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PRICE NEW EDITOR

Cinderella to be Revealed Tonight at Gym

One of 11 Coeds To Win WC Title; Ball Begins at 9

By HELEN M. KRACHENFELS

Which one of these charming Wilkes coeds will be Cinderella for 1955? Which one will succeed in rallying up the largest "bloc" of voters? (What a legislative and unromantic fairy tale this is!) Cindy no longer needs tiny feet, but voters instead!

But never fear, even if our system of choosing Cinderella does not seem properly ethereal, everything else about the Ball will be in the most fantastic style that our fantastic Student Council can devise.

As you drive up to the Palace in your high-powered carriages, (please remember the one-way coach traffic ruling on the King's South Franklin Street) and enter the gorgeously decked ballroom to the melodic strains of Jack Melton's orchestra, you will surely feel that you are attending a truly Royal

All this-the splendor of the musis, the gala decorations, the regal atmosphere, and of course the exciting climax of the evening, Cinderella's revealing. You don't want to miss a bit of it.

One last note of assurance—cease your worrying about that almost empty feeling in your pocket. For the mere pittance of \$2.00, the drawbridge will be lowered and afford you admittance to the royalest of evenings—the 1955 Cinderella

Bob Partridge, Ralston Honored Tomorrow

Coaches Partridge and George Ralston will be honored at a banquet at Hotel Sterling tomorrow evening at 7 o'clock. The feast will follow the alumni game slated for 2 p.m. at Kirby Park and will commemorate the leaving of the two coaches from the Wilkes sports scene.

Jim Ferris will open on the mound for the current diamond squad. He will be relieved by Partfor the Alumni.

Welton Farrar and John Chwalek will "umpire" the game. The latter will ump behind the plate and commented, "I will call the game fair and square—until the alumni get too far behind." In two previous games the alumni were defeated.

BIO CLUB OUTING

The Wilkes College Biology Club is holding its annual outing at Wolfe's Grove this Sunday, May 15, 1955. This will be the last function of the year for the club as a

RETURN OF BOOKS TO LIBRARY URGED

All students are urged to return books on time to the library. Preparations for the annual inventory are now being in process.

ASSISTANT



Helen Krachenfels

NEW EDITOR



T. R. Price

ASSISTANT



John Kushnerick

CURTIS ENDS TERM AS BEACON'S 10-TH EDITOR

Editor Jack Curtis stepped down time interest seemed to lag in the Irv Kaye and Jerry Lind also came at noon when the paper arrived at its point of destination-the Snack Bar on campus.

In overseeing the 27th issue of the paper—more than have been published here in a number of years, possibly the most in a school year- Curtis had a number of observations to make.

He told one of his former Beacon reporters, now under the charge of the new editor, T. R. Price, that he has appreciated the help of the staff during the entire school year, and that, though there have been on the spur of the moment. a number of lapses, during which

as head man of the Beacon today paper, he has felt well-supported for praise by the Editor, as did the during the year.

Particularly mentioned for yeoman duty were T. R. Price, Al Jeter, Jonni Falk, John Kushnerick, Art Hoover, Dick Jones, and Helen Krachenfels, those who made up the backbone of the staff.

Also praised by the former editor were promising newcomers Janice Schuster, Jerry Stein, Les Weiner, Maryan Powell, Irene Tomalis, Bill DeMayo, Rodger Lewis, Jim Coleman and others whose names he might not have been able to recall

The photo staff of Cliff Brothers,

all-round work of Freda Billstein, Janie Keibel and Pat McNelis, who performed some of the unsung tasks, Freda (By-line) Billstein having also turned out to be a topnotch writer.

The circulation staff also got a plug from its former chief, includ-ing Bernice Thomas and Barbara Rogers who had the job of keeping the Beacon in the mails.

Then there were sportsmen Jerry Elias, Tom Kaska, Izz Sherman and a host of others. The editor wanted to make sure that if some de-

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BEACON Photo by Cliff Brothers

Tonight's Ballots Will Tell Campus Coeds Competing In Contest;

WHICH ONE-One of these 11 pretty girls, all students at Wilkes, will be chosen as Cinderella at the annual Cinderella Ball which will be held tonight in the gymnasium. Candidates are, left to right, seated: Nancy Beam, Jacqueline Jones, Constance Kamarunas, Jeannette Perrins, Miriam

Jean Dearden and Lois Long. Standing: Patricia Fitzgerald, Nancy Morris, Jacqueline Oliver, Ann Faust and Ruth Wilbur. Jack Melton and his orchestra will provide music for dancing from 9 to 1. According to tradition midnight will mark the revealing of the Cinderella.

H. Krachenfels, John Kushnerick To Be Assistants

T. R. Price, editorial assistant this year, has been named editor of the BEACON for the 1955-56 school year, according to an announcement yesterday from the Wilkes Board of Publications.

In making the announcement, George Elliot, member of the board and adviser to the paper this year, also revealed that John Kushnerick and Helen Krachenfels, both seniors, will serve as assistant editors, while Roger Lewis, a sophomore next year, will be sports editor and Richard Jones, another senior-elect, will hold down the post

of business manager.
Price, a native of Wilkes-Barre and a resident of 68 Elizabeth Street, is a graduate of Elmer L. Meyers High School, Class of 1952. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M. Price, he is majoring in English and expects to enter journalism on graduation next June.

This year, Price served in a number of capacities on the staff of the Beacon, including headline editor, copy assistant, feature writer, general reporter and makeup assistant, among many others.

The new appointee replaces this year's Editor Jack Curtis, who graduates in June. Price earns the distinction of carrying on what has become tradition for the editorial post in recent years. He is the fourth editor in five years to call South Wilkes-Barre home. Chuck Gloman started the spell and was followed by Paul Beers. Then came Curtis, and now Price.

The editor will have an experienced staff under him next year in Miss Krachenfels and Kushnerick. Helen is a resident of Forty Fort and was educated in that borough's schools. She has been an active person in her three years on campus, having served as a reporter for the paper, meber of TDR and as member and secretary of the Student Council. She has also been a dean's list student.

Kushnerick, a native of Freeland, near Hazleton, is a veteran of the Navy, in which he served as an officer. Presently, he resides in Plymouth with his wife. He is a major in English and Education. He has been a bright spot on the Beacon staff this year, and began his journalistic career here as an artist, drawing several excellent cartoons for the Beacon. He later branched into writing and other facets of newspaper publication

Heading the sports department will be a bright newcomer to the campus journalistic world this year, Rodger Lewis of Plymouth. Only a sophomore next year, Rog has been active on campus in many respects this year. Besides being one of the sports department's most dependable reporters, he has been active as basketball manager and a member of the Lettermen's Club. He also has written for the local

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EDITORIALS

The Last One — For A While

It's not usually "style" for an editorial writer to use the first person or to refer to himself as "I". We've been against it for four years, but this week, the last for a while which will see us writing editorials, we figure it's appropriate.

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Perhaps I'd best take first things first. To do that I'd have to say that being editor of the Beacon this year has been the

fulfillment of one of my fondest desires. It has been inderful. Certainly, it has not been a bed of roses. The paper and the editor have had their ups and downs.

We've both had a lot of adverse conditions with which to deal from time to time, too. But on a whole, I think we profited by it all. As to whether we succeeded in our purpose—that of giving the college the kind of paper it really wants—I can't really say.

The Beacon, and especially the editor, has had a great number of critics this year. In such a position, that of editor, one must expect such

that of editor, one must expect such JOHN D. CURTIS criticism. There's the old saying, you can't please everybody, and that's so right. Sometimes, it seems, you can't please anybody.

And at first, I'll confess, this criticism made me want to fight back. I simply wasn't used to such harsh outcries among a student body I had considered as a whole as friendly. But, and to use another time-worn cliche, time heals all things, I got used used to the status quo—learned to accept what's what without running away from it.

Many Changes — Growth

I changed in many ways—in actions, attitudes, and even in editorial policy. We started the year with certain specific goals in mind. But as we went along, I realized, almost too late, I confess, that as editor of the Beacon, it is my job to learn as I go along, that this is extremely important. Right now, after having completed a job which I felt my past experience would make "easy" for me, I can say with all sincerity, that I have grown from the experience, broadened, so to speak, and maybe even literally, and I learned that being editor of the Beacon was one of the most important experiences in my college career. Perhaps in life, for that matter. For, what I learned here, through the school of college hard-knocks, won't soon be forgotten.

Perhaps you'd like to know what I feel I've learned. Well, first, I think I have a greater understanding of people. An editor must work with people, all different individuals, and must be able to get along with them. Secondly, the responsibility for everything which went into the paper, in the end, was directed right back to me. It was a good feeling at first, but later, a rather frustrating one at times.

Journalistically, I formed ideas and attitudes which will stick with me throughout any career I might choose in a similar field, be they good or bad, which again, is just a matter of opinion, I realize.

Most Important, Perhaps

But, and perhaps most important, I learned to appreciate the end product of hard work—work by myself and the others who worked with me in 'putting out your paper'. At the end of the week, when I'd walk into the snack bar and pick up the paper, I'd get a feeling of "Well, be it good or bad, we've turned out another paper to the best of our abilities." And that feeling of accomplishment was a good one. But, then, I'd sit down at a table, usually by myself, and do what many chided me for—I'd read the Beacon over from stem to stern to see what errors were made and what could have been done in a more improved fashion. I'll admit that I was never completely satisfied. This lack of satisfaction bothered many with whom I came in contact, too—but that was how it was.

I've had words editorially with many people this year. Some, most I might add, were constructive and usually complimentary, but others were what you might term calling a spade a spade, which is just what we did. True, as many have expressed it, "Why get yourself so excited about things on campus. In viewing the world as a whole, all of Wilkes College is insignificant." True, again, but I have felt that many fine things are developing here and that I should stick up for that which I feel is right—all toward the betterment of the world and society, in a long-range view.

Certainly, never has there been any personality attack involved. Personally I wanted to alienate no one, for I can honestly say I have no ill feelings toward anyone on campus. I can only wish that this feeling were shared by all.

Those Who Did It!

There have been a number of people this year who have not only helped me put out your Beacon, but without whom the paper would never have gone to press. First, was Al Jeter, my roommate, who started on the sports section with me last year when I was sports editor and who did a marvelous job, beyond the call of his responsibilities to me or the paper this year. He was the first member of the staff to work with me this year and was the last at the printer's as we readied to give you issue No. 27.

Then there was Ivan "Jonni" Falk, himself qualified to be the editor of this or any college newspaper. Jon was the best right-hand man an editor could have, his ideas were fresh and his work thorough. T. R. Price, your new editor, was another.

Council Discusses Hazing Program

By HELEN M. KRACHENFELS
At the Student Council meeting
Tuesday night, Sam Lowe presented
a suggested program for next
year's Freshman orientation. The
program has been drawn up by
members of this year's Freshman
executive council, and has as two
of its salient features an extensive
"big brother-big sister" plan, and
a new concluding program consisting of a Sophomore-Freshman
sponsored Halloween Dance, at
which an "uncrowning" ceremony
would be held.

Some discussion was held on this matter and a motion was made and carried to the effect that a meeting of the Student Council and class officers or executive councils be held on Monday night, May 16, at 7:30 in Hollenback Hall for the purpose of further discussion.

KRACHENFELS

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papers on occasion and was active in journalism at Plymouth High School, from which he graduated. He will be one of the youngest persons to hold such an important post in nine years of **Beacon** publica-

Dick Jones, a native of up-river Towanda, was assistant business manager and a feature writer of the paper this year. His work in several departments qualifies him as the business manager and gives him an excellent viewpoint for such a post. Jones was responsible for much of the new advertising in the Beacon this year, a factor which kept the sheet going even in face of a lack of appropriated funds.

ONE OF 11

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tioned, and from the looks of the list there are many whose names

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WALTER SAVAGE LEAVES TO WORK ON DOCTORATE

The Beacon wishes to take this last opportunity to wish "good luck" to a member of the faculty who will leave at the end of this semester, his first at the college.

That person is Walter Savage, English instructor, who will work on his doctoral dissertation next year at the University of Pennsylvania. Mr. Savage has proven a likeable person, a fine Ashley Hall dormmate, and top-notch teacher. He came to Wilkes for the semester to fill the gap left by the absence of Joseph Donnelly, and did a fine job.

We're sure the entire college joins in wishing him luck and success in the future.

Columbia U. Accepts Symonolewicz Thesis

Konstantin Symonolewicz, professor of sociology at Wilkes, was recently informed by the University of Columbia that his doctorate thesis was accepted without corrections.

The thesis, which concerns the sociological contributions of Malinoski and sociological theories, will be published as soon as the details of printing and copyrighting are completed.

Dick Jones, a native of up-river Symonolewicz completed his Towanda, was assistant business manager and a feature writer of the paper this year. His work in several departments qualifies him as the business manager and gives charter.

momentarily escaped him, that they too be extended best wishes for the future and a vote of gratitude for any and all services rendered him and the paper this year, no matter how big or small.

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WC Tops Tigers In 2 Home Debates

By T. R. PRICE

Wilkes debaters routed Princeton Monday night and Tuesday morning.

Speaking on the negative side of the question of U. S. recognition of Communist China, Wilkes debaters, James Neveras and J. Harold Flannery, Jr., defeated the Jersey team in both debates.

The contests were the first appearances of the College team before home audiences this season. The Monday night affair was held at the St. Stephen's Episcopal church-house, while the Tuesday debate was one of the College's assembly programs, held in the First Presbyterian Church.

Prominent Judges

Monday evening's judges were David Jones, Attorneys Harold Rosenn and Charles Coslett, and Dr. Ellis Roberts of the Wilkes-Barre Business College. They voted 4 to 1 to give the decision to Wilkes.

Mrs. Enoch Thomas, Attorney Edward Darling, and the Rev. Willard Edmonds, who were the judges for the assembly debate on Tuesday morning, gave the College team a unanimous 3 to 0 victory.

Three main points of argument in the Tuesday debate were those concerning the effect recognition of Communist China would have on the United States, its relations with its allies, and the effect on the U.N. Make Strong Point

Nominations to fill the vacated post will be made at today's Manuscript meeting, and elections will be held at the club's final meeting next week.

Dr. Eugene Hammer, head of the education department of Wilkes College will act as moderator for Area Public Relations Workshop on May 17th at 8 in Coughlin High School.

The Theta Delta Rho Junior-Senior Buffet, an affair to honor the senior members of the sorority, is slated for next Wednesday, May 18 at 6 on the second floor of the Dorm Cafeteria. A varied program, highlighted by the presentation of gifts to the seniors, is promised.



TOSSERS LAST HOME TILT TODAY AGAINST E. STROUDS; FINISH SEASON NEXT WEEK

By JIM COLEMAN

The Wilkes diamondmen finish their home season today at 4 at Kirby Park against East Stroudsburg and then wind up the works when they travel to Bloomsburg on Wednesday and to Ithaca on Friday.

SPORTING AROUND

with AL JETER, Sports Editor

Slips

Goois and bobbles do happen every once in awhile in the newspaper business. Some people say they happen all the time, but whichever view comes closer, the fact remains that we pulled a beaut in the last issue. Bob Morgan's picture appeared among the honorable mention men in the Athlete of the Year competition, but a writeup for him was missing.

A lot of people noticed it and it's one of those times when you wish



AL JETER

you could crawl somewhere. The slight was unintentional o f course, and the result of having to rush like blazes to meet a deadline.

But, we really can't offer an excuse because we should have caught it before the paper went

out. So to Bob Morgan this column offers its apology—we sure didn't mean it.

Morgan is one of the finest grapplers we have seen and has done himself and the school credit wherever he has wrestled. He is a worthy honorable mention and one of Wilkes' brightest shining stars with a fine future still ahead of him.

The last issue is here and it's time to hand the sports editorship reigns over. Before going, we would like to say that it's been sometimes fun, sometimes a strain, sometimes a pain in the neck, but worth the experience for sure. It's been a good year too, because between the several outstanding teams produced and the changes in almost all of the coaching departments we have never run short of

Thanks Gang

As a final word we would like to say a thanks that comes right from down deep to Rodger Lewis, who will be your sports editor next year, and Jim Coleman. Lewis has been the right hand man all year long and without his always dependable work the sports page might not have come out several times. Always on the ball, Rodger could always be counted on to produce when the chips were down or at any other time for that matter. We wish him good luck for next year and are sure that he will have a consistently fine page.

Jim Coleman joined the staff during wrestling season when we needed a grappling expert and has been a consistent writer ever since, following through during baseball. Without these two, our job would have been magnified greatly and at times impossible.

Another mention must be made of John Kushnerick who came through when we were bogged down on more than one occasion to lend his help even though he had regular assignments in the general

who have read the paper, offered time during this baseball season. suggestions, comments, and criti-

The Colonels will be out for revenge today as they face the Teachers who handed them a 14-6 Colonels Suffer Triple beating on five home runs last Saturday. George "Mo" Batterson Dumping in Week's Play will get the starting assignment and the men in back of him will have on their fighting togs as they try to redeem themselves. The lineup that has been employed in the last three games will once again be put on the field.

Mike Goobic seems to be settled at second as he handled that bag efficiently in the last few games. And, with Ron Rescigno, who has handled 57 chances without a miscue, at shortstop, a sure double play combination appears. On Wednesday against Bloomsburg, Wilkes will try to add the extra punch they have finally shown to come through with the victory after losing to Bloom, 5 to 4, earlier in the season.

The Colonels were leading during most of this game, but the Teachers added four runs in the sixth to give them the winning margin in spite of a late rally by WC. Mel McNew will take on the hurling chores against the Maroon and Gold.

Wilkes will end the season on Friday in a night game against Ithaca with Birnbaum most likely doing the chucking. The Bombers shut out the Blue and Gold behind the three-hit pitching of Don Kern, earlier this season. McNew also pitched a good game in this meeting by giving up only two earned runs and six hits.

McNew, who has been hitting the ball at a .349 clip, will be looked on to add the needed hits to bring victory back to the Wilkes campus. Dick Kachinosky, the only senior on the team, has been hitting well and is another main cog in the offense machinery. All of the other players seem to have found their hitting eyes so there may be a freshmen on the team, an optimistic outlook can be shown in looking to the coming years.

By RODGER LEWIS

Wilkes College's baseball squad dropped three contests in last week's diamond action. The losses came at the hands of Cortland, Stroudsburg, and Rider. The Colonels record now stands at 2 wins against 9 defeats.

Against Cortland State Teachers College, on Wednesday, Mel Mc-New pitched great ball, but lost out on a misunderstanding by the catcher, Sokol. The teams were deadlocked for 51/2 innings when in the bottom half of the sixth frame, with two out, a called third strike was misunderstood by the Colonel catcher to have been called a ball. Sokol threw, but it was not in time. The home club then continued to bat and collected the three winning tallies.

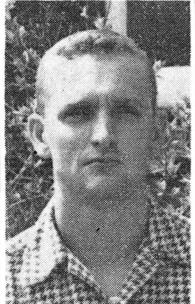
In the course of the game McNew struck out nine Cortland batters while giving up only two walks. The Blue and Gold had runners on base in every inning except two, but could not push across a tally.

In last Saturday's defeat, East Stroudsburg State Teachers College pounded three Colonel pitchers for 15 hits to win, 14 to 6. Broody, first of the trio that also included Birnbaum and Batterson, was tagged for the loss.

The locals collected one run in the fourth stanza and four tallies in the sixth frame to account for their runs. Mel McNew had three of the seven Colonel hits, two of which were good for doubles.

Last Friday Dick Kachinosky's grand slam home run went to waste as Rider scored two runs in the bright spot as the diamondmen top of the ninth to win, 7 to 5. The finish their season. With seven Colonels collected their tallies in the second and a four run third inning. McNew pitched all the way and was tagged for the loss.

Iron Man McNew Comes Through Again In Player Of Week Balloting



Mel McNew

The iron man does it again. Mel McNew is the Beacon's choice for In closing, thanks to all of you Player of the Week for the second

Mel has been tagged as the heavy cisms. You have all been a big duty man of the Wilkes mound help in letting us know what the corps and with good reason. We school wanted to read about. Adios! | can think of few pitchers who could

come back time after time to throw consistently good games with the small amount of rest time between assignments.

The last Wilkes hurler to see such action was John Milliman, now in the Army.

And there's very little that Mc-New can't do on the diamond, thus making him a doublely useful man to have around. His work in the outfield leaves little to be desired and when he isn't blazin' 'em past that's where he can be found—in the outfield.

Few pitchers are known for their hitting ability, but McNew seems to be the exception to the rule and is a dangerous man with the stick at all times. He is a noted clutch hitter and has come through more than a few times when Wilkes has been in a tight spot.

With still another year left Mc-New is well on his way to being one of the most versatile men on the diamond that the school has ever been blessed with.



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of the entire season.

The Ghost Riders, who up until that night had trailed the College Terrors, got red hot and took four points from the Terrors to clinch the championship.

The Terrors had led the league from the start although the Riders lived up to their name and rode on the tail of the Terrors by the margin of a point throughout the regular competition.

The Riders, led by Smith and Rydzewski, mowed down the hapless Terrors although they weren't even there. Falk and Ennis held up the losers' end, but it didn't even come close to being enough and the Riders rode on.



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Next week the championship will be decided when the winners of the 'B' loop, the Ralston Raiders, meet the Riders at the JCC at 6:30. It is hoped that a trophy can be presented to the winners at this time.

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Farish Appointed To Yearbook Position

Bill Farish, Butler Hall Dorm student from Huntingdon, Pa., has been named business manager of Amnicola, the Wilkes yearbook, for the next school year, it was announced year order.

nounced yesterday.
Farish, a junior next year, will take over the post vacated by next year's editor, Hank Goetzman. Bill has been active on the business staff this year and in general yearbook work. He is also an active Letterman and a guard on the football team.

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ANDY'S DINER

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Prices for the Collegian's Budget A Reputation Built on Fine Food

Editorials -

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He was perhaps the original "all-around man". No detail was too large or too small for him. When I was sick one week and confined to my room to do only the editorials, he put the poper together almost by himself. You'll have a good editor next year, I can assure you. Art Hoover was another, as was Dick Jones, your new business head. Helen Krachenfels and John Kushnerick were terrific as were all the others, space limitations forbidding me from mentioning them.

And to Mr. Stanley Schmidt, owner of the printing establishment in which the Beacon is produced and to his sons Ed, linotype operator, and Leo, pressman, a sincere vote of thanks—and Ed, you'd better set this, it's an order.

But finally, thanks should go to you, our readers. As we struggled with a lack of funds and other problems, with which I hope no editor will ever find himself faced in the future, you kept reading. Yes, to the students, faculty and administration, THANKS, it's been swell.

This has been my Swan Song, my edition of Hearts and Flowers, but I've meant it for what it's worth. I guess a guy deserves a chance to go sentimental once in a year. It's all over, and, you know, it's hard to believe. Gone now, as this editorial goes to press, is a year's worth of toil. But also gone with this paper, for you, is as much sweat, anxiety, tension as the editor was capable of coping with.

But if our paper has done one bit of the good I meant it to do, then, it has been worthwhile and we're not going to apologize for that in which we believed—truth, understanding and progress. Good luck—to you and to our alma mater—Wilkes. The future

is squarely up to you.



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