Tenth Anniversary Observed

College Assisted By Generous Friends

The history of Bucknell University Junior College is an interesting story of persistent effort and determination which cannot be accomplished if it is to be successful. Almost everyone knows the story of its founding, and of the mores that start with which it was first attempted. They know, too, of the perseverance of the instructors that established it first viewed. But from that time on, located in Northampton Street building, it has come a long way.

The nucleus in that building proved that ambition and ability would take advantage of the great opportunity which the Junior College held out. Even though the work was accomplished in a few rooms on the top floor of a rented building, they were looking forward to the day when the college would advance and expand. Building was completed by the following year, a long building was rented, and equipment was purchased by Bucknell University for the use of Junior College students.

Interest in the college was growing in the community, and the addition of another building to those already owned, and the completion of the alteration of Chase and Conyngham Halls, were two buildings donated for the use of the college. Funds were given by Mrs. Frederick J. Weckesser, to the dedication of the Hall, by Admiral and Mrs. Harold E. Stark and Mrs. John Conyngham.

In 1942, and 1949, monetary gifts totaling $7,273.00 were given to assist worthy students to purchase books and equipment. At that same time, Bucknell University cancelled indebtedness amounting to $5,900. Additional gifts for scholarships and equipment amounted to $1,238.60. In 1942, gifts for the assistance of outstanding students amounted to $2,500. During the first half of this war year, $2,830 has been given to assist the college in its effect upon the war situation.

To present the Junior College has four fine equipped and attractively situated buildings in which to carry on its work. Due to the support of its generous friends, the college has come a long way.

DEDICATION PROGRAM HELD

The tenth anniversary program, held in honor of the founding of Bucknell University Junior College, took place on November 11, with approximately two hundred students, faculty members, parents, trustees, cadets and other guests attending. The program was outlined to include activities for the entire day, and classes were dismissed to that effect.

Colonel Robert Lee Scott, Jr., recently returned from China, where he served with the Flying Tigers for a number of years, was the principal speaker. He pointed out that the interest of China in the China of today, the wretched, choses and hardships which that people, and those who are helping them in their present struggle, must endure. He told of the overwhelming superiority of the enemy forces, and of the dogged determination of the Americans and Chinese who are stationed there. He observed, in regard to the past Americans at home must play. "This war, aside from being a global war, is a war necessitating the closest cooperation. No pilot can win the war alone; the army cannot do it alone, nor the Navy, nor the Marines. The winning of this war depends on every American, whether he is in uniform or not."

"Remember, that no war is one of only glory and flag waving; it is a hard, bitter struggle. All of the hardships you men are finding here in this country will seem so when you get over there. You will see an enemy that will look at you and say: 'What will you meet.' The poorest homes here, and the poorest communities will seem the heaven to which you will find your way. You must keep in mind what you are fighting for, and if you will remember that it is your home you are fighting for—well, that is America.

When the war is won—stranger it will not be won by us who are in uniform, but by every American citizen back home. You all feel a thrill when you look at the American flag—but after you have been in other countries, facing battle, you will come back and see that flag with a new meaning. There will be hot tears in your eyes when you are false to your eyes it will mean so much to you.

Rabbi Samuel Wolf, a member of the Junior College of Trustees, asked the benediction.

Following the dedication ceremony, a luncheon was held at the Sterling Hotel in the President. The Junior College and their parents. There was no speaking program; however, the motion pictures showing the development of the Junior College from its beginning to the present, at an interesting portrayal of actual classes at the school were presented, providing interesting entertainment.

The students also sang some college songs and participated in cheerleading. Directly following the luncheon, the parents were invited to visit and inspect the college buildings and to meet the various members of the faculty.

At 3:30 in the afternoon, the Student Council sponsored a reception for the faculty members, and the Board of Trustees, held at Chase Hall. At this time the students took advantage of the opportunity to better acquaint themselves with the persons whom they felt a debt of gratitude for their vital interest in the college and its affairs. The trustees

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PLANS MADE FOR EXPANSION OF B.U.J.C.

Some pessimists disbelieve in the advisability of planning during these war years. Conservative thinking, however, necessitates encouraging to year in advance the war. If men fail to plan for re-establishment after the war, it is inevitable that disorganization will result. Failure to plan for the future in a system so as to assure its support and its mission, is inevitable in the future.

Some plans, therefore, that Bucknell Junior College as it observes its tenth anniversary should consider its past and plan for its future.

The Junior College was established to meet a long-felt need of the Wyoming Valley. Although conditions are changing and the population of this community is declining, there is certainty that the Junior College can expand its services and increase its enrollment. Even though the population should decline from 200,000 to 250,000, it would be reasonable to expect that the newly attended city colleges in other communities, for instance, have an enrollment of two or a hundred.

The college buildings are an asset to this community as an educational institution. No one can say what will be the result of these buildings in the future. It is essential that this community is an educational institution.

There are ten, 40,000 dollars in the college budget for the coming year. This does not include the support of the students and the faculty.

A few years ago this undertaking (Continued on Page 4)
LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

At the close of the first decade of the life of our Junior College, we can compare ourselves to the Greek god, Janus, since we look not only backward, but also to the future.

Bucknell University Junior College has a history of which it might well be proud. Guided by wise and competent leaders, the college has come successfully through its first ten years, which were made doubly difficult by World War I and World War II. Not only the college, but all of Wyoming Valley owes a great deal to these men who had enough foresight to realize the need for an institution of higher learning in this valley.

But while we are proud of the past, we must also look ahead to the future. We must begin now to plan further progress and expansion. Even if these plans can not be developed at the present moment, it is wise to have a post-war program in mind. We believe that the small young college will have an even better chance for advancement and success after this war, since it will not be hampered by old traditions, long outmoded, but can expand and grow to meet the needs of the time.

So while we are extremely pleased over our successful efforts from 1933 to 1943, we should resolve that these efforts will not stop, but continue until the day comes when this is a fully equipped four-year college. This aim, we realize, will require time and money, but if the college continues to have the wise guidance and management and the support of our generous friends of the past, there is no reason why this is not entirely possible.

Then we see the task before us, and with confident spirit we are looking to the future.

Bucknell at War

The past two years have wrought many changes in the institutions in Wyoming Valley. Bucknell University Junior College has been only one of those affected. However, these changes have not been to the disadvantage of our school, as has been the result in other instances of small colleges. It is true that we have labored under the strain of adjustment, our student body has diminished to approximately one-half its regular size. There is an accelerated program in effect which has required time and labor to make effective. Finally there is the presence of army students, members of the air force.

All these, however, have caused Bucknell Junior College to advance and to increase, rather than decrease, in importance in the role it plays in our community life. True, we have been here and seen this transition realize that there are handicaps with which we must cope, but we have not here in the past. We also realize that we are part of a nation at war, and that intelligent people living in such a nation can easily understand these handicaps and overcome their part despite hindrances.

Therefore, it is with pride that we view the progress of recent years. We have proven our point to those who were doubtful, we can and will advance. The spirit of our Junior College is one that cannot be broken.

KEEP AMERICA SAFE
BUY WAR BONDS
A DECADE of WORK and PLAY

Training Future Biologists for the Important Role Ahead. Scene of the Temporary Laboratory Used Before the Acquisition of the Modern Parfitt Laboratory.

Swimming at the YMCA Rounds Out a Complete Schedule.

Basketball for the Spirit of Cooperation. Larger and Better Teams Are Hoped For.

The May Pageant, an Important Date on the Physical Education Calendar. The Underlying Reason for Its Popularity is the Emphasis Upon Womanly Grace.

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The Library, Always a Quiet Place for Concentration. In Ten Years It Has Become One of the Most Complete of Its Kind. As Bucknell Grows, the Library Expands Accordingly.

The Cafeeteria, a Favorite Meeting Place. It is the Spot Where Students Gather for the Double Pleasure of Food and Discussion.

Highlighting the Winter Season is the Christmas Party. Many Fond Memories Are Carried Away From This Annual Event. Influences Like These Help Shape the Later Attitudes Toward Life.
The Cradle Song, One of the Two Major Productions of 1942

The year following the founding of the college saw the institution of the Junior College Committee, which has since served as a member of the Junior College Committee, Mr. Beamer is a member of the board and on committees and is a director of the committee.

FREDERICK J. WECKESSER, a former student of Bucknell, attended the admission to the College Board of Trustees and was an active member of the board at the time this was established. After his graduation from Bucknell, he went on to serve as president of the Welfare Federation of America. He is now president of the Y.M.C.A. in business. He is president of his firm. His firm is not only active head of the company.

ANDREW P. SORRINO, formerly a student at Bucknell, was the first to serve on the Board of Trustees. He was a student at Bucknell and is a director of the company.

In the fall of 1934, the Bucknell faculty was strengthened by the addition of five new members. All of these new members were graduates of the College and each had held important positions in the College. The faculty was now composed of 24 members, 14 of whom were regular members and 10 of whom were part-time members.

JULIUS L. STERN was invited to join the Board of Trustees and has always assisted in obtaining financial support for the college. He is a member of the Bucknell University Board of Trustees and was a member of the Bucknell University Board of Trustees.

In 1934, the college had a number of students interested in the theater group who had been active in the theater group of the Bucknell University. They had formed the Bucknell Players, which refers only to the Bucknell Players, now they wish to change the name to include all forms of activity in the theater. All students who were interested and who had attended the previous year were invited to join the group. A contest was held in the Bucknell Players for a new name and Edward Zurek, a student at the college, there was the winner. The Bucknell Players went back to the early figures in the Bucknell Players. The charter members of the group drew up a list of the group's members and meetings were held regularly.

As the college was located in a small town, they had to be careful about the average number in each group being about ten or twelve. The college had not been able to find a place to present its productions, the Thespians took over Chase garage, a drab, dreary place, with a huge turnwheel in the center of the floor. The entire "Klassischen Winterpost" program, "The Marriage of Figaro," and including the dances, was rehearsed on the turnwheel. Two years later, in 1938, the turnwheel was removed and a stage built. The Thespians still have future plans for remodeling and enlarging the stage.

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