also announced plans for a future sophomore event, possibly a hayride, the admission to be handled in the same manner as the dance.

Advertising Club To Be Started

Advertising Art will soon have its own club according to announcement made by Charles Young, chairman of the organizing committee at Richmond Professional Institute.

The first meeting of the club will take place this evening at 8 p. m., in the Rear Library. Officers will be installed at this meeting and other organizational business will be discussed.

Guest speakers for the evening will be Roland B. Smith, instructor in advertising, and Robert P. Harrison, of the art department.

Refreshments will be served. All students in advertising art are urged to attend this meeting.

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Young men think old men are fools, but old men know young men are fools.—George Chapman.

THE ALMA MATER

RPI is a unique institution. It is "a technical college which combines professional and vocational preparation with liberal education."

Art, Business, Music, Science, and other highly-developed professions are included in the curriculum. These are supplemented by an education in the liberal arts. The schedules at RPI are directive, but they are also well-rounded; i. e., they are an expedient to a particular profession, but they include education in the arts and letters.

Only a few years ago, in terms of history, professional and liberal art educations ran two courses. Professional pursuers went to professional institutions. The subjects were professional. The liberal art students? Let it suffice to say that fewer and fewer "dilletantes" are being graduated from colleges today; that the liberal arts courses of the day are either in themselves comprehensive and practical in nature, or they are a "stepping stone" to even more complex and highly specialized training, which necessitates previous higher learning.

At RPI, embryo dramatists, painters, scientists and the rest may accumulate a knowledge of their chosen, special field which heretofore had been exclusive; had been limited to a chosen few after a long apprenticeship. The apprenticeship did not include a liberal education; in most cases, wasn't even liberal.

RPI isn't a "short cut" to success in the Arts and Professions, but it does bridge the gap between a liberal art training and the highway you think you would like to follow.

Among us, right now, are names in "the making."

YOU'RE WELCOME

In the Letter to the Editor column is printed a letter from the Registrar's office, thanking the PROSCRIPT for its efforts on the two recent issues concerning catalogue information, and class schedules and instructions for mid-term registration.

Being human, the PROSCRIPT staff appreciates the acknowledgment. We like to receive compliments. Who doesn't?

This is an opportune time, also, to reiterate that the PROSCRIPT staff is willing, perhaps anxious, to receive criticism too. We feel criticism and compliments both are requisites to progress. Sincere criticism can be most helpful to anyone wise enough to accept it, evaluate it, and when possible, act upon it.

Entering as we are into the various professions, we are more than likely to become targets for criticism and therefore getting used to, and appreciating the value of adverse comments may well constitute an important part of our education.

The PROSCRIPT stands ready to take its full share of both compliments and criticism. Nothing less than a better newspaper should be the result. That is our objective . . . so "let 'em fly."

LO, THE POOR DENTIST

A "toothsome outlay" was proposed by GOP Congressional leaders the past week in the way of "Free Health Service."

The bill would distribute funds for dental care ranging from \$8,000,000 for the first year to \$20,000,000 the fourth year; \$10,000,000 for cancer control; \$2,000,000 for a national institute of dental research; \$3,000,000 for a survey of health and medical care resources and \$1,000,000 for a dental care survey.

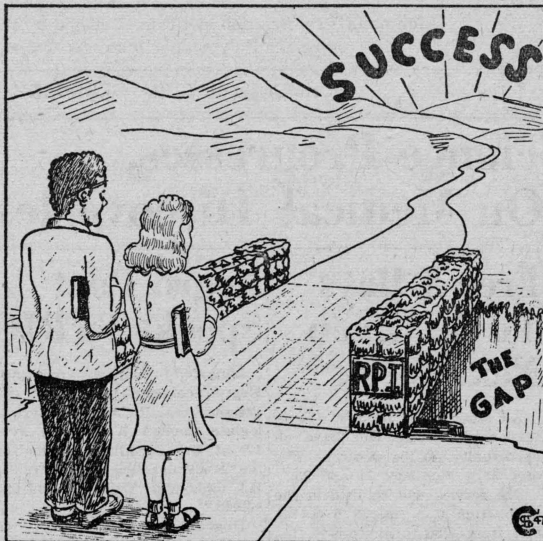
That's a lot of money. How much more should be added to it to promote, or cultivate a genuine desire to sit in the dentist's chair twice a year?

Recently, a speaker addressing the Chicago Dental Society's Midwinter meeting said: "The actual pain is not so great, but dentists are inconsiderate devils. They won't let me spit as often as I would like to, and seat me uncomfortably."

The speaker?

A Richmond, Virginia dentist . . . Dr. C. A. C. Jennings. Even dentists dislike going to dentists.

On The Right Road



We The Men

By PETER PRODAN

Everytime I look at the button popping caption WE THE MEN, I am inclined to think of English 101 and Mrs. Evans No. 6 . . . or of a wizened little woman shrilling at her spouse:

"Are you a man or a mouse?"
And the behemoth, queasily:
"Yeth, my love . . ."
Such is life.

The other day a brother student with whom I had a nodding acquaintance asked me—it was simply curiosity on his part—what I liked best about RPI.

I told him it was hard to say; that I hadn't taken time out between student work assignments, official and unofficial, to think about it. I guessed the best thing I liked about RPI was RPI . . . what RPI stood for, what constituted RPI, that which RPI was a part of, what RPI represented.

I didn't have a chance to continue. He looked at me pityingly, muttered something about "class" and "another one," and walked away. I haven't seen him since. Maybe he got a haircut in the interim and I can't recognize him.

What I meant was (simply, and after considerable thought), I liked the atmosphere of RPI best of all. All that is typically RPI . . . the semi-formality and variety of the courses, the campus in the Fall twilight, the mass movements of humanity in the Ad Hall, even the smoky air outside when the wind changes right. They sort of give you a feeling that you are a part of a live, growing mechanism.

That's what I like best about RPI, friend.

It Happened Here

Something well worth witnessing is Mr. Nichols with fire in his eyes, pouncing on a Business Law student for producing a wise-crack—either fancied or real.

What's that, what's that, if there are any cracks to be made around here, I'll make them." Thus is someone's ego subdued to a minimum and lectures returned to an academic standard.

BUSINESS CLUB

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meetings and to plan programs, along similar interests. These committeemen are: Anne Arnold; chairman, Clyde Jeffreys, Suzanne Cross, Richard Patterson, Carl Bandolan, and Winstead Swann. Mr. Roland B. Smith, of Journalism, addressed the group, say-

Letters To Editor

EDITORS OF THE PROSCRIPT

The Office of the Registrar would like to thank the staff of the *Proscript* for devoting two of its recent editions to the publication of the catalogue information and, especially, the class schedules and instructions for mid-term registration.

Our office was spared several weeks' unnecessary labor through the cooperation of the *Proscript*. In the past, instructions and information concerning the wheres and whys of registration have never been as clear and explicit as this time. We hope that the new and better method will remain the *Proscript's* practice.

Ann E. Wood
Assistant Registrar.

WOOD ELECTED

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Plans were made at the Roanoke conference to hold a convention in April to which delegates from all Virginia and West Virginia colleges and universities will be invited. The Roanoke delegation was composed of students who attended the Chicago convention to form a National Students Organization last month. This group will be representative of all institutions of higher learning in the United States and will attempt to consolidate the interests of college students all over the country. It will not be a political or pressure group, Wood said.

Six Virginia and West Virginia colleges were represented at the Chicago conference although others were invited. Those sending delegates were Richmond Professional Institute, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Sweet Briar College, Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Marshall College and W. Virginia Institute of Technology.

If you pick up a starving dog and make him prosperous, he will not bite you. This is the principal difference between a dog and a man.—Mark Twain.

ing, "RPI can become one of the finest colleges of commerce in the South. We need only to continue the good start we have made and to let the people of Virginia know what we are doing."

One of the activities planned by the club is a radio series to acquaint citizens of Richmond and the state with RPI and the facilities for education enjoyed by the college.

Say

By BOB WATKINS

A saucer of milk, or a dish for the cats:

Anti-social note: Miss Pummy Store Service Rice and Miss Dolly Art-for-Art's Sake Hamhock have been unusually exuberant all week, due no doubt to the presence of Miss Speedy Clark, one of last year's inmates and an intimate of the Misses Rice and Hamhock, to say thing of her Shafer Street affiliations. Happy days to you, Speed!

Afterthought: Who tripped Mr. Bailey?

Is this existentialism: Question posed in acting class by that old stunner, Judy Koch . . . sez Miss Koch: (confusedly) "Tell me, am I a man or a woman?" Are 'ya kiddin,' Miss Koch?

Entry for Poor Richard's Almanac: Even the psychology department is looking for the key to this current problem. Witness Dr. Bondy's interrogation of Peggy Jamison in the front hall t'other evening. Emma Lora was so startled she almost dropped her flat (no offense, Ray!)

It's All-Done-With-Wires Department: Mr. Hodges (in History of the Theatre): "As she said this, three bosoms heaved."

Rescission: Now comes someone to put Miss Regina (90 proof) Simmons to shame: Miss Jane Fivel, whose voice when she greeted us the other P. M. was at least 110 proof. And 'twas done without use of stimulants, believe us! HULLOA, Janie!

Hey, Bud: Get a load of our distinguishee Miss Meg Walter with her newest pet . . . this one a cute canine with a red bow an' a twitchy tail.

Comment on reconversion: Joan Wallerstein has certainly adapted the convoy to peace (?) time use. If you ever encounter a barrage of dubious looking males all concentrating on an era from which comes the sound of flapping eyelashes, you'll know our poor man's Theda Bara, the campus vamp-us, is abroad.

Remark of the decade by Miss Lola Mae Shiftet: "Never mistake asthma for passion."

NEGRO POET

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speaker hoped for a similar ending of racial intolerance in this country.

It was in Washington, D. C., during an unsuccessful attempt to enter Howard University, and in Paris that Hughes wrote many of his poems in syncopated rhythm. Illustrating this type of poetry, the writer read his "Negro Dancer" and "Out of Work." The poet and playwright has more recently written the lyrics for the revival of "Street Scene," a Broadway play.

Concluding Mr. Hughes paid tribute to the YWCA of America. It was under the auspices of the City Wide Industrial council of the Richmond YWCA that Hughes appeared before the local audience. He was introduced by Miss Adelle Pollard of the Council.

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The Poetry Column

“Requiem”

By CHARLES HENDRICK

The pale candlelight throws its flickering shadows over the long tiers of silent empty pews. Its rosy hues caress the withered flowers, placed perhaps, in memory of a son, who once stood before this ancient altar.

Silence, profound in its completeness, gives no thought, but of comfort. The rustic organ, so long silent, at last breaks the stillness, with a single melodious chord. Seeming to gather strength from its own harmony, it pours fourth its plaintive strains.

No worldly influence penetrates the depths of this song; the richness of its tones reflect no ideas of earthly content. Here, then, is the perfect melody. Simple, unaffected, yet soul stirring in its perfect accord.

The trembling flame, slowly draws to itself the glow it has cast. The worn ivory keys of the organ hesitate, then are stilled.

One last ray of light lingers, to touch the withered petals of a rose, then fades from sight. The soft cloak of darkness descends, and finding no hinderance, settles; bringing solitude once more.

Spring Fashions

Feature Cotton

By ELAINE HORTON and LAURA ANN BARRETT

The wind blows cold and the sky is grey but the barometer points to warmer days—to budding blossom colors in coats and hats, swirling skirts and dress dreams for vacation land.

“Let’s spend a day on the beach” with white sharkskin shorts and sun bolero. With a few exceptions 1947 follows much the same trends in beachwear as recent years. The cotton peasant blouse over traditional “boy shorts” prove a college girls favorite. For complete ease on the beach, plaid “clamdigger” pants team up with a striped fishing jacket. Hooded beach coats and white “popcorn” bathing suits present a new style note this season.

The dream of every girl on one of Richmond’s hot summer days is to slip into a cool sun dress and bolero. One of the most popular fabrics for these, this season, will be a whisper weight paisley cotton. With the jacket, this dress is a costume for shopping or luncheon. Engagements. The dress, minus jacket, goes sunning or participates in active sports.

For spectator or active sports, the fall back on cotton and chambray golfer dresses will continue from now until signs of winter move in.

Eyes toward the much talked about lengths for “Miss 1947”—From all signs they will continue long. The trend of tight skirts moves on to pleats and flares. For an evening of dancing, a fan fare of knife pleats that whirl to the forefront of 1947 fashion.

Back rows, lace inserts, and bustles go to give the smartly dressed college girl that “sophisticated” look.

The coolness of an ocean breeze brings out the white wool box coat or the short flannel jacket. They can be worn during the day for sports or thrown over the shoulders for evening glamour.

The eye’s have it for color and lots of it. Navy, coral and delphinium blue are old favorites.

Katherine Bell

Speaks At DE Club

College graduates are now recognized for training for junior executive positions,” Miss Katherine Bell, of Thalmers told the Distributors’ Club at their monthly meeting, February 12.

“Stores are coming more and more to value the college trained applicant,” she said.

Miss Bell, employment manager at the downtown department store, discussed the three phases of the personnel division: employment, training and employee welfare. She highlighted her talk by sharing with the club members some of her interesting and unusual experiences met in personnel work.

Her work consists of training new persons for sales positions in the store. Another phase of her work includes employee welfare.

The club had as their guest Miss Vivian King, distributive education coordinator at John Marshall high school and her retailing students.

TALKS ON MEDICAL

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Tracing the discovery and development of penicillin from its accidental discovery in 1929, Dr. Snell explained the production of the drug and its chief value in arresting disease. To illustrate the rapidity with which America produced penicillin Dr. Snell declared that the price of the drug fell 95 percent in two years and that the United States now exports more than it uses domestically.

Continuing his treatment of drugs the speaker discussed the development and uses of streptomycin, the sulfa drug group, the anti-malarial agents, germicides, and D.D.T. Of the latter he asserted that in 1945 three million pounds a month were sent to U. S. Armed forces in the Pacific.

In a short history of penicillin Dr. Snell stated that the drug was first discovered in 1929 by an English doctor. The drug was discovered in a mould and was acting as a preventive against certain types of infection among the fungi of the mould.

By 1932 interest had died out in the discovery because no one could get an adequate clinical try for it.

Interest revived again in 1939 and promising results were obtained. The Rockefeller Foundation in 1941 advocated an association to work on it in the United States. They were interested in a larger scale production.

This association was developed by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and from private capital.

In his capacity as one of a board of twelve chemists under the OPRD Dr. Snell helped in the quantitative production of Penicillin. The OPRD was interested in tonnage of production.

At first many thousands of quart bottles were used, in which liquid half-filled the jar, the surface of which was covered with mould.

Later it was produced by submerged mould fungi in 12,000 gallon tanks.

Research was made for a better mould. The Air Transport Command helped in this work by bringing samples of soil from all

Moving in on top is “shocking” pink combined with grey. Raspberry, and a delicate shade of peach blossoms set off the charm and naturalness of the American girl.

Gothic and Mexican

Art Films Shown

The students of the Art department were shown two movies Tuesday night (Feb. 11) at eight o’clock. These films were procured from the Museum of Modern Art in New York.

“The Cathedral of Naumberg,” Germany was the subject of the first film. The Gothic sculpture was shown to great advantage with superior photography accompanied by music of Bach.

“Monuments of Ancient Mexico,” filmed in Kodachrome, was the second movie. Aztec ruins, dating back to 200 or 300 B. C., have been excavated by the Mexican government. Through their painstaking efforts they have been able to trace the civilization of their country in the remains of the monuments to their gods.

Delivery of Desks

To RPI Delayed

The newest lecture room in the chemistry building is without desks due to the delayed delivery of one hundred seventy tablet arm chairs or desks from the State penitentiary. Seventy of these wooden chair-desks, scheduled for delivery Saturday, Feb. 1, were intended for this new room which is furnished at the present with steel chairs.

As yet they have not arrived and authorities at the penitentiary are unable to set a definite date for delivery, according to Dean Henry H. Hibbs when he made this announcement Thursday, February 13.

Dr. Hibbs attributed the unfilling order to the great amount of time and selection involved in fitting into the desks insertions of circular blocks of wood or dowels which hold the desks together.

Men Whip Toppers

Playing a post-season basketball game, RPI romped to an 86 to 53 win over the Toppers Club at RPI’s gym, February 12. Rod McKenzie had a field day scoring 32 points for RPI. Bob Pulley was second with 18 points. For the visitors, Clyde Hardy, dropped in 17 points.

Wealth maketh many friends.
—Proverbs: 2:4.

over the world.

Production of penicillin increased but the supply was still behind the demand in 1942-43. A penicillin Czar was appointed and under his administration, and with the cooperation of universities and industry, production doubled every month for six months.

The Army’s use of Penicillin delayed the availability for civilian usage, but in 1944 the supply was ahead of demand.

This supply of the drug was a triumph of modern Chemical Engineering and Biological Science.

However, the triumph was not an easy one. Raw materials would become short, production would cease, then speed up again.

Synthetic Penicillin was attempted, but with less than 1 percent success.

In spite of all the adversities of the War and its aftermath, Penicillin is now available through any regular drug channel, and at a 95 percent lower cost.

The development of Penicillin illustrates the progress of Science because it has had a bearing on health all over the world.

Dr. Snell also spoke in brief of the development of sulfa drugs, quinine substitutes that proved better than the original, and DDT.

THE WEEK’S REVIEWS

Book Review

Drama

By MARY SCARLETT

Mr. Adam, a best-seller by Pat Franck is a laugh-provoking satire on government bureaucracy.

In this book, an experimental atomic bomb explosion sterilized the males of the world.

The “hero” was discovered in America. Mr. Adam was found to be the only male not to have been affected by the atomic rays. This timid soul was thereupon seized by the government and carted off to Washington. An organization was set up with all the usual red tape. Poor Adam was labelled Top Secret, cut off from his wife, surrounded by barbed wire and body guards and subjected to numberless experiments.

Scientists proposed that Adam fertilize the nation. A hubbub arose from American women who wanted to be among the chosen few to bear Adam’s children. Rumors leaked out that Russia had two fertile males. The White House was in an uproar. To add to the complications Adam finally asserted himself and refused to “father” the population of America. The book continues in this vein until the reader begins to wonder how we ever won the war.

The author throughout the book has slyly and not too subtly poked at Washington’s sore point, the red tape.

Missing Letters

How well can you place letters? In each one of these strange words, the letters “R. P. and I.” are missing. An English word will appear in each case if you place the letters correctly. For instance, in “osct,” “Proscript” can be deduced. A score of 9 or 10 is excellent, 7 or 8, good, or 6, average. Below 5 and you’ve flunked.

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Classified Advertising

Students attending the Richmond Professional Institute may place classified advertising in this column without charge.

If you wish to place an ad, call Bennie L. Dunkum at 7-9881.

LOST—Henry D. Kashouty lost an army officers’ coat. If you find it, please get in touch with Henry.

FOR SALE—Man’s tuxedo, large size. Call 6-5493.

FOUND—Several fountain pens and a ring have been found recently and turned in to Mrs. Gordon.

FOR SALE—A portable combination radio and victrola. Price \$15.00. Call 6-5566 after 6 p.m.

LOST—A red billfold with initial “C.M.W.”

NOTE—All lost and found articles should be turned in to Mrs. Gordon at the Information Desk in the Administration Building.

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LUNCHES
701 W. Grace Street

By JEANNE BREWSTER

“The Gay White Way” from Elmer Rice’s “Side Walks of New York,” was presented in pantomime by the Cellar Door Players last week.

Satirizing theatrical life, the production was set in the waiting room of an agents office.

Imogene Cowan, portrayed the blase secretary; Peter Prodan was the preying agent; Joan Leghorn the ingenue who possessed the figure but not the talent; Margaret Walters, the French actress complete with poodle; Charles Weaver, feminist; Suzanne Thornton, the meek novice; Robert Jeffers, an old character actor; and Carolyn Graves the curious, rough scrub woman.

The presentation illustrated how pantomime, can be more expressive than dialogue.

Stage direction was by Mary Turner Seller.

Ideas To Debate

Chair Shortage

After a vain search for more chairs for his standing students, Dr. Howard Davis is convinced he has the only solution to the problem. He suggests that next semester each student be issued a chair at the beginning of the term which he should take to each class he attends during the term.

In this way, Dr. Davis tells us, individuals may suit their personal tastes in chair decoration. We can see the sweet young things with attachable mirrors and pink and blue flower decors on their assigned chairs. And the art students with cubistic designs.

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Bobbin' About

By BOB HALL

THE SULTAN TAKES A BOW . . .

One of the greatest sluggers in the annals of baseball is George Herman Ruth. Out of the past, his feats of baseball mastery present a never-ending picture of a great baseballer, an even greater man. The Babe, acclaimed as the man who built the Yankee Stadium, will likely never see this greatest dream materialize. He wanted more than anything else in the world to manage a major league ball club.

Several times he came close to a managerial capacity on the team which meant his livelihood—a healthy one—the Yankees. He was never appointed to the post, and has rested on his name, since his retirement from baseball in the middle thirties.

"The Sultan of Swat" has proved a colorful career for youngsters who idolized him. Renowned respect and philosophical viewpoints dotted the admirable professional life of Babe Ruth. To many who know him, he has always been a warm-hearted American, ready to give his last dime to any worthy cause. To many others, who know him not, he is a gregarious individual, who liked to entertain and spend money.

His greatest asset, however, was his dominating personality and ability to charm children. His love of youngsters, has made him the idolized "King of Baseball" which he is today.

Records of his hitting feats have been reviewed over and over again in sports articles published during his span of fourteen years of homer-hitting might. His most astounding record, and one that probably will be long in reign, is his 60 round-trippers walloped in a single season. Two players since have come close to this, but none have touched it.

Should the Babe recover from his biggest battle so far in his lifetime, the fight for life, which he is undergoing at the present, I would advocate that he be given an executive position in the department of baseball. For if any one person gave anything to baseball, that person is Babe Ruth. No superlatives can describe his career in whole, but it is a pinnacle for every American boy to try to attain.

TENNIS ON THE AGENDA . . .

Sports activity in R. P. I. takes a decided turn for the better with the coming spring season. As the indoor sport, basketball, takes its ominous bow, in comes tennis and the diamond sport.

Idle palaver has presented itself all over school concerning the potentialities of tennis at the outset of the outdoor sport season.

Tennis is definitely in the picture as far as this school is concerned. Although it got its belated start last year, the girls came out with a winning record, while the boys—and they were few—split two racket-wielding affairs.

If it was a success last year—and it could be called that—it certainly may be predicted that tennis can play a major role in this year's recreation campaign.

OUR COACHES' COMMENT . . .

Dick Wiltshire, the Green team's cage mentor, expressed in a letter to this column his feelings as to the season recently completed by R.P.I.'s men. It follows:

I wish to express my thanks to you and to the team and to all who took an interest in us.

I do not think that the team should be judged by its record of games won and lost, but by the attitude and effort made by the members of the team. At all times, they conducted themselves as gentlemen and were a credit to the school. I have heard numerous comments from opponents as to the fine sportsmanship which the R.P.I. team displayed.

Despite the fact that we could not have practices daily and did not have the facilities which our opponents had, every member of the team was conscientious about practicing and playing at every opportunity. In my opinion it was a successful season for both the team and the school.

If there is ever anything that I can do to be of assistance in the athletic situation there, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,
DICK.

Three Old Dominion Clubs Battle For Tournament Berth

By WALTER HOWERTON

Three clubs from Virginia are battling for a berth in the Southern Conference basketball tournament to be played in Durham, N. C., on March 6-7 and 8th. The remaining schedule favors only one but there is a strong possibility that all three will make the grade.

Washington and Lee's classy team, composed practically entirely with freshmen, are the best bet to enter the conference picture. The Generals ran up one of the highest scoring jobs in conference history when they trampled Clemson 101-56 at Lexington last week. William and Mary and Richmond are other possibilities with V.P.I. and V.M.I. definitely out.

The Generals, having finished

playing the tougher conference opponents, have four league games left to play. They have a pair with William and Mary and one each with Richmond and V.P.I. Should they win all four of these, (which they are heavily favored to do) they would be a sure bet to enter the conference, with a 9-4 record.

William and Mary in addition to the two games with W. and L. face a very stiff schedule. Their other games include a pair with V.M.I. and single games with V.P.I. and North Carolina State. Richmond, on the other hand, has five games left. They are all single games with Maryland, V.M.I., Wake Forest, George Washington and W. and L.

The tournament, which has been moved from Raleigh's Memorial Auditorium to Duke Uni-

Green Concludes Cage Campaign

Bridgewater Edges Out RPI Girls, 29-25, In Local Gym.

A hot spurt in the final minutes of play proved futile February 12 as the R. P. I. girls' Green lost to Bridgewater College, 29-24, in the local gym.

Gene Layne, captain of the fairer sex, looped in three successive half-court shots to put the R. P. I. back into the game with a minute left, 25-22. Two buckets by Bridgewater players and another by Marty Winston, of the locals, in the final minute marked the minute's play.

Both sextets fought on about even terms in the opening stanza with the visitors holding a 6-5 margin at its close. Bridgewater became hot in the second period netting a total of 14 points while holding the locals to three to move ahead, 20-8 at intermission.

The third quarter continued in favor of the visiting six as they whipped in five while limiting R. P. I. to two fielders.

In the fourth portion, an entirely different situation took its hold as Layne and Winston both started registering, the former getting four fielders, the latter, two. This final spurt, however, was insufficient to overcome the visitors' margin.

Layne with 13 and Winston, who garnered ten, led the locals, while Tate accounted for 17, Early eight, and Beard, four, to complete the winners' total.

Layne Leads Girls Cagers

Individual statistics compiled through six games, of which the R. P. I. girls cagers have split three and three, show Captain Gene Layne at the head of the scoring parade with 79 markers.

Following in close succession are Barbara Hobson, who started slow, but has countered all her 33 points in the last four contests; and Clem Allen, three behind at third with a 30-point total.

Marty -Winston's total of 12 buckets is good for fourth, while Cynthia Crockett has connected for ten, and Mary Munce, seven, to complete the fairer sex scoring as this goes to press.

The consistent performances of Mary Roberts and Gloria Chaney plus a galaxy of four other guards, has been of high order throughout the campaign.

Four games remain on the girls' schedule which runs through March 7, when they meet Lynchburg (there). Friday past the girls should have played Norfolk and last Monday they were scheduled to meet William and Mary. February 26, a double bill with Westhampton will see both the varsity and reserve sextets in action.

iversity's large field house, should be one of the greatest in the history of the conference. The gymnasium at Duke will seat comfortably 8500 people. At Raleigh only 4000 could be entered.

Sticking my neck out on a limb, I will pick the eight teams to make the conference grade. They are: North Carolina State, Duke, North Carolina, Washington and Lee, South Carolina, George Washington, Maryland and Davidson. North Carolina State will be top seeded with Washington and Lee the surprise of the tourney.

Duty is what we expect from others.—Oscar Wilde,

Medics Rout Locals, 66-30

By Art Lee

A 66 to 30 shellacking administered to the Richmond Professional Institute's basketball five by the Medical College of Virginia marked the end of the regular season for the RPI boys.

Playing before an estimated crowd of 330 at the Central YMCA, the Medical College got off to a fast start. At the start of the game, a tip-in by Earl Allara of MCV, a push shot from mid-court by Ralph Roe of RPI, and another tip-in by Allara put the fast moving Medics out in front. From that point the final gun they never relinquished the lead.

Increasing the lead to 22 to 8 at the end of the first quarter, Billy McCann, coach of MCV began substituting freely throughout the remainder of the game.

The RPI cagers staged a short-lived rally at the outset of the second half. Rudy and Shobe matched the Medics point for point, but Allara came to life near the end of the quarter to drop in 10 consecutive fast lay-up shots. The second MCV team played the third quarter scoring 16 points while holding RPI to a mere two.

Breaking through RPI's defense, the Medics were able to ring up the score with easy lay-up and tip-in shots. Burr McLellan, former All-State from Emory and Henry College, and Allara accounted for 40 of the Medics points. Each scored 20. Shobe led the RPI cagers with 9 points and Roe accounted for six.

Shobe Holds Active Record

By Gene Wright

Dave Shobe, one of R. P. I.'s most valuable players, both offensively and defensively during the 1946-47 basketball season earns recognition this week as one of the school's sports stars.

Shobe was one of the scrappiest cagers for the Green and Gold throughout the season. His defensive play enabled the Big Green to upset favored foes and to end the season with a successful record.

Playing three years of basketball for Varina High School, he was chosen for the League Two All-Star Team after Varina won the League's Two championships without a defeat.

Dave played two years of high school baseball, pitching and playing second base. He also played a year of football as quarterback from the T formation.

He started basketball while in Varina playing guard, but shifted to forward, his favorite position during his last two years in school. A year hitch in the navy preceded his R. P. I. venture.

Class Quips

Student of Biology: What is the quickest way to get rid of a cold?

Dr. Doris Fales: If you follow the doctor's advice you may be well in a week; if you treat yourself it will take 7 days.

During a recent class of European history, Dr. Albert Rogers wrote on the blackboard for the

Men Win Four Rudy Is High

By Bob Hall

Four wins sandwiched sparingly among nine reversals marked the basketball campaign recently concluded by the Richmond Professional Institute five.

Starting the season with a defeat to McGuire Hospital, 48-36, they came back to take two straight, their most extended winning streak, by edging the Randolph-Macon Jayvee quint, 33-31, and Union Theological Seminary, 49-37.

Setbacks at the hands of R-M, 38-35; McGuire, 46-39; Camp Lee Quartermaster 49-32; Medical College, 63-39; and R-M "B" again 50-46, followed before the losing string was broken.

Broken it was, for the surprise victory of the season in local circles, verified by the daily papers, resulted when a 63-49 verdict was registered over the highly regarded Varina Recreation Center.

Camp Lee captured their second with a 43-33 verdict, before the Big Green could come back with a 51-49 decision over the Westhampton All-Stars.

Varina Rec. reversed things with a 68-43 rout, and the Med. College made matters worse as they trounced the Green, 66-30, to close out the season.

Although they lost twice as many as they were able to win, Coach Dick Wiltshire considered the Green as having completed a somewhat successful season. He attributed their mediocre showing to poor facilities and therefore lack of practice.

It can be said that five men from various sections, put on a floor, after being taught five different ways of caging, can't put out without constant practice, and co-operation.

This writer believes that with the right breaks at the opportune times, the Green team could have pulled a number of their affairs out of the fire, but it seemed the punch was just not there when it was most severely needed.

The local cagers were definitely a last-half team in every game with possibly a couple of exceptions, they scored at least twice as many centers in the second portions as were secured in the firsts.

Bernard Rudy topped all scorers throughout the season, garnering 126 points, while Captain Rod McKenzie held a close second with 102 buckets. Ralph Roe, who seemed to have the most consistently keen eye when he was "on", dropped in 82 for third.

Following in line for the first five were Charly Smith, with 70 to his credit, and Dave Shobe, who sunk 54.

Richard Lacy dropped through 30; Wimp Cottrell accounted for 27; Joel Chipiwalt, 13; Ed Krug, eight; Norm Sherman, five; Don McKenzie, four; Clyde Hardy, two, and Marvin Culbreth, one, for the entire season totals.

students to "outline" the lengthy answer to a question. After asking the class if there were any questions regarding the assignment, one student replied, "Yes, when you say 'outline,' do you mean outline?"

Be always sure you're right—then go ahead.—David Crockett.

A sharp tongue is the only edge tool that grows keener with use.—Washington Irving.

Some people are so fond of ill luck that they run half-way to meet it.—Douglas Jerrold.

Fortune, men say, doth give too much to many.

But yet she never gave enough to any.—Sir John Harrington.

There is no cure for birth and death save to enjoy the interval.—George Santayana.