

Dedication, Sympathy, Objectivity Describe Dean of Women

by Melissa Burdick

"The main thing is to be sympathetic and objective." This, Mrs. Hervey Ahlborn believes, is the major qualification for being a Dean of Women. But aside from possessing sympathy and objectivity, our Dean of Women possesses the unlikely qualification of a degree in Zoology and Astronomy from Mount Holyoke College.

Originally from Altoona, Pa., Mrs. Ahlborn was graduated from high school there, followed by attendance at the Madeira School, a college preparatory school in Washington, D.C. From there she moved to Mount Holyoke, and after graduation, was married.

She spent the next years as a housewife and a mother of two children, Hervey, Jr. and Janet. She is now the grandmother of three "adorable" grandchildren, one of whom lives in Paris.

After her husband's death, Mrs. Ahlborn accepted a position as Dean of Women at Keystone Junior College. She admits that she, "... went into it cold," but she liked youth, and was determined to succeed. She read extensively in psychology, philosophy, and guidance, and tried to always be understanding.

In 1962, the Dean accepted an invitation to become Dean of Women at Wilkes. At that time there were only eight women's dormitories, in comparison with eighteen now.

Mrs. Ahlborn has eighteen housemothers and two resident proctors under her. She meets with the presidents of all the women's dorms every two weeks, and she is the first to admit that she does not always get her way with these dorm representatives. She is obviously proud of the girls, however, and feels that the present method of ruling the dorms is very democratic.

That Mrs. Ahlborn is dedicated is certainly indisputable. After completing a trip to Paris this summer to visit her daughter, she was advised, because of the time lost in a transatlantic flight, not to go to work the first day back. She confided, however, that she could not stay away from her office.

When questioned about her interests, Mrs. Ahlborn quickly replied, "My work is my interest." She believes that it is impossible not to become extremely involved in personnel work.

Mrs. Ahlborn enjoys keeping a home, entertaining, and reading, but says that those interests are only incidental; a poor second to her work.

She finds that the Wilkes campus provides her with a full life, and she believes that it can do the same for anyone. She remarks that a student would be, "So busy!"; it he tried to participate in all that happens on campus.

Library Solutions Sought By Faculty, SG Groups

by Linda Burkhardt

Discussion of problems that have arisen since the formation of the Library Improvement Committee was a major topic at the recent SG meeting. During the discussion, it was explained that if the library hours are extended, another librarian will have to be hired.

An additional topic concerning the library included the lack of books because faculty members have not notified the library to order the books needed for the extra reading in their courses. It was brought up that books which only



Mrs. Hervey D. Ahlborn

Hazing Policy To Be Set

Hazing was the subject of a policy meeting announced this week. Recommendations from IDC for the policy to be drawn up included the suggestion that hazing be continued with better enforcement of the rules. Other suggestions ranged from a final abolition of Skit Night to the restoration of the Tribunal as the official end of hazing activity. It was also suggested that freshmen be subjected to study hours from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., Sunday through Thursday, in order to give freshmen a good background on which to build study habits.

In other dormitory business, IDC representatives were asked to poll their members concerning naming those dormitories which have only a house number. Open house was declared for Parents' Day tomorrow from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Members were informed that the problem of mail pick-up will be discussed thoroughly at SG's Student Life Committee meeting.

Dedication of the new Eugene Shedden Farley Library will take place on November 1. All students are invited to attend this ceremony at 5 p.m. in the gym.

Interested students are reminded that a Peace Corps Placement Test will be administered tomorrow at 1:30 p.m. at the Post Office. It is important that prospective volunteers contact Arthur Hoover before taking this test.

Next week's meeting has been designated "complaint night." All dorm students are encouraged to bring all complaints and suggestions to this meeting. For those wishing to attend, IDC meets at 5:15 p.m. Monday evenings in Stark 116.

science majors use are scattered throughout different sections of the library, causing inconveniences to the students, faculty and the librarian. It was suggested that these books be placed in one section or room of the library for easy access by those who use them.

The Library Improvement Committee has worked on these problems. A meeting was held with Dr. Robert Werner, chairman of the Faculty Library Committee, and another meeting will be held with the Administration.

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Students Plan Welcome For Parents Tomorrow

by Deborah Lombardi

The Sixth Annual Parents' Day will be held on Saturday, October 19, 1968. The Parent's Day Planning Committee, with William Kaye as chairman and Linda Tannenbaum as secretary, have been working

long and diligently to make this day informative, enjoyable, and lively for the parents planning to attend.

Activities begin with registration in the College Dining Hall from 9:30 a.m. until 11 a.m. There the

parents will be informed of the program planned for the day, and will be able to visit with the faculty and representatives of the different departments. All campus buildings will be open, and tours will be available, including tours of the recently completed Eugene Shedden Farley Library. Art exhibits will be open, and teas will be held in the women's dormitories.

An informal buffet luncheon will be served at noon in the College Gymnasium where Dr. Farley, will address parents and friends. There is a remittance of \$1.50 for each luncheon reservation. Afterwards, at 2 p.m., the Wilkes Championship Football Team will play host to Ithaca College at Ralston Field.

An evening of music will be presented by the Wilkes Concert Band and the Wilkes Collegians. This performance will be at 8 p.m. in the Center for the Performing Arts, and is open to the public.

As can be seen, Parents' Day has a well planned program. It offers the parents an opportunity to become better acquainted with the students, faculty, and Administration.

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Student Teaching Begins For Future Educators

The countdown approaches zero and all is "go" for 88 students who eagerly await blasting off into the challenging arena of student teaching. Teaching in various regional elementary and secondary schools, the candidates will have their first opportunity to view things from the other side of the desk, and accept the vital responsibility of being the motivators rather than the motivated. Well prepared and confident, the student teaching crew is certain to pilot a successful mission.

Yesterday the prospective student teachers embarked on a field trip. Those students who will be teaching on the secondary level begin Monday, October 21, while those concerned with elementary school education begin October 28. All the students have already contacted their respective co-operating teachers, received the necessary textbooks, and previewed the class programs which they will be following. Starting October 21, the student teachers will be required to return to campus one afternoon at 4 p.m. each week. Student teaching terminates Friday, December 13, in the secondary schools, and December 20 in the elementary schools. With their student teaching duties ended, the students will resume college classes for the remaining weeks of the fall semester.

Due to the large number of students in the program this year, some art and music majors will student teach this semester, and the remaining art and music majors will have their opportunity in the spring semester. In previous years, the art and music majors taught separately, the art majors teaching during one semester, and the music majors during the other.

More Students Active In '30's '40's, Says Author James Michener

by Ann Somerville

Author James Michener claims that there was more student participation in politics in the '30's and '40's than is to be found now. "Our world was shot out from under us; you couldn't avoid it." The difference between then and now, according to Michener, is that the problems of that era were concerned with morale and economics; people then were little concerned with the moral base of war.

These remarks were made following Michener's endorsement of Senator Joseph Clark at a campaign rally on October 12.

The major emphasis of the program was upon increasing student involvement in politics. Although the meeting was attended largely by local labor and industrial representatives, the major appeal was to the students—those frustrated individuals "who aren't supposed to give a damn about anything," but who organized the campaign headquarters. Michener, state chairman of the Committee to Re-elect Clark, is aware of those students "who are confused about which party their allegiance should go to," and which men within each party should receive their support. But he warned students not to let

years that through sheer indifference, they did not do what should have been done. "After all," he said, "that's the ball game." Decisions and commitments made now carry over into the future. This is why Michener considers politics and political involvement so important; he said that new voices must be brought in, for if the students deal themselves out of leadership now, they might have wasted many of their best years.

Anthony Mussari, Professor of History at King's College, also made an appeal to youth, in which he stated that the young today are "alienated, frustrated, and confused." Wanting to move forward, they are blocked by the inertia of a huge machine. He said that "the movement we start here is not divisive; it is not geared to establishing a power base," but is geared in getting young people involved in bringing about the new America envisioned by Kennedy, McCarthy, and Humphrey. Parties, he believes, must be vehicles for change, "not directing young people, but moving with them." He cautioned the party regulars that before they argue, they must try to understand "a group of individuals who are in every sense of the word, lost."

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Editorials

Dropouts from High School . . .

One of the nation's greatest problems is that of high school dropouts. High school dropouts, because of continuing higher standards imposed by employers, are usually incapable of both providing for themselves and their families, and of adequately fulfilling their roles in society. If high school dropouts received a college education, many of their own and of society's problems would be alleviated.

While many dropouts are a result of limited academic ability, many others are a result of excessive financial, social or psychological pressure. Many students in this group are undoubtedly capable of benefiting from a college education.

Colleges, we believe, would be performing an invaluable service by recruiting and admitting a small percentage of high school dropouts to each entering freshman class. We feel that if two or three per cent of incoming students at Wilkes were high school dropouts, both the College and the community would benefit. The College would then have a greater social and economic balance, since most high school dropouts come from society's lower echelons. The community would have many potential burdens eliminated.

If necessary a small group of students should be given preference in both admission and financial-aid procedures. Of course the group should not be so large as to effect the overall academic quality of the student body, but it should be large enough to be of some meaning. Similar programs have been tried at Brown University and elsewhere and have proved to be successful. As an experimental program for four years at Wilkes to test the percentage that actually complete college, we feel such a program would not be overly burdensome on the College, and might very well contain much potential merit.

. . . and College

For some students it is undoubtedly wise if their collegiate careers are temporarily interrupted to allow solving of financial, social, psychological or academic problems. Many students, however, who should temporarily drop out are reluctant to do so because of social pressure, and, in some cases, a fear of not being readmitted. While most colleges, including Wilkes, have been quite liberal in their readmissions policies, not enough students have taken advantage of this solution to many of their problems. We feel Wilkes should adopt a policy whereby capable students, who, for whatever reason feel they might benefit from temporarily interrupting their studies, are guaranteed readmission. Such a guarantee should go beyond merely informing the student that he will be given consideration for readmission, and should be specific enough to assure capable students that such a leave will not become permanent.

Students and Business

The Director of the Peace Corps, Jack Vaughn, in a speech to the American Management Association recently, pointed out that today's college students have directed their dissent at government, political parties, colleges and the press, but seldom at business.

Rather than something to be proud of, Vaughn believes, business leaders should take this as an indication that students have low ethical expectations of business. "Many of them simply can't or won't see working for money — for profits — as an interesting or even as an especially necessary vocation, and they can't or won't see business as an especially worthwhile institution."

A number of years ago Nelson Rockefeller pointed out that, in the past, business went where the money was, but in the future it must go where the need is. Peace Corpsmen, most of them recent college graduates, have gone where the need is, and students are correct in expecting business to display the same idealism that they have.

Campus Woman

by Kathy Kopetchne



Before the beginning of the fall semester each coed inspects her school clothes and decides that she simply must have a new wardrobe. Before taking this action experiment with your imagination to make any wardrobe come alive this fall. Take that scarf that you usually wear in your hair and use it to set off a skirt and shirt outfit. Wear it casually around your neck, sailor-knot it, or use a pin instead of tying it. Wear it inside the shirt as an ascot. Whatever way a scarf is worn, it adds excitement and color to an everyday outfit.

The shirt this year is finally being given the proper attention it deserves. A shirt can be fun, casual, or practical according to the wearer's taste. It can be ruffled, tucked or tailored. Lacy collars and cuffs are attractive and dress up a plain outfit. One basic shirt is the body-shirt which is tight and often made with a high collar and deep cuffs. No matter what style shirt a person wears, anything can be added to give it a finished look. If the price of some of these shirts is too high, look in your closet or in hidden boxes in the attic, and you're bound to discover some shirts that you stashed away a couple of years ago, but haven't worn since. If you keep some things long enough, they will probably come back in style. Besides just wearing these shirts with skirts, they can be combined with slacks and produce an attractive effect.

Bell-bottom slacks are smart looking and are commonly seen on college campuses, not only on girls but also on boys (scarves too). Pants suits are always an old reliable for a football game or any other casual event.

This fall, leather is being spotted on campus. Skirts, vests, and jumpers made of leather interweave themselves with regular wool outfits. More sweater vests are seen along with more belted sweaters. In the country, on campus, or anywhere casual clothes are found, sturdy walking shoes and homespun looking stockings will also be found.

It's a year in which anything goes. Each person is an individual: Whatever you do, follow the look that looks best on you, not on someone else whose appearance you admire. Before, everyone wore one skirt length, everyone wore an A line skirt, or everyone had long hair. Now you can choose or create your own look. If you use your imagination yet dress simply, each coed can be a fashion setter.

Campus Happenings

DANCE, GYM, TONIGHT. Circle K will sponsor a dance to be held in the gym from 9 p.m. until midnight.

DEBATE FORUM, SUSQUEHANNA U., TONIGHT.

PARENTS' DAY LUNCHEON, GYM, TOMORROW. A luncheon for the visiting parents of Wilkes students will be held in the gym from noon until 2 p.m.

SOCCER, STEVENS, TOMORROW. At 2 p.m. tomorrow, the soccer team will play an away game with Stevens Tech.

FOOTBALL, RALSTON FIELD, TOMORROW. Wilkes will play host to Ithaca in the Parents' Day game, to begin at 2 p.m.

DANCE, GYM, TOMORROW. An IDC sponsored dance is to be held in the gym from 9 p.m. until midnight.

FILM, CPA, SUNDAY. "And Quiet Slows the Dawn," to be sponsored by the Russian Club, will be shown at 3:30 p.m. in the Center for the Performing Arts; admission is 25 cents.

FRESHMAN CLASS MEETING, GYM, TUESDAY, 11 A.M.

FIELD HOCKEY, MISERICORDIA, TUESDAY. The women's field hockey team will visit Misericordia on October 22; the game is scheduled to begin at 4 p.m.

FILM, ST. STEPHEN'S, WEDNESDAY. The College Coffee-house will present "Lord of the Flies" on October 23. The film will be shown at 7:30 p.m.; admission is 50 cents.

HUMANITAS DISCUSSION, KING'S, WEDNESDAY. "The Academic Revolution at King's College" will be considered by both faculty and student discussion leaders on October 23; those interested are asked to be present at 8 p.m. in Holy Cross Hall.

AMNICOLA SUBSCRIPTION DRIVE, TUESDAY - THURSDAY. Orders will be taken October 22, 23, 24 for the 1969 Annicola.

FILM, KING'S, THURSDAY. Cinema 133 will sponsor "The Music Room," directed by Satyajit Ray, on October 24. "The moving tale of a man too filled with himself, who brings his world tumbling about him," it will be shown in the auditorium at 7:30 p.m. There will be no admission fee.

FIELD HOCKEY, RALSTON FIELD, THURSDAY. The women's field hockey team will play host to Bloomsburg on October 24; the game will begin at 4 p.m. on Ralston Field.

SOCCER, WAGNER, FRIDAY. The soccer team is scheduled to play an away game with Wagner on October 25, at 3 p.m.

DANCE, GYM, FRIDAY. A dance, sponsored by the Letter-women, will be held in the gym October 25, from 9 p.m. until midnight.

FOOTBALL, RALSTON FIELD, SATURDAY. Upsala will visit Wilkes on October 26; the game will begin at 4 p.m.

Letter

Sunday Meal Dress

Code Criticized

To The Editor:

The dress code instituted at the beginning of this semester included the specifications for the traditional conservative dress standards for Sunday meals. The planned purpose of the Sunday dress-up dinner was to provide the students with one "gourmet" meal a week. However, as it has turned out, the meals have not surpassed their average standards. The only added attraction, aside from the bizarre fashion show, has been the "artistic" construction of the relish table which merely allows for a mob scene in the center of the cafeteria. They think they are doing us a favor!

Since the quality and quantity of the food has not improved as we had been promised by I.D.C. we do not feel we should have this dress standard imposed upon us merely to hold on to Administrative tradition. Therefore, we are in complete sympathy with those students who appeared in casual clothes and were deprived of their evening meal. Are we expected to continue to dress-up for a mediocre meal?

Alyse Nackson
Linda Mead

Review

'Woman in Dunes' Is Thought-Provoking

by Lynn Snyder

Last Friday night, Manuscript Society continued its film season with the presentation of a fine Japanese work, "Woman in the Dunes." The film could be interpreted on at least two levels, each of which was handled with skill by director Hiroshi Teshigahara. On the first or overt level, the film depicted an insect hunter who is stranded, during one of his pursuits, in a small desert village. Several of the natives offer him assistance by providing a lodging which the collector thinks will be only for one night. He is lowered by a rope ladder into the dwelling of a woman who has been stranded in the dunes for her entire life. Through a verbal exchange, the entomologist learns that the woman has no desire to leave.

When the man attempts to leave on the following morning, he discovers that he is being held prisoner in the sand pit in order to be a masculine partner for the woman, not only in the traditional physical sense, but also as a workman who is expected to help the woman load the sifted sand into baskets. In return for this labor, the two receive rations which are distributed by the villagers who have arranged the trap. The horror of the confinement is depicted and the audience comes to the profound understanding of the mental turmoil of the entomologist.

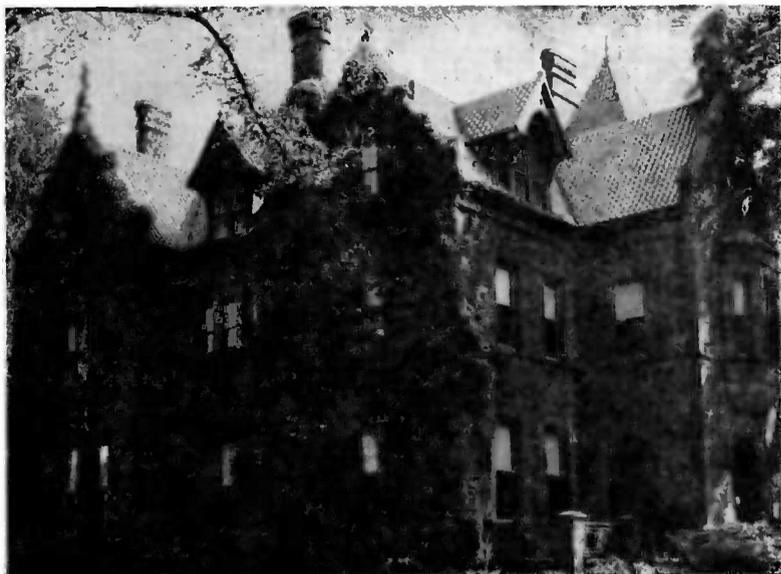
On the second level, the director has introduced the significance of a third element — the sand. This may be construed to symbolize life which presents itself as an infinite barrier to mankind. Thus, the man is physically trapped by life, forced to comply with its demands without hope of rescue, and finally forced to work with it rather than attempt any futile means of escape. The villagers represent society with all its restrictive codes, as they tend to trap man and to alter the human conditions.

This set of allegorical concepts is easily caught by the audience



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KIRBY HALL

by Mary Mochan

In 1941, the former residence of the late Mr. and Mrs. Fred Morgan Kirby was presented as a gift to Wilkes College by Mr. Allan P. Kirby, their son. The building was first named the Kirby Home for Education. This 21 room, three floor structure was used as the College's library until this summer, and is now being used by the language department.

Fred Morgan Kirby was born in Brownsville, New York, in 1861. He started out as a \$4-a-week store clerk and later became one of the world's wealthiest men. At the age of 23 he relocated in Wilkes-Barre

and opened his first five-and-ten cent store with Mr. C. S. Woolworth. Three years later he bought Mr. Woolworth's share of the store and reorganized it as F. M. and W. Kirby. By 1912, Mr. Kirby had 96 stores along the east coast of the Mississippi River. It was also during this year that he combined with F. W. Woolworth Company and became its vice-president.

Mr. Kirby gave unselfishly to various organizations. His donations helped many preparatory schools, colleges, universities, hospitals, clinics, and sanitariums. His donations in the Wilkes-Barre Area alone exceeded over a million dollars.

AMNICOLA DRIVE

Orders for the 1969 Amnicola will be taken during the week of October 21-25. Seniors must order a book at this time in order to receive one next fall. The price of the Amnicola is \$2, \$2.50 if it is to be mailed, and \$3 to have it both mailed and insured.

Students must pay for the book when it is ordered. A subscription can be obtained at the Commons and the yearbook office Monday through Friday, and at the New Dining Hall Monday through Thursday.

Any student who has not yet picked up his 1967-68 Amnicola is requested to do so immediately at the Amnicola office.

Fellowships Are Offered

The National Research Council has been called upon again to advise the National Science Foundation in the selection of candidates for the Foundation's program of graduate fellowships. Panels of outstanding scientists appointed by the Research Council will evaluate applications of all candidates. Final selection will be made by the Foundation, with awards to be announced on March 15, 1969.

Graduate fellowships will be awarded for study in the mathematical, physical, medical, biological, engineering, and social sciences, and in the history and philosophy of science. Awards will not be made in clinical, education, or business fields, nor for work toward medical or law degrees. Application may be made by college seniors and graduate students working toward a degree.

Applicants will be required to take the Graduate Record Examinations designed to test scientific aptitude and achievement. The examinations, administered by the Educational Testing Service, will be given on January 18, 1969, at designated centers throughout the United States and in certain foreign countries.

The annual stipends for Graduate Fellows are as follows: \$2400 for the first year level; \$2600 for the intermediate level; and \$2800 for the terminal year level. The basic annual stipend for Postdoctoral Fellows is \$6500. Dependency allowances and allowances for tuition, fees, and limited travel will also be provided.

Further information and application materials may be obtained from the Fellowship Office, National Research Council, 2101 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20418. The deadline date for the submission of applications for graduate fellowships is December 6, 1968.

English Club Am Moving

by Jessica Mahler

Although the English Club is a comparatively new club on campus, its future appears to be an active one. Organized last year with the purpose of "fostering an interest in and a better understanding of world literature," the club has already shown that it has the qualities which make it unique.

Jim Calderone, president of the club, working along with Dr. Gerald Perkus and Mr. Stanley Gutin, the club's advisors, has been at work scheduling interesting speakers from various fields of literature.

On Tuesday, October 15, Mr. Gutin spoke about "Trivia 101, a New Course for the College Curriculum." Future lectures include Mr. Roy Hill, a Negro poet, and Miss Nadine Jones. Miss Jones, who has

Library Solutions

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In other business it was announced that parents will arrive tomorrow for a day of activities on campus. Chairman of the Parents' Day Planning Committee, Bill Kaye, has sent letters to the parents outlining the day's schedule of events. The day is designed to be full of activities beginning with registration from 9:30 a.m. until a concert at 8 p.m. in the Center for the Performing Arts by the Wilkes Concert Band and the Collegians.

She has toured Europe, will present a series of folksongs from the different countries she has visited. The exact dates for these lectures will be announced.

Membership in this society is open to all students and faculty of Wilkes who are interested in any phase of world literature.

SG also discussed whether its members are interested in attending faculty meetings and working on faculty committees. All members have an interest in their major field, but there are not enough members to cover every field. However, it is the student who realizes what changes he wants in courses. Investigation of the idea of co-operation in this area is to be handled by the Student Life Committee.

Parking

New solutions to the parking problem for day students are being sought by Student Government. An SG Parking Committee headed by Ben Lodeski and Paula Gilbert is investigating the prospect of a new parkade as a partial solution to the lack of parking space.

The parkade, to be located on South Main Street, across from the Giant Market, would provide a discount rate for students using the facilities. The regular rate of \$18 per month would be reduced to \$12 a month for Wilkes commuters.

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Michener

Following his speech Michener was questioned about the political writers of the decade. Michener categorized Gore Vidal as a special case concerned with "the mechanics, not the guts of" politics. When speaking of J. D. Salinger, he said that anyone who could "get to" a generation deserves his respect.

He believes that McCarthy is not a viable candidate for '72 because of party resentment against him, in addition to the fact that this would place two Catholics on a national ticket. If the Democrats win, the Republicans will probably make a strong move for the center, with an abandonment of Nixon and Rockefeller in favor of Hatfield and Perry, and forsaking the extreme right to the Wallace people.

But the election is still in the future, and the possibility of influencing the average voter is great, continued Michener. In four years those who are students now will be "around the bend" with a new crew of protestors close on their heels. "The wonderful thing about the bloody system," said Michener, "is that the whole thing is in turmoil all the time."

Rehearsals in Progress

For "How to Succeed . . ."

Rehearsals, under the direction of Alfred S. Groh, are now in progress at the CPA for the Wilkes-Barre Kiwanis Club and Wilkes College production of the Frank Loesser and Abe Burrows musical "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying." This year's musical is the fourteenth that has been presented in joint co-operation between the Kiwanis and the College. Past musical presentations include "Camelot," "The Sound of Music," and "Music Man." All proceeds will go into the Kiwanis Charities Fund which serves such useful purposes as supporting the Wheel Chair Club and providing scholarships.

For any student interested in building sets or painting scenery, there is an open workshop at the CPA from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturdays.

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Woman In Dunes

Through the dialogue's constant reference to the sand and its omnipotency, as well as the cinematography which illustrates the dark, barrenness of life and the human condition. The plain, homely girl fits into the general scene and the director took advantage of her in close camera shots of her body encrusted with sand. This not only added to the first-level meaning of the film but helped to evoke the underlying meaning of man's submission to life.

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Wilkes Athletes Compile Top Scholastic Records

by Rick Bigelow

During the 1967-68 academic year, Wilkes College athletic teams won championships in football and baseball. The soccer and wrestling teams experienced winning seasons and finished high in the MAC standings. The basketball team also established itself as a resurgent by compiling its first winning record in six years. This year promises more of the same with our record-setting football team leading the way. Such an outstanding record is proof positive that Wilkes College is indeed a power to be reckoned with in the MAC and among the nation's small colleges.

However, it has not always been so. Following a five-year period of winning football teams under the tutelage of George Ralston, now Dean of Men, in the late 40's and early 50's, Wilkes teams began to show a general decline. The College subsequently experienced a decade of mediocre athletic teams, where defeats far outnumbered victories.

In 1961 a decision was made by the Wilkes Administrative Council to upgrade the Wilkes Athletic Program, particularly football and basketball, to match the already well-established academic standards. It was felt that sloppy, indifferent play on the athletic field had a detrimental effect on the reputation of the College. Before the decision was made, however, another alternative to the dilemma was considered — abandonment of intercollegiate sports entirely. Fortunately this alternative was rejected as it was felt that intercollegiate competition directly affects the morale and attitude of the student body.

This brings us to an outstanding point of conjecture — has the decision to upgrade athletics had a beneficial or detrimental effect on the College and its reputation? From the point of view of the athlete and sports enthusiast, the decision has proven beneficial as the College has consistently fielded winners and more than its share of MAC champions during the past few years. This fact leads us to another question — has the College garnered the reputation as an "athletic factory?" Talks with administrative officials, faculty, and students seem to indicate the contrary. Wilkes College academic standards have not been affected in any way. The advent of the superior athlete has not forced the Administration to lower either the admission or graduation requirements. Nor has the student body's cumulative average fallen. In fact, statistics compiled by College officials at the end of the 1967 Fall Semester show that all Fall sports participants had a cumulative average above 2.0 (football, 2.10; basketball, 2.18; and soccer, 2.54).

A conversation with the athletic director at another MAC institution also refuted the idea that Wilkes is an "athletic factory." In his words, "Sure, Wilkes is walking away with many conference championships, but it wasn't that way a few years ago. We were the power then and Wilkes was down near the bottom of the heap. It's all a matter of evolution in a sense. I'll give them one or two more years and they too will begin to drop." A similar point of view is shared by Dr. Eugene Farley, president of Wilkes College: "We are not an athletic factory and never will be. Our standards will be raised constantly and if a student is not academically qualified, he will not gain admission."

John Reese, athletic director and wrestling coach, has admitted that one problem has evolved from the emergence of superior athletic teams at Wilkes — that of scheduling. "It becomes increasingly difficult to schedule MAC opponents when your teams are especially strong. In fact, both the football and wrestling teams are competing in the minimum number of conference contests to allow them to be eligible for the championship." Coach Reese continued, "Because most MAC teams do not want to play us, we have to move out of our conference and class to get games. This is all right when we have an exceptionally strong team, but we lose 21 players from the football team through graduation this year and next year's team — even though it will be a good team — might not be strong enough to handle the likes of Vermont and Indiana State."

Another interesting question arises at this time. How is the superior athlete attracted to Wilkes? Do they all receive scholarships? There are two answers to the first question. The first and probably most important is recruiting. Prior to 1961, very little recruiting was done by the athletic staff. Today, however, most of the athletes are products of the recruiting system. The Wilkes system of recruiting is small-scale, consisting of a visit to the campus by the applicant, and an offer of financial assistance, if the applicant is qualified.

The second answer to this question is the caliber of the coaches. Coach Reese feels that the coaching has played a large role in the rise of Wilkes athletic fortunes. "Our good young coaches have been a major factor in our athletic success. Their knowledge and ability help produce the outstanding teams, which produces a good athletic reputation for the College. This reputation, in turn, attracts more and better athletes to Wilkes." Dean Ralston also feels the coaches play an important role in attracting athletes. "The most important feature of our program is the personal contact between our coaches and the applicants. This has made our recruiting program very successful." The same point of view is shared by Dr. Farley. His comment was, "The successful coaches have developed an outstanding program that appeals to these boys, and consequently they decide to enter Wilkes. The coaches, those employed on full-time basis and also those on a part-time basis, are knowledgeable in the respective fields and have proven competent to the nth degree in the past few years. Wilkes College is fortunate to have coaches with such ability — men who are also concerned with academic standards."

The scholarship situation is difficult to interpret because of the large number made available by the College. Of the 2400 students enrolled at Wilkes, 1300 are receiving aid in the form of a scholarship, loan, or job. This same percentage is applicable to the athletic teams. President Farley was emphatic when he stated, "All scholarships are geared to the applicant's financial needs and his scholastic records — a scholarship has never been awarded on athletic ability alone."

The preceding statistics and testimony seem to indicate that the College has not suffered any derogatory effects from the successful athletic program. In fact, the morale and level of academic achievement of the College have been added to by the program and individual athletes. Wilkes emphasizes academics and athletics — in that order. The fact that the College never was and never will be known as an "athletic factory" certainly is proof positive of the preceding statement. In conclusion, it is evident that the College has not suffered from the emergence of superior athletic teams. Its reputation has, in fact, been enhanced.

GRID PICKS

by Judy Moshier
NORTHERN DIVISION

Albright at Delaware Valley

The Aggies have many pieces to pick up after the smashing they received by our Colonels last week at Doylestown. The Lions of Albright are not actually MAC title contenders, but they should still be growing from their 21-20 upset win over Gettysburg. Offensive efforts and maneuvering pulled Albright out of a hole last week, but it probably will not happen in the Aggies' back yard tomorrow afternoon. Del Val should regain its composure and some of its lost pride.

Del Val 28 Albright 12

Lycoming at Juniata

It's my guess the Warriors of Lycoming will be aiming for an upset this week. They stand 1-3 on the year with only a win over Wagner on the plus side. On the other hand, Juniata is desperately trying to even its '68 record and even though the contest might be a toss-up, I am going with Juniata at home.

Juniata 24 Lycoming 18

Moravian at PMC

Moravian has suffered successive beatings in two weeks from Wagner and WILKES. Now is its chance to come back strong in definite style and bury its arch-rivals from Chester, the PMC Cadets. PMC has still to register a win this season — for this reason, I pick Moravian to hand them another setback.

Moravian 27 PMC 7

Upsala at Susquehanna

The Vikings invade Selinsgrove this weekend with one thing on their minds — next week's clash with the WILKES Colonels. Upsala swept PMC last weekend as the offense moved with relative ease while the defense displayed a sound line. The Crusaders are still seeking their initial '68 victory, but there is little chance of it coming this week.

Upsala 19 Susquehanna 7

Wagner at Tufts

Wagner, after defeating Moravian 20-6 last week, now sports a 3-1 record and a tie for seventh place in the Lambert Bowl balloting. It is the feeling here that Tufts, not experiencing a fruitful season, will be the fourth victim to fall to the Seahawks this season. The Jumbos have been having a difficult time hitting the scoreboard and may fail to reach it again this week.

Wagner 21 Tufts 0

Ithaca at WILKES

With Del Val knocked to the wayside, what is next? Rather who is next? This week the Blue Bombers of Ithaca College will attempt to defeat Zeus and his "Gold Machine." The streak now stands at 24 and could in all probability reach 29 before the campaign ends. Joe Zakowski will definitely be missed, but Rick Simonson and Joe Frappolli should provide ample depth at this vital position. Joe Wiendl dazzled the Aggie fans last week — who knows? Performing before their parents, the Colonels should breeze to number 25. Only Rollie Schmidt's conscience should keep the score down.

WILKES 42 Ithaca 0

Southern Division Scores

F&M 24 Dickinson 7
Johns Hopkins 27 Haverford 9
Muhlenberg 24 Ursinus 18
Lafayette 13 Drexel 10
W. Maryland 28 Shepherd 13

Results to date:

29 correct, 5 wrong, 1 tie

Last week:

12 correct, 0 wrong

BOOTERS COP TWO IN CONFERENCE PLAY

by Don Spruck

The Wilkes College soccer team rebounded from two early-season setbacks and registered two important MAC victories in last week's action. The Colonels defeated Muhlenberg 4-2 and shut out Lycoming 2-0.

The victory over the Mules of Muhlenberg instilled new spirit in the booter squad and served as the determining factor in both contests.

Although the Colonels fell behind early and were behind at half-time, the locals eventually regained their composure and the lead. Freshman lineman Dov Solomianski registered a "hat trick" by tallying three scores — a feat seldom seen in collegiate soccer. Earlier in the game, senior John Santo dented the Muhlenberg net by converting a penalty shot.

Coach Jim Nedoff, much relieved after the game, commented, "For the first time in quite a while, the 'bench' played a major role in the victory. Having depth makes a big difference in crucial situations. I was very pleased with the team effort and especially the play of the line. We should start to move now."

In their second contest of the week, the booters riddled the Lycoming Warriors' goalie with 44 shots on goal and waltzed to a 3-0 win. The Colonels punished their visitors from Williamsport, playing most of the game in their half of the field. The defense registered its first shutout of the young season while the offense found time to score three goals.

In a repeat performance, Dov Solomianski led the scoring parade. The former Israeli star scored twice — converting two goals on the strength of fine set-ups from wings Bill Tarbart and Don Spruck. Spruck also added a marker in the third period to clinch the Wilkes victory.

For his outstanding performance in both games, Solomianski was chosen outstanding lineman by his teammates. Solomianski now has scored five goals in three contests to date. Halfback Curt Benson was awarded halfback honors for his bruising and aggressive efforts from the defense.

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Colonels Massacre Del. Val. Aggies, 31-3

[The following account of the recent Wilkes College football victory over Delaware Valley College was written for the BEACON by George Conway, a member of the squad.]

by George Conway

"In the end, class will always tell . . . but, you have to cause it to happen." These were the words spoken by Coach Rollie Schmidt during halftime in the recent Wilkes-Delaware Valley game. The words were not uttered in blind confidence nor shouted in desperation. They were spoken in the famous "Schmidt monotone" — softly with effect.

The Middle Atlantic Conference viewed the Del Val game as the MAC "Game of the Week." Various descriptive titles were utilized by many sportswriters in an effort to relay the importance of the game — "most important," "a must game for both teams," "a crucial battle," and others. However, sportswriters do not play the game — they merely report the results. In this encounter it would be pride, determination, and pure stamina which would prevail. The qualities displayed by the teams themselves — not what sports scribes chose to write about.

The normal procedures for away games were followed by the team as we approached the time when we would depart for the Doylestown campus. As we entered the campus, it was evident the Aggies had looked forward to our arrival. We were greeted by a rash of signs predicting an Aggie victory and a "fall by the mighty Colonels." As we dressed in the cold locker room, there was an air of quiet apprehension prevalent. A 23-game winning streak is difficult to defend week after week — it is a difficult road when every team points for an upset with nothing to lose and everything to gain.

Once the game began, it looked as if the Colonels and their mighty "Gold Machine" had finally met their equal. The Aggies completely dominated the play in the first quarter and forced the offense to settle for a field goal when paydirt was in sight. As the game wore on, however, the Colonels' pride came to the fore and eventually assumed the lead.

The passing combination of Joe Zakowski to Joe Skvarla clicked once again in the second quarter and the visitors from Wilkes-Barre took a 10-3 lead into the locker room.

Little did anybody realize at that time that quarterback Zakowski had suffered a severely bruised thigh in a hard tackle before the gun sounded at the game's midpoint. The leg began to swell and early in the third quarter it was known that Joe would not be able

to re-enter the game. It was assumed that "Zak" had just suffered a hard blow and would return to combat in a short while. (Ed. note — The extent of Zakowski's injury was not fully determined at press-time. The southpaw quarterback will definitely be out of action for at least two weeks.)

When an opponent takes on the '68 Colonels, it finds itself on the short end of the stick — it must contend with both the offense and the defense. In the third quarter it was the defense which put on a "Everything," Joe Wiendl, broke loose for two long punt returns — both resulting in scores. Wiendl's runs of 86 and 62 yards earned him ECAC honors as Defensive Back of the Week. However, much more was written into these two important scores — teamwork. Bone-crushing blocks cleared the path for the speedy senior, P. J. Kane, Joe Koterba, Mike Connolly, and numerous others threw bruising blocks at their Aggie opponents during the Wiendl rampage.

The offensive team was not finished either. The "Gold Machine" went back to work in the fourth quarter and clinched the decision when fullback Vince Yarmel burst his way into the end zone. The one-yard plunge capped a 50-yard drive and put the finishing touches on a 31-3 victory — a 31-3 team victory.

This week, Ithaca will attempt to derail the Colonel "Machine."

The Blue Bombers have played against some of the finest small-college powers in the East — the WILKES College Colonels will attempt to join that impressive list with a convincing win tomorrow afternoon.



WILKES' FINEST. Show above from left to right is the Colonel defense which has allowed 12 points in three games this season — one touchdown, one field goal, and one safety. Kneeling: Joe Koterba, John Howe, Bill Layden, and Paul Merrill. Second row: Mike Connolly, P. J. Kane, Harry Hoover, and Jim Loveland. Third row: Jay Holliday, Joe Wiendl, and Dan Malloy.

Blue Bombers Present Next Obstacle To Streak

by Bruce Henky

Coach Schmidt was slightly skeptical about the Colonels' first three games. Vermont was a mystery for the most part, Moravian always fielded a fired-up team, and Delaware Valley seemed to be the Colonels' equal for the first quarter last week. However, the victorious results of these three tilts, which were played on alien turf, have dispelled any pre-season fears. Going into tomorrow's contest, the Colonels have scored 102 points while allowing their opposition a mere 12 points in three games — one touchdown, one field goal, and one safety.

Tomorrow's contest with the Blue Bombers of Ithaca College will bring the Colonels to the threshold of their twenty-fifth straight victory and possible national recognition. It will also mark the 1968 season home opener and the annual Parents' Day clash.

The men of Coach Rollie Schmidt seem to be in high gear now and it seems as though it will take more than the Bombers can muster to snuff out their victory flame. Going into tomorrow's contest, Ithaca stands 1-3 on the season. Thus far this season, the Bombers have dropped decisions to West Chester, Brockport, and Cortland State. Last weekend, they tasted victory for the first time, a 21-6 win over Susquehanna University.

Senior Mike Podlucky will lead the Ithaca offense from his quarterback spot and presents a double threat for the defense. Podlucky is an adept passer and twice already this season has completed more than 15 passes in a losing effort. If the Colonel secondary thwarts the aerial game, Podlucky can always revert to a ground attack where tailback Dick Backer and fullback Tom Polimeni will carry the pigskin. The Ithaca offense will line up in a basic "I" formation with variations.

Coach Jim Butterfield has experienced many problems with the defense — losing five outstanding performers via the graduation route. The secondary, however, could present a problem to quarterbacks Rick Simonson and Joe Frappolli, but the Bomber line should experience much difficulty trying to contain the Colonels' running game. Mini-mite Ted Yeager, Vince Yarmel and company should be able to grind out the yardage tomorrow afternoon.

It is doubtful if the Ithacans will be able to gain their second win of the season tomorrow against the Lambert-bound Colonel express.

Welcome Parents

MAC Results

LAST WEEK'S SCORES

Northern Division
WILKES 31 Delaware Valley 3
Albright 21 Gettysburg 20*
Juniata 33 Geneva 6*
Ithaca 21 Susquehanna 6*
Upsala 21 PMC 6
Wagner 20 Moravian 6

Southern Division
Dickinson 37 Haverford 13
Drexel 20 Rensselaer 10*
F&M 12 Swarthmore 3
Johns Hopkins 35 Ursinus 20
Lebanon Val. 39 Muhlenberg 29
W. Maryland 37 Lycoming 29

TOMORROW'S GAMES

Northern Division
Ithaca at WILKES*
Albright at Gettysburg*
Lycoming at Juniata
Moravian at PMC
Upsala at Susquehanna
Wagner at Tufts*

Southern Division
Dickinson at F&M
Drexel at Lafayette*
Haverford at Johns Hopkins*
Ursinus at Muhlenberg
W. Maryland at Shepherd*
* Non-conference opponent



DRIVING HARD FOR PAYDIRT. Fullback Vince Yarmel displays the determination and pride which prevailed in last week's Colonel conquest of Delaware Valley, 31-9. Yarmel is seen scoring the final touchdown late in the last period on a one-yard plunge.

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The Trinity College (Connecticut) football team appeared on educational television in 71 Connecticut grade schools this week. The film featured team calisthenics and other practice drills in an effort to show sixth-grade students the leadership qualities exhibited in collegiate sports.

Wittenberg sophomore quarterback Rocky Alt is averaging one touchdown pass for every three completions, and one scoring toss in eight pass attempts.

Paul Romano, Springfield kicking specialist, boomed a punt 81 yards out of his own end zone against Amherst last weekend.

Craig Saxer was the Haverford equipment manager at the beginning of last season before he began fooling around with a football during the afternoon practices. This season he is playing halfback and linebacker in addition to handling the field's punting chores.