There was nothing, it seemed, that flew stole so soon as pleasure.

"The Beautiful and Damned" F. Scott Fitzgerald

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Tone: Med I.R.C Chem Club Party

20 VIP's Make Student Leaders of '53: Five Beacon Men In The Choice

by James Nevers

At the last regular meeting of the Student Council, students whose names will appear in the national publication, "American College Publication" is distributed throughout the country, to industrial concerns throughout reference in public, industrial, and union gatherings, make up our student leaders.

The following students were chosen on the basis of leadership ability and cooperation: President of the Student Council is E. H. Broiler, editor-in-chief of the Beacon, which he called a newspaper. Paul B. Moore, editor of the Amlin column, and a member of the Student Council. He won his election while playing hard at Wilkes.

Isabel Ecker, campus beauty, was selected Secretary of the Student Council, member of the student council, associate editor of the yearbook, secretary of the Student Council, and Jr. basketball coach.

Cecil Evans, treasurer of the student council, secretary of the Economics Club, band member, and a member of the Student Council, is a member of the Student Council, and Jr. basketball coach.

Nancy Haney, the "brawn" of the Student Council, is a member of the Student Council, and Jr. basketball coach.

The BEACON'S BEAT

Christmas cards by and large are real deadbeats, but circulating reports of good fellowship and of the more enlightening, enjoyable ones. The Mob, that fearless five, sent out a legitimate card with an actual picture of theirTrot, stuck up in one little bed like birds of a feather apparently showing off. The signatures to the card was neatly printed, "The Mob.

The other card that struck a rich note was post-playwright, "Annie" Warman's own creation. On plain white paper and manuscript she was in class. Dale's greeting had a penciled bun any-where along the caption. "From the Floor." Dale unnecesarily wrote his own signature.

Mr. Symonides: "Men who are held are very masculine. Baldwin is the only man I know who is." -he man.

Sign of the Times: Sugar Ray Robinson, famed boxer, was named by Bob Partridge getting two new teeth both of whom confessed and ex- and really looking for the rock-in.

Winner of the holiday's "Look, Mom, no hands" award, was Mr. Mike Lewis, an Old Beacon reporter who gleefully showed all his friends his new teeth, the right eye, the result of a dog's outher bout coupled with a

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T.D. R. Prexy Shows How To Aspiring Mens

Mrs. Richard Pierse, the former Lucille Reese, announced that the three assembly presentations will be held on Monday at 2:30 a.m. in the Girls' Lounge, with groups of four dressed in bright to bring their lunches, coats will have to be left at the door.

"This is a most important meeting and the Valentine dances will be discussed. All girls who haven't selected or have not been asked are urged to work on one of these topics. Miss Reese, the President of the Theta Delta Khi recently married to Corporal Richard Pierse of the Navy, will preside.

Congratulations are extended to Lucille Reese, George, Mike Lewis, and Miss Pierse, and we welcome Miss Pierse as a member of our student body.

The program was transcribed and aired recently on WKLE.

ATTENTION CURTAIN MEMBERS

The last meeting of Curt' e at the Bowers Cabaret on Monday night in Chase Theater.

All members are urged to attend and participate in a discussion pertaining to next semester's productions.

Miss Dorrance's Research On Begonia's Prominence By Helen Krakelow

Recently a Penn State student plant disease class made the Garden Library a recent area of research. (Begonia is a fungus plant disease in which black and sotly.) The information found in the Penn State Library, as well as in the textbooks. In 1910 Miss Dorrance and her present partner were considered to be the first in the world to plant the disease. They were the first to do so. Miss Dorrance has very generously donated her three volumes to the Wilkes College Library. All of the volumes of the books were completely sold. The following is an excerpt translated: "Manuel de Plantes" by Prof. Dr. Pedro Cordero, "Psychiatric Plant Anatomy," by Dr. Ernst Kuntzer; and "Investigations on The Role of Begonias" by Mykoloff, by Dr. Oscar Brelfeld.

We know that this charming little lady who always has a cheerful word for students at the library desk but not for the unkind, but perhaps her achievements have. We have a scholar in our

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THE BEACON'S BEST

Mother entering the room unexpectedly: "Mabel, get right down from that young man's lap!"
Mabel: "Nothing doing, Ma. I got here first."
She was only a barber's daughter, but what a roup she had.

Mother, putting Junior to bed: "Do to sleep, Sand man is coming."
Junior: "For fifty cents I won't tell Daddy.

He who laughs last is trying to think of the dirty meaning.

Millman: I brought a skunk back to the dorm.

Duncan: Where you gonna keep him?
Millman: I'm gonna tie him to my bed.

Duncan: What about the smell?
Millman: He'll have to get used to it just like I did.

Dipping-Out-Hunt: Never break bread or roll in your soup.

One of the Mob was handed a drink and asked, "What would you like to drink?"
To almost three in the morning, the Mobster replied.

The baby was awakened from a peaceful slumber. Looking down at his raiment he yelled over to his father, "Did you spill water on my diaper?"

New, was the reply.

The baby looked punted for a moment an then said, "Hm-m, must have been an inside job."

Cop: "No parking, You can't beat here."
Voice from rear: "Who's loafing?"

Old Maid: "I hate to think of my youth."
Friend: "Why, what happened?"
Old Maid: "Nothing."

A WISE GUY'S WEBSTER

Public Opinion—What people think people are thinking.
Pedestrian—A car owner who has found a parking space.
Pretzel—A doughnut with confections.
Procrastination—A period of closing between two periods of fighting.
Puritanism—The hating fear that someone, somewhere, may have a good idea.
Politics—The maddest life of what is a political aspiration under democracy. His failure is ignominious and his motives are diabolical.
Profesor—A teacher of economics.
Patriot—The dearest of all the things a countryman could possess.

Hi, well here we again, I wish the editor of this sheet would quit cutting my last para, it makes my columns sound worse than they are. The college newspaper in town that I have a complaint against, New Years afternoon, I woke up and picked up the morning paper. What I behold! It is New Year's day! No banner headlines giving me the news, no special edition. I cringed reading the story of a great railroad of past years that had failed, I rued the happy hunting ground. It was the most depressing thing to start off that I know of. If this community is trying to pull itself up by its bootstraps, why don't you get a few papers giving the people confidence instead of complaining about the past.

For those of you who may be interested in keeping it in the future I shall now take off on a brief course of the paper. The primary interest in the course is a thing called the normal curve—very interesting but also very inaccurate. Why? Because the normal curve is not a normal curve at all. This does not come from personal experience alone. When I first held the book in my hand I had a picot and checked with a pres}-

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Hoopsters Meet Hofstra Saturday Night

Club Now Has 3-3 Record With Win Over Ithaca; Rookie Ferris Shines

Saturday night the Wilkes Colonels will play host to Hofstra College in a basketball game. Wilkes leads Hofstra in the regular season, and this game is the first of the season that Wilkes has had the Long Island team on its schedule. Hofstra plays in a fast New York league, but the Colonels will be trying to move past the 300 mark. Wilkes now has record of three wins and three losses.

Last Wednesday night the Colonels played Bloom'sburg, who were the preliminary game the Junior Varsity beat the Hornets of the Intramural League by a score of 71-34, and in the main attraction the Varsity beat the Ithaca College 87-77. The game looked as though it was going to be won by New York boys, but with Jim Ferris, Eddie Elmore, and Jimmy Atherton playing steadily, the Colonels moved ahead. In the third quarter Davis tied the score. The game was tied four times after that, but in the last two minutes of play the home team went ahead to stay. High scorers for the evening were Ferris with 15, Davis with 14, and Jimmy Atherton with 12. Ferris and Atherton were the stars of the game. Atherton's shot and backcourt play, and Ferris' ball handling, put the driving shots of Perris pushed the Colonels on to victory.

BATRONEY GOING AT RECORD PACE

As it stands on New Year's Day, Lenny Batrony is in for another basketball record at Wilkes. In the Colonels' first five games Len has whipped up 104 points, an average of 20.8 a game. Full Sebekar holds the all-time Wilkes high average of 19.61 a game. Len came close last year with a 19.09 average. Last season with that average Len broke the all-time scoring mark with 459 points, but this year Len has low scores to operate in. The 20.8 average, though, is record-bound at this point.

Right behind Batrony for average-scoring is George Kaskey. Though only participating in the first two games because of an injury, Marsh is averaging an even 16 points a game. Though Edgar Fox and Satinoff's high of 104 points with 80 is average last year, Len has had more playing time with good for only 14.4. Fourth and the club's biggest surprise of the season is Joe Sikora with 46 points and a 9.2 average.

The team's record by New Year's Day was 2 wins and 3 losses including two games in the 90 point column.

ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Jan. 15—Intramurals 7-9 P.M.
Wednesday, Jan. 14—Basketball, Bloom'sburg, Home.
Thursday, Jan. 15—Assembly; Fall Semester Ends; Intramurals 7-9 P.M.

JOE SIKORA

There's no doubt about it. Joe Sikora is Coach Ralston's outstanding surprise on the 1952-53 basketball team. Big Joe, the club's tallest man at 6'2", has compiled an average of 10 points and 4.8 rebounds. Joe has been the man since the first game, and now that he has begun to score he has become a real threat man on the Colonels.

Finally, Joe's record after the first five games is 46 points for a 9.2 average. Last year Joe averaged only a weak 4.7 points.

NOTICE!

Alex Cather announces that a meeting of the Junior Class will be held this Tuesday at 11:00 in the Chase Theater. The topic of this "State of the Class" meeting will be activities for the Spring semester. All members of the class are requested to be present, as this topic concerns ALL Juniors.

Colonel Sport Shorts...

The soccer Colonels last season were able to withstand any atrocious beatings. The worst that happened to the club was a 5-1 lashing from Elizabethtown. In past years the story has been different. In 1949 F & M beat them 7-0, Ithaca 8-0, and East Stroudsburg 9-8. In 1950 East Stroudsburg did it by a score of 5-0. In 1951 F & M slammed the club 9-1, and East Stroudsburg did the same the only on a 6-1 score. Continuing on a high note the 9-2 Ithaca and East Stroudsburg's 5-0 were the worst. Joe Kroppenrieder turned the longest run for the Colonels in 1952. The stubby little fellow grabbed a score with his noggin and churned 66 yards against Bloomsburg. He failed to score, though.

Only three men were able to score in 1952 for Patridge's booters: Flip Jones made three goals, Don Moore made one, and Tony Bussing made one.

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WILKES COLLEGE BEACON
One of the organizations on campus to which little publicity is given is made up of music education students and sponsored by Mr. Moran. This organization is connected with the Music Educators National Conference, which is the music division of the National Education Association. In the last two or three years these music educators have started to organize student chapters in various colleges throughout the country. The aims of these chapters is to get prospective teachers into the conference. This enables them to familiarize themselves with it before they begin to teach.

Our chapter at Wilkes, Chapter 388, boasts 100 percent membership of Music Education Majors. Since there are only seven chapters of this kind in the country which have full membership, our music majors are really wide awake. They plan to meet once a month to discuss problems which arise in the teaching field.

Winter Carnival Facts...

Skiing, skating, sledding, tobogganing, and all types of indoor sports and several other types of outdoor activities will highlight the Winter Carnival. Bring your lunch or eat at the snack bar or dining room. Don't bring in any drinks, they'll be against the law. A bus will leave Chapman Hall that morning, more information on that later.

The management has been most cooperative in making arrangements for us. The facilities of the lodge are at our disposal so let's all of us get out and enjoy ourselves. At the same time let's continue to observe common rules of conduct and courtesy and prove to the Split Rock people that our presence is an asset and not a liability. Just last year Split Rock folks refused us because of an unpleasant incident or two. Let's get out and enjoy ourselves but respect the rights of others.

 NOTICE!

To make sure that all the students will be ready for the exams, the library will be open every Saturday (Jan. 19, 17, and 24) from 9-11.

COLLEGE DRINKERS CAN BLAME PARENTS

Disclosing for the first time preliminary results of a five-year study into the drinking habits of American college youtn, Robert Strauss, research associate at Yale University's Laboratory of Applied Physiology, reports that four out of every five college men who drink began their drinking before entering college.

"We hope the study will help create a better understanding of student behavior on the part of persons affected by such activities, such as residents of the college town, alumni and parents," he declared.

Data was secured by the Yale survey at 27 colleges and universities in the country. A total of 17,000 students took part in a wide sampling of student drinking habits and attitudes toward drinking. "The probability that a young person will drink at all," Mr. Strauss said, "is closely related to the practices of his or her parents. Of the men whose parents both drink, 90 percent are themselves users. However, only half of the men (51 percent) whose parents both abstain, drink. An even more striking relationship between parental use and own use is seen for the women."