

## W&L GRIDDERS BEGIN SPRING DRILLS TODAY

LEXINGTON, Feb. 28 — Newly-elected co-captains Joe McCutcheon and Don Fergusson will lead 50 Washington and Lee footballers on Wilson Field this afternoon as the Generals open six weeks of spring training.

"We'll spend the first week getting the boys into condition, and then we'll go to work on our offense and defense," Head Coach George Barclay said today.

"I am confident we'll move along much faster this spring than we did last year. The boys have a year's experience with the split-T and we know what they can do," he stated.

Included in the 50 expected to report for the first session are 24 lettermen and 15 members of last year's freshman squad.

From the 15 frosh will come replacements to fill holes vacated by graduation. Ends Jack Crawford, Jim Fahey, Guard Herb Miller and Backs Henry Mastriani, Frank Davidson, Gene Bennett and Vic Marier have completed their careers.

Barclay and Backfield Coach Carl Wise will have seven new backs to work into varsity combination. Randy Broyles, former All-West Virginia halfback, and Wes Abrams, an All-Maryland high school star, figure prominently in the W&L plans. I. M. Sheffield, Jack Garst, Colin Campbell, Bill Scott and Harry Brewer are the other newcomers.

Leading replacements for the end positions, which were hit hard through the loss of Crawford and Fahey, are Bob Thomas, a 6'2" prospect from Fort Worth, Tex., and Tad Dixon, husky Norfolk product.

Tackles Jack Delahunty, 190 pounds, and Dan Popovich, 207; Guards Bill Trollinger, 186, and John Maguire, 180; and Center Bill Stanley, 220, are the leading linemen who will report to the varsity for the first time.

The Generals' split-T formation, which averaged 196 yards rushing per contest last year, will be varied only slightly, Barclay said. Gil Bocetti, the brilliant quarterback who gained 1963 yards as a soph, will lead the veteran backfield talent which includes Ray Leister, Jim Stark, Charlie Holt, Walt Michaels and Jim Gallivan. One change planned by the board of strategy will install Michaels, "Mr. Linebacker," in a ball-carrying role.

Line Coach Denver Crawford will be assisted by Miller and Crawford, two of the departing seniors.

## Bill Trollinger, Staunton VA, 1950 - End position candidate - football

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