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walk the streets forever, we
walk the streets of life alone."

'Of Time & the River'—
Thomas Wolfe

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is the time to do what you said
you would when you were
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weeks ago.

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Valentine Dance Tomorrow In Drillshed

11 DOLLS QUIETLY CHOSEN FOR THE 1953 AMNICOLA BEAUTY CONTEST

Editor-in-chief of the Amnicola, Bob Croker, and his assistant editor, Isabel Ecker, a few weeks ago announced the yearbook's 1953 Beauty contest, an annual feature of the book.

Eleven beauties, the smallest number in the seven year history of the book, were chosen by means that have been so far withheld from the student body. No steps were taken to either inform the student body of the contest or to publicize it. The contest was once the biggest feature of the yearbook and an item of interest to the students of Wilkes.

Chosen were six upperclassmen and five freshmen.

Last year's winner and runner-up the previous two years, Lois Ann Shaw, and Lucille Pierce, an entry for the past two years, are the only seniors represented in the contest. There are no juniors in the contest, though some of the juniors have placed in runner-up positions in the past.

Four sophomores were chosen. Petite Alice Green and Bette Parra, both runners-up last year, made the contest this year. Lois Long, an entry last year, was chosen, the lone newcomer being Ruth

Willbur. Miss Parra is no longer in school.

The five freshmen are Carol Ann Gardner, Gayle Jones, Carolyn Kline, Nancy Beam and Nancy Schooley.

In past years the contest has always had one winner and four runners-up. Due to the limited choice this year it is doubtful if the old tradition will go on, although no announcement has been made concerning that feature of the contest.

The judge of the contest has also not been announced. In past years such men of distinction as Ham Fisher, Harry Conover, Al Capp, and Billy Rose have had the honor, though many Wilkesmen have suggested Errol Flynn, Tommy Manville, King Farouk, and Artie Shaw.

Whether the contest will be covered in the local newspapers and whether the winner will be called "The Campus Queen" are bits of information that have as yet not been made known.

T. D. R. PRESIDENT



Lucille Pierce

VICE-PRESIDENT



Beth Badman

TDR GETS FRANKIE REYNOLDS FOR 'QUEEN OF HEARTS AFFAIR'; DANCING FROM 8:30 - 11:30

By MARGE LUTY

February is, traditionally the month of hearts, when young men ask the lady of their choice to be their valentine. Samuel Pepys did it; George Washington did it; and now the girls of Theta Delta Rho are doing it.

Since their annual St. Valentine's Day Dance is a "twirp" affair, even the shyest women on campus have overcome their blushes long enough to ask "The Big Guy" the big question. I overheard one gal approach the problem this way: "Well, er... that is... uh... that is to say..." then in despair resorting to a well-known history professor's well-known expression, "As you are well aware..." (By the way, everything worked out perfectly — one more ticket sold.)

Seriously, though, the Valentine Dance, Theta Delta Rho's annual big project, holds top place among special social events as the most romantic dance on our crowded calendar, for what can be more romantic than St. Valentine's Day?

Beth Badman, in her duties as general chairman of the dance, has shown an organizational and leadership ability which surprised only those who did not know her well. For a splendid job, which has eased everyone else's load and resulted in smooth committee-work, Beth deserves special mention.

Tonight members of the enormous Decorations Committee will combine their artistic talents and imaginations to turn the Gym, prosaic scene of basketball games and farmer dances and physical education classes, into a delicate atmosphere of hearts and flowers. The vision of lovely young women, beautifully gowned, in the soft, romantic setting of the transformed Gym is certain to result in an evening that will hang on in memory as fantastically perfect. I might add that the decorating women, despite their numbers, would greatly appreciate any help that "those big, strong, handsome" men of the Lettermen's Club might feel inclined to give, for some decorating jobs require the man's touch. Connie Smith and I. Ecker are co-chairmen of decorations, and their assistants are: Marilyn Witzigman, Mollie Beard, Aldona Patrick, Gail Laines, Ann Azat, Nancy Boston, Barbara Winslow, Joan Shoemaker, Helen Krackenfels, Nancy Batcheler, Nancy Brown, Patsy Fox, Carol Gardner, Anita Gordon, Marilyn Peters and Elsie Giuliani.

It has always been my contention that the ticket committee may well be the starting place of dance preparations, for no matter how popular the orchestra, or how appropriate the time, or how elaborate the other plans may be, organization starts with tickets — the realistic spot among many idealistic details. Ruth Dilley, chairman, and her committee have been very business-like in looking after the printing, distribution, and sale of tickets.

The success of the dance will owe much to Ruth, Jane Carpenter, Carol Jones, Barbara Grow, Gerry Kolotelo and Jeanette Perrins.

Frankie Reynolds' orchestra has been engaged by Lois Shaw to play for us, and Lois should be commended for her choice of an orchestra which enjoys such popularity among Wilkes students. The music is sure to be danceable and listenable in the extreme, and, after all, a good orchestra makes a dance.

Of course the high spot of the evening comes when the Queen of Hearts is chosen. Bernice Thomas,

chairman, and Naomi Kivler, Barbara Evans, Pearl Onacko and Ellen Louise Wint, who make up the gift committee, have had the sometimes difficult, sometimes surprisingly easy, job of procuring the lovely gifts which the Queen and her escort receive.

During the course of the evening, appetites and thirsts are certain to be aroused. For this reason a committee has been made up of four unselfish girls who will work on refreshments for a portion of the evening. They are Barbara Rogers, chairman, Nancy Hayne, Elaine Bogan and Monica Utrias.

Naturally where there have been refreshments, there must be cleaning up. As Mr. Partridge pointed out at the recent Student Council meeting, it is a duty of any organization holding a dance at the college to aid in "uncluttering" the Gym afterwards. Miriam Jeanne Dearden, chairman, Nancy Beam and Barbara Boock will perform this task.

The Cloak-room committee tomorrow night will be taken care of by Virginia Denn. Virginia — Stretch — is a good sport, for "cloak room" is a job much disliked.

The Invitations, or Program committee, one of the nice, "souvenir" aspects of a dance, consists of Elaine Nesbitt, chairman, Denah Fleisher and Delores Ostroski.

Because of extreme bashfulness and modesty, I have left mention of the Publicity committee until last. I shall now stage a revolt and do the unforgivable thing — state that I believe we did a good job — Shirley and Peggy Williams have been darlings about doing poster work and other little details necessary on a committee of this type, and Eleanor Opalski and Margaret Luty, as co-chairmen, may be said to have discharged their duties well — in fact Eleanor has done most of the work, like a dear, and deserves recognition.

So there's the dance — Saturday night, February 14, at 8:30. Have a good time, everybody.

CONCERT IN GYM TO FEATURE PRODIGY

The second concert of the Wyoming Valley Philharmonic Orchestra will be held on Tuesday, February 17, in the Wilkes College gymnasium.

Appearing as guest artists will be Nancy Cirillo, sixteen year old child prodigy of Brooklyn, N. Y. Miss Cirillo is an accomplished violinist who has given many solo recitals and has done much concert work.

The concert will open with the "Overture to Don Giovanni" by Mozart, followed by "Beethoven's First Symphony". Next on the program will be the "Violin Concerto" by Saint-Saens, featuring Miss Cirillo. "Silhouettes" by the American composer Henry Hadley will conclude the program.

Tickets are available to Wilkes College students at the Bookstore for only fifty cents. This concert promises to be one which no music lover should miss.

Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.

THE BEACON'S BEAT

Incidental Intelligentsia: Found in Sociology text, "American Society", page 307, "Of every ten persons born, ten die."

Scholar: "Boy, you're noseey, George."

George Elias: "Figuratively and literally."

On one of the disk jockey programs two kids had a song dedicated to their mother, "I'm Always Picking Sweethearts."

Dr. Vujica: "We got a cat. My wife likes cats, and I don't mind them."

Preston Eckmeder: "Got my picture the other day, but I don't know where to put it as my mother sold the piano. Maybe I'll put it down in the cellar with my father's nudes."

Dr. Mailey: "I am only twenty-nine."

Ape Dannick: "How do you want the book reports?"

Dr. Mailey: "Just like a girl's dress — long enough to cover the subject; short enough to make it interesting."

Mr. Symonolewicz: "Please do not think I am jealous, Ann Azat, but from now on nobody pats you on the back in my classes."

Flip Jones: "Well, I just broke up."

Dr. Mailey: "To get people to the polls only spirit moves them — both kinds."

Ann Azat concerning a friend: "There's only one thing about him I don't like — he breathes!"

Preston Eckmeder to Dick Hawk: "What? You call me naive? Why I've always considered myself most percipient."

LIBRARY HAS LIBERTY EXHIBITION

An exhibit entitled "Threads of Liberty" is currently being featured in the Library. This exhibit by means of a series of pictures and posters depicts the history and development of freedom and liberty in France, England, and America. The series of pictures of buildings, events, and personalities of the American Revolution should be especially interesting to students of history.

The entire college is cooperating with the library in order to acquaint the students with all phases of freedom, both historical and theoretical. The exhibit will be displayed until February 15.

CHANGES IN SOCIAL CALENDAR

Cancelled: Lettermen's Show for Feb. 19, 20, 21. Lettermen's Tea for April 1.

Changes: Cue 'n' Curtain's three-act plays from March 12, 13, 14 to March 19, 20, 21. Senior Spectacle from March 21 to March 14.

EDUCATION NOTE

All students wishing to certify for teaching in the public schools should consult with Dr. Smith before submitting their applications to Harrisburg. Dr. Smith will cooperate with them in filling out these forms and will advise them whether or not the forms which they have prepared are satisfactory.

YOU'RE THOR?

Mr. Alfred Groh, adviser to the Cue 'n' Curtain, announces that tryouts for a major production will be held in Chase Theater on Thursday from 2 to 5 and on Friday from 3 to 5. The play is Christopher Fry's "Thor, with Angels", which has a cast of twelve. All people interested in the Theater are urged to attend the tryouts or see Mr. Groh.

ACTORS SEE GREAT DRAMAS LAST WEEK

Last Monday evening the hallowed walls of Ye Olde Chase Theater rang with the echoes of the great dramas of the past, as members of Cue 'n' Curtain viewed two movies based on Shakespeare's "Othello" and "Romeo and Juliet".

The movies, which lasted about forty-five minutes each, consisted of the major scenes from each play. John Slater, Sebastian Cabot, Luane Shaw performed the roles of Othello, Iago, and Desdemona. Norma Shearer (the last generation's Marilyn Monroe) and Leslie Howard, as Romeo and Juliet, stirred the audience with their exceptional fine acting.

Cue 'n' Curtain hopes to ring up the curtain on some more movies of dramatic and literary interest in the near future. They will be open to the student body. Watch the BEACON for further announcements.

ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

Feb. 16—Basketball, Stroudsburg—away

Feb. 17—Philharmonic concert

Feb. 18—Basketball, Scranton—home

Feb. 19—Assembly

Feb. 20—G. W. High School Tea T.D.R., Jr. Class Square Dance

Feb. 21—Basketball, Mansfield—home; Student Council Dance; Girls' Basketball, home (tentative)

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Editorially Speaking

THE KICK OF THE JACKASSES

By now everyone but Jimmy Dull has forgotten what happened on the night of January 9th in the Manfield Ballroom. That was the night of the Med-IRC-Chem Clubs' Cabaret Party, the night when Jimmy and his entertainment were forced to tolerate some first-class uncouthness from a few characters who preferred to supply the entertainment themselves.

The issue is dead now. The disgusting, humiliating, and juvenile scene has passed by. Master of ceremonies Jimmy Dull still cringes at the thought, but to other parties the whole affair has been reduced to a laughing matter.

Since there hasn't been a BEACON since the day the jackasses brayed, we haven't had an opportunity to express ourselves on the matter. As the issue is now dead, we'll let it remain so.

But . . . why was the Student Council forced to go through a list of twenty-some faculty members before getting two to serve as chaperons for the Winter Carnival? That was one effect of the Cabaret Party. Another is the sudden apathy on the part of some of the School's better home talent to produce another cabaret party. And there are probably others.

When a few jackasses kick up their heels a lot of damage may be done.

THE FEMININE TOUCH

The Valentine Dance, a Theta Delta Rho production, was originally scheduled for February 13th in accord with the Wilkes tradition of using Fridays for the social program. Somehow this bothered the dainty minds of the Girls Lounge, though, for the thought of having a valentine dance the day before Valentine's Day soon plagued the coarser sex. At length the date was switched to the 14th and a Saturday. This, it seems, has satisfied both the atmospheric-minded and the less romantic dolls who claimed that a Friday the 13th was bad anyway.

EDUCATED FISTS

Wednesday evening college kid Chuck Davey went after the welterweight championship of the world. No one with a college education has ever held a fistic title. In nine rounds champ Kid Gavilan exposed Chuck to a little bit of everything, plus a good thumping on the side. It was Gavilan all the way by a TKO.

It still remains for some other college kid to make his way in the rough sport. The general excitement all over the country seems to indicate that a little education would be a good thing in the fight game, though politicians have known for a long time that folks look down on degrees when they pick people for the more important tasks such as running governments.

THE BEACON, YES

After a lapse of one month we are back in publication. Final examinations, budget troubles, and calendar arrangements such as finishing school on a Thursday and beginning on a Tuesday have prevented us from keeping you well-informed. Though it made us very sad indeed not to have a BEACON last week, it did cheer us no end to observe the utter helpless, the wild fury, and the deep frustration that the School goes through on a BEACON-less Friday.

From here on in your Fridays will be saved with the BEACON.

BEERS, editor

THIS 'N' THAT...

by ludwig

Hi,
The time has come for us to enter a new semester and soar into the heights of the heavens on wings of knowledge or, into the depths of despair on the weak legs of last semester's grades.

I thought I might not be here to write this week's column. I was planning to go down to Andy's for a couple of weeks, however, I see that Gene has beat me to the draw. I wouldn't want to barge in, we may be getting a new building or something.

Tomorrow night is the Valentine Dance. I shall graciously refrain from any comments about the dance last year. This year they've got Frankie Reynolds playing the music for them, although I haven't heard the orchestra myself, everyone else I've talked to gives him a fine build-up.

How many of you got to the last cabaret party? A few of you that got there should have stayed home. Of all the asinine and infantile demonstrations that I have witnessed in the past few years, the people who acted up during the entertainment certainly took the cake. I saw some people embarrassed that I honestly thought it was impossible to embarrass. I plead ignorance to some of the finer points of etiquette and manners but the people who pulled off those stunts must have been raised with their backs to the wind.

It is sometimes amazing to see all the people who spend their leisure time in the library and the small amount of work that ever gets accomplished.

There is the story of the girl going to a party. She was wearing one of those "sprayed on" gowns. Before she left the house she secreted two hankies in the only remaining hiding place. In the course of the evening she lost one. Later on while she was trying to locate the lost one she turned to the fellow who was sitting next to her and said, "I could've sworn I had two?" Boy, was his face red. So long.

Steady defensive improvement has been shown by the soccer-playing Colonels over the past four years. In their first year the opponents tallied 38 times. In the second and third year the opposition was held to 30 goals. Last season, thanks to a fine backfield and a good goalie in Jim Moss, the foe was able to make only 24 goals.

THE BEACON'S BEST

I'VE HEARD IT, HENRY

"That's a nice suit, Sam. How much was it?"
"A hundred and sixty dollars."
"Isn't that kind of expensive?"
"Oh, I don't know—I got fifteen pairs of pants with it."

She was only a newspaper reporter's daughter, but oh, you love her type.

"I said stop it!"
"Shut up or I will."

Cannibal King: "What am I having for lunch?"
Cook: "Two old maids."
Cannibal King: "Ugh! Leftovers again."

Prof: "Will you men stop exchanging notes in the back of the room?"

Student: "Them ain't notes, them's cards. We're playing bridge."
Prof: "Beg your pardon."

"Pardon me, Mrs. Astor, but that never would have happened if you hadn't stepped between me and the spittoon."

A travelling salesman was journeying along a country road in the midst of a howling storm when he came to a washed-out bridge. He could not remain in the car, so he got out and went to the nearest farmhouse. An old, wrinkled man answered the door.

"I'm looking for a place to spend the night," said the salesman.

"Well you can stay here," said the farmer, "but you'll have to sleep with my three sons."

"With your three sons!"

"That's right."

"Excuse me," said the salesman, "I must be in the wrong joke."

"Who made her dress?"

"I'm not sure, but I think it was the police."

She wanted to be a bubble dance, but her dad said, "No soap."

In a darkened stairway about 4 a. m.:

"Good morning, child of Satan."

"Good morning, Father."

Conductor: "Your fare, Miss."

Girl: "Thanks. You're not bad yourself."

A WISE GUY'S WEBSTER'S

Quartet—consists of four singers, each of whom thinks the three others are terrible.

Queen—a woman by whom the realm is ruled when there is a king, and through whom it is ruled when there is not.—Ambrose Bierce

Quill—an implement of torture yielded by a goose and commonly wielded by an ass. This use of the quill is now obsolete, but its modern equivalent, the steel pen, is wielded by the same everlasting presentee.—Ambrose Bierce

Riding—the art of keeping a horse between yourself and the ground.

Reno—the largest inland seaport in America with the tied running in and the untied running out.

Racetrack—where the windows clean the people.

Rich man—one who can afford to have the lights turned on in only one room.

Relatives—inherited critics.

Rape—a European brassicaceous herb grown as a forage crop for sheep and hogs.

Rodeo—where the bull throws the people.

Reformer—a person who insists on his conscience being your guide.

Rascal—a fool considered under another aspect.



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DIKE DIVOTS

By JACK CURTIS, Sports Editor

A SHOT IN THE DARK

A NEW SEMESTER, a refreshed mind, and fresh ideas, are factors that we had hoped would give us a fresh approach in sports scribbling, but too many things of the past semester linger on in the mind and shouldn't be allowed to pass without mention. First in the mind of this scribe is the wrestling situation.

IN SHORT, it is a disgrace to Wilkes College. Never before in the short history of Wilkes has a team been so badly stepped on and treated so shabbily. We were certainly glad to see that Lou Blockus' matment won their first decision of the season last Saturday, a 20-15 win over East Stroudsburg STC, a school which must really be in the dumps when it comes around to wrestling talent.

WE'RE NOT BLAMING Coach Blockus because, we feel he has done his best to make something out of what little material he has had to work with. In that respect, he is to be commended. What gripes us is the fact that there is so darn much really good wrestling talent on this campus and yet can't put a decent team on the intercollegiate mats. In the words of oft-quoted Director of Athletics George Ralston, "It's downraht embarrassin'." That's for dang sure.

QUESTION OF DESIRE

The trouble is, the guys who could give Wilkes a good wrestling team can't seem to find time to get out there and grapple. Ya can't beg 'em. What is it, don't we have even a shred of school spirit left? It appears not. There have been several cases in which studies interfered with wrestlers' participation, but the biggest part of the problem is a lack of desire. A fine example Wilkes is setting in the one sport that has brought it to national prominence! The Open Wrestling Championships at Wilkes College are considered one of the top three meets in the East every year, especially after the tremendous success this Christmas time.

YET, WITH OVER 160 WRESTLERS here at Wilkes from over 45 colleges and universities East of the Mississippi, Wilkes had only three entries. Get that, three entries and we're the host school. To say it was discouraging would be a gross understatement. To make things look even worse, only one of those entrants, Bill Foote, was a member of the Wilkes team, the others were independents.

Starting with Foote's injury, which sidelined him for the rest of the season, there was a mass exodus from the already weak team. Some of the fellows may have had good reason for quitting, but it looked like the rest were just a little too produ to wrestle with a mediocre team. What do we have here, quitters. We never have had such a situation in any of the other sports. Then too, the guys who now compose what's left of the wrestling team haven't shown too much interest in winning, with the obvious exception of those loyal few.

WHAT IS WRESTLING AT WILKES anyway, a joke? It would seem so from the number of team members that turn out daily for practices. Then, many of those who happen to be passing by and stop for a workout at the gym, spend a gay afternoon of tossing a basketball around. Wish they'd choose the sport they're going to participate in. In other sports if a guy has to smoke during the season, at least he does it on the sly, in fear of being caught. The height of it all is a few of the glory boys, who probably will earn their letters, parading around campus, in full view of anyone who can stomach them, puffing away like mad. Not a care in the world.

And yet these guys, some of whom have never come out of a match unpinned, will be Wilkes Lettermen at the end of the season unless something is done to prevent it. Has it become that easy to crash the heretofore select group of Wilkes males? Exactly who is to blame, we're not prepared to say, because frankly we're not sure if the blame for the wrestling status quo can be pinned down. We'll say this. The sparse crowds that have meandered into the sweat mill on South Franklin Street have certainly not been inspirational.

LET'S HAVE ACTION

Let's hope that the situation can be corrected before it's too late and wrestling has been ruined for good at Wilkes.

The crowds at Colonel basketball games haven't been any world shakers either. This year, Wilkes has one of its best basketball teams in years. They put on a good show and are winning their share of games, too. But whatdya hafta do to lure a crowd, give away television sets? We even have sport dances after Saturday night games now. The fact is that there is a pathetic lack of school spirit here at Wilkes. If we are going to continue to have intercollegiate sports, and there are those who really benefit by them and enjoy them, the student body had better wake up and get behind them. That's no "College Joe" rah-rah stuff either.

BASEBALL SEASON is just around the corner and from all indications, Wilkes should have a fine team. Coach Bob Partridge has started to take inventory already and many of the diamondmen, are beginning to yearn for the wide open spaces of the Kirby Park greensward. The word is that Wilkes will have one of the best schedules it has ever had in the national pastime. Newcomers to the yet incomplete slate are former mother school Bucknell, and Albright, very formidable foes.

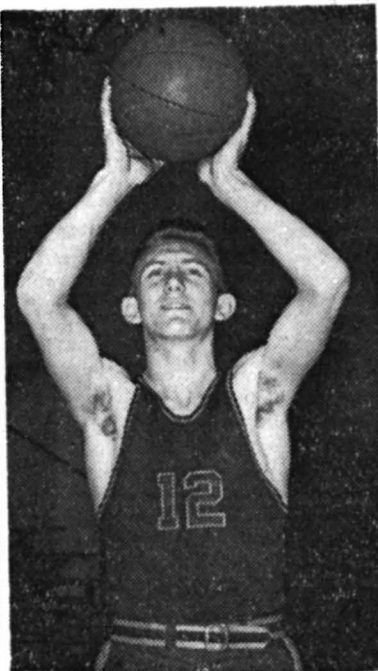
There is a strong possibility that the Colonel nine will be playing its home games at Artillery Park this season too. That should provide a greater interest than ever before for baseball. The return of professional baseball to Wyoming Valley has brought about the talk that Wilkes will have use of the ball park. Wow! Wilkes baseball with seats.

WILKES-BARRE BASEBALL UNIQUE

Mentioning that Wilkes-Barre is back in the Eastern League, brings us to a very important item. With the Barons to be operated as a community project this year, they will need all the support the people of the Valley can give them. Coach Danny Litwhiler has lined up some very promising talent and club officials promise a "strong team". It will be nice to have baseball back with us. The community sponsorship idea is unique in baseball today, and leave it to Wyoming Valley to come up with it. The club's board of directors consists of people with different interests from all over the valley, with but one main purpose, to give sports lovers baseball. Director of Athletics George Ralston is one of the members of the board.

IN THE PRESENT CAMPAIGN to give Wyoming Valley a

POINT PIRATE



LEN BATRONEY

King's Tops Colonels, 79-71; Davis Starred

During the break between semesters Wilkes and King's met in their first of the annual two-game basketball series. The Monarchs pulled out of a 34-33 half-time lead to win 79-71.

The game was one marked by sudden spurts. King's got off to a big lead, but in the second quarter Wilkes ran wild. The Monarchs got real tough in the third quarter and sewed the game up with 28 points, though the Colonels finished strong.

Starring for the home troops was Burrhead Davis. Eddie made 19 points, held his opponent to 5, and played a stellar floor game. High scorer for the contest was Lenny Batroney with 24 points. Bernie Panzak of King's was second with an even 20.

The game, appropriately enough marked the return of the old favorite Parker Petrillak from the Army. Parker's first shot was a blind hook that had no sense of going in but it did. He didn't score afterwards, but his play showed that he hadn't lost his old-time coarseness and vulgarity that has made him such a valuable man.

When Georgia Tech defeated Cumberland by the score of 222-0 in 1916, the Yellowjackets scored 18 touchdowns in the first half and Jim Preas kicked all 18 extra points.

COLONELETES DROP FIRST ONE, 48-47; AZAT, GREEN AND SCHOOLEY TERRORS

By HELEN KRACKENFELS

The Wilkes coeds dropped a close game, 48-47, on Tuesday night to the girls' team of the Dupont Community House. This was the first game of the season for the Wilkes female cagers, and it was also their first time to meet the Dupont team. Being used to plenty of elbow room, the Wilkes girls were cramped by the match-box floor of the Community House.

Play was fast throughout the game, and the score nip and tuck almost constantly. Forwards Ann Azat, Alice Green and Nancy Schooley paced the "Colonelettes" or (Kernelettes) in scoring. Azat led with 16 points, Green had 14, and Schooley, a freshman newcomer to the team, followed with 13 points. Another freshman, Carol Huer, and veteran forward Ruth Dilley, also saw action in the game. Doing a good job at keeping the ball away from the Dupont daisies, were guards Carol Jones,

Gail Jones and Georgia Tomasetti. Other guards in the Wilkes line-up were Barbara Bialogowicz, Lois Jones and Helen Krackenfelds.

Forwards Bancroft and Reaves were high scorers for the Dupont girls. Referee was Mrs. Bubeck.

The next game for the Wilkes coeds will be on Thursday, February 19, when they will meet the Misericordia team at Dallas. Their first home game will be played on Saturday afternoon, February 21, which will be a return game with the Dupont team.

"comeback" industrially, every bit of publicity helps. Then too, industrialists who might settle here are sure to take an enthused view of a community that can work as a unit toward a common goal. Wilkes College has long been a leader in improving the economic, cultural, and intellectual health of this area and it has been supported by many of the same people who are so interested in bringing back baseball. Let's show them our support this summer. Turn about is fair play.

OLD WILKES RECORD OF 783 POINTS GONE AS LENNY MAKES 982 IN 3 YEARS

By PAUL B. BEERS

Making a one-man assault on the Wilkes basketball record book, Lenny Batroney has successfully captured the biggest prize of all this year, the all-time highest scorer. The rest of this year and all of next will just be gravy for the blond flash.

The all-time high score was 783 points. Popular Bobby Benson in three seasons of play established that mark, capturing the honor from old Charlie Jackson. Bobby held the record for two years, but when sophomore Batroney tallied a new season mark of 439 points Bob saw the record going fast. This year's basketball campaign opened with Lenny at 712 points, or just 71 points behind the graduated Benson. In the East Stroudsburg game Bart roared past Benson.

Len Batroney has had the amazing success at making the record book a mess. Phil Sekerchak comfortably held the best season mark at 343 points and he figured to hold for quite some time. Batroney gave no indication of being any wonder in his freshman year, when he tallied only 273 points for an average of 11.33 a game. But in his sophomore year Bart started to hit. His 439 points swamped the old record. His average of 19.09 points a game was just a bit off of Sekerchak's record of 19.61. Having ruined Phil in one spot Bart is going after the other. This year currently, after the Lycoming game that is, Lenny is averaging an all-time 20.8 point per game.

Once Batroney gets the highest average he will have everything but Sekerchak's last remaining laurel. Phil's top of 43 points in a game looks safe for a long time. Bart already holds the only other two marks in the book, both of which he looks sure to break this season, the most field goals and the most foul points.

Lenny has improved vastly each year. He is now roaring at a pace unheard of by any other Colonel. In the last six games he has gone over the twenty figure. In the Lycoming game he whipped in 30 points, which is the highest figure for a Colonel in the last four years. Bart has been in 13 games so far this year. In nine of them he has gone by the twenty mark. His only poor game was the Ithaca one, where he could get only 8 points. Batroney has been the most consistent scorer in the Valley this year, high school wise, collegiate, or pro.

Not particularly a dead-eye, his success lies in his quickness and

speed. Nobody is as awake on a basketball floor as Lenny. It is quite possible that two or three of his own teammates are faster afoot than Len, but in those first couple yards of acceleration nobody can match the boy. In this respect he is a lot like footballer Al Nicholas. Once zipping down the floor Bart is able to make use of his unusual coordination. He can twist in mid-air for a shot and still remain balanced, a trick which only the best can perform. There hasn't been a man in the Wilkes Gym this year who could drive and lay them up like all-time high scorer Len Batroney.

It might be pleasing for Batroney to note that his new record is good for at least five years. Nobody on the club now can catch him. Davis, a three-year man too, is second in scoring, but far behind at 628 points. The only possible man to beat Bart's record in the near future would be a hot-shot freshman enrolled sometime in 1955 or, later. That ought to be comforting.

The nicest catch of the 1952 Wilkes football season, like the nicest run, was turned in in the first game, the Bloomsburg game. Little Billy Morgan snagged a Picton pass after tip-toeing five yards and having the pigskin bounce up and down on his fingers. The picture taken has Billy finally piling it in, a dead-ringer for Don Hutson.

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Ace, who gets his name from his ability to score one point and not many as the name commonly indicates, has been in three games, his average per game now standing at 0.7. Last year Ace got in 11 games and scored 12 points. He's in a slump now.

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MARINES HERE FOR MEN, FEBRUARY 17

Students who wish to apply for the Marine Corps Platoon Leaders Class are urged to get their applications in as soon as possible if they want to be assured of attending the training session of their choice next summer. The Marine Corps will conduct two Platoon Leaders Class training sessions this summer, one from June 15th to July 25th, the second from July 27th to September 5th. However, it is anticipated that the quota for the first session will be filled around March 1st and enrollees after that date will probably be assigned to the second session.

The Platoon Leaders Class has been the main source of Marine

Reserve officers since 1935, and officers from the first Platoon Leaders Class are now Marine Corps colonels. A student enrolled in the Platoon Leaders Class qualifies for a commission by attending two summer training sessions of six weeks each while in college. Upon graduation from college, the enrollee receives the rank of second lieutenant in the Marines. No drills or studies are required during the academic term, and Selective Service Regulations grant the enrollee a 1-D deferment. The Platoon Leaders Class is open to college freshmen, sophomores, and juniors.

College seniors and graduates may apply for the Officer Candidate Course and qualify for their Marine commissions by completing a ten week long Officer Candidate School in Quantico, Virginia. Se-

niors may apply at any time during their senior year, but must complete the requirements for their degree before they may be called to active duty.

After completing Officer training, all officers commissioned in the Marine Corps are assigned to a five month long Officers Special Basic School as their first assignment. In addition, a large percentage of new officers are given additional schooling in one of the many specialties required by the triphibious Marine Corps.

Information and applications for both the Platoon Leaders Class and Officer Candidate Course may be obtained from the Office of Officer Procurement, Room, 605, New Custom House, 2nd & Chestnut Streets, Philadelphia or from the office of Mr. George Ralston, Dean of Men.

The Marine Officer Procurement team will be in the Wilkes College Gymnasium on Tuesday, February 17th to discuss the programs with students and to administer physical examinations to applicants.

The outfield of the Philadelphia Phillies of 1894—Billy Hamilton, Ed Delahanty and Sam Thompson—had a combined batting average of .400.

GEORGE ERMEL NEW LIBRARIAN

The library has added a new member to its staff in the person of Mr. George Ermel. Mr. Ermel, a resident of Plains, is in charge of the Reference and Circulation Departments. He graduated from Wilkes in '50 and later received his Masters Degree in Library Science at Syracuse University. While at Wilkes, he was elected to "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities". At Syracuse he attained high scholastic standards and was elected to Pi Lambda Sigma. He also served in the Navy in the periods '44 to '46 and '50 to '51.

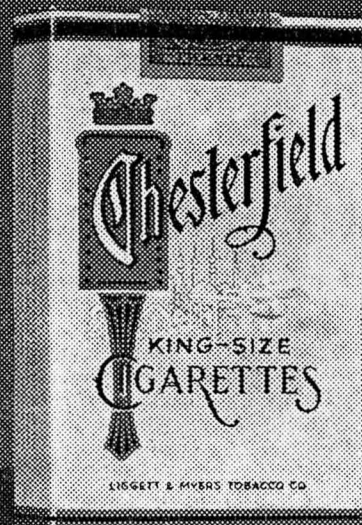
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