



Leroy M. Buckner Is Acting Director of Distribution
He Started Career Here as a Student in 1944

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Growth of DE School Amazes Its Director

Leroy M. Buckner, newly appointed acting director of the School of Distribution, is amazed by the growth of his department since his day here as a student.

When Mr. Buckner began his studies here in 1944, the school offered only one degree—a BS in Distributive Education.

Now, however, it offers three separate degrees—BS's in Retailing, Advertising and Distributive Education.

And, if Mr. Buckner has his way, there will be further expansion of the school. He wants to provide an enlarged adult education program, which will appeal to persons employed in the Richmond business community.

He says he wants to utilize "the talents of business specialists from the fields of distribution" as guest lecturers in each of these specialized courses.

Mr. Buckner says the DE field is relatively new and ever expanding. This, he notes, explains the 175 full-time students in his department.

He feels a strongpoint of his school is its policy of placing students in part-time jobs while out of class.

This policy, he notes, gives the students a chance to practice what they learn in their classroom work. And about 75 per cent of his school's students adhere to the policy, he says.

Another strongpoint of his school, he feels, is its faculty.

"Not only do the faculty members hold degrees in their specialized fields, but they also have extensive experience in the subject matter in which they are teaching," Mr. Buckner says.

Bridge the Gap

He adds he feels this is an important step in "bridging the gap" between text-book theory and actual practices in distribution fields.

Mr. Buckner, who holds a MS degree from New York University

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Activities Committee Makes Tentative Plans

By Virginia Gibson

A newly created Committee on Student Activities Tuesday tentatively determined activities to be supported by the Student Activities Fund.

Appointments to the 10-member committee, which includes members of the faculty and administration and an equal number of students, were announced by President Oliver.

Committee members from the faculty and administration are: Dean James D. Pendleton, committee chairman; William Cosby, auditor; J. Terrence Morrison, instructor in the Virginia Polytechnic Institute extension; Dr. Alden Bigelow, assistant professor of history, and Miss Betty Lloyd, instructor in English.

Student committee members are: Dean Dowdy, senior Retailing major; Jim Bradley, senior in Commercial Art; Penny Wetzler, senior in Fashion Illustration and vice president of the Student Government Association; Margaret

Zeigler, junior in Fine Arts; and Pat Scott, senior Interior Design major and president of SGA.

Activities being considered for support "directly or indirectly by the student activities fund," Dean Pendleton said, include the yearbook, literary magazine, SGA and some athletic, drama and music events.

\$10,235 Allocated

The committee has \$10,235 for student activities in the first semester. This amount was deducted from the fall tuition charged to RPI's 2,047 full-time students.

No appropriations will be made until the departments and publications affected present reports of specific needs to the committee, Dean Pendleton said.

The compulsory activities fee was passed last May by the Board of Visitors of the Colleges of William and Mary upon recommendation of the RPI administration.

A student activities fee was first enacted here by SGA in May, 1960 on an optional basis.

The optional fee, amounting to \$16 per student, guaranteed the student payment of class dues, admission to the three major SGA dances, a literary magazine, a year book and admission to athletic events and major drama productions.

The RPI Dance Club was formed last spring, offering free admission to club members for all major SGA dances. Non-members must buy separate tickets for each dance.

'Cobblestone' Editor Is Susan Pennington

Susan Pennington, a sophomore Interior Design major, has been named editor of this year's "Cobblestone" annual.

Ray Carmines, a senior Business major from Hampton, was named business manager in the second staff appointment announced this week.

Other staff appointments will be made next week, according to Dean Pendleton, who makes the selections as faculty adviser to the annual.

The staff is now interviewing publishing companies, which will make bids by the end of the week. Selection of the low bid will be announced next week.

Susan, who is from Thomasville, N. C., said no production schedule has yet been decided upon.

The price of the annual is included in tuition this year. All students are asked to cooperate in having their pictures made, when

the appointment schedule is announced.

Anyone interested in helping with the "Cobblestone" should see Susan or Carmines.

Putt Is Appointed Acting Chairman Of Day Students

Denny Putt, a Psychology senior from Richmond, has been appointed temporary chairman of the Day Students League, which is attempting to reorganize.

Putt will preside until new officers can be elected. He said that the number of members attending the Monday meeting (about 20) was not sufficient to elect officers.

The league plans to send letters to as many day students as possible, in an effort to increase membership.

The Honor Council announces that in case No. 2 a student has been found guilty of an infraction of the Honor Code. The offense was lying.

13 'Flunkies'

Only Six Pass SGA Test

By Pat Hensley

Six of the 19 students who took the Student Government Association test last week passed.

This announcement was made at last week's SGA meeting when council also considered proposals to have campus movies on Friday nights, to give each of the women's dormitories representation in council and discussed the postponement of Openings.

In reporting test scores, SGA Vice President Penny Wetzler said only 19 of the 54 SGA representatives and alternates took the test.

Seventy-five per cent was considered passing by the Executive Committee members who graded the test. Penny, a Fashion Illustration major, said 65 was the average score.

Other Executive Council mem-

bers expressed disgust with the scores, which are even lower than those of last year. Out of 33 students who took the test last year, eight failed.

Test results, Penny noted, show a two-fold problem of the SGA:

(1) Its members are not interested enough in the organization to take the test.

(2) They do not care to make an effort to pass the test.

Penny said, "It seems to me that an organized representation of this school should have the intelligence and the will to learn the rules and regulations stated in the SGA constitution. If the students who are elected as representatives do not show sufficient interest, there can be no SGA."

The test, which consists of ques-

tions concerning the SGA constitution and rules, will be given again to those who failed, for each student has two chances to pass. If a student fails twice, he will be dropped from the SGA roll and his organization must select another representative.

Movie Proposal

The proposal to bring movies to the campus on Friday nights came from the Executive Council. It was suggested that there be two showings of each movie in one of the round rooms of the Hibbs Building. The admission would be about 50 cents.

Sue Woolf, SGA secretary, read a list of available films. The list includes "Pillow Talk," "Written on the Wind," "From Here to

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Susan Pennington Has Been Appointed "Cobblestone" Editor
Interior Design Major Is From Thomasville, N. C.

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Future of the SGA

The following is an open letter to the student body from Penny Wetzler, vice president of the Student Government Association.

Judging by the outcome of the SGA tests last week, it seems apparent that the interest of the major part of the student government is unwilling to learn what the organization does, let alone how it effects the rest of the student body.

The SGA functions solely as a representative group—for, not against, the students of this college. It wants and needs each individual's opinions about judgments and decisions. If this interest dwindles and fails, then the SGA will fail in achieving its purposes.

Each representative is duly elected by his respective organization and according to the SGA constitution. In many ways, this representative is more important than any other official in his organization. He has the right to vote in a way which he thinks reflects what his organization thinks. He should realize this responsibility and go to his group and present the council's views and be willing to be open-minded enough to hear and accept his own group's opinion. He should then return to council and inform it of his group's opinion. This is not always done.

This leaves the SGA with one of two decisions. Either its representatives should be willing to operate with the small minority of the interested students present and criticized for their decisions, or the student government should cease to exist. The decision is up to each individual at RPI. This could be the life and spirit of a functioning student organization, or it could be nothing more than a group of people wasting its time by meeting once a week and being powerless to act without the consent of the entire student body.

Again, the decision is up to you. Each member of SGA is always willing to hear the gripes and complaints of the students and to bring them to council. Any student who wishes to be heard can come to any SGA meeting and address the president about his sentiments. The SGA meets every Wednesday night at 6 p.m. in Room 303 of the Hibbs Building.

This is a plea to each of you to help make your SGA a helpful and functional organization.

PENNY WETZLER.

Only Six Students Pass Test Given to SGA Representatives

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Eternity" and "Picnic." Council will consider this proposal again next week.

The suggestion of giving each of the women's dormitories representation in Council was discussed and deferred for additional study. The new representatives would be non-voting members, but would be required to take the SGA test.

President Pat Scott said the Freshman representative from the House Council of each dormitory would probably be its representative and her job would be to relay actions of Council to her dormitory. The Women's dormitories now are represented by the president of the Women's Interdormitory Council.

Scott also announced that Openings, previously scheduled for Oc-

tober 21, has been postponed until November 4, at the request of the Sophomore class.

The class, which is in charge of the dance, had planned to hold the Openings at the John Marshall Hotel, but due to program difficulties found the Mosque more suitable.

The dance will be held from 9 p.m. until midnight, and negotiations are under way to get the VPI Collegiates to entertain. A floor committee for the dance will be composed of male members of the Entertainment Committee.

Membership in the Dance Band Club is now 345, according to Scott. Future members may pay their dues at the SGA office or at the Student Personnel Offices. Scott again said he hopes that a 400-member goal could be reached.

Campus Calendar

October 15—Wesley Foundation meeting, Pace Memorial Methodist Church, 5:45 p.m.

October 17—Inter-Dorm, Hibbs 206, 6 p.m.

German Club meeting, Hibbs 203, 6 p.m.

Phi Beta Lambda meeting, Hibbs 303, 5:45-6:30 p.m.



Richard Higgins Is New Technical Director for Drama Department
He Says Work on Sets for "Five Finger Exercise" Is Difficult

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Richard Higgins

Technical Director Works On 'Five Finger Exercise' Sets

The new technical director for the Drama Department is hard at work constructing sets for his first RPI major production, "Five Finger Exercise."

Richard A. Higgins, 33, has encountered some difficulty in designing sets for "Exercise," which will be presented Oct. 25-28 in Shafer Street Playhouse.

"There is no accurate scale drawing of the main stage, and I haven't had time to make one," he said.

"The problem of representing a two-story house in limited stage space has been solved, but I haven't quite figured out how to mark off the sides and top yet; but I will."

"I just wish I had had all summer to get in the playhouse and prepare for these things," he noted.

"Bits and Dribbles"

But, Mr. Higgins has four years of professional theater experience behind him ("in bits and dribbles") to help solve his problems.

He has been technical director for the summer stock theater of

the Berkshire Playhouse at Stockbridge, Mass.; director and technician for Foundry Players and crew supervisor for the National Weather Analysis Center, both at Washington, D. C.; set designer for the Washington Ballet; a founder and technical director for Garrett County Playhouse in Maryland and technician for the now defunct New Vic Playhouse at Al-burquerque, N. M.

Mr. Higgins still does part-time work for Foundry Players. Two weeks ago he went to Washington to construct sets for the group's production of "Arsenic and Old Lace."

Last year, he went on tour with the Washington Ballet, covering engagements in West Virginia, New York, Ohio, Vermont, Maine, Tennessee and Massachusetts.

This summer he did scenery and props for the Ballet and was technician for the Washington Shakespearean Festival. The show ran for three weeks in July on the Washington Monument grounds, with an estimated audience of 23,000 at 17 performances.

While studying for his BFA de-

gree at the University of New Mexico, he was assistant technical director for the school and taught part time at Highlands University.

He was a graduate assistant to the drama department of Pennsylvania State University and received his MA degree in June of 1960.

A veteran of the Korean War, he was discharged from the U. S. Army as a sergeant first class in 1951.

In addition to the job of technical director here, Mr. Higgins teaches stagecraft and crew, beginning and advanced scene design, public speaking and effective speaking.

Although he is still unmarried, Mr. Higgins says he "has hopes" to change his status soon.

Student ID Cards To Be Mailed

Student insurance identification cards will be mailed to parents this term, ending the former system of students picking up their cards from the Business Office.

"The insurance company had requests from parents who did not know if their child was covered since they received no receipt except a cancelled check," a Business Office spokesman said this week, explaining the change in procedure.

DE Director Notes Growth of School In Last 10 Years

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In addition to his BS from RPI, served a three-year hitch in the United States Navy during World War II. He was a radioman in the submarine service, and this interrupted his college career. He graduated in 1951.

Mr. Buckner then taught at James Wood High School in Winchester until 1953, where he was high school co-ordinator of Distributive education. He initiated the DE program at James Wood.

Married and the father of a 5-year-old daughter, Mr. Buckner says he enjoys "strumming a guitar" in his spare time.

Williams Replaces Shepherd As Member of Campus Police

Horace Williams, former police chief of Franklinton, N. C., has joined the campus police force.

Williams, 42, will replace Berkeley H. Shepherd, former policeman and security officer who died two weeks ago of a heart attack.

Before serving two years as Franklinton chief of police, Williams was a police officer in Henderson, N. C., from 1946-1951.

Williams, a native of Tallulah, La., moved to Richmond as security officer for Richmond Hotels, where he was employed before accepting his position here.

Married with three daughters aged 11-16, the Williams reside at 711 Lakeside ave.

The sure test of civilization is, not the census, nor the size of cities, nor the crops,—no, but the kind of man the country turns out.



Horace Williams
New Campus Policeman



Varsity Practice

Basketball Begins Monday

Varsity basketball candidates are to report to a practice session at 2 p.m. Monday, Coach Ed Allen announced.

The squad will practice daily from 2 until 4 p.m. Coach Allen emphasized that all team berths are open and that he hopes to have a large turnout.

He added that in this big, rebuilding year, everyone will get a "long look"—to see if he has the potential to help the team.

The Green Devils will again be lacking in height. As Coach Allen

said, "as yet I haven't seen anyone over 6'1" practicing." The Green Devils will, however, have some height, for Bobby Muse, their 6'5" center, will be back.

The Green Devils also have their two swift guards—Jimmy Jones and Steve Peeples—returning. This means, however, that the Green Devils will have at least nine new faces on this year's roster. The squad was stripped of seasoned

players due to graduation, activation of reserve armed service units and drop outs.

Coach Allen plans to start practice on a fast note, as he anticipates having three 40-minute scrimmages during the first week.

The Green Devils will probably carry a 12-man squad; however, Coach Allen said that he will have a larger squad if there are enough good ball players.

13 Badminton Matches Played

The Monday winners in the boys badminton tournament are as follows: Tommy Wright won over Jim. Ryell; Don Bullive defeated Gilbert King; Ralph Lindsay defeated Durwood Grizzard; C. G. Grizzard defeated L. C. King and Paul Stafford and Ronnie Crews won by default over their opponents.

In the girls' tournament Tuesday night, first round winners are as follows: Beverly Teach defeated Ginny Hamilton; Marion Wright defeated Joanne Slocumb; Rosemary Hicks defeated Norma Linder; Sue James defeated Eileen Burton; Sammy Feeman defeated Barbara Wells and Carolyn Strathman defeated Karen Maosha.

RPI Will Have a 24-Game Basketball Schedule This Year
Coach Allen Points to Game With Newcomer, Frederick

Women's Basketball Team Will Start Practice Soon

Tryouts for the womens' varsity basketball team will begin Wednesday, Nov. 15.

The Devilettes are getting a late start this year. Miss Nancy S. Alexander, women's physical education instructor, explained that premature practice will not take away from the girls' studies.

She explained a team could go stale by practicing too long before the first game. She feels that the new arrangement will not "cripple" the team at all and will keep the girls from getting bored before the opening game.

The team will have a new coach this year. Mrs. Connie Stanley will take over for Miss Alexander, who previously coached the team.

"Mrs. Stanley has had a great deal of experience coaching basketball teams," said Miss Alexander, noting that Mrs. Stanley formerly coached at Glen Allen and Hermitage High School. She also worked with the Manchester High team. In addition, Mrs. Stanley has been a part-time hockey coach at St. Gertrude's. Her season's records have been successful.

No date has been set for actual practice of the final team. The length of the tryout period will depend on how many candidates come out. Usually 25 or 30 girls turn up for the first few sessions, but this number thins out to about 15.

The RPI team will play about 12 games this season. No new opponents have been scheduled.

RPI will probably play Lynchburg College twice, William and Mary twice, Bridgewater twice, Longwood once and Westhampton once.

Only three veterans are back from last year. They are all forwards.

Joanne Harris, a junior majoring in Physical Education will be playing again this year. Also back are Carol Heizer, a senior Applied Social Science major, and Pamela Vaughn, although it is not definite that she will play. Pam is a Fine Arts sophomore.

Already spotted for the team is a freshman named Dee Dee Dvorak. Dee Dee played first string at St. Gertrude's, which plays a 20-game schedule. She played for four years in the state Catholic basketball tournament.



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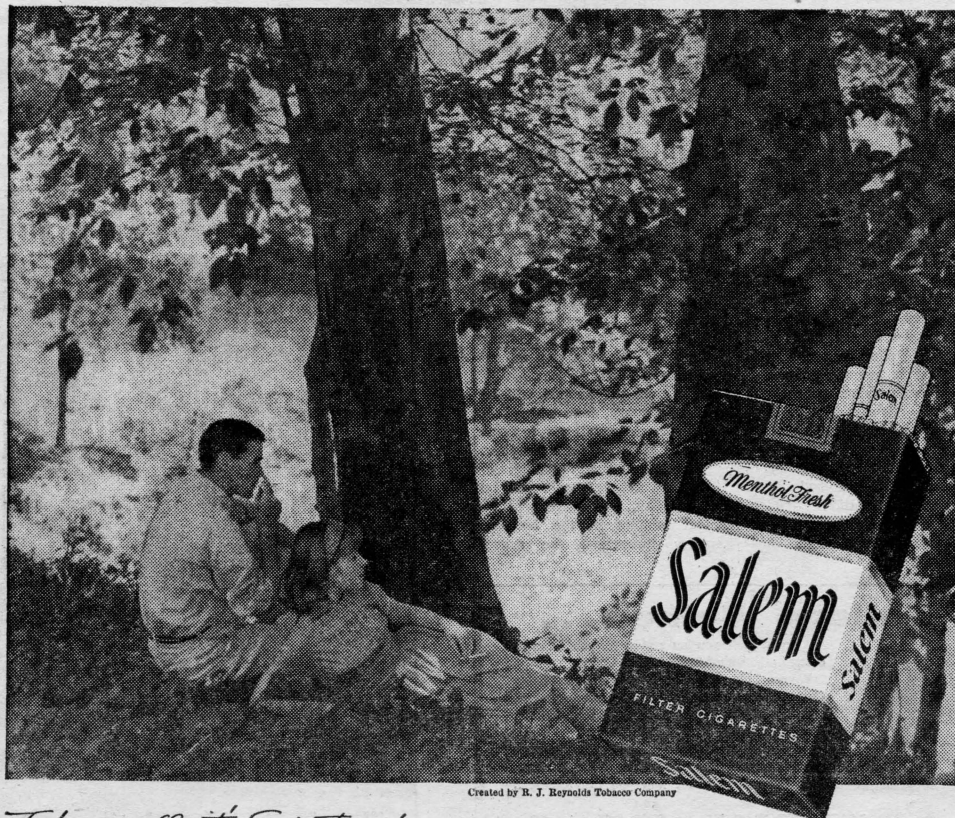
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RPI in Brief

Jenkins Is Elected Republican Leader

Everett Jenkins, a junior Retailing major, has been elected president of the RPI Young Republican club, which is reorganizing this year.

Other newly elected officers are Jim Williams, vice president; James Burrier, treasurer; and Don Blackwell, SGA representative.

The organization—which is aiming at encouraging students to take

a more active part in politics—is tentatively scheduled to meet once a month.

It will be co-host to the State Convention of Young Republicans in February.

DE Club Elects

The Distributors Club has announced the election of Robert Hill as club president and John Watkins as vice president.

Hill and Watkins were elected to replace officers elected last year who did not return to school this year.

The club also appointed Murray Hollis as chairman of its public relations committee and Becky Hawkins editor of its newsletter.

OT Club Elects

Judy Kytle, a sophomore, has been elected vice president of the Occupational Therapy Club. Judy will replace Nancy Tichenor, who did not return to school this year.

UGF Goal Set

A \$1,900 goal has been set for the campus United Givers Fund drive, which opened Tuesday.

Allan A. Eastman, associate professor of Arts and Crafts and chairman of the campus drive, said he is confident the school again will exceed its goal.

He said the school collected 115 per cent of its \$1,643 goal last year.

Committee Drafts First Constitution For Interdorm

Volunteer committee members are drawing up the first constitution of the Women's Interdormitory Council.

Four dormitory presidents are working on the drafting of the constitution. They are Theresa Shepard, Founders' Hall; Bridget Sheridan, 928 Park ave.; Mary Ann Finley, Lee House; and Mary Virginia Revere, 913 W. Franklin st.

Sidewalk Sale Is Scheduled November 5

The annual sidewalk sale of the Fine Arts Club will be held on Sunday, November 5. Commercial art students are invited to participate in the sale, but must pay an entrance fee of \$1.00.

The annual art auction will be held in February, from which half of the proceeds will go towards student scholarships for a member, or members, in good standing.

The final sidewalk sale will be held in May, and there will be student exhibits in the Meadow Laundry throughout the school year.

Civil Service Exam Schedule Is Announced

Six Federal Civil Service examination periods will be held in Richmond to accommodate February and June graduates seeking federal employment.

Applications are available at the United States Government Post Office and must be submitted in advance of the examination date. For February graduates, the schedule is as follows:

Application deadline	Exam date
November 2	November 18
December 21	January 13
January 25	February 10
For June graduates, the schedule is:	
March 1	March 17
March 29	April 14
April 26	May 12

Wesley Group to Go To All-State Conference

Members of the Wesley Foundation will attend an All-State Conference at Radford College tomorrow.

The conference starts at 1:30 p.m. and extends through Sunday afternoon. Theme for the week is "Reconciliation: The Church in the United States."

Three Speakers Scheduled For Annual Investment Meet

Speakers from several Richmond businesses will participate in the fourth annual Seminar on Investments, which will be sponsored by the RPI Adult Business Education Center beginning October 19.

C. Coleman McGehee of the First and Merchants National Bank, Bernard S. Holt of Abbott, Proctor and Payne, and Alex Armour of Davenport and Company will cover at least six investment topics during a seven-week seminar.

Program topics, ranging from the technical operation of the stock market to estate planning, will be reviewed and discussed during the seminar at one-week intervals until the closing session December 7. The evening periods will be held from 7 to 9 each Thursday.

DE Students Perform Summer Business Jobs

From New York to Ohio, RPI Distribution students could be found working in business organizations this summer.

Juniors in the School of Distribution are required to work 300 hours during July and August in a store before returning for their senior year. This enables the students to practice what they have been taught in the classroom.

Mary Mutchler sold clothing in the "Little Salon" of Sicils in At-

lanta, and Ronald Thompson was acting assistant buyer in the boy's department at the Fair Store in Chicago.

Working as a college counselor in Washington, D. C., was Doris French. Ellen Hevener was at Saks Fifth Avenue's in Long Island.

Writing the annual report for the board of directors meeting and redesigning half of the first floor of the R. E. Powell Co. in Salisbury, Md., were some of the duties of Samuel Johnson.

Kanella Maydanis managed Char's, a Gourmet Food Shop in Columbus, Ohio.

Smith Henry worked at the Giant Food Store at Southside Plaza and won a scholarship, full expenses paid, for his senior year.

Buddy Barrach was employed by the Gallagher Candy and Tobacco Co. of Warsaw as a territory salesman.

Junior Class Rings On Sale Next Week

Class rings, pins and lavalieres will be on sale in the Rotunda after October 19, Margaret Zeigler, Junior class president, announced this week.

Men will be able to choose between the regular and the massive sized rings. The women's rings will be miniatures. The lavalier will have the stone with College of William and Mary inscribed on it.

The Junior class made a total of \$85.10 on Rat Hat sales. Of the 522 issued from the book store, 357 were sold for \$1.25 each.

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SAM Opens Drive For New Members

A membership drive for the RPI Division of the Society for Advancement of Management (SAM), is now in progress.

Membership of this professional group is open to any upper-level sophomore, junior or senior with an interest in management. Students of engineering, psychology, journalism, advertising and business are encouraged to join the organization.

"We think that SAM's policy of open membership is a good way to cut across the isolationist tendencies of the different departments," said W. O. Edwards of the Business School.

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