Mrs. Vujicic Objective on Library Slam

Mrs. Nada Vujicic, head librarian at Wilkes, interviewed Tuesday on an objective stand on the policy of publicly-funded libraries.

"Since every question has at least two sides, I believe that every library should provide material for both," she declared.

Mrs. Vujicic added that her remarks were not intended to favor or agree with either side in the dispute.

She referred interested students to the publications cited in the letter of the disputants, and urged the students to draw their own conclusions of the issues on the library's policies.

The arguments in the dispute can be found in "The Library's Role in the Community" (a publication by the American Library Assn.), "The Role of the Librarian," "The Public Library System," and "The Library and Its Responsibilities," all of which are available at the library.

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Mrs. Vujicic slam the move to discontinue the annual Sophomore Slam to be held at 8 p.m. tonight in the Wilkes Gymnasium.

"Without foreign intervention," she declared, "there is no problem.

"If you do, you may be the lucky winner of an expensive gift. The person guessing the greatest number of approximately 150 female silhouettes will be the recipient of this gift."

"If opening locks is one of your skills, you may make that pay. There will be about 90 keys and one lock. You will be able to examine both keys and lock, and then make your choice. Your key may be the one which will open the door to a valuable prize.

"Lapboard, putting pencils, darts, and a variety of games will be featured with prizes for everyone."

And after you have massed the rounds of the side shows, there will be dancing, refreshments will also be served.

Chairmen of the affair are Larry Anderson and Don Pecora, sitting at the various booths will be: Jesse Chadwick, Nan Schooley, Audrey Crapple, Don Reynolds, Bob Chase, Natalie Barone, Cathy Johnson, Larry Cohen, Bill Farich, Phyllis Walsh, Pat Kenney, and Justine Battist.

Library List Schedule

For Easter Vacation

The Library will be open every day during the Easter vacation, and in the evenings. The usual hours will be: Tues., Wed., and Thurs., April 6 and 7, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Good Friday, April 8, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Easter Sunday, April 9, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The switchboard closing is 2 p.m., the library can be reached by calling 4-4654.

In STAIR BAND—Four Wilkes College music majors are in New Wilmington this week-end for the Pennsylvania Intercollegiate Band Festival at Westminster College. Only 90 musicians from throughout the Commonwealth were chosen from a list of 237 applicants to take part in the festival, which began Thursday to continue through to-tomorrow. Shown with their director, Robert E. Moran, assistant professor of music and band director at Wilkes, are left to right, James mark (inset), Janet Jones, Moran, Bob Lynch and Bob Salatino. The festival is being conducted by Frederick Fennell, Moran's one-time instructor at the Eastman School, Rochester.

Debaters Can Go To Finals If They Place

By T. R. PRICE

The Wilkes College debating team hits the road again this weekend to compete in the District Seven regional eliminations held this Friday and Saturday at Peter's College, Jersey City, N. J.

Varsity debaters James Neveras and Fred Cohn will argue some dozen times on the question of recognition of Communist China.

Try for Nationals

The final team place to go to in the national championship debate tournament at West Point in April. The team placed among the top 20 at the nationals last year.

The Seventh national debate tournament opens the states of Penn- ny, New Jersey, New York, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

In last year's eliminations, the Wilkes teams secured a trip to the mighty University of Pennsylvania, which will host the regional championships.

Both Neveras and Flammery are seniors and will conclude their intercollegiate careers with the tournament on the Eastern seaboard. Should Neveras not go on to the nationals, it will mark the end of their four-year relationship with the debate squad, which began its career as a team last year.

Both senior debaters will complete a full four-year's service on the debate squad, four years is the maximum term a student may hold.

IAN DEBATTERS

The first page of last week's "Debater" carried a small story which stated that the Beacon would compete with the University of Scranton "Aquas" to determine which is the better paper of the area.

This was misleading and in part incorrect. The "Beacon" has been challenged to competition by the Aquas as have the papers at Keystone Junior College, Kings' Meniscius, and Marywood.

The Beacon was happy to accept the challenge made by the Scranton school. The judging will be by members of the Wilkes-Barre and Scranton Debating Commissions.

A letter of acceptance to the invitation paper is in the mails. The Beacon will be in the competition if it materializes further, it will be officially announced by Editor Jack Curtis this week.

EDUCATION TALENT SHOW

In TALENT SHOW

"Cream of the Crop," the Education Talent show scheduled for April 5th has been cancelled.

By JOHN KUSHNERICK

Students of nursing are being informed of the problems and conditions in nursing education on a national scale by Dr. Margaret Brid- man in her visit to the Wilkes campus today.

Dr. Bridgman has been to Wilkes through the National League of Nursing in New York City. As the basis for her lectures, Dr. Bridgman used the information she has compiled from her studies of over 80 colleges and universities and from the information available to her as Consultant in the Depart- ment of Vocational Guidance.

"Paris Bound" Replaced By O'Neill and G. B. Shaw

The "Paris Bound" production scheduled by Sue and Curtain for this spring has been cancelled, and it was reported yesterday by club ad- visor Al Groh. It will be given next spring.

In its place, Sue and Curtain will present two well-known plays: Are you familiar with the 21st and 22nd? These are: "Emperor Jones" by Eugene O'Neill, "An- dreche and the Lion" by George Bernard Shaw and "The Student in Charge" by George Bernard Shaw and "The Long Weekend." Groh requested all students who signed up for the club at the beginning of the semester to report to Chase Theater at the earliest possible time, 10 a.m. for the four-day, four-page, four-quartet, four-act play.
EDITORIALS

Why the Sudden Disinterest?

It is disturbing to note a sudden lack of interest in several activities planned recently. Lately to both the Campus and Curtain production of "Paris Bound," a three-act play which was to have a five-run rehearsal was last night put on the plays, as we understand the situation, and the director considered there was nothing else to do but to call the whole thing off.

There was then the proposed talent show, "Cream of the Crop" which was to be run by the Education Club. This too, has been cancelled. It seems nobody registered for the show, which we think would have been not only good entertainment, but also a lot of fun for everyone.

Just what the reason is for this sudden reversal of form here at school, after we seemed to be building spirit, is hard to determine.

We can't help thinking of the ventures that have been successful, however. Which brings up another question—why? The interested group, by big league seems to be too keen on the road to success, not that success is the important thing, but rather that the people participating are getting a lot of fun, fellowship and exercise out of it.

And then there is the proposed Wilkes golf tournament, which has stirred a lot of interest among the male enrollment. It seems as though this would also be a success. But we think it's just a matter of obvious—that people do want to watch and participate in sports.

But, we can't have all sports. In order to get a well-rounded extracurricular schedule (which lends itself to a well-rounded education) we must have other activities. The crowds at the one-act plays given recently by the theater group were anything but large. And, though we don't agree with the statement that writers and are not necessarily representative of the views of the Beacon.

Dear Editor:

There appeared in last week's "The News" an article expressing his contention that the Wilkes Library subscribes almost exclusively to liberal periodicals. The result of this imbalance, Mr. Bucholtz feels, would make it possible to consider both points of view and the result is University Library is liberal in available. Although he concedes that the situation may be explained by present tendency to liberal academic traditions and the restriction of right wing periodicals in liberal campuses.

I disagree with Mr. Bucholtz's goal of decisions based on complete and objective examination of the facts. Nor is it untrue that, for Mr. Bucholtz, the Wilkes Library would be vitiated with verbiage from the left. But, in his conclusion logically valid and unbiased because of his bias.

I should like to consider Mr. Bucholtz's point of contention in several parts. Firstly, the logic or method of reasoning is not entirely valid in this conclusion, and secondly, his conclusion is obvious. It is idle, from Bucholtz's methodology, to talk of the possibility of an "imbalance." The only standards applied by Bucholtz are his own personal political mind. Can anything be more subjective? What is the true evidence for the objectivity for which he pleads? A member of the Communist Party in an argument for nonpartisan, pseudo-liberal or even reactionary, and for that he be as true as the opposite is for Mr. Bucholtz. The one is subjective, the other is objective or a measuring rod by which all men must judge of the results of his argument. It is a publication by comparing its contents with the accepted standard reduces his argument to one man's opinion. Although Mr. Bucholtz's reasoning does not sustain what he alleges, this is not a point unanswered. Does our Library contain a reasonable balance of both points of view?

Since the formulation of a magazine rating service the idea of this letter, my citation of the available students of the right such as: "The Reader's Guide Report," Pegler, Winchell, etc. is guilty of the same misconception. Mr. Bucholtz, i.e. total subjectivity. For a periodical is not so much a vehicle to momentarily accept what seem to be the standards of Mr. Bucholtz, namely, "liberal" orientation. "Harper's," leftward, represents the liberal point of view with its selection that the Library subscribes to all periodicals. That, said Mr. Bucholtz, periodical to the left of "Harper's" outnumber those to the right of "Harper's," a severe imbalance would be inevitable.

I conclude that even if what Mr. Bucholtz alleges were true, he has not proved it, and furthermore, if any imbalance exists, the exclusion of Mr. Bucholtz's formula would only be confirmed.

Sincerely,

[Editor's note: just to clarify my mis-
understanding that may have been brought forth by John Kusko."

Editor:"

My Brother, who is a full-time student at Wilkes, is president of the newly organized Freeland Student Business Group. He plans to publish a newsletter which must be overcome and to begin his experience in P.T.A.

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Swatters Lack Outside Practice As Opening Day Tilt Draws Near; Scramble for Infield Positions Seen

By JIM BOONE

Build-Up to Tilt has greatly hampered the WC diamond hopes as they just managed to get outside with this week only a short time remaining to the first game.

Coach George has given the first real look at the team this Saturday when an inter-squad game has been scheduled.

The game will give the team the first opportunity to win a berth on this year’s squad.

This week was spent, for the most part, in the gym with Partid-  

ers trying to determine what to give the men a little fielding work. This method proved effective under the conditions, but the need for actual practice is indisputable. Partidgers are anxious for a few days of outside work so he can actually see what his swatters will show under natural conditions.

The pitchers have been able to work out for the last two weeks without much undue harm to concentrating, although they too will be effected by the lack of outside work.

The hurling staff suffered a loss during the past week when Mo Bat- 

termann turned up with a bad shoulder that may keep him from playing.

He has been given some good, an Al Broody who had a 300 percentage last year arrived yesterday. Al has been under the weather wild last year, but if he can over- 

come that he will be a much needed addition.

In the other positions, a line battle is being worked out for the week. Partidgers said, “the infield battle won’t be much of a battle as due to the rain it will be quite difficult.”

More competition showed up in the batting line this week and this will give the returning men a fight for the backstop slot.

If the hitting shows up as well as the fielding seems to be, Wilkes will turn some heads and they should do better than last year.

Intramural Softball

Set for After REcess

By BILL LEVER

Intramural activities head Bob Partidgers set the date for the do- 

ing of the intramural softball league at April 14. The opening date was set in view of the rainy- 

rainy weather and due to the Easter recess.

Plans are being made with Kirby Park head to secure two diamonds for the upcoming tournaments.

Two games will be played at a time, and games will be played at 4 clock at the park.

Days set aside for play are Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday.

Mr. Partidgers also emphasized that the teams must meet their com-  

mitments. If a team is scheduled to play one week does not play in that designated week the contest will automatically be forfeited.

A total of 108 teams entered to date in the newly formed league. This week’s line-ups are:

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HONOR SYSTEM DISCUSSIONS CONTINUED; MORE ADVISED

Dean George Ralston told faculty members and students at yesterday's honor system meeting, that in spite of all the apparent obstacles which new systems meet, Wilkes must strive to attain its ideals. "If we do not look and strive for the ultimate good," Ralston stated, "we are labeling ourselves for mediocrity."

The meeting, conducted informally, was attended by about 20 students and six faculty members.

Frank expressions of opinion resulted from the informality. At one point, Dr. Raddin asked Instructor Robert Reilly whether he believed the basic testing system was the cause of cheating. Reilly replied that he did not think the type of questions instructors ask is at all involved.

The area of responsibility for dealing with dishonest students under the honor system was widely discussed. The opinion of Dr. Hugo Mailey, that the honor system would be a system he would be willing to accept, was discussed. Bob Coen answered that the system must enjoy the cooperation of both faculty and students, not one body alone. Coen, told Dr. Mailey that the type system the students would accept was the very system Dr. Mailey now uses in some of his classes.

Bruce Warshall expressed a fear that an honor system would bring too great a tension on students during tests. He said indirect actions of relaxation could be misinterpreted.

Syracuse University has an extensive group of extra-curricular activities. For the young Arthur and Ann Murry, they provide ballroom lessons. Sailboat enthusiasts participate in a yacht club. Club members usually spend their weekends at the Onondaga Yacht Club where its feet of dinghies is moored. Is this college?

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