

## Comic Fest Tickets On Sale Now

Tickets are on sale now in the administration building for the Inter-Faith Council "Comic Fest" on Saturday night, April 24, from 8 to 12 midnight in the gymnasium. Helen Cooper, chairman of the entertainment, announced that admission will be 50 cents per person or 25 cents plus an article of clothing.

By HELEN COOPER

"Come to the Comic-Fest and see the mock trial of Dr. Howard Davis, Judge Alvin Hobgood of Dr. Curt Bondy's criminology class, will preside. You will be the jurors.

There will be a characterization of Marrying Sam by Franklin Davis. He will "hitch" you to your date for the evening in a Dogpatch marriage ceremony for a nominal fee.

James (Available Jones) Fish will sell his services for a price, and characterizations of Dick Tracy and Sheriff Finn will be seen at work, while the criminology class enforces justice in a special jail, or "hoosegow."

Come to the Comic-Fest and informal dance. Bring your "old look" clothing as well as your piggy banks. Get your money changed to pennies for an evening of fun and hilarity.

Proceeds from this IFC stunt will go to the workers of a model prison in Germany. The criminology class has been studying the particular prison.

## Meeting Held For Wet Artist

Three drenched artists drying themselves out on a stove was the scene in the rear library, the past Wednesday.

A meeting of the Advertising Art club was scheduled there for 8 o'clock and the three soaked persons were Mr. H. P. Martin, account executive of Ferguson Advertising Agency and guest speaker for the night, Mr. Milton Hull, assistant professor of art at RPI, and Francis Hardesty, president of the Advertising Art club.

The meeting which had been held up half an hour by the rain, finally got under way with an interested audience composed of Advertising Art club members and visitors from the Fine Arts club, the Fashion club, and the Interior Decorating club.

Mr. Martin spoke on the relationship between advertising agencies, clients, and artists. He

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## Calendar of Events

April 21—Riding Club, Ad. 25, 7:30 p.m.

April 23—Athletic Association Conference, Room 1, 7:00-10 p.m.

April 24—Athletic Association Conference, Room 1 all day. Dr. Kalif, Room K, 9:00-1:00. Comic-Fest, sponsored by Inter-Faith Council, Gym, 8:00-12:00 p.m.

April 25—Newman Club picnic, 11:00 a.m.

April 28—Interior Decoration Club, Rear Library, 8:00-10:00 p.m.

## Publicity Undermines Public; Education Badly Needed--Perry

That the media of publicity will eventually undermine the mentality of the populace unless education raises the desires of the public was the thought expressed by Dr. Ralph Barton Perry at the formal convocation the past Monday.

Speaking on "Education and Publicity," Dr. Perry emphasized that publicity shows the characteristics of society, but it teaches nothing. "In this era that tends toward the vulgar there is a public that is responsive to suggestion. If we teach the art of choice, publicity would do more good," Dr. Perry continued.

### Education, Publicity Defined

In arriving at his conclusions, the professor emeritus of philosophy at Harvard university first defined education and publicity.

"Education," he explained, "is the total process of grasping the civilization of the past and embodying it in a future civilization. It is characterized by inheritance, participation, and contribution."

"Public relations . . . or publicity . . . enters a person's life from the cradle to the grave," he said. He expressed that the average person is influenced through newspapers, magazines, books, radio, movies, and stage presentations.

Dr. Perry stated that "the powers that be" in the publicity field "are primarily interested in private fortune rather than public mentality." He explained that magazine and newspaper publishers want circulation; radio men want listeners; and movie and

theater managers desire patrons

### Remedies To Problem

Dr. Perry gave three possible remedies to the problem. They were (1) reform the producers of publicity; (2) place the agencies of publicity under government control; and (3) transfer responsibility from the producers to the consumers or raise the level of mass demand.

Dr. Perry explained that only the third remedy is actually possible and that it will take time to bring this about.

Dr. Perry spoke as the first visiting scholar of the Richmond Area University Center. Dr. Sydney S. Negus, of the Medical College of Virginia faculty, is chairman. The center is conducted with a view to cooperation between the 10 colleges in this area.

## Sandor Salgo And Shepard Play Recital

The School of Music presented a joint recital by Volney Shepard, professor of music and Sandor Salgo, violinist, this past Tuesday evening in the Woman's Club auditorium.

The two artists performed a Franck sonata and a Brahms sonata together. Mr. Salgo played variations on a theme of Corielli by Kreisler, Ave Maria by Schubert-Wilhelming and "Rumanische Volkstänze" by Bartok.

Mr. Shepard played "Sequidilla" by Albeniz, "Elegie" by Rachmaninoff, and "Alegre Apassionata" by Saint-Saens.

## Preferences For President To Be Tallied

Who is the college student's choice for the next president of the United States?

The Proscript will help answer that question soon when it co-operates in a nation-wide college poll sponsored by Varsity the Young Man's Magazine. Country-wide tabulation will be publicized nationally via press and radio before the major political parties meet in Philadelphia to choose their candidates.

Varsity, in sponsoring this poll, has chosen a carefully selected group of schools, covering every

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## Artists And Journalists On Way To New York City

### 100 Art Students Visit N. Y. 5 Days

About 100 students in the School of Art left yesterday for five days in New York.

Although the students do not have many requirements they must go to the Museum of Modern Art. Departments that are represented are Fine Art, Fashion, Advertising, Interior Decoration, Crafts, and Drama.

Fine Art students are visiting museums, shops, schools, and galleries. Fashion students will see stores, pattern and textile firms, advertising agencies, and designers.

Interior Decoration students will visit furniture display rooms, and schools. The Crafts department will go to the "American House," the craft center run on a cooperative basis.

Advertising Art students are required to visit the Art Students League, Museum of Modern Art, the studios of Hallmark Greeting cards and Charles E. Cooper, and an advertising agency.

Drama students will spend 12 hours of the week seeing shows, and will also visit the Museum of Modern Art.

Faculty members who are going on the trip include Mr. Robert R. Harrison, professor of art; Mrs. Hazel Mundy, assistant professor of costume design; Miss

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### 2nd Year Class To Visit 3 Cities

Tomorrow the second year journalism class will be off to the "big city!"

Leaving Main Street Station at 7:15 a. m., the class will reach Washington, D. C. about 10 o'clock, and will attend the President's press conference.

Tickets will be obtained from Senator Harry F. Byrd to enter the Senate gallery. Representative J. Vaughan Gary will give the class tickets to sit in on the House session.

Tomorrow night the class will attend the Elmer Davis news broadcast. Friday morning they will visit the White House. Lunch with Drew Pearson will complete the Washington visit.

Friday night the group will be in Pottstown, Penna. where they will get out the AN edition of the Pottstown Mercury. Members of the class will perform the same duties that they have on the Proscript.

At 5 p. m. the students will reach their final destination, New York. There they will visit Radio City the Time and Life Magazine buildings and news of the day broadcast. They will return to Richmond 10:15 Monday night.

"She was only a bootlegger's daughter but I love her still," Quonset Scout, U. S. Naval Air Station, Quonset Point, R. I.

## Prof. Bondy Will Lecture In Germany

Two German universities have invited Dr. Curt Bondy, professor of psychology here, to teach during their coming Summer sessions, and he has accepted.

These universities are situated at Hamburg and Goettingen, in the British zone of occupation. Dr. Bondy taught in both schools before the rise of Hitler.

The trip will be sponsored by RPI and the College of William of Mary, which have received a grant from the Rockefeller Foundation for this purpose.

Dr. Bondy has not completed his plans but intends to teach until July 31, when the summer semesters at the universities end. The remaining time he will use in traveling in the British and American zones. There, he wants to "study the social and psychological situation of the Germans, and especially their efforts to meet the high degree of waywardness and criminality among young people."

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## Play By Morrow To Be Radio Show

Tonight the Theatre Associates of the Air will present as the feature presentation of the RPI Progress Parade, "Emily," a radio play written especially for this program by Tyrone Morrow, major in dramatic art.

The program will be broadcast over Richmond's FM station WOOD, at 7:30 p. m.

Morrow, who has been in several presentations of the RPI radio program, including "The Christmas Carol," and "The Tell-tale Heart," wrote the play originally as a half-hour feature. William Buckley, Air major is director of tonight's show.

Emily, a weird story, dealing with the supernatural, the unbelievable.

Imogene Cowan will take the part of Florence, the witch sister. Others in the cast are Morris Law, Norbert Edwards, and Tyrone Morrow.

"Art in Everybody's Life" will be the subject of discussion on next week's program. Members of the panel will be four members of the Fine Arts faculty. They are: Theresa Pollak, professor of art, Maurice Bonds, G. D. Casey, and W. H. Behl, all assistant professors of art.

## SGA Voting Men's Club On Agenda

Nominating technique and voting procedure for the Student Government Association election, and a proposed mens' German Club were the two major items on the agenda of the SGA meeting April 13.

Nominations for the new SGA officers will be accepted Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 22, 23, and 24, in the front hall of the Ad building. They may be submitted from 8:30 until 2:30 on Thursday and Friday, and from 8:30 'til 1 o'clock on Saturday.

The president and vice-president must be Juniors. The offices of secretary and treasurer may be filled by Freshmen or Sophomores.

If a man receives the highest number of nominating votes for president, the man with the next highest number will also have his name on the ballot. If such is the case, a woman must be elected for vice-president.

If a woman receives the highest number of nominating votes, the woman with next highest number will also have her name on the ballot for president. In this case, a man must be elected vice-president.

To insure that two men and two women share the official positions, the secretary must be of the same sex as the president and the treasurer the same as the vice-president.

Election days will be Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, April 28, 29, and 30, from 8:30 until 2:30 in the front hall of the Ad building.

Results will be published in the PROSCRIPT on May 5, and the new officers will be installed at a convocation May 7 in Grove Avenue Baptist church.

A men's German, social club (Continued on page 2)

## May Day Plans Now Official

The schedule of May Day week end activities is now official according to Mary Caligari and Carl Bandoian, co-chairmen of May Day. The official schedule is:

### Friday, May 7

10 a.m. Convocation at Grove Avenue Baptist Church.  
4 p.m. Fashion Show in the Gym.

8:30-11:30 p.m. Informal Dance in the gym with Hunter Purdie's orchestra.

### Saturday, May 8

2 p.m. Crowning of May Queen at East Lawn.  
3:30-5:00 p.m. Tea Dance at dormitories.

5:30-6:30 p.m. Supper hour for dorm students and their guests.

9:00-12:00 p.m. May Day Dance at Gray's Armory with Hunter Purdie's orchestra, semi-formal. Girls living in dorms will be allowed 1:30 late.

## Riders To Meet

There will be a call meeting of the Riding Club, Wednesday, April 21, 1948 at 7:30 p. m., in Room 25 of the Ad. Building.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss plans for a social function. William Cato is president of the club.

## Education May Receive Federal Aid

Sweeping revisions in the system of higher education in America are called for by the President's Commission on Higher Education in its series of six reports recently completed.

The Commission, composed of outstanding educators, was appointed by President Truman last summer to "examine the functions of higher education in our democracy and the means by which they can best be performed."

The number one need for higher education today, the group has found, is the expansion of higher education facilities so that more students may be able to attend college. The Commission urged Extension of free public education through the first two years of college as one of the steps toward meeting this need. At the same time, it stated, there should be a "concerted drive to reduce all fees for public colleges and universities."

Citing the phenomenal growth of higher education in this country, the Commission stated that college enrollments in 1947 jumped to the unprecedented total of 2,354,000. Of these about 1,000,000 were veterans, receiving college training under the G. I. Bill of Rights. In addition there are today approximately 1,500,000 other veterans who are receiving some form of training through the educational provisions of the G. I. Bill of Rights.

Despite this record, however, the Commission stated that "one of the gravest charges to which American society is subject is that of failing to provide a reasonable equality of educational opportunity for its youth."

The Commission believes that by 1960 there should be a minimum of 4,600,000 students enrolled in colleges and universities. Of this number 2,500,000 would be in junior college, another 1,500,000 at the senior college level, and the remaining 600,000 would be college graduates who would continue their studies in graduate and professional schools.

### ST. HELENA WINS

St. Helena scored a run in the ninth to top the Green Devils in baseball 7 to 6 at the McGuire Hospital field April 14.

The institute held a 5 to 3 lead until the seventh when the Norfolk school scored three runs. Two hits with two errors put the visitors ahead. The locals tied up the score in their half of the seventh with a run.

A single and an error enabled St. Helena to score the winning tally in the ninth.



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## 112 Years Ago Was Texas Fight

Today marks the 112 anniversary of the defeat of General de Santa Anna at San Jacinto in 1836 by General Sam Houston and Texas. Houston was a native Virginian.

To Sam Houston more than any person, the U. S. owes the possession of Texas. To him Texas owes her independence from Mexico. He commanded the Texan troops at the battle of San Jacinto, April 21, 1836.

Born near Lexington, Va., he moved to the frontier in Tennessee at the age of 13. For several years he lived among the Cherokee Indians, by whom he was adopted. During the War of 1812 he rose from private to lieutenant and formed a life-long friendship with General Jackson.

When Texas was annexed in 1848, she honored Houston by electing him senator, a place which he held until he was elected governor in 1859.

Houston, Texas was named in honor of the General, being settled soon after his San Jacinto victory.

## Newman Picnic To Be April 25

Duggan's Lake will be the scene of the RPI Newman Club picnic April 25.

A joint RPI and University of Richmond Communion breakfast at Cathedral High School, situated at the corner of Morris St. and Floyd Ave., at 8:30 a. m. that morning, will precede the picnic.

The group and their guests will travel by bus after breakfast to Duggan's Lake, ten miles east of Richmond. If weather permits, swimming will accompany the food and activities.

The Newman Club is a Catholic organization with the purpose of informing Catholic students of church doctrines and providing Christian socials for them.

### S.G.A. VOTING

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open to all male members of the student body, was proposed by Marvin Eastman, sophomore. This club will be analogous to the girls' Cotillion. The proposal was passed by the council and Bernard Schutte, representative to the association from the Lost Battalion, was put in charge of investigation and organization.

Wife: Why do you always go out on the porch when I sing?  
Husband: I want to prove to the people passing that I'm not beating you.—Exchange.

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## Prexy's Life Quiet Until The Big Flood

Sue Grosner, recently elected house - president, of Founder's Hall, has taken her position quite seriously. She held private christening ceremonies last Thursday afternoon—at least they started out as private.

Suddenly through the peace and calm of a quiet hour in Founder's Hall, the thunder of feet on the stairs (if two small feet running could be referred to as thunder) and a shrill voice screaming "Who's here?," upset all persons on the first floor.

A pert little girl in a bright red sweater burst into the living room breathlessly repeating over and over, "The Bendix the Bendix, the Bendix." Then she did an abrupt about face and rushed back downstairs, followed by another girl and a strange male who didn't know what to do, but went along anyway.

After a twisting race through gloomy corridors, the trio arrived at the small room containing three automatic washing machines.

Sue pointed to the middle one, saying, "There, I can't cut it off -- and it won't stop --and ohhhhhh, just look at all that water running out on the floor."

Wading through a flood of soap suds and water, Anne Aiken leaned over and closed the door to the Bendix tightly, thereby stopping steady flow.

"Awww," said Sue, "is that all that was the matter? I had visions of the whole basement being flooded."

In the future, it might be wise if Miss Grosner were not to go down there by herself. Such a tiny person could easily be drowned if no one happened to be around to close those huge doors to the washing machines.

## Reese Will Speak At Club Meeting

Mr. H. Reese will speak to the Interior Decorator Club Wednesday evening in the Rear Library at 8:00 p. m. The subject of his talk will be on the construction of furniture. This meeting is for Interior Decorator club members only.

Mr. Reese is an authority on antiques and owns an antique shop in Richmond.

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warned his audience against disillusionments, saying that the work would not always be interesting. He showed examples of his work in its various phases before it attains the ultimate approval of the client.

Mr. Martin was the 1946 president of the Graphic Art Guild, a Richmond organization of professional artists.

There was group discussion and refreshments after his talk.

## Chest X-Ray To Be Free

Any RPI student may get a free chest X-ray at the school gym Monday from 12 to 3:00 p. m., Tuesday 9-3:00 p. m. and Thursday 9-12:00 a. m.

Last year 800 students took these X-rays, compiling the best record in the state. The tests take less than a minute to com-

plete. The Richmond Tuberculosis Association will sponsor this tuberculosis preventive. Dean Hibbs urges everyone to take this measure.

### 100 ART STUDENTS

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Mary Virginia Rigg, and Mr. William Lockey instructors in dramatic art; and Mr. Raymond Hodges, professor of dramatic art.

The group will return to Richmond Sunday morning.

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## VOTE FOR SGA

Candidates for positions in the Student Government Association for the 1948-49 term will be nominated this week. The PROSCRIPT has suggested five students eligible for the presidential nomination. These students will give their opinions on college problems in a forthcoming issue.

As students at RPI we enjoy the right to vote. Instead of complaining about the SGA officers all next year, why not vote now and help select "your" candidate?

One does not choose America's presidents without knowledge of his platform. We at RPI have the right to know what stand our future students leaders will take on college questions. A campaign here patterned on that of the national election would create interest and would force the candidates to express their views.

Consideration of the aspirants' past record is vital. What have they, so far, done for the college? Have they the ability to lead their fellow students in the direction of progress? Would the candidate be fair to all groups in the college? The SGA must work harmoniously with both faculty and administration if it is to be effective. Could the prospective officers give and take when the occasion demands?

In the last election held to determine the fate of the Student Activity Fee interest was slight considering the amount of pressure applied to the voters. Only half the student body voted. Are we to be ruled another year by officers elected by a minority of students?

Consider these facts. Then go to the polls and vote wisely!—F. S.

## MARRIAGE CLASS FOR MEN

The recent PROSCRIPT poll clearly indicates that men students here desire an opportunity to enroll in the Marriage Relations class next Fall.

Both men and women of college age are old enough that the problem of marriage is not a distant one. And the divorce rate in America is appalling!

In 1946 there were 16.4 marriages for each 1,000 population. During the same year there were 4.4 divorces for the same number. 26.8% of marriages ended on the proverbial rocks.

Experts tell us the percentage is rising. Psychologists say that one of the primary factors leading to waywardness, delinquency, and crime, is broken homes. If only one marriage is salvaged, if only one couple remains united as the result of attendance in this proposed class open to both men and women, the time and effort will not have been wasted.

The PROSCRIPT strongly advocates opening a Marriage Relations class to both sexes next Fall. Mixed or segregation, open to all or restricted to part of the classes, segregated only on occasion—these are all technicalities for which we will not attempt to supply an answer. The answer lies in the hands of the administration.

## Letters To The Editor

April 15, 1948

To the Editor:

In reference to the forthcoming Student Government Association elections, we would like to present the following suggestions for consideration in nominating and electing the officers:

1. Have a true secret ballot. Check the nominees off a list; do not have signed votes.
2. Start discussions among groups; this would help create interest in nominations and would insure a reasonably large number of votes.
3. Nominate a person for his or her ability to better the SGA and the school, not because of his social standing.
4. Remember that the officers you elect will lead you—the student body—for the 1948-49 term.

There has been considerable controversy on the subject of electioneering, both pro and con. Your paper seems to have no definite standing on the subject

as it published a bitter article in boldface type on the front page condemning electioneering, and then followed this article the next week with a clever editorial suggesting a select list of persons for nomination. How can an election be carried out without a certain amount of honest, not subtle, electioneering?

EDWARD W. KELLEY,  
CAROLYN RAMSEY,  
WILLIAM W. ATKINS, JR.  
FRANK X. DUFFY.

Ed's note—Marvelous suggestions, yours. However, your letter wavers toward mediocrity as it progresses.

This, and any paper reserves the right to back any candidates in an election that it sees fit. But the PROSCRIPT clearly stated in the editorial containing the "select list" to which you refer, that it was not backing any of the five named persons but was merely presenting them as qualified and desirable candidates.

## Colleges Must Up Standards Says Expert

If colleges are going to maintain high quality while teaching more students, they must improve standards both for admission and graduation, according to Dr. Donald G. Stillman, associate professor of English at Bucknell University.

## Varsity Offers \$100 Prizes

There is cash waiting for student writers in Varsity Magazine's new search for short-short stories—to be specific, \$100 for any story accepted for publication.

This offer, growing out of a desire to develop new talent among America's young writers, is open to any student here.

Submitted stories should be about 1200 words in length, and may be on any subject.

Manuscripts should be typed, and mailed, with stamped return envelope, to Short-Short Story Department, Varsity Magazine, 62 Vanderbilt Avenue, New York 17, New York.

## Dorm Reservation Deadline April 30

Out-of-town RPI students, who have necessarily been forced to rent rooms away from school, are urged to make dormitory reservation for next year if they so desire.

The deadline for the reservation, which must be made with the respective dormitory hostesses, will be Friday, April 30. A necessary five-dollar fee must be paid.

## FOR PRESIDENT

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section of the United States.

Fourteen of the leading candidates, in addition to a space reserved for a choice other than the 14, will be printed in ballot form in an early issue of the Proscript. Students will also be provided an opportunity to mark their party preference on this straw ballot.

Results will be wired to Varsity and frequent releases on how other schools in the state voted, will be provided by that magazine and published in the Proscript.

## PROF. BONDY

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Dr. Bondy does not know whether he will be permitted to visit the Russian zone but added that "I would like very much to do so."

The University of Munich in Bavaria has also asked him to teach there during the Summer. However, he has not yet accepted this third invitation.

Dr. Bondy will leave New York for England June 9, aboard the SS Washington. He has been unable to procure return steamship reservations and will probably fly back to the United States about the middle of September.

## TRAVELERS WIN

The Camp Lee Travelers handed RPI its fourth straight loss in baseball April 17 at Jahne Field, 5 to 3. Zolanowski allowed five hits and struck out three for the Leemen. Bill Johnson yielded six and fanned three also for the Green and Gold.

This privilege we also reserve.

As to the boldface, bitter article of recent date, it dealt specifically with the problem of electioneering by ballot box tenders. My denseness prevents me from seeing the relationship which is so obviously perceptible to you.

## Modesty Forbids

By ROLAND FRIEDMAN

The landscaping, new sidewalks and stone work being completed on that portion of the campus surrounding the administration building, has given RPI a little bit of a "new look."

Workmen are now planting grass in the area.

So what? Let's keep off . . . for a few weeks till it grows, huh? Just think. Some of the outside will then look like some of the inside—green.

A short time ago I received a letter from a student here at RPI. Her ideas covered the subject of organized registration. And, they were good ideas. They're here for your observation, and for an even more critical observation by the faculty.

"At the beginning of each term, students register with little or no knowledge of requirements necessary for their courses.

" . . . and many faculty members, by their diversified answers to students' questions show that they are nearly as confused as some of the students.

"This disorganization has been eliminated in the business department by pre-registration. The remaining departments in the school would do well to follow in the footsteps of the business department."

Well spoken!

If the courses and hours for next semester were set now, many conflicts in programs would be avoided.

Faculty members may get the details for an effective pre-registration program from Mr. I. J. Krepick, head of the school of business.

If you'd like to win a radio on April 30, listen! Members of the Toppers club at RPI are raffling a radio on that date. If you don't have a ticket, you can get one from any "Topper" for a quarter.

How can you tell a Topper when you see one? Beats me. But almost anytime, down in the dayroom you can find Bernard Schutte, or Rod McKenzie, or Clifford Boyd, or William Cato. The only non-member of the Toppers I've seen selling tickets is Evelyn Page. What better way can you start a ticket selling campaign.

With the temperamental art majors out of town, and the more temperamental journalism majors leaving in the morning, there should be a few quiet days around RPI.

So quiet, in fact, that we'll be glad to have them all back.

## B.A. Club To Meet Today—Bandoian

The Administrators' club will meet today in ad. A. at 3 o'clock, according to Carl Bandoian, president.

He said that plans for the club picnic will be discussed and officers for next semester will be elected. A movie will be shown.

Other officers are Richard Patterson, vice president; Miriam Wells, secretary; and Charles Oliver, treasurer. Mr. I. J. Krepick is advisor to the club.

## Gets Not Naughty Registrar

Proof that a college education is needed by some came recently in the form of a letter to the Registrar's office. The aforementioned proof follows:

Dear Sir:

There has been an error on the recording of (Name withheld) grade on for the past semester. It should be a

and not a  
as the record shows. I would appreciate your changing this to a

Yours truly,  
Ed's note—No detail, other than the name, contained in the letter was omitted. No action was taken by the Registrar's office.

## Prof's Corner

By DR. MAURICE V. BROT

Dr. Maurice Victor Brot, part-time instructor in French, came here in 1947. He was graduated from the University of Nancy, France, where he received his M. S. in 1902, his D. Sc. in 1908, and his LL.M. in 1911. He taught research at the University of Grenoble from 1919-1940, and has also taught at the University of Montreal, from which he is presently a professor emeritus. Through his works as a scientist and research, Dr. Brot is a universally known scholar.

In the Proscript of March 17 I read the opinions of some faculty members and students on a very important problem. This is a life and death problem. It is the relationship between this country and Soviet Russia.

It seems that some people believe that the U. S. government did not make every effort to work out a compromise with the U.S.-S.R. government in order to secure peace. Such an opinion must be fought with the utmost vigor.

May I suggest that teachers and students who did not read the masterpiece "Speaking Frankly" by James Byrnes, former secretary of state, study it carefully and objectively. They will certainly be convinced that every effort has been made to avoid a conflict, and that such stories as the so-called "Truman-Marschall Wall street plot" are sheer propaganda and slander.

Let us briefly examine this question from the point of view of the United Nations.

Since the San Francisco conference all controversies between cratic community and the solved through the United Nations agencies. Russia accepted the jurisdiction and authority of the U. N.

The U. N. is a perfect democratic community and the supreme law of all democratic communities is the rule of the majority. Whether we like it or not, all of us in the democratic countries must obey the law of the majority. Russia in the U. N. must obey the law of the majority—but in fact she has obeyed only a minority—the registered communist workers and peasants in Russia.

A minority of the Russian people succeeded in obstructing the decisions of almost all the nations of the world and in postponing for at least two years a peace for which millions of starving people are waiting.

For more than 30 years the Soviets have educated a generation of Russians to communism. An enormous amount of propaganda has been put forth and the momentum is such that the propaganda cannot be stopped. The prospect is rather gloomy.

## One Act Theatre Closed Tomorrow

The One Act Theatre will be closed tomorrow, according to the Drama department. It will open again April 29. The closure is necessary because of the field trip that the department is taking. The students left yesterday.

The past Friday night, the thespians performed for the Travelers' Protective Association in the ballroom of the Jefferson hotel.

The plays depicted were "Lilium" by Ferenc Molnar and "Happy Journey" by Thornton Wilder. The first was directed by Judith Koch and the second by Fan Cox, both drama majors. Back-stage work for the two plays was executed by Franklin Davis and Arthur Greene. Lighting and sets were done by de Vaux Riddick and Robert Watkins.

These plays were the same that were given Thursday night in the Studio Theatre.

Patient: "How can I ever repay you for your kindness to me?"

Doctor: "By check, money order, or cash."

# Tarter Wins Presidential Fight Of WAA

Katherine Tarter is the newly elected president of the Women's Athletic Association. She will assume her duties in September, succeeding Gene Layne, who will graduate in June. Miss Tarter edged Martha Ganzert in what was termed a very close vote by Miss Chapman, WAA advisor.

Other officers elected are: Janet Hasler, vice-president, Carline Owens, secretary, Jeanette Barry, treasurer, Anita Hackett, historian, and Sarah Jane Fawcett, Student government representative.

# Spiders Win School's New Golf Squad I7-I

Introducing golf: Among the many firsts this year in the field of sports at the Institute is the new golf team coached by I. J. Krepick.

Unfortunately, but common to a sport new to a school, the team lost its first match to the University of Richmond April 15, on the Laurel Golf Course.

## TOM MARR SCORES

Without so much as a boo the Spiders defeated RPI 17-1. Tom Marr of the Institute scored the point.

J. P. Hall shot a one over par 72 for the Richmond team shooting with partner Jack Chappell. Hall parlayed his 72 into a best ball of 66 as the Spiders took three points from Joe Restine and Harden Cross.

## Summaries:

J. P. Hall, Richmond, defeated Restine, 3 and 0; Jack Chappell, Richmond, defeated Harden Cross, 3 and 0; Richmond won the four ball match, 3 and 0.

Wendell McDearman, Richmond, defeated Warren Thornton, 3 and 0; Charles Neidermeyer, Richmond defeated Tom Marr 2 and 1; Richmond won the four-ball match, 3 and 0.

# Tennis Team Edged By RM

The RPI tennis team, in its first outing of the season, was defeated by Randolph-Macon College April 10, 6-3.

The team, already hit by injuries, suffered a tough break when Mickey Powers was injured in the third set of his singles match with Thompson. Powers was winning but had to withdraw and default the match. A doubles match was defaulted later as a result of the mishap. The team was without the services of Al Lehman, no. 2 player, who has a wrenched back.

## SUMARIES

RPI, defeated Correy and Caldwell, 6-4, 6-4; Spivey and Wood, RPI, defeated Palmore and Hallmark, 6-1, 6-3; and Smallwood and Allred, R-M, won from Powers and Culbreath by default.

Singles—Turner, RPI, defeated Smallwood, 6-3, 4-6, 6-0; Correy, R-M, defeated Spivey, 6-3, 7-5; Caldwell, R-M, defeated Lovelace, 2-6, 6-4, 6-2. Powers, RPI, defaulted to Thompson; Brooks, R-M, defeated Wood, 7-5, 3-6, 6-4; and Williamson, R-M, defeated Culbreath, 6-4, 6-3.

Doubles—Turner and Lovelace,

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# Culling Key To Quality, Says Professor

Lewisburg, Pa.—(I.P.)—If colleges are going to maintain high quality while teaching more students, they must improve standards both for admission and graduation, according to Dr. Donald G. Stillman, associate professor of English at Bucknell University.

Dr. Stillman declares that a few institutions of higher learning, which are taking the lead, realize that now is the time to improve educational plans to meet the challenge offered by maturer students now attending college.

"Veterans are especially critical of requirements and teaching methods," he says. "We have the opportunity to answer their criticisms and improve the effectiveness of higher education. But the great number of students applying for admission is a force which will tempt many a college to ignore criticism and opportunity."

The veteran wants a college education, and he also wants a degree, but the two are not synonymous, Dr. Stillman believes. In the case of the veteran who may be able to do advanced work without prerequisites, colleges must decide whether his experience is to be recognized and permit him to go faster.

Dr. Stillman proposes comprehensive examinations in prerequisite courses, with credit given if the student shows superior ability and initiative to fulfill requirements faster than old standards allow.

"Adherence to artificial standards will make some of the earnest students withdraw voluntarily," he states, which will not affect the number attending, but will certainly affect the quality of work done.

# RPI To Play Host To WAA Groups Friday

The women's athletic association at RPI will be hostess to representatives and faculty members of every school in Virginia having organized WAA's. They will meet Friday and Saturday and will formulate a State Athletic Federation of College Women, whose purpose will be promoting a better and broader program in schools.

Dr. Sinclair of William and Mary originated the plan.

Also present will be Miss Margaret Reynolds of Sweet Briar, past president of the National Athletic Federation of College Women.

# Cadets Defeat Devils 6-3 In Practice Tilt

The Benedictine Cadets defeated RPI 6 to 3 April 12 at Bryd Park in a practice game. Rain interrupted the game twice, but playing continued.

Lonnie Harvey, Cadet pitcher fanned 12 and gave up five hits while Arthur Nunnally struck out six and yielded eight hits.

Oscar Carle and Norman Wash-

# Students Entertain Economics Group

Part of the Mixed Chorus sang before a meeting of the State Home Economics Association this past Saturday evening on the roof garden of the John Marshall hotel.

Lillian Baber, soprano, and George Shutte, tenor, sang two duets and Cornelia Frances performed a solo.

er were top hitters with three and two hits respectively. Patrick homered for the cadets, the longest hit of the day.

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