Madrigal Singers To Present Concert

Town 'n' Gown Series Program Based on Holiday Theme Sunday

A program of sacred and secular music will be presented by the Madrigal Singers, sponsored by the Student Government, at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 16, at 5:00 p.m., at which time a vote of Aye was recorded in favor of having the Carnival.

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Keep Your Holiday A Happy One

Two Wilkes professors will read papers at a forthcoming meeting of The American Academy of Algeria in Washington, D.C. on December 26 and 27. They are Dr. Elmer J. Michelinii and Dr. Sheldon G. Cohen, both associate professors, Department of Biology of the College. Both men have been invited to the American Academy of Algeria that they will read their respective papers before the scientific session of the academy at The Intercontinental Hotel Hilton Hotel February 6, 7, and 8, 1961.

Dr. Michelinii will report on "Histochromic Studies on the Ragg'-Poleus Page and the Proving and Extracting Procedures." The biology professor joined the faculty of the college in 1955 and his work has been found in anatomy, embryology, and histology at Swett at Seton Hall University and his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees at University of Pennsylvania, respectively. He is the author of a number of articles published by the American Journal of Botany and other media.

Barbara Gallagher, freshman, Liberal Arts

"If Wilkes is willing to make the costly and time-consuming changes necessary for this program, it should adopt the four-semester program, for that one will probably be requested by many students in the next five years due to its greater efficiency. This year will see the first real and much expansion and development at Wilkes, which is always a move in the right direction," said Patricia Boyle, senior, Liberal Arts.

"I would be happy to see the tri-semester system instituted at Wilkes because it would enable students to concentrate their attention on four courses instead of dispersing their energies on five. Also, I like the idea of having a semester earned before holidays; it would relieve a considerable amount of anxiety for those that are students now subjected to holidays," said Mrs. Elmer J. Michelinii, Liberal Arts.

"This program would undoubt- edly be welcome to the majority of courses. It would permit students to concentrate on their knowledge not only in which they might be interested," concluded Mr. William N. Evens, A.B. in English.

All important advantages of this plan would be: (A) students would receive their degrees in three years, and (B) the school would allow the student of school over-population to attend. The liberal, many students who depend on summer jobs would be at a disadvantage.

AMMUNICA NOTICE

All seniors who have had their pictures taken for the yearbook are urged to call the office at the Hoffman before the Christmas recess—there is a shortage of the prints. Many students will be in the yearbook since the Ammu- nica staff must meet a deadline.

Hope you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The BEACON Staff
Shawnees Win Football Title; Turn Trick Third Straight Year, Named Athletes of the Week

The honors for this week’s "Athlete of the Week" award are shared in thirteen equal sections by the members of the Shawnees, the championship intramural football team.

The undefeated Shawnees made history recently by downsing Ashley Hall, 30-14, to win their unprecedented third consecutive intramural league championship. The tall men from Plymouth have suffered only one setback in these three campaigns, that being a 14-12 game to the Hurricanes last season, with the Indians coming back and running roughshod over the Hurricanes in the championship game, 34-6.

The Shawnees drew first blood in the contest with a three-yard scoring pass from "Rabbit" Polanowski throwing a pass to "Sweets" Pugh in the end zone for a touchdown. This score had been set up on a 50-yard run by "Tooth" Karmalaich, pass from Ron Roski to Billy Shukis connected for the extra point.

The first-up Ashley Hall squad then came to life and Richie Burns, the mighty mite of the Ashley team, scored two touchdowns on aerials from Eddie Kemps to give the Ashleymen a 14-17 halftime lead. The Shawnees thundered back in the third stanza with the Pugh to Polanowski passing for the score. Russo added the extra point on a pass from John Tensa to tie the score.

"Pigeon" Russo then took personal charge of the game and stole the limelight with an over-the-shoulder interception of an Ashley pass. Minutes later Cooper threw a thirty-yard aerial to Russo for the winning touchdown. The contest ended at the bleachers deep in Ashley territory pressing for another score.

Members of the championship Shawnees are Frank Polanowski, Ron Roski, Yorath Evans, Tom Pugh, Don Mathey, Stan Karmalaich, Bill Shukis, Phil Russo, Jack Hook, Ray Frey, John Tensa, Walt Ciosek, and Samuel Cooper.

Cagers Face Ectic Schedule; Late Rallies Fail Against Ithaca, Scranton, As Team Loses Two

The basketball team's post-holiday activity will include games at Moravian, Dickinson, and Lebanon Valley. The Colonels will host the Moravian Greyhounds on Tuesday, January 4 at 8 p.m. Moravian won last year's game, 108-33. The team then takes to the road to meet Dickinson at Carlisle on Saturday, January 8, and the Lebanon Valley contest will be a wrestling meet at Lebanon Valley and basketball doubleheader, with the Wilkes and Greyhound grapplers providing the opening action at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, January 10. The Lebanon Valley game starts at 3:30 p.m.

The team's winning record of two wins and one loss was shattered as the team suffered two consecutive defeats during the past week, losing to Ithaca, 85-67, and to Scranton, 87-77. The Ithaca game saw the hoopsters lose a quick-opening lead of 14-3 behind on a scoring drought and a flood of points that takes the way for the Ithaca victory. The Davismen appeared to be on their way to their third consecutive victory when suddenly the bottom fell out of their offense and the Bombers found the scoring range to build up a 45-33 halftime lead. The biggest blow to the Colonels offense was the three personal fouls against top scorer Ron Roski. Roski was forced to ride the bench for the major part of the first half and the Wilkes offense sputtered. Ithaca built up a thirty point lead halfway through the second half and, with the score tied 55-55, returned Coach Eddie Davis' attempts to field a combination capable of holding back the Bomber scoring attack.

With time running out, the team started to click. Two consecutive baskets by Tom Pugh and two lay-ups and a foul by John Tensa gave the Colonels new life as they rallied, late in the game. Ron Roski, Phil Russo, and Steve Fullington added late points in the late surge.

Leading the Wilkes scorers were Ron Roski and Cliff Gavenas with 10 points each. Harvey Rosen had nine points, 10, and Steve Gerko six. Koosch, Pugh, Russo, and Fullington had three points apiece. Each of the Davismen had their scoring burst, but their combined 28 points were enough for a 45-38 victory.

The Scranton game saw the support of the three consecutive points in the closing minutes to crack open a close contest and send the Colonels down in defeat. The Royals won the game at the foul line as having dumped in 33 buckets but the Royals couldn't manage a second of foul tries while Coach Davis' boys made eleven out of twelve.

The game started fast with both squads hitting with great accuracy and the teams were tied at the first half. Harvey Rosen and Steve Fullington traded scoring punch for the Colonels with jump shots and drivers to give the Blue and Gold a one-point halftime lead, 45-44.

The second half was a carbon copy of the first, the lead being held by the Colonels from the start of the second half and two or three basket scoring burst. With three minutes to go, the Scranton team had the lead, only to see it lost on shots by the Colonels. After two and one half minutes left, the Royals used a fast break to tie an 81-73 lead. The Colonels tried to rally but their efforts fell short as the Royals from the foul line put the Colonels away. Ron Roski led all scorers with 33 points, Roski had 21 and Gavenas 14 for the Colonels.
Students To Produce Weekly Program

Around the World Sailing Cruise

Are you tired of the dull life you lead? Are you tired of drab walls and the same old tunes every day? Do you long for adventure, the thrill of far-away places, the excitement and romance of the sea? Then, students of Wilkes-Barre here is a project especially for you—a voyage around the world aboard the most famous sailing ship afloat, the Yankee.

The ship, the first clipper, built for the China trade by a shipbuilder in Boston, has been restored. For this summer, the Yankee, under the command of Capt. Irving Johnson, will be open to people from all walks of life. Twenty-five persons aboard will actually serve as crew and help navigate and sail the ship. They will share expenses of the cruise. Besides a rare chance to become proficient in traditional windjammer sailing skills the ‘round-the-world voyage offers a unique educational opportunity, according to Yankee's owner Capt. Burke of Miami.

"We'll sail to places far off the beaten tourist path," says Capt. Burke. "Certainly, we can get a glimpse of history by talking to descendants of The Bounty at Pitcairn, and by studying customs and people from 'tahiti to Zanzibar.' Arrangements have been made with

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Stevens Institute Offers New Freshman Writing Course

Hoboken, N.J.—(AP)—How can you turn out articulate scientists and engineers? Everybody talks about the professional man's inability to tell others precisely what's on his mind, but nobody does anything about it, so teachers at Stevens Institute of Technology. Stevens is taking a fresh approach to this problem by requiring a new freshman writing course that cuts beneath the superficial answers of more grammar and increased vocabulary.

The real difficulty, says Stevens Humanities professors, is incom- plete thinking. Most people are not troubled by a scarcity of words to express themselves. Rather, they are unable to assemble their thoughts, to make them clear to themselves as well as to others.

The course requires students to recognize how much their attitudes and prejudices have shaped their awareness of things around them, whether they are writing about their adjustment to college life, a Van Gogh painting or Einstein's theory of relativity.

Twice a week the freshmen write a 250-word paper on themes carefully selected to make them aware that a writer's first task is to establish a point of view in his approach to a problem and that every- one takes a somewhat different view of the same circumstances.

The same method used in science and engineering is applied to writing. The students learn men like Einstein and Newton first had to structure their own thoughts, to decide on a point of view, before they could express order in the physical universe. Several students have already reported that the course helped them in solving physics problems.

Intrigued by the new course, the Mathematics Department is cooperating with Humanities by requiring students to write two or more essays on calculus this year. The course started as an experiment and has already been so successful that it probably will become a permanent part of the curriculum.

Variety of Topics To Be Discussed

by Gloria Zaludek

Letters of interest and encourage- ment as life, the Saturday Review, Time, U.S. News and World Report and Newsweek have been received at

The reason for this attention is the all-student program which our colleagues have been from radio station WBAX every Saturday throughout the year.

This series of weekly programs will begin on Saturday afternoon, December 6, from 1:30 until 2:30. The initial offering will be a panel discussion by the students covering various topics of national pur- pose. Selection of specific topics will be made from a list of approximately forty ideas including developments on campus, education, and foreign affairs.

Each week there will be a brief rundown of current activities on campus. Definite plans for the en- gagement of specific students for the past not yet been made. The following ideas may possibly be presented.

Speaking engagements by Wilkes-Barre scholars or any other scholars invited by the College may be discussed.

The first of the series will be a presentation by a student interested in Chinese language and culture.

Anyone interested in contributing to these cultural presentations may contact Mike Bianco for further de- tails.

LIBRARY HOURS

Library hours during the Christmas recess have been announced as follows:

December 19-23 (Mon.-Fri.) — 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
December 27-30 (Tues.-Fri.) 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Library will be closed on December 25th and 26th, and there will be no Saturday hours during the recess.

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