DEBATORS JOURNEY TO BROOKLYN

GROUND-BREAKING CEREMONIES FOR THE WILKES GYMNASIUM

TO PARTICIPATE IN THIRD ANNUAL INVITATIONAL DEBATE TOURNAMENT

By MIHAIL LONG

The Wilkes College Debating Society will be represented by a team at the Third Annual Invitational Debate Tournament being held today and Saturday, March 10 and 11, at Brooklyn College, New York. The tournament consists of 23 rated debaters and includes 13 non-Agricultural industries. Among the thirty-eight schools participating are the University of Pennsylvania, Cornell, Carnegie, Harvard, Dartmouth, Kings, Swarthmore, West Point, Princeton, Wilkes, and Williams College.

Guest speakers will include a panel of prominent legal and business leaders, and the debate will be held at the St. George Hotel. The Debating Society has grown from a four-man team last year to a group of approximately thirty members this year. Morgan and Kenneth, who attended the Brooklyn Tournament last year and with their inexperienced team defeated such outstanding schools as NYU, Boston University, St. John's, and Stevens Institute of Technology, are among the remaining thirty, two teams.

FIRST ANNUAL TRI-SCHOOL CHEM CONFERENCE TO BE HELD AT WILKES COLLEGE ON APRIL 19

By DAVE WHITNEY

Wilkos College will host the first annual Tri-School Chemistry Conference, co-sponsored by King's College, Scranton University, and Wilkes College, on Wednesday, April 19, 1959. Dr. Charles C. Price, head of the chemistry department at Notre Dame University, will deliver Lecture Hall following a

Two smaller affairs co-sponsored by the three schools will be held each year, so that each school will act as host at one joint function every year. After a preliminary meeting on January 21, representatives of the chemistry organizations of the three schools, on February 18, evolved the plan for cooperation in chemistry gatherings each year. The new undertaking is something unique, perhaps, the first of its kind in a group of several states. All three schools will co-sponsor each function and each school will turn in host for the major presentation, the Tri-School Chemistry Conference.

The 2nd annual conference of Pennsylvania IRC clubs was held last Friday at Saturday at Shippensburg State Teachers College, Frances Loftus, Ed Godke, and William Caruth were the Wilkes speakers.

The topics at the round tables were: China, Japan and Korea, and the Philippines and Indonesia. Ed Godke, representing Wilkes, was the rapporteur for the first round table which discussed Japan and Korea. 00 delegates, representing 15 clubs, decided to hold next year's conference at Gettysburg College in Virginia.

The first conference of state IRC clubs was held at Wilkes in 1949. The three Wilkes delegates gave a detailed report of their activities to the members of the IRC club.

The second annual conference of Pennsylvania IRC clubs is scheduled for April 19, 1959.

GYMNASIUM GROUND BROKEN WEDNESDAY

The construction of the new Wilkes College gymnasium began last Wednesday, with a formal ground breaking ceremony. Mr. Gilbert S. McCollum, chairman of the Board of Trustees of Wilkes College, turned over the first shovelful of earth. Dr. Eugene S. Farley, president of the Wilkes Administrative Board, was present.

The construction work will begin with the demolition of the building which now occupies the rear of the South Franklin Street lot. The gym will be constructed on a plot of ground 100 feet wide and 300 feet long. The building will have 2,000 square feet of floor space and a basketball court 90 feet wide and 150 feet long.

Alumni Association To Hold Banquet

The Wilkes College Alumni Association will honor its new members tonight and dinner in the college cafeteria. Doctor Eugene S. Farley, college president, will be the principal speaker. Entertainment will be provided by the Mod-gutter Society (Wilkes Barbourian Quartet).

The new members will receive membership cards tonight, cards will be mailed to other members.

The Alumni campaign for the support of the new Wilkes gymnasium will close at this dinner. Reservations have been mailed to all old members. The price of dinner is $1.25. All January graduates will be admitted free.

William Boyd is the general chairman of the affair.

"GOLDEN BOY" TO BE PRESENTED BY CUE 'N' CURTAIN NEXT MONTH

By ED TERRY

"Golden Boy" has been chosen as the major production of the spring season at the New York Shakespeare Club, directed by W. Thomas Littleton, the theatricals group director.

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This will be the second production under Littleton's direction, 1959 he was a state-wide choice for delegate-general to the Democratic National Convention, in Cleveland, Ohio. In 1957, he was also the President of the Pennsylvania State University, and at that time he was appointed Judge of the Pennsylvania Superior Court.

John S. Fine was 33 years old, chosen by Governor Fine the Wilkes College Alumni Association, and as President of the Pennsylvania State Board of Education.

By MIRIAM LONG

JUDGE JOHN S. FINE, WILKES TRUSTEE, TO SEEK NOMINATION FOR GOVERNOR IN '50

Judge John S. Fine, member of the Board of Trustees of Wilkes College, has been selected as a gubernatorial candidate to seek the Republican nomination for the forthcoming state primary.

Judge Fine was born in Wilkes-Barre on April 10, 1903. He was one of ten children. He received his education at the schools of the Wilkes School, and went to Dickinson College, earned his degree in 1927, and was admitted to the honor of Law School. He graduated in 1914, and later served as assistant to the Luzerne County Bar. Practice of his profession was interrupted by the war, and in 1917 when he enlisted for service in World War One, and served overseas as a member of the Twenty-third United States Army Expeditionary Force. Yesterday it was announced that he would be the head of a post-graduate course in Trinity College, University of Dublin, Ireland.

At 23 the Republican chose him as Chairman of the Fourth Legislative District of Luzerne County. He was the entire months of January, February and March, and as President of the Pennsylvania State Board of Education.

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Dear Editor:

The purpose of this letter is not to make an appeal for the basketball team, but to present the side of the question that is not represented in the preceding columns.

I am a professional musician, and one of the disadvantages of my profession is that people never remember the millions of notes that a musician plays. They only remember the mistakes. Shifting the blame to a teammate, to an athlete, to the problem that these boys maintain a C average in order to play; I know of a few boys who have never, why is a boy C? How can he have made rapid strides in all phases in the past few years.

I was up with my vote of no confidence. I will continue to grow. I am assured that one student could be so talkative, I am assured that one student could be so talkative, one student never remember the off nights.

If the writer of that letter can play basketball better than the boys who never have, why don't he get out and teach the boys the same thing? Chances are that he can't, and if he can't, he has no reason to back-seat drive. Maybe in the near future will be the principle in the scores if our boys knew that he had stuck his head behind them.

What they need is some incentive—some fighting spirit in back of them. The guys on the team last week do more to take away incentive rather than to add any.

Tom Menegus

Summer Scholarships Available For Study In Foreign Countries

Various institutions of higher learning both abroad and in the United States are now making a new kind of literature on scholarships and fellowships for the summer. Some of the organizations which have made study available are: UNESCO, United Christian Youth Movement, The New School for Social Research, Episcopal Church Reformed Church, Students Interchange National Student Association, International Institute of Human Relations, American Friends Service Committee, American Youth Hostels, National Council of Churches, Christian Council, IIE Study Tour, Institute of World Affairs, World Council of Churches, Wilkes College Summer School, International Student Study Tour Alliance, Archana Service, Methodist Youth Camps, Institute of International Relations and host of others.

Some of the above offer credit for the travel or summer work. Quite a number of the above permit the student to work for part of the cost of the study. For any further information on any study, see Hugo Malley of the Political Science Department.

Vince Machi

Director, Intercollegiate Press

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GIFTS AND STATIONERY

Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
Past Week's Events Reviewed In Pictures

Wilkes' own Paul Shifier, pictured above, at the Cabaret Party hitting a new one and doing a mighty fine job of it.

A BIT OF "PRESSED PANTS"

Skinny Ennis' precarious position is being viewed by Ann Belle Perry, Earl Wolfe, Diane Campus and Barbara Close.

BOBBY AND HIS WHISPERING WHISTLE

Bobby Goldsmith, entertainer, who received thunderous applause for his rendition of "Marching Through Georgia" (on a whistle).

THE WUNDER OF IT ALL

Shown above is Ken Wunder who appeared by popular demand at the Beacon Cabaret Party.

BEACON CABARET PARTY ENTERTAINERS

George Strenigus and his tap dancing Marionette. Holding the microphone is Bill Griffith, and most of Combo...
ODE TO PARKING

The parking lot's closed
That's what we've been told
I wondered how many
Permits have been sold
For permission to park
At the one that survived;
The one that holds four
Or crowded parks five,

The answer to this
I'm happy to say
Ten thousand was given
By finance today
In the honor of Ford
To a fund that was slow
Indirect tribute
To autos you know,

Now where will I park
I asked of Kersteen,
"Do not worry he said"
The logical mean
Is to park on a street
Which is close to the school"
That really sounds swell
Let's start a fines' pool,

Inside of a week
A mandate will say
You have seventy cuts
See Balston today
Please tell me my friends
Would you think I'm a fool
If a buy me a horse
And ride her to school.

I'll try ninety streets
You see I look hard
Could be I might park
In Farley's back yard
If one question I ask
So ask it I will
Does a parking place go
With the Government's bill?

David Edwards

Looking Back

HERE ARE SOME SHOTS YOU MAY HAVE
OVERLOOKED IN PAST ISSUES
OF THE BEACON

THE STUDENT COUNCIL PROUDLY PRESENTS
THE
LUCK O' THE IRISH
Sport Dance
FRIDAY NIGHT, MARCH 17-th
- in the -
WILKES CAFETERIA

Refreshments—For Free! Dancing From 9 to ?

Friday, March 10, 1950
SOCCER.... Monday p.m. at 3 Coach Bob Partridge will run through his first spring practice session with his future soccer team. The entire squad, with the exception of Ken Smith, is back. In Partridge's new line-up, they're going to go tough weeks. The main objective of these sessions will be the schooling of the fundamentals of the game. Anyone not trying out for next season's team is invited to come out to Kirby Park, Monday.... Returning to the squad from last year are Paul Binder, John Horbert, Charlie Jackson, Kev Kavchik, Robert Muller, Ed Givens, Lyle Rowlands, the Stocker Boys (Charlie and Jim), Dan Tosh, Charlie Wulf, Bill Partridge (as manager), Al Hicks, Tom Test, Dick, D. Palmer and Charlie Thomas.... Petrik and Jackson played on the cage squad, while Chuck Thomas was on the wrestling team. Bill Partridge (manager) and his Captain, Coach Partridge will concentrate on getting his men in shape, teaching them the fundamentals, and getting them on the proper diets.... So far, Coach Palmer can pull a "Durocher" and switch Al Mallon to the mound. Al is plenty big with a good arm. He should have lots of setbacks. If he has the control, he'll be able to help Ralston with plenty a headache.

BASKETBALL.... The call for the first practice is as uncertain as the weather. In fact, it's depending on the weather. It is probable that the first practice will be held at an outdoor court. At the time of this writing, Mr. Ralston was not available for comment. So we'll just have to go along guessing with the others as to the actual time of the first practice. Interested is sharp, and the boys are anxious to start. From talk around and about the campus, a big turnout can be expected; and Coach Ralston will have a good crew to pick his regulars from. We'll have a tough schedule this year, adding another game with Lycoming and Susquehanna. Both teams had been previously scheduled for only one game. This still leaves us five regulars and five more to fill these dates in, and before the season starts, we might very well face a five-game series of matches. As it is, the regulars have played so far, Coach Ralston can pull a "Durocher" and switch Al Mallon to the mound. Al is plenty big with a good arm. He should have lots of setbacks. If he has the control, he'll be able to help Ralston with plenty a headache.

HOCKEY.... In this department, we'll start off with an apology. Last week we pulled the praise off our hockey team, and went out on a limb in hoping for a victory. As the paper went to press, Coach Bob Moran received a post card from Lafayette saying that they couldn't make it. It seems they met that same problem at Ambrose. With this in mind, Ralston has officially changed the schedule to give the Colonels a chance to gain the points. We hope that Coach Ralston will be ready for this last game.

JOE SCHLUNK'S SLOT.... Last week I made up for some bowling teams. When I read you column, I see that you put in any thing you want. Well, no difference. This a week, I hear something else. Track. Now, this is good game. I know, Couples week has just started, but this game. Seems day try to rob some G-Man, but in the end he gets justice. Now why don't Wilkes Colligde have track team? Some say too expensive. Maybe so. But however we don't need track. We don't have to think so. Look what hockey team do. Besides, Bob Moran also ready to teach track team. . . . no, how you call it. Coach track team. Let's see what we have. Bill Cleveland, huh. And dis time does forget me track team. Not like last week. Hobey? So long for now, yer fan, J. (Anonymously) Schlunk.

CAGERS TO WINDUP CURRENT CAMPAIGN AT TRIPLE CITIES TOMORROW EVENING

By JOE GRIES 

The Wilkes College cagers will close out the current season tomorrow night at Birmingham, New York, when they play in a return game with Triple Cities College. The Bingo Boys outmatched the Colonels in a close game last month in the local YMCA.

Last Saturday night the Colonels ended their home season by taking a dramatic 77-70 win over the Win- burg State Teachers State College. 83 points set a Triple City's record in this contest but faltered near the end when Charlie Petrik, Charlie Jackson, Bill Johns, Ben Washco, and Dave Brown went out on fouls. Freshman Bob Moran followed up with 19 points. He was followed by Bill Johns who garnered most of the first teamers to point out that school of higher learning. Pop goes up when Birmingham claims, they are the power house of the state's college idea. A huge crowd is expected to attend the game due to the many people who migrated to that area during the past war and never returned to the valley.

With this game Wilkes will end the worst season ever to hit a school. The Colonels were 2-14 for the season.

SOCCER PRACTICE TO BEGIN MONDAY

SOCcer coach Bob Partridge has announced that spring practice for the soccer team will begin this Monday; Anxiously to get things going and produce a really fine Colonels outfit here at Wilkes. Partridge has officially choused the first day of spring to March 15th and called soccer practices. Only one or two men have beat him in that respect.

Joe Gries, student and former soccer manager has hopes that he will find a lot of new faces out at practice. With coming tomorrow, Partridge has started over and over again that there are still eleven available positions. This means that anyone can break into the starting lineup come September. Bob will be looking for some fine linemen, and some bruting backs, plus a good goalie. If you see any such material laying around, send it over to Kirby Park at 3:00 on Monday, March 15.

Last year was the first year that Wilkes had a soccer team. For most of the fellows it meant learning the game from the bottom up. Even so, the team didn't do badly, and this week the Colonels are chosing opinions that Partridge would have a high team this year or a two year or two. This spring the Colonels will get better on the fundamentals and he is stressing conditioning. With some hard practice schedule the many weaknesses of the Colonels and to add a powerful eleven next fall.

Partridge will be assisted by his two lieutenant, freshman coach Bob Moran and the former pro from England, the Likely Reggie Bunn.

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Wilkes, John stored 29 times in 35 games for a total of 174 points. Florkiewicz was one of the most sought after footballers ever to perform in Wilkes.

Gerard Washco, a six foot, one inch, 230 pound giant also played his high school football at Nanticoke in 1941-42-43. He saw two years' service with the Navy and then enrolled at Wilkes. He has an honor that no other gridironers can claim and that is for four years he has started every Wilkes contest except the last two and he missed these because he was out with a broken wrist.

Washco, one of the seven blocks for the starting, performed on the Wilkes line and was usually found on the bottom of every tackle. He was selected on many opponent teams and led Wilkes last season to one of their best seasons in the pigskin sport.

By signing with Pittsburgh, Florkiewicz and Washco will play together for the third time on three different teams. John and Gerard have brought a great honor to Wilkes by being the first ones to sign with a pro team from here and it wouldn't have happened to two other folks.

We hope that this isn't the last time for something like this to happen, we hope it happens to someone and we don't think it is.

In Ann Arbor, the Grand Rapids Room on the campus is a favorite student gathering spot. In the Grand Rapids Room—Coca-Cola is the favorite drink. With the college crowd at the University of Michigan, as with every crowd—Coke belongs.

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ED TYBORSKI

(Season Sports Editor)
The new gym will be constructed on a site which was once used by the students of Wilkes College for parking. Each day about ninety-five cars were parked in this lot. Now that construction has begun, space must be found for the parking of these cars.

**THE QUESTION:**

What is your solution to this parking problem?

Danny Sherman, 

member of the Student 

Parking Committee: 

Obtain per- 

mission from the 

city to use the 

parking lot under 

the South Gym. If 

this plan falls perhaps we will get all the 

rate prices at 

some of the college lots near the 

college. The average student would not 

afford to pay the high price 

that is being charged by the owners 

of parking lots.

Marion Weltman, 

Assistant Editor of the Voice: 

I think the parking 

problem could be alleviated if parking was 

allotted on both sides of River St. Of 

course, it would be neces- 

sary to prohibit 

parking between 

4 and 6 in the afternoon. If this is 

impossible parking diagonally 

should be allowed on one side of the 

street.

Bob Waters, 

Senior Class Presi- 

dent: The plot of 

ground, on the 

back of Ashley 

Hall and the boys' dormitory, 

could be converted into 

an ideal parking lot. This would bring 

the beauty of the campus into 

the dormitory of the 

campus; but at times it is 

required to sacrifice 

beauty to fulfill current 

needs. As long as we are 

on the subject of parking, how the 

parking space that will be 

required for people who drive to 

the affairs which will be held at 

the New Gym.

Eugene Dough- 

erty, Sophomore: 

We must find a 

lot in the vicinity of the college large enough to park all of the cars that were previously parked in the Franklin Street lot. The idea lot is the one adjacent to Temple Israel. If it is not owned by the college we should make some arrangements with the owner for the use of this land for college parking.

Charlotte Davis, 

Social Chairman of Girls' Dorm: I reside at the dormitory on Northampton St. so I hardly find it necessary to drive to class. However, the parking problem would be partially solved if the Old River Road was made a one way street, and parked on both sides of the street.

John Blannett, 

Freshman: There 

wouldn't be a parking problem if the students who ride buses instead of driving to school. If these students still desire to drive to school, the city police should cooperate by allowing them to park on all streets surrounding the college without penalizing for parking overtime.

**BEACON REPORTER RELATES LUNCH HOUR ADVENTURES**

By CHUCK GLOMAN

The uptown clock struck twelve as I gathered my stack of books, raced out of world lit class, hopped in my car, and ran into "Skinny" Emris. I immediately jumped out of the car. Skinny was lying in the street, muttering something about passing a quiz from Dr. Craig.

After I picked him up and brushed some of the dirt off his coat, Skinny told me that he was on his way to eat lunch at one of the local hotels and asked me to go along with him.

"By the way," he asked, "why didn't you blow your horn?"

"The horn on my car is indifferent," I replied.

"How can your horn be indifferent?" he queried.

"I just don't give a hoot," I answered.

Then I asked Skinny if this hotel dining room was a very expensive place to eat. "Expensive?" he laughed. "This place is so expensive that when the check comes, you just throw all your money and jewelry on the table and the waiter tells you how much you're short."

As we entered the dining room, a step-walker, clad in blue-green-yellow-purple-fan colored pajamas, was stumbling around the room.

The waiter saw him and yelled, "Hey! You can walk around here in your pajamas."

"But I'm a somnambulist!" the step-walker persisted.

Then the waiter smacked him, "Well, you can't walk around here like that."

"I'm a somnambulist," said the waiter.

The waiter absent-mindedly answered, "Straight down the hall, third door on the right."

"Oh, forget it." "Skinny" snorted.

"What's on the menu?"

"Our specialty today is chicken smothered with mushrooms."

"Chicken smothered with mushrooms?" I asked.

"Yeah," the waiter retorted, "we had to smother the chicken with mushrooms . . . but the butchers didn't have the heart to use an axe."

Then I could hear the shouts and complaints of the people in the next booth. One of them called the waiter and screamed, "These eggs

are terrible. They're tough and half raw."

"Do you want me to turn them over?" the waiter asked.

"Yeh, to the Smithsonian Institute," was the reply.

After staring at the waiter for some time, I realized that I knew him. He was none other than Eugene Whifflesquepuck. I remember his wedding day. He was married on a fifty-fifty basis. . . She was half sober and he was half drunk.

The waiter's caption was one of the most considerable people I ever knew, I fact, I was so considerate that she shot her husband with a bow and arrow so she wouldn't wake up the children.

Football players must be conscientious . . . they're always going around their own ends.

I guess you heard the one about the two boys who got married and got a bumble from Heaven.

St. Peter: "How did you get here?"

New arrival: "Flu."

I don't know whether or not you ever realized it, but marriage is just like a car game. They start with a pair; they show her a diamond; she shows a flush and they end up with a full house.

**Monthly Discussions To Be Held By Wilkes History Department**

The first of a series of monthly round-table discussions sponsored by the History Department will be held next Wednesday, March 15, at 8:00 p.m., in the Girl's Lounge, third floor of Chase Hall.

Topics for the first meeting will be: Foreign Policy Toward China and Immigration.

Dr. Harold W. Thatcher, Head of the History Department will be the Chairman of the first meeting. The purpose of these monthly discussion meetings is to bring together members of the faculty and students to discuss current events.

All members of the faculty and student body are invited to participate.