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WHAT BUCKNELL OFFERS

Education is intangible. It is not a condition at which you will arrive after four years of college. It is a dynamic quality which sets the educated person apart from the rest of mankind, but at the same time gives that person greater sympathy and understanding. Education provides the individual with broader interests and offers a means of satisfying those interests. It is a haven which keeps men and women constantly alert at new ideas, sympathetic to the needs of others and dissatisfied with the imperfections of our world.

Those of you who are this year entering the Junior College of Bucknell University will be given full opportunity to attain high scholastic standards. It is my hope that you will not be satisfied with scholastic attainments alone, but that you will acquire a vision of something beyond academic requirements, and will emerge from your two years with us, finer and stronger persons.

You will find that your teachers are traveling the same path that you travel. To them it is well worn, and the way is frequently distinct; to you the way will be less clear. To both there will be much that is new, and the discovery of new things together should develop those common interests that are the basis of lasting friendship.

Remember that education is not an end in itself, but is the opening of new doors, and the enjoyment of new vistas. It is the hope of those of us who will work with you that you may take much from us that will be of worth to you, and that you may leave something with us that will enable us to offer more to those who follow you.

—Eugene S. Farley

STUDENT ORGANIZATION

In order to have a well rounded and a closely related student body, there must be a well organized, well defined, student organization which has the interests of the entire student body at heart. The student council of the Junior College is such an organization. The student council is composed of faculty advisers, the president of the sophomore class, the president of the freshman class, a man and woman elected by the sophomore class, a man and woman elected by the freshman class, and the president of each of the following activities: Athletics, debat-

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WELCOME FRESHMEN!

The members of the Sophomore Class cordially welcome you to Bucknell University Junior College. Those of us who have had the experience of being strangers in a foreign place know what it means . . . strange customs, new faces, to say nothing of the environment, which may perplex you initially.

You meet new people and a desire arises to cultivate their friendship. A mutual understanding is brought about, due, we believe, to the strong bond of brotherhood and good feeling existing among us. We hope that you freshmen may sense this spirit of cooperation and equality during your first few weeks of classes and activities.

I am sure that our associations will meet with success and that you will be able to adapt yourselves to your new environment and find a happy and useful place for yourselves at the Junior College. We wish you a very pleasant and successful year with us.

—J. V. Gallagher

FRESHMAN RECEPTION

With flushed faces, hearts beating a double tempo, and rabbit-like timidity, the freshman class proudly presented their parents and themselves to a welcoming faculty and student body on the night of September 9th, in the College auditorium. With a little of the shyness worn off through the endeavor of the faculty and students, the freshmen, with their parents, settled themselves comfortably in their seats and enjoyed a varied and appropriate piece of entertainment. Herbert Lloyd led the assembly in college songs. Following this, the glee club rendered four numbers which were well received. A short and pointed address by the Director, and refreshments served by the sophomores and faculty ended a pleasant evening.

—J. L.

FRESHMAN WINS STATE SCHOLARSHIP

Dorothy M. Thomas, Junior College Freshman, highest ranking student at West Pittston High, and highest ranking student in the College English placement tests this week, has been awarded the Penn. State Scholarship of \$100 for four years. Congratulations!

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THE BUCKNELL BEACON

Last fall the *Bison Stampede* made a brief appearance and then vanished into the wilderness . . . where such a phenomenon properly belongs. In these modern days of air-mindedness a bison stampede is as out of place as its contemporary the covered wagon . . . hence our new name.

The *Bucknell Beacon* hopes to shed light on the future plans of students and faculty and to prove a reliable guide to college opinion, as any self-respecting beacon should. This first issue is the co-operative product of many willing hands. Not least among the contributions is J. T. Mayock's original drawing for our title.

It is our hope to publish at least twelve issues during the college year. To achieve this goal we shall need active co-operation from all who are interested in college journalism . . . good writers, good reporters, good cartoonists, and last but by no means least, no end of good will from our readers!

—W. H. C.

OUR JUNIOR COLLEGE

In 1933 Bucknell University, located at Lewisburg, realizing the need for a Junior College in Luzerne County, petitioned the State Council of Education for approval of the establishment of such an institution. This was granted on June 9, 1933. The organization of the new division was undertaken by Dr. Frank G. Davis, and Dr. John H. Eisenhauer, who formerly had been Professor of Education and Director of the Summer Session and Extension at Lewisburg, came here as Director of the new institution. The Junior College began work in September 1933 at its present location. In January 1936 Dr. Eisenhauer resigned to become Principal of the Senior High School at Reading, Pennsylvania and Dr. Eugene S. Farley, who had served for many years as Director of Research for the public schools of New-

FACULTY CHANGES

Professor John Gold's return to the Campus this year left a vacancy in the department of Mathematics, which will be ably filled by Dr. W. T. Miller of the University of Pittsburgh. Dr. Miller is a Bucknell alumnus and holds his Ph. D from Pittsburgh.

To the deep regret of his colleagues Professor Forrest Keller has resigned from the Junior College faculty to accept a post in the department of Economics at the University of West Virginia. The College will sadly miss his fine enthusiasm in the field of Dramatics as well as in the classroom. We wish him all success at West Virginia.

—W. H. C.

STUDENT ORGANIZATION

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ing, paper, dramatics, and the choral club. The student council is ably assisted by committees, namely, planning committee, social activities committee, and house committee. For details concerning these committees, the Constitution of the Junior College should be consulted. The student council acts only as a supervising and advisory body. The purpose of the student council is to bring each activity into a closer relationship with the others and to create a feeling of inter-dependence. Only with such a feeling can the Junior College hope to progress. I am asking each freshman to get a copy of the Constitution and read it carefully. Let's boost the student council, not run it down.

—W. T.

ark, N. J., began his duties as Director in April.

Already the Junior College has enabled hundreds of students of Wyoming Valley to secure their first two years of college training without the added cost of study away from home. The College has also made it possible for adults of the community, as well as young people, to study one or more subjects of special interest to them, some without thought of working toward a degree, others with an advanced degree as their goal. Thus, in more than one way Bucknell University Junior College has aimed to raise the average cultural level of the community.

In its first three years Bucknell University Junior College has become an important feature of the community in which it originated. Now, with an able new Director and a new set of students coming in to join those who attended last year, the College faces its fourth year with high hopes for another successful term. Bucknell University Junior College, like time, marches on.

J. H. S.

SPORTS NEWS

Skipper Henry "Hank" Peters will again be at the helm this year to guide the destinies of the good ship ATHLETICS. Last year the ship sprang a leak and floundered badly among the rocks. But this year with proper support between captain and crew, clear sailing is predicted.

Our basketball team is a member of a newly organized league which consists of Bucknell University Frosh, Wyoming Seminary, Keystone Jr. College, Maryknoll College, McCann Business School, St. Thomas Frosh, and Bucknell Jr. College. With six veterans returning, we should expect nothing but first place. Villanova Frosh, Temple Frosh, Syracuse Frosh, Colgate Frosh, and Albright Frosh are also on our schedule. The season opens on December 5th, at Villanova.

If the swimming team isn't suffering from water on the brain, last year's record of four out of seven meets won will be surpassed. The boys did a fine job last year for their first year. Local high schools, the Wilkes-Barre Y. M. C. A., and out of town Y's are a few of their opponents.

Through the efforts of Dr. Farley, Artillery Park has been secured for next year's baseball team. A promising crop of future stars is returning from last year's team.

Last year's tennis team, after a successful season has departed from our midst. Only one member is returning to our fair halls. This will be a fine chance for you freshmen to earn your letter.

The success or failure of our athletic teams depends wholly on your support. This means both faculty and students. It is only through your support that this year can be a success.

—W. T.

Y. M. C. A. MEMBERSHIP

Through the cooperation of the Y. M. C. A. and Dr. Farley, a full time membership has been secured for each student at the local Y. M. C. A. Last year the students were only allowed the use of the Y. three times a week, but this year they may use the Y. at their convenience. You are not required to pay anything extra. This should be a distinct advantage to our basketball team and swimming team, as well as to the individual student. I'm sure that each student will be thankful of Dr. Farley's efforts, and take advantage of the Y. M. C. A.

—W. T.

COLLEGE ASSEMBLY THURSDAY

On Thursday, September 17th, at noon, there will be a regular College Assembly at which the many student activities will be described by faculty advisers and student leaders. All students are expected to attend.

CLUBS MAKE PLANS

Incoming freshmen are cordially welcomed to extra-curricular activities. The college offers a number of clubs for this purpose.

All freshmen and sophomores who are interested in joining the debating club should get in touch with Ralph Johnston. The debating club made a good showing last year, competing with Penn. State, Westminster College, the University and many others.

Miss Betty Tonks will gladly receive all inquiries concerning the Choral club. This organization under the direction of Mr. Clark made several public appearances last year. They plan to present a cantata this year, the name of which is "Hiawatha's Wedding Feast".

Budding young thespians will find a host of kindred spirits in our dramatic group which is a promising organization. Last year they presented two plays, "The Fourth Wall", in the first semester and "Broken Dishes" during the second. Mr. George Sauer is in charge of the technical end of the dramatic group and anyone who is interested in this kind of work should see him.

Everyone is of course invited to join the Economics Club which provides three things at its meetings, entertainment, refreshments, and education. At the luncheons held by this group the members will be given an opportunity to hear some fine speakers.

—J. L.

COLLEGE PLANS ORCHESTRA

A college orchestra is being planned, the members of which are to be recruited from the student body. They will be trained to play both dance and concert music. Mr. Clark who is also in charge of the Choral Club will be in charge of this undertaking. Anyone who can play any type of musical instrument and who wishes to co-operate with the school in making the orchestra a success, should remain in the auditorium after the conclusion of our first assembly, on Thursday, September 17.

—J. L.

HUMOR

Frank Sgarlat—"I call you a wonder teacher."

Dr. Gage—"Why?"

Frank—"Because every time I come to class, I wonder if you are going to call on me."

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Dr. Tasker—"What part of a fish is this?"

Frosh—"Why-a-a its hips."

UPPER CLASSMEN NEWS

Held over till next issue due to lack of space

FRESHMAN LIST

Bucknell University Junior College can truly boast that its fame is spreading far and wide. This year's Freshmen enrollment reveals a representation of 25 well known secondary schools. Additional students are being admitted daily. Up to September 10th the following had been admitted:

ASHLEY HIGH SCHOOL: John R. Glace, Jack M. Walsh; BERWICK HIGH SCHOOL: Donald R. Reese; COUGHLIN HIGH SCHOOL: Stanley Daugert, Betty D. Fenton, John A. Mirmak, Michael Seniuk, Willard A. Warmkessel, Michael Wasnick; EDWARDSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL: Thomas J. Bartosh; FORTY FORT HIGH SCHOOL: Thomas R. Jenkins, Nan Richards, Virginia E. Murdock; G. A. R. HIGH SCHOOL: William E. Johnson, John J. Kasper, T. James O'Connor, Maurice Reishstein, Francis F. Walter; HUGHESTOWN HIGH SCHOOL: R. Anthony Ditoro; HANOVER TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL: John D. Gambold; HAZLETON HIGH SCHOOL: Virginia L. Steele; HARTER TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL: Paul A. Meyers;

KINGSTON HIGH SCHOOL: Arthur A. Bloomburg, Jr., Norman R. Costine, Jr., Margaret J. Evans, Marion J. Dunstan, David W. Jones, Jr., Marion L. Jones, Betty B. Lynn, William R. Morgan, Albert W. Shafer, Jr., Ernest Weisberger, Kenneth Benner, Robert Peters; KINGSTON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL: Clarence W. Jones; LAKE TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL: Bertha N. Sorber; LUZERNE HIGH SCHOOL: Joseph F. Wesley; MILTON HIGH SCHOOL: George Span, Jr.; MEYERS HIGH SCHOOL: Edward Dobb, Robert E. Grover, Pauline Kirshner, Charles F. Millard, Reuben W. Rader, Richard J. Roush, Marjorie F. Shapiro, Charles J. Steinhauer, Alexander J. Wazeter, George A. Welch, George N. Bieswinger; NANTICOKE HIGH SCHOOL: Helen A. Balliet, Margaret M. Bendock, Francis P. Ford, Jack Leather, John J. Mundry, David E. Smith, Vera Grutshefsky, Gladys Grutshefsky; PITTSTON HIGH SCHOOL: Rachael R. Capone; PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL: John L. Lewis, Robert Maquire; PLYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL: Charles G. Gobol, George Krasnavage, Ilaria Sterniuk; SACRED HEART SCHOOL, PLAINS: Joseph P. Conlon; TUNKHANNOCK HIGH SCHOOL: Arlene E. Luce; VALLEY FORGE MILITARY ACADEMY: Stanley R. Olszewski; WYOMING SEMINARY: Henry C. Johnson, Aaron H. Waldman, Leo H. Simoson, Sidney P. Zimmerman; WEST PITTSTON HIGH SCHOOL: Charles J. Romane, M. Josephine Shook, Dorothy M. Thomas.

COLLEGE PICNIC

On Saturday, September 19th or 26th, the students and faculty will hold a picnic. Watch bulletin board for announcement.

FRESHMAN RULES—1936-1937

Permanent Rules:

- (1.) There shall be NO loitering on the first floor.
- (2.) Freshmen shall keep the lounges in order at all times.
- (3.) Freshmen must speak courteously to sophomores and faculty members.
- (4.) Freshmen will rise when approached by a faculty member or visitors.
- (5.) Freshmen will attend at least two home games in three sports.
- (6.) Freshmen will observe all rules of the house committee.

Temporary Rules:

- (1.) Men will wear dinks until Christmas recess.
- (2.) First week:
 - a. Men and women will carry sulphur matches for sophomores.
 - b. Women will wear no make-up.
 - c. Men and women will wear large cards bearing their names, nick-names, and alma mater.
 - d. Men will wear plain blue or orange straight ties.
- (3.) Second week:
 - a. Women will wear blue or orange hair ribbons three (3) inches wide and no make-up.
 - b. Men will wear plain blue or orange straight ties.
- (4.) Third week:
 - a. The Alma Mater will be known thoroughly.
 - b. Freshmen will rise when directly approached by sophomores in the lounges.

NOTE: These rules are to be enforced only within one block of the college building.

HUMOR

Frosh—"I've just purchased a dummy for a dollar."

Prof.—"That's nothing, I get them for nothing."

Prof. Hall—"I have here a cylinder of poisonous gas. If it should escape, what steps would you take?"

Voice—"Long ones."

Mr. Faint—(giving a test): "I am not going to answer any questions."

Atherholt—"Shake, neither am I."

REGISTRAR'S NOTICE

All books and stationery can be purchased at the office. Students are urged to make such purchases at an early date.