

Manilow's Magic Set For Homecoming Sunday



By Mary Ellen Alu

The artist whose voice is often heard on the very familiar theme, "You Deserve A Break Today," and who will be performing Sunday, October 12, at 8 p.m. in the Wilkes gym, will add the finishing touch to an explosive Homecoming Weekend.

Barry Manilow migrated from a seven-year-old accordion player to one of music's top performers. "Mandy," which soared to the number one song on all singles charts in nine weeks, was a key factor in expanding Manilow's popularity.

"It's a Miracle" and "Could It Be Magic" followed in the footsteps of "Mandy" and settled among the major hit songs of the season.

Previously, Manilow acted as musical arranger, conductor and pianist for the Divine Miss M, Bette Midler, and co-produced and arranged her first Grammy winning album. He produced her hit "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy" and also co-produced her second album.

Dinner Dance Next Friday

With Homecoming Weekend drawing nearer, final preparations are being made for the Homecoming dinner dance which will be held on Friday, October 10, at Gus Genetti's, Wilkes-Barre.

According to Ann Marie Romanovitch, chairman of the undergraduate activities and senior class representative, the semi-formal affair will begin at 7 p.m. with a cocktail hour until 8 p.m.

The open bar will continue throughout the evening with a smorgasboard dinner at 8, followed by dancing to 1:30 a.m.

The price is \$20 per couple, and the affair is open to the public. Tentatively scheduled, the entertainment will be provided by the "Twilights," a dinner-dance band.

Besides Midler, Manilow produced and arranged for Ed Sullivan productions, Sally Kellerman and "The Drunkard," a long-running off-Broadway entry.

His involvement in the commercial industry includes singing jingles for McDonald's, the "feeling free" Pepsi generation, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Stridex, Chevrolet, Dr. Pepper, and the Jack-in-the-Box.

He also wrote jingles for State Farm Insurance and Stridex, and arranged as well as wrote the jingles for Bowlene Toilet Cleaner, Band-Aids, and Chevrolet.

Tickets for Manilow's performance can be obtained in the college bookstore by students for \$2.75 and 3.25.

Charles Munson, vice-president of Student Government, said, "The best seats will be reserved for the students."

Others can obtain tickets at the Gallery of Sound, Wyoming Valley Mall; Gateway Shopping Center, Kingston; Spruce Records, Scranton; Root Electronics, Viewmont Mall; Surplus Records, Wilkes-Barre; and the Listening Booth, Laurel Mall.

Tickets for the public are \$5.75 and \$6.25.

Dedication of SLC Next Week's Feature

On Thursday, October 9, The BEACON will publish a special 12 page issue devoted to the dedication of Stark Learning Center which will take place Saturday during Homecoming week.

Included will be a history of the Sordoni Art Gallery, W.B. Schaffer Hall and the Computer Center. Also, reporters will cover the nine academic departments located in the \$6.7 million building.

Campus Clears Over Weekend Threat of Flood Triggers Efforts

Detailed emergency plans and a well-informed college administration with close ties to county civil defense authorities were two of the key factors in the swift and successful evacuation of Wilkes College late last week to meet the threat of the rampaging Susquehanna River.

Had the levees along the river been breached or overtopped, damage to Wilkes' buildings and facilities would have been substantial, since student property also was on the campus.

President Robert S. Capin had his hands full during the weekend as he spearheaded the flood precautions on the campus.

The first detailed information about the condition of the Susquehanna River last Friday was supplied by Andrew Shaw, assistant to the president for management. Finding the river unusually high on his way to the college that morning, Shaw headed for civil defense headquarters at the county courthouse, under the direction of President Capin.

"It's automatic for me to go to civil defense if the river is higher than normal," Shaw noted. He added that the college has a "special relationship" with the civil defense organization, owing in part to Wilkes training programs for CD workers.

Emergency Meeting Held

Shaw conveyed the information to other college administrators at an 8:30 a.m. emergency meeting.

"As soon as we learned that there might be trouble with the river, we

Dorms Empty

Almost three out of every four Wilkes dorm students were evacuated during the flood emergency last Friday and Saturday. Jeanne Conway of the Housing Office said that of the total 800 dorm students, only 150 males and 60 females were on campus by Saturday afternoon.

The first floors of all dormitories were stripped of furniture as a precaution against the rising waters of the Susquehanna last Friday. Also, students whose rooms were on the first floors of dorms were advised to move their belongings to higher floors.

The evacuation was begun and largely completed Friday afternoon as "anybody who wanted to go could go," Conway said. She noted that the evacuation was "very calm".

Displaced dorm students frequently sought refuge with commuters whose homes were located outside the flood plain. Many others went to homes of relatives.

Resident assistants kept lists of those dorm students who left the dormitories and the persons with whom they would be staying.

In some dormitories, the R.A.'s were the only ones left.



PRECAUTIONS TAKEN—When the river began to rise on Friday afternoon, action was taken to prevent any of the music department's equipment in Dante Hall from being damaged. Shown here moving some of the percussion instruments are: Jeff VanArsdale, Dover N.J.; Tom Frew, Tom Frew, Sr., and Bill Frew, all from Wyoming.

sat down to review our contingency plans for flood evacuation," Capin said.

"A second emergency session was held at 10 a.m. and again plans were examined but a decision on implementing them was deferred until after the 1 p.m. civil defense flood advisory bulletin," noted the Wilkes head.

However, even before the bulletin was received, records and documents were being boxed and moved from basements.

Shaw returned from civil defense headquarters at 1:35 p.m. to confer with Capin about the severity of the flood crisis. Capin next announced that immediate evacuation should be implemented.

System Set Up

The first phase of the evacuation plan called for the immediate cancellation of all classes to allow students to leave the danger area. Next, an around-the-clock communications system was established in Weckesser Hall. Air Force Col. Richard Wing and Capt. Galen Bonebrake and Housing Director Al Foderaro manned the system and

Queen Voting Starts Today

Homecoming weekend would not be complete without a queen and her court, so nominations will be held today for the three senior girls who will represent Wilkes College for the entire student body, faculty and administration.

All senior girls are eligible for the position, and students can express their choice for the semi-finalists by voting either in the Commons from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. or in the New Men's Dorm from 4:30 to 7 p.m.

After the first election, the top ten names will be announced, and a final election will occur on Tuesday, October 7, for the queen and her court of the 1975-76 school year.

Patty Cullinan, a junior at the college and corresponding secretary for Student Government, reminded

their performance was described by Capin as "really fantastic."

Then, administrators, faculty, and students began the arduous task of moving records, furniture, and equipment from basements and first floors to higher levels. The moving job was aided significantly by extensive disaster planning initiated since the 1972 flood. Each piece of equipment, including items like filing cabinets, lab equipment, and typewriters, is marked with a color-coded dot to indicate the priority it receives in evacuation.

Capin said he was proud of the dedication of many students, administrators, faculty and the maintenance staff "who had their own flood problems but nonetheless took care of the college first."

The Human Services Committee of Wilkes College worked virtually around the clock assisting the American Red Cross in setting up shelter areas throughout Wyoming Valley. Some 30 members of the HSC remained on campus last weekend to help move furniture from lower floors of college buildings and assisted in the food distribution in housing centers this week.

the students that "the queen should be an active student and a concerned student, since she will be representing Wilkes in many people's eyes."

During halftime ceremonies at Saturday afternoon's football game against Upsala, the queen will be presented with gifts from Inter-Dormitory Council, Commuter Council and Student Government, while the court receives gifts from the four classes. The cheerleaders will present flowers to the three girls.

Miss Cullinan and Gina O'Brien, recording secretary of Student Government, will tally the votes.

Final results will appear in the October 9 edition of the BEACON.

Choral Group Changes Under New Direction

The Wilkes College Chorus has undergone a great deal of change since the addition of Jan Pedersen as chorus director last September. When Miss Pedersen first came to Wilkes-Barre from Colorado she was faced with the task of rebuilding a group that lacked interest and enthusiasm but went on to form a new, exciting and above all more musical association.

The chorus will hold concerts this year as it did in past years but with even more changes. The "new look" for the group this year is Bicentennial colors, including new tops for the men and women.

The chorus is open to any Wilkes student who likes to sing and Miss Pedersen is encouraging all students to join.

This year for the first time Wilkes College will experience a new musical group along with the regular chorus, the Wilkes Choir, featuring individuals with outstanding vocal ability and interest.

Five concerts are scheduled for the choir, including two with the band during "Appreciation Night." However, this chorus will be seen and heard at many special events such as the dedication of Stark Learning Center on Saturday, October 11.

Other activities include a recording session of Christmas music at the WDAU television studio and participation in the Spring Fine Arts Fiesta. Also local members of the High School District Chorus will be feted at Wilkes as the college choir conducts a "Read-Thru," on Saturday, December 6 to help the high school group read and perform music for the concerts.

During the Spring break Miss Pedersen has planned a tour for the 34-member Concert Choir to local colleges, high schools, and other places to be announced.

If you never have attended a Wilkes College Music Department concert, this year is the perfect time to start making it a regular part of your entertainment schedule. All concerts are free and are held in the Center for the Performing Arts. The concerts will be the result of much hard work and planning by Miss Pedersen and will be some of the best sounds ever heard at Wilkes.

Jim Ruck, Wilkes-Barre, is president of the chorus and Doreene Psikus, Wilkes-Barre, heads the choir.

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FIRST PLAY—"Three Men on a Horse," the first play of the Wilkes College Theater, will be presented on Friday and Saturday, October 10 and 11, at 8 p.m. and Sunday, October 12, at 2 p.m. in the Center for the Performing Arts.

A hit of the 1935 Broadway theater season, this zany, fast-paced, farce comedy, directed by Joseph Salsberg, exposes the values of home, job, and marriage.

The play deals with a writer of greeting card verses who has the uncanny ability to pick the winners of race horses and who is held captive by three horse betters and the girl friend of one of them.

Four members of the cast in the foreground shown during rehearsal are, left to right: Jeff Schlicher, Center Valley; Patrick Wright, Newton, N.J.; Wayne Pannabecker, Shades Glen; Robin Oroian, Burtonsville, Md.

Other members of the cast include: Don Klem, Eric Heffelfinger, Don Hallett, Joseph Gavlick, John Forte, Bruce Phair, Lynn Sare, Joe Laub, Jr., Teresa Shukailo, Margaret DeLeeuwe and Ned Coulter.

The box office in the CPA will be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on October 6 through October 10; 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on October 11; and 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. on October 12.

Students are entitled to two tickets with their I.D. Card, while there will be an admission fee for the general public.

Administration Approves Manilow, Agrees to Allow More Concerts

Last week's Student Government meeting ended with some doubt as to whether the administration would approve the Barry Manilow Concert. However, at the meeting held this past Tuesday it was reported that the administration approved the concert and agreed to allow two

concerts per semester.

Members of SG voted to subsidize three dollars a ticket for the Manilow concert, making the ticket prices \$3.25 and \$2.75. Tickets for the Sunday, Oct. 12 concert on sale now in the bookstore will be sold to full time Wilkes students only. Wilkes

ID must be shown.

Tickets for the Homecoming Dinner Dance are also available in the bookstore. Cost is \$20 per couples, as SG underwrote \$12 of the original cost.

Eligible organizations wishing to request \$15 for a Homecoming display from SG must do so by Tuesday, Oct. 7.

SG voted in favor of a proposal to rename the Student Union Building the Jadelis Union. The proposal will be turned over to the Dean's Council.

Zeke Zaborney, president, noted that applications for the Student Faculty Committee are available in the bookstore and the SG office. The deadline to submit them is Tuesday, Oct. 7. Zaborney also expressed thanks to all students who helped during the recent flood emergency.

The class of '78 will sponsor a Disco Night on Friday from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Admission will be 50 cents with ID and 75 cents without.

Commuter Council reported that although no immediate plans have been made concerning the film festival that was cancelled last weekend, it will be held at a future time.

Fund requests for a concert trip by the Accounting Club and a basketball trip by the AFROTC Club were turned down.

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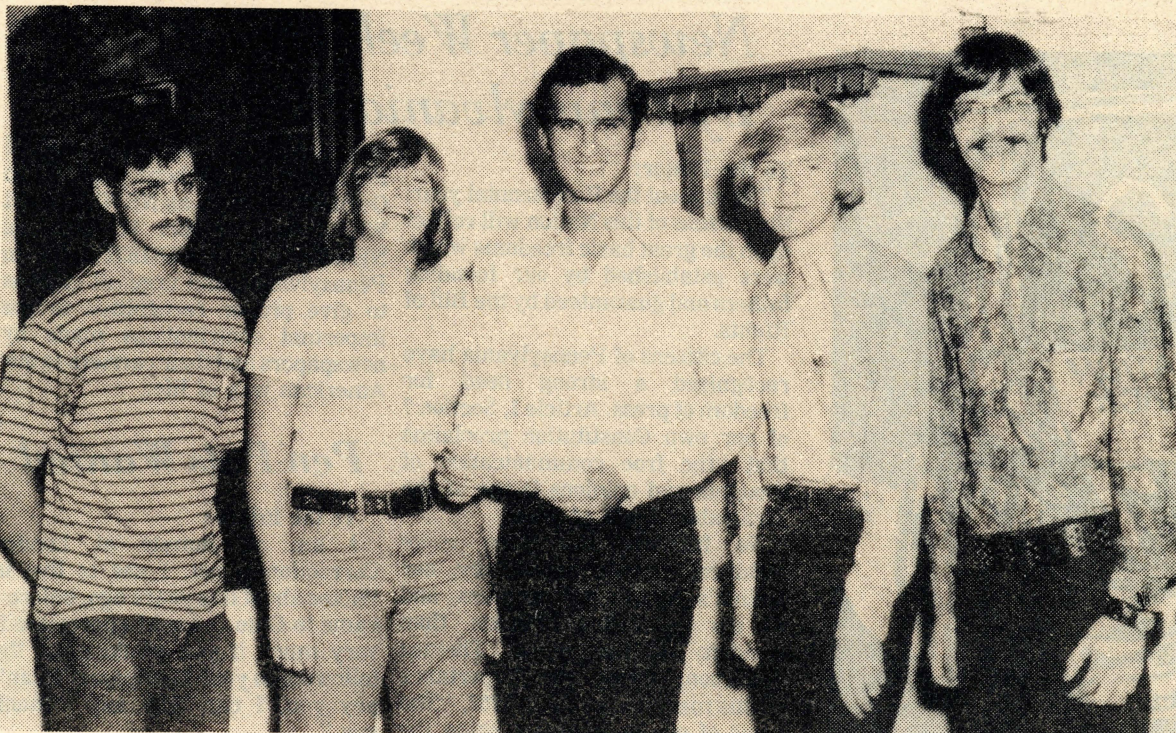
Provides Aid For All Woes

Twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, concentrating their efforts on evening hours and weekends, the Wilkes College Emergency Alert Team will respond to any type of emergency situation on campus. Headed by Mark Letavish, the team is a special subcommittee of the Human Services Committee of Student Government. Certain members of the Wilkes faculty and the infirmary staff are special technical and administrative advisors.

The team has an inventory of professional emergency equipment and provides First Aid coverage for many sporting events. It works in close association with the American Heart Association and American Red Cross.

The team responds to major city fires providing first aid, canteen and relocation services. It supplies manpower for other Red Cross projects at numerous community events as well. The team's biggest project is in supplying ambulance attendants to Plymouth Township Ambulance Service.

Shown above are the leaders of the Wilkes College Emergency Alert Team, Ed Rzonca, Newton, N.J.; Cindy Phillips, Phila.; John Menio, Catasauqua; Lieutenant Steven Standiford, Trenton, N.J.; and Captain Mark Letavish, Binghamton, N.Y.



Any Wilkes student or faculty or staff member is eligible for membership on the team. Prospective members not already certified are trained by the team's instructors. All members undergo a one-month probation period and then become full team members. All team members must have American Red Cross certification in Standard First Aid, Personal Safety and Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation.

ANSWERS TO SPORTS QUIZ

1. Willie Thrower was the first black to play in the NFL. He played for the Chicago Bears back in 1953.
2. The Philadelphia Eagles were once the Frankfort Yellowjackets.
3. Lance Alworth was the wide receiver who caught more than 1200 yards of passes during the 1964-65-66 seasons.
4. Darle Lamonica, formerly of the Oakland Raiders is the only quarterback listed at the top in passing leadership, with a career completion percentage of less than 50 percent.
5. The Oakland Raiders was the team that held Denver to -5 yards in total offense during the 1967 season.



Yearbooks Available Today at 11

Debbie Morano, editor of the Wilkes yearbook, and Joe Dettmore, assistant editor, have announced that the 1975 AMNICOLA has arrived. The books can be picked up any Tuesday or Thursday from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the yearbook office, first floor of Shawnee Hall, 76 West Northampton Street.

Meaning "that which grows or dwells by a river," the AMNICOLA contains senior pictures plus five sections of dormitories, clubs, faculty and administration, sports and special events.

According to Miss Morano, seniors are reminded to have their pictures taken at Ace Hoffman by Wednesday, October 15. This is the last extension of the deadline. However if students do not have their photographs taken by Ace Hoffman, then a black and white glossy should be at the yearbook office no later than Saturday, November 1. Seniors also are reminded to write the name they want to appear in the AMNICOLA, their full major, any double majors and degrees when they have their pictures taken.

All clubs are asked to return the notice they will receive for a picture with an October meeting time and place. If no notice is received then no picture will be taken.

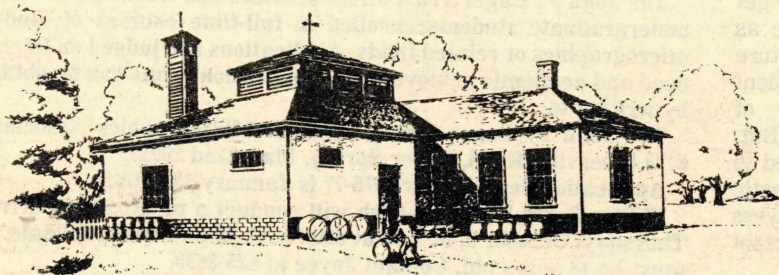
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Approximately two more feet of river water above the 35-foot crest level would have wiped out many families, communities and Wilkes College as did the Agnes Disaster.

It is very fortunate that Hurricane Eloise did not follow in the path of her 1972 sister.

As Operation Rain Drop transformed into Operation Flood Watch, the people of Wyoming Valley and Wilkes College should be applauded for the rational, necessary precautions that were taken in the event that another flood would be a reality.

Friday afternoon saw important literary materials, files, equipment and pianos being raised to the higher building elevations of the library, Weckesser Hall, Stark Learning Center and Dorothy Dickson Darte Hall. In addition, many students once again lent their hands in the sand-bagging work on the East and West side dikes, as well as President Capin, who was found in his shirt sleeves and work pants, bailing out buckets of water from the CPA.

Many of us rested a bit easier as numerous resident students opted to return to their hometowns as an added safety measure.

However, the best news came on Saturday evening when our mighty Susquehanna crested, although the crisis for the residents of the lowlands was not yet over.

This incident seems to have far reaching effects for the future of the area. Will the reign of the winding river drive people away from Wyoming Valley and deprive the region of its needed increase in commerce and trade? Will the valleyites, living in the surrounding river areas, become no more than Egyptian river dwellers, fearing, worshipping and existing around the threatening Nile?

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Letters to the Editor

Newspaper Week Designated By Pennsylvania Governor

To the Editor:

Throughout the Bicentennial year, the citizens of this Nation will reflect upon the great basic freedoms which were established by our founding fathers and guaranteed by the Bill of Rights.

The citizens of Pennsylvania have recognized a strong need for freedom of press. Article I, Section 7 of our own Constitution proclaims that "the free communication of thoughts and opinions is one of the invaluable rights of man."

No freedom has been more significant to our democracy, our Nation's growth and progress, and to our individual citizens than freedom of the press. Thomas Jefferson, seeing the importance of this medium, wrote in 1787, "The basis of our government being the opinion of the people, the very first object should be to keep that right; and were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter."

No Nation can "sleep" if its citizens read newspapers containing pertinent and comprehensive reporting. Within their pages lie the problems, the plans, the injustices and the achievements of our Country and its people. Therein the facts can be found; because, fortunately, we live in a land where no curtain is drawn to hide the truth.

As carriers of our news, newspaper carriers have the great opportunity to capture the independence of the medium for which they work while they learn firsthand the many benefits derived by freedom of enterprise. Such training has inspired many outstanding careers in the business and professional world.

Therefore, I, Milton J. Shapp,

New Disney World In Stark Center

To the Editor:

Could it be that SLC is becoming the Disney World of the North? Mickey Mouse and his merry band are live and performing on stage at most any time and on most any floor. I hope that the administration doesn't get wind of these stars' appearance at Wilkes because it might cause tuition to go up to defray the cost of entertainment.

Maybe Dean Baltruchitus could talk to the troupe's agent and get them to perform for the public as part of the Concert and Lecture Series Program. Acting President Capin could act as master of ceremonies for the event. But, proper security would be needed to protect the troupe from enthusiastic fans. Officers Rodechko and Meyers are you available for an important assignment?

As a final note, remember students, where else but in Wilkes-Barre at Wilkes College could you see a live show with a cast of thousands which is comparable to an M.G.M. movie, while also having some excitement in a routine class lecture?

J.P.

Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim October 5-11, 1975, as NEWSPAPER WEEK and October 11, 1975, as NEWSPAPER CARRIER DAY in Pennsylvania, and urge all citizens to give proper recognition to the important contributions made by newspapers and their carriers to our American way of life.

Pen Pals Wanted

To the Editor:

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Reif Criticizes Column

To the Editor:

A column in the BEACON of Sept. 25, 1975 cannot pass without comment. First, anyone who picks up paper just to please Dr. Reif is out of his mind; much better reasons are known. Second, anyone who equates Wilkes College with Stalag 18703 insults the thousands of people who have cooperated to make Wilkes College a reality. Montague's column was negative humor and unbecoming the BEACON.

Whether anyone likes it or not, mankind is engaged in a civil war between those people, the majority unfortunately, who want to take more from Earth than Earth can provide, and those people, who are the unfortunate minority, who prefer not to live in a pigpen or to give up the struggle and just let Earth go down the drain.

My understanding of "The Marks Of An Educated Man" includes the concept that Wilkes College is here to mold people who will graduate to go out into the world and make the effort to be positive and constructive. I think the BEACON could help in this noble effort.

Unfortunately, Wilkes College does accept students who come from homes, apparently, where discipline is unknown, where holes burned in the floor make no difference, where food and drink are spilled and not cleaned up, where littering is standard practice, and where common courtesy is lacking, but where every member of the family has his own sanitary facilities.

Many of us, having spent a lifetime building Wilkes College, as well as having contributed thousands of dollars toward the construction of the Learning Center, are justifiably sensitive about the misuse of the facility by the ignorant, stupid, and selfish sector of the campus population.

Respectfully,

Charles B. Reif

Special Selections

Commuter Council, under the direction of Jackie Pickering, will hold a meeting today at 5:30 in the Commons.

The Northeastern Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Heart Association will conduct a blood pressure clinic on Thursday, October 9, from 1 to 5 p.m. in the lobby of Stark Learning Center.

Attention all students: Please come to the Finance Office as soon as possible to sign for National Direct Student Loans (N.D.S.L.).

The Air Force Officer Qualifying Test will be administered at 8 a.m. on Saturday, October 4. Details may be obtained at the AFROTC office, second floor, Kocyan Hall, 137 South Franklin Street.

The John P. Eager Trust offers scholarships worth \$1,000 each to undergraduate students enrolled in full-time courses of study in micrographics or related fields. Applications are judged on financial need and academic achievement. Application forms can be obtained by writing to:

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Application deadline for 1976-77 is January 15, 1976.

Wilkes-Barre Women's Club will conduct a membership drive on Thursday, October 9, at 7:30 at 529 North Main Street, Hildale. You must be 18 years old. Contact Joyce at 825-8690.

The Inter-Dormitory Council (IDC) will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Commons on Sunday, October 5, with Mike LoPresti presiding.

The Student Government will meet with Ed Zaborny on Tuesday, October 7, at 6:30 p.m. in Weckesser Hall.

The Northeastern Pennsylvania Philharmonic will offer a special concert subscription rate of \$5 for Wilkes College students which includes five concerts for the year. Subscriptions are available from Mr. Chapline in Darte Hall.

Texas Instruments Electronic SR-10 Calculator has been found. Contact Dean Ralston for information.

Newspapers Will Continue To Carry The Message in '76



NEWSPAPERS: Spirit of Freedom

BY JOHN WARNER,
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Newspapers have been telling the story of this nation since it was born—and they were a major source of inspiration in the difficult period leading to the signing of the Declaration of Independence. It is most appropriate, therefore, in this

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For our two hundredth anniversary newspaper support is an important as it was in 1776 or 1876. The

Bicentennial is a series of efforts by individuals, groups, foundations, local, state and Federal governments. Our goal is to instill in all Americans pride in our heritage, so important if the future is to take on the significance it must.

Quotations

"A reporter is to a politician what a barking dog is to a chicken thief."

—Mike Royko

"Let the people know the facts and the country will be safe."

—Abraham Lincoln

"...Even though we never like it, and even if we wish they didn't write it, and even if we disapprove, there isn't any doubt that we could not do the job at all in a free society without a very, very active press."

—John F. Kennedy

"A newspaper can drop the same thought into a thousand minds at the same moment. A newspaper is an advisor who does not require to be sought, but comes to you briefly every day of the common weal, without distracting your private affairs. Newspapers, therefore, become more necessary in proportion as men become more equal individuals, and more to be feared. To suppose that they only serve to protect freedom would be to diminish their importance. They maintain civilization."

—Alexis DeTocqueville

Honoring.... Frank Baran

Frank Baran, a senior political science major, deserves to be honored during the celebrated "Newspaper Week."

He has devoted many long hours in reporting the news for the Wilkes College BEACON. Some of his well-known stories were on the mice in the Stark Learning Center, and today's story on the recent threat of the Susquehanna River.

In his articles, he has upheld the principles and standards of a newspaper. Baran "tells it like it is" by writing honest, 'frank,' and accurate accounts of situations.

The BEACON is very fortunate to have Frank Baran as a staff member. He is always willing to tackle a story—exposing the truths at all costs. Also, Frank has a sense of humor—a sense of humor which the readers appreciate. (Remember the caption under the parking gate photo in the Sept. 18th issue?)

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By Marianne Montague

'Call Me'

Since last year's bomb call threat to the bookstore every campus office has been supplied with a "Bomb Call Threat Check Sheet." It contains a check list of voice characteristics about the caller. It provides an opportunity for every secretary to double as a private eye, and it is quite an interesting check list of observations.

I was reading it over one day in the Alumni Office when the phone rang. Being the conscientious student help that I am — I quickly answered it. (V is for voice on the phone).

Me: Good afternoon, Alumni Office, may I help you?

V: Good afternoon. Is Mr. Hoover in?

Me: (With checklist in front of me). You'll have to repeat that please — I'm trying to decide if your voice is strong or raspy.

V: This isn't Raspen, it's the President's Office. Id like to speak to Mr. Hoover.

Me: You planted a bomb in the President's Office! How did you get past the secretaries?

V: This is your Acting President — I want to speak to Mr. Hoover.

Me: Sure, buddy, and I'm Rin Tin Tin. Now where did you plant the bomb?

V: This is really Mr. Capin.

Me: That's worse. Why would you want to plant a bomb in your own office Mr. Capin? Now calm down or I'll have to put a check under "considerably agitated" instead of "seemingly calm."

V: Young lady, if you don't give me Mr. Hoover this instant you're going to have a check under recently fired and permanently expelled.

Me: You are agitated, aren't you, Mr. Capin? Calm down. I'll get Mr. Hoover for you if you promise me one thing.

V: What?

Me: That you'll think twice before putting a bomb in your office.

I connected him with Mr. Hoover. Then I began to feel bad for picking on poor Mr. Capin. It was silly to think every call was a bomb scare. Then the phone rang again.

Me: Good afternoon, Alumni Office. May I help you?

V: Yes. I planted a bomb in the Commons.

Me: C'mon Mr. Capin don't kid with me! I'm sorry. I shouldn't have been so hard on you.

V: Listen girlie. I'm serious. I planted a bomb in the Commons and there's gonna be an awful lot of unwanted rye toast over there if somebody doesn't get there fast.

Me: Listen, Mr. Capin. I really am sorry. I'll never accuse you of being agitated again.

V: This isn't Mr. Capin. This is a violent, perverted, prone to exasperation full-fledged bomb planter and I called to warn you.

Me: I'm sorry. This is Mr. Hoover's office. You must have the wrong number.

V: I don't believe you're for real. This is a real bomb threat.

Me: Well, wait a second. I misplaced my bomb call threat check list. Could you hold on a minute?

V: O.K., but hurry up.

Me: (Shuffling papers). I found it . . . O.K. Now when did you take your last pill?

V: C'mon. That can't be right.

Me: Oh — that's the wrong check list. O.K. . . . here it is. Is your voice weak or strong?

V: Strong.

Me: Are you agitated or calm?

V: Agitated.

Me: Was it an accident or malicious intent?

V: Malicious.

Me: O.K. Let me add up your points. Seventeen! Buddy, you can't fool me. You didn't plant a bomb in the Commons — your points didn't add up right.

V: What did I do then?

Me: You punctured the front tire of Dean Ralston's bike.

V: What do I have to do to convince you that I'm a psychopathic bomb-planter?

Me: Get me a note signed by Dr. Riley and Mr. Hobrock. Then I might consider it.

V: I guess I'll go remove the bomb. What fun is it planting a bomb when nobody believes you?

Me: Good-bye. Call me again the next time you're agitated.

V: Sure, girlie. But don't sit by the phone waiting. You'll get hardening of the arteries.

Senator Praises State Presses

I am pleased to extend my greetings and best wishes to the members of the Pennsylvania Newspaper Publishers' Association on the occasion of National Newspaper Week, October 5-11, 1975.

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Senator Richard S. Schweiker

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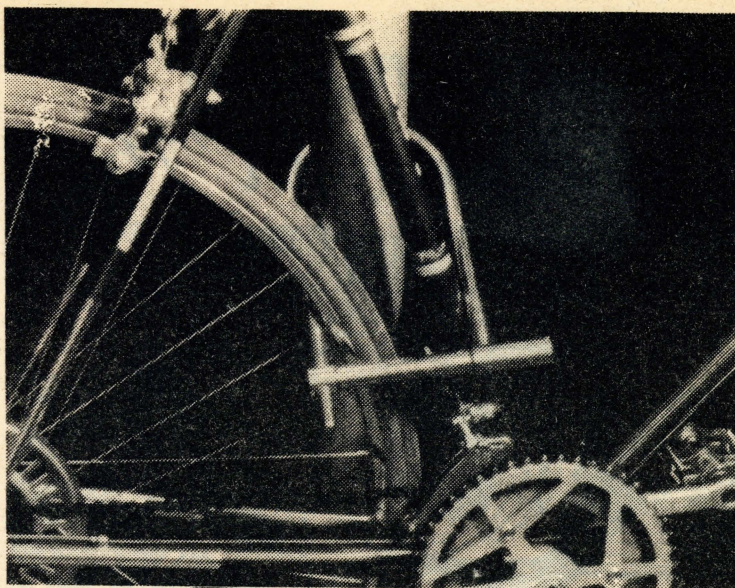
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RIP-OFF RESISTANT—This is the safest way to lock your bicycle when you leave it anywhere, whether for a minute or for five hours. Lock the rear wheel and the frame to a sturdy place. Never make the mistake of locking an expensive bike with a cheap lock. Thieves have even been known to lift a bicycle up over a parking meter.

Campus Bike Thefts Can Be Prevented

Bicycle theft can be a greater problem at Wilkes than you might think.

However, this semester there have been no reported thefts, according to Dean George Ralston. He said that last year there was a time "when they were ripping them off right and left." He reported an incident when a chain was cut on a locked bicycle.

The best way to meet this growing problem is to make it as hard as possible for anyone to take your bike.

First, register your bike with the local police. Wilkes-Barre has a program for registration. All you have to do is find the time to take your bike to the police station,

located behind City Hall on the corner of North Washington Street and East Market Street.

The next thing that can be done is to buy a good strong lock for your bicycle. A lock with a key is the best type to use. The combination type can usually be unscrambled if the thief has enough time.

Never leave your bike unlocked while unattended. The best place to leave a bike outdoors is in a frequently traveled, well lighted place.

Wilkes College has several bike racks located throughout the campus in well-traveled, protected places: the library, New Men's Dorm, and Parrish Hall. If you follow these simple safety rules, you can keep your bike safe.

Meditation Society Sets Lecture Tuesday

A lecture entitled "The Intellectual Revolution" will be presented by Students Meditation Society Tuesday, Oct. 7, at 8 p.m. in Room 101, Dart Hall. John Farley, a local teacher of transcendental meditation and the science of creative intelligence, will lecture.

The lecture will focus on a new concept: "What it means to know." To date, knowing has been associated primarily with the acquiring of information, but not much emphasis has been given to the development of the full potential of the knower, the experienter.

Since knowledge is structural in consciousness, the development of the full value of consciousness of the experience is absolutely essential for the full value of knowledge to be realized.

These and other themes will be presented during the lecture and the

discussion period following.

The Students Meditation Society is affiliated with Student Government and is open to all students and faculty. Its purpose is to promote genuine interest in intellectual pursuits by placing emphasis on the unfolding of intelligence as the basis of a fully educated individual.

Students and faculty interested in membership in the organization contact Katherine Kaby, president.

The Human Services Committee will sponsor a Blood Donor Day on Tuesday, October 28, from 9:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., in the gymnasium. "Give So Others Can Live."

Antenna Stirs Imaginations

Imagine a campus overseen by hundreds of closed-circuit television cameras. In every room a hidden camera watches and transmits the picture to a computerized control room. Is this the Wilkes of the future?

We will probably be informed that the men working in the rooms and dormitories are "installing new plumbing" but we'll know what they're really doing. Secret subterranean vaults may be installed to store recorded materials. (Materials recorded on Friday and Saturday evenings will be kept in a special vault!)



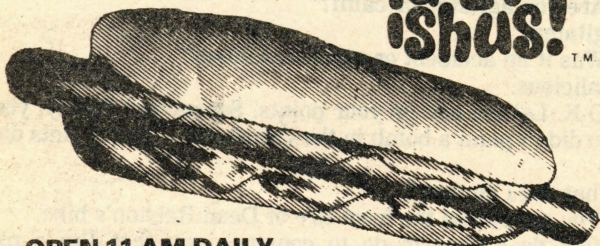
This new antenna atop Stark Learning Center may be the beginning of such an observation network. Soon the computer room could be expanded to incorporate this system.

Hopefully the budget won't allow for this dastardly plan and Dr. Toole will continue using the antenna for his amateur radio set.

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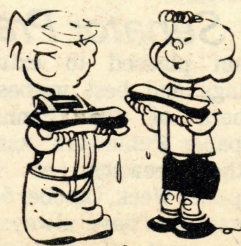
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AFTERTHOUGHT

OCTOBER 6, 1969—Two games into the season, the entire Holy Cross football team became infected with a severe case of contagious hepatitis. Some 25 team members were to spend the subsequent weeks in isolation in the college infirmary. As a result, the school was forced to cancel the remaining eight games of its schedule.

OCTOBER 2, 1970—an airplane carrying members of the Wichita State football team, coaches, athletic staff members and boosters, crashed in rough Rocky Mountain country near a little Colorado mining town named Silver Plume, killing 31 of 42 persons on board. Among the dead were 15 starters. The remainder of the season was cancelled.

NOVEMBER 14, 1970—On a dark, rain-swept hillside in southwestern West Virginia, a similar air crash occurred involving the Marshall University football team. It was even more tragic than the Wichita State disaster, for it claimed 75 lives. The Marshall University varsity football program was all but decimated. The remainder of the season was cancelled.

SEPTEMBER 27, 1975—the raging waters of the Susquehanna River came within one foot of overflowing the dikes that held it, and flooding Wyoming Valley for the second time in four years. Had the water gone over, yet another football team — the Wilkes College Colonels — would have been relaying a message to the rest of the nation that their season was ending abruptly.

But the water didn't go over, and the dikes didn't collapse, and come Saturday afternoon, coach Rollie Schmidt and company will continue on schedule.

Holy Cross, Wichita State, and Marshall found a new life in the realm of tragedy. The odds were stacked against them, the past only brought on grief, and the future appeared bleak. But there is something to a seemingly impossible challenge that makes you go on; an ever-present second wind that won't let you quit.

So it was with these three schools. They put their heads down, and grudgingly battled back, seemingly defeating very high odds.

Wilkes was spared from tragedy. All they must battle back from is the memory of the past, and what almost happened on one rainy weekend in late September. It can be a catalyst or it can be dead weight. It can be a beginning or an end. Marshall and the others battled back through tragedy, Wilkes must only battle back around it. The difference is great, and the future will tell the story as to whether the 1975 season was worth sparing. We hope so.

Coach Rollie Schmidt has taken personal pride in the fact that his grid teams have won every bowl game they have ever played in, including the Fez Bowl, Pretzel Bowl, Anthracite Bowl, etc. It sure would be nice if the Colonels get an opportunity to keep that record in tact by playing in the Amos Alonzo Stagg Bowl on Dec. 6, in Phenix City, Alabama. The Stagg Bowl is the Division III national championship game...keep your eye on the Colonel basketball team this year. In addition to returning veterans like Jack Brabant, Frank Britt, Kenny Hughes, and Frank Trainor, coach Rodger Bearde has recruited six top freshman from the New York City area.

Colonel Athletic Squads Resume Action After Break

Blue and Gold athletic teams will attempt to get back on their feet this week, after the severe rains caused a great many cancellations on Colonel calendars last week.

The football game between Wilkes and Lycoming, which was postponed Saturday, has been rescheduled for November 22, so the Colonels will go into this weekend's away tilt versus Bloomsburg, with a two-week layoff.

Coach George Pawlusch's cross-country team once again attempted to open their 1975 dual season on Tuesday, when they traveled to New Jersey to take on Madison FDU. The meet was a rescheduling of an earlier postponement between the two institutions. The harriers will be away tomorrow afternoon also, opposing Baptist Bible College in Scranton.

With the rains causing cancellations of the soccer team's contests with Baptist Bible and Bloomsburg, coach Chip Eaton's club will once again attempt to even their record at 1-1, when they travel to Williamsport Saturday to oppose Lycoming.

With almost two weeks remittance from actual competition, the field hockey team traveled to Easton Tuesday for a contest against powerful Lafayette College. A win by the Colonelettes would have kept their perfect record in tact going into this afternoon's battle with Kutztown State College on the

Ralston Field hockey pitch.

The Colonel women's tennis team began a four game homestand this past Monday, when they entertained the netwomen of Bucknell University. They will be idle now for a few days, with no competition scheduled until next Wednesday's battle with Baptist Bible.

Wittenberg First In Football Poll

The first weekly rankings of NCAA Division III football teams were released last Friday, and as expected, Wittenberg College (Ohio) is holding down the number one slot. The 1973 national champions are fresh off an upset victory over Division II powerhouse Delaware University, and the Tigers appear to be the team to beat in 1975.

FOLLOWING CLOSELY ON their tail however, is number two ranked Ithaca College (New York), who has posted impressive victories over St. Lawrence, Albany State, and Cortland State. The Blue Bombers were the Division III runners up in 1974, when they lost to Central College of Iowa in the championship game.

Holding down the number three position in the poll of NCAA committee members is Shippensburg State of the tough Pennsylvania State College conference, followed very closely by Redlands.

A suprise entry in the top ten this week is Franklin & Marshall, who are the favorite to win the Middle Atlantic Conference "Southern Division" crown for a record fifth year in a row.

Rounding out the top ten this week are Baldwin-Wallace, Evansville, C.W. Post, Winona State, and last year's champions, Central of Iowa.

THE WILKES COLONELS did not receive mention in the rankings this week, but it is expected that their performance during the next three weeks could change all that. Wilkes will tangle with second ranked Ithaca on October 18, up in New York State in a key matchup.

Here are the top 10 in each division based on points (15 for first, 14 for second, etc.) with other vote-getters ranked alphabetically:

1.	WITTENBERG (2-0-0)	60
2.	ITHACA (3-0-0)	56
3.	SHIPPENSBURG (3-0-0)	44
	REDLANDS (2-0-0)	44
5.	FRANKLIN-MARSHALL (1-0-0)	39
6.	BALDWIN-WALLACE (1-1-0)	37
7.	EVANSVILLE (1-1-0)	37
8.	C.W. POST (1-1-0)	30
9.	WINONA STATE (3-0-0)	30
10.	CENTRAL OF IOWA (1-1-0)	24

Other receiving votes: Ashland, Coe, DePauw, Hobart, Hope, Millersville State, Mt. Union, Rochester, Slippery Rock and Towson State.

BASEBALL TRYOUTS

Coach Gene Domzalski has announced that baseball tryouts for all freshmen, transfers, and newcomers interested in playing Colonel baseball, will be held Friday afternoon at 3 p.m. at Artillery Park.

BAVITZ QUIZ

1. Name the first black quarterback to play in the National Football League.

2. What NFL team began as the Frankfort Yellowjackets?

3. Name the wide receiver who during the 1964-65-66 seasons caught passes for more than 1200 yards each year.

4. Of the 20 men who rank at the top of the career passing leadership in NFL history, only one has a completion percentage less than 50 percent. Name him.

5. The Denver Broncos were once held to -5 yards total offense in a game. Name the team that accomplished the tremendous feat. (answers on page 3)

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Colonels Await Bloom

The Wilkes College football team was never aware that their biggest competition this season would be a raging woman named Eloise. But that angry female almost desimated the Colonels to the point that the 1975 grid campaign would have read like this: record-0-1; season opened September 20, vs. Clarion State and season closed September 20 vs. Clarion State.

BUT ELOISE STOPPED short of the goaline, as it were, and the "year of great expectations" will resume, after a brief delay this weekend, when the Blue and Gold travel to Redman Stadium on the campus of Bloomsburg State College to take on the BSC Huskies.

It's been 20 years since these two

institutions have battled on the gridiron, with the series abruptly terminated back in 1955 because of some bad blood between the schools. But all is well now and the series could develop into a fierce, but friendly rivalry...in the near future.

While Bloom holds a 7-1 edge in the series, they are coming off a disappointing 1-7-1 season, and the immediate future does not appear promising.

COACH BILL SPROULE, who is in his fifth year as head mentor of the Huskies, welcomed back some 30 odd lettermen when fall practices began in August, but the number has since dwindled, and the remaining veterans were not very impressive in their team's 41-0 shellacking at

the hands of Shippensburg.

Granted, Shippensburg is a good football team but Sproule's offense managed only 81 yards against them, while the defense gave up a whopping 423. And Shippensburg is good, but not that good.

Game number two showed very little improvement as well, although they did manage to edge Lock Haven State 9-8. A week earlier, Lycoming College walked all over Lock Haven, beating them in a breeze, 23-0.

BLOOM'S RUSHING GAME has been almost non-existent in the early going, with the team's two leading ball carriers, John McCaulley and Scott Frasso netting only 115 yards between them.

Huskie quarterback Ken Zipko

has thrown the ball very sparingly, completing only three of 11 tosses, but those three aeriels have racked up 120 yards and the team's lone score on the year.

Looking at Saturday's game purely objectively and from the point of talent, Wilkes is certainly a solid favorite. But the performance of the Colonel offense against Clarion two weeks ago, makes one wonder when the Colonels are going to snap out of it. They've got Powerful Ithaca and Albright waiting for them in a couple of weeks, and a defense, no matter how strong it is, can't be expected to pull them out of every game.

GRID GRIT: The rescheduling of the Lycoming game for November

22, immediately brings a thought to mind. The opening round of the NCAA Division III playoffs are scheduled for that same afternoon.

What happens if the Colonels are selected to play, (assuming that the Lycoming game must be played because of its direct bearing on the Middle Atlantic Conference "Northern Division" championship)?... there have been a few upsets in the opening weeks of MAC play. Upsala beat Susquehanna, 7-3, and Albright walked over Juniata last weekend... Bloomsburg also postponed their game last week against Mansfield, because of the prevalent flood conditions.

DOMOWITCH

Grid Mentor Concerned Over Two-Week Layoff

BY PAUL DOMOWITCH

An angry swelling river churned fear into the hearts of hundreds of thousands of Northeastern Pennsylvania citizens this past weekend, when the water of the Susquehanna came within one foot of causing a re-occurrence of that fateful Friday in June of 1972.

It gave this area, which became known as "the valley with a heart" during the last flood, some tense moments, as much of the population prayed to God that their homes would be spared the vengeance of the rampaging river.

Rollie Schmidt was not one of those who worried about the personal damage another flood would inflict, because he lives in the safe confines of Hudson, which is on high ground. But the 41-year-old Blue and Gold football coach looked to the heavens for yet another reason.

Schmidt got mentally worked up for the 1975 football season,

after his club won the Middle Atlantic Conference crown a year ago. With almost the entire team coming back in tact, there was no telling how far this club would go in 1975. And for Schmidt, that brings back memories.

During the late sixties, when Wilkes reeled off 32 wins in a row and won two Lambert Bowls, Schmidt and his teams were the talk of the nation. National magazines and newspapers such as "Sports Illustrated" and the New York Daily News wrote them up, and the attention bestowed on them seemed limitless.

SCHMIDT WAS A king among coaching kings then, and if he had wanted to, he could have taken one of many coaching offers at a larger school, where football ranks above academics. But he didn't. The Wilkes bug had bitten him, and he was hooked for life.

So understandably, Schmidt's concen-

tration Friday was on what the consequences of a flood would do to the 1975 football season. "It was a little selfish of me," he admits, "to hope we wouldn't have a problem in our area because of how it would affect the season, but these kids have worked hard, and although I really don't know at this stage of the game just how good we are, I do know we're a competitive ball club, and will give anybody a fight."

While Schmidt is high on his team, the cancellation of the Lycoming game last weekend means that the Colonels go into Saturday's game against Bloom with a two week layoff, and that can kill a competitive edge.

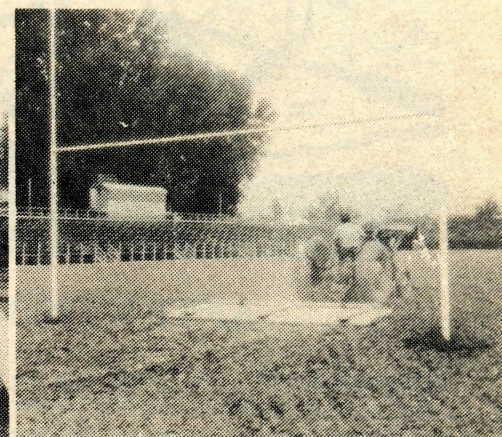
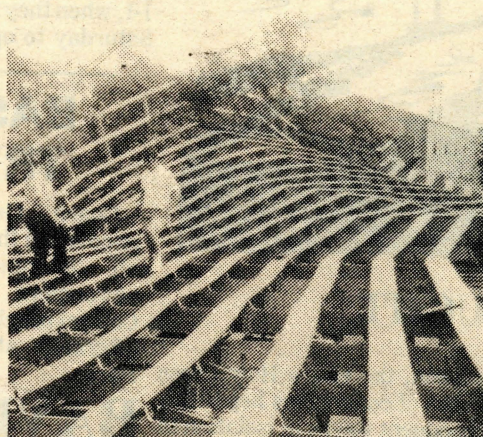
"YOU'RE ALWAYS WORKING toward the weekend during the season," Schmidt explained, "and because of the rain and threat of a flood we were idle, and I really don't know how that will affect them."

He was optimistic however. "The kids were pretty good. They came over Friday even though they knew there would be no practice, and a good many of them were here Saturday, if the flood was no threat to their homes. Sunday, almost everyone was back, and we had a very good practice. Surprisingly, they're holding that competitive edge, and I just hope they can keep it until Saturday's game."

So, the threat of a flood has diminished, and Schmidt and company can get down to tackling other problems; the immediate one being Bloomsburg State College. With the natural forces being contained for at least a short while, Schmidt can rest at ease, that the 1975 season will have both a beginning and an end. As to what kind of end that will be, only time will tell.



SCHMIDT



WRATH OF AGNES-Last weekend's near disaster brought back memories of the damage caused by Hurricane Agnes during the 1972 flood. In the top left photo, Sports Information Director George Pawlusch and tennis coach Tom Rokita look in awe at what were once the sturdy bleachers of Ralston Field. The top right photo shows Rollie Schmidt beginning the difficult task of repairing the mud-wrought turf, where his football team would be forced to play on in two short months. And finally, the bottom photo shows some of the workers, as they begin repair work on what is now the Bobby McBride Memorial Fieldhouse. It was a terrible disaster, and last weekend the well-hidden scars of Agnes were almost ripped up once again.

Rams Open Grid Season This Afternoon

It was a rainy, but exciting opening day for intramural football last Thursday.

The matchup featured Butler against Dirksen, and although Butler was favored in this contest, the Iero brothers teamed up to turn the tide in favor of Dirksen.

The first touchdown was scored by Butler on a Kresky to Kapinsky aerial. However, the Iero brothers countered with a 45-yard touchdown pass of their own.

Butler missed their point after touchdown, leaving the score at 8-6 in

favor of Dirksen at the end of the half.

Butler seemed to have the game won when they tallied seven points on Kresky's run with only two minutes to play in the game. However, with 1:45 left the Iero brothers teamed up again with a 65-yard touchdown pass. This made the score 14-13 in favor of Dirksen.

Dirksen added a final tally on a Dave Gregrow run as time ran out. The final score was Dirsen 20, Butler 13.

This afternoon, the powerful Rams will

take on the Vet's club in the opener for both teams. Coming off a third place finish last season, the Rams will be strong and confident and will be a solid favorite against the Vets.

On Monday, Butler will be meeting the Diaz Destroyers. In their first game, Butler looked a little shaky as a result of inexperience. Diaz is also a team lacking experience and this game will probably go to the team who has gained some sort of (continued on page 7)