DOCTOR CROOK TALKS

It seems fitting that a professor with such a name should be teaching a course in Criminology, among his other tasks. Yet, when anyone suggests this idea, he is apt to reply: "Well, where I came from it meant a shepherd's crook, not a racketeer."

Wilfrid Crook was born in the damp and gloomy county of Lancashire, England, in the very heart of the cotton-spinning country, where the sun shines once a year... when it remembers. Before he was old enough to remember the difference he and his family moved to the English midlands, where coal, steel and smoke were the ruling industries.

Even in his youthful days he had a lively interest in America. His father had visited the States during a world tour and had brought back a fascinating old guide book, illustrated in the Currier and Ives style with Indians, bison and cowboys. This and the novels of the American Winston Churchill, Frank Norris and Owen Wister roused a desire to see the New World.

Long before this desire was satisfied, however, Mr. Crook had decided on the ministry as a career (Continued on Page 14)

CONVOCATION

The night of June third, will find the class of '39 assembled at Bucknell Junior College for the last time. The young women will bedeck themselves in their cool and crisp gowns while the men students will be attired in their Sunday best. The members of the sophomore class will walk into the auditorium—two by two—the faculty will occupy the stage and will probably wear caps and gowns.

The program for the evening will consist of a group of songs by the choral club and probably a short talk by Dr. Farley.

At the time this paper went to press the speaker had not been chosen but Dr. Farley promises that he will have a very interesting man to address us.

We urge all of you to attend—both to bid farewell to the sophomores and to spend an enjoyable evening listening to good speaker.

RESULTS OF THE STUDENT POLL

We, the staff of the Bucknell Beacon, feel duly compensated for our feeble efforts in conducting a poll of the student body in regard to world affairs and local news. The Roosevelt landslide and Hitler's plebiscite in the Saar had nothing on it. We feel justified in thinking that there's every indication that the combined sophomorons and freshmanacs (behold the Beacon's originality!) have at least a grain of intelligence. To prove: they not only answered questions in the recent poll, but, nay more strangely, answered them with a hint of intelligence.

The voting came out somewhat as follows: the most widely publicized man and woman were The Duke of Windsor and Mrs. Wallis Warfield Simpson, with President Roosevelt running a close second to the Duke. A decided "no" was registered on the question "Would you be willing to fight for the U. S. on foreign soil?" Only 13 students voted "yes." The most interesting book ever read was first, Gone with the Wind; second, Magnificent Obsession... The Great Ziegfeld, and Romeo and Juliet were the "most artistic" film productions. Dr. Crook is the "most popular teacher" in the school, coming in just ahead of Dr. Tasker; this vote was very close. Jack Benny won out over the Lux Radio Theatre and the Hit Parade in the matter of favorite radio programs. The course on The History of Western Man, first; the World Literature course, second, in the vote on "What course did you derive the most benefit from?" Adolf Hitler was considered the man (Continued on Page 14)
JOURNALISM

We have our Westbrook Peglers, our Walter Durantes, and our Margaret Mitchells who have eached the heights of journalistic endeavor.—On the other hand we have you, you, and you, who are gazing raply upward toward these heights and who, undaunted by the warnings of the don’t-ever-be-a-journalist-what-ever-you-do school of thought, continue to dream vague dreams of syndicated columns, “best sellers,” and by-lines.

Do you like to write? Sixty people out of a hundred will claim that they do. Can You Write? Forty of the sixty will modestly admit that yes, they write rather well.—And in a few years ten of the forty, clutching their diplomas, proudly flaunting their newly acquired degrees, will bravely besiege editorial offices, publishing houses and advertising agencies shouting gaily, “Here we are, you lucky people.” Eventually the ten will be found plugging away as copy readers, as advertising compositors, as reporters insignificant, but happy because they are doing something they like. Possibly one of the ten will become a big man in journalistic fields—possibly not probably.

If you harbor a romantic vision of yourself as the gal reporter who has just completed a successful round-the-world flight, or the columnist who knows everyone and who wears a slouch hat and trench coat—wake up. A cub-reporter can’t afford a trench coat and gal reporters are an exceedingly rare phenomenon. To every spectacular figure in the writing profession, there are hundreds of men and women who must be satisfied with minor positions.

On the other hand, one must not lose sight of the vast possibilities in the field of journalism. Feature article writing, advertising, scenario writing, short-story writing, reporting and newspaper management—are but a few. It is true that the use of syndicated news has done much to eliminate the need for feature writers on the small newspaper, but the moving picture industry and the magazines are always eager for new talent. This statement may seem paradoxical in view of the fact that the attitude of the popular magazines toward new writers is not always encouraging. If the big-name periodicals don’t appreciate your efforts, the pulps will—at a cent a word! Once you get into print—that is, if you have a definitely individualized style—the popular Magazines will sit up and beg for your work.

As for education—the journalist must have, in addition to his specialized training, as diversified and as complete a store of knowledge as he can possibly assimilate. He must have a large vocabulary, but, first, he must possess a unique and interesting style of writing. Flowery language does not nec-

PLANS FOR DINNER DANCE COMPLETED

All plans relative to the success of the annual Dinner Dance have been completed by the Social Activities Committee. A night of varied entertainment including prominent speakers, humorists, satirists, and dramatists will endeavor to lift you into an atmosphere of sublimity or boredom. The list of speakers includes Dr. Eugene Farley, Joseph Gallagher, alter Thomas, Richard Roush, and Morris Reishstein. Bud O'Malley, prominent Bucknellion, will act as toastmaster. The dinner will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. Music for dancing will be furnished by Ray Keating and his orchestra immediately after the conclusion of the dinner. Due to the unusually large demand for tickets, all reservations must be made and all tickets bought by May 27. Since this is the last affair of the college year every attempt should be made to make it the most outstanding and one that will be long remembered by Junior College students.

FAREWELL SOPHOMORES!

Since the sophomores will soon be leaving one another, they are naturally curious to know where they will be located next year. Although there are several who have not yet decided, we find that the majority are certain of their destinations.

There are several who have decided to part from us: Betty Schlingman has chosen Tallahassee in Florida; Marie Kopicki, Columbia University; Marjorie Phillips, Rider College; Robert Bohn, George Washington University; Phillip Mushowitz, N. Y. U.; Leonard Rushin, Temple University; and Esther Warden and Frank Egarlet, Pennsylvania State College.

We are happy to know that most of the class will continue at the campus. Among this group we find: Bill Atherholt, Edith Basta, Mary Ciesla, Ben Davis, Joe Donnelly, Jimmie Fritz, Joe Gallagher, Ann Griffiths, Marjorie Honeywell, Jack Hurley, Ralph Johnston, Melvin Kaminske, Sidney Levine, Donald McHugh, Fred Miller, William Ottaviani, Leon Rokosz, Jack Saricks, George Sauer Walter Thomas, Huddy Morgan, Bideth Davies, Ed Davis and Dick Kasper.

essarily mean clever writing. The day of rhapsodical descriptions and long and pointless tirades is past.

It's a long, hard climb to the top, but if you reach it, it's well worth the effort, for a good writer is a good writer—as any Freshman knows!

—Marjorie Shapiro.
The members of the Student Council and the student organizations they represent. In the picture are:

Front row, left to right: Joseph Donnelly, Dramatic Club; Betty Tonks, Choral Club; Helen Morgan, girls' group; Marjorie Shapiro, representing the Freshman class; Walter Thomas, representing athletics and President of the Student Council.

Rear row, l. to r.: John Lewis, representing the Freshman class; Joseph Gallagher, representing the Sophomore class; Ralph Johnston, representing debating; Jack Saricks, representing the Beacon.

Norman Costine, representing the Freshman class and Joseph Boyle, representing the men's group were not present when the picture was taken.

THE STUDENT COUNCIL

During the past year the Student Council has attempted to bring about a more efficient student organization and a well rounded program of student activities. In doing this the student Council has been ably assisted by the Social Activities Committee and its most capable chairman, Andrew O'Malley. Due to unforeseen difficulties, the budget of appropriations set up by the Council, turned out to be insufficient to cover the many activities. As a result more money, derived from the contingent fund, had to be appropriated to the various activities, namely bowling, the baseball team, the Beacon, the Social Activities Committee for the annual dinner dance, and for delegates to conventions at Bloomsburg and Lehigh.

The greatest accomplishment of the Student Council was the setting up of a much needed Athletic Council which began to function immediately after its approval. The Council deemed it unnecessary to have the usual faculty advisors on the Council, though they have been a great help to the Council, since there will be a greater freedom of thought and action. The final accomplishment was the amending of the Constitution in an attempt to overcome the faults of the previous Constitution.
MOST POPULAR GIRL

MEGAN B. TONKS

Scooping the Scandal

Here's the latest news—written down as fast as the scandal-mongers could spill it!!! . . . We see by the papers that that old woman chaser, Bill De Rose is at it again. This time it's Patsy Boyle—he's taking her to the dinner dance. Patsy used to go with you-know-whom . . . It must be the real thing between Joe Boyle (the Boyles certainly get in the news) and Ilaria Sterniuk . . . Joe sent her a telegram wishing her success on the opening night of the play!!

Was Herr Disque surprised or wasn't he? The German students gave him a surprise "Aufwiedersehen" party at the General Hospital the other Saturday night (courtesy Miss Lily Deimler). The first two presents he received were sights! Ask Mr. Disque or Mr. Schuyler—he was there too. Seriously though, he did receive a fine wallet as a token of appreciation from his students for his being such a swell teacher and such a good sport . . . The same goes for Miss Norma Sangiuliano, who received an evening purse the night of the Dramatic Club initiation.

Be on the lookout for some new combinations of couples at the dinner dance—don't say we didn't warn you . . . Wonder if the Dave Smith-Betty Tonks friendship is really more than that???

When you see Shirley Dattner coming, the best thing to do is run—she tells the dumbest jokes. Random thought—two girls who look cute with glasses are Marge Phillips and Marge Honeywell . . . It's getting so bad that George Spurr and Edith Bast eat lunch together at the "Y."

Was Jack Hurley's face red the night his car ran out of gas and he was late in getting to Marge's? If you want the full details ask him . . . We hear that George Beiswinger cracked up the other night, but he didn't mind because he knows a nurse by the name of Peggy Thomas!! . . . We'd like to know who the good-looking fellow was who was with Rachael Capone down at the campus the other weekend . . . We would also like to know who Stanley Daugert and Don McHugh are taking to the next dance . . . After that lecture in chapel—you know the one—it seems as if the fellows would like to know a few things too, the way they ganged up on the speaker.

Some very definite indications of spring: Mr. Gage wearing dandelions in his button-hole . . . Bill Ottaviani sitting in the library in his shirt sleeves . . . Miss Brooks' French class out for a walk . . . The lethargic responses in the class-rooms . . . Ah, father . . . Ah, mother . . . Ah, wilderness . . . Ah, spring!!
This staff has had charge of The Beacon during the college year. In the picture are:

Front row, left to right: Walter Thomas, co-editor; Helen Morgan, reporter; Betty Tonks, co-editor; Bideth Davies, reporter; Jack Saricks, co-editor.

Second row l. to r.: Maurice Reishtein, associate editor; James Fritz, reporter; Marjorie Shipiro, reporter; Ilaria Sterniuk, reporter; Marion Dunstan, business manager; Betty Fenton, art editor; Andrew O'Malley, associate editor; Joseph Donnelly, associate editor.

Rear row, l. to r.: William DeRose, art editor; Stanley Daugert, reporter; Doctor Wilfrid Crook, faculty adviser; Sidney Levine, business manager.

Anne Griffith, a reporter, was not present when the picture was taken.

“BEACON” STAFF

The Bucknell “Beacon,” so named by Dr. Wilfrid Crook, has endeavored to fill the gap left by the discontinuation of the “Bison Stampede” which failed dismally last year after one issue. The reorganization was affected during the past summer by Dr. Crook and a few students who, though having little experience in the line of journalism, were willing to put every effort into such an undertaking. Gradually the staff was enlarged and gradually the “Beacon” improved both in content and in form until this masterpiece of journalism was produced. Because of its unusual and snappy articles, its creative drawings, volcanic editorials, ancient and modern photographs of faculty members, its original poetry, and the fantastic interpretations of college life, the “Beacon” has turned out to be a most popular and interesting paper. But it would not be what it is except for the untiring efforts of Dr. Crook and Sidney Levine, not excluding the splendid cooperation of every member of the staff. The “Beacon” has been forced to subsist on an appropriation of thirty dollars an issue and has done splendidly on such an allowance.
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ETHICS
We are going down into the garden to eat worms. Never have we been so thoroughly disillusioned and disgusted. It is a sad day when a college journal is forced to print an editorial on ETHICS. Perhaps we are not being tactful; perhaps the members of the Beacon staff should lick their wounds in silence—but the best way to get rid of a bad odor is to give it air.

We have been told and we firmly believe that a college course serves three purposes; to aid the student in attaining culture, to prepare him for his career, and to teach him to be a good citizen. It is this last that we have to do.

Is it ethical for one student to have seven or five or even two ballots in an election? Is it ethical to conduct an election in a highly disorganized manner? Who should have charge of the election? Who should collect and count the votes? Disinterested persons who are not nominees for office!

An outraged murmur issues from the Freshman class. They scowl. They vigorously deny such implications. Yes, of course—they are ashamed and humiliated for our classmates too. We are ashamed for ourselves who saw and who did not have the courage to interfere.

WAKE UP AND LIVE
The editors of the Beacon hope that a certain state of affairs, which has existed throughout this year, will be remedied next year. This is the tendency shown by the majority of the students to place the burden of managing the various organizations on a relatively small number of students. More cooperation should be shown by the other members of the groups. The fact that a person does not happen to hold an office in the organization is no excuse for his being a back-slider and leaving practically all the work and responsibility on the shoulders of those who have been elected to serve as officers. No officer and no organization can accomplish anything really worthwhile unless they are given the wholehearted backing of all the members.

We, the editors of the Beacon, consider ourselves authorities on this subject. At times it has appeared that we would have to write the entire paper ourselves if we wished to put an issue out at all. We do not wish to cast any criticism on some of our reporters, who have cooperated very well with us, but we feel that the small number of our reporters handicapped us to some extent, because many times during the year these students were too busy with their other activities to help us with the paper. It is hoped that there will be many more reporters on next year’s paper staff and that its editors will receive better support and encouragement from the student body than the departing editors have received.

There is ample opportunity in the college for each student to take an active part in at least one organization. Too many of our students in the past have deprived themselves of the enjoyment which comes to one when he has cooperated to his utmost in some endeavor and has had a part in making it a great success. We hope that the students who are planning to return next year will give a little consideration to this inauspicious but well meaning article and will try to be a greater asset to the college in the future, no matter how active they have been this year.

ATHLETIC COUNCIL FUNCTIONS
The Athletic Council has begun to function during the last month and has settled many important issues. It was decided that third year students be allowed to participate in any or all athletic events, providing they pay their student-activities fee; it was decided that the Athletic Council set up standards and rules for the general conduct of and the making of awards to athletes. A constitution, was drawn up and accepted.

APPRECIATION
The Business Staff wishes to thank our advertisers for their cooperation during the year.
SOCIETY AND SYPHILIS

The social diseases—one out of every ten persons in these United States is affected by one form or another. Syphilis alone causes the death of fully 100,000 Americans every year. A half million new cases of syphilis occur every year. Millions of people are suffering from heart disorder, blindness, insanity, and many other afflictions, and the origins of these ailments can, in many cases, be traced back to the social diseases.

This is a nation which prides itself for its highly advanced civilization. Ironically enough, medical science has an effective method of prevention and cure of these diseases. Then why the widespread existence of these diseases and why their ever-increasing growth? The answers to these questions lie in the fact that there is a strong conviction among the supposedly cultivated people of this country that it is not proper to talk about or even obtain knowledge about the venereal diseases.

The students in the category of these “nice” persons will no doubt criticize the Beacon editorial staff for this frank discussion and will condemn us as being immoral. But do not these students and the rest of the “proper” people, or better said “prudes,” realize that it is their taboo of the subject which is preventing a wide dissemination of the available knowledge concerning the prevention and remedying of these diseases? Do they not perceive that they, not the unfortunate diseased, are the real causators of the existence and shocking growth of these afflictions?

It is difficult to believe that conditions exist where only one out of every ten stricken, receive proper medical treatment, and where many people are affected and should receive medical attention, but are quite ignorant of their infection. But according to medical men, such conditions do exist, and among thousands of people.

Widespread propagation of information concerning the diseases is our only solution. In Norway, Sweden, and Denmark, there exists a governmental program of education in the nature of the diseases and the necessity for thorough treatment. Last year, these countries, which have a total population of about twelve and a half million reported less than 1600 cases of syphilis. England has obtained these same remarkable results with it educational program.

Americans, fortunately, are beginning to awaken. Some of the leading newspapers, magazines, and radio stations are carrying out active campaigns to break down the “prim” attitudes toward the diseases and to spread all available knowledge among the people.

It’s high time that we of the coming generations, college men and women, dropped our prudishness and rose to the support of this worth-while move-

TO THE EDITORS OF THE BUCKNELL BEACON

This is the closing month of our fourth year as a Wyoming Valley institution. Next fall will see us take a vital step in our history as the valley’s college, as we move to our beautiful River Street site.

The University at Lewisburg has had faith in us and in our valley sufficient to establish the Junior College here and to bring here a permanent and resident faculty.

Our students have made a fine showing both here at the Junior College and in the thirty-five or more four-year colleges and universities to which they have gone after their two years of college work here.

Our present student body can do a splendid service to their Junior College and to their valley by personally securing the enrollment of promising high school graduates for our Freshman Class next fall. A few hours of real thought and enthusiasm on this matter by each student would start next year’s work with a record enrollment. Is it too much to ask?

—Wilfrid H. Crook

EDITORIAL

The Freshmen members of the Beacon staff reluctantly bid adieu to the Sophomore members who, with a zeal hitherto foreign to Sophomores, have done most of the work during the year. We look forward with mixed feelings of dread and exuberance to the issues when we, as Sophomores, shall shoulder the double burden of getting the Beacon to the printer and frantically warning the Freshmen that they have exactly one hour in which to write a five hundred word story. We can hardly wait.

Just to prove that we have ambitious ideas for the future of the Beacon, we (with a pleading eye in the general direction of the powers-that-be) hereby submit the following suggestions:

1. A bi-monthly Beacon instead of the present monthly.
2. A system by which persons writing regularly for the Beacon might receive a quality-credit for their work.
3. A typewriter all our own in the press room.
4. MORE REPORTERS.
High School Graduates Of The Valley

Four years ago Bucknell University established its Junior College in Wyoming Valley to meet the urgent need for College education right here at home, during freshman and sophomore years.

Next fall, through the generosity of Admiral and Mrs. Harold Stark and Mrs. John H. Conyngham, the Junior College will have a splendid permanent site on the River front.

Within the past four years our students have transferred to no less than thirty-five other colleges and universities in America and Great Britain. Many of our students are making brilliant records for themselves on the Bucknell campus at Lewisburg and in other colleges.

THIS IS YOUR JUNIOR COLLEGE!
WE BUCKNELL STUDENTS WELCOME YOU!

Mayor Loveland Says:

"Bucknell University, in offering two years of their curriculum in the Junior College, has brought to Wyoming Valley opportunities for developing youth . . . in which we have been woefully lacking. "I strongly urge a prompt awakening to the advantages which this college is presenting to the city and the community."
COMMUNITIES FROM WHICH OUR STUDENTS HAVE COME
(Each dot represents one student)

COLLEGES TO WHICH OUR STUDENTS HAVE GONE TO COMPLETE THEIR FOUR-YEAR STUDY

- University of Alabama
- Ilbright College
- American University
- Annapolis Naval Academy
- Antist Institute
- Barnard College
- Bloomsburg State Teachers' College
- Boston University
- Bucknell University
- Columbia University
- Cornell Institute
- East Stroudsburg State Teachers
- Edinburgh University (Scotland)
- Georgia School of Tech.
- Lafayette College
- Lehigh University
- Louisiana State University
- Marywood College
- Misericordia College
- University of Michigan
- New York University
- Northwestern University
- Ohio Wesleyan
- University of Oklahoma
- University of Pennsylvania
- Penn State College
- St. Bonaventure College
- St. Thomas College
- Syracuse University
- Temple University
- Tulane University
- Wesley College
- Wesleyan University
- West Point Academy
- W. Va. Wesleyan College
ZIMMERMAN AND SARICKS ARE LEADING HITTERS

STUDENT RECEIVES BOWLING PRIZE

Michael Kaminski, a member of the Junior College bowling team entered in the Y. M. C. A. House League, was awarded the prize for the highest individual score made in a match game during the past season. His score of 252 set a new high for match games, and one which in all probability will stand for a long time. This honor was conferred upon him at the annual clam bake held by the members of the House League. The Junior College congratulates Mr. Kaminski for this fine achievement and in all probability he will be awarded at the Annual Lettermen’s Banquet.

GIRLS ENTER BOWLING TOURNAMENT

The latest innovation in the Junior College is the introduction of bowling in the girls’ physical education program. The coach of the girls is Hank Peters, and the rooters are the pin boys. The team is composed of about fourteen girls, and the games are played only when one has a dime. The highest scorer to date is Mary Ciesla who prides herself as having the three requisites of bowling, namely, the three w’s—vim, vigor and vitality. Most of the girls bowl the big pins, but it seems that the petite Betty Tonks must stick to the little things in life—duck pins. Demetra Diamond, who takes three unusual swings before shooting, ranks second highest scorer, while yours truly is almost as good as Fritz. The tournament which was composed of both girl and boy bowlers, was held a few weeks ago. At press time the final results were not known.

Puffy Zimmerman, erstwhile third baseman, and Captain Jack Saricks lead the team in batting with averages of .432. They are also tied for the most hits with 16. Following are the complete averages, not including the final games with Seminary.

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Two Base Hits—Sutton 3.
Three Base Hits—Zimmerman 1.
Home Runs—Saricks 1.
Stolen Bases—W. Thomas and Saricks 4.
Runs Batted In—Saricks 10.

LETTERMEN’S BANQUET

The Annual Lettermen’s Banquet, originally scheduled to take place at the Hotel Redington, will take place at the Hotel Mallow-Sterling on Saturday evening the festivities will begin at 7:00 o’clock.

A very interesting program has been arranged for the affair, including a number of speakers as well as an enjoyable musical program. The feature of the banquet will be the talk by the guest speaker of the evening, Prof. W. Austin Bishop of the University of Pennsylvania. Prof. John Gold, popular ex-faculty advisor of athletics at the Junior College and now stationed at Lewisburg, will give one of his amusing talks. Coach Henry Peters will be given another chance to air his stupendous vocabulary. Walter Thomas and John Kasper will also give short talks. Dr. Roy C. Tasker, faculty advisor of athletics, will present awards to athletes deserving them. Andrew O’Malley, chairman of the Social Activities Committee, will act as toastmaster. This affair long awaited by all Lettermen will be one which will be long remembered by all who attend, and it will surpass all previous attempts at banqueting.
SPORTS

RIGHT: Left to right in the picture are captains of the athletic teams: James Mayock, golf; Edward Davis, basketball; Jack Saricks, baseball; Wayne Gardner, swimming; and Leonard Rushin, bowling.

BELOW: Pictured are two members of this year’s swimming team during a practice session.

ABOVE: Jack Saricks, captain and leading hitter of the baseball team.
NO LONGER A “LABOR” QUESTION

The labor situation has reached a point where it affects every citizen.

The unlawful occupation of property by workers to enforce their demands, and the breakdown of our law enforcement agencies in protecting the property owner, is a new experience in the United States. It is but one step removed from revolution.

If one class of citizens can dispossess another of the use of their property it is not a very far step to take over such property permanently.

If workmen stop to think they will see that they are destroying their own safety and liberty when they foment revolutionary practices.

Thoughtful persons who have the best interest of workers at heart can only warn them against such tactics which in the long run will lose unless government stability is destroyed—then what?

JAMES FRITZ

James Fritz first saw the world on September 21, 1920 in the little town of Sunbury, Pennsylvania. After traveling for some time, the Fritz family established its home in Nanticoke for a few years. Later a permanent abode was established in Hanover. Here, Jimmie began his school career, completing his first three grades in one year. Already it was apparent that the boy was precocious. In 1935, Fritz, ranking highest in his class, graduated from Hanover High School. As a result of competitive exams, that year, Fritz was awarded a State Scholarship of $100 per year. Convinced by the arguments of his teachers that Chemical Engineering was quite the thing, he enrolled in this college in the fall of 1935. As a freshman James won the Prof. George Morris Phillips prize for the outstanding rank in freshman mathematics, and won much recognition as an “A” student for the whole year.

Jimmie’s favorite subjects are those dealing with chemistry and mathematics. As a member of the Beacon staff, he admits the authorship of some of the poems, but he feels rather ashamed of them. Jimmie is also a member of the Choral Club and of the now deceased Junior College orchestra. His two greatest ambitions are to graduate Summa Cum Laude and to play Beethoven’s “Moonlight Sonata.” Here’s luck to you, Jimmie!

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At right are students working in the Biology Laboratory under the guidance of Dr. Roy Tasker.

BIOLOGICAL COURSE INTERESTING

Above is a typical scene in the Biological Laboratory. Here is shown a part of the class at work dissecting the shark. Their attention and interest indicates something of their application in this subject.

Here the student seeking a general college education finds cultural advancement and the student preparing for medicine, dentistry, technician or public health work, science teaching or graduate study acquires skill in the use of laboratory instruments and equipment, practice in the scientific method and basic information for his more advanced work.

In addition to the actual study of animals and zoological principles to afford a better understanding of man himself, students begin to appreciate the value of exact and accurate methods, the use of controlled experiments, the spirit of investigation and the openmindedness essential to, and so integral a part of, the scientific method.

AMENDMENTS ACCEPTED; HIGHER FEE REJECTED

By a vote of 47 to 13 the student body showed their approval of the suggested constitutional amendments, while the proposal to raise the student-activities fee was rejected by a close vote of 32 to 27. Perhaps in the near future the students will see the real necessity to raise the student-activities fee.

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DOCTOR CROOK TALKS
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broken at one time by a wistful side-glance at a Member-of-Parliament! Seven years of intensive training for his A. B. and A. M. at Oxford gave him his start in the Social Sciences, for he resolutely refused to spend his whole time studying Theology.
Thus he sat at the feet of several famous lecturers, from England and from the States, among them L. T. Hobhouse, Sydney Webb, William James and Josiah Royce. Royce, the much-beloved Harvard philosopher, finding one day that his pupil knew nothing of the "Hunting of the Snark," ordered Crook to come to his room. There Royce proceeded to recite the whole poem! "Now!" cried the old philosopher, "go and buy a copy of your own."

The pursuit of the ministry, together with the aid of the Hibbert Scholarship, brought Mr. Crook to the States. With the sociologist's virus in his veins, he travelled to America in the steerage, and in the process, learned a good deal about human nature, both European and American. After Ellis Island, Harvard campus looked pretty good to him.
Two years at Harvard in economics led on to an assistant-pastorship under Dr. Willard Sperry in Boston. (Dr. Sperry is now Dean of the Harvard School of Theology). There Mr. Crook's chief task was to run a young people's forum, visit the sick and the aged and try (vainly) to restrain his economic and sociological enthusiasms outside the realm of the Church.
Ultimately the social sciences won. Mr. Crook returned to Harvard to complete his Ph. D. Varied teaching experiences at Simmons College, Bowdoin College and Bradford Junior College, mingled with much public speaking and literary work (journalistic and otherwise), finally landed Dr. Crook in the Wyoming Valley at our Junior College. Here he tackles anything from Social Institutions to Labor Problems and has been known to pinch hit in Political Science and Religion.

For some ten years his "hobby" was collecting "dope" on the general strike . . . that labor weapon which has been used in every continent in the world. This search took him back three times to Europe and led him into the labor history of thirteen different nations. The end product of all this effort was a veritable "tome" of over six hundred pages, published by the University of North Carolina Press, and other smaller articles in professional journals and in the new Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences.

His present leisure time enjoyment consists of driving (and crabbing) a Ford car, tree-trimming in Maine, speaking to all kinds of forlorn organizations, watching his son grow beyond the six-foot five-inch mark, and admiring his wife's efforts to run a Council of Social Agencies and acquire a Ph.D. at the same time. One of his craziest ideas is that this valley and this Junior College have, together, a great future.

RESULTS OF THE STUDENT POLL
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who has done the most to undermine democracy? Mussolini was his companion.
Personality, intelligence, sense of humor, ambition, good looks, clothes sense, and good dancer in that order are the most desired qualities in the opposite sex.
Betty Tonks and Joseph Donnelly shared the honors as the most popular woman and man students with Bud O'Malley second to Joe. The Reader's Digest occupies most of the student's time as a favorite magazine; Life and Time were second and third. Walter Winchell led the pack of "favorite writers." Swimming is our favorite sport with football occupying some of our time.
Luise Rainer and Paul Muni were the favorite actress and actor. Jesse Owens and Bob Feller shared honors as outstanding figures of the sport world.
The students disagreed on the "most spectacular figure" in the world: votes were jointly given to Roosevelt and Hitler. Benny Goodman and Bing Crosby would combine their talents if the students had their way about it.

Country Constable—"Pardon, Miss, but swimming is not allowed in the lake."
City Flapper—"Why didn't you tell me before I undressed?"
Country Constable—"Well, there ain't no law against undressing."—Rotary Reminder.

Was your mother-in-law hurt when you crashed your car?"
"Yes, her jaw was injured, but we can't determine how badly."
"Why didn't you have it X-rayed?"
"We tried that, but couldn't get anything but a moving picture."
Cop: "Hey! You can't turn this corner!"
Sweet Young Thing: "Just make all those other cars get out of the way and I'll show you."

"There's no difficulty in this world that cannot be overcome."
"Is zat so! Say, did you ever try to push the tooth paste back in the tube?"
This picture shows only a small portion of the newly reconstructed Old Main which was destroyed by fire a few years ago. Through the splendid cooperation of the Board of Trustees and many members of the Alumni Association, sufficient funds have been obtained to rebuild anew the structure. Many of the Junior College students have signified that they intend to stay in this, the most modern section of Bucknell University's dormitories.

**LETTERMEN OF '36-'37**

The following list of lettermen has been announced:

**Basketball:** Joseph Wesley, William Atherholt, Edward Davis, Charles Romane, Walter Thomas, William Thomas, Donald McHugh, David Smith, Francis Ford and Manager Norman Tractenberg.


**Bowling:** Leonard Rushin, Felix Stroinski, Robert Petrs, Thomas Jenkins, John Parkinson and Melvin Kaminski.

**Swimming:** Wayne Gardner, Norman Costine, James Mayock, John Kasper, William De Rose, John Mundry and Manager William Warmkessell.
DESTINY

The president of the college looked up questioningly at the man who had entered his office and now stood regarding him gravely.

"And what can I do for you, sir," he inquired.

"I don't suppose you remember me," the visitor began, and seeing the look of doubt on the president's face, went on: "I am Pollard of the class of '07. The year I left school I was very hard up and you lent me ten dollars. And I told you that when I had made good I would come back and remind you of it and pay it. So—"

"Go on," said the president beaming on him.

"So, here I am. You don't happen to have another ten spot on you, do you?"

VALEDICTORY

Once the air was stuffy
With sunshine bright and brittle.
Tiny shafts skimmed the painted tables
Standing white and little
Leaves dropped in silence,
And no alarm was heard,
Only the tired, sluggish
Heap-ed up voice of some poor bird.
White-washed walls just new
Reflected dazzling light.
Heat on metal tendons
Slowly drew the air-space tight.
Suddenly the world stopped.
Life suspended drawn
In agonizing pain;
Then,—you were gone.

—B. D. F.

C. I. O.?

A school teacher gave a pupil a problem for home study, which was in substance as follows: "How long would it take a certain number of men, working ten hours a day, to complete a certain job?" The next morning the pupil handed the teacher a note from his father, saying, "Dear Sir: I refuse to let my son do the sum you gave him last night because it looks to me like a slur on the eight-hour day. Any sum of eight or less he is welcome to work, but not more."

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