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## THESPIANS PERFORM ON CAMPUS TONIGHT

The Bucknell Junior College Thespians have been granted their first opportunity to present a play for the students at the campus. The three act comedy "Gammer Gurton's Needle" will be given this evening in the Lewisburg High School auditorium. We consider it an honor that the English Department should request the Thespians to give this presentation at the campus. The publicity, sale of tickets, and the transferring of scenery were all taken care of by the English Department. In fact they even went so far as to have the students search for a black cat which could be used in the play.

The cast drove to Lewisburg this morning accompanied by several other students. It is hoped that this will be the opening of a closer relationship between the dramatic departments and also the commencement of an annual presentation of the Junior College students before a campus audience

## Camera Club Sponsors Contest

One of the newly created extra-curriculum activities, the Camera Club seems to be progressing by leaps and bounds. There are two contests in progress. One is a monthly print contest in which any member of the club may submit his best prints and the winners will be selected by a committee assigned as judges. The other contest is the "Picture Packard" contest. In this, the best pictures of a 1940 Packard taken in any setting will be awarded five automobiles, \$3600 in cash prizes, and 150 awards of merit. Mr. Meighan of the Ace Hoffman amateur photography department explained the rules to the club and thinks the competition is quite fair. Anyone interested may receive pamphlets stating the rules. (Perhaps you'll be the lucky one to win a 1940 Packard!)

## BUCKNELL COEDS SCORN LEAP YEAR TRADITION

### FIFTY FOUR STUDENTS MAKE HONOR LISTS

#### Unusual Number Of Freshmen On List

The following honor lists for first semester were announced recently by Dr. Farley.

Students who have earned an average of 85% or more:

M. L. Bachman  
L. B. Baker  
G. W. Bierly  
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F. W. Girton  
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M. Hopkins  
P. P. Labeda  
H. V. Lewert  
R. E. Lynn  
J. Mandlovitz  
C. F. O. Miller  
H. S. Miller  
S. Mintzer  
C. J. Nagro  
J. C. O'Malley  
J. F. O'Malley  
M. E. Parry  
M. E. Rees  
D. E. Robinson  
L. Rossen  
G. Rosser  
W. A. Rulka  
D. J. Secunda  
P. H. Trebilcox  
M. A. Waters  
H. M. Wruble  
R. H. Young

Students who have earned an average of 80% but less than 85:

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J. B. Aikman  
B. M. Benscoter  
I. D. Betz  
W. G. Carpenter  
S. M. Charney  
R. W. Connelly  
G. I. Dickinson  
D. J. Evans  
S. Gacha  
J. Gelb  
R. J. Grancey  
L. A. Greenbaum  
A. S. Groh  
B. L. Hoyle  
D. R. Kersteen  
K. Kressler  
E. J. Labak  
J. B. Lewis  
M. B. Pincus  
M. Seeherman  
D. M. Thomas  
L. A. Wilski  
A. Zakiewicz

### BACH FESTIVAL INTERESTS STUDENTS

The third annual Bach Festival will be presented between March fifth and tenth. The program this year will include four events instead of the three events of former years. On Tuesday and Thursday, March 5 and 7 at St. Stephen's Parish House the story of Bach will be told with music on the instruments of his time in a stage setting of the period. Bach's magnificent cantata "Christ Lay in Death's Dark Prison." will be presented on March 8 at the Irem Temple. Ernest White, the organist at the Temple of Religion at the World's Fair, will play an organ recital on March 9. The climax of the series will be the Passion of Our Lord According to St. Matthew on Sunday afternoon March 10th.

The Festival should prove to be of great interest to members of the college. They will have the rare privilege of hearing unusual music performed by excellent musicians. Two members of the Junior College Glee Club, Chris O'Malley and Henry Lewert, are singing with the Bach Chorus. Girls from the college will usher at all performances.

### FACULTY WIVES DISPLAY TALENTS

The regular monthly meeting of the Campus Club of the Bucknell Junior College was held at the home of Miss Norma Sangiuliano on Monday evening, February 26. The following program was given during the course of the evening; Mrs. Farley played two selections from Chopin, Mrs. Arthur Bernhardt sang "Ah Sweet Mystery of Life" and "I Love Life", and Mrs. David Brown reviewed the book "Maud". Those present were Mrs. J. A. Brennan, Mrs. D. J. Gage, Mrs. Joseph Miller, Mrs. David Brown, Mrs. Wilfrid Crook, Mrs. Roy Tasker, Miss Betty Klinedinst, Mrs. Michael H. Harper, Mrs. William Schuyler, Miss Norma Sangiuliano, Mrs. A. F. Bernhardt, Mrs. Voris B. Hall, and Mrs. George R. Faint.

### GIRLS DESCRIBE PERFECT DATE

#### Admirable Qualities In Boys and Girls

Ol' Dan Cupid was given the cold shoulder by the girls of B.U.J.C. in a recent poll.

The questionnaire asked:

1. Do you believe that girls should take advantage of leap year?
2. What are the qualities you most admire in a boy?
3. What are the qualities you most admire in a girl?
4. What is your idea of a perfect date?

According to 85% of the College's female population, this is just another year with an overdose of February. Said one bright lassie, "We spend three years getting them trained, and when a year with an extra day comes around—woof! goes our hard work. No thanks, not for me!" Maybe the girls are being modest or maybe they're just lazy but it looks as if the boys will have to do the proposing themselves.

The qualities that the girls find most attractive in the boys are:

1. A sense of humor.
2. Intelligence.
3. Neatness.
4. Personality.

They like best in the members of their own sex:

1. Sincerity.
2. A sense of humour.
3. Friendliness.
4. Neatness.

(Note the conspicuous disregard for the requirement of intelligence in the girls.)

Here, fellows is the girls idea of the perfect date: The boy must be a gentlemen in all respects, should be a fairly good dancer; he doesn't have to be good looking for his personality should make up for that, his conversation should be intelligent and witty above all, there should be a noticeable lack of desire to go in for a lot of "petting". Think you can qualify?

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## EDITORIALS

## Youth Conference. . .

Headlines in the press of the country featured the American Youth Congress, meeting in Washington to attract the attention of Congress and to awaken in its members a "youth consciousness."

Their publicity was well handled and their arrival in the national capitol was not unexpected. However, their figures were magnified, their advent unruly, and their reception rather cool. Congressmen were awake to the fact that this gathering did not represent real American youth and as a result had little to do with their sessions, even though they enjoyed the generous smile of the first lady of the land.

President Roosevelt, in his address to them was clear, and while he admitted their right and respected their group, he warned them to be careful lest they dabble in matters about which they know very little. Their respect to law and order was clearly shown in their response to his words—it was that of a rabble.

It is a high compliment to the youth of Bucknell University Jr. College and fellow students in neighboring institutions to know that they were not represented in any group of the association. Wyoming Valley college students know—and we here at the Jr. College have long been aware—that the Youth Congress is too tainted with communistic ideals and influences to permit any participation in its activities. Local youth understands the problems of the day just as well as those of the "Red Congress," but they have a solution that the Congress refuses to recognize, but which real youth readily accepts and to which Congressmen will lend a willing ear.

The Youth Congress had on its list for discussion many problems of vital interest to young America, but no solution can ever be arrived at when they are viewed through the light that seems to illuminate the particular branch of so-called American youth.

## Silence is Golden. . .

Quietness should be maintained in the library at all times. Silence is essential to efficient concentration and study. No one can accomplish anything when someone sitting across the table is talking about the happenings of the night before. For courtesy, if nothing else, the student body should co-operate with Miss Klinedinst in trying to keep the library a place for study. When young men and women reach the college age, they should not have to be disciplined by the librarian. Miss Klinedinst has a thousand other things to do in a day other than wasting her time trying to keep the students quiet. Then too, it makes a very poor impression upon a stranger who may enter the library to see everyone talking. It is the duty of every student to conduct himself or herself as a gentleman or lady at all times. If he has any respect for his fellow-students, he will remain silent and allow his friend to study. There may be scheduled a very important test and if a few students prevent those who are taking the test from studying, they may be blamed for the failures. From now on let every member of Bucknell Jr. College prove to Miss Klinedinst and Dr. Farley that he can conduct himself properly while in the library. Remember, in any library "Silence is golden."

STUDENTS DIRECT  
SUCCESSFUL PLAYS

On last Wednesday evening, February 21, the Junior College Thespians presented an unusual entertainment in the form of three one-act plays. These plays were directed by students in Art 141 under the supervision of Miss Norma Sanguiliano. A large audience of parents, friends, and students received the plays enthusiastically.

The first of the three plays, entitled *The Boor*, was directed by Jane Nagro. Its plot was concerned with a young man, the "boor" played by Wallace Perrin, who, having come to claim a sum of money, meets, falls in love with, and proposes to the beautiful, young widow of his debtor. Ruth Lynn was the irate widow and Kenneth Kressler her faithful, long suffering servant.

Kathleen Wintermute directed *Flood Control*, the second and most melo-dramatic of the series. In a cabin in a canyon, one end of which has been converted into a flood-control lake, an obstinate young woman, Newbold Williams, who wants to be alone with her work offered hospitality upon their request to two gangsters and their "brain", who most surprisingly turned out to be Betty Schwager. Melville Hopkins was an awe-inspiring "tough guy." Jack Mangano enacted the role of "Slim", a jittery first offender. Patricia Ichter, a member of Miss Sanguiliano's Children's Theatre, very ably played the part of the little child whom the three have kidnapped. Harvey Wruble acquired an Italian accent, a pair of blue denims, and a habit of being present when needed. The star of the show was Flapjack, the horse who was heard but not seen.

*Gas, Air and Earl*, the last play was an hilarious comedy of female deceptions directed by Stanford Tischler. Lydia Greenbaum turned in a sparkling performance in the role of Mrs. Plummer, the proud and scheming mother of an extremely winning daughter, Lois Morgan. Shirley Higgins, Henry Lewert, and Richard Bosworth, the chauffeur who turned out to be an earl and then a novelist, completed the cast. This play was selected to be presented at the First Methodist Church at their sample sale and at Plymouth High School on Friday morning.

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From morning 'til night  
Is called "Dishpan Hands"  
Its the housewives 'blight'.

Now, the moral of this is:  
"To lotion be true"  
'Les just like the boys,  
This ghost should haunt you!

## CRACKING THE QUIP

We enjoyed having our Allumni Cookies home for the holidays.

(We call them cookies 'cause they've been a Wafer so long.)

So—Dr. Farley has a farm—for the land's sake!

We like to see our team play Basketball, it's so much Finn.

Jane Nagro is beating around with Bush.

We fear that Professor Gage has been swayed by those powerful budget-plan advertisements. They all start with a "little down."

Girls! Girls! Girls! It's Leap year! We are still around.

We were hoping that one of our Bucknell Belles would be chosen as the local Scarlet O'Hara, someone from the southern part of the city, or maybe Lynn would.

While we are not the gambling kind, we are not opposed to making Betz.

"School Romance"

It was a few days after the finals—the student has just inquired about her marks—The Professor gently leans over and whispers sweet nothings in her ear.

Banta's cravet: the tie that blinds.

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## DEBATERS HAVE A BUSY SEASON

The Junior College debating team which consists of Lydia Greenbaum, Harvey Wruble, Kathleen Wintermute, Joe Kornblatt, Eddie Labak, and Bernard Achammer is now in the midst of their season. To date, they have had two non-decision debates with Bucknell University and Hofstra College. The Schedule for the remaining debates is as follows:

March 1, 2—Debating Convention at State College.

March 15—Penn State at home.

April 12—Keystone Junior College.

The dates on which the Junior College team will meet Scranton University and Hofstra again are not yet definite.

The questions which are being used this year are:

"Resolved that the basic blame for the present European War rests with the Allies."

"Resolved that the United States should pursue a policy of strict economic and military isolation towards all nations outside the western hemisphere engaged in armed international or civil conflict."

## Camera Club. (con't.)

At the meeting on February 13, a lecture entitled "Photographic Papers" was delivered by John Grigger, a member of the club. The lecture was accompanied by twenty-four mounted prints, worth over \$100 plus a number of slides. On Tuesday, Feb. 27 a movie entitled "Highlights and Shadows" was shown in Chase Theatre in the afternoon and evening. The lectures to be given at the next meeting are "Seeing Things for Keeps", "The Essentials of Picture Making", and "Personal Photography." All these lectures are productions of the Eastman Kodak Co. and are presented by student members of the club.

Several committees have been selected to carry on the work for the year. They are as follows: Dark room committee; Melville Hopkins, Paul Dowdell, Ferris Miller, Kenneth Kressler, and James Hunt. Finance Committee; John Grigger, Mary Brislin, Paul Duddy, Betty Farr, and Lilyanna Babski. Monthly print competition Committee; Steve Whiteman, Katherine Griffith, John Anthony, and Irene Sauciunas. Constitution and By-Laws committee; Merle Seeherman, Shirley Brown, Louise Wilski, and Betty Benscoter. Publicity Committee; Harvey Wruble and others to be chosen.

Among its notable camera enthusiasts, the Camera Club boasts Professor Schuyler, Professor Hall, and Dr. Barnhardt. With such competent assistance, how could any club fail?

## COMMITTEE PLANS ANNUAL PAGEANT

The girls of the Junior College will present their second annual pageant sometime this spring; it has been announced by Miss Sangiuliano. The pageant is the culmination of the year's Eurythmic work and is one of the most interesting affairs of the year. One girl has been chosen from each class to act as a committee for the selection of the pageant and costumes. These girls are Jane Nagro, Louise Rummer, Betty Schwager, Mary Brislin, Lydia Greenbaum, Joy Bodycomb, and Shirley Brown. Work on the affair will get under way as soon as the above committee chooses a pageant.

## "Odds and Ends". . .

We've been more than tickled over the showing of our athletic teams this school year and our judgment it seems is corroborated by one of Wyoming Valley's sports commentators, Tommy Heffernan, author of "Sporting Snapshots," as appearing weekly in the Sunday Independent.

Here is a paragraph from last Sunday's "Odds and Ends"—

It has been very pleasant to see the Bucknell Junior College teams taking winter sports victories in basketball and the rest, because we think BUJC did things the right way. . . True, they wanted winning teams to highlight their extra-curricular activities but they were sensible enough to be satisfied with a slow and healthy growth. . . A couple years of steady defeats failed to send jittering into a chase for stars and even now they are protecting their reputation by insisting that athletics come second. . . Meaning the athletes must keep up to standard in the classroom.

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## ENGINEERS ACTIVE THROUGHOUT YEAR

The engineers, one of the most progressive groups in the Junior College have been quite active these past weeks. On Thursday, January 18, Professor Hall entertained the sophomore engineers at dinner. The guests were Paul Duddy, Paul Padlick, Stanley Kresses, Joe Jimison, John Grigger, James Aikman, Gene Rogers, James Roski, James Hunt, Dave Secunda, Joe Shinal, Robert Most, George Bierly, Wayne Swanbery, Al Switch, John McDade, Professor Schuyler, Dr. Bernhardt, Mr. Weeden, and Mr. Thomas. After dinner the guests played cards and darts, and worked intricate puzzles. Professor Hall's collection of guns attracted much comment as did his collection of furniture which he himself had made. Mr. Schuyler had his camera as usual and took many informal pictures.

On February 2 the engineering group held a smoker in the Boy's Lounge at Chase Hall. Moving pictures pertaining to engineering and chemistry were presented. At this gathering the boys presented Dr. Bernhardt with a wedding gift. It was at this smoker that Dr. Bernhardt's remarkable ability in playing checkers and chess caused so much attention.

The group has made tentative plans for several activities in the near future. These consist of a trip to the Corning Glass Works, a visit to the Franklin Institute in Philadelphia, and if weather permits a skating party.

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## Songsters Hold Party On Friday

Although the Glee Club has up to this time concentrated on mastering the works of the great composers, they have suddenly emerged into the social whirl of the Junior College by planning a novel form of entertainment. On Friday evening, March 1 they will hold a theatre party at the Comerford theatre. The feature presentation is the much discussed "Grapes of Wrath." After the movie the members of the Club will return to Chase Hall where refreshments will be served.

## CONFUSION SAYS:

Men are what women marry. They are divided into three classes husbands, bachelors and widowers. Husbands are of three varieties: prizes, surprises, and consolation prizes. Handling a man requires the highest maximum of art. It requires intelligence, patience, wisdom, faith, hope and charity.

Men are the most amazingly inconsistent creatures in creation, as far as their likes and dislikes are concerned. A woman, in order to please a man who says that he is very much annoyed with women who wear rouge, bright clothes, and a crazy hat goes out with him attired in a dark tailored suit, no make-up, and a sailor hat. So what does he do? He spends all night staring at a girl with rouge, bright clothes, and a crazy hat. Men are like worms in the grass—they wriggle around for a while, then some chicken or an old hen hooks him.

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## C. AND F. STUDENTS EXCEL IN TWO LOOPS

The Commerce and Finance students are now the best athletes in the school, leading the intramural bowling and basketball loops. But they are finding it difficult to hold these positions week after week as both circuits continue to improve in general play. Last week the C. & F. "B" team defeated the Engineers by one point in basketball to keep first place.

Stars of the clubs are Joe Monahan in basketball and Merle Seeherman in bowling. The former has been the high scorer in nearly every game this season while the latter set a new pin mark of 254 in his last games to make the Big Five for the first Time. Throughout the season Dr. Roy Tasker, whose fine performances are keeping the Faculty on the heels of the loop leader, has led the circuit by a big margin. Joe Curley, unable to hit his regular stride, has been at the same figure, 158 week after week.

Most improved bowler this year is Bob Patton, whose A. B. team is in third place. After finishing with an average of 140 last year, Patton is now in third place with 157. Until Seeherman made his big game, Patton was high with a 230. With Patton and Curley figuring in the high scoring, the A. B. team may be the one to stop for the pennant.

Al Zakiewicz of the Engineers and Seeherman are the other leaders. The former is one of the best scorers in the cage loop, too. With such bowlers as Piatt and Rogers, veterans from last year, failing to get in stride, the Engineers have been a big disappointment in the pin loop.

Jack Dooley supplanted Hank Davis on the C. & F. team but slumped after making a good start. After a few games, he should rank among the individual leaders.

The Engineers have the biggest squad in number of players and height in the cage wheel. With such giants as Secunda, McDade, Aikman, Roski, Switch and Kresses, they are the favorites to win the title. The C. & F. team lacks reserves but with sharp shooters the type of Monahan, McKernan and Ben Badman, will be hard to stop. The A. B. Boys won their first three but went into a tailspin when Joe Monahan quit and Captain Leon Wazeter went out of action for weeks with an injured foot and dropped three in a row. Playing with a weak team, Paul Trebilcox continues to star for the B. S. five. His work week after week stamps him as one of the best players in the loop.

The play-offs in both loops, which will bring together the first four teams in single eliminations for the titles, will likely get under way the latter part of next month. The champions will be honored and receive awards at the Lettermen Club's annual dinner in the late spring.

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## Sports In Review

## Basketball. . .

Interest in basketball around school should now be at a high pitch. The intra-mural loop is flourishing with the C. and F. "B" team, the Engineers, and and A. B. fighting for first place. We're rooting for A. B. despite the confident attitude of Messrs. Joe (Dead-eye) Monahan, Dick McKernan, and Coach Dooley of the C. and F.

Going on to the varsity team which provides food for thought, especially the dribbling of Kasnikowski, the striking poses made by Finn when he shoots, and the playing of Flynn when he really gets into the game. Captain Wayne Swanbery, the quiet type around school, does a lot of "popping" on the court but we favor it because a good percentage of his tosses hit the target for points.

As for the Keystone game, it was one of the slowest of the season. The opposing team was unable to click against the tight defense of our team. Nevertheless, our cagers missed enough easy shots to make the most loyal rooter discouraged. Incidentally there were only a few on hand at the time!

Last Friday night the Junior College was stopped by the Cornell Frosh. Although our cagers were leading at the half by three points, the lads from Ithaca went on a scoring spree and won with a lead of eight points. On Saturday night the team was setback by the Colgate Frosh, giving us a record of twelve victories against five defeats.

This is the best team in the Junior College's history and it is pressing the Bucknell Frosh for second place in the circuit. By the way, girls, it is also the best looking team Bucknell or any other school has had for some years. Let's get behind them and lend our whole-hearted sup-

port, at least for their last game this week end.

## Swimming. . .

On Saturday, February 17, the Junior College swimmers met the tankers from City College of New York in the Y. M. C. A. pool and were defeated by a score of 55 to 19. Bucknell took first honors in only two events, namely, the 50 yard free-style and the 100 yard breast stroke. These events were won by Paul Davis and Jack Mangan respectively. Dave Jones of C. C. N. Y. nosed Zakiewicz out of a first in diving by four tenths of a point. During the course of events a new pool record was set in the 440 yard free-style by Guido, a C. C. N. Y. swimmer.

Last Friday evening our nators were again given too much competition when they met the Franklin and Marshal Academy in the local pool. This time our team was a bit more fortunate, scoring up three firsts in the medley relay, the 100 yard breast stroke, and the 100 yard back stroke. The boys responsible for these wins were Slamon, Mangan, and Davis in the medley and Mangan and Slamon in the other two. Davis and Zakiewicz took seconds in the 100 yard free-style and the diving.

The last meet of the season will take place this Saturday evening when the Junior College team will swim the University of Scranton at the Wilkes-Barre Y. M. C. A. pool.

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