

# NO COATS OR TIES ALLOWED AT FRESHMAN FARMER DANCE

AFFAIR TO BE HELD JANUARY 29

Plans are being made for the Freshmen Farmer Dance, which will be held January 29th, at St. Stephen's Church House. Five committees have been appointed which will make certain that the sixty cents for each ticket will be spent to make this a most enjoyable evening. The committees will be headed by these co-chairmen; Publicity, Joyce Burchard and Ed Tyburski; Entertainment, Charles Glomen and Henry Merrolli; Decorations, Domonic Alfonso and Jo Ann Davis; Refreshments, Dolly Frable

and Chet Molley; Ticket and Dues, Elaine Turner and Marysh Mieszkowski.

Bids were received from several orchestras. One is to play at the Gala Freshmen Extravaganza. It has not been decided which orchestra will be secured for the dance; it is probable that a local band will be chosen. Although this dance will be country style, modern music will be played.

At most dances the males feel ill at ease if they are wearing a coat and tie. Such attire will be

unnecessary at the Freshmen Farmer Dance, since he affair is to be informal. In fact, no coats or ties will be allowed.

The entertainment Committee has been at work since last year planning acts and gathering talent. They promise to furnish enter-

tainment of exceptional quality. The highlights of the evening will be a hog-calling contest and the crowning of Mr. and Miss Yokel of 1949. Contestants for the hog calling contest will be picked from the audience at random and a prize will be awarded to the

to the winners.

This dance will be the first social event sponsored by a Freshman Class of Wilkes College.

Freshman dues (25c) will be collected Monday, at Chase Lounge, between nine in the morning and four in the afternoon.

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## WELL-KNOWN FIRMS SEND BOOKS TO CAREERS LIBRARY

By ROMAYNE GROMELSKI

The Careers Library of Wilkes College, located at 164 South River Street, was established to provide the students with information and guidance concerning all careers. It is the major tool of the Careers Consulting Service of the College. This consulting service is provided for all students, not only the seniors. It would seem advisable for students to keep abreast of the current trends in the field for which they are preparing. Sometimes students wait until they are seniors before finding out exactly what their qualifications should be. Often it is too late to pick up the necessary courses. The consultation should be a continuing process, beginning in the freshman year and carried through the senior year.

One section of the Careers Library is devoted to information on scholarships, fellowships, and career possibilities. Information on approximately 1500 scholarships and fellowships are available. This number far exceeds the announcements found in college catalogues. Some companies require specialized training. Data has been collected concerning these, in addition to addition to those of different fields.

In a special section, detailed information has been compiled according to sections, states, and foreign countries. Those interested in a career from a geographic standpoint should consult this section.

About 600 catalogues and bulletins from 500 American colleges are in another section. Another deals with information on Canadian, British, Cuban and Mexican

schools. More announcements have been provided by 250 schools of lower-than-college level.

Subscriptions to the magazines of more than thirty manufacturers and professional associations have been contributed. Among the publications are THE ORANGE DISK, of Gulf Oil Corporation, THE EXCHANGE, of the New York Stock Exchange, and THE CENTRAL HEADLIGHT. The Kellogg and Guggenheim Foundations and the Institute of International Education make contributions. Some of the other contributors are the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, and many state and local Chambers of Commerce. Correspondence is carried on with the various Embassies.

Often a large percentage of students in colleges prepare for a small percentage of the available occupations. They know little or nothing of the possibilities of other fields or their many diversities. The Library should prove to be invaluable in helping the students to avoid such erroneous planning.

In the past two weeks many attractive offers have been received from various companies. Among them was a letter from the Bank of America in San Francisco. It expressed a need for graduates in the fields of Finance, Economics, Mathematics, Agricultural Economics, and Engineering. It supplies special six month programs which usually begin in February and July. Although the Careers Library is definitely not a placement service, valuable information such as this letter is received often and available to all students seeking it.

### LEADS IN 'MALE ANIMAL'



JANET GEARHART



PAUL THOMAS

## THURBER'S "THE MALE ANIMAL" COMING VIA CUE N' CURTAIN

### CAST IS ANNOUNCED

By ED TYBURSKI

The Cue N' Curtain Club of Wilkes College will present THE MALE ANIMAL on February 10 and 11 at the Irem Temple, but if the response is demanding enough, the play will run for the third night.

MALE ANIMAL is a comedy satire written by James Thurber and Elliot Nugent. Critics have rated this play as the best comedy satire of the past decade.

The play will be directed by Al Groh and have a cast of thirteen. The cast is well experienced in amateur circles with two of its members having had experience with the Little Theatre. Paul Thomas will play young Tommy Turner, a professor of English at a small Mid-Western College. Paul played the lead in the PHILADELPHIA STORY last year and was awarded the LITTLE OSCAR for being the best actor of the year. Co-starring with Paul will be Janet Gearhart in the role of the young professor's wife, Ellen. Janet played Ismene in ANTIGONE, a play produced by the Cue N' Curtain last year. Being a member of the Little Theatre for the past six years, Janet had important roles in four plays: GEORGE WASHINGTON SLEPT HERE, STAGE DOOR, TEN NIGHTS, and DESIGN FOR LIVING, a play for which Jean Muir and Alexander Kirkland, two Broadway stars were imported.

Bruce MacKie, who was so good in NETTIE, will play the role of a student journalist. Bruce received a LITTLE OSCAR for the best

supporting role in the PHILADELPHIA STORY.

Jack Feeney will portray a returning alumnus who was a football hero of great fame ten years before. At one time he was in love with Ellen and causes quite a fervor on the campus. Jack was also in the cast of the PHILADELPHIA STORY. Another of Jack's better roles was that of the gambler in the BEACON'S production of "DANGEROUS DAN MCGREW." You'll remember that one from the BEACON'S cabaret party. Another member of the PHILADELPHIA STORY is Marilyn Broadt, who will play Ellen's sister in the MALE ANIMAL.

Norman Cross, who was seen—but not heard—in Eugene O'Neill's WHERE THE CROSS IS MADE, will have his first speaking role. Norm's a natural comic and should fare well in the role of the current football hero.

David Jones will be the head of the English department, with Marysh Mieszkowski, who was so excellent in WHERE THE CROSS IS MADE, as his wife.

Rounding out the cast is Martin Blake, a new comer to the Wilkes stage, in the role of a member of the Board of Trustees. Playing as his wife will be Joan Walsh who has been affiliated with the Little Theatre for six years. Joan also played in the Little Theatre production, STAGE DOOR. Mabel Fay Richards will portray the colored maid. Bill Apfelbaum will play the newspaper reporter, and last but surely not least, Howard Ennis will play "Nutsy" Miller, (continued on page 2)

## Large Crowd Attends Alumni Cabaret Party

### WESLEY KLESA WINS ELGIN WRISTWATCH

The Alumni Association of Wilkes College held its annual semi-formal Christmas Dance in the Crystal Ballroom of Hotel Sterling, on December 28, 1948. Dancing continued from 9 to 1.

About a hundred couples, alumni, students and friends of Wilkes College danced to the music of Reese Pelton's orchestra from 9 to 12, and to the music of a trio which played from 12 to 1. The ballroom was decorated in true Christmas style with ground pine, a Christmas tree, and Wilkes banners.

A drawing for an Elgin wrist watch was announced by Tom Moran, president of the Senior Class. Miss Sybil Ichter, band vocalist made the drawing and announced Wesley Klesa, a senior at Wilkes, as the winner.

Those in attendance seemed to

## Passes Will Be Checked Closely

For the first time at a Wilkes College basketball game, student passes will be very closely checked at tomorrow night's game against Triple Cities College at the Kingston High School gym. Any Wilkes student who does not present his student activities pass will have to pay 60c to see the game.

Students are urged to be sure to bring their passes if they wish to be admitted without paying the adult price of 60c.

The game between the junior varsity teams of Wilkes College and Triple Cities College will begin at 7 p. m., and the varsity contest will go on at 8.

have a fine time renewing old acquaintances, and discussing the past and present—also singing old favorite songs.

The affair was the most successful of all the annual Christmas dances held by the association, and was the second affair of the year, the first being Homecoming.

## WINTER ISSUES OF MANUSCRIPT NOW AVAILABLE

### DISTRIBUTION POINTS NAMED

Winter issues of the MANUSCRIPT are available at distribution points in Chase Hall, Conyngham Hall, and the College library. All students of Wilkes College are entitled to free copies.

The 36-page issue is the fifth of a series of literary magazines which were inaugurated in the Spring of 1947. Articles were chosen for the literary merit and those receiving the most votes from the staff appear in the magazine.

Appearing in this publication, are manuscripts by the following students: Anthony Andronaco, Ruth Marie Schmitt, Samuel M. Chambliss, Virginia Snee, Dolores Mateleski, B. Richard Rutkowski, Wendell Clark, Art Spengler, Jack R. Phethian and Francis McGinty.

All rejected manuscripts will be returned in the near future.

## Spanish Club Airs Dream Trip South

Station WHWL will again be the scene of the Wilkes College Spanish Club's weekly Saturday morning presentation: WINGS OF IMAGINATION. This regular feature which has been on the air since June, 1948, is under the direction of Miss Martha Silseth, and attempts to educate us in the life and customs of our neighbors to the South.

Horacio Quiroga, a noted author from Uruguay, has written a life-like story about the racoons and other animals that live in the forests of Uruguay. On this week's program seven members of the Spanish Club will take us on a little trip into these forests.

Music and sound effects will play an important part in tomorrow's presentation, being used to paint a clear picture of the animals and the forest.

Next week the club will return to Uruguay to attend a Sunday Fair and offer more music and information about that pleasure-packed country of South America.

## Soc. Group Plans Valentine Dance

Plans for a Valentine Dance were discussed at a recent meeting of the Sociology Club. The dance will be held in the Victory Room of the Hotel Redington during the early part of February. To date no arrangements have been made as to the orchestration, but there should be news of this in the near future.

Committees were appointed, with Ruth Lawlor in charge of publicity, and Don Jones supervising ticket sales. Tickets will be on sale this weekend and it has been suggested that students purchase their tickets early. This precaution is to eliminate the possibility of their forgetting to do so with the final examinations coming up.

The next meeting of the Sociology Club will be held at Chase Theatre, Monday, January 10, 1949. President Bill Lavelle requests the presence of all members at these meetings as important issues concerning all are usually debated.



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## EDITORIAL

### Basic Knowledge

Theory precedes all practice.

When we run the limit of practice, a theory holds—progress ceases. New progress then awaits the creation of new knowledge and new theory.

We have been made acutely aware of that fact recently as a result of the decline of so called "pure science" in Europe.

The United States in the past usually made efficient and effective application of European research in basic knowledge in our industries and business. Now we find that we must rely on our own resources in that field.

Until the shortage is made up we can only advance little or nothing.

This situation poses an important moral for college students. We have too many students preoccupied with the practical ends of education, who regard all theory with abhorrence—little realizing that such an education imposes severe limitations.

Lack of a broad education, basic knowledge and work in general theory has resulted in the stultification of many a promising young man in mid career. They find they have advanced to the limits of their fund of basic knowledge—and many times with ability and energy to spare they can go no further.

Now is the best time to take inventory of your own stock of knowledge . . . where shortages or deficiencies can be made up at the least cost in time and effort.

—Edward Jan Wasilewski

## Student Government

By TOM ROBBINS

The BEACON has taken pot shots at the Student Council in the past and will probably do the same from time to time in the future. But for the present let us try to obtain a clear-cut picture of just exactly what the Student Council members are trying to do for their constituents.

The Student Council, in name mostly, went through a scandalous period a year ago. Since that time the new council members and the administration officials have been trying to set the council back on an even keel so that it may operate as an independent unit, one to be trusted with the responsibility of the students' general welfare.

The task has been a difficult one, and it is still not finished. The council members have been revising the original constitution in hopes that a more efficient and organized body will result from their endeavors. The present period might be considered similar to that of the cocoon stage of the change from a caterpillar to a butterfly. At any rate, it must be understood that time, patience, diligent work, and above all, cooperation by everyone concerned are required before any judgment is cast at the Student Council.

The need for cooperation extends mainly to the Student Council members themselves. At last Monday's proposed meeting, only six members were present. Therefore, the meeting was cancelled.

It appears that some council members do not have much interest in the council. The original constitution contains an article concerning the number of times a member may be absent from meetings before action is taken against his membership. Until the revised constitution is accepted the original one is in power and it is our opinion that the law should be enforced. Students certainly should not accept positions on the council if they do not intend to participate in council activities.

After the present constitutional changes are made, we suggest that the Student Council arrange to have copies of the new constitution distributed to those students who would want to read the revised laws.

There again cooperation is necessary, this time from the student body. Students will have to be interested enough in the council and its activities to insure the success of the rejuvenated body next semester.

Yes, we have all been busy throwing accusations at the Student Council, unaware that we are all partly to blame for anything currently amiss. Quite possibly, the BEACON will be one of the first to criticize the council in future weeks, if there is a need for criticism. Till that time, if such a time occurs, let us all cooperate and take it slow and easy before calling names.

## A BOOKWORM'S VIEW

By TOM ROBBINS

Betty Smith, already famous for writing the best seller, "A Tree Grows In Brooklyn", has carved her name more deeply in the tree of famous American novelists. Her latest contribution is entitled "Tomorrow Will Be Better", and as in the earlier novel, the locale of the story is Brooklyn.

Our Brooklyn friend, Leftfield Bleachers, had much to say as he dug down into a huge box of used Dodge programs and then pulled out his well-worn copy of "Tomorrow Will Be Better".

"Here, read dis!" said Leftfield as he handed us the book. "Den maybe youse peeples will loin sompin. Yer'll loin dat we ain't as stupid and ignorance as youse tink."

We nodded our heads. Mr. Bleachers waved an empty coke bottle threateningly as he continued.

"Maybe I ought to tell youse sompin about da book." He did not wait for an answer. "Well, dis here goil she don't live in too nice a place, see, and her mudder is always naggin, so she goes out fer a job—da goil, dat is. Ya follow me?"

We did not want the coke trademark imprinted upon our skulls, so we nodded emphatically.

"So she gets dis job, see, and den meets a fella. He loads her with gifts and what could she lose, so she marries him. His family is a riot by itself and everything don't go too good. She likes her boss too but he's henpecked by his mudder. Dat's before she, da goil, meets da odder guy. But da guy she marries toins out to be a dope. In da end everything toins out okay. Da woist part about da book is dat no umpire was moidered in it. So help me Pee Wee Reese, wuz I boined up at dat!"

The coke bottle loomed over our heads, and we slowly backed away, thanking Leftfield for the book and the resume of the story. Just as we stepped outside, we heard the crash as the bottle broke upon an imaginary umpire's skull.

Leftfield Bleachers was not wrong. "Tomorrow Will Be Better" does show that people from Brooklyn live and enjoy life as do people anywhere else on earth. It is a story which readers who like realistic and colorful literature will not want to pass by.

The author was born in Brooklyn. She lived there for 18 years before moving to Michigan and later to South Carolina. During those years in Brooklyn, Betty Smith obtained a deep understanding of the lives of the tenement dwellers. That understanding is the essence of quality which distinguishes "Tomorrow Will Be Better" from other novels.

It is Betty Smith's unique treatment of everyday people and their existences which makes her latest accomplishment richer in content and more polished than "A Tree Grows In Brooklyn".

The story is written in a manner which enables the reader to obtain a keyhole view of the lives of Brooklyn's tenement inhabitants of the 1920's. It is written in an exacting style, clearly portraying some of the reasons for strife and frustration in human lives.

The plot, though not complicated, is full of tenderness and humor. The hopes, dreams and fears of youth, the hardships of family life, and the burning ray of optimism in an environment of adverse conditions are combined into a moving story, a story of ambition versus environment.

## Intercollegiate News

This column is dedicated to the belief that undergraduates are abused, martyred, and otherwise mistreated creatures who are innocently striving for more education and who deserve a better fate.

We will try to bring to your attention pertinent facts concerning the activities of other colleges throughout the country which will aid you in realizing the magnitude of the struggle for knowledge.

Lastly, we hope that in this column you may find some bit of news or information which will soothe your test-weary brain and which will show that there are many like you who suffer in academic work but enjoy social activities.

We pledge ourselves to make this a column that you, the reader, will enjoy, so help us World Lit. But now, down to business.

Back about the middle of October, a radically new experiment in the field of teaching, "Education by Radio," made its national debut after months of preparation by the University of Louisville, radio station WHAS, and the National Broadcasting Company.

It is designed to deliver the equivalent of a college classroom into homes of thousands of adults throughout the country. The programs are supplemented with specific text assignments, directions from the instructor, and course outlines.

Next thing you know, people will never have to leave their homes. Education-in-bed is certainly a revolutionary trend.

The University of Illinois' Chicago Undergraduate Division at Navy Pier is taking advantage of their watery campus. Just recently a physical education course in boating and fishing was launched.

Maybe that item will prompt local authorities to train college students to take proper actions during the annual floods in the valley. "Head for the hills, boys!"

A controversial issue was again brought forth when the College of the University of Chicago, which accepts students after their sophomore year in high school for a 4-year program of general education, announced that of the 1,027 new students, eight are 14 years old and 96 are 15 years old.

We are probably being a bit prejudiced, but somehow 14 years of age seems a trifle young to be sauntering through Hell with Dante. (For you engineers, we refer to World Lit., as usual.)

The Student Council of Harvard University has formed the Crimson Key Society, a group representing the students, whose duty is to welcome visitors, including freshmen, to the campus. The visiting athletic teams are also welcomed by the society.

Why not have a similar group on the Wilkes' campus. The group could be called the Colonel's Cane Corps.

And now a word to you draftable young men on the campus. Dr. James Creese, president of Drexel Institute of Technology, urges college boys of draft age to "sit tight" and get as much R. O. T. C. training as possible. He explains that the current deferment list includes those students who are asking Advanced R. O. T. C. courses (Junior and senior years) and a large proportion of those in the Basic courses.

Wilkes does not have R. O. T. C. courses. Therefore, unless you potential draftees get married and have about 15 kids fast you may have to serve some time in the army.

Here is an item that may or may not be surprising.

A recent survey on "cramming" by Dr. David M. White of Bradley University reveals that an average

## ON BORROWED LINES

By RUSS WILLIAMS

THE LOG, of the U. S. Naval Academy, included this plea in verse. (So I'm told.)

Now I lay me down to sleep,  
The lecture's dry,  
the subject's deep;  
If he should quit before I wake,  
Give me a poke for goodness' sake!

A column in the Bloomsburg MAROON AND GOLD quotes this one from THE COLLEGIO:

King Arthur: "I hear that you've been misbehaving?"  
Knight: "In what manor, sir?"

Also in the column of the Bloomsburg issue mentioned above is this traveler's comment on the high cost of living.

A man who had been stopping at a fashionable hotel was paying his bill. He looked up at the cashier and asked what it was she had around her neck.

"A ribbon, of course," she said. "Why?"

"Well," he replied, "everything else is so high around here that I thought perhaps it was your garter."

Here's a good question which appears in the DRAKE TIMES DELPHIC:

Breathes there a frosh  
—who's so abnormal,  
He can't be stirred  
by a low cut formal?

of 87 per cent crammed about six and one-half hours for each final examination. Findings were based on a survey of 10 per cent of Bradley's enrollment.

Let's see, multiply six and one-half hours times Chemistry, Physics, Calculus, and Drawing, and the result is 6½ Chemistry-Physics-CalculusDrawing. Now dividing by the digit and subtracting the numerator yields — well, what do you know, we flunked!

## CUE 'N CURTAIN

(continued from page 1)

a band leader. Howard achieved great success in NETTIE.

The cast has been rehearsing very hard and will continue to do so until they have perfected their parts.

In passing lightly over the play I might mention that the setting is the house of the Turners. Ellen, having been the "steady" of the

returning football hero causes her husband no end of worry when he old flame turns up. She assures her spouse that she loves no one but her own husband. Tommy, however, is rather skeptical and is inclined to worry over the matter. He gives a long speech to the student journalist about the male animal. Tom is a rather timid soul and wonder how the male animal would react in him if he were to release it. There are a riot of laughs, and the authors were very successful in poking fun at the upper crust of the college. The play is strictly a comedy satire as the authors haven't tried to stress any particular point, whether visible or latent.

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## SPORT SHOTS



By Garfield Davis

BEACON SPORTS EDITOR

## COLONELS WIN TOURNAMENT

It was almost three years ago, early in 1946, that a basketball team representing this school first participated in a basketball tournament. The team was known in those days as the Bucknell Bisons, and was invited by York Junior College to participate in the tournament sponsored by that school at York, Pa. The Bison went down there and had a lot of fun playing in the tourney, but had to be content with the third-place trophy.

Last week, however, playing in the Triple Cities Invitational Basketball Tournament under the name of the Wilkes College Colonels, the boys had even more fun when, after the smoke had cleared, they came home with first place honors. The Colonels eliminated Utica College from the running last Wednesday night, then took on Triple Cities the following night and won over the Binghamton team on last-minute goals by Ben Dragon and Phil Sekerchak in a game that was a tense thriller all the way.

The only holdover from that first tournament held back in 1946 was Joe Swartwood, who was at that time playing his first year of basketball for the local institution. Bill Johns, Bill Zukausky, Dom Yanchunas, John Moss and Joe Kelly were gone and only Old Reliable remained. Taking the place of the old stars were the new standouts—Piorkowski, Huff, Sekerchak, Zlonkiewicz, Witek, Dragon. That the new combination also works pretty well was definitely established when the Colonel cagers finished on top. In the near future the team will receive a large trophy for its victorious finish.

## TRIPLE CITIES AGAIN TOMORROW NIGHT

You'd think that by this time the Triple Cities College aggregation would have had quite enough of our Colonels, but such is not the case. The lads from Binghamton will be in town again tomorrow night for another try at knocking off the Ralstonmen. When the teams line up at 8 p. m. in the Kingston High School gym, chances are that it will be the trio composed of Sekerchak, Dragon and Piorkowski that will be most closely watched.

Sekerchak, of course, is the number one thorn in Triple Cities' side, scoring the handy total of 66 points in the two games the teams have played against each other thus far. Joe Piorkowski played an outstanding defensive

game in each of the two contests and, though he never shoots much, contributed eight points in the first game. Ben Dragon came through with one of the goals that won the second game for the Colonels and tossed ten points through the hoop in the first encounter.

## WATERS WRESTLES AGAIN

Bob Waters made the switch from football garb to his wrestling outfit in his customary efficient fashion, scoring a solid triumph for himself last Friday night in the YMCA wrestling tournament. In the finale Bob took on a worthy opponent from the Harrisburg YMCA and pinned him in 1:45 of the second period.

Poop's achievement was noteworthy because of the fact that he was the only wrestler to pin his opponent in the finals. A stand-out wrestler for the past two years on the Wilkes College mat teams, Waters wrestled in the tournament in the 175-pound class.

## ATHLETIC BANQUET REMINISCENCES

George Ralston's fine job as toastmaster and his suggestion that a "special award" of "The Order of Crossed Typewriters" be presented to Tom Moran. . . and Moran's retort that since he had been lugging tables around all that day in the cafeteria in preparation for the banquet, a better award would be one of crossed tables. . . . "Pickles" Lewis, bandage and all, getting up to receive the trophy as Outstanding Athlete of the Year. . . . The beam on the face of Jack Feeney, Sr. when son Jack was awarded the Outstanding Lineman of the Year Trophy. . . . The applause of approval from the guests when that all-around guy, John Florkiewicz, was selected as the first player to have his name inscribed on the Joseph T. Gallagher Memorial Trophy. . . . Tom Miller's explanation that he would make his speech short because he hadn't yet had the course in public speaking. . . . Cameraman Sheldon Morrison's blush of embarrassment when he attempted to record for posterity the scene of Pinky Pinkowski receiving his trophy only to find that he had forgotten to put a flash blub in his camera. . . . Mr. Ralston's remark that he could talk for hours and hours if necessary, and Dr. Farley's immediate response that he'd race him anytime. . . . That wonderful turkey dinner provided by Mrs. Brennan and her staff.

## Colonels On Edge For Triple Cities

The Wilkes College basketball fans get their second chance to see the Colonels cagers in action at home tomorrow night at 8 p. m. at the Kingston High School gym when the Colonels oppose the Triple Cities College quintet for the third time this year. The Jay-Vee game will begin at 7 p. m.

The Colonels already hold two victories over the Triple Cities five, having defeated the team December 9 at Binghamton and then repeating the victory, again at Binghamton, in the game which won first place for the Colonels in the Triple Cities Invitational Basketball Tournament. In both games the margin of victory was a small one, with the Colonels winning the first contest by 77-73 and the second by a 51-48 count.

It was in the first of these two games that Phil Sekerchak netted his 46-point total to lead Wilkes to victory. The second game, played to decide the winner of the tournament after Wilkes had eliminated Utica College in the first round, was a thriller all the way. With only 20 seconds remaining in the game the score was tied at 47-all. The Ralstonmen sewed up the contest when Ben Dragon and Phil Sekerchak came through with field goals while Triple Cities registered one point on a foul shot, Sekerchak, with 20 points, and Zlonkiewicz, with 12, were the high scorers for Wilkes, while Kobylarz and Isban led the way for the Binghamton team with 11 points each.

The Triple Cities team will be anxious to atone for those two close losses to the Colonels and will be out to win over Ralston's charges. The Wilkes squad, on the other hand, is now in better physical condition than it has been heretofore, and should be even harder to beat than it was in the first two games against Triple Cities. Wilkes had been hampered considerably earlier in the season because both Ed Witek and Joe Piorkowski were ailing and Joe Swartwood was suffering from an injured ankle.

Probable starters tomorrow night when the Colonels attempt to make it six out of eight will be Sekerchak and Witek at forward, Zlonkiewicz at center, and Dragon and Swartwood at the guard posts.

## Grapplers to Hold Meet Today At 4

## ST. STEPHEN'S IS SITE

St. Stephen's Churchhouse will echo to cheers, jeers, tears, and rippling muscles today at 4 o'clock when hopeful matmen of Wilkes College engage a bit of fancy "matmatics" (Look! A new word!) to win first and second place medals in the first Wilkes College intra-college wrestling meet.

Although many of the entries have little or no previous experience in grappling, they have been practicing zealously. They make up in spirit and determination what they lack in experience, and they should be congratulated for their interest, sportsmanship and affability.

There will be no admission charged those interested in attending the meet. Among the entries registered for the meet are: Bob Waters, who just recently won the 175 lb. championship in the YMCA tournament; Cromack, Lasky, Kag-an; Norman Cross, George Cross, Blake, McMahon, Brown, Davenport and others.

## NOTICE!

A meeting of the Theta Delta Rho Sorority will be held Tuesday, January 11 at 7:30 P. M. in the Women's Lounge of Chase Hall. The Dean of Women is asking that all women be present.

## Campus Merry-Go-Round

by marty blake

After relieving the Haig Bros. of a few drops of their precious and highly extravagant liquid and relaxing in the depths of Leaping Lena Levinsky's epic of her prize fighting days, we decided to take our Smith Carolina in hand and carry our ridiculous commentaries into the New Year. After opening a package of diapers by mistake (They were originally scheduled to be delivered to Seymour Merrin, the Little Boy Blue of the Dorm. Incidentally, Seymour is wearing them now), We journeyed to a little alcove amidst the majestic splendor of the Columbo Billiard Academy to convene with our cohort and philosophizing friend, one Nick "Petunia" Dyback. Three hours later, after careful analysis of the situation (plus a hurried call to Effie Welsh) we came to the following monthly conclusions:

## The Year To Be

## January:

A committee composed of Bob Sanders, Johnny Mitchell and Bob Sweigert composed a ditty called Leprosy which took the school by storm. . . . Willie Griffiths the rotund prexy of the Kue and Billiard Society successfully defended his nine-cushion title. Don Rau, the Wheel of the Pepsi-Cola (I mean Amni-Cola) announced, for the 32nd time, that his outfit was sponsoring another beauty contest. . . . Immediately Frank Anderson submitted the name and picture of his current flame, Beverly Van Horn who has supplanted Nancy Yaufmann in his affections. . . . Naturally the picture was immediately accepted. Hmmm. . . . The Frosh sponsored some kin dof shindig that vaguely resembled a farmer dance but the only farmers present were Dolly Frable and Kennels Robbins.

Pris Swartwood finally hit the jackpot dating all three of the Beacon's top wheels. . . . Chet Knapich gave a four-minute dissertation on the evils of New Year's Eve and a 50-minute one on the Fort Durkee.

## February

Jack Feeney (Minus Cocktail Party) announced that Teddy Gresh and his Louisiana Nose Pickers would play for the Cinderella Ball next May. . . . Frank Anderson, now minus Bev Van Horn, re-submits picture of Nancy Yaufmann for Most Beautiful Gail contest. . . . Needless to say, the picture was accepted. . . . Jack Cain finally pay off the 38 cents to Harry Black and Harry lets him keep the engagement ring. . . . Kue and Billiard Ball presents the Male Animal with Maude Adams (I mean Janet Gearhart) in the leading role. . . . The play is a success although Fri nite's performance is broken up by a friend of Norm Cross from Bangor, Maine charging up the aisle looking for a girl named Jewel something. . . . Ask Norm About it. . . . Don Casey planes in from Penn hoping to attend another one of Sammy Elias's stupendous parties. . . . Doris Banks finally decided on Wash and Nanticoke's pride and joy, Louis A. Jones, buys one large black shroud. . . . Earl Wolff takes up a course in nursing? . . . Garfield Davis, the alleged sports scribe, refuses to compete in internationally - publicized Sports-caster-Scribes game in Kingston Armory. . . . Claims he was snubbed last year by LIFE. . . . Tom Moran replaces him. . . . Bull Gorgas buys red flag to complete angorra sweater outfit given to lady love. She promised to wave same whenever she wore the slinky creation. . . . Joan Walsh exclaims to one and all that she made \$30 bucks last New Year's Eve. . . . Waiting. . . . On. . . . Tables. . . . Bill Apfelbaum hurriedly promising lady in question, Bobby something or other, a trip, to Moon if she would accompany him to writer's Valentine Fiasco at Buggy Eyes McGuire's, Feb. 13th. . . . Al Molash announces his engagement to (Select one)—Helen, Fran or Edna. Edna, wrong, — Fran, wrong, — Helen—right. . . .

## Davis Predicts . . .

With a low bow and an apology to Sportswriters Whitney Martin and Arthur Daley, who make a regular practice of predicting sports happenings, we present our ideas as to what will take place in the porting world in 1949. Any accuracies which may turn up as the year wears on will of course, be of a coincidental nature, and in the cases where we are wrong be good enough to forget we said anything about it.

## January

George Ralston states that he is well pleased with his basketball squad this year except that it lacks height. "King's has a much taller team, and will have the advantage on us when we oppose them February 5. If Phil Sekerchak continues his high scoring, however, we'll give King's quite a tussle." Pete Pasko of the Wilkes-Barre Barons scores 35 points in a game against the Scranton Miners. The next day Marty Blake tells all who will listen about the time he played on the same team with Pasko in the army.

## February

Tom Brock states that he is well pleased with his basketball team except that it lacks height. When someone points out that his starting team averages six-one in height, Brock retorts, "You don't call THAT tall, do you?" When asked what he intends to do about Phil Sekerchak, Brock says simply, "We'll put Bob McCrane on him." Says Igore Twilks: "It

might be a better idea to put handcuffs on him."

## March

George Ralston states, "King's gave us a tough time last month, and they'll be tough again this time. We won't say we'll win, but we'll give them a good game." Tom Brock says: "Win or lose, we'll make them know they've been in a game."

## April

The Wilkes baseball team begins practice. Crane Buzby works hard on his control in an endeavor to make a certain party eat his words: "Buzby was as wild as a kite last year."

## May

Joe DiMaggio has another operation on one of his heels. Coutless "humorists" plague DiMag with the hilariously funny query, "How's the heel today?" This has a disastrous effect on his appetite and bating average, which is 111 at the end of the month.

## June

The Draft Dodgers, in the intramural softball league look for a managing genius to replace the departed Nicholas Y. Dyback. The front office of the Dodgers sends out feelers to Billy Meyer, manager of the Pittsburgh Pirates last year. As salary Meyer is offered the secret recipe for the delicious coffee featured at Brennan Hall and a lifetime subscription to the Manuscript.

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## SENIOR PARTY IS SUCCESSFUL

The first social event of the 1949 Senior Class was held on Friday, December 17, 1948, at the Coral Room of the Hotel Redington. The cabaret-style party was attended by over a hundred seniors and guests.

Co-chairmen Allen Bloomsburg and Jack Kloeber worked hard to make the "Forty-Niners" initial step into the social whirl a tremendous success.

To start the entertainment for the evening, a drawing was held. Jim Slamon won the door-prize, a 1949 class ring.

Master of Ceremonies for the evening was Marty Blake. The program consisted of skits performed by Blake, Ted Warakowski, and Al Bloomsburg; songs played and sung by Mildred Gittens; Irish ballads sung by Tom Moran; and group singing led by the following sextet: Dr. Charles B. Reif, Mr. Robert Partridge, Chet Knapich, Hank Supinski, Tom Moran, and Mildred Gittens.

Refreshments were served after the floor show. The party lasted from 9 p. m. until 1 a. m.

Officers of the class are Tom Moran, president; Tom Gill, vice-president. Eleanor Krute, secretary; and Sammy Elias, treasurer. Co-faculty advisors are Dr. Charles B. Reif and Mr. Robert Partridge.

### NOTICE!

Donald Rau, Yearbook editor, has announced that individual pictures of all students will be taken next week at Pomeroy's department store. Pictures will be taken every day between the hours of 9:00 A. M. and 5:00 P. M. The price is 50 cents for four proofs.

## Connections For Your Collections

By JOE GRIES

If those in the music world would all sit down together and make their New Year's resolutions it probably would look like this:

Tommy Dorsey — May there always be an England and another Denny Dennis.

Artie Shaw — A portable Justice of the Peace.

Spike Jones — Probably two front teeth and another George Rock.

Sammy Kaye — To be a big hit in his first picture without the band.

Pee-Wee Hunt — Another Twelfth Street Rag.

Eddie Howard — An invention to give his voice more power.

Illinois Jacquet — To get two more vide shows.

Gene Krupa — A pill to make him gain ten pounds each show instead of losing ten.

Ray McKinley — A sequel to YOU CAME A LONG WAY FROM ST. LOUIS.

Freddy Martin — To find another Barclay Allen.

Vaughn Monroe — To talk Branch

Rickey into a contract with his football D. qers.

Perry Como — A new pair of barber shears.

Dennis Day — To get on at least one more show.

Jack Smith — To shed one tear while singing in '49.

Joe Stafford — Will make a record in '49 under the name Jo Stafford.

Reese Pelton — To find time to do all 37 of his jobs.

John Martin — Going to find someone to publish his chest full of songs.

Al Colella — To appear in another show like Open House.

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Perry Como, with his right side burn first, has come out with the first novelty hit of the New Year. It has the title of THE PUSSY CAT SONG. For a cat's whiskers, without a flicker run down to your nearest alley and come meow out with this platter. (Victor)

That kid from East Chicago, Gene Krupa'll get you leapin' with another cookie baked for good listening — ITS UP TO YOU, named for those back seat drivers who answer when you ask them where they want to go? (Columbia)

Barclay Allen, with his trio, has three new records out that

rate attention. GREEN EYES, TEA FOR TWO, IT HAPPENED IN HAVANA. His piano stylings are at their best, added to a rhythm section of bass, guitar and drums. (Victor)

Dinah Shore's BUTTONS AND BOWS is one of the finest slicings Melissa's mother has cut since CRYING FOR JOY. (Columbia)

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'TIS TRUE THAT —

At first Tommy Dorsey wanted to keep UNTIL exclusive — but found that impossible. EASTER PARADE was first composed in 1918 under the title SMILE and SHOW YOUR DIMPLES. There will be 31 songs in the next Jolson

Movie JOLSON SINGS AGAIN. Kay Kyser is now on in the P. M. on the ABC Net. Tex Williams has his own pubbing firm to handle western tunes. Harry James while at the Palladium last year drew down \$5,000 per week. (It could be a nice winter). Art Bloom made a trip to Florida over the holidays and it wasn't to dance at THE BEACHCOMBERS.

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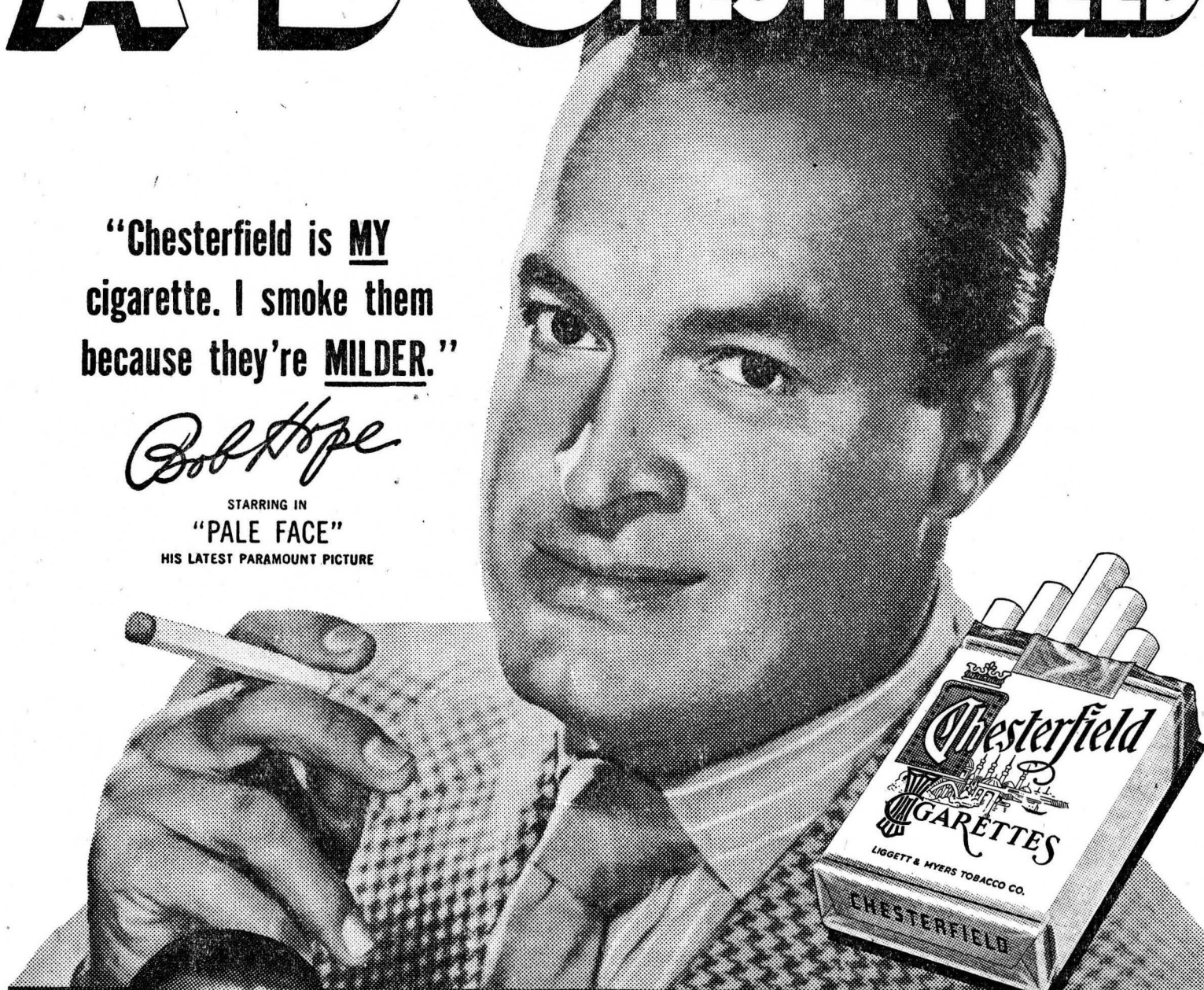
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