

# BUCKNELL BEACON

(WAR EXTRA)

WILKES-BARRE, PA., WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21, 1942

## Bucknell Accelerates Program

### A Statement By The Director

"Total war requires the energy and united effort of all people of all ages. The frills and non-essentials of our civilization will be revealed and eliminated, but those institutions upon which our civilization is based will be brought into relief. As General Hershey has said: 'Those things that are essential in peace, are more than ever essential in total war.'

"Although the Federal government has not yet indicated the responsibilities of the colleges in a great plan of defense, steps are being taken to maintain the flow of college trained men; thus to assure the maintenance of those military and civil services dependent upon the direction and skill of a highly trained and well-informed personnel. To assure this continuous flow of trained men and women, the Federal government has requested the colleges to accelerate their program so that students may be graduated at least one year earlier than in the past.

"Concerning the need for continued college training, President Roosevelt has said:

"We must have well educated and intelligent citizens who have sound judgment in dealing with the difficult problems of today. We must also have scientists, engineers, economists and other people with specialized knowledge, to plan and to build for national defense as well as for social and economic progress.

"Young people should be advised that it is their patriotic duty to continue the normal course of their education, unless and until they are called, so that they will be well prepared for greatest usefulness to their country. They will be promptly notified if they are needed for other patriotic services."

"During the war Bucknell Junior College will offer three full terms each year. This will enable students to shorten the years of college one-third without reducing standards or sacrificing any of the basic program. Under this schedule members of the present

Freshman class may finish two full years of work by the end of January, 1942, and may obtain a bachelor's degree by September, 1944. This class will thus be ready for work or service nine months in advance of the usual schedule. The Freshman class, entering this June and adhering to the accelerated program, will be ready to enter their junior year by October, 1942 and will obtain their bachelor's degree in January, 1945. This schedule will shorten the college program sixteen months without eliminating or curtailing any course.

"Government and college officials recognize the financial difficulties that face students who ordinarily would earn their tuition during the summer months. Federal assistance may be made available to students who would otherwise be unable to bear the expense of the accelerated program. Until the government has adopted such a policy, there can be no dependence upon financial aid. Meanwhile students should carefully consider their plans for college and adapt their thinking to new conditions.

"During these war years, students must not only consider the years of college an opportunity; they must also be years of challenge. A nation that encourages three years of college in the midst of danger is placing great faith in the integrity and intelligence of its young men and women. I have no doubt but that Bucknell students will accept this challenge and justify the faith that is placed in them."

E. S. FARLEY, Director.

## FLASH !!

There is a strong possibility that baseball will be discontinued this year due to the speeding up of the next semester's schedule. However, Intra-Mural Softball which has grown into one of the most popular sports in this country will be substituted for baseball. The same system will prevail for softball as was used for Intra-Mural Basketball. All softball games will be played at Kirby Park.

## STUDENTS AID RED CROSS

The opportunity has come for Bucknellians to give their whole-hearted support to the valuable work being done by the Red Cross for those who are so valiantly defending the nation. To help those less fortunate than we, each student is urged to make a contribution, regardless of its size, so the college may be said to have given 100 per cent.

Dr. Tasker explained the plan devised here to solicit donations. The Student Council has agreed to participate in the drive, which is scheduled to culminate at the end of this week. With the aid

(Continued on page 4)

## Student Council Plans Mid-Year Hop

RIFENDIFER  
CHOSEN  
CHAIRMAN

As novel as the new curriculum which has just been adopted is the mid-year Hop planned by Student Council for Friday evening, January 30. This informal affair will be held at Kirby Hall with music furnished by Donlin's Pennsylvanians.

George Rifendifer is general chairman, assisted by the following committee chairmen: refreshments, Jeanette Jones; orchestra, Wallace Jones; tickets, George Rifendifer; publicity, Joseph Farrell; decorations, Joseph Higgins.

With extra work anticipated for the future, this will be a great opportunity to make this dance the greatest success of all.

We sincerely hope that there will be a large group of B.U.J.C. students at the Mid-Semester Hop. Come on students, it's your last chance to have a swell time before a new semester, with loads of work, begins. Don't forget—January 30 at Kirby Hall.

# EDITORIALS

THE BUCKNELL BEACON

Vol. 6

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., January, 1942

No. 4

## EDITORIAL STAFF

Co-editors..... Alfred Eisenpreis, Sallyanne Frank, Elizabeth Lance  
 Reporters..... Bob Fritzges, Mary Pohala, Charlotte Reichlin  
 Rita Seitchek.  
 Sports Editors..... Arthur H. Frith, Richard C. Bantle, Aaron Weiss  
 Business Managers..... Joseph Farrell, Phyllis Kempinski,  
 Charlotte Waters.  
 Advisers..... Dr. E. S. Farley, Dr. W. H. Crook. Mr. G. Schmaltz



## The Challenge . . .

This is the challenge before the colleges of the country; this is the chance for which we have been waiting, to do our part in this war-effort.

The nation needs trained men—trained physicians, engineers, administrators, physicists. The nation's colleges harbor the supply of such men and the demand is greater than ever.

This is our opportunity: by means of accelerated schedules—omitting long, wasteful vacations, the standard four-year curriculum will be met in less than 3 years. It will mean more concentrated work, it will mean harder work, but we can do it if we only want to. We here at Bucknell Junior College will do it, because we know that by sticking to this, our job, we can serve our country best.

### BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY JUNIOR COLLEGE Schedule for the Accelerated Program

#### Fall Term, 1941-1942

Final examinations..... January 22, 23, 26, 27

#### Winter Term, 1942

Registration..... Wednesday, January 28

Classes begin..... Thursday, January 29

Easter recess..... On Friday, April 3, classes will close for the day at 11 a. m. They will start as usual on Monday, April 6.

Final examinations..... May 14, 15, 18, 19

Graduation..... Thursday, May 21

The following part of the schedule is tentative and is included only to illustrate the type of schedule that may be adopted.

#### Summer Term, 1942

Registration..... June 8

Classes begin..... Tuesday, June 9

Final examinations..... September 22, 23, 24, 25

#### Fall Term, 1942-1943

Registration..... Monday, October 5

Classes begin..... Tuesday, October 6

Thanksgiving recess..... Thursday, November 26

Christmas recess begins..... Tuesday, December 22, at 5:30 p. m.

Christmas recess ends..... Monday, December 28

Final examinations..... January 26, 27, 28, 29

Graduation..... Saturday, January 30

#### Winter Term, 1943

Registration..... Monday, February 1

Classes begin..... Tuesday, February 2

Good Friday..... Classes will close at 11 a. m.

Final examinations..... May 18, 19, 20, 21

Graduation..... Saturday, May 22

#### Summer Term, 1943

Registration..... Monday, June 7

## Beacon Around the Corner

Did you ever hear Ruth M. Williams tell her life philosophy? Or should we say Foolosophy?

To Dick Bantle: So long! Good luck! and don't forget to Keep 'Em Flying!

We've noticed that Mervin Wargo's mouth no longer goes down at the corners. This has happened since the Christmas dance, too. What is the reason, Mervin?

"Live and Learn" is an old adage which is certainly true. It took many of us almost two years to discover what wits these engineers be—Graham, Sweeney, and don't forget Pearn.

Has everybody noticed the cute little safety pin that's holding Bobby Sloan's glasses together?

Jack Wolfe's cold weather jacket is certainly something to look at. He looks like a man from Mars walking around in it. By the way, what's the number on the back of it for?

It certainly is queer to walk up the steps in Chase Hall and not find Al Foster and Ann Gallagher either sitting on the steps or on the bench outside the girl's lounge.

Miss Sanguiliano has decided that since Radio City Music Hall has its Rockettes, the Junior College can have its Buckettes.—Oh, what precision!!!!

"Babe" Weiss has been inquiring about tea dances. Babe, we didn't think you had it in you.

Everybody entered Sociology class on Friday and complained that winter was here again. Much to their surprise Dr. Crook told them that the seasons had been accelerated due to war-time conditions. When asked what had happened to summer, he replied, "Oh, we did away with that!"

John Noack had a hard time trying to find basketball socks to fit him. One look at him will tell you why—He's 6' 5" tall! Maybe Marge will surrender the one originally intended for Steve Goodman.

We hope everybody noticed the "pink cheeks" that the girls had after hiking in 10 degrees below zero weather. That was the morning that the salutation was "Good Brrrr" instead of "Good Morn ing."

# A Former J. C. Student Writes From Canal Zone

Box 64  
Ancon, Canal Zone.  
January 4, 1941.

Dear Mr. Faint,

Mother forwarded to me the note you sent me asking for my address. I am very glad to send it to you so that through you I can keep abreast with Junior College news.

I have been here since June. We were married in St. Luke's Cathedral on June 26, and until the past week have been living in the Canal Zone. We are now located in Bella Vista, a residential section of Panama City. I like our present neighborhood much better than our former one; for I thoroughly enjoy living among the Panamanians. They are an interesting race of people—always happy and willing to put off until tomorrow what should be done today. Their philosophy is a wise one, for in this climate one can not rush as he does in the States. Our house is of Spanish architecture, and is, of all colors, pink! In spite of the fact that a pink house in the States would look like something belonging to Barnum and Bailey, here it fits well into the Latin atmosphere.

We do most of our shopping in the Zone; but occasionally go to the market in the City, where the people are as alive as they are in a busy section of New York. Traffic in such sections of the City is as congested as it is around the Public Square on a Saturday night. At the flower market we buy beautiful flowers from Costa Rica at such prices as 25c a dozen for roses. You can see why romances flourish in the Tropics.

The beauties of the Tropics, of which one reads, are not over-rated. It is a lovely country in every respect, and I shall be very sorry when the time comes for me to return to the States. The experience of living here is one that I shall always cherish.

The Zone is a rather peculiar place. The Americans living there are rather lifeless, and lacking in ambition and interest. It is neither a city nor a typical segment of America. It is unique unto itself. Fine things are accomplished there, and for those who do it I have great respect; but aside from that I have no particular liking for the Zone or the old-time Pan Canalers. They are on the whole a rather self satisfied group of people who need a good cold winter to pep them into life.

I chose a very interesting time to come here to live. Last Fall I saw the overthrow of the Arias

# Alumni Column

**Charles N. Burns** is now an interne at Mercy Hospital, city. . . .  
**Albert L. Condosta** is now with the P. P. & L. at Allentown. . . .  
**Alexander Curnow** graduated from Ithaca in '38 with a B.S. in music. . . .  
**Jane Bergh** is getting along fine at Upsala. . . .  
**Selena L. Edwards** is at Howard University, Washington, D. C. . . .  
**Robert L. Graham** is now at the Theological Seminary at Princeton University. . . .  
**James M. Burns** is with the Ethyl Gasoline Corp. at Deep Water, N. J. . . .  
**Harry R. Jeter** is at Penn State. . . .  
**Mary J. Ciesla** is laboratory technician at the General Hospital at Carbondale, Pa. . . .  
**Russell Brown** is at George Washington University, Washington, D. C. . . .  
**Helen Coats** graduated from Maryville College, Maryville, Tenn. . . .  
**Fred W. Girton** is now employed at the steel testing laboratories of the Buckeye Steel Castings Co., Columbus, Ohio. . . .  
**Margaret Hodges** took laboratory training at Mt. Sinai Hospital, Cleveland, O., and is now head technician at the Allegheny Valley Hospital, Tarentum, Pa. . . .  
Last, but not least, **Eddie R. Stryjak's** address is 368 School Squadron, Scott Field, Illinois. Watch for another alumni column next month!

regime, and more recently the outbreak of the war with Japan. For the most part the population is calm and prepared. Panama and the U. S. are cooperating very well in all defense work and we all feel quite well protected and cared for. We have received explicit instructions as to what to do to prepare ourselves for any emergency. Life goes on much as it did before the war, although social life has been curtailed since early in December.

Please give my kindest regards to my friends at Junior College and to your family. I shall always be happy to receive news of you all.

Cordially yours,  
(Mrs. Leo G.)  
Helen S. Morgan Glasser.

## THINGS WE WOULD MISS—

- Jimmie Pearn misbehaving himself.
- Charlotte Waters without her knitting.
- Jack Zuckosky without his "How do you do."
- Harriet Zimmerman without her gum.
- Olive Thomas without Katherine Freund and Marian Thomas.
- "Duffy" Lance without her pretzels and cookies.
- Louie without Lois.
- River Street without its cold blasts.

# AN ENGINEER

Who is the man designs our pumps with judgments, skill, and care?

Who is the man that builds them and keeps them in repair?

Who has to shut them down because the valve seats disappear?

The bearing-wearing, gearing-tearing **MECHANICAL ENGINEER**.

Who makes his juice for half a cent and wants to charge a dime?

Who when we've signed the contract, can't deliver half the time?

Who thinks a loss of twenty-six per cent is nothing queer?

The volt-inducing, load-reducing **ELECTRICAL ENGINEER**.

Who is it takes a transit out to find a sewer to tap?

Who then with care locates the junction on the map?

Who is it goes to dig it up and finds it nowhere near?

The mud-bespattered, torn and tattered **CIVIL ENGINEER**.

Who thinks without his products we would all be in the lurch?

Who has a heathen idol which he designates Research?

Who tints the creeks, perfumes the air, and makes the landscape drear?

The odor-evolving, grass-dissolving **CHEMICAL ENGINEER**.

Who is the man who'll draw a plan for everything you desire?

From a transatlantic liner to a hair pin made of wire?

With "ifs" and "ands", "howe'ers" and "buts" to make his meaning clear,

The work-disdaining, fee-retaining **CONSULTING ENGINEER**.

Who builds a road for fifty years that disappears in two?

Then changes his identity so no one's left to sue?

Who covers all the traveled roads with filthy, oily smear,

The bump-providing, rough-riding **HIGHWAY ENGINEER**.

Who takes the pleasure out of life and makes existence h—?

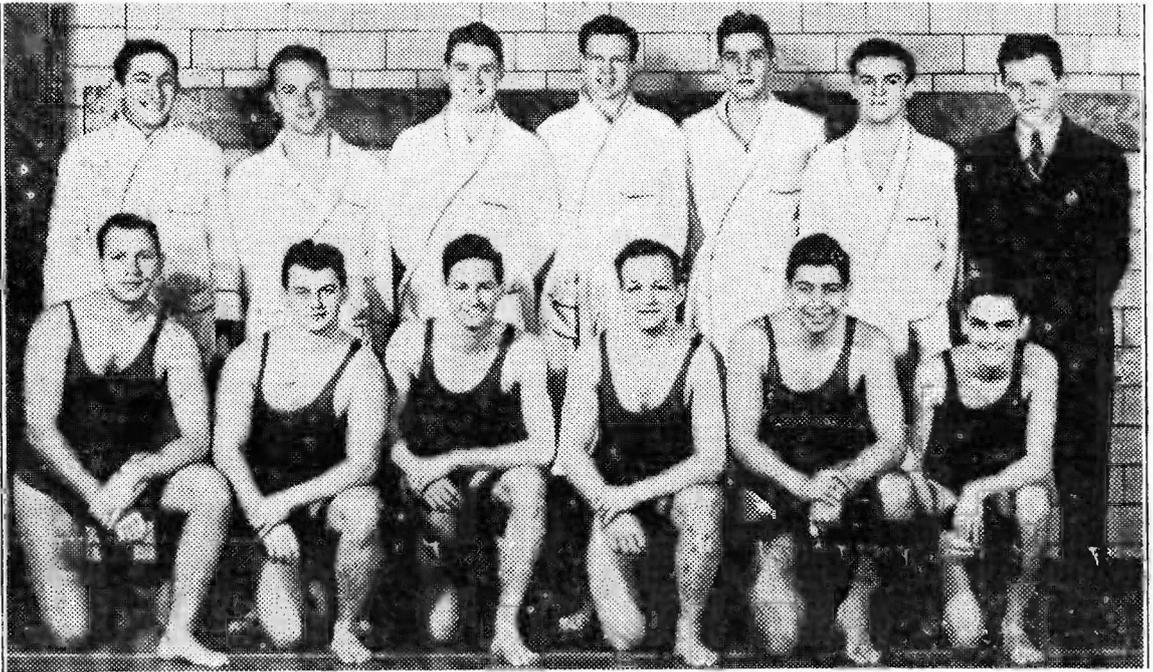
Who fires a real good-looking one because she cannot spell?

Who substitutes the dictaphone for a coral-tinted ear?

The penny-chasing, dollar-wasting **EFFICIENCY ENGINEER**.

Students being three or four chapters behind in every subject.

We'd like to know if the students want the Friday night dances to continue throughout second semester.



## THOMAS REVAMPS LINEUP

In order to bolster the Bucknell Jay-Cee team, Coach Walter Thomas has revamped his lineup considerably during the past few weeks by placing "Rangy" John Noack and Jack Strunk on the varsity five. As yet, the Junior College men have failed to crash the win column, but as the second half of the season gets into full swing, Coach Thomas is quite confident that he can perfect a winning combination.

The next home game will be played on January 31 when Bucknell plays host to Scranton Keystone Junior College in an N. E. P. League encounter. The game will get underway at 9 P. M. at the local Y. M. C. A.

## RED CROSS

(Continued from page 1)

of one person selected from the student body, each member will do his part toward reaching the goal of \$3,500 set for faculty and students. The donations of the faculty will be in the hands of Dr. Tasker.

A gift of one dollar entitles the donor to a membership in the Red Cross Roll Call. It is Dr. Tasker's earnest hope that each student will give as much as possible, for the funds are urgently needed. The student body has been divided into groups so that each person working with Dr. Tasker will be required to see not more than seven students. Those who are aiding Dr. Tasker in the arrangement are:

## Scranton Frosh Jolts Jay-Cees 44 to 35

Scranton Frosh basketball team again prolonged Walter Thomas' absence from the victory columns by handing our team a 44-35 setback in a league game with Scranton. This is our third loss in the league and the eighth loss of the season.

During the first half Bucknell's defense and offense attack were helpless before the whirlwind Scranton attack as Scranton compiled 28 points to our 12.

In the final session the Jay-Cees began to click, as we tallied 23 points, while Scranton scored 16. The strain of playing through the game with only eight players hampered Bucknell again.

## Alumni Cagers Gain Their First Victory 44-39

The Alumni cagers gained their first victory since the series was started, eight years ago. Buddy Owens, star forward at Rider College, and Dave Derelevich led the way for the former Bisons with 27 markers between them. Davis had 13 and Clemente 11 to feature for the Jay-Cees.

George Rifendifer, Joseph Higgins, Sheldon Greenbaum, Joseph Markowitz, George Popadoplas, Peter Seras, Michael Wargo, Milton Edelman, Nelson Jones, Charlotte Waters, Mary Pohala, Alfred Eisenpreis, Charlotte Reichlin,

## Little Red Beats Our Orange and Blue 46-20

Cornell Frosh quintet handed our Jay-Cees their tenth straight loss to the score of 46-20.

Cornell offense was so strong that our defense withered under the terrific bombardments that the lanky five from Ithaca set up. Our anti-aircraft unit could do nothing against that high flying Cornell five. The score was 20-4 at the half. In the second half Bucknell sharp shooters tried to riddle the Cornell shock troops, but to no avail for Cornell was too strong that night as they made attacks after attacks on our basket for 26 more points.

Cornell avenged the Orange and Blue defeat that we gave them last year at Ithaca.

## Intra-Mural Basketball League

The 1942 Intra-mural Basketball League which will get underway this week will be composed of a strong aggregation of players representing six teams. All games will be played Monday and Friday at 3:30 P. M. Last year the cultural Bachelor of Arts swept through the regular season undefeated, and went on to win the championship of the loop.

Rita Seitchek, Jeanette Jones, Stefana Hoyniak, Anne Douglas, Elizabeth Lance, Margaret Wilson, Norma Lee Hoover, Joseph Farrel, Morris Altman, Phyllis Kempinski, Eva Charnowitz, and Sallyanne Frank.