

It is a terrible thing for a man to find out suddenly that all his life he has been speaking nothing but the truth.

'The Importance of Being Ernest'  
—OSCAR WILDE

Wilkes College

# BEACON

Attend the Senior Spectacle tonight. Possibly your weary, frustrated life might be brightened a bit.

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## Sacred Seniors Have Spectacle Tonight

### DEBATERS TO CELEBRATE 5-TH ANNIVERSARY AT BROOKLYN TOURNAMENT

By PEARL ONACKO

The Wilkes College debating team, with coach Dr. Arthur N. Kruger, left this morning for Brooklyn College where they have been entered in the Sixth Invitational Debate Tournament. Seventy-five schools are to be represented.

The Brooklyn tournament is an annual affair with the Wilkes team. This year is of special significance because it marks the fifth anniversary of the Debating Society. It was back in 1949 that Dr. Kruger sent his first team to the Brooklyn meet. Novices in debating circles, our team returned with a 4-4 record.

The next year Wilkes took 5 out of 8. In 1951, although our record was 6-4, we were the only team at the tournament given a superior rating. From 185 debaters, Wilkesmen Fred Davis and Tom Morgan were rated second and third speakers, respectively. Last year our team of Roxy Reynolds, Jim Nevearas, Fred Davis and John Murtha won 8 out of 10 to tie Notre Dame for first place.

Representing Wilkes at Brooklyn this year will be Sally Harvey and Roxy Reynolds, affirmative; Jim Nevearas and Mike Lewis, negative. Harvey and Lewis have come a long way in their first year of intercollegiate debating. With veterans Nevearas and Reynolds they have compiled a total team record of 18 victories in 26 debates. The debate topic is "Resolved: that the Congress of the United States should enact a national compulsory Fair Employment Practices Law."

Congratulations go to Dr. Kruger for doing a splendid job in the past five years. That query, "Where's Wilkes?" is fast being answered wherever debaters congregate.

Happy anniversary and good luck!

### HOLDS GOOD RECORD



DR. ARTHUR N. KRUGER

### COOK TO PLAY IN 'THOR, WITH ANGELS'

Mr. Alfred Groh, director of dramatics at Wilkes College, announces that the role of Merlin, the seer, in Christopher Fry's "Thor, with Angels" will be played by Ben Cook of Kingston. "Thor, with Angels" will be presented next Friday and Saturday nights in the Wilkes College Gymnasium on South Franklin Street.

Mr. Cook, a veteran of twenty-five years on the vaudeville stage, is active in the Little Theater. No stranger to campus dramatics, Mr. Cook staged the dances for the Wilkes Lettermen's show "All in Fun" in 1948.

Mr. Groh also announced that Father Nahas and the Syrian Choir, which appeared in the Nationalities Pageant last year, will appear in "Thor, with Angels". The Choir, known throughout the valley for their excellent and unusual music, will follow their Cue 'n' Curtain appearance with a performance at the 1953 edition of the Nationalities Pageant in April.

### ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 15—Town and Gown Concert;

Tuesday, Mar. 17—St. Patrick's Day Tea, Theta Delta Rho; Orchestra Practice, 7:45 Lobby;

Thursday, March 19—Assembly; Cue 'n' Curtain 3 Act Plays;

Friday, March 20—Mid Semester Grades Due; Cue 'n' Curtain 3 Act Plays;

Saturday, Mar. 21—Cue 'n' Curtain 3 Act Plays.

### Time 8; Faculty Flotsams vs. Senior Boys and Senior Girls vs. Senior Sextet in Thrillers

By CONNIE SMITH

Once again the Sacred Seniors present the scintillating Senior Spectacle in the Wilkes gymnasium on Saturday, March 14, at 8 P. M. This classic of entertainment is given annually to raise funds for a class gift to college—this year's Seniors plan to erect a permanent bulletin board, one that will withstand the wild Wilkes-Barre weather.

The main event of the evening will be a basketball game (with apologies to the guy that invented it). The first half the Faculty Flotsams (i.e. floating wreckage) will vie with the Senior Boys. The line-up for the faculty will be "Ripples" Ralston, "Maestro" Moran, "Power" Partridge, "Enticing" Elliott, "Fearless" Fisher, "Queenie" Kerstein, "Easy" Evans, "Sugar" Bunn, "Cuddles" Chwalek and "Feroocious" Farrar. The Seniors are playing one of the strongest teams ever seen on campus.

This will be a fight to the finish, as each team has won one game in the past two encounters.

Between halves will be two skits from the now-legendary Lettermen's Show, which was produced in the spring of 1949. The "Snow Job" scene will feature Ed Edgerton and George Elias, while Messrs. McMahon and Kropiwnicki will star in the "Vamp Scene". Mac, incidentally, was one of the stars of the original show.

The second half two new teams will take the court. The Senior Sextet will meet with the Senior Girls (?) in a little intra-femme match. Starring for the Senior Sextet will be "Anxious" Azat, "Nasty" Nesbitt, "Foul" Fell, "Dangerous" Denn, "Fierce" Pierce, "Evil" Ecker, "Shifty" Scherff, "Jolting" Jones and "Bugsy" Badman—each an ace in her own inimitable manner. The starting line-up for the Senior Girls (?) will be "Willing Wilhemina" Morgan, "Gorgeous Georgette" Elias, "Pulchritudinous Prestonia" Eckmeder, "Curvaceous Cledwynna" Rowlands, "Jaunty Josephine" Kropiwnicki and "Fascinating Frances" Radaszewski—a

most beauteous bevy!

The Sextet's managers are Paul Beers, Leo Kane and Bobbie Stackhouse, and to cheer them on will be "Dimples" Whitney, and Martin & Lewis. Cheering for the Girls (?) will be Myra Kornzweig Nancy Boston, Lois Shaw and Eleanor Opalski. You may not recognize this group as they cheer, but perhaps knowing their names will give you assistance.

"Dike Divots" Curtis will be on hand to announce for the Spectacle, and Art Hoover is the cherub who you'll see keeping the ridiculous score. Referees will be "Malicious" Mailey, "Corrupt" Krohn and "Bribes" Bubeck.

After all sides have been split by excessive laughter, the Seniors will offer refreshments for internal adhesive tape. Until 12 o'clock the luscious music of John Moore's record collection will float over the gym for all to dance to. Dr. and Mrs. Thatcher and Mr. and Mrs. Moran will do the heroic job of chaperoning this affair.

Much credit for the success (we hope!) of the Spectacle must be given to the steering committee: Refreshments, Harold Jenkins, Eleanor Opalski; Costumes, Lois Shaw, David Whitney; Publicity, Helen Scherff; Tickets, Beth Badman, Delores Ostroski; Music, John Moore; Chaperones, Connie Smith; Skits, George McMahon, George Elias, Marty Frey, Lucille Pierce.

Be there tomorrow night with your fifty-centses, and have a hilarious time!

P. S. A press-time comment from Mr. Chwalek, "I've been training for six months, and expect to be the star of the offensive attack."

Need we say more?

### LENT SEASON FORCES BEACON TO FORGO CABARET PARTY SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 27

The plans for the annual BEACON Cabaret Party have been thwarted again, Editor-in-chief Paul Beers announced last Thursday. The proposed party, scheduled for March 27, has been postponed and "possibly forgotten".

The Cabaret Party has been a thorn in the side of the BEACON staff all year. Originally booked for the day before the King's football game, the BEACON was forced to postpone it due to lack of space for publicity and the fact that the missing footballers would have been enough to throw the club into a financial hole.

The party was then scheduled for March 27. Unknowingly, the editors went joyfully along arranging the affair until they learned that Mar. 27 was the Friday before Good Friday. Such a date would be economically suicidal. The band contacted was overwhelmed at the opportunity for business. During the Lent season the band—an outstanding one in the Valley—had been booked for only one affair—a Jewish wedding. Recent Friday, Lent affairs at Wilkes have shown very poor attendance, the editors noted.

"It is too bad," said Editor Beers. "One just can't take a chance, though. The profit at the last cabaret party this year—a crowded affair—was only \$4.00, or if three couples had stayed home the clubs would have gone in a hole. We have an overhead of close to \$100. It would be a poor risk all the way around."

The chances of having another cabaret party are very slim indeed. The dates on the school calendar are scarce, the only openings being late in the school season. A date late in the year would not only con-

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### "PC" STILL GREAT, BUT SMALL WITHOUT SATELITES; FEARS BEERS' MOB

A. POET

We are sorry to disillusion those who believe in the infallibility of the press, but the undersigned members wish to affirm that the Poets' Corner is not dead, nor has it declined.

Of course the palmy days have passed, as is indicated by the BEACON's editorial, which we concede was a very nice gesture in the main. We thank the editor for all the kindnesses rendered in appraising the group as an important part of college social life.

Membership, as far as number is concerned, is down. But this can be accounted for in two ways—graduation has taken its toll, as it does with football teams; and the satellites who formerly skated about the perimeter, have flung off into space, seeking conversation more in their scope. Speaking of teams, the only sad note is that the Poets' Corner probably can no longer put a full-sized basketball team on the floor, and thus PC must rest on memories of the time it defeated the Beers' Mob 29-28, a fete which somehow was never publicized in the BEACON.

Down to four full-time members, plus several who come when they can make it, the Poets' Corner wishes to say that the quality is still there, bereft though it be numerically.

Conversation is still deep, abstract, symbolic and heated. Tea is still the standard beverage. Hopefuls still come and hang about bug-eyed and hoping for the nod of recognition, but Poets' Corner has high requirements and few candidates are chosen.

How, we ask, can the editor of the BEACON say that the Poets' Corner has fallen when—and this is a fact that he has chosen to ignore—the Poets' Corner is gradually absorbing the Beers' Mob, which has become so debilitated that it cannot fill a whole table at the cafeteria these days? We have a warmth in our hearts for the Beers' Mob, our only true rival on the campus and the only other interesting collection of personalities?

Perhaps the Editor confuses geographical location with liveliness. It is true that the Poets' Corner no longer meets steadily in its wonted corner in the cafeteria or

at its customary table in the library. It is true only because lesser characters have chosen to preempt our tables, hoping, it is believed, that a little of the lustre will rub off on them, which is only indicative of their callow states of mind.

Signed,  
Dale Warmouth, Mike Lewis, Gene Scrudato, Jim Dull, Bob Darow, Steve Torporcer and Ladies' Auxiliaries.

### ECKMEDER LOSES SWEDISH BUTTON

On the night of March 10 while crossing Wyoming Ave., Preston Eckmeder lost his Swedish button. The famed button tumbled from his beaten jacket, rolled a foot or two, and then spun softly down the sewer like an eight ball settling in a side pocket.

A mad fury overcame Preston. Desperately, savagely, and wildly, he ran to the gutter, grabbed the sewer with both hands, and tugged furiously. The grate, rusted with age, wouldn't budge. Only utter exhaustion stopped the madness of the wild Preston.

Angrily he got up and left the gutter. His desperation sizzled softly as he sipped his coffee.

## ARTILLERY PARK FOR COLONELS

### Ralston Gets Use of Park For 3 Games When W-B Barons Are Away In May

By RUSS PICTON

The Colonel diamondmen will be swinging for professional size fences during a portion of the coming season. In the month of May, the newly formed Wilkes-Barre "Barons" will be on the road, and through an agreement arranged by

the Director of Athletics, George Ralston, Bob Partridge's charges will be able to play three of their games at Artillery Park.

Wilkes' schedule is established on a home and home basis and unfortunately this season it is Wilkes' turn to play ten of the sixteen

games away. The tentative sixteen game schedule has only three games lined up for May, and therefore limits this fine opportunity for our club.

The Kirby Park public field can never be kept in perfect condition and makes a difficult game even more difficult to play. It is a definite handicap. So, for at least three games this year, Wilkes will play under ideal conditions and will feel like a ball club.



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## Editorially Speaking

### NEW YORK 'TIMES' AGREES WITH THE BEACON

The death of Joseph Stalin is certainly a landmark in the lives of all of us, young or old. What that dictator effected has influenced and will influence each of us more than many of us can ever dream. It is quite possible that that gentleman of Moscow might be responsible for the death of one or a number of us. But that is all speculation.

Our feelings about this man, very likely the most important figure of the present era, found harmony with the New York 'Times' editorial of March 6. The 'Times' agreed with us.

"Joseph Stalin is dead. The being who claimed and secured homage as virtually a living god has proved to be as mortal as his lowliest subject. He belongs now to history.

It would be hypocritical (the last paragraph of a 6-paragraph editorial) to say that we regret his passing. If he had so willed, the world today could be going through an era of confidence, hope and prosperity such as has never been known. If he had so willed, the marvelous gains of science, technology and scholarship could have been applied fully to curing the sick, feeding the hungry and extending man's dominion over all nature for the benefit of all humanity. But he did not so will, and our children's children will still be paying the price for the evil which he brought into the world."

'Nough for J. Stalin.

### FOREVER AMBER

The BEACON has always been on the lookout for signs of intelligence. Common sense, the most uncommon thing in the world, is used so rarely that a newspaper, being the public's servant, should hold it a duty to report all such applications.

The Borough of Kingston recently used its common sense. It timed the lights on Market Street for twenty-five miles an hour, thus making it possible for a driver to go the distance without stopping once for a red light.

Bravo progress.

### BOOSTER FLOOD

It has come to the attention of the BEACON that ex-congressman Dan Flood has been making himself familiar around campus. Flood was seen at the IRC mock election Political Rally, where he behaved quite vigorously. He was at the ICG regional dinner, and at the IRC's convention on the Near East—Flood once being the congressman in charge of the Near East's budget—he carried himself in fine style. State Dept. diplomat, Richard Sanger, and Dan had a spry old-times chat at the Convention.

Mr. Flood's attitude towards Wilkes is something that should be cultivated among other bigger men, but lesser, in the Valley. Dan once remarked that he was sorry that Wilkes hadn't been established fifty years earlier, that Wyoming Valley has always needed such a liberal, free-thinking educational institution. Flood realizes the deep value of such a school to a community, what a shell the community is without it.

Ex-Congressman Flood is showing real intelligence by his support of Wilkes. He is always available to come down and say a few words. Such generosity and liberal thinking itself is appreciated.

BEERS, editor

## Letters To The Editor...

LA WASHINGTON?

March 10, 1953

Dear Editor:

Is it true that Ann Azat is the Mother of our Country?  
Sincerely,

Max Gundelfinger

Answer: There is no evidence one way or the other that Ann Azat is the Mother of our Country. Some say she is; others say she isn't. Ancient Annie has never denied it.

The Editor

Beers, editor

BEACON  
Wilkes College

Dear Mr Beers:

Thank you very kindly for the item in last week's "The Beacon's Beat." 'Tisn't every chap my age (I'm not, by the way, quite so long in the tooth as you make me) who knows the joy of seeing his stuff in Caslon Old Style.

But as for the lead editorial throwing the old man bouquets is concerned, I'm afraid he must say "Thanks, but no thanks." The editor of "Amnicola" provided him with the name of the winner of the beauty contest and urged him—though he might have done so anyway—to talk with you about releasing the news.

Just to keep the record straight.

Yours faithfully,

David C. Foxlow

## THIS 'N' THAT...

by ludwig

ludwig

Hi,

I saw in the paper yesterday that Christine J. is going back to Copenhagen where she won't be a novelty. You mean?

Ah ha, there seems to be a bit of competition waging between the Beacon and the Amnicola. It may be that the Beacon has the better of the two cases. However, I think that we should give some credit to the editor of the Yearbook. He says, "this year's book will be out before the fall semester."

Two weeks ago in my closing paragraph I had a little expose on satire and sarcasm which didn't seem to get its point across. I was driving against a certain individual who seems to be out of place.

The Lettermen are a little disturbed about people who wear foreign sweaters and letters on this campus. It seems to me that the lettermen are right. They have given of their time and energies to do things which others of us have thought to be too time consuming and too much work. Don't you think that they deserve to be unique in their own way? When I was a freshman they indoctrinated us, telling us of this rule. We accepted them and I think that every other student should. This is not any different on any other campus except that the lettermen as a group probably would have taken more decisive steps.

Tomorrow night the Seniors will present their Spectacle. In the past it has included such things as: having the seniors required to have 1000 pounds on the floor at all times. I don't know just exactly what they have in the making for this year, but it will conform with the usual highly entertainable spirit the affair has always provided. Only fifty cents a person. Make a date to take your date.

I have been prevailed upon to plug the coming presentation of the dramatic society. 'Thor, with an Angel' or 'Are you thor about Thor.' Although the society itself has lost most of the colorful standing it once held here on the campus, I am guaranteed that the performance will be of the usual high quality. It's free for the girl if you want to drag one from off the campus or even, perish the thought if you take a student.  
So long

# THE BEACON'S BEST

## CHUNKS OF CHUCKLE

She was only a parson's daughter, but she had her following.

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A broker sought admission to the pearly gates.  
"Who are you?" said St. Peter.  
"I am a Wall Street broker."  
"I want to get in."  
"What have you done that entitles you to admission?"  
"Well I saw a decrepit woman on Broadway the other day and gave her two cents."  
"Gabriel, is that on the records?"  
"Yes, St. Peter."  
"What else have you done?"  
"We'll, I crossed the Brooklyn Bridge the other night a met a news-boy half frozen to death and gave him a penny."  
"Gabriel, is that on the records?"  
"Yes, St. Peter."  
"What else have you done?"  
"That's all I can think of."  
"What do you think we ought to do with this guy, Gabriel?"  
"Give him back his three cents and tell him to go to hell."

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"This isn't our baby," said the wife, "you've got the wrong carriage."

"Shut up, you dope," said the husband, "this one's got rubber tires."

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First burglar: "Where ya been?"

Second burglar: "Out robbing a Wilkes dorm."

First burglar: "Lose anything?"

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A fellow driving his car with the top down was wearing a bright red shirt, a polka-dot tie, a shepherd's plaid suit, and lavender beret. A motorcycle cop stopped him and made him pull over to the side of the road.

"What's wrong, officer?" asked the lad. "I haven't violated any traffic laws."

Said the cop: "No, I just wanted to hear you talk."

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I serve a purpose in this school

On which no man can frown—

I quietly sit in every class

And keep the average down.

\* \* \* \* \*

The cannibal mother had quite a problem with Junior and dragged him to a baby specialist. "Something's the matter with the boy," she told the doctor. "He just can't eat anybody."

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A trio of food, liquor and mattress salesmen were talking shop. "I hate to see a woman eating alone," commented the food salesman.

"And I can't bear to see a woman drinking alone," observed the liquor chap.

The mattress salesman, being a gentleman, said nothing.

## A WISE-GUY'S WEBSTER'S

Upper crust—just a bunch of crumbs stuck together by their own dough.

Utopia—conditions that will prevail when Americans enjoy 1952's wages, 1926 dividends, 1932 prices, and 1910 taxes.

Unaware—clothing worn next to the skin.

United States—there are now only two classes of men in the United States: those who work for their living, and those who vote for them.—H. L. Mencken

Year—a period of three hundred and sixty-five disappointments.—Ambrose Bierce

Zebra—a horse with venetian blinds.

Zigzag—to move forward uncertainly, from side to side, as one carrying the white man's burden.—Ambrose Bierce

## APRIL SHOWERS BALL COMING

If the floods and tides have been a depressing thought this past month, and the coming April showers presents a gloomy picture, take heart! April is bringing something super special too. The silver lining is the approaching "April Showers Ball." Sponsored by our active Lettermen, this year the ball has been set for April 17. The Lettermen are going all out, as they always do, to make this something more than an ordinary dance. Just consider some of these attractions. First of all, in order to make it possible for everyone to attend, the Club voted to outlaw corsages. This reduces the expense and those who felt the price of a corsage was enough to keep them from going, are now available. Secondly, an April Showers queen will be selected by a committee headed by Dean Ralston. This committee will select the queen from those present at the dance. There will be prizes awarded to the lucky lady chosen. As most of you know, last year's queen was Marilyn Broadt.

With highlights as these the April Showers Ball should be considered a "must". Lee Vincent and his orchestra will supply the music from 9 to 12. The dance, which is semi-formal, will be held at the

gymnasium. Admission is \$2.80.

Al Wallace, general chairman of the affair has selected the following committees:

Decorations: Russ Picton, chairman, Flip Jones, Glenn Carey, and Ray Tait;

Tickets: Joe Trosko, chairman, Gene Snee, and Joe Wengyn.

Refreshments: Lefty Kemp, chairman, Dick Hawk, and Preston Eckmeyer;

Gift: Ed Edgerton, chairman, Cled Rowlands, Jerry Elias, and Bob Reynolds;

Publicity: Paul Beers, Harold Jenkins, Don Tosh, and George Elias;

Dick Polakowski is in charge of the Chaperon committee and Roxy Reynolds and Jim Moss will contact the student council.

## ANSWER THEIR CALL...

Disaster strikes without warning... smashing homes and lives... leaving stunned and helpless victims in its wake. In 289 separate operations last year, your Red Cross helped 32,000 families who were victims of sudden catastrophe in 45 states and Alaska with food, shelter, medical care, and rehabilitation of lives and homes. Total cost of domestic and foreign disaster relief was \$19,938,529.

With your help the Red Cross will continue to answer the call.



# Azat and Colonelettes To Make Comeback

## Colonelettes Finish Up Season and Possibly Azat With Marywood College at Wilkes Gymnasium

Dirty Annie Azat is back and the Colonelettes will tangle with Marywood. The contest, tomorrow afternoon in the Wilkes Gym, will be the last encounter for the Colonelettes this season.

The story of the week is Dirty Annie Azat's comeback. The Antique, in a letter to the Beacon last week, announced that she was hanging up her sneakers. As her one teammate, Flea Green, said, "That's all Annie had left to hang up after the Misericordia game." Now Annie is making a comeback. In the boxing world there's a saying that "They don't come back." No champion has ever returned to top form. Will Ancient Annie star again? Goodness knows the girl is in shape, but does she have that old kick, that spurt of youth, to glitter once more before the throng of smiling masculine faces? There's Annie and drama once again.

The Colonelettes too must make a comeback. With a 1-3 record, the season hasn't been exactly a rip-roaring success. In their last two contests the girls were thoroughly clobbered by big Misericordia. The Dallas dolls kicked Bubeck's upstarts something awful. Spectator Tiger McFadden classified the last game a "horror".

Coach Bubeck has high hopes for her girls. Marywood was handed the same rough treatment by Misericordia. Bubeck believes she has the makings of a good offensive in Azat, Flea Green and Freckles Schooley. The defense of Gail Jones, Carol Jones, Georgia Tomasetti and Shook-up Krachenfels has

been known to look good. Gail also fills in as a forward when Dirty Annie is eliminated.

Saturday's contest ought to be thrilling. Can Dirty Annie come back? Will Freckles Schooley get back on the scoring path? Can Bubeck mold something out of all this nothing?

There's drama a-plenty, and possibly a speck of basketball.

## FOOTBALLER TO BE MARRIED IN JUNE

Last week it was learned of Ed Edgerton's engagement and approaching marriage to Jeanne Casterline. They're to be married June 20th.

Miss Casterline is a graduate of Kingston High School and is employed by the Hospital Service Association of Northeastern Penna.

Ed, of Plains, is a graduate of Plains High School. He will graduate from Wilkes in June. Ed attended George Washington University in the nation's capitol before coming to Wilkes.

An All Scholastic first string center in 1948, Ed has played three years of varsity ball for the Colonels. This season he switched from center to tackle. A business student, Ed will take leave of his career after graduation to serve a few years as second lieutenant in the Marine Corps.

## ANSWER THEIR CALL...

Accidents can happen anywhere any time... and when they strike, knowing what to do may mean the difference between life and death. To help train Americans everywhere to protect themselves and their families better, the Red Cross last year awarded 1,090,000 first aid certificates and 813,000 certificates in swimming and lifesaving. More than 5,700,000 persons were reached through group instruction.

With your help the Red Cross will continue to answer the call.

## Attendance Record

A new attendance record was set this basketball season, along with all the other records. For being there in person, home and away, Jim O'Neill and his wife averaged 1,000.

The record went unnoticed until a few of the members of the basketball team saw the couple down at Susquehanna Monday night. That convinced the boys that the Jim O'Neills were 22-karat backers all the way.

The team is on record as saying that they appreciated that O'Neill attendance mark as much as anything done for them this season.

In Nevada they test public-address systems at football games differently. In that gambling state instead of the usual script... "Testing—1-2-3-4-5—testing," they say, "Testing—ace, king, queen, jack, ten—testing."

## BIG FAKE



JOHN MILLIMAN

## DVORSNIAK LOOKING GREAT AT PENN ST.

George Dvorsniak, former Colonel wrestler of Valley renown, has hit the big-time collegiate wrestling circles at Penn State. George, an engineering major, transferred after two years at Wilkes.

Wrestling at 167 pounds, the Plymouth star won 3-1 in his first bout for Penn State. That was against a top-flight Syracuse team. Last week against Cornell George pulled a draw against Otis Keller, winner of the 167 pound class in the big Wilkes tournament, 7-7.

In his last season at Wilkes George turned in a 6-1 record clearing 17 points for the Colonels.

## TO THOSE AVOIDING THE DRAFT

All eligible students who intend to take the Selective Service College Qualification Test in 1953 should file applications at once for the April 23, administration. Selective Service National Headquarters advised today.

An application and a bulletin of information may be obtained at any Selective Service local board. Following instructions in the bulletin, the student should fill out his application immediately and mail it in the special envelope provided. Applications must be postmarked no later than midnight, March 9, 1953. Early filing will be greatly to the student's advantage.

Results will be reported to the student's Selective Service local board of jurisdiction for use in considering his deferment as a student, according to Educational Testing Service, which prepares and administers the College Qualification Test.

The 1952 Colonels football team score 121 points. The opponents scored 131. The team's record was 3 wins, 4 losses, and 1 tie.

## GET GLOMAN

Next Week The Beacon Features

'Roamin' with Gloman Out West'

or Private Charlie's Army Laments

DON'T MISS IT!

## HOOPSTERS WITH 76.91 AVERAGE PER GAME SET NEW TEAM RECORD; HAVE 10-12 MARK

By PAUL B. BEERS

The 1952-53 season was a long step in the right direction for winning basketball teams at Wilkes. The club improved on everything, going sky-high in the matter of averaging the most points per game.

Last year's team was a snappy outfit that set a new mark for averaging the most points per game. Behind Len Batrone and Eddie Davis that team made 65.8 points per game. That looked pretty good for an average. This year, behind the same two men and plenty of solid support, the team jumped the moon with a 76.91 average, or over an 11-point increase on last year. When a club scores 76 points it usually figures to win most ball-games.

The Colonel crew found the record book nice this season but not always in accord with their doings. The team could tally 76.91 points to their opponents' 74.55 points, but the won-loss record was in the hole at 10-12. We scored 1692 points to the opponents' 1640 also. The story is that we lost to Lycoming by 2 points, to Mansfield by 3, to King's by 3, and to Moravian by 2. Those were four losses on a total of 10 points.

We just missed an all-important record by a frog's hair. Two years ago in 27 games the Colonels scored 1705 points for a team high. This year in only 22 games the Colonels fell short by a slim 13 points—almost amazing.

The sad story of the year was the team's two losses to King's, a

club the Colonels still maintain they could have tamped. The Monarchs took us 79-71 and 78-75. We've had poorer clubs that have been able to make a season split with King's, but ironically enough this good team fell short both times.

The record book remains safe outside of that average-per-game mark. We couldn't top our 103 points in one game (we didn't hit 100 once this year), nor could we set a new low in points (our lowest was 58 in the Hofstra game).

The why behind all the high-powered scoring this season can be found in the individual marks. Six men tallied over 100 points. Seven men averaged over 5 points a game. Batrone led the team at 21.41, Davis 16.29, Joe Sikora 9.0, Parker Petrilak 8.5, John Milliman 7.9, Jimmy Atherton 5.7, Norm Gates 5.3. We had amazing success at the foul line, thanks to the new rule in effect. Where we made 585 field goals, we could count 523 fouls. Petrilak was ahead on fouls, 42-34, Kopicki 9-5, and the champion of all the fakers, John Milliman at 67-49.

The season was a good one. Next year the full club returns. Plenty of dust should be kicked up.

## DIKE DIVOTS

By JACK CURTIS, Sports Editor

## PROFESSIONALISM?

It was our pleasure—on an assignment for the Sunday Independent last Saturday—to interview Bernie Bierman, former head football coach at the University of Minnesota. Mr. Bierman was in Wilkes-Barre for a talk at the Jewish Community Center. We caught him for about ten or fifteen minutes at WBRE-TV's studios where he was a guest on Jimmy McCarthy's popular "Sports Review" show. We started off by asking the former "big-time" mentor many of the old standby questions and then delved into the meat of the subject of what was to be his talk later that night at the JCC, "professionalism in college athletics".

## WILKES COMMENDED

We popped one at the aging gentleman, who is a former president of the American Football Coaches Association. We asked him, "do you think there is professionalism in college athletics?" and he came back quickly to say that he believes that there is definitely play-for-pay in college athletics today, but was just as quick to opine that it's not enough to worry about. Pointing out the athletic policies of Wilkes as compared to many other large and small colleges, we asked Bierman for his views concerning a "simon pure" brand of football. He commended all such schools and said that they were showing much courage to stick to their guns, but he also stated that a "middle-of-the-road policy is, in his opinion, also acceptable. The ex-Gopher tutor went on to say that a few "big-timers" are making all college athletics look bad. He feels that the majority of the nation's colleges are sticking close, at least, to the NCAA's "sanity" code.

## PRESSURE—WIN OR LOSE

Asked if he missed coaching football, Bierman replied, "Yes, of course I miss it, but I'm glad to be away from all the pressure." Right from the horses mouth we had it—that pressure to win on big-time grid coaches today is tremendous, even in Big Ten schools like Minnesota, which claim to adhere to NCAA rules and regulations. Yet, when he was asked if too much emphasis is being put on winning and earning the almighty dollars, Bierman answered in the negative. We found several of his statements contradictory, but then we give him credit for a certain amount of loyalty to his former associates still active in the grid world. No sense making them look bad. The talk was particularly interesting to this writer, for just a year or so ago, we ran across Mr. Bierman's name in a nationally circulated magazine under a listing of prominent football coaches who either were fired or resigned under great pressure from the students, alumni, and rabid fans who would accept no less than touchdowns and wins.

## ROUGH RACKET IN BIG TIME

This same article, we think it was by a former coach, went on to say that in spite of the fact that Bierman had guided many great teams in the past for the Gophers, the fans were crying for his scalp after a single mediocre season. It said, "Students carried signs at games saying, 'Bernie Must Go', and even picketed his office with placards reading, 'Goodbye, Bernie!'" To all the above, we received a firm denial... It was certainly a privilege and honor to interview such a really great sports figure as Mr. Bernie Bierman. He showed himself to be not only a very interesting subject, but a very amiable fellow as well. Still, we can't help wondering just what was what.

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## THE BEACON'S BEAT

Ann Azat says she is writing her memoirs. She's calling it "Forever Azat".

George Elias: "You're in charge of getting the food, the beer that is."

Jerry Elias on the April Showers Ball: "I suggest that they get the temperature in the Gym up to 70, then everybody will get hot and buy a lot of soft drink."

Of Flea Green: "The hot-shot's all shot."

Ann Azat: "I'm really twenty-four, but I was sick two years."

In 'This Generation', Contemporary literature course, p. 168, "She (Edna St. Vincent Millay) is that contradiction in terms, a poet who is a best seller."

Mr. Rock: "And what is the source of that information?"

Ray Tait: "A book I read last semester."

Mr. Rock: "Who was the author?"

Ray Tait: "Smith, I think."

Mr. Casper: "The cup that cheers but not inebriates."

Dr. Mailey: "Figures? I deal in figures."

Scene last Friday: Six cardboard cartons of delivered goods outside of Chase Hall, one very plainly marked "Mt. Vernon Whiskey".

Susquehanna U. basketball player to Parker Petrilak: "Me and you is gonna tangle before the game's over."

Student personalities and reputations are often revealed by those directing questions. In a history class of 13, lovelace Flip Jones was chosen to answer the following World War I question: "Who (what) was Big Bertha?"

Bob Moran: "Two bopsters are walking down the street and they see Christine Jorgensen. 'Man', says the one cat, 'dig that. I don't catch the tune, but what a combo!'"

Mr. Rock: "We can't say war is inhuman. It has always been part of human activity."

From 'Primer of the Novel', page

269: "Dollars damn me", said Herman Melville. He meant that the lack of them did."

Mr. Rock: "Who was Jean Harlow?"

Flip Jones: "That was your day."

Boon for college men: When asked in court his occupation, Mickey Jelke replied, "Student".

## PUBLIC RELATIONS

The International Relations Club would like to thank the BEACON for its splendid support and coverage of the Near East Convention, held here a week ago. Thank you for your efforts.

Dr. Hugo V. Mailey  
Ted Krohn, president

## SEASON FORCES BEACON

(continued from page 1)  
flict with BEACON publications—the last issue coming in the middle of May—but also with the editors' and staffs' desire to devote their full resources to final-exam studying.

Just thought you'd like to know. Humorist, who won the Epsom Derby in 1921, had only one lung.

## COMMUNITY FINDING GYMNASIUM OFTEN

Last Saturday night the Regional PIAA Wrestling Championships were held at the Wilkes College gymnasium. Four local wrestlers—Dan Zikowski of Kingston, Len Coursen of Forty Fort, John Evans of Plymouth and Ormond Long of Meyers came through with championships. A vast crowd of local wrestling fans watched their favorite high school stars tussle in the huge Gym. When all was over everyone had to admit that the class of the Wilkes gym matched the classy wrestling of the boys.

The gym has a capacity for 2500 persons and accommodations for two or three teams at the same time. High school basketball playoffs are now being held on the 110' x 55' playing court. On Friday night Ashley High, champions of the North League, defeated Freeland, champions of the Anthracite League by a score of 60-40. On Monday night Luzerne High defeated Duryea by a 60-45 score. The local fans will get a chance to see the play-offs as much as possible in the Wilkes drillshed.

Many other activities of the school and the community keep Mr. Partridge on his toes making dates

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and arrangements months in advance. On Tuesday morning the Shawnee Indians defeated the Club 20 of the Intramural League despite the brilliant defensive play of Homer Gross. After school hours the Wilkes baseball candidates dodge basketballs thrown by high school hoopsters while trying to get in their daily exercises. Wednesday nights see the Wyoming Valley Philharmonic Orchestra rehearsing for a concert. Plans are now being readied for the annual Nationalities Pageant originated in the Wilkes gym last year.

More and more the Wilkes gym is being recognized as an ideal spot for community activities. This is a real tribute to a community college.

Flip Jones holds the all-time scoring mark for the booting Colonels. The Flipper has tallied 10 times. In his first season Flip set the all-time season mark for the team with 5 goals. Two years ago he dropped to only two, but last season he whizzed in three.



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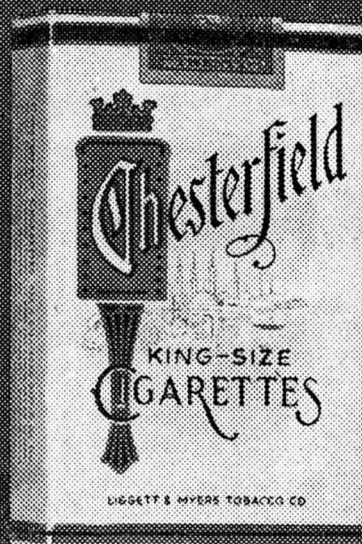
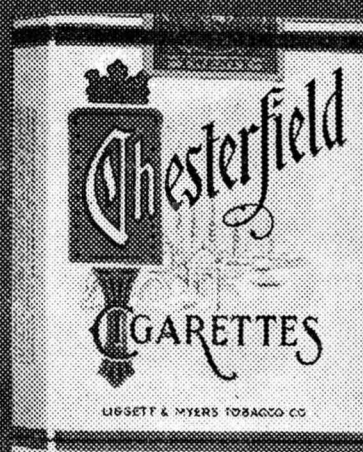
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