Weather Map
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Mr. Taylor of the Wilkes College Office of Student Affairs announced that a weather map will be posted daily during the Fall 1948 semester for anyone interested in weather information.

STUDENT COUNCIL RELEASES
CINDERELLA BALL REPORT

The following is a statement of Income and Expenditures for the second annual Cinderella Ball. The total income from the affair was $2,100, and total expense was $4,468.79. The net cost was $2,368.79.

INCOME-
Sales of Tickets
$2,100.00

EXPENSES-
Band, Tommy Dorsey
$2,750.00
Rent of Hotel
500.00
Rent of Bandstand
150.00
Fiscal Tax on Tickets
349.00
Furniture and Decorating
177.28
Photography
111.00
Lighting (Emergency System)
25.00
Decorations
307.00
Sound Service
100.00
Rent of Chairs and Moving of Piano
58.48
Classroom Decorations and Firemen Awards-
Cinderella Girls
86.20
Poloilale
75.00
Miscellaneous Expense—J. Feeny
25.35
Thespian Services
7.50
May 16—Entertainment for Band
93.11
TOTAL EXPENSE
4,468.79
IVORY TOWER OR TOWER OF BABEL

"The world is too much with us . . . . That is the wall of a considerable group of educators in this education con-
scious nation. These are the Ivory Tower Thinkers; and their ideals and goals revolve around an absolute freedom of unpretend-
ered and unprepared creation of a scholar who would seem to be one who is removed and sheltered from the hubbub and confu-
sion of everyday life; who is steeped in the love of Greek and Latin classics; and who faces a quasiglobal world with a
philosophic calm of one familiar with the eternal truths.

But the world of the century, such was the vogue in the education of our bright, young people. Graduates at that
time entered the more learned and scholarly professions: leaving the management of the more rough and tulmle af-
fairs of business and politics to the less educated.

The trend, which started in part, was to have the young man coming into nation flexing his newly-found sinews after successful and decisive participation in World War I, was entertaining news as to how its
promising, young citizens were to be educated, too.

As a result, the free elective curriculum was introduced into our schools of higher learning—accompanied by bows of protest from the keepers of The Ivory Towers.

And the invaders didn't stop there. They demanded that colleges and universities produce graduates who were trained for specific vocations, to be employed as specialists in various fields of business, industry and government. The
classicists quickly dubbed the new school as one suffering from "specialists".

The controversy roars on, with all sorts of new con-
deceptions of education ranging between these two extremes being proposed—and rejected.

We are quite certain at any rate . . . if we do not have life the best educational system in the world, at least we are con-
ducting the greatest experiment along these lines.

And how goes the battle today?

The battle lines are drawn most clearly between those who favor what they term "progressive education", which is
little more than a student undergoing a given college course at his own speed, the only qualification being that he satis-
fy certain minimal requirements. The other, who propose the study of the One Hundred greatest books in recorded time over a four year course at the college level as the ideal of a liberal arts education.

Most institutions it seems have sought a compromise be-
tween these two methods. The trend, where specialization is the
most promising among them a thorough technical training, thence utilizing them as specialists or experts within the or-
ganization footing the expense of the education.

With the trend of our times the student in educational institutions, the average student finds that by judicious selec-
tion of available course offerings, and by diligent study he can secure for himself what can be considered a fine, well-
rounded education by any standards. Those students, espe-
cially, who know what they want, and what they are going to
be doing with it . . .

Now the cry has been raised in many quarters that the state of American education is nothing less than a state of
anarchy. To the casual observer or the prejudiced eye this
claim may seem to hold some validity. But to those who
are well-informed and familiar with the workings of a true de-
mocracy will be far from dismayed.

What appears on the surface to be conflict and chaos
sion is but an interchange and free flow of different ideas and
opinions presented in a healthy, robust manner. We must
always keep in mind that only in democracy can opinions be freely expressed . . . and given a hearing!

Germany and Japan made the fatal mistake of thinking that their differences of opinion were signs of degeneration and disarray.

The lesson to be learned: Democracies, though they appear weak, divided and uncertain, are highly resistant to any
form of external threat, danger or menace. There are those
who can profit greatly from such a lesson in these troubled
times.

Edward Ann Wasilewski

WOULD-BE POETS — TAKE HEED!

By BROOKSIDE W. JONES

The life of a poet is awfully rough:
No food, lie in a garret—that sort of stuff.
While he rakes his brain to dream up a lyric
That will be epic or humorous, or perhaps satiric.

He gets for his labor very little money,
(Something like that can be quite unusual.)
Whilst he pursues his poetical bent,
How does he manage to pay his rent?

Consider the case of a poet named Poe:
When his landlady approached in quest of dough,
How did he resolve the tense situation?
Write a poem for her commemoration!

It seems to me such antics just wouldn't go.

Edgar wrote lyrics to Annabel Lee,
In her kingdom beside the stormy sea.
A bit of fun for anyone,
But I don't know how he did it for real.

There's no denying that the game's so rigorous
It discourages all but those most vigorous.
For how will you continue
To exert brain and sinew
In a racket where reward is so measly?

You hoarder around in innocently panting,
As you muddle through triasic tetramer,
And the only and you ever achieve:
Unappreciative guys (my favorite peere)
Will indignantly, "Are you smoking hashish?"

Or are your poems just naturally Odgen Nashish?"
THE WHITE PLAGUE

This week’s column is devoted to an examination of one of the most important problems con- fronting the American public today. The facts presented herein cannot be disguised too often; the stakes in this game are too high.

What are these stakes—and why so high? They are very, very high.

People shudder when they read descriptions of the Black Death or the bubonic plague which swept Europe is successive centuries through the Middle Ages. They became fearful, however, into a false sense of secu- rity by the idea that medical science has advanced to the point where such disasters are forever banished from the realm of actuality. Now we begin to realize, most of us belatedly, that there is a White Plague, far worse than the Black Death is now upon the world.

And, in this instance, med- ical science is powerless to save the scourge for taking one life every 5 minutes, and if not checked will claim the lives of 17 million American people or one out of every eight living to make a healthy existence.

This killer is known by the sim- ple name—Cancer.

Cancer is a disease characterized by a malignant tumor or growth, the cells of which multiply so rap- iedly that the surrounding tissues are destroyed by being washed away from lack of a blood supply. In other words, the works of the supply system are insufficient to supply both its own cells and the healthy cells of the surrounding body tis- sues. The length of time required for this breakdown depends on the type of growth, its location, and the condition of the patient, and the condition of the tissue, among other factors.

Cancer never develops in healthy tissue; it is essentially the same condition which results in a breakdown of normal cells may be laying the groundwork for the disease.

Early symptoms, if they can be re- .Iected to as medical science is. dependent upon the location and type of growth. Cancer is rarely painful in its primary stages, a fact which only a few realize, why pa- tients delay in seeking medical ad- vice if an abnormality is dis- covered. A false sense of security, however, is a shame account actuality for most of the time.

Early diagnosis of cancer is of- ten possible with the presence of other medical conditions which we know the sites more commonly affected. Breast, testicles, a lump in the face, a mole, raised sore with a hard base; it; the tongue, cheek, and floor of the mouth, an ulcer with hard edges and base pain, or irritation of the salivary or confined foods; in the skin, an unusual mole, or changes in the color, enlargement or ulceration of a pre- existing mole or wart; in the stom- ach, indigestion coming for the first time or a fairly regular interval after ingestion of food, often relieved by vom- iting.

Naturally, many of these symp- toms are not exhibited by cancer alone, however, their frequent ap- pearance is unexplained and is indicative of the immediate necessity of skilled medical attention. Because early diagnosis is usually the only means whereby successful treatment is effected, a discussion of later symptoms is unnecessary.

Cancer treatment resolves itself into three main fields: X-ray, radium therapy, and surgery. X-ray is successful in destroying pri- mary, stage growths and checking the progress of late stage growths, thus prolonging life for a time. Radium therapy is similar in application to the X-ray technique for both are used in the treatment of skin cancers. In addition, radium, either in hollow needles or in its gas form (in containers), is usually used to destroy malignant growths of a deeper character. The most dra- matic of the three treatments is sur- gery. Surgery is rarely employed in primary stages of cancer; rather it is held in reserve as a weapon in weapons in most of advanced growth.

In the hands of a specially-trained surgeon sur- rounded by the most modern oper- ative and clinical equipment, the surgeon can take surgical samples when all else has failed.

The defense weapons used by the cancer specialists, perhaps the greatest is Truth. Through the medium of newspapers, pamphlets, pictures, and other visual pictures of cancer and all of its evil power can be painted. Scaring the public is NOT the aim of this program, but rather the dissemination of practical knowledge about cancer as contrasted with theoretical and experimental knowledge. The pub- lic must come face to face with a few pertinent facts and meet the issue squarely. Some of the facts are these:

1. Cancer is not contagious or infectious.

2. Cancer is not hereditary, although a definite susceptibility to cancer is often transmitted through heri- tance.

3. Cooperation between patient and physician is absolutely neces- sary since early diagnosis is the only chance for cure.

4. Cancer is primarily a disease of adult and old age, but no age group is free from it. Studies show that the greatest danger lies between the ages of 45 to 65 and the number of patients requiring hospitalization has increased during the last 5 years to 25,000 lives.

The results of amazing experi- ments in the past have helped but we are not getting to the last word.

5. Cancer is a disease of incurable cancer in some hospitals and laboratories and more modern, more powerful modern instruments such as the electron microscope and the mass spectrometer are being used for the first time.

6. Cancer can be treated with the most advanced techniques and only 1/5 of the expenditures are to such a task be made.

7. In the destruction of one million lives which were taken at Pearl Harbor and 32,000 lives were expen- ded. During the same period our country lost 607,000 lives in the war against it; more than the lives of the last 100 years, and only 1/5 of the expenditures are to such a task be made.

Since V-Day, the amount ex- pended has increased on approxi- mately 30%, but it is not enough. Much more is needed because it can't be achieved.

8. Cancer is a disease of wounds and obesity. In the past 20 years, more persons have been needed, and the fearful and finan- cial effects are not known to us. At any rate, always keep in mind the facts. To have cancer is not a dis- grace—it is a misfortune.

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Clowns Maintain Fast Pace In Softball League

To the surprise of no one in particular, the powerful Clowns have taken the lead in the intra-mural athletic league. They have maintained that lead over three full weeks of excellent play under brilliant lighting by Tanny Celmar, with an occasional assist by Jack Penner, the hot-corner man, and heavy hitting by just about every player on the team, the Clowns have rolled over their opposition. Strangely enough, the Clowns have had to work hardest to win two teams which thus far have been the league’s weakest — the Dorn agglomeration and the Beacon Sport. McKie and his Dorn aggregation started it by extending the Clowns to a 12-11 count. Then, last Wednesday, the Beacon team was so inept in so as to lead the Clowns by a 7-6 score going into the seventh inning, which ordinarily would have been the last. The Clowns saved the day by hitting two runs crossing in the seventh to tie the game, then going on to win by 12-11.

Marty Blake started on the hill for the leading team and did an admirable job of keeping the number of pesky Texas Leaguers from the bases. At the sixth inning, Herbie Kronowitz took over the center-fielder’s field. Tanny Celmar ended the evening with two runs and a hit and proceeded to mow ’em down—seven runs in seven innings. Perhaps the most interesting aspect of the game is that it was the hilarious base-running of the Clowns. Some confused maneuvering on the bases could have cost the game but none did. Nine runs, when, on a couple of occasions they had only two or three runners, the man on base at the time the mighty bows were struck failed to touch the plate correctly. The running, however, a Clown runner could have scored in the approved manner, and won the game, 8-7, if he had known how to work for the leads, but another successful one, at that.

Draftees Fall To Halt Mains

Halt Mains finally played sports maxim which holds that the fans like to see the high-flying teams knocked down as hard as they can be. The game was applied when the game between the two teams started. The Halt Mains came up last week, many persons rooting for the Clowns to get their comeuppance at the hands of the Dybach crew. The Clowns, however, had a batting cage set up for this game, while the Draftees played to the best of which resulted in another Clown victory by the not-close-count of 18-6.

The big question remains: Who’s going to beat the Clowns? At first glance, Wense answer appears to be nobody. However, many times in the past seemingly invincible teams have been defeated on days when the right combination of luck and skill was on the side of the opposing team. One of these days it might even happen to the mighty Mules.

Mules vs. Ponies at Bumble’s Great Norvember

Tomorrow’s outing, to be sponsored by the student council and to be held at the site of the old huddle, will feature an extensive sports program. There will be a large fresh water pool for the swimmers, and riders can rent horses at the stables across the road from the grove.

One of the highlights of the afternoon will be a game between Tom Moran’s “Mules” and Bob Partridge’s “Ponies”. Both teams are loaded with the best talent to be found on the teams which make up the intra-mural league. Each team has a full quota of excellent pitching. The pitching test is (expected in the fact that Tony Celmar will be on the mound for the Mules). Either Marty Blake or John Boll will hurl for the Ponies.

Castellani Meets Kronowitz

Rocky Castellani, known locally as the "Fighting Marine" and varsity and junior pitching star, has been out of the game for a while. He is back in town with the county’s outstanding middlweight.

Castellani is a tougher cookie than any opponent Rocky has met to date, and will certainly give Castellani an interesting night, not only on the softball game but also as a student. We have as much right to take a flyer as the next fellow, we’ll take Rocky on a ten-round decision.

SHORT SHOTS

The latest highlights. Poop Waters chugging from first to third on a teammates single, and then scoring the first run of the game he had up "while we get in the field" back Hank Anderson getting his quota of hits in every Beacon game and winning the rest of his mates are going to start hitting. At Morse pitching a large game with the second baseman, the Drafteers and helping his bats bring in two promising homers over the left field fence— Dom Yanhoush easily shanking his Bessie and getting out of a one by an amazing one-handed, but not successful, effort by the Drafteader center-fielder.

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MILLER GIVEN PERMANENT SPOT AS ASSISTANT COACH

Will Help Proctor Football, Basketball, Golf Teams

Thomas M. Miller, assistant football coach last season, has been chosen to hold down that position on a permanent basis, according to a recent announcement by head coach, George Ralston. Miller will also be assistant to Ralston during the basketball season. And if present plans materialize, he will head Wilkes College’s first golf team, to be initiated next spring.

TO ASSIST RALSTON

In his football position as one of the few bright lights on an otherwise dawdling-professional performing position for the Wilkes Barre. An excellent pass-snatcher, his chief liability is a lack of consistent focus. His football career dates back thirteen years, beginning with his youth days, where he played his years. He was a member of the Yale University’s team at Fork Union Military Academy in 1942, and joined the Sydney College for two years, participating in basketball, football, golf and track. He also did some more football while at the Chapel Hill Pre-Fight School, having enlisted in the Naval Air Corps at the start of World War II. Miller’s next football team was a berth as end with the Philadelphia Eagles of the Professional Football League. He was discharged from the Navy in 1943, and a year later joined the New York Giants and the powerhouse Yankees. He was comfortable enough at his position there, and Miller was traded to the Washington Redskins, and spent the next season with the Green Bay Packers. He also was a valued member of this team that year. As his playing time was of his services.

Tom Miller is a Graduate of Cornell University and was a college education, and came to the college after graduation. Upon arriving there Miller was signed as an assistant football coach for the 1948 season, and found time to turn in several stellar performances as an assistant to the Wilkes-Barre Barons professional football team, doubling as line coach for the pros.

At the present time Miller is serving as an instructor in charge of the Wilkes College physical education classes at the YMCA. He assumed his football duties September 1, 1948.

THE SPORTLIGHT

EARL JOBES

The strange noises you hear in the background are the shouts of “Hey, you! Get back!” along with Red Sox to win the American League pennant. He is out of hiding to say “I told you so.” The Red Sox, currently the hottest team in baseball, seem to be unstoppable at the moment, but it is strange to see the “Maj. A.” end with a lot of the soldiers will refuse this south of the “Aeneid”, but, after the A’s finish their current trip through the West, they will probably find that the “Homsouney” is over.

Bill Veec, the colorful owner of the New York Giants, is supposed to be the outstanding showman in the big league today. His latest deal was to bring the legendary “Battled” Paige to the big leagues. The irony of the whole thing is that for twenty years, the A’s, who have one of the greatest pitchers in baseball, have been getting along well “over the hill” before he got into the majors. This is certainly a surprise. In a democracy one doesn’t expect the “Humsouney” to be affected by the color of his skin. Whether or not the situation is unaffected is problematical, but his presence will help the Indians set a new attention. His presence could also raise the “kicker” thing. His reason for bringing Paige into the “maj. a.” at this late date.

Aside to “Hank” Anderson and the Mules, they have had a major league record by losing 20 of 30. Their record is nothing to write about, considering the fact that they have been beaten by such teams as the St. Louis Cardinals for the National League batting.

The case of the Phillies is equally confusing. Ben Chapman was given credit for doing a good job with the material he has to work with. The Bums should again be in position this season. The game is in the state of Frank Frisch holds forth for every day.

As for the Dodgers, they seem to have made up the intra-mural softball team and have taken on a new life. With Shoten at the helm, the Ab- bington and Castello routine of "who’s on first" will be a thing of the past. The Bums should again be in position this season. The game is in the state of Frank Frisch holds forth for every day.

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