Local High Schools Attend Beacon Press Club Conference; Editors of Working Press Speak

By VINCENT MACRI

An annual conference, the first of its kind ever to be conducted in Wyoming Valley, was held in Jenkintown Saturday, February 21, under the auspices of the BEACON PRESS Club in the newly erected Science Theatre in the new Wyoming Valley High School.

The purpose of the conference was to bring together the students to the workings of a college, and to acquaint them with the working press, and to promote closer cooperation between the students and the newspapers in the valley.

Guest speakers

Guest speakers at the conference, men who are prominent in the field of journalism in this area, were Mr. Joseph T. Murphy, managing editor of The Times Leader - Evening News, Joseph Gorman, president of the Inter-University University Presse, William E. Bachman, city editor of the Hatfield Standard - Sentinel, and Robert Paton, sports editor of Wilkes-Barre Record.

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WILKES COLLEGE, WILKES-BARRE, PA.

Athlete of the Year To Receive Beacon Trophy

School Newspaper 'To Give
Beacon Sports Trophy' At
Athletic Banquet Thursday

The first time in the history of athletics at Wilkes College, "The Beacon Sports Trophy," an award which will be presented to the outstanding college athlete of the year, will be awarded at the student banquet next Thursday night.

Due to the fact that any athlete on the team who will choose the award cannot accept it, the judges will automatically be ineligible to re- ceive the award. A student who is elected to be "outstanding athlete" at Wilkes College and the trophy will be suitably engraved for the winner.

The committee, composed of George S. Baugartner, head coach of football, and assistant coach of basketball; the Manager of Athletics; and coach of three sports, Countrell Thompson, coach of wrestling, and Tom Morris, sports editor of the Beacon and director of public relations, will decide the winner of the 1947 Beacon Sports Trophy.

Sports Editor of the Beacon will present the trophy at the formal celebration of the outstanding athlete and announce the intention of the Beacon editors to carry on the custom of awarding the Beacon Trophy each year at the annual sports banquet.

In deciding the winner of the award, the judges will take into consideration their selection of the person deserving of receiving the award.

There are no restrictions placed upon the award, and the award will be given in the name of the winning athlete.

The trophy will be awarded on a temporary basis and will be displayed as a school trophy.

Speakers Urge Tolerance

Love of our neighbors, love of mankind and racial and religious toleration were points stressed at Tuesday's assembly program which was under the direction of Rabbi Nee, president of the Temple B'nai Jacob.

In discussing the idea of racial and religious toleration was presented to the students by Rabbi Nee, Rev. C. W. S. Bachman, and Atty. Daniel J. Flood, leaders in Wyoming Valley's ser- vice of American Brotherhood Week.

Hated Destroyed

Rabbi Friedman, Wilkes Religion instructor and Rabbi of Temple B'nai Jacob, spoke on "The Idea of Brotherhood, "?Our Great American Heri- tage," was created on the bases of equality of mankind and that American accept no dictator except God.

It was wondered how Americans can fight side by side with men of all creeds and colors during a war such as just had, and then

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IRC To Nominate Officers Tonight

The International Relations Club will hold its initial meeting of the semester tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the Chase Hall Lounge. The purpose of the meeting will be to hold nominations for the various vacancies for officers, and to acquaint the new members with the club's activities.

The Club members have been active in the Intercollegiate Con- ference on Government, Political Parties Conference, and the ICF. The latter will be on hand to inform the IRC about the ICF agenda to the club.

Wilkes College, which has been selected as the headquarters of the Northeastern region of the ICG, will host the other colleges and universities in the Northeastern district. A regional meeting will be held sometime in March as will be held in Philadelphia.

The Colonel's Queen, Who Is She?

The Phila-

of the various high schools.

and a second performance will be at 8:00 p.m. in Chase Hall. Admission will be free and refreshments will be served during the meeting.

BEACON MEETING MONDAY

There will be a meeting of the BEACON staff Monday at noon in the room of the Shomaker Hall. Students interested in joining the Beacon staff are welcome to attend the meeting.

'Algiers' To Be Shown Tonight

Claire Wachowski, president of the French Club, announces that the club will present a French film tonight in the science lecture hall, the picture "Algiers," and an added short, "The Private World of the Insects." The performances will be at two shows. The first performance will be at 8:00 p.m., and the second performance will be at 8:00 p.m., in Chase Hall. Admission will be free.
Press Conference A Splendid Affair

The Interscholastic Press Conference held Saturday proved to be a significant and exceedingly successful affair.

During the program everyone had the opportunity to listen to this section's prominent men whose addresses were, by the way, informative and extremely impressive.

Moreover, we are sure that everyone profited from the vigorous and stimulating exchange of ideas carried on during the discussion periods.

The able manner in which Mrs. Gertrude Williams, head of the Wilkes journalism department, conducted the program insured the affair of total success. To culminate proceedings the college cafeteria served a splendid luncheon.

In further impressed by the interest of the high school journalists in the entire program. During the speeches the guests were so absorbed in the texts that one could have heard the proverbial pin drop, something quite uncommon among Wilkes assembly hoe Wilkes more the speeches were so well planned and genuinely excellent that the audi

ence had no desire to stir for the three and one half hours of the session.

It was simply too good to have just one. It was meant to be a Carnival. As Sister Mary Evangeline C.F. of St. Mary's High School told the group, it was wonderful word should be spread.

Two Scholarships — Sponsor The Beacon

One of the most constructive ideas we have heard to date was suggested to us by BEACON Business Manager Joe Purcell, who was also deeply impressed by Saturday's Conference.

Joe took us aside at the Conference and told us that Wilkes scholarships should be awarded to high school students. In journalism, Upon observ

ing the guests' tremendous interest in the conference, he had struck upon the idea. Competitive examinations could be held by a board headed by Mr. Purcell and consisting per

haps, of several faculty members headed journalism department, his
tory department, and the BEACON faculty advisor.

The scholarships, he reflected, could be awarded at each annual conference. This would effect even greater interest in such a seminar.

Not only did Purcell have an idea, he had a plan to acc

ompish it. Let the BEACON sponsor the scholarships, said Joe. Realizing that one does not have such a significant idea thrown at him everyday, we met with Joe Purcell this week to determine just how we could do it.

We knew that the only way we could possibly manage such a plan would be to put the BEACON on a paying basis and to use the money saved to sponsor scholarships. At present BEACON costs are paid by the student council from student funds.

This is what we found: This semester and in each suc

ceeding semester the price of publishing the BEACON will be reduced to the student council as representatives of the students approximately $2,000. However, at its present advertising rates, the paper, without incurring its makeup, can be made to defray well over half the publishing expenses. In addition, if the BEACON were sold at five cents a copy, it would com

pletely pay for itself.

Without selling the paper, the saving could send one stu

dent through four years of college here. But why not sell it and send two students! With the $2,000 saved two students each year could receive an entire college education free.

No matter how one looks at it, the college and the stu

dent wins. One more student is utilizing a plan into effect. On the other hand, there is everything to gain by doing so...

More Carnivals Urged

The Winter Carnival sponsored by the student council at the Pocono's Split Rock Lodge was perhaps thoroughly enjoyed by more students than any other social event in Wilkes history. Certainly no other outdoor social event has been so well received.

Days before the deadline, reservations were filled. In spite of the terribly bad weather of the day on which the event was held, many more students packed buses and cars to go there. No one was disappointed. In fact the party was even better than anyone had been led to believe.

Now many students feel that this carnival should be an annual affair. Many believe, moreover, that each semester should bring forth a carnival appropriate to the season.

Miller, Maylock Resign as Beacon Staff Heads

Associate Editor Robert Miller and Business Manager Eugene Maylock in assuming the duties of practice teachers at GAR this semester suddenly found they could no longer devote sufficient time to the duties on the BEACON and promptly resigned.

They did, nevertheless, consent, upon persuasion, to re

main as reporters, which the BEACON sincerely appreciated. Miller and Maylock, two very amiable and busy fellows, will still serve as editor and business manager respectively of

FEATURES STAFF

Gerrad Davis, Ted Wolfe, Clayton Bloomkurg, Edward J. Wasilewski, Gene Bradley

NEWS STAFF

Russell Williams, Robert Miller, Eugen Maylock, Margot Golin, Georgia Henty, Eddy Rose, Meriel Branden, Don Williams, Charles Refi...

Faculty Reporter

Alfred Grob

Faculty Advisor

Professor Paul "Pop" Gies

Professor Paul Gies had the blessings of humility, ability and understanding. Professor Gies was recog

ised as an expert musician, a veritable storehouse of musical knowledge, a fine instructor and a very likeable person. To students and faculty alike he was known simply as "Pop". "Pop" Gies had the same warm feeling for students that they felt for him. He frequently held parties for them at his Pocono farm. Some students became his closest friends. In his will "Pop" left most of his estate to his very close friends Charles Henderson and Joe Higgins, both of whom had once been his students.

The air cadets Professor Gies instructed in meteorology here during the war received the highest results in the Army examination in that subject. He was the cadets' favorite instructor.

"Pop" was active in civic affairs. Among many other concerts, he conducted the annual Bach Festival in Wilkes-Barre and Scranton. Musicians and music lovers esteemed his talent and versatility in music. He played expertly almost every known instrument. In addition he was a conductor and a composer.

On December 9, 1947, "Pop" Gies was scheduled to con

duct his own (and last) composition, LOVE'S ADVERSITY at the Irem Temple, but he became too ill to appear.

"Pop" Gies, who last summer had been appointed full professor at Wilkes College, became a full time instructor in 1942 after serving time since 1933. Previously he had taught at Bucknell University.

He was the leader of the annual Bach Festivals in Heidle
gberg, Germany before leaving Germany in 1923.

His blessings of humility, ability, and understanding will permanently serve to inspire students who knew "Pop".

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

It was with much chagrin and disgust that I read Mr. Mikulewic

z's "tribute" of "Une Nuit a Paris" in the January 23 issue of the Beacon (vol. 1, no. 20). It is with the approval of the French Club (Thursday, Jan. 29) that this is being printed.

The fact that local talent was to be utilized in the floorshow was publicized beforehand by the pro

gram committee, and also announ

ced in a French, English, and

principal chairman, and Joe Goldberg, from the program committee, in intro

ductory remarks preceding the show.

We had difficulty in rounding up talent (keeping the roundup local) and were satisfied and needless to say, we were gratified to receive so many entrants. We had numerous entertainers who had expressed an interest in it. It was decided that the student body on the grounds that they weren't "good enough." I informed them that our floorshow was not presented for the benefit of a hidden talent scout, but rather for a cooperative, broad-minded student body.

This is not to say that we expected everyone. Everyone was certainly entitled to his own opinion. However, criticism of one thing; ridicule, quite an

other.

School spirit being at the level that it is at Wilkes we all were very much encouraged at the ex

pectation of cooperation and interest which everyone connected with the program was said to have. A cooperative and interested group of students would receive a sample of gratitude.

I don't think it was a very good try, Mr. M.)

Perhaps, Mr. Mikulewicz and his colleagues might be satisfied only when thousands of dollars of student funds are expended on name entertainment. A show at the price of $2,000.00 would be a tremendous commitment.

Furthermore, the Spirit, the Social Activities Committee, and all members of the student council, did cooperate wonde

rfully. It is amenable that the source of our enthusiasm, George Glen
dale, could destroy what the French Club had taken months to build.

S. GEORGE MAISEL

Program Chairman

Ed. Note — BEACON coverage of the French Club's cabaret party attempted to destroy nothing. Mr. Mikulewicz was gratified to hear of our choice of the report, which proved an inspiring example.

A review of the report will show Mr. Malish that the writer con

cluded that the show was a success and which was made possible largely by the efforts of the French Club.

I think his account, though frank, cer

tainly cannot be considered in
terdeme.

Says writer Mikulewicz, "It is something more than a mere BEACON is being read with such interest."
In Passing

By Robert Milkelewicz

A WARM STORY OF FOUR MEN—ONE A NEGRO

THE CHEQUER BOARD, by Nevil Shute, published by William Morrow & Company, Inc. (Continued from page 2)

The story of the others is told as seen and heard by Turner. After the war, they went their separate ways and never saw each other again. They lived because of an incurable headache. With this reality facing him, he decided to find out what had happened to his hospital companion.

Turner flew to Burma, looked up Phill and found that he was married and had a daughter. Mr. Paratrooper, trained for the army life, acted instinctively. Whether your friend be white or black, I think, realize how far we have come in turning over the old concepts of freedom. The men to whom Baldwin is referring are up to this time the leaders of policies advocated by our administration. By and by, of course, all these former war leaders, he writes, "General Charles de Gaulle, General de Gaulle, the President of Algeria, who is allied with the forces of freedom in Africa, and General de Gaulle, the former brigadier general. Japan is governed almost unilaterally by General de Gaulle, and General de Gaulle, who is a general in the French army, is not even accepted in the country.

Brent was found hanging in a sign on the same house in which he lived. Brent had been in the Negroes in his house and the Negroes showed their appreciation by mending irons, painting fences, and helping in many other ways.

In the airfield, there arrived a battalion of white troops whose commander was a southern "gentleman" of the old school. The southern boys in the white battalion, encouraged by their commanding officer, refused to take part in the work and turned to the colored boys one night in the only pub in town. Mr. Proctor, who owned the pub, turned them out the next day hung a sign on his pub which read, "This House is for Englishmen and Colored American Troops Only."

Grace lived with him, Mr. Proctor said, "Some of these whites... don't seem to like anything... they don't like our girls, they don't like the colored troops, they don't like the beer, they don't like the lavatories... and they don't mind telling you about it."

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Conference Highlights

Students at the Press Conference show deep interest as Mr. Joseph T. Gorman, President of International Color Printing Company, explains the in's and out's of printing comics.

Pictured are faculty advisors of the student publications of the various high schools represented at the recent Interscholastic Press Conference.

First row, Mrs. E. Repaski, Newport; Elizabeth Whittemore, Shickshinny; Eileen Donohue, Wyoming; Mary Gilmore, Luzerne; Sister Mary Frances, CBS, Marymount.

Rear row, John Callahan, Jenkins Township; Robert Reese, GARD; Alfred Breuner, Kingston.

LOCAL HIGH SCHOOLS

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steps and leads to big stories are often obtained from people who have been impressed by the character of the reporter.

Three characteristics of a newspaper according to Mr. Bachman are dramatic effectiveness, compactness, and clarity.

He recommended that the young journalist read Charles Dickens to study character description; Shakespeare to acquire an extensive vocabulary; and the Bible to learn dramatic English, brevity and power.

Mr. Robert Patton explained the difference between sports writing and news writing. He expressed the hope that the local high schools would profit from the conference by forming an organization to help get the high school news to the offices of the papers. In this way, Mr. Patton stated, more news of the high schools would be printed.

Luncheon Served

At the conclusion of the speeches the delegates were guests of the BEACON Press Club at a luncheon in the College cafeteria.

Following the luncheon three movies, "Journalism," a picture showing all the phases of newspaper work, "Cover To Cover," a picture showing the steps in the publication of a book, and "Spot News," a picture describing how telephones are made, were shown in Chase Theatre. After the movies, a discussion period was held. Later the delegates were taken on a tour of the campus.

In bringing the conference to a close, Mrs. Williams told the delegates that she hoped this would be an annual affair because by discussing the problems of putting out a high school paper, much was gained by all who participated.

Delegates attended the conference from the following schools: Kingston, St. Mary's, G. A. R., Kingston Township, Newport Township, Shickshinny, Dallas Borough, Wyoming, Marymount, Jenkins, Forty Fort, Meyers, and Cooughlin.

Who Is the Colonel's Queen?

Snapped at the conference are left to right, Kingston High School's Merritt Wagner of the KINGSTONIAN and KINGSTONIAN co-editors Jean Smith and Joseph Moran (brother of BEACON sports editor Tom Moran).

Pictured are participants in the recent Press Conference.

Left to right, Robert T. Mikulewicz, features editor of the Hazleton Standard-Sentinel; Bob Callahan, Kingston High School; Martin Fabro, BEACON press club; Tom Moran, BEACON; Nathan Callahan, assistant instructor; and Bob Paton, Wilkes-Barre Record sports editor; Mrs. Gertrude Williams, BEACON press club; Jack Reese, BEACON reporter; Bob Paton, Wilkes-Barre Record sports editor; Mrs. Gertrude Williams, BEACON press club; Jack Reese, BEACON reporter; Bob Paton, Wilkes-Barre Record sports editor; Mrs. Gertrude Williams, BEACON press club; Jack Reese, BEACON reporter; Bob Paton, Wilkes-Barre Record sports editor; Mrs. Gertrude Williams, BEACON press club; Jack Reese, BEACON reporter; Bob Paton, Wilkes-Barre Record sports editor; Mrs. Gertrude Williams, BEACON press club; Jack Reese, BEACON reporter; Bob Paton, Wilkes-Barre Record sports editor; Mrs. Gertrude Williams, BEACON press club; Jack Reese, BEACON reporter; Bob Paton, Wilkes-Barre Record sports editor; Mrs. Gertrude Williams, BEACON press club; Jack Reese, BEACON reporter; Bob Paton, Wilkes-Barre Record sports editor; Mrs. Gertrude Williams, BEACON press club; Jack Reese, BEACON reporter; Bob Paton, Wilkes-Barre Record sports editor; Mrs. Gertrude Williams, BEACON press club; Jack Reese, BEACON reporter; Bob Paton, Wilkes-Barre Record sports editor; Mrs. Gertrude Williams, BEACON press club; Jack Reese, BEACON reporter; Bob Paton, Wilkes-Barre Record sports editor; Mrs. Gertrude Williams, BEACON press club; Jack Reese, BEACON reporter; Bob Paton, Wilkes-Barre Record sports editor; Mrs. Gertrude Williams, BEACON press club. 
Use College Library for Study
Urges Osterhout

Mr. Joseph Myers, Wilkes College librarian, has requested that Wilkes students refrain, whenever possible, from the practice of using the Osterhout Library as a study hall. Mr. Myers stated that the facilities of the college library are not being used to the fullest, even during hours when the library is most crowded. The college library now has a seating capacity of approximately 120, and even during the busiest hours has sufficient seating space to accommodate at least two-thirds of the students who have been going to the Osterhout to pursue their studies.

Mr. Myers made it clear, however, that the Osterhout is anxious to have Wilkes students make use of its Reference and Circulation Department, but students who are merely looking for a place to sit and study are requested to employ the college library. The reason for this is that Wilkes students have been studying at the Osterhout in such great numbers that other patrons at that library have been unable to find seats.

Mr. Myers said it was his hope that in the future students will make greater use of the increased seating capacity in the college library, thus alleviating the crowded situation at the Osterhout.

News Without Information?
Can't Be Done!

BEACON reporters have been complaining increasingly that some students and faculty members simply won't cooperate to give them the information necessary to turn out a paper. They report that some students and faculty members sometimes refuse to give the time for an interview, but more often decline to give them the facts necessary to write a news story, or keep them coming back until the reporters are not only absolutely weary but have missed the deadline. (One weary reporter has been trying consistently for a week to get a story for this issue. Each day has been told to come back.) Missing a deadline causes confusion in every department. It adds a tremendous amount of work to the BEACON staffs and the printer, neither of whom have the material they had planned on. There are too many complications involved in missing a deadline to discuss here. However, the most serious complications, we feel, are that a reporter who is frequently turned away by faculty members and students loses interest in his work and that consequently the paper soon loses reader appeal.

In most institutions reporters are granted interviews and given sufficient information (in time for deadlines) to report in the college newspaper. Here, apparently some people feel it unnecessary to give reporters the slightest consideration. At the same time, there is often a terrific clamor from the same people and others if the BEACON misses any news items.

It is a very obvious fact that news can't be printed without the facts. The cooperation of students and faculty alike is necessary to the publishing of the newspaper.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Sirs:

On November 29, 1947 newspapers throughout the country carried jubilant headlines of the partitioning of Palestine. Since that time, these same newspapers have been carrying daily accounts of the strife and tension now spreading throughout the Holy Land; have been carrying flagrant accounts of violations of the United Nations decision by the Arabs.

It was not the Jews who decided on the partition of Palestine, by the United Nations, foremost among which was the United States; it should not be expected that the Jews must bear the entire responsibility for the carrying out of the decision, while embassies exist which prevent them from receiving desperately needed material aid and for their own defense and for the defense of the partition scheme.

The arms embargo which our own government has imposed upon the Middle East serves only to strengthen the hand of the Arabs who are openly receiving munitions from the British and from America which is shipping them to Yemen, technically considered not in the Middle East.

The Jews of Palestine are ready and willing to defend themselves. Our government is morally and duty bound to heed their cries for material aid, to insure that the citizens of the newly created Jewish State are properly equipped to protect themselves against the aspitals of those determined to oppose by violence the democratically arrived at decisions made by the world's highest tribunal.

The United States holds the key to the proper equipment of the Jewish militia. In our long history, our government has not hesitated to send arms and military missions to other parts of the world to back up its foreign policy; it should not hesitate now.

Sincerely yours,

PHILIP BACHIN
The Wilkes-Barre Metropolitan Chapter Intercollegiate Zionist Federation of America

Winter Carnival Outpoints Weather

It was tough going to get through the Poconos to the College Winter Carnival held between semesters. Above a bus and car on the way to Split Rock Lodge (site of the carnival) are stuck on an icy hill.

A Wilkes skier makes his way along the icy ski run.

Students may have had trouble getting to and from the carnival, but no one had any trouble enjoying his stay there. Above Wilkes gymnasium, another view of the carnival site.

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ATHLETIC BANQUET SET FOR THURSDAY

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SPORTS * * BEACON

By TOM MORAN

Beacon Sports Editor

OUT OF THE DARK AGE—PLEASE

Several weeks ago in the King's Crown there appeared an editorial which literally took the proud wearers of the gold and red apart for not supporting their college basketball team.

At Wilkes we have the same trouble. For the past two years—ever since this college began sponsoring athletics on a large scale—we have been listening to narrow-minded individuals sound off in a critical manner about the various athletic teams. The majority of the students at Wilkes prefer to stay away from sports contests and then indulge in their "Sunday Morning Quarterbacking" the day after the event. There is seldom an encouraging remark made—always it is in the form of criticism.

Don't get this department wrong—we're not saying that some things couldn't be improved, but to those who prefer to criticize from a distance after reading the newspaper account of the events, there appears to be a definite lack of school spirit and loyalty.

At a time like this when we should be enjoying the sports we have at present and striving to build a bigger and better sports program, some of the students are getting a bigger kick out of knocking the players, coaches, and program.

Let's get out of the dark ages. We have an excellent athletic program at this school. There are a few kinks, but to the critic even the perfect would seem imperfect. We can put it in another way. This is college. The college has athletic teams. The college also is supposed to have school spirit. But the college can have any of these things unless it has students who enjoy them. The excuse that we are too busy and above any such childishness is itself a far more drastic form of childishness. Many times we have heard people say that this is nothing like college, because there is no spirit and the student body in general is dead. Well, who made it that way? The student council and the school officials have provided the students with all the tools. The task of building is up to the students. Remember, it is almost impossible to criticize the school without criticizing yourself, because YOU are a part of it. What you don't like is what you have created. If it's a monster only you can change it.

Let's support the school activities in the future.

UNTRAMURAL SOFTBALL LEAGUE THIS YEAR

For the first time, Wilkes will have an Intramural Softball League, which will be made up of about 10 teams from the various clubs in the school. George Ralston, director of athletics, announced that this year's intramural softball program will be handled by the Athletic Department and the teams will have plenty of equipment and top-notch officials to handle the games in Kirby Park.

BEACONETTES

Chef Knepich, whom Bob Mikulewicz referred to as the kindly faced judge, will have to wash smiles at the trials. It ruins the effect. . . Best remark of the week came when Marty Blake, who probably talked the head off a cigarette Indian, remarked jokingly that the fans in Wyoming Valley were planning to hold a Blake Night and present him with a traveling bag. A potential journalistic opportunity nearby, "It's a wonderful idea and I'll go on record as volunteering to pay the full price for a one-way ticket so the bag won't go to waste."
Failure to Receive Court Barber Job Angers Fezzel

Appointment of Henry Meiner as the new barber at the college is causing some surprise on campus. A native of Waukesha, Fezzel, professor of exterior decoration, is known for his color work. He was born in Waukesha and has lived there all his life. He is married and has four children. Fezzel was graduated from the University of Wisconsin and has been employed at the college for the past ten years.

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WILKES GRAPPERS FACE PRINCETON ON SATURDAY, F. & M. SQUAD THURSDAY

The Wilkes College wrestling team will enter its busiest week of the season soon, when it will travel to Trenton to engage the Princeton Junior Varsity in a wrestling meet, and on Thursday, it will join hands with King's and the Y. M. C. A. against Franklin and Marshall in a benefit match for the Cropfield Children's fund. After a short and not too successful season, the matmen finally pulled into the win column with a resounding 18-15 triumph over King's College last Saturday. Today, Wilkes matmen hope to add the Jaguars to what they hope will be a growing list of victims.

The powers of Princeton will be hard to handle, and a win for the Colonels will bring some desired prestige which they will hope to see in the lineup of a full four-year college schedule for next season.

The Princeton squad has a rich background in the field of sports, notably the least of which is wrestling. It will bring into the squared ring years of experience against the best the Ivy League has been able to throw at them. However, Coach Craigwell of Wilkes feels that his men are ready for the bigger fields, and is confident that his team will make better than a creditable showing. He promises trouble for Princeton and thinks highly of his squad's capabilities.

The Thursday encounter will have an All-Star team composed of Wilkes, King's and the Y. M. C. A. in an engagement against the famed Franklin and Marshall Wrestlers. This match will be sponsored by the West Side Lion's Club for the benefit of the Cropfield Children's Fund. Preparations for the event are being handled by Frank and Marshall's wrestling principals of the Forty Fort schools.

The encounter will take place at 7:30 in the Kingston High School Gymnasium.

WILKES GRAPPERS FACE ELEVENTH CONTEST Face Wilkes Nine; First Game Apr. 16

The baseball schedule, which was released by the Athletic Department yesterday reveals that Wilkes College diamond squad will play a total of 11 home games during a six-week period with the first contest scheduled to be held at home with Hartwick as the opponent on Friday, April 16, in Kirby Park.

The Colonels are expected to be one of the strongest that ever represented the blue and gold on the diamond. New equipment and uniforms have been purchased for the members of the squad and there is a good possibility that an early season jewel may be obtained for the pitchers and catchers to work out.

During the season, the Colonels will play six home games, all at Kirby Park and five away.

The schedule is: April 16, Hartwick; April 19, Carlow at Seminary; April 20, Rider College, away.

Mar. 25—Keystone, away; April 4, Wyoming Seminary; away; May 1, Key- stone, home; April 5, May 15, Rider College; home; May 16, King's, home; May 20, Key- stone, away; May 25, Three Cities, home.

WILKES GRAPPERS FACE PRINCETON ON SATURDAY, F. & M. SQUAD THURSDAY

Weakened Wilkes Five Hopes to Avenged Early Season Defeat Saturday

Game Away At 8

Although considerably weakened by the loss of several key players, a determined Wilkes College quintet will try to avoid the fate of last year when the Colonels face a more powerful and experienced King's College cage team tomorrow night at 8 in the King's College Gymnasium in Kingston.

King's College is considered by the favorites in tomorrow night's contest because of the one-sided shakedown in the Monarch cage team handed its institution five's in the first half of last season's contest this season. This second contest between the Wilkes-Barre college and Buck's cage machinery even strengthened Buck's position, they are on January 24, while the blue and gold handers will be playing a squad that is considerably weak- ened by the loss of Bill Johns and possibly one other, which may be out on injuries.

In the Colonels' camps, undoubtedly, the Colonels will play with a "do or die" spirit, since all hopes of coping with this grand and glorious honor as a result of the Colonels basketball season are long since been blown out. But there is always the chance that the Colonels can do their job, and seldom seen phenomenons will perhaps come in the form of an unexpected Wilkes victory.

Coach George Balston has a group of top-notch cops on his roster and all of the Georgians have plenty of scholastic experience under their belts, but the big count against Buck's is the necessity to prevent the Buck aggregate from conducting one of its customary free-throwing frenzies.

Starting Five Doublet With Pat and John in the Wilkes lineup, Coach Balston was faced with a decision which would be in the starting five, but with so many regulars as Danny Norman, E. C. Miller, Bill Swartwood, Bill Harvey, Don Holley, and Charlie Jackson to pick from, the Kingsmen may be the recipients of many surprises.

The peace offerings are being offered to the Gods of the sport, but the Colonels are banking on the Wilkes cage fomus, it must be remembered. King's is going the first time. With a form of Tom McLaughlin, one of the great basketball circle, fingers, McGrane, Mulvey, English, Dragoon, Waver, and Murphy.

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Season's Results

Wilkes

51 Y. A. Arts and Sciences

42 Bucknell Fresh

39 Penn State Fresh

36 Keystone Fresh

30 Penn State Extension

29 Lycoming

27 Rider

25 Three Cities

24 Keystone

24 Bucknell

24 Lycoming

Remaining Schedule: Friday, Feb. 29—King's College away

Wednesday, Mar. 5—Three Cities away

Saturday, Mar. 6—National J. C. away

Saturday, Mar. 13—N. A. & S. away

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By TED WOLFE

The horse-laugh this week comes from the Council member who was dummying about the "Winter Carnival" on Friday the 13th. All winter our newspaper has gone through perfect weather for winter sports, and then the day on which the carnival was held brought forth miserable conditions. In spite of this, the students made the best of it, and managed to have a good time. Some of them said it really seemed good to breathe Wilkes Barre air again after that nerve-wracking trip home through mountain roads.

Many of the students who were looking forward to the trip were disappointed and pleased with the reserving it for the two days before they were scheduled to come.

Sheldon Fried insists that the parentheses of the current success, "Antigone," appeared for two minutes at the beginning and two minutes at the end.

Some enthusiasts noted that this year's edition of this presentation failed to mention that the lighting effects for the play were exceptionally fine. For shame, Beacon, and did you notice that the usher's finger-nails were beautifully manicured, too.

Orchids to the technical crew and apologies to the readers.

Both the Student Council and the Lettermen's Club are amusing under the verbal lash given them by Dean Ralston at the meeting of January 27. It seems that both organizations were going about things in the wrong way, the Council unconstitutionally, and the Lettermen's Club by convention. In spite of all this to-do, the Lettermen emerged clothed in smiles of victory, a bit blue-and-gold sweaters. The Council? Well, all they could say was, "Dear Pre-Med Club!"

The idea for a student-sponsored scholarship for some worthy person, foreign or domestic, fell through. The reason was, that such an undertaking would conflict with plans for a Cinderella Ball, as far as funds were concerned. Either affair would help to popularize Wilkes, and it was just a question of which one would be chosen. Also, each one would have to be financed from the Student Fund. It was decided that the students would rather pay for entertainment than for someone else's education.

Now wouldn't it be fine if whatever head-scratcher chosen for the Ball ("Tux" Beneke was mentioned) could be persuaded to use the money paid him to finance some lucky person's education? That way, everything would work out wonderful, and Wilkes would be sure to become even more popular.

What dreamers some people are!

For some real rib-tickling entertainment, read Liberian Joseph Meyer's "Guide to the use of Wilkes Library." Copies may be obtained at the loan desk in the Library.

The newly-formed Breese-batters Club of Wilkes is looking for recognition from the Student Council. The Club meets every Friday morning in the Cafeteria, and the members droll over coffee and debate over pressing issues. Members include Bill Griffith, Tom Lasky, John Haracz, Sheldon Fried, Farrell Morgan, Vince Mackie, Norbert Olechowski, and Ted Wolfe, with Cedric Glub as temporary president. The problem being discussed currently is "How to relieve the congestion of students in the Cafeteria during study hours." The suggestion thus far is to build a new Cafeteria.

Some of the incoming freshmen got drifl of the initiation that was in store for them. They heard the rumor that they would have to go around with their head in a basket of their books. Simultaneously, it was reported that local drug stores are completely sold out of menthol.

The Manuscript came out with the New Look this year, from a white cover to a blue one. Even some of the stories have a variety in color, ranging from mossy-honey-blue to blood-red.

Recently, many of the students have expressed the opinion that the Beacon should feature the who's-who of students about who's gup-gup column whose major purpose would be to bring the love-life of the students into the limelight. Various inquiries were made, and some interesting ideas, pro and con, were noted. The climax of the whole affair was a letter received from one of our most popular students, Cedric Glub.

Cedric is an Arts student who, in spite of a scarcely noticeable hole in his head, manages to maintain a passable average. He is a rather conscientious student both in classes and in extra-curricular activities. Some of his deals are a little on the shady side. He has done some heavy speculating in the used text book market, and recently it's been rumored that he is the local dealer in black market term papers.

Here is what he has to say:

Dear Dr.-estabulars,

I understand that some Wilkes students would like to see a glossy column appear in the Beacon. Without going into detail, I would like to express my opinion on the matter.

I am definitely against it. Not, however, because I realize that I wouldn't be one of those talked about. After all, I can't help it. I have two noses. But I think it's a childish idea. When I was told to eat my father and I had a heart to heart talk in his place of business. As we slipped our beer, he said, "Son, life is a funny and complicated matter. You've got to grow into it. When you become a man, put away childish things." I often recall that scene. I'll never forget how papa looked as he sat there playing with his yo-yo and giving me that advice.

I can say all about the matter is, what is this a college or a high school? People are grown up when they go to college, or at least they're supposed to be. And gossip is an awful thing. It's the only thing that runs down more people than automobiles. But if the inquiries were to last long, they have to do in place in Chase Hall. But don't you find it nice to see who loves who.

Sincerely,

Cedric Glub

Thank you, Cedric.

Many students have given up the idea of trying to see Daniel Balston concerning a schedule change. After one look at the waiting line, they throw up their arms in despair and retire to the Cafeteria to drown their troubles in coffee. One fellow tried to run the gauntlet and came out with two broken legs, which goes to show you just how bad the situation really is.

The Colonel's Queen, Who Is She?

SPEAKERS URGE (continued from page 3) to become even greater, we must build up the spirit of friendliness.

I am very sorry I was unable to attend the last meeting of the Student Council, but I plan to be present at the last meeting. I admire the spirit of self-interest which the Council has shown in its efforts to improve the conditions of the students.

I would like to see the Council continue its efforts, and I hope that it will be successful in its endeavors. I am sure that the students will be very grateful to the Council for its work.

Mrs. Morse

February 27, 1948

THE PHILOSOPHY

(continued from page 11) and away from City Hall.

I don't enjoy philosophy class any more. It's interesting, I suppose, but now I feel that it is entirely theoretical, too much so for me. I like subjects that have a practical application, so that leaves philosophy out. It's not practical. I proved that.

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