Language Clubs Hold Fiesta Wednesday
Wilkes Plans ‘You Can’t Take It With You’

PERFORMANCE MAY BEGIN
WEDNESDAY NIGHT, JULY 16

Once again, Chase Theatre is alive with activity. The carpenters are building a new set, the actors are rehearsing their lines, the production staff is putting in some impresive hours, and the editors are writing the “Playbill.” All this work serves as evidence that a new play is in rehearsel. Miss Blaniana Foster, Director of Dramatics, has chosen Hart and Kaufman’s hilarious comedy, YOU CAN’T TAKE IT WITH YOU, as the first production of the summer session.

In the story of David Jones, played by Grandpre, the head of a most unique American family, the Sycamore-Hendersons, we are introduced to the Jones family. Mr. Henderson, portrayed by Burg, the head of the family, is a wealthy lawyer, whose daughter, Miss Lisa Henderson, portrayed by Miss Aimee Wolkind, is about to marry an Englishman named Robert Kronen, portrayed by Mr. Robert Roth. Miss Lisa Henderson will marry Jones, and he will become the head of the Jones family.

Spanish Club Prepares for San Juan Trip

Students who intend to go on the trip to San Juan, Puerto Rico in December can be assured of a very interesting and educational experience.

Miss Silneth, head of the Wilkes Spanish Club, and Mrs. Asdags, of the Wilkes-Asdags, will be in charge of planning the trip. The various agencies required to take care of such a tour have been reached and all arrangements have been made. Taking off from New York July 20 A.M., the Pan American Clipper will land in San Juan at 8:30 P.M. The exact date of departure has not been decided, but it will be either the 24th or 25th of December. Eight days of sightseeing and recreation are being planned.

San Juan, the city that the group is to visit, was founded in 1521, and now has a population of 175,000. Being the capital of Puerto Rico, it has many famous landmarks and old buildings.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FIESTA TO BE HELD ON CAMPUS LAWN

The Spanish Club, assisted by the French and German Clubs, will hold a fiesta on the lawn between Chase and Kirby Halls on Wednesday evening, July 8, at 8:15 p.m. The affair will be the first of its kind attempted at Wilkes Colleges.

Committees, headed by Miss Martha Silneth, have been working on plans for the affair for the past several weeks. According to the officers of the various language clubs, it will be one of the most colorful affairs ever held in the Valley.

Highs and lows will stretch across the entire distance between Chase and Kirby Halls, while the lawn plan will be in keeping with cabaret style. Tropical scenery will be furnished by the New York Pianist and American Airways. The entire affair will be modeled after the famous Cuban Club night, “The Tarantula,” which was attended by many legends both of fact and fancy, was held in 1831. There are just a few of the more interesting spots which we hope to see in San Juan.

Arrangements are being made for the students to stay at the Hotel Condado. This hotel, one of the best in the West Indies, accommodates 200 guests. It also has a swimming pool, gardens by the sea, and an ocean view restaurant. Students from the University of Puerto Rico will act as escorts for the group.

The Wilkes Charter Day An Historical Event

WILKES RECEIVES CHARTER IN IMPRESSIVE CEREMONY

By ROBERT MIKULJEWICZ

Wilkes College received its charter in an impressive ceremony Wednesday evening, witnessed by trustees, friends, and students of the newly born college. The speakers, which included Mr. Arnold C. Marts, president of Bucknell University; Mr. Herbert J. Spenser, present president of Bucknell University; Mr. Gilbert S. McClintock, Chairman of the Board of Trustees; and Dr. Eugene S. Farley, President of Wilkes College, discussed the growth, transition, and future of Wilkes College.

The program was opened by Dr. Charles S. Rench of the First Baptist Church who asked for blessings and guidance for Wilkes College.

Following the invocation the choral club, under the leadership of Mr. Paul Gies, sang “Ave Vacum” by Mozart. During the rendition the cloudy skies cleared and the sun shone directly upon the singers, like an omen of good will and happy days.

Attorney Gilbert S. McClintock, chairman of the board of trustees, made the presentation on behalf of the trustees.

Dr. Farley then Introduced Dr. Eugene S. Farley, who was President of Bucknell University from 1935-1945. Dr. Farley told how Bucknell University Junior College was started in the trying days of 1935. Prior to June Dr. Home Rainey was President of Bucknell University. Dr. Rainey, approached by Dr. F. Davis Marts on the proposition of establishing a Junior College in Wilkes-Barre, enthusiastically accepted the plan. A building was rented, equipment was installed, and a dozen instructors began commuting from Lawyerville to Wilkes-Barre. The first enrollment at BUJC numbered 188 students. That was the picture our school presented in 1935.

These were dark days in our school’s history, and when Dr. Arnaud Marts became President of Bucknell University we were in the midst of the country’s deepest depression and BUJC was operating at an annual loss of several thousand dollars.

Ten years later Dr. Marts, having discovered the secret of effective leadership, directed the modernization and expansion of BUJC.

When Dr. Marts announced the Charter Day ceremonies, he was assisted by Miss Betty Martino, who showed the following pictures taken of the college group during its tour of Havana which will also be shown.

Henry Anderson, president of the Spanish Club, is general chairman of the affair. He will be assisted by Jean Hartman, Nelson Nelson, and Elva Robertson. Miss Martha Silneth is chairman of the refreshments committee, assisted by Edyth Rudolph, Muriel Blandford, Margaret Houten, Thomas Boyle, and Norman Baum. Chief Technician is George Monigis. He is advised by Jim Marts, chairman of the arrangements committee.

JULY 10 DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS FOR ENGINEERS

Mr. James Legwaan and Mr. Edward J. Saare, instructors in the Accounting Department, request all students enrolled in courses 201, 202, 303, 314, 317, to meet in Chase Theatre at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 9, for the purpose of forming Accountancy Forum.
A Reviver In The Music Room

By CLAYTON BLOOMBURG

A feeling of contentment and serenity settled over me as I sat in the cozy, well-weathered ticket box of Kirby Hall. I felt as though this room was inhabited by the great masters of music, past and present. Above the red brick fireplace were pictures of Chopin, Mozart, and Beethoven. The expression on his face seemed to tell me that this was his room, but that I was welcome. He invited me to look around the Room of Contentment. I accepted his invitation.

Below the bust of this great master hung an oil painting. The scene depicted a sunlit garden, where my imagination took flight. The experience was so real that I began to doubt whether I was in the physical world or the realm of dreams.

The sunbeams glinted on the concert grand piano, enticing me to move closer. My oh-eyes were drawn to the reflection on the piano itself. On top of this magnificent piano were scores and sheet music for the works of the great masters of yesterday and today. I was waiting to be played on a mahogany recording machine standing beside the piano. To my right was a small music stand where the master stood waiting to tackle the blackboard with approval.

As the sunlight brightened the concert grand piano attracted my attention. The pure white keys of the piano stood out against the green of the garden, bringing life to the music it could be played by one person. As I looked at it I heard music, a melody so beautiful that it could not be coming from the organ at all. The music was so enchanting that it made me believe in the realm of dreams.

Standing in the middle of the room, I felt as though I were stepping into a dream world. I put my trust in the music and in the magic of the music room with its reverie.

The Introduction of an honor system must be evolutionary rather than revolutionary," said Mr. Ralph Wilkes. "We have been working with a student group on a plan to honor system. Mr. Ralston also said that this system, which involves an honor policy, would give students, requires careful planning. The committee has been working on a plan, which involves a test. Students who have already gotten the system in operation, students should be such that they need no supervision.

Edward R. Stryjak: No man has a price, the question merely is how much.

Yes. I believe men and women should be treated like men and women and not like children whose every move must be supervised. I believe it is every college student's purpose to gain knowledge, to find his feet, and to find his own path. I am not sure that they need no supervision.

Arthur Soza: Yes. College men and women should be given every opportunity to stand on their own feet and find their own way.

Carl Shomk: No. I do believe in the Honor System, but I believe that every man and woman should be given every opportunity to find their own way, without supervision. The stress at the present time is not on physical exercise, but rather on mental development.

Cary Galton: No. An honor system that doesn't work is a detriment to any school. With the present emphasis on grades and with the school, as we know it, the Honor System could be doomed to failure. The school must wait at least two years before we attempt it.

Student Poll

Question: Do you think an Honor System Should be Established?

Yes. I have had experience under the system and it is the only way. Examinations should be given. The intellectual, moral, and mental maturity of the students should be such that they need no supervision.

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Reprints

The other day I was walking down River Street and I noticed chalk marks from the automobile tires with a wet rag when I bumped into them. I asked Mr. G. Quinlan, janitor. Afterward embracing me, he said, "Yes, I've done that before, but I want to make sure that you know what I did." The expression on his face seemed to tell me that this was his room, but that I was welcome. He invited me to look around the Room of Contentment. I accepted his invitation.

Well, you'll need a policy that's appropriate, and if an American Legion, AMVETS, or any other veterans' group has a policy that's appropriate, you can adopt it. I agreed that the subject would be more handled by a veterans' group. The meeting was adjourned.

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young people of this area above the dollar sign. He was determined to keep the Junior College functioning in spite of the difficulties that were being encountered.

Dr. Marts told of inducing Dr. Eugene Farley to come to Wilkes-Barre in 1935 to take charge of the institution. It was under the leadership of Dr. Farley, who, with the cooperation of the trustees, led BUJC to a position where the school was able to go out on its own.

Dr. Marts paid public tribute to Dr. Farley, Attorney McClintock, the trustees, and to all who furthered the advance of our school.

Dr. Farley's speech which was titled, "The Realization of a Dream," discussed events leading up to the granting of the charter by the State of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Spencer, President of Bucknell University since 1946, offered his congratulations and expressed his appreciation to all who made possible this first charter day celebration. Dr. Spencer explained that when he became the President of Bucknell University, he found the Junior College a flourishing institution. Dr. Spencer continued the work started by Drs. Rainey and Marts.

Dr. Spencer presented to Attorney McClintock the official document, turning over to Wilkes College assets totaling approximately $1,000,000. Attorney McClintock also accepted for the school the State Charter from Dr. Henry Kionower of the State Department of Public Instruction.

On presenting the charter, Dr. Kionower said, "A debt to an emerging generation is being paid with the establishment of this institution."

Dr. Marts summarized the feelings of the alumni, the students, the faculty, and the community when he said, "Never take Wilkes College for granted. It is an institution built on years of planning and human sacrifice."

**John Wilkes, Lover of Liberty**

John Wilkes was born in England on October 27, 1725. He was destined to become one of the most famous men of his generation.

John was a child of exceptional ugliness. However, he overcame this defect by an engaging personality and during his whole of childhood he won the esteem of everyone he met. He spent the first nine years of his life studying at home, where he was dominated by a stern and Puritanical religious training.

In 1734 he was sent to a boarding school at Hertford. Five years later he was placed under the care of the Rev. Matthew Lesun. Then in 1744 he enrolled in Leyden University where he made some staunch friends. Soon after his twenty-first birthday he discontinued his studies and married Mary Meade. In 1750 the couple had a daughter Polly, who became her father's constant companion.

During his entire life, John Wilkes advocated freedom. He was the editor of the newspaper called the NORTH BRITON. His most famous issue, "No. 45," contained a criticism of a speech of the King. This caused serious repercussions and he was prosecuted by the law. However, he was soon discharged with the cry of "Wilkes and Liberty"—and his name became a household word on the lips of his fellow countrymen. Had he known it, he would have been even prouder to learn that his case had aroused the deepest interest in the American colonies, where the cry of "Wilkes and Liberty" became the rallying cry of the American colonists. He was a sincere friend of the American people. Concerning the American Revolution, he said, "I call the war with our brethren in America an unjust, felonious war contrary to the common rights of all mankind."

His opinions were half a century in advance of his time, and he was the author of many important measures. He vindicated two of the most vital clauses of the Great Charter and the Bill of Rights. He was one of the first public men to suggest a reform of the severe criminal code, and he advocated free trade. No one did more to obtain the freedom of the press. Through his paper the NORTH BRITON, he succeeded in his efforts to obtain many followers for the cause of liberty.

John Wilkes, champion of liberty, died at the age of seventy-two. On his tomb the following epitaph is inscribed: "Know This Place Are The Remains of John Wilkes, A Friend of Liberty."
Advisory List
To Be Posted

An advisory list will be posted on the bulletin board within the next two weeks. The list will be printed to inform Freshmen and other classes (now without advisors) of their faculty advisors. Those students who were previously assigned to Dr. Hartman, Mr. Steinman, or Mr. Marks will receive other faculty advisors. All other upperclassmen will maintain their same advisors.

The advisors are assigned to give students their mid-quarter grade, to help them plan their curriculum, and to help them solve any problem of a scholastic nature.

Beacon Staff
Holds Picnic

Last Saturday afternoon the BEACON staff held a picnic at the Johnson cottage at Lake Nockacul. The afternoon was spent swimming, hiking, and playing soft ball. The ball game lasted only five innings because of a sudden shower, but the sun soon came out again and everyone gathered around the outdoor fire place for refreshments. There were grilled wiener and hamburgers with all the trimmings, potato chips, pretzels, cookies and soda.

After everyone, including the mosquitoes, had finished eating, the more energetic members of the group went swimming while the rest went to the cottage to listen to records and play games.

Late evening found a tired but happy, well-fed BEACON staff returning to the city. It is hoped that future BEACON picnics will be just as big a success as this one was and that anyone who missed this affair will be sure to attend the next one.

SIX NEW MEMBERS ON STUDENT COUNCIL

As a result of the recent election the following people were elected as members of the Student Council: Sophomores—William Davis, Harry Davis, and Owen Kostik; Juniors—Eugene Maylock, Joseph Pringle, and Ralph Carey.

At last Friday’s meeting, The International Relations Club completed the installation of officers for the Summer Semester. The following officers were elected: President, William Tunusko; Vice-President, Ralph Carey; Treasurer, Howard Trammel; and Secretary, John Polsz. During the elections an irregularity occurred, which gave the members an opportunity to display their knowledge of democratic election procedure. The first ballot tallied that Ed. Kosik and Bill Tunusko were tied for the chairmanship. After much discussion concerning the merits and de- ments of another secret ballot vote, the club decided to continue elections until the other office vacancies were filled. As soon as the other officers were elected, another ballot vote was held for the presidency. This time the vote revealed that Bill Tunusko had been elected to the presidential office.

Following the business meeting, the group held an open discussion on the Taft-Hartley Labor Bill. "Tex" Trammel served as moderator for the discussion. At next week’s meeting the group will discuss "The Marshall Plan For Europe".

STUDENT COUNCIL
PRESENTS MINUTES
OF LAST MEETING

The meeting was opened by the president, Mr. Clay Roll was taken. All members were present except Miss Korper. This is her third absence. The minutes of the June 13 meeting were read by the secretary, Mr. Evans. The nominating committees made their report. Nominated were: Sophomores—William Davis, Edwin Kostik, Eleanor Krute, James Epanos, Juniors—Ralph Carey, Eugene Maylock, Joseph V. Pringle, Sylvia Roth.

Election for the above nominees will be held on Tuesday, June 24, 1947 at 11:00 A.M. Sophomore elections will be held in Chase Theatre. Junior elections will be held in Chase Lounge.

Mr. Savitz made a report to the Appropriations Committee. It was recommended that the BEACON budget be voted on in part rather than in whole. Mr. Tempolz made a motion that the BEACON budget be accepted, less the sum allowed for monetary awards. This motion was seconded by Mr. Perlowzki. The budget was approved for $862.00 by a roll call vote. The members against this motion were Mr. Burtzavge and Mr. Savitz.

The Thespian requested approval of a budget to cover past deficit and future expenses. The motion was made by Mr. Savitz that the deficit for $676.00 be clear by an appropriation. The motion was seconded by Burt- zavge, and unanimously carried.

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A secret ballot was held to provide for the dismissal of Miss Korper from the Council as provided for in the Constitutional paragraphs on Absences. As a result of the ballot Miss Korper was dismissed from the council.

Motion was made for adjournment by Mr. Tempolz, seconded by Mr. Kochusha and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
W. J. HOOD,
Acting Secretary