

Skaters at last year's Winter Carnival enjoy the facilities available to them. In addition to skating, sledding and skiing are on the agenda of this year's outdoor activities.

Carnival Highlights Winter Season

At the present time, everyone is burdened with the pressure of final examinations, but they may look forward to a gala celebration commemorating their completion. This annual event is the Winter Carnival sponsored by the Student Government. This year's carnival will take place at the Inn at Buckhill Falls, on January 29 from 9 a.m. until 10 p.m.

Activities have been planned in such a way that the entire day will consist of one continuous cycle of events from early morning until late evening.

During the morning and afternoon, students will be permitted to use the skating rink, the ski slope, and the sledding run. In the event that one is without necessary equipment, it will be possible to

rent it at a reduced rate. In addition to these facilities, the snack bars, lounge, and game rooms will all be open for the student's use throughout the day.

At 2 p.m., the Kickline will perform on ice, and following their performance, a snowflake princess will be crowned. Arrangements for this event are currently being made by A.W.S., and the selection of the princess will be made by the Wilkes division of the J.C.C.

In the evening at 7 o'clock, there will be a dance at Convention Hall, with music being provided by the Rhythm Aces, and intermission entertainment by John Hall and Bernie Cohen. The dancing will continue until 10 p.m., closing the day's activities.

Tickets for the Winter Carnival

are currently on sale for the price of one dollar and fifty cents. They may be purchased from any member of the Student Government, at the bookstore or at the caf. It is important to take note that no tickets will be sold at Buckhill Falls.

Bus tickets will also be made available, and may be purchased at the time the ticket for the carnival is bought. The cost of the bus ticket will be one dollar. The buses will leave Wilkes-Barre for Buckhill Falls at 7:30 a.m., and will return to Wilkes-Barre at 11 p.m.

A final comment to anyone anticipating bringing liquor to the carnival: anyone with "bated breath" will be subject to immediate expulsion.

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Mechanical, Technical Problems Postpone Use of Language Lab

Since the presentation of the language laboratory to the college by last year's senior class, many students have been anxiously awaiting its introduction. The pertinent question on campus these days seems to be "What happened to the language lab?"

In a recent discussion with the 'Beacon' staff Dr. Frijters, of the language department, answered this question by revealing that much work is involved in the preparation of the lab for student use, but that the equipment would probably be ready for use in the fall semester.

Explaining that one does not simply acquire a language lab one day and start using it the next, he described the problems, both mechanical and technical, involved in using a lab effectively. The mechanical problems — involving the instructors becoming familiar with the machinery itself — were rather easily solved, but the technical problems — which include choosing the correct method of using the machinery, then writing drills, and selecting appropriate books to accompany these drills — are more complex and are still being worked out. To complicate the matter, almost no relevant material is avail-

able to go with the machines — placing this burden on the shoulders of the department using it.

Dr. Frijters, who is presently intensively engaged in preparing programming material for the project, is enthusiastic about its use as a tool for the teaching of a foreign language. Since most people are not familiar with the methods or potential of such a system, Dr. Frijters has consented to do an article for the next issue of the Beacon analyzing these.

Soeder Receives Grant For Chemical Research

Dr. Robert W. Soeder, assistant professor of chemistry, has been awarded an unrestricted grant in the amount of \$2,500 by Research Corporation, New York, announced Dr. Eugene S. Farley, president of the College.

Dr. Soeder plans to use the grant to purchase chemicals and equipment for use in a research project now underway. This project is an attempt to synthesize compounds which might have physical properties to be used as tranquilizers.

Dr. Soeder joined the Wilkes faculty in 1962 after studying at the University of Minnesota as a post-doctoral Fellow. He had received his B.S. degree from Ursinus College and his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Delaware.



'Strictly for the Birds'
(See story on page 4)

College Artists to Show Work January 11-26 At Art League Exhibit

"Wyoming Valley As The Artist Sees It" is the theme for the two-week art exhibit presented by the Wyoming Valley Art League. Art forms in all media will be on exhibit from January 11 through January 26 in the Art League's Little Gallery located at 44 West Market Street, Wilkes-Barre.

In addition to those entries submitted by members of the League, on display will be approximately twenty entries submitted by faculty members and students of the College.

Non-area residents will judge the art works. The winning entries, which will receive a \$75, a \$50, a \$25 award, and honorable mention, will be announced at this evening's meeting of the Art League.

For those interested in viewing Wyoming Valley "as the artist sees it", the Little Gallery will be open Monday through Saturday from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m., Sunday 1-5 p.m.

Hrynkiw Featured Soloist

Thomas Hrynkiw, Wilkes College senior majoring in Music Education, was yesterday's piano soloist in the Assembly program presented by the Music Department.

He performed Beethoven's Sonata, op. 27, No. 2, Adagio Sostenuto, Allegretto, and Presto-Agitato; the First Movement of Rachmaninoff's Concerto No. 2, op. 18; and Liszt's Totentanz, Introduction and Theme and Variations.

Mr. Hrynkiw is the recent Pennsylvania and Eastern States winner of the National Music Teachers Association piano competition. He will travel to Chicago in March for the nationwide finals.

Fashion Contest Planned

Associated Women Students have started planning for this year's Best Dressed Coed Contest which will be held February 9 at 8 p.m. in the gymnasium. Nancy Palazzolo, President of A.W.S., has announced the following committee chairmen: General Chairman, Mimi Wilson; publicity, Barbara Lore, Jane Palka, Anita Havenec, Josephine Signorelli; Beacon coverage, Lila Koritko; decorations, Elaine Kozemchak; refreshments and entertainment, Merle Benisch and Linda Paonessa.

The ten candidates who will compete for the Best Dressed Contest will be chosen from the nominations collected at yesterday's assembly program.

Four Classes Formulate Plans; Seniors Stress Money Projects

All astrological signs indicating that the time is ripe for prognostication, the four classes have begun to make their plans and fabricate their projects for the next semester.

SENIOR CLASS

According to one senior, "our biggest plan is to graduate." However, further cross-examination uncovered the fact that several other projects are planned for the next semester.

That universal need for money is also shared by the Class of '63. Consequently, several money-making projects have been contrived to alleviate this situation. Three car washes will be held, so start getting your cars dirty. While you're at it, you might work up an appetite too, as a spaghetti supper and a bake sale are also on the senior agenda.

One rather unwonted, but lucrative project has been devised for the benefit of the dorm students. Parents desiring to give their away-from-home offspring a birthday cake need only contact a senior who will see that the birthday celebrant receives his cake.

Also on the prospectus, according to senior class president Brent O'Connell, are a tour of a local mine, a skating party, and the class memorial gift.

JUNIOR CLASS

Forecast for the juniors indicates that the most notable date on their second-semester calendar will be March 30, which has been selected as the date for their dinner dance.

March 15, scheduled as the date for a donkey basketball game, is another day to be circled on the calendar. President Jimmy Jones is leading the juniors in a search for an interesting program to be presented at their assembly on February 7. The Princeton singers, originally scheduled, were compelled to bow out because of a conflict with their studies.

SOPHOMORE CLASS

Gazing into the sophomores' crystal ball reveals that theirs will be the first dance of the second semester. In an effort to give the dance an aura of novelty, an original theme is being sought. It has been decided that records, rather than a band, will provide the music for dancing.

President Al Gilbert has also announced that the sophomores are planning a hayride to be held during the month of April.

FRESHMAN CLASS

Freshmen, now fully adjusted to campus life, will assume a more active role in college activities. The main problem confronting the class in the near future will be the choosing of an Executive Committee.

Frosh president Jerry McHale has indicated that the initial project for the Class of '66 will definitely be something new, different, and exciting. Ideas relevant to the project are now being assembled, and a committee of the class officers and student government representatives will soon meet to select the project.

College Program Needed

Pennsylvania, in lacking public support for state legislation lags far behind the other states, in regard to the community college. Thus stated Duane Wilder, co-chairman of the Governor's Committee of 100 for Better Education.

"Pennsylvania politicians need a good bit of education in this subject because there is no community college program in this state, whereas California has 67 public community colleges with a total enrollment of 325,000," stated Wilder. Texas also has 34 public community colleges for 41,000 students. Illinois has 22; Washington has 112; Oklahoma has 11."

According to Wilder, Pennsylvania high schools have indicated that nearly 20,000 students would take advantage of further education in public community colleges every year if these were available.

"Only four junior colleges in Pennsylvania approach the definition of a public community college, Hershey, York, Pittsburgh's Point Park, and Robert Morris," he said.

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Class Prepares to Select Gift

Scoreboards, equipment, bulletin boards, what will it be? What will the senior class leave to Wilkes College in 1963?

The gift that the next graduating class will present to the College has not yet been selected, but the members of the committee in charge of this project will soon be surrounded by suggestions. Next semester, the entire senior class will vote on these various suggestions.

The Memorial Fund, which will provide the money for the present, has been utilized to the greatest advantage in previous years. The

class of 1959 has made it possible for the students of Wilkes College, as well as any visitors to the College, to see the colorful pennants that decorate the gym. The scoreboard, that displays the scores of all the athletic events at the gym, was donated by the class of 1961. What would the language department be without language lab? The class of 1962 must have considered this question when they contributed equipment for the language laboratory.

The school will know in a few short months what this year's class will present to Wilkes College.

EDITORIAL

Let It Be Known

The Greeks worshipped wisdom and power, the Medievals, judgment and consolation, and the revivalists of classic architecture, beauty. But what do we worship? — getting ahead. Especially in education does one notice that studies are pursued no longer for a pure love of knowledge — knowledge for its own sake — but rather for social advancement and for economical security.

Perhaps we do live in a mechanized and a utilitarian world. Yet we are free-willed individuals who should not be intellectually influenced by subserviant mechanisms.

Education, says Victorian Ruskin, makes people love knowledge, love purity and justice as ends in themselves. Is Ruskin idealistic, old-fashioned, or mistaken? Or is it, perhaps, that in his era education was intellectual rather than useful?

Throughout school one gathers facts. But in a college and university one must do more than this. Knowledge goes beyond mere enlargement. Mental enlargement means progress; one does not, therefore, stand still. He acts. Reducing matter to order and meaning, he digests what at first he only passively acquired. Then referring what he learns to what he already knows, he sees relationships.

In this way, education is a preparation for knowledge, not a substitute for it. The end of a college and a university education is, then, thought or reason exercised upon knowledge.

LOVE POEM

We are not like lovers, you and I.
We do not share the glances
Or the vision gleaming eye
That other's share.
We do not kiss and linger
hand in hand
Caressing fingers
Do not touch our lips
When we do touch.
And yet,
I so true and deeply love
That though it take a million year
To tell of
I shall tell.
— Harris Tobias

What - Where - When -



- IDC Dance — Gym, Tonight, 9-12 p.m.
- Wyoming Valley Art League Exhibition — Little Gallery, West Market St., Jan. 12-25.
- Basketball, Elizabethtown — Away, Tomorrow, 8:30 p.m.
- Wrestling, Hofstra — Gym, Tomorrow, 8:00 p.m.
- Robert Shaw Chorale and Orchestra — Irem Temple, Jan. 18, 8:30 p.m.
- Swimming, East Stroudsburg — YMCA, Jan. 26, 6:00 p.m.
- Wrestling, East Stroudsburg — Gym, Jan. 26, 8:00 p.m.
- Winter Carnival — Buckhill Falls, Jan. 29, 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.
- All-College Registration — Gym, Jan. 30
- Basketball, Moravian — Away, Jan. 30, 8:00 p.m.
- Basketball, Fairleigh Dickinson — Gym, Feb. 2, 8:15 p.m.
- Wrestling, Moravian — Away, Feb. 2, 8:00 p.m.
- Basketball, Scranton — Gym, Feb. 4, 8:15 p.m.
- Basketball, Susquehanna — Away, Feb. 6, 8:00 p.m.



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Letters to the Editor . . .

Dear Editor:

On behalf of the TDR Sorority we would like to thank all those who helped make the "Golden Agers" Christmas Party a success. Special thanks go to the Lettermen for all their help in transporting the guests to and from the party, and to the Collegians for their fine entertainment. Our sincere thanks go to all our committee heads for their fine work.

Sincerely yours,
Andrea Petrask
Catherine Skopie
Co-Chairmen
"Golden Agers Party"
* * *

Dear Editor:

All of us in the Wilkes-Barre Kiwanis Club, and in the Wyoming Valley, are proud of the outstanding production and presentation of "The Music Man". This is the finest college musical presentation that many of us have ever seen. Some who saw "The Music Man" in New York City preferred the Wilkes production, and thought in many ways it was superior.

We know that over 200 students and faculty were involved in making possible this big success. Everyone who had any connection with the show did great honor to his college, and helped along one of the most humane and creative causes in the world in the Kiwanis Wheel Chair Club project.

This took hours of preparation, and must have caused a great deal of burning of the midnight oil. We are glad if all of you feel that it was worth it, for we in Kiwanis and in the community feel doubly rewarded. The entire production from beginning to end was "strictly quality" and bore the stamp of "class" which we associate with Wilkes. Students who graduate from Wilkes have secured the finest kind of education, and are prepared for varied walks of life or for further graduate study.

The songs are ended, "but the melodies" linger on. It is a joy and a privilege to have such a fine company of people, as took part in this presentation, right here among us — studying and making ready to give leadership to the world of tomorrow. We tip our hats to you, and know that you have what it takes to make us as proud of you as you are of Wilkes College.

The Rev. Jule Ayers, D.D.,
Past President, Wilkes-Barre
Kiwanis Club
Minister, First Presbyterian
Church, Wilkes-Barre

The Apathetic Onlooker

by Jack Hardie

Olsen Schroeder

Once again, as final examinations draw near, The Apathetic Onlooker pays tribute to the unknown, "un-degreed" departed of Wilkes College.

Many of those whom we know and love will no longer remain with us, even as countless others in their Freshman, Sophomore, and Junior years have silently passed to the realm beyond; in observance of our annual Fall semester termination, therefore, The Onlooker asks that, for those dearly departed, the entire Wilkes student body join in at least one moment of silent, head-lowered reverie. . . Amen.

TRES CHIC

Cologne Adds to Charm

by Maryann Wilson,

Cologne or perfume can be an important part of your daily grooming. Most people like to be around someone who is wearing a pleasant fragrance and the user always feels fresher and more glamorous. A fragrance can be worn anytime. For daytime wear a light scented floral bouquet is ideal, and during the evening more exotic scents are intriguing. Putting on a little cologne before beginning a study session in the evening can also give you a mental pickup.

A POINT OF DISCUSSION

by Dr. Stanko M. Vujica, Department of Philosophy and Religion

At the height of the recent Cuban crisis, Premier Khrushchev wrote private letters to two men in the West—President Kennedy and the British philosopher, Lord Russell. I have been asked to comment on Russell's frequent excursions from the ivory tower of mathematical logic into the cold war arena, especially his recent antics in London streets as leader of the Committee of 100 whose slogan is "better Red than dead."

First, let me say a few words about Bertrand Russell. He is one of the few seminal thinkers of the twentieth century, undoubtedly the greatest living philosopher and easily the most controversial one. Not since Socrates, who enjoyed playing the dangerous game of antagonizing his contemporaries by exploding their neat little certitudes, has a philosopher been more eager to express unpopular views on popular issues. Like Socrates, "the gadfly" of Athens, Russell seems to relish the self-assumed role of the conscience of the age. And like his Greek counterpart, he has more than once been accused of "denying recognized beliefs" and "corrupting the young."

Russell's contributions to philosophy have been many and great. His contributions to the Cold War diplomacy, I fear, have been less fortunate. He urged President Truman to drop atomic bombs on the Soviet Union if it rejected proposals for international control. As late as 1954, even after the lingering effects of the radioactivity became known, Russell wrote that as much as he deplored the holocaust of war, he would regard it as a lesser evil than the loss of Western Europe to communism. Today his foreign policy platform is "better Red than dead."

What are we to think of this newest twist of Russellian political wisdom?

If Russell were addressing himself to individual citizens in, say, China or Hungary his slogan would be a counsel of prudence. If the choice were between either a useless and certain death or submission, only a person with suicidal tendencies or a perverted sense of martyrdom would choose the former. A sane person prefers living to dying no matter how hard and unpleasant life may be. Surely, bravery does not consist in a willingness to die, but in a willingness to take great risks for a noble cause, including the risk of death if necessary.

Russell, however, is not addressing himself to the citizens of the Iron Curtain countries. His slogan "better Red than dead" is intended as a guide for Western policy. What he is saying then is: Better communism than a nuclear war; he urges that the West as the saner party in the conflict should be willing to accept the communization of the world rather than risk the global nuclear war.

Thus understood the slogan, I feel, is politically unwise and morally dubious.

To reveal to the enemy, in fact shout from the rooftops, our unwillingness to risk nuclear war under any circumstances whatsoever is an open invitation to conquest; to expect any other results is mere childish nursery psychology.

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STUDENT SKETCH

Diligent Senior A 'Bonnie' Example Of the Well-Rounded College Student

"All this and brilliance, too," is what one is apt to think after having become acquainted with Bonnie Ruth Jenkins and her multitude of activities. A Dean's List student, Bonnie went to "the head of the class" and received in her second year of college the Faculty Women's Award as the young woman having the highest academic average during her freshman year. During the next two years she continued in her tradition of diligence and intelligence and again went to "the head of the class" and, as a result, was awarded the Linda Morris Award as the coed achieving the highest scholastic average for three years of college work.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Jenkins of Shavertown, Bonnie is a present member of the Madrigal Singers and the Mixed Chorus and last year served her class as a student government representative. She was also selected by the student body in her sophomore year as one of the ten best-dressed coeds and starred in the "Music Man." Recently named to "Who's Who Among College Students," she spends her summers working as a camp counsellor and during the school year works at the college library.

Bonnie, reflecting on her college life, commented that the most valuable thing she has received from her higher education is "an intelligent critical attitude." Putting this attribute to good use, she comments thus on the current honor system controversy:

"I don't think it will work — if the stakes are high enough, honor will bow to the need to survive in an academic world. Perhaps if grades were de-emphasized, abolished in fact, an honor system would be feasible. After all, exams are an incomplete and often misleading evaluation of a student's ability and knowledge."

Commenting on this institution in general she has the following to say:

"Speaking as an English major, I feel that Wilkes College provides the substantial background in literature and language prerequisite to graduate study." Bonnie continued and mentioned that she would like to see the innovation of

a music listening room so that the school's "good selection of records" might be more widely appreciated. The prospect of a weekly cultural film would also please her as would a revision of the final examination



Bonnie Jenkins

system. She commented wryly, "the sawdust is terrible."

In her spare time Bonnie likes to "keep up with good reading" and listen to piano concerts.

After graduation Bonnie plans to continue her education on a part-time basis while teaching English when she will again be, but in a different sense of the word, "at the head of the class."

Grapplers Face Hofstra Matmen In Home Contest Tomorrow Night

The Wilkes wrestlers will host Hofstra College tomorrow night at 8:00 in the Wilkes College Gym. The Colonels defeated the Flying Dutchmen last year and hold a 5-3-2 lead in the wrestling series between the two colleges. Coach Pete Damone has several returning lettermen including Captain John Ryan, Ed Devereaux, and Dave Padgett.

The Colonels will host East Stroudsburg on Jan. 26 and will be out for their second straight win over the Teachers. Coach Jim Reed's grapplers have several returning lettermen and are expected to provide the Colonels with stiff opposition.

The Wilkes College wrestlers upset the powerful C. W. Post squad, 23-7, last Saturday to record their second straight win of the season.

Ned McGinley easily decisioned his opponent at 123, and Tim Adams followed with a pin at 130 to give the Colonels a quick 8-0 lead. Jim Bamerick rallied to tie Mike Pomaro, 4-4, and Nick Stefanowski, wrestling in the 147-pound slot, won on forfeit.

Joe Easley gave the Colonels an insurmountable 18-2 lead by decisioning John Avitable in the 157-pound class. John Gardner lost a tough 3-0 decision to Dick Duffy, and Harry Vogt battled Dick Ingarozzar to a 5-5 tie. Bob Herman finished off the Colonels' fine performance by edging Mike Spekto, 6-5, in the unlimited class.

The Colonels have a 2-0 record so far this season, and Coach Reese's grapplers appear to be headed for another fine season.

Swimmers Win Opener; First Victory in 2 Years

The Colonel swimmers started their season on a high note by defeating Drexel, 54-37. The triumph was the first in two years for the tankmen.

Captain Craig Huddy took first place in the 200 yard butterfly and the 200 yard breaststroke. Also instrumental in the Colonel victory was Jack Barnes who placed first in both the 50 and 100 yard freestyle. Another first place winner was freshman Ken Wiswall who took the 200 yard freestyle.

The next meet will find Coach Ken Young's squad at East Stroudsburg on January 26. Maybe this season the tankmen will show that they are not really so all wet after all.

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Colonel Cagers to Play E-town, Moravian, FDU; Lose to Royals, Indians

Tomorrow evening the Colonel cagers will be in Elizabethtown, Pa. to meet the Elizabethtown College five in an MAC contest. Last season the Blue Jays downed the Davismen, 72-67, in a rugged contest. The E-towners are led by Captain John Neely, a 5'6" guard, who sparks their offense with his playmaking. Don Reitmeyer, a 6'7" sophomore, averaged 15 points per game last year and Jim Schichter had a 12.8 average. Both Reitmeyer and Schichter are continuing their scoring heroics this year.

On Wednesday, Jan. 30, the Wilkes dribblers will be at Moravian College to play the Flying Dutchmen. Wilkes succumbed to the potent Dutchmen twice last season by 76-57 and 71-69 scores. With most of last year's team back, Moravian is again a potent quint.

FDU on Schedule
Fairleigh Dickinson University provides the next opposition for the Colonels as they come to Wilkes-Barre on Feb. 2 to meet the Wilkesmen. FDU is a new addition to the Wilkes schedule as they have not met the Colonels before. Coach Robert Shields of the Mets has five returning letterwinners and ample help from newcomers.

On Feb. 4 and 6 the Colonels meet Scranton and Susquehanna. Both teams have already trounced the Wilkesmen this season and are expected to do it again. The Scranton game will be a home contest, while the Susquehanna match will be at Selinsgrove.

Colonels Lose Two
In their last two outings (before press time) the Colonels met defeat for the fifth and sixth times this season without recording a win. Against Scranton the Davismen managed only 41 points while allowing the Royals 87. Dick Morgan and Harvey Rosen were high for Wilkes with 15 and 11 points respectively while Willie Witaconis threw in 24 for the Royals.

At Juniata the Wilkesmen scored only 22 points in the second half and succumbed to the Indians by a score of 67-54. Rosen was high with 12.

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Ned McGinley, Tourney Finalist, Chosen as 'Athlete of the Week'

This issue, Ned McGinley has been selected as Beacon "Athlete of the Week." Ned, a sophomore, holds down the 123-pound slot in the Wilkes wrestling team and usually starts the matmen off on the right foot.

A graduate of Kingston High School, Ned was the only Colonel to enter the finals of the Wilkes Open Wrestling Tourney. His first victim, a wrestler named Saraniti from Hiram College, found himself on the short end of a 7-0 decision. In his next match, Ned took a close referee's decision from Palniajano, a University of Michigan grappler. In the finals, though, Ned was de-

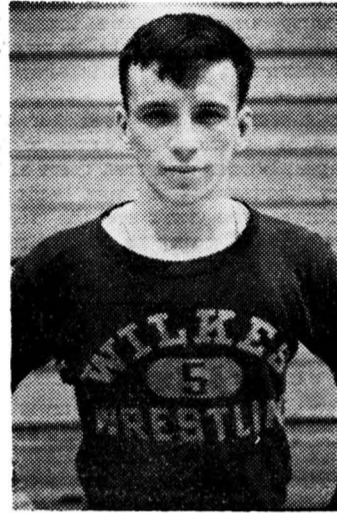
cisioned by last year's outstanding wrestler, Charles Bush of Cornell.

So far in this season's dual meets, Ned has come up with a win at Ithaca and a nifty decision over his C. W. Post opponent last Saturday to start the Colonels on their way to a 23-7 victory over the Pioneers.

What is remarkable about Ned, in addition to his knack for winning, is the fact that in college he is giving most of his opponents a decided weight advantage, as evidenced by the fact that he wrestled in 115 class in the Open.

Ned seems to have relaxed a little since his high school days, but his sassy self-confidence still manages to show itself. His terrific spirit seems to be as great an asset as his wrestling skill. Ned knows the moves and possesses the speed to make up for his lack of weight, and, while not an overly powerful wrestler, seems capable of controlling his often stronger adversaries.

On campus as well as on the mats, Ned is high spirited and sure of himself. For his outstanding performance in the Wilkes Open and the continuation of his winning ways in dual meet competition, the Beacon has selected Ned McGinley as "Athlete of the Week."



Ned McGinley

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Gym to Become Lovebird Paradise For TDR Valentine Semi-Formal

Did you hear the big news? The gym is being remodeled—"I kid you not"—into a "Paradise of Lovebirds." The work is scheduled to be completed by February 15, a date which, by some twist of fate, coincides with that of the TDR Valentine semi-formal.

Instead of being aimed at the traditional red hearts, Cupid's arrows will be directed towards two large lovebirds, perched midst a setting of soft shades of blue. To make your every come true, there will be a wishing well, while bird cages will adorn all the tables. A bridge will lend a romantic atmosphere for picture-taking.

Couples desiring remembrances of the evening may have their names placed on lovebirds which will be used to decorate the walls. These may then be taken home at the end of the dance.

Unlike certain other paradises which shall go unnamed, requirements for entering the Paradise for Lovebirds are not particularly stringent. A mere three dollars will assure your admission into this exotic world. There, ambrosia, the food of the gods, will be served under the guise of coke and chips.

Dancing to the melodies of Tom Donlin's band will last not an eternity, but only from 9 'til 12. Selected from among the TDR members present at the dance, the queen will be crowned at intermission. As guests of the Sorority, escorts will be given favors as token of what may prove to be their only trip into paradise.

Rowena Simms is in charge of making your sojourn into the "Paradise for Lovebirds" a pleasant one.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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But they are privately owned and operated. They do not serve all the people.

Wilder feels that this is a critical gap in the system of public education and that the state is suffering an incalculable loss of trained intelligence to its economy and culture, a loss that is shared by the entire nation.

In discussing the need for a statewide system of community colleges, Wilder said that there are many thousands of high school graduates who don't see the need or purpose of going to college for four years but do see the need for education at a level above high school.

COLLEGIANS NOTICE

The Collegians will hold tryouts for the coming semester on January 14, 15, and 16, in Gies Hall at 12 noon. Any male student is cordially invited to join the chorus. The Collegians also wish to announce that a two-day tour of Pennsylvania is being planned for the month of April.

Award-Winning Artist Latest Faculty Member

by Joe Klaips

Illuminated in this week's new faculty spotlight is Philip Richards, most recent faculty addition to the art department. Mr. Richards graduated from Syracuse University with a B.F.A. degree, and prior to his coming to Wilkes was an art instructor at the Dallas Junior High School, in addition to being a member of the teaching staff at the Eberhart Museum in Scranton. The latter position, incidentally, still occupies a portion of his time.

Aside from his teaching activities, Mr. Richards also finds time to do a great deal of painting on his own. He has been the recipient of numerous prizes and honors as a result of local and regional competition, and has also won honors in national competition. The American Watercolor Prize, the Windsor Newton Award, and the British-American Watercolor Exhibit Award are just a few of the prizes he has won. Mr. Richards also holds membership in the York County Artists Group in Maine, the American Watercolor Society, and the Ogunquit, Maine, Artists' Society.

Maintaining consistency in the artistic field of activity, Mr. Richards has a great interest in the theater. In the past he was an active participant in the Little Theater of Wilkes-Barre, and has been a member of the Board of Directors of that group.

Mr. Richards' summer activities also follow the artistic train of thought. He is the owner of a motel in Ogunquit, Maine, which is a meeting place for artists in that area.

Fellowships and Government Aid Available for English Students

An ever-increasing amount of fellowship and government aid programs are being offered each year for students who intend to do graduate work as preparation for college teaching. Graduate students of high calibre who are interested in pursuing a Ph.D. in English certainly have many such opportunities from which to choose.

General requirements which applicants for National Defense Graduate Fellowships must meet are as follows:

1. At the time a fellow begins study, he must have completed a baccalaureate degree or its equivalent and give promise of doing outstanding graduate work.

The comments of Mr. Richards on Wilkes College in general can best be stated in his own words. "In 1933 I was the operator of an art school here in Wilkes-Barre which was located in the gray building next to our gym on Franklin St. It now gives me a great deal of pleasure to instruct students as I had years ago, in almost the same place. I find the art department at Wilkes just wonderful. The students are very anxious to learn, and, as is not the case in other courses, oftentimes the students have so great an interest that they even come to class early.

"I wish also to clear up an epidemic pseudoxy which has developed in the art field. Art, or painting as the case may be, is not just merely a case of making a copy of a picture or scene. The students' painting is a personal creation. It is his interpretation of what he sees and not what his instructor sees. If a student realizes this fact, he may be less reluctant to take a course in art. I can assure you that once a student does try painting, he more than likely enjoys it."

2. He must intend to enroll in a full-time course of study leading to the degree Doctor of Philosophy.

3. He may not have completed more than one-half year of study beyond the baccalaureate degree toward an advanced degree in English.

4. He must be a citizen or national of the United States or must be in this country for other than a temporary purpose.

5. He must sign the oath (or affirmation) set forth in Title X of the National Defense Education Act and furnish evidence of any major criminal record.

6. Preference will be given to applicants who are interested in teaching in institutions of higher education.

The stipend of the National Defense Graduate Fellowship is \$2000 for the first year, \$2200 for the second, and \$2400 for the third, plus \$400 for each dependent.

There are many graduate assistantships in English available. Some of the schools offering graduate assistantships in English are: the University of Minnesota, University of Chicago, University of Pittsburgh, Indiana University, Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, Duquesne University, University of Maryland, University of Connecticut, Colorado State University, Vanderbilt University, Pennsylvania State University. Another graduate program which might interest some English majors is that of the University of Iowa in Journalism and Mass Communications. Detailed information on any of these assistantships can be obtained from Dr. Edgerton in Conyngham Hall.

Unexpected Arrival of 'George' Surprises Millie

There's a brand new face at the bookstore. It belongs to George Beacon, who, unlike us earth-bound mortals soars with the angels, has the disposition of a cherub, and has captured the heart of Miss Millie Gittens, manager of the bookstore.

A word of explanation — This many-faceted creature is a blue-green-cream colored parakeet who was presented to Millie by several of her friends from Chase Hall at a recent birthday dinner in her honor.

Millie, who had on occasion revealed her desire for a parakeet, had no idea that the girls from Chase were going to give her one — and they succeeded in completely surprising her. But nevertheless upon recovering from the initial shock she expressed her intention to take George into the bookstore and let him "rule the roost."

Millie named her parakeet George — because everybody's George — and Beacon in gracious deference to the Beacon staff members who were present at the dinner to cover the event.

New Material Graces Book Shelf

Bogged down with end-of-the-semester research papers? Resolved to write all of next semester's papers in the next three weeks? Don't. Instead, take it easy and perhaps browse the Library's new book shelves. Here you find a good companion for your hours of leisure ahead.

If novels are your fancy, give in to that impulse you have had before every exam to drop everything and read a good book. Why not try *The Reivers* by William Faulkner. It has been acclaimed as a "comic classic" full of wild humor, racy language, frantic language, and "some of the most hair-raising and bizarre horse racing in the history of fact or fiction."

Mystery fans will find that none other than Bertrand Russell has devoted his Noble Prize winning talents to occupying their reading time. His first book of fiction entitled *Satan in the Suburbs and Other Stories* deals "with saturnine machinations and strange blood-brotherhoods in the Corsican mountains, with secret oaths and macabre schemes to destroy the world, with press lords flouting moral and legal taboos, and vicars forgetting

even the most crucial commandments."

In a little different vein, poetry lovers can spend their time not only restfully but well with Edith Sitwell's *Facade and Other Poems, 1920-1935*. Considering Dr. Sitwell's early poems as a modern rebirth of poetry, Jack Lindsay in his introductory essay said that "in her work . . . the post-Romantic wound of our culture is understood, probed and healed."

These titles and hundreds more are offered to you on the Library's new book shelves — to amuse, instruct, and keep you busy during the coming semester break.

Girl Asks Boy to Dance

"Sadie Hawkins Day" will again be celebrated from 9 to 12 at the gym tonight by the Interdormitory Council and all the Li'l Abners and Daisy Maes at Wilkes.

The "Earthquakes" will provide music for girl-ask-boy dancing under a hillbilly moon.

Sports jackets are required for the males, but no one with clodhoppers (in addition to his sports coat) and fifty cents will be turned away.

Proceeds of the dance will be used to further the work of the I.D.C. "Orphans Court."

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There is no point in arguing about the effects of a nuclear war; its unspeakable horrors can be easily visualized. This makes it imperative that all concerned be willing to go to any length, short of surrender, to prevent it. War has always been a risky and evil business. The only moral justification for even a defensive war is that it is the lesser of the two evils. The number killed in World War II has been estimated over twenty-five million. Yet, would anyone be willing to say that the Allies should have submitted to Hitler rather than risk the horrors of that war?

It, of course, is painfully true that the principle of national sovereignty has long become obsolete and that some form of World Government is the most urgent need of our time. But until that consummation devoutly to be wished is achieved, the right to self-defense cannot be denied to nations without leaving the gates wide open to international gangsterism. Indeed, the conviction that we have that right coupled with the willingness to exercise it and the determination to make the risks too great to the enemy is our only hope for survival.

Perhaps the worst part of Russell's so-called policy is its utter emotionalism and loss of nerve. It is based on fear, "nameless, unreasoning, terror which paralyzes needed effort", to quote a famous American president.

Russell's is also a counsel of despair. Paradoxically, those in the West who rely on military strength and the willingness to fight if need be have a more optimistic and charitable opinion of their enemy than the prophets of surrender. Those who shout in street demonstrations "better Red than dead" have assumed that the Communists lack not only sanity but even the basic human instinct of self-preservation. But the Communists can hardly be as inhuman as all that. They are as aware of the dangers of the nuclear war as we are and as afraid of dying. Someone has said that the only faith we should have in the Communists is the faith in their desire for survival. Our whole cold war policy is largely predicated on that faith.

Let me, in conclusion, quote Spinoza, one of the gentlest and noblest human beings that ever lived: "A free man thinks of nothing less than death; and his wisdom is a meditation not of death, but of life."

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