HONOR ROLL
Forty-Eight Students On Farley's List For First Semester

Forty-eight Junior College students had marks placing them on the honor lists for the first semester according to an announcement by Dr. Eugene S. Farley. Of this group, 19 students—14 sophomores and 5 freshmen—attained averages of 85% or better while the remaining 29 had averages of 80% or better but less than 85%.


85-90%: Betty Davidson, William Dowdell, Irwin Freed, Dorothy Hughes, West Matuknis, Margaret McElroy, Robert Rober, Darina Tuhy, Rita Yurkian.

Mary Brislain, Jack Gelb, Melville Hopkins, David Secunda, Paul Trebielzo.

80-85%: Phyllis Ackerman, Lilian Cemler, Rose Faatz, Robert Graham, Robert Hopkins, Robert Kerr, Maion Martin, Robert Nagle, Julia Place, Alfred Ringstrom, Wilbur Troy.


DEAN RIVENBURG VISITS JUNIOR COLLEGE CAMPUS

Romeyn H. Rivenburg, Dean of Bucknell University as well as Bucknell Junior College, has been in Wilkes-Barre the past two days interviewing those students who intend to continue their studies at the campus next term.

FEBRUARY SEMI-FORMAL DANCE IS HUGE SUCCESS

The fourth semi-formal dance for Junior College students and their friends was held in the First Presbyterian Church House, on Friday night, February 17th, with Milton Wiener (a former Junior College student) and his orchestra furnished music for the affair. Robert Hopkins was general chairman and was assisted by Margaret Wolf, Betty Schwager, Madge Space, Gertrude Jones, John Bush, and John Guiney.

ATHLETES ACTIVE

Swanberry Named Basketball Captain--Tankmen

Complete Successful Season--Wrestling Tourney--Baseball Schedule Listed

Bucknell University Junior College swimming team has just completed its first win, in its three years of being a major sport at the River Street institution. In the third meet of the year against the Scranton University varsity aggregation the locals copped their first win in their four meets, most of them in victory in the last event of the evening when they defeated the freelance relay aggregation by a 26-20 margin.

They followed up this victory with another one the following week at Lancaster when they gave the Franklin and Marshall Academy tankers a forty-seven to seventeen lacing to make their record two straight wins. In a meet following the academy contest the Bisons received a similar lacing from the stellar freshman team representing the Franklin and Marshall College.

Captain John Guiney was unable to duplicate his record of the preceding year when he went through the season undefeated but he continued to be one of the mainstays of the team.

Wrestling--

The first wrestling tourney got underway Tuesday at noon at the "Y". Bouts will be staged every Tuesday and Thursday during the tourney until the champions are determined Competing for honors are:

120-pound class, Bob Most, J. Padlick, Dave Evans, Weinstock, Edelman, Vlodowski, McDonald; 136 - pound class, Rogers, Al Stets, Reese, Roberts, Duddy, Stanchak, M. Goldstein; 145-pound class, Votoun, Seherman, Van Loon, Mandlovitz, Gelb, Ed Roberts, Bodauski, Devina, Connelly, Fehlinger, Epton, Brittingham; 155-pound class, Switch, Wexler, Urban, Crego, Mel Hopkins; 165-pound class, Fischer, Hunt, Warakomski, Horoski, Kornblatt; 175-pound class, Ferguson, Bashilev, Bodycomb, Aitken, Stribaugh, Niewinski, Kwal, Ad Condesta.

Baseball

Coach Curley's baseball team has 12 games scheduled for the season which opens April 26th against Wyoming Seminary. The Bisons will play four games away and eight at Wyoming Seminary's Nesbitt Stadium, which serves as the home diamond for the Bisons.

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NEW BOOKS

World Literature Sections Select Books For BUC Library

Dr. David Brown, head of the World Literature course at Bucknell Junior College, last week introduced a new system of selecting outside readings which is designed to teach students to develop their own reading interests.

To quote Dr. Johnstone and Carlyle, "Read this book you might honestly feel you read to read." This is the main idea of the new arrangement which will supplant the method of selecting materials for additional reading used in former semesters.

An attempt will be made to encourage students to study current or recent books, not only those published in America, but also on the continent. Dr. Brown's new schedule will require a report from three students in each World Literature section weekly concerning one book reviewed in the critical periodicals. It will then be the privilege of students to join in a round table discussion of these books and report their findings and recommendations to the members of their respective sections. Library aids in the field of modern literature will be based on these recommendations, and students will select their outside readings from this list.

Students may make their selections from recommendations in the Saturday Review of Literature, the New York Times and New York Herald Tribune book sections and other magazines.

Student Council Plans Discussion In Chapel

School Improvements To Be Aired; Guiney In Charge

Members of the Student Council will have charge of the chapel program on Tuesday. Discussion of the needs and benefits of the Junior College will be led by John Guiney. Reports of a committee of "fault-finders" will be aired and some excellent recommendations towards the improvement of the school will be made. There will be a discussion of the use of the victrola, cold water in Coneygham Hall, quiet in the Library, and dancing.
WHAT'S IN A GRADE?

Several members of the faculty believe that students would get far more out of college courses if our present marking system were abandoned. Since the honor lists are announced in this issue, it is a fitting time to discuss the matter.

Undoubtedly grades serve as an impetus to study, but in most cases they is the wrong kind of study. A grade of "A" indicates that the student has mastered the technique or "mechanics" of learning the things professors ask and knows how to state his knowledge in the way professors want it. It does not necessarily mean that he knows the subject. This is especially true when an objective test is given. The experienced student can often tell from the phrasing of a question whether it is true or false or which of the suggested answers to choose.

In justice to "good" students it must be said that they usually do get a good deal more out of their courses than others. But this due to work done apart from class assignments. It simply is not fair to these students that they should be hindered by the efforts of the impotent professor with an out of brilliance.

Moreover, there is a strong possibility that students who do not attain high grades under the present system might learn a good deal more if they did not have to worry about marks.

If evidence of the feasibility of this plan is desired, we point to the contentions of Messrs. Gies and Miller who assure us that European universities which do not use the grading system achieve better results.

The International Relations Club has not held a meeting for some time. We don't know what the trouble is, but there is certainly plenty of material to discuss, and we have no doubt that many students would like to discuss it. If you are interested, Professor Gage or Lillian Colmer would like to have your suggestions.

HARVARD, M. I. T. TIED FOR FIRST POSITION

Obitz High Man

Harvard and M. I. T. are tied for first place in the Intramural Bowling League according to the latest standings released yesterday. Indications point to a nip-and-tuck battle among the Junior College teams as members of the teams are raising their averages as the weeks pass. The standings:

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Individual high, one game, W. Thomas—248.

High Team, one game, Harvard—938.

Individual High, Three games, C. Obitz—614.

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SOME TIME THIS SESSION THE CONGRESS WILL BE ASKED TO AMEND THE NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS ACT. THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR AND MANY LARGE INDUSTRIALS CONTEST THAT THE ACT IS UNFAIR TO EMPLOYERS, AND THAT THE NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD HAS FAVORED THE CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE A. F. L. IN ORDER TO DETERMINE WHETHER THESE COMPLAINTS ARE WELL FOUNDED LET US LOOK AT THE PROVISIONS OF THE ACT AND THE RECORD TO DATE OF ITS ADMINISTRATION.

Under the Act as passed in 1935 the N. L. R. B. may investigate charges that an employer is engaging in unfair labor practices, and may order such an employer to "cease and desist" from such practices if it finds the charges true. Also, it may hold elections in a plant to determine which union shall be recognized as the bargaining agent for the employees. But it must ask a federal court to enforce its orders—and courts are usually zealous in enforcing orders which work to Labor's advantage.

Many large employers hold that the Act is unfair because the Labor Board may investigate unfair practices (company unions, yellow dog contracts, etc.) on the part of employers, but has no jurisdiction over unfair practices on the part of workers or unions. This argument loses much of its force when it is recalled that employers can and do ask the regular courts to proceed against workers at the slightest provocation—and many feel that the courts have not been nearly so fair in such cases as the National Labor Relations Board has been in cases under its jurisdiction. We all know of the many sweeping injunctions issued by courts depriving Labor of the right of collective bargaining and often of civil liberties. All fair reviews of the work of the Board concede that it has done its work competently and impartially! Those who seek a competent and scholarly treatment of the subject will find it in Robert Brooks' recent work, Unions of their own choosing.

The Thespians To Present

Modern Comedy In April

The Thespians will present a modern comedy in April. Neither the cast nor the play have yet been chosen; but this one, unlike Tartuffe which was given for its literary value, will be given for entertainment.

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PRESIDENT. . .

John Ernaiski, Coughlin High graduate, is president of the Sophomore class, Junior College. Enrolled in the engineering department, John has consistently maintained a high average at BUCJ. The sleek, dark-eyed engineer has many hobbies but devotes a major part of his time to study. On the dance floor he is a man apart from the rest of the male species. His popularity at BUCJ is supreme because of his personality and friendliness. Next year John plans to continue his studies but his plans at present are uncertain.

VIVACIOUS. . .

Her presence on the campus is most noticeable because of her sweet smile and sprightly air. Dorothy Hughes, a sophomore, is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Thomas W. Hughes of Spruce Street, Wilkes-Barre. She is a graduate of Meyer's High School. Miss Hughes enjoys dramatics, is fond of singing and likes to dance. Students will remember her as director of the Christmas play which was presented in chapel. Next year Dorothy will enter her junior year at Lewisburg.

Wrestling Soon To Be A Major Sport At Bucknell Junior College

Intra-Mural Program Planned This Semester

Thomas, Wazeter Directing Activity of Grapplers

A new sport is being introduced into the intramural program this semester with the purpose of developing it into a major sport next year. Wrestling was supposed to have been a competitive sport for us this year and meets with the Frosh teams of other colleges had been scheduled. This all had to be abandoned for the lack of a coach when Ralph Tucker, 165 lb. champion of North Eastern Penna., who was to coach the team, was unable to attend school. Because of the crude, rough and tumble ideas many of the fellows are apt to have of wrestling, Shorty Thomas, with the aid of Lee Wazeter, former Meyers wrestler, is teaching the primary fundamentals of wrestling in the gym classes. Inter-collegiate wrestling is not the goal.

The annual freshman-sophomore basketball struggle will attract a record crowd of enthusiasts to the Y. M. C. A. Monday March 13, at 12:00 Noon when the underclassmen attempt to avenge last year's upset. . . Swanberry, Scudder, Haelele, Herschkowitz, Wazeter, Scotty, Padlick and Aikman will do or die for the Fresh while Baker, Bill Thomas, Bob Hopkins, Bob Royer, Al Ringstrom, Fred Smem, Algerd Baldauski, and Wibbly Troy will attempt to duplicate last year's win. . . Fair and impartial referees will hold sway and may the best team win. . . Who are you rooting for? . . .

Intramural wrestling has received considerable attention during the past two months. . . The wrestling to be staged Tuesday and Thursday March 14 and 16 more than likely will produce some excellent material for next year's varsity team. . . The bouts will be held at 12:00 noon in the main gym of the Y. M. C. A.

Baseball practice has uncovered the best squad of ball players the Junior College has ever boasted. . . Vic Urban, Jack Saricks, Ed Lask, and Walter Thomas furnish considerable experience while John Kuechel, Stan Henning, Al Switich, John Dooley, Morris Veigh, Ed Roberts, and Phil Netzel round out the squad. . . Saricks, Thomas, Netzel, and Henning are Lettermen from last year. Urban is a Wyoming Seminary Luminary; John Dooley played at Larksville High; and big John Kuechel is a product of West Pittston High. . .

The members of the basketball and swimming teams as well as those trying out for baseball will hold considerable interest in the following notice. . . All members of the various athletic teams must attend their gym classes regularly at the end of the regular playing season to receive credit for physical education. . . There are no exceptions. . . Water Polo is not considered as an excuse for absence. . .

The varsity bowling team is hopelessly outclassed in the Keystone Major League. . . They are holding up the bottom but are competing against bowlers of much greater experience. . . Bucknell will not enter a team in this league next year, but will compete against other college teams in the near vicinity. . .

The female sex seems to be left entirely out of the picture in regards to athletic activity. . . However when spring rolls around, archery again will be the topic of the times. . . The male sex will again try to dominate the sport which was never intended for their use.

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DISTRACTION. . .

The dance seems to be one of the biggest distractions, and at the same time one of the most enjoyable pastimes of American youth. We do not know of any other section that has maintained a dance, but it seems to be as popular as in this, save perhaps in the larger cities where the craze has been commercialized to a greater extent. Discussing dancing among BUJC student recently, they predicted that the modern craze in dancing would soon die out and that it merely represents a phase of vocal dancing and other amusements of that kind which appeal to a section of the people, especially the youth with surplus energy and enthusiasm to work off, but will fade in course of time.

Our College friends are quite wrong. Dancing has always been popular, but we believe not one quarter as popular as it has become within the past few years. Strange as it may seem, the popular dances of today are really the dances that used to be popular a quarter of a century ago. Our grandspqns danced the waltz, the quadrilles, the polka, and the barn dance. Not long after they were dying out, the dance was changed to the barn dance, the lancers, the valets, the one-step and the two-step. Today the dance vocabulary has changed to such terms as "jitterbug", "shag", and "trick". In many sections the waltz remains the popular favorite, changed perhaps a little as to time or rather speed. Our Junior College "jitterbugs" like to spend a night or two in the country enjoying the diversities of the "barn-dances." Not long ago the students mastered the intricate steps of the "Lambeth Walk" for exhibition in the finer places and then turned their talents to fast-stepping routines to be demonstrated in a rendezvous where the nickel victrola supplies the danceable melodies. But the college students of today are not alone in their enjoyment of the modern dance craze. We are told there is not a village hall or "ballroom" in the countryside in which it is not danced by all.

WELCOME. . .

Several former Junior College students have returned to Wilkes-Barre after a year's vacation. John Sarick, James Ramsey, and Leon Rokosz are students of Bucknell University at Lewisburg in June. Six persons who convoked last June have returned this year to continue their studies. Instructors include Minon Dunstan, Roger Morgan, John Mundy, Robert Grover, Robert Peters, and William Thomas. Newcomers from other institutions include Helen Beaver (Sweet Briar) and George Whitnicht (Lehigh). Donald MacDonald, who attended the Junior College two years ago and made his mark as a debater, has completed his course at Lewisburg and one half year.

CONFLICT. . .

To bring old issues up-to-date, we note that the Conyngham conservatory, although less vigorously, still wages, as shown by sporadic instances of professorial indignation at the noise emanating from Conyngham hall, has been suggested and oftener repeated that the conservatory should be opened, for the sole purpose of socialization. In view of the fact that there is no other place to go in Conyngham hall, the conservatory seems to be the logical place for the recreation that now threatens to disturb students in the library. It's good to pass along.

In the interest of justice, the student Council should summon representatives from the Boy's and Girl's lounges in order to devise a plan whereby equal use of the victrola is afforded both groups. Last year the use of the victrola alternated weekly between the two lounges. There seems to be quite a disturbance over the question raised by Dr. Crook during sessions of his Sociology classes. It involved the personal wish of the student concerning what he would do if he were financially independent. Of course, there were many who expressed a desire to rest; others believed service to the advancement of science would be opportune. One student vowed to join Hershey Lumber in matrimony should dame fortune smile on him.

VERSATILE. . .

One of the BUJC instructors, whose versatility is ably demonstrated by his hobby which he has developed into a work of practical beauty, is Prof. M. B. Hall, teacher of physics and engineering. Prof. Hall works off hours and in the summer

Debaters Complete Red Tour: Several Non-Decision Debates Here Next Month

Four Junior College debaters, Lydia Greenbaum, Margaret Moore, Bernard Greenberg, and Murray Edelman, attended a debaters' convention at Penn State on February 17 and 18. Delegates from Scranton-Keystone, Bucknell, Juniata, Hazleton, and Penn State were also present. The convention discussed the relative merits of collective security, the modern craze as techniques for preventing war. Our delegates drew up the resolution favoring collective security and was defeated only by vote of the chairman after repeated ballots by delegates resulted in tie votes.

On Friday, February 24, Bernard Greenberg and Murray Edelman journeyed to Honesdale, New York, to debate a Hofstra College team on the question of socialization of medicine, the Junior College team arguing for socialization. This match was held as part of the assembly program at Hofstra and was a decision debate.

Junior College students will have an opportunity to hear several decision debates in Wilkes-Barre in the next two months. Penn State, Hofstra, Scranton-Keystone, and the University of Scranton will meet Junior College teams here during March and April.

Our alumni who are in the manufacture of his own furniture. Prof. hall has practically furnished his apartment on South Washington Street with beautiful, hand-wrought furniture that not only bears the stamp of good taste but also that intangible sign of quality that would appeal to everyone who likes and appreciates furniture.

One of the most striking pieces of furniture in the Hall house is a corner cupboard made of cherry, with striking lines and the beautiful wax color characteristic of that wood when well handled by expert hands. The cupboard contains the Hall china and glassware and is a prominent feature of the dining room. Prof. Hall has made numerous pieces of furniture in his spare time. He makes his furniture over his garage at his home down country, near Lewisburg, where he formerly taught before joining the BUJC faculty.

PATTER. . .

Hello operator! Give me Bryan 709—Hello Annie, is this you? Say, have you heard the latest? Dot Hughes certainly does know what she wants—something tall, dark, and handsome. . . How long has Peggy Coates been musically inclined? I guess "her heart is taking lessons". Gert and Bill are out at it again, or is it yet? Anyway Bill thinks that she should break down and "have a heart". Betty Schmiger warns that "her heart" is on "her" grip on Steve; he is spending most of his spare time at Kingston High School. I guess we'll have to hold "open house" so that Midge and John Koons can meet. "Promise not to tell anybody" but Mary thinks she "got a guy". Maybe so, someone over to her. Imagine Nagle admitting that he doesn't have "chilure", that's what psychology can do for you. Do you think Jerry Greenberg sees "superior" to his fellow Bucknellians? Confidentially. . . Secrets—Scooty and Marge have a theme song—"I won't tell a soul I love you". Dudley and Dotty went for a walk on the dike—it's just too, too, romantic! . . . Jimmy and Twyla keep on going "day after day"; day in and day out, and so far into the night. . . Doris is on a 20-hour week now—what does she do with the other 148 hours? Why don't you investigate. . . Florence and Betsy made the rounds of the barbecue stands on Saturday night. . . Is that why Florence started on a diet Monday morning? . . . Joe and Lydia don't believe in letting people from Nanticoke getting separated—they did enjoy the Nuangola skating party, we noticed. . . The you and me that used to be "(J.B.-C.W.) Why don't you try again? . . . State isn't really willing and able. . . Have you heard that Zelda hasn't been in the best of health; she is a victim of "myronitis", truly a serious ailment—the sufferer might have pains around the heart. . . Has anybody seen John Knott?—"please let Marge know if you have. Annabelle fell down the steps the other day—were you "falling for"? . . . Drew Deens so kindly lent his records for the tea dance. . . Dotty Hughes and Bob Graham looked as if they were in mourning—otherwise the thing was a success. . . Annie, please don't let these things get out because I wouldn't want everyone to know—I'll call you again soon.

I. C. Everything.