

Record Frosh Class Arrives

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Orientation Committee Changes Procedures For Freshman Hazing

by Zig A. Pines

No female student is permitted to spend more than three consecutive minutes before her mirror. She shall walk at least one mile each day. **Robinson Crusoe**, the "Atlantic Monthly," and any other recognizably immoral piece of literature is strictly forbidden. Washington's Farewell Address and Shakespeare are strongly recommended for light reading.

And finally, no woman shall keep company with any male companion unless he is a retired missionary.

The above is an excerpt from Dean Ahlborn's speech to the parents of the incoming freshman girls with, however, one important qualification. The above recommended guidelines for a good life were maxims that were incorporated in the Mt. Holyoke College handbook at its inception—obviously quite some time ago.

Dean Ahlborn actually attempted to allay the fears of the parents who entrusted their daughters to Wilkes. The parents were assured that Wilkes does not enforce nor condone such a policy.

The entire Freshman Orientation Week is, in fact, an extended attempt on behalf of Dean Ahlborn and Dean Ralston, as well as SG, IDC, and many others, to orient the new student to Wilkes by immediately immersing him into the social and academic activities at Wilkes.

Major Changes Made

This year, however, major changes were made. Skit night has been discontinued due to unpleasant experiences in the past. Hazing, which will be evaluated soon, has been

curbed so as to protect any freshman from physical or moral abuse. The policy this year is that if any upperclassman coerces a freshman to any action which the freshman considers physically or morally detrimental, the freshman may issue a formal complaint to SG and actually prosecute the offender. Freshman punishment has in effect been somewhat sublimated to provide for a more constructive influence on the college community. Rather than subjecting a freshman to shaving cream, eggs, or molasses, freshmen will be required to clean the campus or cut lawns.

Included in the freshman orientation program this year is a more detailed and comprehensive series of orientation classes. Each first-year student is assigned to a small discussion group where problems related to the student and his College may be discussed. Freshmen will discuss the assigned books as well as learn to use the new library effectively. Approximately 37 reading instructors, 250 Big Sisters, and 175 Big Brothers are offering their assistance to the new students.

The entire orientation program is designed to provide a pleasant meeting ground for all students, to foster constructive influences in the College, and to assure every freshman, by means of the hazing program, his or her "right of passage" into the College community.

Chairman for this year's orientation was Dan Kopen. Co-chairmen were Bill Kaye, Pat Mantione, and Sandi Walters. Chairman of the reading program was Rosalie Demko.

IRA Provides Services For Area Communities

by Ann Sommerville

Throughout the past year, the Institute of Regional Affairs has been engaged in a wide range of community activities.

Directed by Dr. Hugo V. Mailey, the institute has become an ardent supporter of the movement toward change in Northeastern Pennsylvania. Formed in 1966, the IRA is distinguished from the famous Irish organization bearing the identical initials only in deed, but not in spirit.

Unlike many other "Urban Studies Centers," the Institute of Regional Affairs finds itself in a position not only of speaking on important public issues in areas sometimes deemed by other organizations as sensitive, but also of taking a definite stand when warranted.

When Northwestern University's Urban Journalism Center, after completing a computerized study ranking 85 cities as to their susceptibility to riots, and the Wilkes-Barre/Hazleton area appeared 64th on the list while Scranton was not even mentioned, it was the IRA which publicly questioned whether these researchers had analyzed their findings correctly and whether they were warranted in making a prediction of this sort, especially considering the fact that the two Pennsylvania cities which they had grouped together were 25 miles apart and had no past history of riots. The Institute intent upon changing the image of the area,

brought this to the attention of citizens and community leaders who realized that that image must be changed.

Caused Concern

In the past few years, the growth of cities and the problems associated with them have caused local leaders concerned with the development of their regions to actively seek state and federal aid. Only recently, however, has the community consciously sought the services of colleges and universities when trying to reach the roots of the urban problem.

In creating the Institute of Regional Affairs, the College has made an across-the-board commitment of its available resources and skilled manpower to teaching, information-gathering, research and consultation. One of the functions of the IRA is to act as the nerve-center complex of the college community which seeks to bridge the gap between the scholar and the policymaker.

The primary function of the Institute is to provide a broad range of courses, seminars, conferences and studies pertaining to urban problems for the surrounding municipalities. In cooperation with the Public Services Institute of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the IRA offers various non-credit, non-degree courses such as Radiological Monitoring, Advanced Communications, Community Planning, Principles of Purchasing and Principles of Marketing.

Faculty Increased By Ten

This year 25 members of last year's faculty are no longer with Wilkes. However, to compensate for the fluctuation, 35 faculty members, plus three librarians, have been added to this year's faculty, bringing the total to 143. The new additions provide an increase of 10 full-time instructors to meet the approximate increase of 300 students this year.

The following is a list of the faculty members who have left: Leonard Connally, retired; Anthony Evangelista, teaching at Kutztown; R. Cooper, completing doctorate at Rutgers; George Fenby, completing doctorate at Connecticut; Robert Goldenberg, attending Berkeley graduate school; Harold Green, attending Temple graduate school; Mrs. Robert Hammer, teaching at Wyoming Valley West High School; Dr. Owen Ireland, teaching and researching in Early American History at the State University of New York at Brockport; Edwin L. Johnson, on leave at Lehigh University; Jill Marks, married to a Wilkes alumnus, Dr. Ralph Marston, teaching physics at the University of Maine.

Also, Robert Miller, recently married and teaching at West Chester State; William Mistichelli, fulfilling his doctoral residency at Temple; Kenneth Naparstek, working for Chrysler in Detroit; Marene Olson, pursuing doctoral work; Dr. Irene Postepska, returned to Poland; Dr. Giuseppe Pregaloto, a Fulbright scholar, returned to Milan Polytechnic in Italy; Gwen Quick, preparing to raise a family; Dr. Caroline Snyder, teaching in Rochester, New York; Theodore Snyder, attending Eastman School of Music to complete doctoral work; Richard Sours, on leave at the University of Virginia for doctoral work; Chern Tsai, attending NYU for doctoral work in engineering; Roman Tymchyshyn, doing graduate work at Kent State; Pablo Valero, teaching at Chicago State College and planning to return to Spain within two years; Virginia Yusingco, returned to the Philippines.

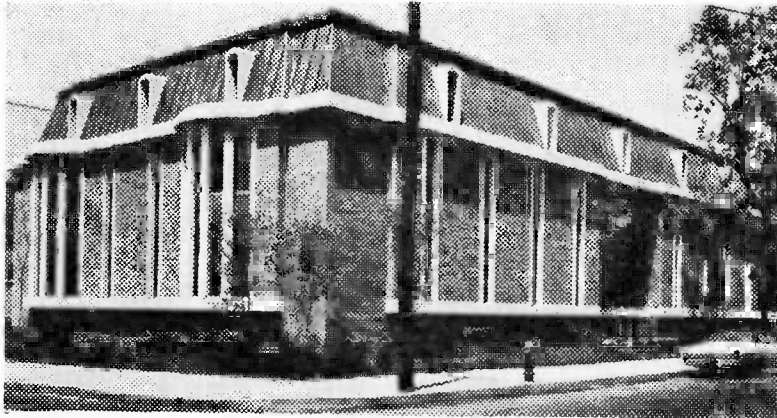
New Departmental Changes

This year there have been two changes in the organization of department chairmen: Raymond Phillips is acting chairman of the Foreign Language Department, while Dr. Bing K. Wong, a newcomer, is chairman of the Mathematics Department.

The Education Department has received four new instructors: Dr. Frank Darte, Mahmoud Falmy, Lily Davis, and Robert Brandschain. New additions to the English Department include Lee Terry, W. Carver Collins, Dr. Ruth Coplan, R. Michael Gold, and John H. Kozak. Miss Barbara Bennett, Dr. James Rodechko and Dr. Dean White have all joined the History Department.

New in the Mathematics Department are Dr. Bing K. Wong, Michael Werner, and Betty Louise Jahr. The Foreign Language Department has received Inger Miller (German), Dr. Valentin Planiol (Spanish), Mary Lou Lovette (French), and Rosemarie LaVilla (French). Robert D. Simon has been added to the Psychology Department.

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NEW LIBRARY — The student who has returned to the Wilkes campus after his Spring final will find the most significant change is the **Eugene S. Farley Library**, affording the student with an atmosphere that is pleasant as well as conducive to his academic pursuits.

The new library has presented the student with significant changes in seating, book capacity, circulation, and accessibility to new facilities. The new library includes over 500 seats, compared to 80 seats in the former library, which now houses the Language Department.

Individual study carrels, air conditioning, lounges on every floor, and accessibility to all periodicals, including bound ones, are some of the significant features of the Farley Library.

The book capacity is 350,000 volumes, thus enabling the library enough room to supplement its present 90,000-volume supply. The library contains four special rooms or showcases dedicated to Mrs. Eleanor Coates Farley, Admiral Harold Stark, Attorney Gilbert McClintock, and the Polish heritage of the Valley.

There also are provisions for seminars and eventual installation of tape recordings for blind students. According to Miss Loretta Farris, circulation librarian, rules have been changed this year to enable student use of books for three weeks, rather than two, plus one renewal.

The staff of 13 librarians is under the direction of Mrs. Nada Vujica.

SG, IDC Set Pattern For New College Year

by Zig A. Pines

While most students this past summer took a rest from school, members of Student Government and Interdormitory Council were working together on the campus to plan for the political and social activities of the school year. Quite a few significant results were achieved, especially in terms of enhanced cooperation among SG, IDC, and the Administration.

The president of SG, for instance, received an open invitation from the Administration to attend any committee meeting this year—committees in which many important decisions are made that directly affect the students.

IDC this past summer, in conjunction with the Council of Deans, revised its handbook and took a stringent stand on the matter of illegal use of drugs on campus, promising to cooperate fully with the College and law enforcement agencies in curbing the use of drugs and marijuana.

Equally important is the fact that members of IDC, SG, and various students will participate in all Student Life Committee meetings. The Student Life Committee is actually a sounding board for ideas involving interaction of students, faculty, and Administration and an attempt

to resolve any problems with which students may be confronted.

SG and IDC are planning to reciprocate by eventually inviting members of the Administration and faculty to their meetings. SG is going one step further in attempting to involve students by conducting office hours each Thursday and Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at its office at 76 West Northampton Street. Students will be offered the opportunity of informally presenting any grievance or discussing any problem with an SG representative.

IDC, likewise, wishes to meet interested students and is considering the possibility of reducing its membership so as to enable closer, more direct and informal contact. SG again is attempting to go one step further concerning its communications with the faculty. Besides inviting various faculty members to its meetings, SG will distribute minutes to the faculty.

Brochure Planned

A brochure designed to make the Wilkes population aware of SG's social, political, and financial functions, its policies, tradition, and history is being planned and will be distributed within the next month.

Besides the SG brochure, SG completed its Student Handbook

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Promises of Something New

The new academic year is accompanied by a new leadership in Student Government that promised in its campaign at the end of the Spring Semester to instill a new spirit in the student body, by a new library that promises to add to the College's increasing stature as a center of quality education, and by newly-located classrooms that promise to add to campus charm.

It is also accompanied by 35 new faculty members, by over 720 freshmen, and by a new chairman of the Mathematics Department, all of whom are promised by the campus an opportunity to benefit from and contribute to the fruition of the other promises.

But it is autumn, and autumn promises winter. The new Student Government, the new library, the new classrooms, faculty members, students and, also, the soon-to-be new SC Constitution and CPA addition will encounter problems.

But winter promises spring. We must be patient and wait out the problems, to wait for the spring solutions. It's an odd seed that is planted in autumn, struggles to sprout through the surface in the winter, slightly erupting the earth in the process, and then flowers in the spring. But such a seed has been planted on this campus, and we must be patient until it flowers, and not be disturbed by the slight earth eruptions. But patience must not be misconstrued as a stifling of the promised new spirit of growth.

For this reason the new **Beacon** promises a new campus newspaper that will publish larger and more numerous issues than before to provide more extensive coverage of campus news and nationwide collegiate developments. We ask for patience on the part of the student body and the faculty while we go through the slow process of developing new formats, and we ask also for assistance.

We ask for new staff members, for a new spirit of cooperation between campus organizations and this newspaper, and for new expectations from the student body. We ask students and faculty to be patient as we strive for increased excellence, but not to tolerate even momentary lack of striving.

The Bookstore

It is easy to find fault with the College's Bookstore. It is small and crowded. It does not stock many items that are found in other college bookstores. And it does not have facilities to permit the browsing that often makes book purchasing almost a pleasure.

But to eliminate these disadvantages would mean moving the Bookstore to another building, which in turn would mean either taking up much-needed classroom space or the construction of a costly new building.

The first alternative is unrealistic because on any priority list classrooms must be the first item. The second is just as unrealistic for similar reasons. Wilkes, like all other colleges, has limited financial resources, and there are other needs that rate a higher priority. In recent years the construction of the CPA and the new library have been more important, and in future years other construction plans will continue to rate prime importance.

Since Wilkes is located near the center of a small city, making several public bookstores easily accessible to the student body, and since most non-textbooks that would be of interest to college students are available in relatively inexpensive paperback form, the need for an expanded bookstore is not as great on this campus as it may be on some others.

While we would like to see a new bookstore on campus, we would not like to see it come at the expense of other more important needs.

President Addresses First Assembly On Social Change and Dissent

(Following are excerpts from the prepared text of Dr. Eugene S. Farley for deliverance at yesterday's opening convocation. We print these remarks as the first in a series of articles by students and faculty members dealing with contemporary values. —Editor)

"... Man's increasing knowledge of himself and of his universe creates periods in which surges of change are so great that more is demanded of society than it is able and ready to deliver. In consequence, periods of relative tranquility are interspersed with periods of radical change and violent reaction. We are now caught in one of these great forward surges and it is yet to be determined whether we can survive the turbulence which has resulted from the shifting undercurrent of ideas that has accompanied the scientific and technological developments of the past century. We are all aware of the physical changes that have been produced by technology; but we are much less aware of changes in standards, ideals, and aspirations which have been the inevitable accompaniment of change in our way of living and of earning a living.

"It is inevitable that cultural change shall result from physical change. It is not inevitable that the cultural and social changes shall be beneficial to man. The assurance of beneficial results is only a possibility when a mature and intelligent people determine to direct and control physical changes so that they will serve mankind. . . . Man's desire for improved physical conditions must be governed by his determination that physical changes shall always be equated with human welfare.

"... Courses in history illustrate the need for a broader and longer view. There is an old aphorism that 'history repeats itself for those who do not know the past.' And your generation, which is so impatient with the mistakes of earlier generations, must know your history if you are not to repeat these same mistakes. But, knowing the past is not enough; you must also critically examine the past so that your knowledge of the past may not become the pattern for the future. You must recognize that history is taught sometimes to perpetuate the parochialism, the prejudices, and the misconceptions of the past. Therefore, you must study history critically and objectively if you are to gain release from narrowness and bias.

"Man's intelligence forces him to look ahead and to plan for something better. But, ironically, as his

knowledge and intelligence increase, they seem to create doubt, uncertainty, and inner conflict; and these, in turn, create frustrations that lead to the mental and social conflicts that are now so apparent. In the midst of uncertainty man requires faith in some Power greater than the self if he is to retain his equilibrium.

"The problem of modern man is to relate his need for faith with his increasing dependence upon reason. Rational man requires both reason and faith to maintain his integrity. If this is so, religion and science complement one another. Each offers promise and hope, but each requires the active involvement of men's hearts and minds if they are to sustain men in the midst of doubt and uncertainty.

"Freedom of conscience and the privilege of dissent are two of free democracy's greatest privileges. As such, they must be guarded jealously for they can be destroyed by neglect and by abuse. If treated carelessly, the right to dissent is crushed by those who would impose their will upon a people. If not guarded jealously, the right to dissent will be used to destroy these freedoms that can be maintained only where dissent encourages continual and constructive review of ideas and institutions. Today it is being abused by those whose purpose is the destruction of the American colleges and universities.

"It is to be hoped that the announced plan of the Students for a Democratic Society to destroy the American colleges and universities has awakened us all to the need to carefully distinguish between the use of dissent and the abuse of dissent.

"Reasonable dissent is essential to the preservation of our freedoms and must be jealously guarded: violent protest is the tool used by those who have lost faith in themselves and in their society; they use dissent to destroy the very freedoms that allow them to protest. Dissent is essential to freedom because it offers reasonable alternatives and without alternatives we are caught in the determining and confining influences of 'habit and tradition'—where men are allowed no reasonable alternatives, violent protest is the only means of gaining essential reforms. Where constructive alternatives are allowed and encouraged, all free men must seek for creative alternatives. Not until all alternatives have been considered are they justified in resorting to violence. They must continually guard against violence because of their awareness that violent protest assures a violent reaction."

Dr. Tappa Reviews Book, 'On Aggression' As First In Series By College Faculty

(Dr. Tappa is a member of the Biology Department; the remarks below are from an address he gave to the Freshman Class. Next week, Dr. Vujica will review **THE CASE FOR THE MODERN MAN** by Charles Frankel, and in the following issue Miss Patricia Boyle of the English Department will review **Graham Green's THE POWER AND THE GLORY**, to complete the review of the books on the Freshman reading program. — Editor)

Konrad Lorenz, in **On Aggression**, has taken a look at man, from a biological perspective, and is not at all pleased with what he sees. For although man, during his short span on Earth, has created impressive comforts through his arts and science, he has also produced an equally impressive record of warfare. Aware of this fact and as a result of his life-long studies in the field of animal behavior, the description of which occupies the major part of his book, Lorenz is led to the conclusion that "militant enthusiasm in man is a true autonomous instinct."

Harsh as this conclusion is, Lorenz does not state his point as sharply as others sharing his view. Freeman, for example, reports that the history of human activity has led many scientists to the same general conclusion: "That no group of animals is more aggressive or more ruthless in their aggression than the members of the human

race. Indeed, the extreme nature of human destructiveness and cruelty is one of the principal characteristics which marks off man, behaviorally, from other animals."

That man is innately aggressive is not of primary concern to Lorenz. What does worry him is that man's aggressiveness has been aggravated due to his spectacular cultural evolution, particularly in the field of weapons, and that man has shown a reluctance to admit that he has evolved with these aggressive tendencies.

Man possesses both fission and fusion bombs, and possesses the systems capable of delivering these weapons to any spot on Earth, replete with decoys to confuse a potential enemy's defenses. As terrifying as it is, mankind's arsenal does not stop with the big bombs. An equally frightening array of chemical and biological weaponry is no on hand and is only beginning to be called to our attention by our press. The September 6 issue of "Time," for example, devotes its entire science section to a discussion of three recent books all dealing with the more esoteric weapons presently under development.

Lorenz feels the mass destructive power of these weapons is compounded by the fact that they can kill or wound at great distances. Since the killer is screened from the sight and sound of appeasement gestures on the part of the victim,

there is no chance for killing-inhibition reactions to be activated. "No sane man," according to Lorenz, "would ever go rabbit hunting for pleasure if the necessity of killing his prey with his natural weapons (i.e., his bare hands) brought home to him the full, emotional realization of what he is actually doing."

I would be doing a disservice if I left the reader with the impression that all members of the scientific community accept the Lorenz thesis. The critics point out that Lorenz has drawn too heavily on the studies of animal behavior to explain human behavior for which no animal can truly act as a full substitute. And yet, there is no question that man is a very aggressive animal. The 60 million deaths of World War II attest to this fact.

My own feeling is that we cannot afford to sit around and wait for the academicians to agree whether or not man is innately aggressive. Whatever the basis for aggression, be it innate or learned, new approaches must be devised to attempt to control it or man may very well go the way of 90 per cent of all animals known to have walked the Earth—he will become extinct; however, in man's case it will be due to self-annihilation. Evolution, however, will go on to more important things, working on those animals that are able to adapt to their surroundings.



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ETS Lists Test Dates For Graduate School

Educational Testing Service has announced the dates for the Graduate Record Examinations, the Law School Admission Tests and the National Teacher Examinations. College seniors planning to enter graduate school or law school, or who plan to teach upon graduation are often required to take these tests to fulfill their plans.

Many graduate schools require scores from the Graduate Record Examinations offered this academic year on October 26 and December 14 in 1968 and on January 18, February 22, April 26, and July 12 in 1969. Individual applicants should be sure they take the test in time to meet the deadlines of their intended graduate school, graduate department or fellowship granting agency. Early registration also ensures that the individual can be tested at the location of his choice and without having to pay the three-dollar fee for late registration.

The Graduate Record Examinations in this program include an Aptitude Test of general scholastic ability and Advanced Tests of achievements in 22 major fields of study. Candidates should determine from their preferred graduate schools or fellowship committees which of the examinations they should take and when they should be taken.

The Law School Admission Test, required of candidates for admission to most American law schools, will be given at more than 250 centers throughout the nation on November 9, 1968, February 8, April 12, and August 2, 1969. The test was taken by over 49,000 candidates last year and their scores were sent to over 165 law schools.

ETS advises candidates to make a separate application to each law school of their choice, and to ascertain from each whether it requires the Law School Admission Test. Since many law schools select their freshman classes in the spring preceding entrance, candidates for admission to next year's classes are advised to take either the November or the February test.

The morning session of the Law School Admission Test measures ability to use language and to think logically. The afternoon session includes measures of writing ability and general background. Registration forms and fees must reach ETS at least three weeks before the desired test administration date. Registration forms may be obtained at Dr. Hugo Mailey's office on the fifth floor of Parrish Hall.

College seniors preparing to teach school should take the National Teacher Examinations on November 9, 1968, February 1, April 12 or July 19, 1969. The tests will be given at nearly 500 locations throughout the country.

Results of the National Teacher Examinations are used by many large school districts as one of several factors in the selection of new teachers and by several states for certification or licensing of teachers. Some colleges also require all seniors preparing to teach to take the examinations.

On each full day of testing, prospective teachers may take the Common Examinations, which measure their professional preparation and general cultural background, and a Teaching Area Examination which measures mastery of the subject they expect to teach. Prospective teachers should contact the school systems in which they seek employment, or their advisors, for specific advice on which examinations to take and on which dates they should be taken.

A Bulletin of Information for Candidates, including sample questions, registration information and a registration form, may be obtained by writing to Educational Testing Service, Box 955 (for graduate school candidates, Box 944 for Law School Candidates, or Box 911 for prospective teachers), Princeton, New Jersey 08540.

ETS is a nonprofit, educational organization which prepares and administers these testing programs.

Faculty

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chology Department, and Barbara Buckman has joined the Chemistry Department.

In the Sociology Department Raymond O'Connor and Fredrick K. Zuck have been added. Part of the new staff in the Art Department are Edwin Owre and Berenice D'Vorzon. Frank Bailey has joined the Physics Department, and the four new members of the Music Department are Richard Probert, Ward Mowerey, Rosendo E. Santos, and John J. Swoboda. Only one new member has been added to the Engineering Department, Walter Kaby. The new library has added staff members, including Marie Byczkowski, Leota Nevil and Albert Rinehimer. Dr. Ufagar S. Bawa, Shakil Ahmand, and Kerim Sayan have joined the Commerce and Finance Department, and the sole new member of the Political Science Department is Walter H. Niehoff.

- NOTICE -

Mrs. Nada Vujica has announced that all students may now obtain their new library cards at the library.

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principles of Fire Fighting to local government officials.

Reaches New Heights

Since 1951, when the former Institute of Municipal Government, now IRA, boasted an annual enrollment of 29, the Institute's instructional program has expanded to reach a new high in 1968 of 567 qualifying for certificates of attainment in various fields. This not only indicates that the Institute of Regional Affairs has contributed effectively to the emergence of a new leadership in the surrounding area, but also that the community itself has actively participated in and encouraged the Institute's development.

Under Title I of the Higher Education Act of 1965, the IRA has received federal funds for continuing programs aimed at furthering citizen participation in urban affairs. Such projects include a Joint Emergency Civil Defense Communications System for Luzerne County, Annual Community Leadership and Community Growth Conferences, and a scholarship program for the regional police to be administered by the Institute.

The goals of the IRA, as quoted in its annual report, are three:

— to help the College relate effectively to a constantly changing urban society,

— to help the component communities of this region to develop a greater capacity for dealing with urban problems and guiding urban development, and

Campus Happenings

MOVIE, CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, TONIGHT 7 & 9 P.M. "This Sporting Life," with Richard Harris and Rachel Roberts, is the passionate study of a turbulent young sportsman whose strength and aggression bring him big rewards in the tough world of the professional sport, but only conflict and suffering in love. There is no admission charge.

TRIBUNAL, RALSTON FIELD, TOMORROW, 8 P.M.-9 P.M.

DANCE, GYM, TOMORROW 9 P.M.-MIDNIGHT. The Russian Club will sponsor Thee Brown Cow in the initial dance of the school year. All are invited to attend. Donation is \$1.

CLASS MEETINGS, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 11 A.M. MOVIE, COLLEGE COFFEEHOUSE, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 7:30 P.M. "Jules et Jim," starring Oskar Werner, Henri Serre, and Jeanne Moreau, is the story of two friends who, while living a carefree life, fall in love with a sculptured smile. A living girl is found with the same smile, but she cannot be loved. Admission is 25 cents.

ENGLISH CLUB MEETING, CPA, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 11 A.M.

VERMONT TRIP, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28. IDC and SG are sponsoring a trip to see the Colonels play the University of Vermont a week from tomorrow. The buses will leave from in front of Chase Hall at 4 a.m. Saturday and are scheduled to arrive in Burlington, Vermont, at noon. Return trip begins at 7 p.m., with arrival in Wilkes-Barre at 2:30 a.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$12 for a round-trip and may be purchased in the Bookstore until noon on Wednesday, September 25.

DANCE — SG & IDC. Student Government and IDC are co-sponsoring a dance to raise sufficient funds to enable the band to travel to Vermont for the opening football game. All students are asked to support this project by purchasing a ticket from any member of the football team or at the Bookstore.

— to help contribute generally to the development of knowledge of urban society and processes of change, and to methods of applying this knowledge.

By acting as the College's "Urban Agent," the Institute of Regional Affairs is in the unique position of acting within the community, and yet of being independent of it. This gives the Institute, as Dr. Mailey would say, "tremendous latitude for venturesomeness."

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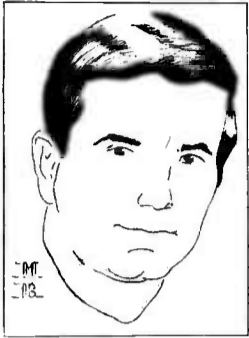
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The Bench Warmer

by Chuck Lengle



The 1968-1969 academic year has arrived and Wilkes College students are acclimating themselves once again to the rigorous schedules they left in the Spring. Wilkes students have just finished their first week of classes and are now preparing themselves for the ensuing three-month struggle.

Most of the campus conversation this Fall will undoubtedly be directed toward our fine football team and its 21-game winning streak—the longest in Pennsylvania and one of the longest nationally among small college powers. Certainly this praise is justified—in fact, the sports

publicity office has recently been formed to guarantee Wilkes College athletic teams proper publicity and press coverage.

However, one particular angle to this bright picture causes me concern. I do not feel Colonel fans have taken into consideration the mere fact that at some time in the future Wilkes is going to lose a football game.

Do not interpret this remark as any note of defeatism or pessimism. I have as much faith in the football team as anyone does. What would occur if the squad were upset one of these Saturdays? After all, this winning streak is not going to continue indefinitely. These men are not invincible and, contrary to public opinion, Rollie Schmidt is not Zeus. Would the local coal mines be closed for one day of valley mourning? Would Ralston Field be filled to capacity for the following home game? How about a tie? Would that unblemished halo be gone? Would the crowd appeal still be there?

I am trying to satisfy myself. I think the thousands of fans who jam Ralston Field week after week are fast becoming the victims of THE WINNING HABIT. I wonder if the cheers would still be there under any circumstances? I would hate to believe that Wilkes fans are similar to Baltimore fans—they only support a winner, nothing but a solid winner. On October 19 as you are cheering as loudly as your lungs will permit, ask yourself the questions I have proposed.

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I was scanning press releases from various colleges in the Middle Atlantic Conference last week and I came across a news story from Wagner College. You might recall that Wagner, Juniata, and Wilkes are now the reigning co-champions of the Northern Division of the MAC—all three schools finished their respective 1967 seasons with unblemished marks.

The release pointed out that, "Wagner College has relinquished its claim to the Middle Atlantic Conference, Northern College Division championship for the 1968 season, in favor of taking on two blockbuster football powers."

The article then explains that Wagner will play only four MAC opponents this year—one short of the minimum (5) to qualify for the championship. Wagner has dropped Western Maryland and Trenton State from its 1968 schedule in favor of Wittenberg University and Hofstra University. The headline covering the story reads, "Wagner Meets Two Blockbusters in Fall Grid Season."

Let me assure all Wilkes fans, that statement is quite true. Wittenberg University sports a 63-6-1 record (dating back to 1960) and is a perennial Ohio Atlantic Conference power. Hofstra will present no breather to the Seahawks either. The Flying Dutchmen were 8-2 last season losing only to Temple 35-23 and Muskingum 12-9.

Let me present statistics which might help to draw a comparison between these four teams in question. Trenton State compiled a 2-6 mark with victories over Nichols and South Connecticut State. Western Maryland's record read 6-3 including a 14-7 decision over PMC and a 13-6 loss to Johns Hopkins. On the other hand, Wittenberg's schedule is dotted with the likes of Muskingum, Heidelberg, and Eastern Michigan. Last year Wagner shut-out Susquehanna 20-0. Wittenberg annihilated the same Crusader squad 63-0. Again, please do not misinterpret this paragraph. I am not degrading the type of football these schools play, nor am I trying to degrade their opponents. I am simply trying to point out the differences in the brand of football played by these institutions.

Personally, I do not feel Wagner has to relinquish its claim to the MAC crown. On the contrary, I feel they should be willing to defend it—not against Western Maryland or Susquehanna but against formidable opposition, such as Delaware Valley, Juniata, and WILKES. After they have defeated the best in their class, then let them move on and seek competition on a higher level!

John Reese, Wilkes athletic director, has informed me that his attempts to schedule Wagner for future years has met with complete failure—their schedule is conveniently filled. This is the institution that was awarded the Lambert Bowl in 1967!

Colonel Booters Eye Win

The Wilkes College soccer team has recently undergone a rigorous pre-season training camp in preparation for its 1968 campaign. The Colonels hope to improve on their 7-2-4 record of 1967 and emerge as contenders for the Northern Division crown in the Middle Atlantic Conference.

Coach Jim Nedoff is satisfied with his team's performances up to this point and quickly adds that this year's squad is not only the largest in recent years but also the most talented. "We can finally look to the bench for substitutions and not worry. Depth will undoubtedly be the key factor this year."

Co-captains Don Spruck and Jim Kennedy lead the parade of returning lettermen. Seniors John Santo, Ed Manda, Dave Ralston, Jerry Yaremko, and Ray Downey will be participating in the fall sport for the last time. Spruck and Kennedy are also seniors. Other returnees are: Bill Tarbert, Bill Murphy, Dave Bogusko, Curt Benson, and Dave Kutz.

Nedoff is more than satisfied with the three freshmen who are currently battling it out for the goalie position. "Guy Bess, 'Chip' Eaton, and Mike Bergbauer are really fighting it out for our goalie spot. Right now it would be impossible to choose one over the other. All three will probably see action in the alumni game." Other first-year men are: Bill Lukridge, Wes Turner, Rich Combella, and Rich Kaiser.

Ted Toluba was added as an assistant coach this year. Coach Toluba, a recent Wilkes graduate, captained the squad during his playing days. The young assistant mentor brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the Colonel staff.

The varsity will attempt to extend its shut-out streak of the alumni tomorrow at 2 p.m. at Ralston Field. The young booters blanked the old-timers 3-0 in 1966, and 1-0 in 1967—a game that was marked by a determined alumni defense.

The alumni roster is dotted with many familiar names—Athletic Director John Reese, ex-coach Jim Ferris, Assistant Coach Toluba, 1967 graduate Roger Brewer, and the tri-captains of last year's squad, Rich Beck, Joe Kiefer, and Tom Rokita.

The Colonel charges begin conference play next Saturday, September 28, when they play host to the Vikings of Upsala College.



By John Reese, Athletic Director

On behalf of the Athletic Department and the coaching staff, I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all the freshmen to Wilkes College. We hope all of you who are interested will participate in our program and that everyone will support our teams during the various seasons.

Welcome also to our upperclassmen, who, through their participation and support last year, helped to forge the greatest year in Wilkes College history. We hope they continue to lead our teams through another successful year.

Last year seven out of our eight teams had winning seasons with an overall percentage of almost .700. The football and baseball teams won Middle Atlantic championships and the wrestling team finished fifth in the NCAA college division nationals. The basketball team had its best record in many years and the soccer and tennis teams had excellent seasons.

It seems as though it would be impossible to repeat last year's performance but actually most of the teams have many of their outstanding performers back and expect banner seasons again this year.

The football team, with a 21-game winning streak going, has 27 lettermen back and should have the greatest team in the school's history. The championship baseball team has most of its complete pitching staff back and should be better than last year. The basketball and wrestling teams should be strong again this year and if the young soccer and golf teams develop as they should, these teams will again post winning seasons. The golf team could be a darkhorse in the MAC this year.

Last but not least, we are forming a lacrosse team this year and hope to schedule at least four games this season. We hope there is enough interest developed to make this sport a successful one at Wilkes.

Overall, the prospects are very bright for another great year in athletics at Wilkes. It took many long years of slowly building a solid athletic program at Wilkes, but we have finally arrived. With our scholastic reputation firmly established and widely recognized, the athletic program can be proud of reaching such a high plateau at an institution that is very selective and requires a great deal of all of its students. Combine the scholastic and the athletic, and Wilkes has to be the number one school in the MAC!

Top Grid Talent Marks '68 Version of Colonels

by Tom Demovic

"This year's squad is not only the largest, but possibly the most talented overall I've ever had." These were the words spoken by Coach Rollie Schmidt concerning the 1968 Football Colonels.

The team numbers 87 and because of the huge turnout, no starting line-ups are available at this time. The gridgers traveled to the Princeton Tigers' training camp on Wednesday for a controlled game-conditions scrimmage.

Coach Schmidt is extremely pessimistic about this year's schedule. "We certainly did not get any breaks as far as the schedule is concerned. An away opener is bad, but three consecutive away games. . . I just hope we can hold our own and avoid any early-season injuries."

Seniors Bruce Comstock, Bill Layden, and Joe Wiendl will serve as tri-captains for this year's squad. Thirty-seven lettermen will be in uniform for the lid-lifter on September 28 with the University of Vermont Catamounts. Lost from the 1967 team via graduations are co-captains Brinley Varchol and Joe Roszko, John Jarvela and Roger Beatty.

Defense Strong

Last year's defensive alignment, which ranked eighth in the nation

in total defense, will be back almost intact. The two linebacker spots vacated by Varchol and Jarvela may be the only problems Coach Schmidt faces on defense.

With the exception of Roszko's and Beatty's positions, the entire offense will be composed of returning veterans. At the helm of the attack will be the Colonels' troika threat of Joe Frappoli, Joe Zakowski, and Rick Simonson. Running backs Bob Gennarro, Vince Yarmel, Dave Kaschak, Al Franetti combined with pass receivers Barry Davenport, Mike Babuschak, and Joe Skvarla give the Schmidtmen a well-balanced attack and a fine chance to extend the winning streak to 29 straight.

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with various alterations, including the cover. Guidelines for freshman hazing have been included and the cheers have been omitted. The IDC handbook revised the women's dormitory hours and changed the dress code.

Carl Siracuse and Tom Kelly worked during the summer on the proposed SG Constitution. Suggestions were accepted from members of the Administrative Council, Dr. Hugo V. Mailey, Attorney Eugene Roth, president of the alumni association, and Jessie Choper, a distinguished graduate of Wilkes whose law book is widely used.

SG is attempting to tie in the three segments of the Constitution, judicial, executive, and legislative, and to clarify the structure and content. A "transition semester" is also in the planning so as to enable SG to implement effectively the new Constitution, if approved.

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There will be a meeting of all candidates for the 1968-69 wrestling squad on Thursday, September 26, at 11 a.m. in the gymnasium. Any wrestler interested in taking part in the program should report at the time. Male freshmen interested in becoming managers for the 1968-69 basketball team should contact Coach Ron Rainey in Chase Hall or the Sports Publicity office on the third floor of Wilkes Hall.