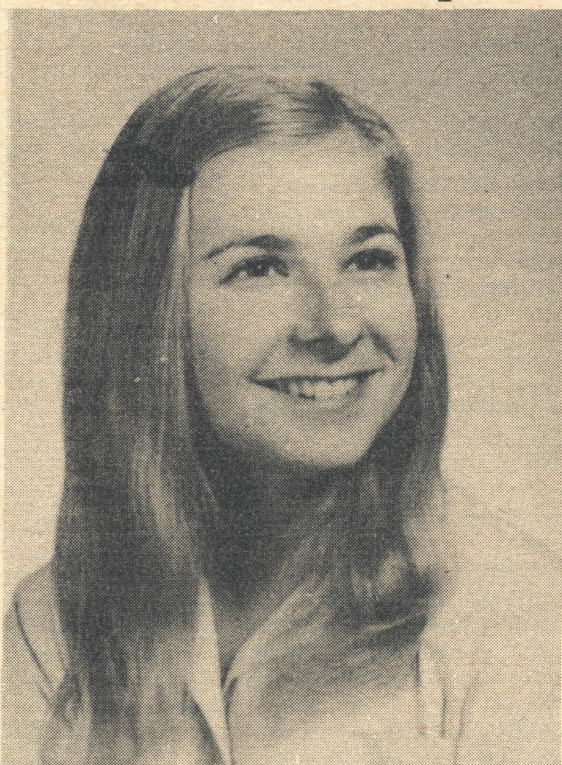


Two Wilkes Sophomores Nominated For Beacon Spot



MARIANNE MONTAGUE



FRAN POLAKOWSKI

Marianne Montague, a sophomore English major, and Fran Polakowski, a sophomore history major, have been nominated for the co-managing editor positions on the Beacon, Wilkes College's weekly newspaper. All nominations, subject to approval by the Student Publications committee.

Miss Montague, an alumnus of Coughlin High School, has assisted in all aspects of the newspaper, both make-up and news and feature writing. Before coming to Wilkes, Marianne was co-editor of the "Journal," the school magazine at Coughlin. Also at Coughlin, she was on the banner guard, Spanish Honor Society and the National Honor Society.

Along with her studies, Marianne has time to be a cashier at the Wilkes-Barre Aquadome and is also manager for Coach Joe Shaughnessy's Colonel swim team. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William P. Montague, Sr., 310 South Hancock St., Wilkes-Barre.

Working along with Marianne in the critical position will be Miss Polakowski. A Chesapeake Hall resident, Fran is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Polakowski,

Georgetown, Connecticut. She has also assisted in all aspects of putting the paper together.

A graduate of Immaculate High School in Danbury, Connecticut, Fran was a member of the Glee Club and Drama Club while in high school. Also in high school, she was member of the Liturgical Commission and a staff member of the school newspaper.

Here at Wilkes, the Connecticut

native works in the Public Relations Office and is also involved with Cue and Curtain society.

Both girls will join the present editorial staff consisting of Jim Torbik, editor-in-chief; Andy Petyak, copy editor; Chuck Riechers, news editor; Rich Colandrea, op-ed and features editor; and Paul Domowitch, sports editor. The advisor to the paper is Thomas J. Moran.

Stewart Udall Set To Speak At CPA Tuesday Evening

Stewart Udall, former secretary of the interior under Presidents Kennedy and Johnson and one of the prime leaders of the environmental movement for more than a decade, will speak Tuesday, January 29, at 8 p.m. in the Wilkes College Center for the Performing Arts.

Udall, who continues to be one of the strongest voices in the environmental field today, will be the first speaker of the Spring Semester on the Wilkes College Concert and Lecture Series.

The announcement of the address to be given by Udall was made by Assistant Dean Edward Baltruchitis, who is adviser to the Student

Government and the Concert and Lecture Committee made up of Wilkes students.

Udall has updated the conservation philosophy and programs of the past to meet the present-day challenges. His was a campaign for a "new conservation," which would consider the problems of the total environment.

A 1948 graduate of the University of Arizona Law School, Udall served as a U.S. Representative for three terms before he became Secretary of the Interior in 1961.

He will lecture on the energy environment crisis and participate in environmental science classes as well as attend a dinner at the college for executive personnel of the public utility companies.

Udall will arrive on the Wilkes College campus about noon on the day of his address and at 2:30 will hold a half-hour informal discussion with students in an Environmental Science class at the Stark Learning Center.

He is scheduled for an open forum in the Center for the Performing Arts at 4 p.m. under the sponsorship of the Environmental Science Faculty and the Environmental Science Club. Dinner with utility executives will be at 5 in the college dining hall.

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Court Renders Decision To Widen River Street

The efforts of Wilkes-Barre area residents and a Wilkes College student group to block the proposed widening of the River Streets along the historic River Common received a setback recently. The seven-judge panel of the State's Commonwealth Court in Harrisburg ruled that the widening scheme outweighed any environmental harm to the "public common" grounds. In effect, unless the ruling is appealed, the state may widen the River Streets at the earliest opportunity.

The court action was initiated nearly two years ago by several area citizens in a class action against the State Department of Transportation and the City of Wilkes-Barre. Among the plaintiffs which filed the novel lawsuit were the Wilkes College Students for A Clean Environment. Wilkes-Barre residents and area citizens are represented by James F. Geddes Jr., Esq., a local attorney, The Wilkes College Students' Committee is represented by F. Charles Petrillo, Esq., Class of '66, and executive director of the Luzerne County Legal Services Association, Inc.

Under the proposed plans the River Streets would be widened to a uniform forty-two foot four-lane artery. There would be an encroachment up to twelve feet at certain points and the taking of approximately one-half area of lands known as the River Common. This "public common" ground lies between the Susquehanna River and the River Streets — on which the Wilkes and Kings Colleges front. The River Common ground was original-

ly laid out in 1770 by settlers of the Susquehanna Company

The original Common contained a little over thirty-nine acres of ground. However, over the years public facilities and roads have reduced the Common to its present acreage of nearly twenty-two acres. The limits of the Common are from North Street to South Street, and from the Susquehanna River to the property line on the East Side of River Street. Tree lined sidewalks border both sides of the River Streets, and approximately twenty-three trees are directly affected by the project.

The state project to widen the River Streets to a uniform four lanes will require takings of land from both the Common and building sides of River Streets. While the state will have to clear the site of twenty-three mature trees, the transplanting of twenty-eight young trees is proposed. And, the state will use every effort to retain the character of the cinder walkways, stone walls, and granite curbing presently found on the Common.

Sordoni Gallery To Exhibit Tyson Paintings Until Feb. 8

The Sordoni Art Gallery at Wilkes College will present its second exhibition since its opening in November when a collection of prints by Carroll Sargent Tyson Jr. will be displayed from January 20 through Saturday, February 8. The opening exhibit—a collection of 36 paintings by George Catlin—closed on Saturday, January 5, following an enthusiastic reception by history and art enthusiasts from throughout the Northeastern Pennsylvania area.

The announcement of the second exhibition was made by Vivian Sordoni, assistant professor of Fine Arts at Wilkes College and director of the new gallery.

The works which Tyson will show at Wilkes College are part of a collection of 200 watercolors.

Tyson describes an interesting sequence leading up to the selection of the showings scheduled for Wilkes and titled: "20 Birds of Mt. Desert Island."

The artist was born in Philadelphia in 1877, son of Carroll Sargent and Clara Reeves Tyson, and a cousin of the artist John Singer Sargent. He attended Forsyth's and Delancy schools in Philadelphia, and received his art training at the Royal Academy of Bavaria, Munich, Germany, and at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, Philadelphia.

From 1910 to 1930 he maintained a studio in Philadelphia. Although he worked in pastels, his

landscapes in oils and watercolor paintings of birds brought him wide acclaim in this country and abroad.

He was a student of ornithology and in that connection he shot and mounted examples of more than 200 species of birds found on Mount Desert Island, Maine. These birds were then painted in watercolor. Of the 200, Tyson selected 20 which were the subjects printed in a large folio. Two hundred and fifty complete sets,

of which the one to be shown is one of them, were produced in the 1930s by Roberto Hoesch in Milan, Italy, and then the plates were destroyed.

Tyson's "Bass Harbor Wharves" won him the gold medal of the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts in 1914, and he won a bronze medal at Panama-Pacific International Exposition, San Francisco, in 1915. He was the recipient of the Philadelphia Art Club's gold medal in 1929, and was made an officer of the French Legion

of Honor in 1937. In 1944 he won the Carnegie prize for the most meritorious painting by an American for his oil, "Somes Sound," depicting a locality in Maine.

Work by him was acquired by the art club of Philadelphia and by several private collections, and examples of his work were exhibited in galleries in Boston, New York City, Washington, Wilmington, Philadelphia and London.

The exhibition opened to the first public viewing on Sunday afternoon, January 20, from 3 to 5. The remainder of the exhibit will be during regular gallery hours: Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday hours are noon to 5.

The Tyson exhibit will be brought to Wilkes on loan from the Catherwood Foundation in Brynawr, Pa.

Editorially Speaking

King's vs. Wilkes— We Hope So

It is only our hope that Wilkes and King's reach the finals of the Pocono Classic this week at King's so the two schools can finally get together on the hardwoods.

If this occurs, it will mark the first time the two institutions have met in recent years. One must ask himself why is this so? Why can the two schools travel hundreds of miles a year, while the biggest gate attraction and rivalry is but blocks away?

If the two schools meet, a packed gym is almost a certainty and then perhaps with money in their pockets the two schools will realize that the get together of these rival institutions is a good thing. For the enjoyment of the Valley and the two respective student bodies, we surely hope this is the case.

It's Yours— Keep It Clean!

With the opening of the new student union building this week, we think it only appropriate to remind students of their responsibility in it.

The building, one which Wilkes students have waited for what seems like eternity, is only what you make of it. We think it is your responsibility to assist in keeping the area clean and damage-free.

The Student Union Building, which will house activities for the student during his leisure time, is the culmination of some hard work on the part of Student Government and on the behalf of the administration. We believe now that Wilkes College has finally come up with an activity hall that the students should live up to their part and maintain it.

Flood Recovery On Campus Is Near Complete

Hurricane Agnes left her devastating mark at Wilkes in the June flood of 1972.

In a plan called "Operation Snapback," however, the college soon resumed near normal functions.

"Operation Snapback" consisted of two phases: the first entailed the removal of mud and debris, and any emergency repairs. The second was the reconstruction work of the physical buildings.

In an interview with Charles R. Abate, he was asked about the difference between actual reconstruction and upgrading of the buildings.

"As far as upgrading is concerned," replied Abate, "that comes from college funds. The flood recovery work was funded by the government."

Actual flood recovery work, Abate noted as being completed with the exception of the library, and odds and ends here and there.

The good that was brought about by the flood, Abate saw as "grand cooperative movement of everyone helping the whole valley get back on its feet."

Thanks to the dedication of both young and old, the valley came back and an even bigger thank-you to the hard work and "mucking" that was done, Wilkes, also, came back into full swing.

WRITE ON

Student Says Dr. Reif 'Paragon of a Moral Man'

To the Editor:

At the risk of renewing a smoldering controversy which is perhaps better ignored, I would like to make a comment regarding Dr. Charles Reif's recent letter to the editor (whose content I need not recapitulate), and its unfortunate aftermath.

When I sat in Dr. Reif's general biology lectures a few years back, little did I imagine that I would ever feel the responsibility to speak out in defense of his character or his professionalism. Fellow students know that I am not one of his foremost admirers with regard to his teaching methods; but that is beside the point when a great professor's very morality comes into question.

Dr. Reif is a man whose character is beyond question. His long tenure at Wilkes has often seen him at the forefront of the college's evolution since its inception; his civic activities are numerous and diverse. Moreover, Dr. Reif is a professional in his field, the author of several scholarly publications, and a man whose dedication to continuing education has not left him a dodo in the ever-expanding field of new biology. But most importantly, Dr. Reif is the paragon of a moral man.

Having had the experience of two semesters with CFR, I have come to feel that, although his methods are often misguided, this is an individual whose very love of the life process and of humanity are perhaps too great for most of us to comprehend. This is a man whose forceful sense of

humor sometimes gets the better of him, as may perhaps have been the case in his brief letter.

Whether or not that letter was a bad taste is a totally subjective matter, over which argument is futile. However, it is a grave impropriety to speculate upon the personal character of a man whose morality is a long-established fact.

Very truly yours,
Eduardo Marban
Class of 1974

Lt. Philip Gasbarro Awarded Wings

Sacramento, Calif. — Air National Guard (ANG) First Lieutenant Philip D. Gasbarro, son of Mr. and Mrs. William R. Gasbarro of 27 Sheldon St., Wilkes-Barre, Pa., has been awarded silver wings upon graduation from U. S. Air Force navigator training at Mather AFB, Calif.

A 1964 graduate of E. L. Meyer High School, the lieutenant received his B. S. degree in 1969 from Wilkes College.

Union Building Becomes a Reality

The following is a message from Student Government President, Pete Jadelis, concerning the development of the new Student Union building:

This story should have been written 3 to 5 years ago; however, a student union was not a realization as it is now. Such prominent student leaders as Mike Barski and Howie Tune, two recent Presidents of Student Government, have been directly involved in the evolution of this student union. I am pleased to announce that with the passage of Student Government of a supervisory body to maintain the operations of "Church" hall we will have our first student union building.

The first time this dream started to materialize into reality was back in June of 1973, at the graduation party for last years seniors. From that happy moment, however, nothing but roadblocks forced the delay of completion of our student center. Before Church hall could be turned over to the students, the lecture halls in the new Stark Learning Center had to be completed. First, I was notified the completion date for Stark was Sept. 1, then Oct. 1, then the latest Nov. 15, hence you can see the frustration. Although some people here at Wilkes College believe in the Peter Principle, Student Government continued with its responsibilities in acquiring estimates for the carpentry and acoustical work which

needed to be done before any date of occupancy.

Student Government is approaching the development of Church hall in two stages. First, the short term stage, which involved the first and main floor of Church. This floor will become a lounge area for students to rest and to throw the ball in a living room setting. The second and long term stage for Church hall includes the development of the basement. Much work has been done; however, there is a long way to go. The development of this area will be the responsibility of the hopeful Student Union Board (SUB).

With the very near opening of this building, I'd like to remind you that the money used to develop it came from your pockets through the

activities fee which you pay at the beginning of the year. I bring this to light only because the total cost will run between 5 and 6 thousand dollars. If, for no other reason but cost and possible cost replacement due to damage, please care for the items in Church just as if they were yours . . . since they are yours.

— Peter Jadelis —

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Concert — N.E. Pa. Philharmonic; Irem Temple, 8:30 p.m.

Monday, January 28
Basketball — Wilkes vs. Baptist Bible (home)

Tuesday, January 29
Wrestling — Wilkes vs. North Dakota (home)
Student Government Meeting
Concert and Lecture Series — Stewart Udall, "The Energy Crisis" CPA 8 p.m.

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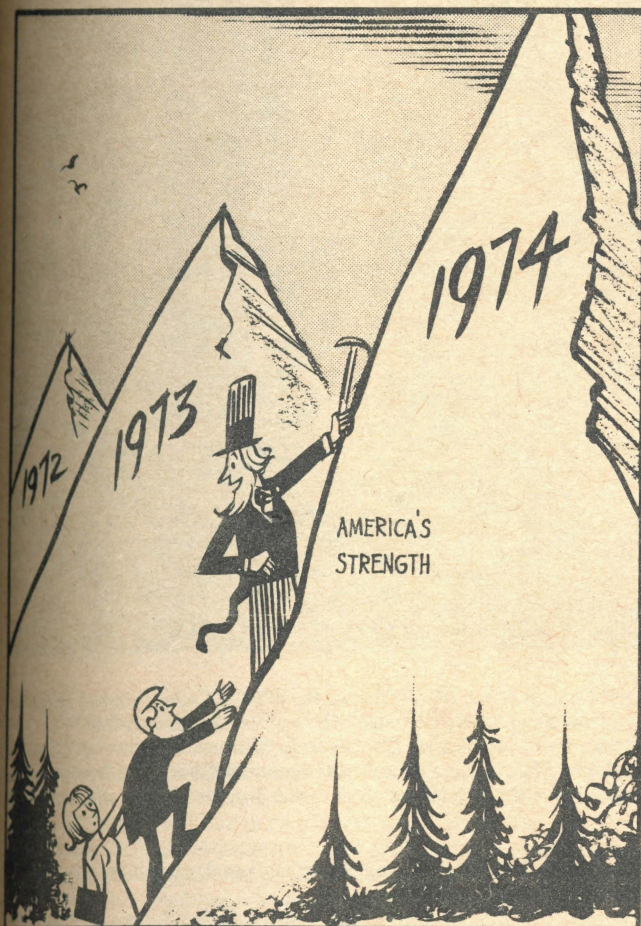
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WIPE THE SLATE CLEAN

When the chips are down, the American family works just a bit harder, and maybe a bit longer, to attain its objectives.

We have just completed a year of crises in many areas. There are many challenges still facing us, but they can be solved through the application of one simple concept: work with confidence.

It is this ability to work which has helped us to be the breadbasket of the world. It has been the ability to discover and invent that has made the moon our newest frontier. It has been the ability to achieve, through mass production, the comforts and conveniences of a modern society which has drastically reduced the number of our poor people.

It has been the desire to provide for our families to the best of our abilities that has triggered more inventions in this generation than the total of those developed since the world began.

As we look into 1974, let's be objective so that we may record new accomplishments together.

Ecological Delay Sought For Crisis

The energy crisis will force some readjustment in our timetable for achieving maximum conservation and improvement in the environment," Ian MacGregor, chairman and chief executive officer of American Metal Climax, Inc., said in a company-wide conference on environment held recently in Tucson, Ariz.

Citing proposed legislation which would prohibit surface mining where the Federal government owns the mineral rights, but not the surface rights, Mr. MacGregor said that, if this proposal is adopted, it would seriously restrict the mining of the reserves of low sulphur coal in the western states.

He said that the National Coal Association has estimated that something like 37.5 billion tons of low sulphur surface coal would become unavailable. "We have translated the coal tonnage involved into measurements of equivalent energy in barrels of oil. It represents 166 billion barrels of oil or, to bring this even closer to home, it represents 415 times the amount of oil we are now importing annually from the Arab countries," he explained.

Last year more than half of the nation's coal production came from surface mining. He stated that delays in federal leasing of western coal reserves stem from ecological and environmental considerations

forced upon administrators and legislators.

Mr. MacGregor said that the Wyoming coal reserves are equivalent in energy to almost 50 per cent more than the total remaining oil reserves in the continental 48 states.

"Recognizing the legitimate concern for reclamation, the feasibility have to be examined in proper perspective," he added. "Coal seams in the west are as much as 10 to 20 times thicker than in the east. As a consequence, substantially less acreage needs to be disturbed to mine any given tonnage of coal. In addition, greater reclamation cost per acre can be justified without seriously impairing the economics of mining. Production of 250 million tons per year of coal in the West would only disturb about 2,500 acres of land per year, and on a temporary basis. This is less than half of the acreage of land permanently destroyed each year for highway construction in the state of Wyoming alone.

Moving Families

Thousands of families relocate every day, but relatively few are aware of the pitfalls of moving from one home to another.

Specialists in this area, the National Home Settlers, Inc., 30 East 42nd Street, New York, offer this constructive advice.

A lease is a contract, and unless there is a transfer clause in the lease, or the landlord gives a written release to the tenant upon notice of his intent to move, the tenant will continue to be responsible for payment of rent until such time as the abode is re-rented.

Transferees should not get involved in packing household goods if arrangements have been made to have the carrier do the packing. Insurance problems may result.

If buying a new home, the buyer should investigate the National Association of Homebuilders ten year warranty against defects in residential construction. The cost is modest.

If seeking a mortgage, check with your employer for assistance in securing of financing, especially if the move is to one of the metropolitan areas.

Down-payments on homes and closing costs vary considerably throughout the country. For peace of mind, it would be most advisable to inquire about these moving expenses in advance, so that you can have this cash available.

This same advice applies to rentals where security deposits are required, and how long leases must run. This too, should be spelled out in advance so that you know exactly what you are getting into.

With the tight housing market, it would be well to get an overall recommendation as to what areas can meet your purchase price target and the type of house or apartment you desire.

Feminine Facts

One out of every 50 men and women age 35 and over are using their leisure time to keep up with new developments in their field or to obtain the educational and technical skills necessary to change to a different line of work.

These 1.5 million adults include: 780,000 enrolled in college; 570,000 attending a trade or vocational school; and the remainder were enrolled in elementary or secondary school.

More than half are women, taking college courses to obtain a degree before re-entering the labor market.

Eight out of 10 male college students attend school part time, according to Herbert Bienstock, the U.S. Department of Labor's assistant regional director for the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Of this number 98 per cent were in the labor force — a rate comparable to that for all men age 35 to 44, the middle age group in the survey.

The overwhelming majority of women age 35 and over in college, Mr. Bienstock noted, were going to school part time. Nearly 3 out of 4 of these part-time students work or are seeking work, a proportion much higher than for women in the same age group who were not in school.

Mr. Bienstock suggested that the outlook for adult education between now and the year 2000 can be expected to be in a more favorable configuration than any time in this century.

The fourth quarter of the Twentieth Century may prove to be a golden age for adult education, he concluded.

The Spirit Of '74



JOINT ACTION NEEDED

Forcing car manufacturers to build only automobiles which achieve 20 miles-per-gallon, as suggested in Congress, is an example of a finger-in-the-dike law which is unlikely to help the energy crisis.

The Boston Consulting Group points out that it is government which has discouraged development of natural gas by setting a ceiling price, banned the use of oil and coal with sulfur, restricted strip mining, imposed drastic and expensive safety rules on industry (coupled with a freeze on prices), delayed nuclear power plant construction, imposed pollution objectives which make it almost impossible to find sites for refineries to be built, delayed the use of the Alaskan North Slope and a pipe-line, and stopped the drilling of oil off California. Moreover, the government has spent billions of taxpayer dollars on roads while discouraging investment in mass transit.

Long-range planning by knowledgeable representatives of the public, government, and business is needed to determine how best to meet sensible occupational safety and pollution control objectives and, at the same time, develop dependable energy sources for the future. It can be done by considering all the factors and allowing American initiative and the free market the maximum opportunity to operate.

Guest WNEP-TV Editorial Favors Drinking Age At 18

by Dr. Harry K. Miller, President, Keystone Junior College

All my life I have abstained from the use of alcoholic beverages for I have believed their misuse has destroyed many lives and has been a serious menace to society. And all my life I have tried to be a reasonable man. Reason tells me that the legal age for drinking should now be lowered — from 21 years to 18.

If our young people must drink, let us try to make sure that they do so under optimum conditions. Now the teenager who wants to drink must either violate Pennsylvania law or go into a neighboring state where 18-year-olds may drink legally. A great many of them choose the later course, taking to the highway for the return trip with too much alcohol in their systems. The peril is obvious.

I will continue personally to advise both young people and adults to avoid the use of alcoholic beverages. Nevertheless, I am convinced that lowering the drinking age would tend to keep our teenagers closer to home, and it would keep their drinking out in the open. Let's reduce the sneaking, the cheating, the blatant violation of the law — violation which conditions our new adult citizens to cheat in other ways.

We have legalized the age of 18 for the vote, the making of contracts, the paying of taxes, and other adult privileges, yet we continue the hypocritical 21-year age limit on consumption of alcohol.

Studies have shown that more than 90 per cent of the college students who drink began before entering college — most of them in their own homes. Why continue to pretend that a 21-year law prevents their drinking? Let's legalize an inescapable reality and be done with it.

Wilkes Comeback A Victory Plus

Slightly more than a decade ago Wilkes College was known throughout the nation as one of the powerhouses in the field of intercollegiate debate.

The activity has not functioned on campus since the late 1950s, but this year with the appointment of Bradford L. Kinney as director of debate, Wilkes College once again has made known its intention of entering serious competition.

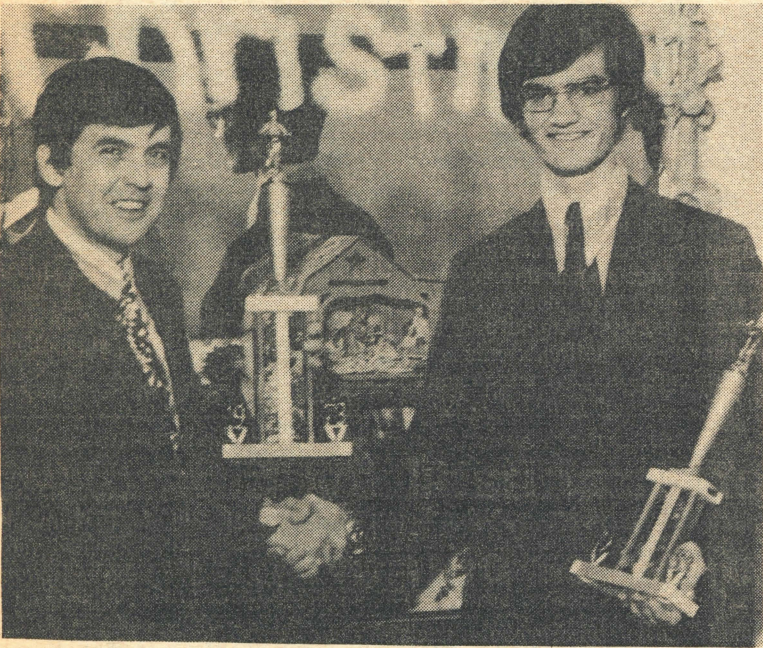
And recently the Wilkes College Debate Union appeared to be ready to pick up where the teams of old had left off as they went into the East Stroudsburg State College Forensics and Debate Tournament with only two and a half months as an organized group and took top team speakers' honors.

In addition, the team brought back the first two trophies of the new era — one a fourth place piece for Overall Novice by Marilyn Cimachosky, Pleasant Mount, Pa., and John Guzek, Dunmore; and a third place trophy for Overall Novice honors by Jim Guzek, team captain from Dunmore and a brother to John; and Joseph Kaczmarek, Dunmore.

Schools which were defeated by Wilkes in the tournament were: Scranton University, Newark College of Engineering, East Stroudsburg State College, Marywood College, Lehman Campus of Penn State, Shippensburg State College, and State University of New York at Cortland.

Kinney expressed enthusiasm over the excellent results his comparatively young teams had in the tournament and, at the same time, revealed that Wilkes will resume next year its own Debate Tournament on campus.

The Debate Union is also available for appearances at local schools.



Receiving congratulations for the fine performance turned in by the new Wilkes Debate Union in its first outing at a major tournament is team captain Jim Guzek of Dunmore (right) as Debate Coach Bradford Kinney, in his first year at Wilkes, holds the second of two trophies captured.

New Freshman and Transfer Students Participate in Orientation Program



Four members of the group of new students which joined the ranks of the Wilkes College student body and taking part in the weekend orientation program are shown with members of the administration.

Left to right are: Richard Raspen, director of financial aid; Sharon Ann Warren, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Warren, Hazleton; Sally Steele, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Steele, Tunkhannock; Rebecca Leonard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Leonard, Upper Saddle River, N.J.; and Joseph Oborski, and the late Mr. Oborski, Nanticoke.

"Wilkes College is not only a learning experience. It is also a living experience and you will get out of it only what you sincerely seek and honestly wish to attain."

These were among the opening remarks made on Friday by Wilkes College Dean, George F. Ralston, who opened the weekend orientation program for a large group of new freshman and transfer students who elected to begin classes at Wilkes College in the Spring Semester.

The new students and transfer registrants spent the weekend getting settled in their new surroundings and on Monday (Jan. 21) they joined with more than 2,000 other full time day students in the start of classes for the Spring Semester.

The orientation program originated in Stark Learning Center with the introductory address by Dean Ralston being followed by briefings from: Thomas J. Moran, director of public relations; Arthur J. Hoover, director of alumni affairs and students activities; Richard Raspen, director of financial aid; Dr. B. Hopkins Moses, registrar; and Deans Jane Lampe, Linda Hobrock and Edward Baltruchitis.

Included in the new group of freshmen and transfer students are: Catherine Sarah McHale, Scranton; Michael J. Matiace Jr., Lincoln Park, N. J.; Dennis Michael Mazonkey, Shickshinny; Richard Andrew Morelli, Olyphant; Hoa Cong Nguyen, Wilkes-Barre; Tuan Anh Nguyen, Kingston; Estelle Nye, Shamokin; Joseph Anthony Oborski, Nanticoke; Betty Jean Overbey, Levittown; Jane Ann Marie Perry, Pittston; Steven Bert Pinson, Waverly.

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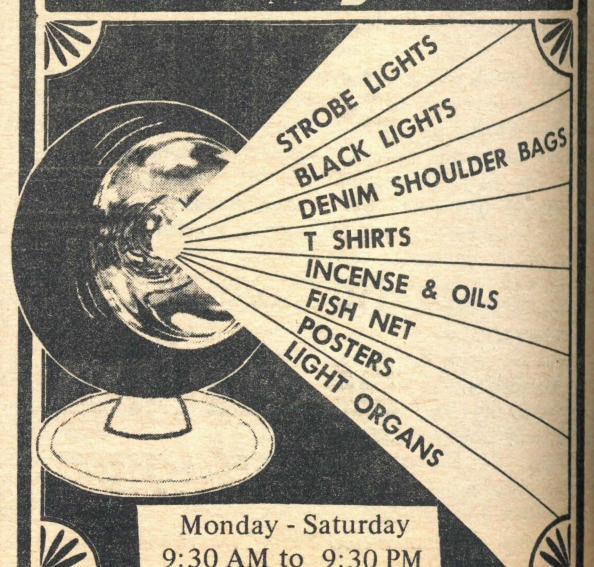
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SLC Is Nearing Completion

Work has begun on the completion of the interior of the third and fourth floors of the \$6-million Stark Learning Center on the Wilkes College campus, according to an announcement by Wilkes President Francis J. Michelini. At the same time, President Michelini announced that a former dormitory at 150 South River Street is in the process of being razed to make room for a lecture hall, which will be connected to the Stark Learning Center. The former residences, which had been used as dormitories and faculty offices by the college, were torn down previously to allow room for construction to begin more than two years ago. A major portion of the exterior work has been completed, as well as a considerable amount of the basic interior work on ground and sub-ground levels, when the flood hit in 1972 and caused damaged that resulted in some delay of the completion date. It is anticipated that the entire structure will be in operation by next Fall. The facility provides additional classrooms, studios and laboratory space for programs in materials and electrical engineering, environmental science, fine arts, computer science, experimental psychology, mathematics and nursing. It also houses the new Art Gallery, which was dedicated in November.

Two Distinguished Democratic Women Named in Scholarships for Juniors

Two scholarships valued at \$250 each have been made available to qualified women of the Junior Class at Wilkes College by the Pennsylvania Federation of Democratic Women, according to an announcement made by Richard Kasper, financial aid officer for Wilkes College.

The awards have been made in honor of two distinguished Democratic women, the late Florence Dornblaser, who was the first treasurer of the Pennsylvania Federation of Democratic Women, and the late Emma Guffey Miller who was the first woman nominated for the office of the President of the United States.

The awards, according to Kasper, are made to encourage young women to pursue and develop an interest in politics and government. They may be used during the student's senior years in college. To qualify for an award, the student must be majoring in political science, government, economics or history, or preparing to teach one of these subjects. She must have a good scholastic standing, be reasonably active in student activities, be a Pennsylvania resident, establish a need for financial aid and possess a Democratic family background or be an active participant in the affairs of the Democratic Party. Applications may be obtained by writing to: Memorial Scholarship

Fund; Grace M. Sloan, Chairman; P. O. Box 3804; Harrisburg, Pa. 17105.

All applications must be postmarked no later than May 1, 1974. Awards will be presented to the winners on Tuesday, June 11, at the Annual Convention of the Pennsylvania Federation of Democratic Women of Reading, Penna.

Andy Shaw-25 Hours a Day

It's not a case of what makes Andy run, but more of what keeps Andy running?

The key figure in this saga is Andrew Shaw, Jr. who manages to amaze his friends and associates by holding down jobs that carry legitimately impressive titles as director of the Wilkes College Institute of Regional Affairs (IRA), executive director of the Flood Recovery Task Force (FRTF), and secretary of the three-state Susquehanna River Basin Association.

Tack on to all this another assignment of teaching several courses in advanced political science, serving as advisor to several municipal authorities and governmental bodies and you have a man who is busy in an astonishing sort of way.

Then just recently the resident of Dallas was called into the office of Wilkes College President Francis J. Michelini and asked if he would accept a key position in the restructuring of the administrative ranks at the four-year institution.

The position offered to Shaw — in addition to all his other duties — was assistant to the president for management research. It never occurred to him to look upon the invitation as anything other than a new challenge — a challenge being something for which he has always found time.

Shaw is the perfect example of the individual referred to in the old cliché about "working 25 hours every day."

The thing that amazes his associates is that he doesn't slip in his responsibilities. He is constantly referring to a vest-pocket engagement book and then jotting down another meeting or luncheon or speaking engagement. Keeping track of his whirlwind schedule has been jokingly described by friends as "enough to make any three men tired."

By virtue of his position at the college and in the classroom alone, he would be excused if he occasionally assumed the role of the mythical absent-minded professor.

But the opposite is true. He never forgets an appointment. Shows up on time or slightly ahead of schedule so that he can chat for a while or "get the feel of his audience." Never passes by an acquaintance without stopping for a brief period to exchange pleasantries.

And his students — many of whom hope to enter the same kind of dizzy-paced public activity that keeps him moving constantly — are equally amazed that he can come from an early morning breakfast meeting with someone like Thomas Kiley, chairman of the board of First National Bank, and still make an 8 o'clock class on campus.

"We're still trying to get the sleepers out of our eyes at that time of the morning," one student said, "and Shaw walks in with a poker face, slowly breaks into a slight grin and cracks a joke. Then he starts off and lectures for 50 minutes or deliberately provokes an argument if he thinks the class isn't staying alert."



ANDREW SHAW

What makes Andy run might easily be answered by an understanding wife, the former Viola Mahalski of Duryea. The couple was married in 1961, three years after he graduated from Wilkes, and they have three children, Linda, 11; Nancy, 10; and Robert 3.

Shaw, a native of Plains, was a Fels Scholar of the Wharton Graduate Division, University of Pennsylvania. He began his professional career in municipal government as an administrative analyst for the city of Philadelphia.

In 1961, after a year in the City of Brotherly Love, Shaw joined the Pennsylvania Economy League in the same capacity, but a year later began a climb upward to executive director of a branch office, division coordinator of branch activities and from 1967 to 1972 he was division director of research.

He came to Wilkes to fill the vacancy left by the death of Dr. Hugo V. Mailey, founder of the Institute of Regional Affairs, and at the ripe young age of 42 the end is nowhere in sight and he's still running strong and straight.

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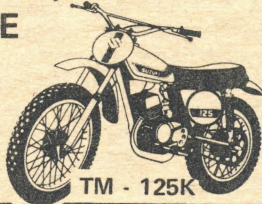


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Wilkesmen Win Scranton Cage Tourney

Ozgo and Buzinski Key Benefactors

Led by the savage offensive thrust of 6'5 center, Greg Buzinski, the Wilkes College basketball quintet captured its initial tournament title, in the history of the school, downing Bucknell University in the finals of the Scranton Christmas Tourney, 72-62.

For his spectacular play, which included a 30-point performance against the Bisons, Buzinski was named MVP of the tournament. The Colonel cagers garnered additional honors when Junior forward, Clarence Ozgo, and Sophomore guard, Mike Prekopa, were named to the tourney's all-star team in addition to Buzinski.

The Colonels shooting ability was nothing less than marvelous in the two day affair, as they bumped off Scranton 78-75, and then continued their uncanny shooting and board control against Bucknell in the finals.

Jumping into a ten point lead early in the Scranton contest, the cagers of Roger Bearde showed a lot of poise in protecting their comfortable edge.

With only two minutes remaining in the game though, Scranton came

battling back using a full-court zone press and tied the game at the buzzer.

The Blue and Gold refused to throw in the towel however, and blazed to a three point victory.

The tourney final against Bucknell was nip and tuck all the way, but the Colonels pulled it off in the waning minutes when the hectic Bucknell press backfired.

TOURNEY TIDBITS Sophomore Mike Prekopa seems to have finally matured as a complete player, and

is not afraid to utilize his excellent shooting ability. The Marian Catholic alumnus was also instrumental in breaking down the Scranton and Bucknell presses.

..... Speaking of ballhandling, Stevie Ference deserves a great deal of praise for his play in the tournament. In our opinion, he should have been named to the all-star team along with Buzinski, Ozgo and Prekopa.

Domowitch —

Colonelettes Add Feminine Touch To Wilkes Wrestling



What's So Funny

Barbara Yanchuk (center) has a big grin on her face at the recent Wilkes College Open Wrestling Tournament. Barb is one of the wrestling Colonelettes who have proved invaluable assisting at Wilkes dual meets as well as at the Open. Also pictured is pretty Marilyn Ivan (left), and Mrs. Gay Meyers (right), head of the Colonelettes.

Jim Torbik Takes Title In First Forecast Poll

Jim Torbik, editor-in-chief of this newspaper, finished as the champion in the first annual Beacon forecast poll run by the publication's sports department.

Torbik, who has been one of the frontrunners in the forecast race most of the season, won out over second place finisher Denise Welsh. Denise completed the poll two games behind Torbik.



JIM TORBIK

A transfer from King's College two semesters ago, Jim works in the Public Relations Department of the

college in addition to his duties as editor-in-chief of the Beacon. On occasion, he assists Director of Sports Information, George Pawlusch, and is employed by the Sports desk of the Sunday Independent.

Torbik resides at 130 Matson Ave., in Wilkes-Barre, and is an alumnus of Coughlin High School. An avid Notre Dame rooter, Jim enjoys all types of sports and is a fine athlete. He hopes to continue in the field of journalism after graduating from Wilkes.

WBAX To Play Wilkes Faculty

The Human Services Committee of Wilkes College will sponsor a basketball doubleheader this evening at the Franklin Street gymnasium.

The preliminary game will begin at 6:45, pitting the Biology Club

Whoever made the ridiculous statement that a woman's place is in the home, surely hasn't seen the Wilkes College wrestling Colonelettes in action. Under the direction of Mrs. Gay Meyers, the Colonelettes have done a fantastic job in assisting at recent wrestling meets, and especially for their work at the Wilkes College Open.

"There is a lot of administrative work involved in running a meet or tournament," Mrs. Meyers stated recently, "and the girls are a big help in that area." "They are very willing to work and take care of programs, reserve seating, and collect tickets. They add a feminine touch to the entire wrestling program."

The girls who have been active at the Open and dual meets thus far are: Jenny Centrella, Alexis DeLong, Debbie Dinkel, Carol Drahos, Bonnie Grant, Cindy Lenahan, Jennifer Morgan, Rose Ann Rada, Sharon Sprechini, Sandy Voitek, Carol Zambetti, Mary Lou Zawatski, Marilyn Ivan, Debbie Jeoretti, Barbara King, Mary Lou Gottlieb, Barb Yanchuk and Gwen Campbell.

against the Human Services Committee. Then, at 8:00 p.m., the Wilkes College faculty will take on the WBAX Goldiggers.

There will be a small admission fee of \$.75, with the proceeds from the contests going towards the next Blood Donor Day.

VICTORY IS SWEET — Clarence Ozgo (left), and Greg Buzinski are pictured with some of the silver that they brought home from the Scranton Christmas Tourney. Ozgo stands beside the first place team trophy and Buzinski is shown holding his trophy for being selected MVP of the holiday affair.

Featuring... John Chakmakas

While looking down the current list of the individual records of the wrestlers, John Chakmakas' 7-1-1 record looks very impressive.

The modest 134 pound senior math major from Schenectady, N.Y. hasn't lost a regular season's match in over a month and appears to be improving with age.

Chakmakas came to Wilkes from Syracuse University and had two years here at Wilkes before being eligible to wrestle. But as of last year, his first full year of eligibility, he started building the way for a successful wrestling career going 7-1-1 before sustaining an injury which kept him from wrestling at full strength. His lifetime log at Wilkes adds up to 15-2-2.

This year is a different story as he has the experience and health. He has dominated his opponents with the exception of the Navy wrestler this season.

The 1973-1974 squad is currently ranked sixth in the east and stands on a 6-4 team record. According to Chakmakas, North Dakota State and Montclair State will be the toughest concerns of the Colonels on their remaining regular schedule.

Recently John went to the finals of his 134 weight class in the Wilkes Open after wrestling superbly but lost in overtime. He sees no reason why this year's squad shouldn't capture the MAC TEAM championship for the thirteenth time in seventeen years. The championship would also make it six crowns in a row for coach John Reese.

When asked whether he'll capture an individual MAC crown, he laughed and said he doesn't like to make predictions.

Only a few weeks ago John scored one of only two victories that Wilkes chalked up while wrestling powerful University of Oklahoma, one of the nations finest teams. He asserts "for a school our size, we probably have the toughest schedule in the country."

With the Nationals coming up at STEWART UDALL (From Page 1)

A press conference will be held at 7:15 in the offices on the first level of the Center for the Performing Arts. His major address will be given at 8 p.m. and a question and answer period will follow.

As is the case in all Concert and Lecture Series programs at Wilkes College, this event will be open to the public without charge.

Udall will be the guest of the students at a reception to be given in the Catlin Residence Hall following his speech.



JOHN CHAKMAKAS

Wilkes College, not only a wrestling school, but everyone who has been fortunate enough to wrestle with the college and community has a chance to see some of the best wrestling in the country at the Franklin Street Gym.

Chakmakas feels that his team's performance at the Nationals is a definite achievement because it is easier to wrestle in the home than in the away.

If John Chakmakas continues to win in the ways he has, he could easily become a MAC champion or a National champion.

Coach Reese Nears 200-Victory Mark

John Reese, athletic director and head wrestling coach at Wilkes College, has enjoyed nothing but success as head mentor of the school's grappling squad. He has won his career in the early 30's and has eight wins away from accumulating 200 coaching victories.

Sports Chatter

By Paul Domowitch

As I sit here rattling away at our typewriter, we ponder great expectations of a basketball encounter that is a long time in the making. The last time they took the court against each other was almost 20 years ago to the day, and never again have they met in the same arena. The King's College Monarchs and the Wilkes College Eagles, both granted both have made it to the finals of the Pocono classic, will meet this evening at 8 in the King's College gymnasium.

Why these two individual schools could be a great one. One is a member of the USC-UCLA, Ohio State-Michigan, and Alabama-LSU as essential members of athletic rivalries. The competition between rivals is symbolic. To the winner goes the spoils of victory and the honor that goes with it. The loser goes quiet solitude, and the satisfaction that there is always a winner.

It would be the case with King's and Wilkes. But naturally one must look back to why the rivalry was ended in the first place. We can only guess at the answer, but probably the specific reasons were fights, injuries to the respective schools, etc. The early fifties were wild years for students of that era were a little different than we are now. We're sure that there wouldn't be a little mischief. Take a look at the Penn State-Virginia rivalry. Every year, students from WVU sneak up to the Nittany Lion and pour paint on the statue of the Nittany lion on the Penn State campus.

A sense of harmless mischief would only help to instill a warmer feeling between the two schools; a burning pride to be a Colonel or a King. Among other things, a King's-Wilkes confrontation on a regular basis would help to build up college athletics in the Wyoming Valley. How many have you heard that this area is scholastically oriented as far as sports are concerned? If you go to a Pittston Area-Wyoming Area football game or a Bishop O'Reilly-Bishop Hoban basketball encounter, you'll see the stands packed to capacity. That's the chief reason for a lack of interest in the part of the local sports fans in collegiate athletics; no burning rivalry like those we have named. If your college doesn't have a real rivalry like the Wilkes football teams of the last sixties, you might as well be about filling the stand.

King's and Wilkes have reached tonight's finals, one can only hope that it will be the start of a great confrontation between two great institutions. If both teams reach the finals, well...maybe someday. Letters on the subject will be welcome from students, administration, faculty, coaches, etc.

Tougher and Rougner

You avid wrestling enthusiasts who have been blessed to see the Wilkes grapplers compete against some of the best competition in the country, next season promises to be even better. There is a very good chance that the Wilkes Poly (NCAA college-division champions six of the last seven years), Iowa, and possibly Oregon State will be making trips to the Franklin Gymnasium next year. The Colonels also hope to retain Lehigh, Navy on their schedule.

In addition to all of this, Wilkes will be competing in the second annual Wilkes Open-Tournament next December, along with Clarion State, Lack Haven, Pennsylvania State, Bloomsburg State, Penn State, and many other powerful teams from throughout the country.

Tough Break for Shorty

The 11th annual Wilkes College Open-Tournament was truly a great success. The wrestling was first rate and the tournament itself was run in a professional fashion.

It was a shame to see Bloomsburg State's Floyd "Shorty" Hitchcock have to forfeit his match in the semi-finals and give up what most felt would have been a first place finish in the 190-pound class. Shorty captured the hearts of all the fans present, when after incurring a severe injury under his opponent during the semi's, he insisted on continuing the match. A physician refused to give Hitchcock the needed permission to continue, and tournament chairman George Ralston and Athletic Director John Reese had to give in to Hitchcock's pleas.

Many people present felt Reese was being unfair and stated openly that if it had been one of his own wrestlers it would have been a different story. We would like to state right now that such talk is a pile of cheap, malicious lies. John Reese is one of the finest human beings we know and the only person in his mind at the time was the safety of the wrestler. To risk a boy's life and endanger a promising career, for the sake of a trophy, would have been foolish. Even Hitchcock realized later that they were only kidding him. Well done.

We would like to take this moment to congratulate a few of the people who were responsible for the successful operation of the Wilkes Open. A round of congratulations is richly deserved by George Ralston, tournament chairman; Cromwell Thomas, scorer; Dr. Harold Cox, assistant scorer; Art Antunes, the "iron man" announcer of the tourney; Jack Pritchard, Tom Rokita, who were in charge of the bracketing; Art Hoover and Tom Domzalski, weightmasters; Millie Gittens, tickets; Denise Welsh, secretary; Gay Meyers, hospitality and head of the Colonelettes; and Pawlusz, publicity. In addition we would like to congratulate all of the keepers and scorers, and anyone else who had a hand in the success of the Open.

Way To Go Irish

This year this is for Notre Dame University and its proud fans. After a 24-23 win in the Sugar Bowl for the national football championship, the Irish basketball quintet came back from an 11 point deficit with a little over three minutes to go, to edge UCLA 71-70 last night.

The victory snapped an 88-game victory skien by the Walton gang, and that the Bruins are fallible. The two teams tangle again this evening at Pauley Pavillion, beginning at 11:30 p.m. on Channel 5. The home court of UCLA, and with a little luck they just might meet again in the NCAA championship finals come March. Boy oh boy...what a season!

Clarion State Takes Open Title; Schalles Voted Top Wrestler Second Place For Colonels



THREE OF THE BEST — Manny Gorriorron is shown presenting the high point trophy to Clarion grapplers Wade Schalles (left), Don Rohn (middle), and Bill Simpson (right). All three tied for the prestigious award.



SECOND TO ONE — Coach John Reese, head mentor of the Wilkes College wrestling team, accepts the runnerup team trophy from Manny Gorriorron. Clarion was first with 138 points while the Colonels were a distant second.

Phila. Textile Falls As Wilkes Team Wins

After blowing a fourteen point lead, the Wilkes College basketball team battled back to defeat MAC opponent Philadelphia Textile 60-56.

The victory over the rams upped the Blue and Gold season record to 7-2, and marked the first time in 15 years that Wilkes has beaten them. Textile's record stands at 5-5.

Pacing the scoring barage for Coach Roger Bearde's quintet was sophomore forward Jack Brabant with 19 counters. Also placing in double figures for the Colonels were pivotman Greg Buzinski and guard Steve Ference with 14 points, and Clarence Ozgo with 11.

Six foot two freshman guard, Emery Sammons led the Textile offense with 20 points.

The Philadelphians broke into the early lead on the shooting of center Mike Sabol, but Wilkes countered with buckets by Ference and Ozgo.

The lead changed hands a number of times after that, before a jumper by Brabant with 9:00 minutes remaining in the half, put the Colonels into the lead.

Wilkes widened their lead over the Rams to 12 on a bucket by Greg Buzinski with 1:40 remaining, and went into the dressing room with a nine point cushion, leading 34-25.

Opening the vesper session with a hot hand, the Colonels opened up a 14 point spread on consecutive scores by Brabant and Ozgo.

With a little less than 13 minutes remaining in the contest, Textile's Emory Sammons put on a sparkling offensive display, hitting four straight buckets to only one by the Blue and Gold.

A basket by McCormick with 3:10 left, put Textile into the lead 54-53, but their hopes for victory were quickly squelched as Buzinski connected on a jumper and tied up Philadelphia's Sabol for a jump ball.

With only :29 remaining in the contest, Buzinski was fouled by Sabol and made both ends of a one and one. After a basket by Jim Edwards of Textile, Brabant hit on two free throws to insure the Wilkes victory.

—Domowitch—

Led by NCAA champions Wade Schalles, Don Rohn, and Bill Simpson, the Clarion State Eagles breezed to the team title in the 41st annual Wilkes College Open Wrestling Tournament.

Clarion finished with 138 points, while Wilkes ended in the runnerup position for the fourth straight year, garnering 74½ points. Other top finishers with their team points in parenthesis are: New York AC (61½), Bloomsburg State (39), East Carolina (38½), Ashland (35), Cincinnati (33), Yale (26½), William and Mary (26½), Indiana State (26), and Delaware (26).

Clarion's Wade Schalles proved to everyone why he is a two-time NCAA champion as he walked off with the Bruce Blackman Award, which is given to the most outstanding wrestler of the tournament, the Manny Gorriaran Trophy for the most pins in the least aggregate time, and trying teammates Don Rohn, and Bill Simpson for the High Point Trohy.

Another Clarion grappler, Tom Turnbull, was presented with the Harold Rosenberg Award, which goes to the outstanding freshman in the Open.

An enormous surprise for the Wilkes wrestling fans was the performances of senior John Chakmakas and junior Gene Ashley. Both grapplers reached the finals, but failed in their quest for individual titles as Chakmakas lost an overtime decision to Mark Belknap of William and Mary in the 134-pound title bout, 3-1, while Ashley succumbed to Neil Duncan of the New York Athletic 8-1, in the 158-pound final.

Heavyweight Al Sharer and 167-pounder Jim Weisenfluh added to the Wilkes team total, capturing a third and fourth place, respectively.

Miie Lee, Rich Mahonski, and Art Trovei all reached the semi-finals along with Chakmakas and Ashley, but none of the trio could advance. Lee lost a narrow decision to eventual champion Mike Waller who upset NCAA titlist Dan Muthler of Navy in the finals. Mahonski was upended by 118-pound champ Tom Turnbull after being injured while in the process of a reversal, and Art Trovei lost to 142-pound runnerup Bob Medina of Penn State in a decision.

Trovei was forced to wrestle with a bad knee, which he favored during the entire match against Medina, and it hindered his movement.

Finals

118 Tom Turnbull (Clarion St.) won on forfeit over Pete Morrelli (Clarion St.)

126 Rich Sofman (New York AC) dec. Craig Turnbull (Clarion St.), 9-5
134 Mark Belknap (Wm. & Mary) dec. John Chakmakas (Wilkes), 5-5, 3-1 ot.

142 Don Rohn (Clarion St.) won by default over Bob Medina (Penn St.), 6-57

150 Mike Waller (Slippery Rock St.) dec. Dan Muthler (Navy), 8-6

158 Neil Duncan (New York AC) dec. Gene Ashley (Wilkes), 8-1

167 Wade Schalles (Clarion St.) pinned Bob Stetlar (East Stroudsburg St.), 1-23

177 Bill Simpson (Clarion St.) dec. Ron Sheehan (Bloomsburg St.), 16-6

190 Roy Baker (Delaware) dec. Ed Hamilton (Buffalo), 5-1

Hwt Tim Karpoff (Yale) dec. Chuck Coryea (Clarion St.), 8-2

—Domowitch—

BEACON SPORTS

Wilkes College Cagers Meet Their Waterloo

Grapplers Pulverize Pacific U., 39-5

The Wilkes College wrestlers got back on the winning track Saturday evening, as they swept past Pacific University of Oregon 39-5, at the Franklin Street gymnasium.

The Boxers of Coach Mike Clock incurred their sixth loss of the season, while the Colonels picked up their sixth victory as opposed to four losses.

Rick Mahonski, Wilkes' excellent 118-pound freshman grappler, had no trouble starting the Colonels off on the right foot, winning via the forfeit route. Rick's record now stands at 7-3 for the season.

Like his teammate, Lonny Balum also picked up a forfeit in the 126-pound match after Pacific University's Don Mason was disqualified for stalling. Lonny was in full control of the contest the entire time and nearly showed his opponent the lights on several occasions with fine cradles, but he couldn't quite pull the trick.

The Colonel's John Chakmakas (7-1-1) and Pacific's Mike Metchling battled to a 2-2 draw in the 134-pound match. A reversal by Chakmakas with a little over a minute remaining in the bout, saved John from what could have been only his second loss of the year.

Artie Trovei (5-2) upped the Colonel team score to 20-2 when he pinned Ernesto Inclan in 3:20 of the 142-pound bout. The Port Jervis native was leading 2-0 at the time of the fall. The victory upped Trovei's career grappling record to 33-5-3.

Mike Lee (5-3-1) used two takedowns and a second period reversal to insure a 7-2 victory over Pacific's Terry Cox.

Gene Ashley (5-3) continued his fine wrestling for Coach John Reese's squad, pounding out a 3-2 decision over sophomore Tim Schiewe in the 158-pound match. With the score deadlocked at two apiece going into the third period, Gino used an escape and some aggressive wrestling to insure his victory.

Getting only his second varsity start of the season, Wilkes' Jim DeSombre (1-0-1) displayed the type of wrestling that made him a district titlist while at Wyoming Valley West High School, crushing Lee Garboden of Pacific 13-6.

Jimmy Weisenfluh (6-2-1) moved up a weight and quickly turned the

177-pound contest into a farce, winning handily 27-0 over Pacific's Jay Child. Weisenfluh practically put Child on his back at will with a myriad of cradles, but couldn't show him the lights.

Pacific University salvaged their only victory of the night at 190-pounds, where sophomore Steve Caroeni pulled out a hard fought 6-4 decision over the Colonel's Wayne Sherman (2-4). Sherman, down 5-2 late in the final period, brought Caroeni to the mat for a last second takedown, but it was too little, too late.

Al Sharer (6-4) capped off the Colonel good fortunes, picking up a forfeit victory in the final bout to make the final score 39-5.

Next action for the Blue and Gold grapplers comes this Saturday evening at home against Oswego State College. Following that encounter, the Colonels will be host to college-division powerhouse North Dakota State on Tuesday evening, January 29.

118-Rick Mahonski (W) won on forfeit.

126-Lon Balum (W) won on disq. over Dan Mason.

134-John Chakmakas (W) drew with Mike Metchling 4-4.

142-Art Trovei (W) pinned Ernesto Inclan in 3:20.

150-Mike Lee (W) dec. Terry Cox, 7-2.

158-Gene Ashley (W) dec. Lee Garboden, 3-2.

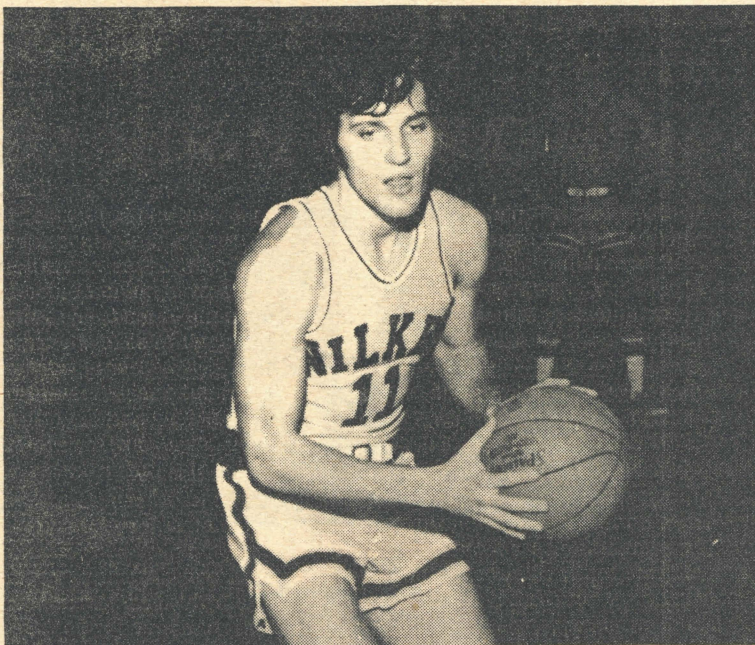
167-Jim DeSombre (W) dec. Tim Schiewe, 13-6.

177-Jim Weisenfluh (W) dec. Jay Child, 27-0.

190-Steve Caroeni (P) dec. Wayne Sherman, 5-4.

Unl.-Al Scharer (W) won on forfeit.

—Domowitch—



MECHANIC OF THE WILKES MACHINE — Stevie Ference, the 5'11 junior guard for Coach Roger Bearde's cage team, has been one of the significant reasons for the Colonels early success thus far this season. Along with being an excellent shooter, Ference is one of the best ballhandlers in the MAC, and runs the Wilkes offense superbly.

Girl Cagers Open With Baptist Bible Thursday

The Wilkes College women's basketball team will open its 1974 season one week from today, facing Baptist Bible College in a home encounter at the Franklin St. gymnasium.

Coach Sandy Bloomberg, in her second year at the helm as head mentor of the Colonelettes, is extremely optimistic over this year's team. With eight letterwomen returning, the hope of bettering last season's 6-6 record, may become a reality.

A few of the key performers that Coach Bloomberg will be relying heavily on in the season opener are Ann Tracy, Diane Jones, and Nancy Roberts. Ann was the leading scorer on last year's freshman studded team, averaging more than seven points a contest. Miss Jones, a former Meyers High standout, seemed to improve with every game last year, and will be a tremendous asset in the Colonelettes quest for a successful season. Nancy Roberts, another sophomore, was sidelined for almost the entire 1973 season due to a broken arm, but is being counted on to strengthen the Colonels initial

weakness; the board game.

Coach Bloomberg feels this year's team is extremely quick, and contains a great deal of capable

shooters. One of the major differences between this year's squad and last season's is experience. Most of the girls on the team are sophomores and now have a year of playing experience behind them.

There is a tremendous amount of competition for the five starting berths, and Coach Bloomberg emphasized that she will probably substitute freely, since the squad has reasonable depth.

Probably the toughest opponent on the Colonelettes schedule will be arch-rival Luzerne County Community College. Wilkes will entertain the LCCC quintet February 7, and then travel to their home court February 27. Last season, the Colonelettes lost both contests to the "Minutewomen" by scores of 59-35, and 45-30.

Here is the girl's complete schedule for the 1974 season: January 31, Baptist Bible (H); February 1, Kutztown State (H); February 4, Susquehanna (H); February 7, Luzerne County Comm. College (H); February 9, Misericordia (H); February 13, Bloomsburg State (A); February 18, Muhlenberg (A); February 20, Albright (A); February 22, Marywood (A); February 27, Luzerne County Comm. College (A); March 4, Keystone Junior College (H); March 6, Misericordia (A); March 9, Marywood (H).

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by Paul Domowitch

The hope of a King's-Wilkes matchup in the Pocono Classic finally fell by the wayside Tuesday evening as the University of Waterloo upended the Wilkes College cage team, 87-68 at the King's College gymnasium.

Led by Mike Moser's 29 points, the Canadian team totally dominated the offensive and defensive boards the entire game to advance to the semi-finals of the tourney, against East Stroudsburg last night. Also figuring prominently in the scoring for Waterloo was 6'5 forward Trevor Briggs, who ripped the nets for 15 counters.

High man for the Colonels offensive machine was sophomore forward Jack Brabant who had 10 points.

The Wilkesman took a short four point lead early in the ball game on the outside shooting of Brabant but Waterloo quickly overtook the Colonels, as former World University Games star Moser hit four goals in a three minute span to give them a five point cushion over Coach Roger Bearde's quintet.

With a 6'6 center Greg Bynum hitting on a couple of jumpers from the corner, Wilkes managed to stay within three points of their opponent for a large portion of the half. Then with seven minutes remaining in the first stanza, Waterloo rattled off consecutive points before the Colonels even knew what hit them. It was the 6'5 Moser again who led the way, as he muscled his way underneath for second and third shots off of the offensive glass.

Wilkes' Brabant finally connected from the top of the circle to throw the Canadians point spree, but it was only temporary. The halftime score saw the Colonels down by Waterloo, 41-28.

Blue and Gold playmaker, Stevie Ference caught fire early in the vesper period, and helped close the deficit to nine.

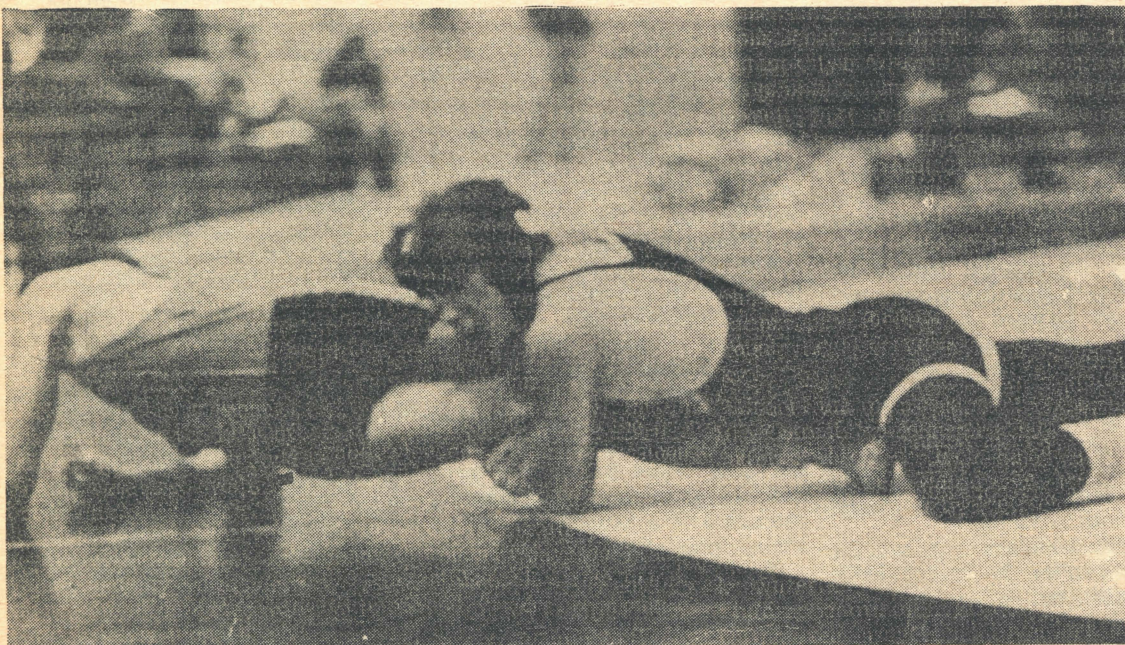
But Moser, with the help of his uncanny shooting by teammate Trevor Briggs and 6'4 sophomore Mike Simons, increased Waterloo's lead to 16 points with a little over 10 minutes to play.

With 12:39 left in the contest, Colonel forward, Clarence Brabant connected on a drive toward the hoop and was fouled. The clutch toss was good and it cut the margin to 11.

Moser again drove one home from the outside along with a tip in by Briggs, but Wilkes came running back on a bucket by Ference and another three point play by Brabant.

Just when it seemed that the Colonels were gaining momentum they so badly needed to overtake Waterloo, Moser, as he has been doing all evening, squared the Blue and Gold hopes. His last shot with 8:30 remaining in the game ended all hopes of a Colonel victory.

With about six minutes showing on the gymnasium clock, Coach Bearde unloaded his bench. Waterloo went on to clinch an opening round victory.



CHAKMAKAS IN CONTROL — 134-pounder John Chakmakas is shown here during his bout against a Pacific University opponent, where the pair battled to a 4-4 draw. John has had an exceptionally fine season thus far and is enjoying a 7-1-1 dual meet record, along with his second place finish in the Wilkes Open tourney.