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GETTING READY—Miss Catherine Bone (center), instructor in chemistry, goes over the workings of a fractional distillation column with two students in the department, Sam Difer, Trucksville (right), and Dan Vibert (left) for the Science Show today and tomorrow. The "gadget" is just one of many fascinating exhibits of the show.

Music Students Impressed at Boston Confab

By JANICE SCHUSTER

Student and faculty representatives of the music department were turned from Boston on Monday evening after attending a four day session of the Eastern Division Conference of Music Educators.

The student group was organized by John Detroy and Robert Moran, was voted a "first place trip" and had the opportunity to see many demonstrations of interest in the field.

Concerts, choral programs, musical instrument exhibitions, and many other musical varieties were featured for the benefit of the student representatives and listeners. Conferences had access to printed and printed arrangements from publishers throughout the United States.

A dinner was given for those attending at the Boston Conservatory of Music during one of the future music educators of America were honored on a dance at Saturday night.

Attending the annual Conference along with Moran and Detroy were Matthew Bosl, John Craven and John Wilson, all students.

Red Cross Drive Now on Campus; Quota To Be Same as Last Year's; Money to Assist Blood Program

By T. R. PRICE

The annual Red Cross drive will be held on the Wilkes College campus through the month of March. Robert W. Portridge announced yesterday.

Portridge, the Wyoming Valley Red Cross chapter's drive chairman at the college, as well as Student Activities Director, pointed out that last year the college went over its $500 quota by some $250 and will have that same $500 to work for in the present campaign. In connection with the Red Cross, Wilkes usually exceeds its blood donation goal as well, and should do so again, he said.

Money will go in even greater amount to help the local chapter in financing that highly important blood collection program, inasmuch as all chapters are now faced with more financial responsibility than in the past.

The colleges of this area fall under the Public Service Division in the campaign, headed by P. P. Globowski, while the general drive, which must collect some $125,706 in under the chairmanship of Joseph DeVinna.

It is exceedingly important that as much of the quota be met as is at all possible, for the overall quota this year has become greater than ever before. Forms have gone out to Club and Class presidents, and those unable to contribute through either, may contact Portridge.

Besides the expensive blood program, the organization also supports or provides materials for Nurses Aides, Canteens, Gray Lady service, and other services for hospital patients in both local and Veterans hospitals. Its motor service aids the hospital clinics and other agencies. There are several "sleeper cars" which must be paid for.

FLANNERY TO DEFEND EXTEMPORANEOUS TITLE

The Wilkes College debating team last year's Miss America, Miss Wilmott, PA, where they will take part in the Debating Association of Pennsylvanias annual tournament to be held this weekend.

Of particular concern to the local team will be a feature under the title of "The Declaring State Champion will be Wilkes' Z. Harold Flannery, Jr., who placed second in the extemporaneous event at Dartmouth last week.

In the debating proper, each team entered will compete in five preliminary rounds, in a number of eliminations. They will argue the question of United States recognition of Communist China.

On the Wilkes affirmative side will be Leslie Werner and James Neveus, while Jesse Cooper and Flannery will uphold the negative.

In addition to the debate and extemporaneous speaking contests, the Wilkes team will also compete in the oratory event, in which Virginia Breton is entered. She will speak on "Are We Persecuting Our Teachers"?

The team will be accompanied by their coach, Dr. Louis N. Proctor, who also will act as an alternate in the D.S.P.C. board this year.

Last weekend was an unhappy one for the Wilkes debaters as they dropped eight out of twelve to be knocked out of the running in the Dartmouth tournament.

However, despite the overpowering opposition from some of the Ivy Leagues best, the local team managed to salvage some glory on the individual level.

Jesse Cooper, newcomer to this year's squad, emerged as the third best speaker in the tournament.

THE JONESTES, AIR CADETS, MEET AGAIN IN TEXAS

The Jonestes, the honored students, both having that unusual "Jonestes" handle, and both at present serving the good Uncle, had the happy fortune to meet recently at Marling Air Force Base, Texas.

Flip Jones, a 1st grade of WC and Stan Jones, a former chemistry student here, were the two boys in blue involved in the reunion. They are both enrolled in the Air Force Cadet program.

Told enlisted last March, after completing three semesters at Wilkes, and filling in with the Air Force in September.

Curtain and Curtain To Give 1-Acters; Students to Direct

By JOAN C. PERSHA

The 1955 edition of the annual Wilkes College Science Show opens tonight at 8 with the chem-istry, biology and mathematics departments combining to present exhibits of interest to scientific minded high school students from throughout the valley.

The single show tonight will be followed by three shows tomorrow starting at 10 a.m., 2 p.m., and 8 p.m. Each show will begin with a 30-minute talk and demonstration in the Lecture Hall. Guided tours of the science exhibits in rooms in Conyham Hall and the Biology Building will follow.

Heading the exposition this year are: Drs. B. Reiff, head of the department of biology at Wilkes, and Dr. Robert Jones, head of the department of science.

Each department will have its own displays with students standing by to explain exhibits and perform visual experiments.

Admission by Ticket

Invitations have been sent to high school principals, as well as seniors in all valley schools who are interested in science careers.

Because of the limited space available for 800 students, all four shows will be by ticket only.

There will be 250 tickets sold for each show.

Several new exhibits will be included this year. Preparations have been underway for the past week in the various science buildings.

TDR Asked to Renew Freshman Scholarship

By NORMA DAVIS

At a recent meeting of Theta Delta Rho, it was disclosed that the $100 scholarship presented annually to freshmen in the Delta chapter was not reinstated.

The scholarship was abandoned this year in favor of a charity project.

Mrs. Deane, expressing the opinion of the Administrative Council, said that they would like to see the scholarship continued. She stated that she believed that one reason for the discontinuation of the scholarship was the price of the girls to raise the necessary money.

However, the Administrative Council offered to supplement the money of the girls so that the scholarship could be continued, Mrs. Deane said.

Scholarship to Guadeloupe

PALO ALTO, Calif. — For the third consecutive summer, the accredited bilingual school sponsored by the Universidad Automna de Guadalajara and members of the faculty of Stanford University will offer a varied program from July 3 to August 15.

Courses will be given in art, creative writing, folklore, geography, history, language, and literature, $25 will cover tuition, board and room, with no reduced fees. Write to: "Faculty of Stanford University, P.O. Box 758, Stanford, University, California."
The cooperation of the Mayor of Wilkes-Barre and his re-acting department has been most gratifying. Mr. Kniffen has tried to look at the parking problem at Wilkes with the stu- dent’s viewpoint.

Mr. Kniffen held special sessions of his administrators and had met with groups from the college, all with a mind twirling something to give the students a break.

This thoughtful and sincere effort, much of it during a time when the Mayor has been in ill health, has not been un- noticed by the Wilkes student body. We’re sure.

Certainly things are better now than at the beginning of the year and, according to the city need’s planned intentions, will continue to improve. As a matter of fact, Wilkes has nearly completed an in- tense study of the Wilkes Barre City traffic problem and is hoping to have recommendations for the near future. We will, he has observed, deal carefully with the Wilkes students in our way when he decides to make some changes in the Central City area.

As a matter of fact, Mayor Kniffen has in mind several plans which he has discussed with the City Council. “I’m just waiting to see how things work out,” he said Wednesday, but be sure to let the folks know that I haven’t forgotten about them.

The Mayor stated again that “it doesn’t seem fair to penal- ize college students, many of whom are working their way through school, especially if they have a good reason for having violated parking regulations.”

He has accepted many tickets under the plan he devised earlier this year and definitely draws the explanations written on the reverse sides of the “tags.”

Now the three-hour, special Wilkes stickers are here and Mayor Kniffen says that he hopes it will respect the new rule. Sure, parking is still terrible shape here on campus, but doesn’t it feel good to know that someone is interested in helping, instead of just giving tickets? A very good friend of the college, we call the Mayor.

Debaters Deserve Credit

Perhaps the defeat of the debating team last week was not as “tragic” as it seems. We’ll admit that the Dartmouth Tourney would have been a great one to win, especially with a large rep- resentation of Wilkes students at the tourney. But, and we realize we have one of the best debating teams in the country, it does you good to lose once in a while. Perhaps a fresh start at Allegheny this week-end will see the boys back in their old and winning form. Certainly they deserve as much credit as we can possibly give them for their top-notch performances all year.

We wish them well at the State Tournament. And, as an afterthought, wouldn’t it win many in a row, anyway or we might be accused of subsidizing debating.

And, Then, The Tagers

Then there was the basketball game Wednesday night. The team had a much better season than we or even the most optimistic of All Jeters could possibly have thought. That high score, the biggest we can remember in days of following the College Basketball, is just a bit of a triumph for some of the boys who started with a strike against them at the beginning of the year. They were not expected to come close until later in the year’s fine, but they did it, and did it in such a way that they walked away in the season’s final game.

And no matter how bad things might the other team might have had (and don’t for) Mayor Kniffen dropped the Colossals last year to deprive them of a winning season Wilkes has put the ball through the hoop like crazy to surpass the once-hallowed century-old record.

Hats off, boys, we say. You’ve done well.

Lu Addz to WC Cosmopolitanism

By BILL DEMAYO

“aristocratic group, Wilkes teacher and students have a breadth of experience and of views, this is especially true of their subjects in large perspec- tive.

The foregoing quoted from the Wilkes College Bulletin is testimony to the school’s policy of making every student enrich the students by the diversity of his studies and experience.

A new addition this year, Dr. Ch’ing Tai Lo, is an instructor in the mechanical engineering department, and with Dr. Ho-Chung Mei (of the Engineering Department) now in his fourth year at Wilkes raises the representation from the Orient to six.

Dr. Lo left his hometown of Pe- king in 1949, having received a scholarship for study in this country on a scholarship not long before the Communist forces took over the complete control of China, and prob- ably would have been back there now had the situation not taken such a drastic change.

Most of Dr. Lo’s pre-graduate school problems in mechanical engineering. He is the only student in this country to be in the Ph.D. program in mechanical engineering. He is the only student in this country to be in the Ph.D. program in mechanical engineering.
Reverend Whitmer Finds Education Indispensable

By JOHN KUSHNERICK

Each of the 700 students at Wilkes has a personal story that is in some way unique. Among these stories, however, commonly found one or two that are special in some remote way, and thus more outstanding than the others. Such is the story of the Rev. and Mrs. Ralph E. Whitmer, a junior seeking a degree in Social Science.

The Rev. Whitmer is among those students who, though having achieved some notoriety in private life and having attained a degree of success in a profession, realize that formal education is without a substitute. It is to men like him that younger students may turn when they ponder, "Why am I here at Wilkes; is it really worth it?"

Typically mild mannered, the congenial pastor makes his dynamic thinking and excellent oratorical ability apparent to students even in classroom recitation. "He really can get a point across," one student remarked without knowing the young pastor's background.

The Rev. Whitmer resides in Freeeland, Pa., with his wife, the former Eva S. Hoffman, and his two children. He has been the pastor of the Bethel Baptist Church there since 1962. His parish of 75, perhaps small by present day standards, is extremely energetic and willing to assume responsibilities. He has said that these excellent traits make it possible for him to teach and find full time study.

A native of Shamokin, Pa., he served with the United States Army during World War II. Upon leaving the service, he embarked on a career in bookkeeping, then a "Pastor's course at the Moody Bible Institute, Chicago, in 1949. His first parish was the First Baptist Church in Patton, Pa., in 1960.

The Rev. Ralph E. Whitmer was there that he was ordained on October 10th that year. After being transferred to Freeland, he began studying for his college degree at Penn State College in Hazleton. He transferred to Wilkes at the beginning of the fall term.

At Wilkes he is majoring in Social Science and is a member of the Education Club. In Freeeland, aside from his parish work, he serves as president of Parent-Teachers Association.

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Male Chorus Presents Program at Assembly

The Wilkes College Male Chorus, the sequins, presented a program of music at the gymnasium last Tuesday.

Directed by Bill Crowder, the chorus sang "Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring" by Bach chorale; Ave Verum, by Mozart; a spiritual, "Little David," by Harry Belafonte; "Sweet Georgia Brown;" "Swing Song;" two college settings, "The Paladins, Down in Pennsylvania;" a Creole folk tune; "Heartened Men, by Rosenbaum and a Russian folk song."

Robert Paul Shiffner, singing harmon, with Del Signo, and accompanied both guitar and piano on the piano.

Psych-Soc. Club Visits Retreat

The combined Psychology-Sociology Clubs last week took a field trip to Baptist Mental Hospital, accompanied by their adviser, Mr. B. M. Miller.

The group was conducted through such buildings as patients' living areas, where they saw such rooms as recreational therapy centers.
CAGERS FINISH TWO WEEK

Tangle with Mansfield Tomorrow; Meet East Stroudsburg Wednesday; Winning Season Seen As Possibility

By RODGER LEWIS

Wilkes College basketball squad will wrap up the current court season this week when they take to the road in two
match games. Tomorrow night the cagers travel to Mansfield and journey to Stroudsburg on Wednesday for the final fracas.

Two weeks ago the Colonettes took a 73 to 70 victory from a stubborn Mansfield squad. This game was the last away game for local, but they were able to pull victory out of the bag in the last minute of play. Last week the Teachers handed King's College a 70 to 54 defeat.

Much earlier in the season, the BC and Gold hoarders registered their first victory of the season against Stroudsburg by a 78 to 75 count. This game also proved to be no pushover for the netmen. Superb foul shooting turned the tide of victory.

This season will bring the playing days of Harry 'Skinny' Ennis and Parker 'the old pro' Fahrar.

A Winner

George Ralston would like very much to take the remaining battles maximus as victories in his last season as the most successful seasons as far as personal play is concerned. Last season he saw hopes of a winning season crumbling as injuries had landed him in the infirmary quite some time. However, the big guns of John Brennahan, Jim Ferris, and Ennis have been foremost in catering to the season to well deserved happy ending. Carl Van Dyke, who is still on the blink, are also on deck to raise the vintage stock of the Blue and Gold.

In recent games Ralston has used substitution freely and in the case of the two platoon system, Pettibull, Ralston, and Dick Buntman, and Cliff Bratunick are on hand for these chores.

Matmen Blast Mules; Finish Season with Flash

By JIM COLEMAN

A Wilkes team that must have been at least a little discouraged by the loss to the mats against Muhlenberg on the night of the winning season victory, ending a mediocre season on a favorable note.

The team came out all the stops and didn't let the Mules score a point until the 157-pound bout. In this bout, Dave Thomas came up against Frank Gutierrez, undefeated in recent dual competition and defeated a tight fight down to the final whistle.

In the matches preceding the 157-pounder, Shugor kept his man's back to the canvas the whole bout to win 12-0. Bob Morgan came through with his seventh win by pinning Ed Drumkencoller in 5:36, and the two Dons rolled the score up to 17 with Reynals handling his man 7-0 and McFadden wrecking Don Thibay in 4:54 for his fifth pin of the year.

In the 157-pound class, Neil DeBese came through and beat Mary Crossman in 3:15, a major in the winning column. Blas Abrams also came through with a 15-9 victory, being pinned by Paul Baird in the 220. Captain Jerry Ennis brought the final bout to the Wilkes side by decimating a heavier Don Griswold.

Coach Reene said after the bout that his team was in the best condition of the year, which on might not look so good, but he thinks this year's edition is better than last year's winning season squad. Nothing but praise for Stan and Ahmad Al-Attar who did yeoman work all year along with the benefit of little exprop.