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—Froude.

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CAMPUS ELECTIONS ON WEDNESDAY

DEATH CLAIMS FREDERICK J. WECKESSER; WAS PHILANTHROPIST AND WILKES TRUSTEE

Mr. Frederick J. Weckesser, Wilkes College Trustee, died at 6:50, Tuesday morning, September 20, at his home, 150 South Franklin Street. He had been in failing health for some time and his condition grew steadily worse during the last month.

Mr. Weckesser was Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees. As a Trustee he served on two committees, Buildings and Grounds, and Finance.

Well-known as a philanthropist, Mr. Weckesser donated Weckesser Hall to Wilkes College. The building is located on Northampton Street and is used as a men's dormitory.

Many of Mr. Weckesser's philanthropies were never publicly revealed. He consistently and generously aided deserving causes. In civic affairs he carried his full share of responsibility, giving of his talents, his time and his money to promote better community conditions.



Mr. Weckesser made several large donations to Irem Temple, AAONMS, and to Irem Temple Country Club. He gave a large donation toward erection of Irem Temple's mosque on North Franklin street in 1908. In 1929 Mr. Weckesser contributed \$25,000 for the extension of the golf course at Irem Temple Country Club. Later he donated funds for Irem Temple

Country Club's swimming pool, one of the finest in the country.

In 1931 Mr. and Mrs. Weckesser donated an organ for the new edifice that was erected by the American Church, Quai d'Orsay, Paris France. The organ which was first played by M. Marcel Dupre, great French organist, was an unusual instrument, combining the skill of two master craftsmen of America and France, Samuel Casavant of Canada and the House of Abbey, Montrouge, a suburb of Paris. The electric console, chimes and several stops were made in Canada, remainder of the organ in Paris. He also donated organs to the Brick Presbyterian Church, Waterbury, N. Y., the Westminster Presbyterian Church and First Presbyterian Church, Wilkes-Barre.

Mr. and Mrs. Weckesser presented their Harveys Lake summer home, "Wildwood," and 60 acres of property to Girl Scouts of Wyoming Valley in 1936. The following year Mr. Weckesser donated a fund to improve and repair the property. Since that time the Girl Scouts have used "Wildwood" every summer.

Mr. Weckesser rose from a young store clerk working after school hours, to a position of national importance as a director of F. W. Woolworth Company.

He was the oldest living director of the Woolworth Company and served on its executive committee until retiring in 1948. He was also a director of Second National Bank of Wilkes-Barre, and was affiliated with many civic and fraternal organizations.

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CUE 'N' CURTAIN HAS FULL CALENDAR; TRYOUTS TO BE HELD SOON FOR THREE-ACT

Mr. Al Groh, Cue 'n' Curtain director, has announced a part of that club's very full calendar for this semester. On Saturday, October 3, six of C 'n' C's "old guard" will present a program for the Second National Bank. Peter Margo, Bill Crowder, Basia Mieszkowski, Lois Long, Sheldon Schneider, and Carol Ann Gardner will present a program of song, dance, and drama. On October 7, the Bell Telephone Company has asked the club to provide entertainment for one of their meetings.

November 19 and 20 are the dates set for our three-act production which, Mr. Groh has announced, will be Ibsen's "The Master Builder." Try-outs for this production will be announced at a later date. The one-act plays which were scheduled for the first week of October have been pushed off into the future.

Thursday, the 24th of September, was the night on which Cue 'n' Curtain's annual Freshman Party took place. In the Girls' Lounge of Chase Hall, a rather sizeable group composed of almost equal parts of Freshmen and upperclassmen assembled to hear John Williams, acting president, welcome both the old and new faces. In a short speech he outlined for the mem-

bers the method of operation of the club, mentioned briefly the point system, and extended an invitation to all to make Ye Olde Chase Theatre their second home. Miss Ann Azat, who has long been a mainstay of the club, and who was in charge of the make-up committee for the last several years, offered to assist with makeup for productions. Several students made clear Cue 'n' Curtain's view of committee work, and extended an invitation to all to join those committees in which they were interested, then everyone relaxed for the entertainment. First, Helen Hawkins sang the well-known "If I Loved You" and the lovely folk ballad, "I'm Sad and I'm Lonely." Next, Basia Mieszkowski, accom-

Student Council, Sophs, Frosh Sponsor Operation Red Feather

Would you be interested in helping a very worthy cause? Do you like to dance? Listen to some real "crazy" jazz? Do you enjoy and appreciate true talent when you see it? And—this one for the coeds—would you care to increase your prestige on the campus and throughout Wyoming Valley?

If you can answer "yes" to three out of the four questions above, (which any young, red-blooded Wilkes student should be able to do with no trouble) then read on!

Tonight in the gym, the Student Council, together with the Freshman and Sophomore classes are sponsoring the one and only event of its kind ever presented locally—"Operation Red Feather." There will be dancing to the music of Bill Figart and his orchestra, a jazz concert, (always popular with the Wilkes "cats") and a spectacular show composed of the talented artists from right here in our institution. And if it isn't enough to make you part with a mere 75 cents for a ticket, here's some more! To highlight the evening, a Red Feather Queen will be chosen—you surely can't afford to miss that.

But really, the best part of the whole affair is the purpose behind all the gala plans. All proceeds of the evening will be given to the Community Chest. How can you beat this combination? We not only promise a tremendous time to all who attend, but also a nice, warm feeling when you think of the great organization you are helping out.

Incidentally, the time is from 8:30 to 12 o'clock. Se you there!

Activities Schedule

Monday, Oct. 5—Community Chest Kick-off Dinner, gym; Cue 'n' Curtain one-act plays.

Tuesday, Oct. 6—Orchestra Practice; Cue 'n' Curtain one-act plays.

Wednesday, Oct. 7—Soccer, E. Stroudsburg, Home; Cue 'n' Curtain one-act plays.

Friday, Oct. 9—Biology Club Wiener Roast; Football, Ithaca, Away, Caravan.

panied by Bill Crowder, sang a song from the Alumni Show, "Here's To You." The song was "Love is a You and I," words by Al Groh and music by Bill Crowder. Emphasis then moved to the dramatic for two excerpts from plays, a poem, and a monologue. George Shlager and Margaret Williams acted a scene from "The Moon Is Blue," Peter Margo, past president of the organization, performed the always electrifying death scene from "Doctor Faustus." Carol Gardner gave a Billie Burke-type monologue about a young girl who very unconcernedly tells the story of why she shot her husband. The program was rounded out by Sheldon Schneider, who read Eugene Field's "Little Boy Blue." For the remainder of the evening members mingled informally.

Watch for further doings from this most active of clubs—soon things will be "poppin'."

ELECTION CAMPAIGNS GO INTO HIGH GEAR; TUESDAY ASSEMBLY SPEECHES TO BE CLIMAX

One of the liveliest times of the year is with us—once again election time. It's that backslapping, jolly fellow, "what a good candidate I am," season. Active campaigns, which are a trademark of Wilkes, started almost immediately after each class held its nominating meetings. All such meetings were held early this week.

Immediately after each meeting, campaign tickets were formed and campaign strategy decided. Some of the old campaigners, however, had their tickets decided well in advance of the class meeting. As early as Wednesday morning, campaign posters appeared on campus bulletin boards.

The campaigns will swing into high gear on Monday and this election fever will last until late Wednesday afternoon when the polls close. The high point of the campaigns will come on Tuesday when the nominees for the presidency of each class will speak to the student body. This will be at the assembly program. Only the candidates for president will speak.

Nominees for the various class offices are as follows:

Class Office Nominees

SENIORS—

President: Dick Hawk, Al Catharo, Jim Atherton;

Vice-president: Benny Lucas, Charles Zezza, Gene Scrudato;

Secretary: Barbara Evans, Elaine Law;

Treasurer: Al Wallace, Bill Paparowski, Joe Sikora.

JUNIORS—

President: Harry Ennis, James Neveras, Al Jeter;

Vice-president: Dick Klepys, John Lancio;

Secretary: Naomi Kivler, Jean Dearden;

Treasurer: Ralph Zezza;

Student Council: Bill Crowder, Marilyn Peters, Jerry Elias.

SOPHOMORES—

President: Cliff Brautigan, Carl Van Dyke, Joe Wilk, Bob Lynch, Ed Pasternak;

Vice-president: Gayle Jones, Pat Stout, Barbara Bialogowicz, Jeanette Perrins;

Secretary: Joan Shoemaker, Barbara Rogers, Sam Sugar;

Treasurer: Jim McHugh, Charles Acore, Dave Lucchino, Frank Koppicki.

FRESHMAN—

President: Neil Turtel, Jo Ann Decker, Neil Dadurka, Jerry Luft, Ed Linkiewicz;

Vice-president: Carl Drapiewski, Les Wiener, Andrew Breznay, Sam Mines, George Tryba;

Treasurer: Mayland Harrison, John Jewelinski, Justine Battisti;

Secretary: George Weaver, Jacqueline Jones, Audrey Cragle, Pat Reese, Barbara Tanski, Natalie Rudusky;

Student Council: John Bresnahn, Ray Gritsko, Richard Morris, William Fariish, Ed Greenwood, Richard Bunn, Nancy Morris, Sam Mines.

Jim Dull, Wilkes Junior, Joins Staff Of WGBI

Jim Dull, Wilkes College Junior, recently joined the broadcasting staff of radio station WGBI in Scranton.

Prior to joining WGBI, Jim was on the announcing staff of station WBAX—Wilkes-Barre. He held this position for three years.

A native of Pittston, he became interested in journalism while in high school, where he served as sports editor of the Pittston high school paper, The Revealer. Jim became acquainted with public address systems and announcing while a student at Pittston High School.

This new position at WGBI enables him to do not only radio work but also television features

over WGBI-TV, Channel 22, Scranton. He has his own sports show on WGBI-TV.

At Wilkes, he is majoring in English. He plans to graduate in February, 1955. After that he plans to either enter the army or do graduate work, his eventual aim being a master's degree.

NOTICE!

Cue 'n' Curtain tryouts for Ibsen's "The Master Builder," Monday evening, October 5th, at 7:30 at Chase Theater. If you are interested but can not attend the tryouts, see Mr. Al Groh.

I serve a purpose in this school
On which no man can frown
I quietly sit in every class
And keep the average down.

STUDENT CARAVAN TO HEAD FOR ITHACA; MONDAY SET AS RESERVATION DEADLINE

The first Caravan for Wilkes College is being made up for next week's game at Ithaca, N. Y. The game against Ithaca State Teachers College and is scheduled for Friday, October 9 at 8 P. M.

Martz busses will leave from in front of Chase Hall promptly at 12:30 P. M. of that day. There will be two busses ready to take Wilkes followers to that important tilt. One bus will transport the 48 piece college band and the other is for student transportation. The price for the trip is only four (4) dollars and 8 cents.

Mr. Bob Moran who is in charge of the Caravan informs us that the bus will arrive in plenty of time so that all students will have the opportunity to tour the beautiful campus of Cornell University, which is also located in Ithaca.

The deadline for joining the caravan is Monday, October 5. Jane Carpenter is the person to see.

The Return Trip will start immediately after the game.

VOTE ON WEDNESDAY

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GENE SCRUDATO

LETTERS TO EDITOR IMPORTANT

Last Tuesday's assembly was sponsored by The Beacon. We presented Mr. William Avirett whom, we think, gave a stirring and extremely interesting speech. That speech is reported elsewhere in this issue, however there is one point which deserves editorial comment, that being a reference to a section of every newspaper, Letters to the Editor. Mr. Avirett said that final control of a newspaper rests with the readers. He went on to say that the readers manifest such control by informing the editors as to what type newspaper they, the readers, desire. Hence, in the final analysis, it is the readers who are the governing body of the press. The surest way of governing the press is by a letter to the editor. Whether it be critical or complimentary, it still shows reader opinion and therefore must be taken into consideration. In reality it is upon the reader that the success of a newspaper depends.

So we hope that the student body will respond to Mr. Avirett's suggestion and manifest its opinions through "Letters To The Editor."

CLASS ELECTIONS - VOTE!

Next Wednesday we will have class elections here at Wilkes. This is a golden opportunity for us to debunk the popular opinion that college students are mixed-up kids. This election affords us the chance to show that we are not that mixed-up not to know how important voting is. By voting we are using democracy's greatest gift, hence if we utilize this gift to its fullest, there will be little reason to be called "mixed-up". Remember, of the voting public, only about 60 percent actually assert this prerogative. It seems that we can better that. At least we can try.

PRESS SHOULD USE SELF-DISCIPLINE; FINAL AUTHORITY RESTS WITH PUBLIC

In keeping with National Newspaper Week, the guest speaker at assembly on Tuesday was Mr. William G. Avirett, former Education Editor of the New York Herald Tribune.

Before plunging into the meat of his speech, Mr. Avirett, now special assistant to the President of Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, related how he had heard of Wilkes College in Wyoming Valley five or six years ago and that it apparently had little chance for survival. Consequently he made a trip to Wilkes-Barre to see for himself. He returned this week and was amazed to see how Wilkes succeeded.

Mr. Avirett's advice to all members of the press is: When moving on, get a good successor. The essence of a good exit is a good successor.

As Mr. Avirett, sees it, the limitations of the press are two-fold; first, high cost of newsprint and second, the high cost of printers. These factors lead to "canned" news since papers cannot afford adequate staffs.

He then discussed the vital question of whether or not an editor should be "callable" to Washington for things printed in his newspaper. He concludes that the existing abuses in the press can be overcome by self-discipline rather than outside forces. In other words newspapers are capable of policing

themselves. He feels that the basic question of where lies the final authority rests with the public, through buying power and letters to the editor.

Mr. Avirett then stated that freedom to teach is also under fire in America. A teacher must have a decent regard for the opinions of mankind. This calls for a certain amount of common sense on his part.

He feels that a teacher should be freed from all outside worries in order that he may devote his whole capacity to teaching.

The motto he would have us adopt is "Aim to increase skill, avoid pain, be kind."

"Our crusade for freedom calls for the deep, enduring loyalty of all of us," he declared.

Letters To The Editor - -

The Beacon
Wilkes College
Dear Editor:

I think this year's freshmen are exceptionally nice. We enjoyed them at the library very much, and it is a pleasure to work with them individually. We are looking forward to giving them a little glimpse of the usefulness of the library during the orientation courses.

The only thing I am a little disturbed about is that they are not curious enough. The other day when I toured a group of them through the library, I asked them if they had any questions pertaining to the library, classification, reference books, etc. A handsome boy raised his hand and said, "Yes, where does your accent come from?" Aren't there any other questions???

Sincerely,
Nada Vujica
Library

September 24, 1953

Dear Gene:

Thought I'd take time out from this khaki routine and drop you a few lines. Bet it's great to be back turning out The Beacon.

Time is certainly roaring by. I have been in the Army a year, and it only seems like twelve.

Guess the services are snapping up all former Beacon editors. Paul Beers says he woke up one morning about three weeks after graduation and found himself wearing a one-color suit.

Last week the Army gave me a stripe. Must have been a mistake . . . I didn't expect one for at least another four years. Now, so the promotion list says, I'm a P.F.C. Don't know what it stands for . . . unless it's Pulling For Corporal.

We've got a new Barracks Sergeant. I'm not saying he's ugly but he just returned from Warner Brothers Studios in California where he played the title role in "The Beast From 20,000 Fathoms." He's an odd guy. He has no enemies, but all his friends hate him.

Here's wishing you the best of success.

A former civilian,
Chuck Gloman

Dear Editor:

I felt that I just had to comment upon the tremendous support that our cheerleading squad and the team received at the game Saturday night. I must admit that I had not anticipated such a terrific cheering section and I wish to apologize to the student body. After the pep rally on Friday, I thought that the spirit of Wilkes had reached a new low, but I am more than happy to admit that I was wrong. I want to thank all of the student body on behalf of the team, the cheerleading squad, and the band for the wonderful support and I hope that the students will continue to show such loyalty throughout the year.

The Ithaca game is drawing near . . . Let's have a repeat performance.

Sincerely,
Jane Carpenter

Competition Opens For Radio, TV Scholarships

Two scholarships are being offered by the National Academy of Broadcasting, 3338 - 16th Street, Washington 10, D. C., the first in the field of radio, the second in television.

The National Academy of Broadcasting, a professional school located in the nation's capitol, places its graduates as announcers and writers in stations throughout the country.

Scholarship contestants must be college trained with special aptitudes in written or oral expression. Those who wish to compete should write directly to the National Academy of Broadcasting in Washington.

MANY PERSONS UNABLE TO ATTEND COLLEGE REASON FOR TRAINED-MANPOWER SHORTAGE

The National Manpower Council revealed recently that the number of college-trained personnel in our nation would be more than doubled if all capable students were able to attend college.

The citizens' survey group, which was organized with the aid of President Eisenhower when he was still president of Columbia University, also reported that for each person who holds a Ph.D. degree, there are 25 who could. This inability of intellectually fitted people to get college degrees has resulted in a serious shortage of school teachers, scientists, engineers, and physicians.

The report which was described as the first over-all examination of manpower resources and requirements in important scientific and professional areas, contained recommendations to the government to improve the situation. The council suggested that national, state, and local governments, and business, labor, and other interested groups should greatly increase their financial support for colleges and universities. Along with expanded support for higher education, the council recommended that the military services should continue to defer qualified college students, and should take further steps to utilize their trained manpower.

If the government accepts the suggestion of the council, it is believed that the additional trained people will alleviate the effects of personnel shortages in fields important to national defense and security.

- - DIKE DIVOTS - -

By JACK CURTIS

HAVE CROWDS RETURNED TO WILKES FOOTBALL?

It certainly was heartening to see such a fine crowd on hand at Kingston Stadium last Saturday night for the Wilkes-Bloomsburg game. A throng of 3500 people seemed like a sellout compared to the sparse handfuls of last year. We remember seeing about 200 for the Moravian game. The Colonel grid forces have only two more home encounters this year, so they should draw two more fine crowds. The next game at the Kingston ballyard is on Homecoming Weekend, Hofstra the attraction. Hofstra ought to have a crowd-pleasing team. Last year's first meeting between Wilkes and the Hempstead college was a thriller from the opening kickoff till the final gun sounded. Quarterback Jack Plunkett tossed a 30-yard pass to Halfback Bill Sanford with only 80 seconds remaining to give the home forces a 20-13 win about which Long Island sports scribes are still talking. A return match between the two teams, especially with Plunkett and Sanford back in the fold, is a natural. The final home game of the campaign will see the Blue and Gold facing what is probably the strongest University of Bridgeport teams in years. The Purple Knights will have many former Arnold College stars in its lineup, Bridgeport having brought the former independent physical education school under its wing this year. That outstanding attraction, which should attract a near-capacity crowd, is scheduled for November 14.

Eddie Davis' loss leaves Wilkes in a bit of a lurch for tomorrow's game with Lebanon Valley at Annville. The downstate eleven, which in addition to Hofstra goes by the handle "Flying Dutchmen", is touted as being the best team in the school's history. It will be the first game of the season for the Dutch, thus, having had no chance for scouting reports, the Colonels go into the scrap cold . . . "Touchdown Tips" newsletter for this week picks Lebanon Valley by a 19-13 score. "Tips" of course didn't know of the loss of Davis or we think they'd have picked the home team by a bigger score. Did you notice how things fell apart when the Plymouth star was sidelined Saturday P. M.? We'll still string along with the Wilkesmen. They've battled the injury jinx before and have won out more than they've lost.

PARTRIDGEMEN ENVISION THAT GREAT FIRST WIN

With more sincerity than ever before, any member of the Wilkes soccer squad will tell you that this year looks like a milestone in the Colonel booting history. A stronger squad than ever before represented Wilkes begins a rugged seven-game schedule tomorrow at Rider College. The booters now number about 20 and most of them are experienced. The addition of several foreign students has greatly enhanced the possibility of the "big one" coming this year. You've never seen a team work harder and display more spirit than this one, either. Co-captains Flip Jones and Bill Mergo as well as Coach Bob Partridge have intimated that this could very well be the year. We feel that if it is, Wilkes will win not only just one game, but several. We're going way out on the limb for the first time in our career to pick the Wilkes soccermen over Rider tomorrow afternoon.

PERSONALITIES ON THE SPORTS BEAT

Received word from JAKE KOVALCHEK, former gridder, soccerman and singer, that he is settled in his new job at McKeesport, Pa. Jake is with Sears, Roebuck in the executive training program and that he likes it very much. Kovalchek is the former tenor with the Harmonizers, campus male quartet . . . PAUL BEERS is another alumnus who is keeping in touch. He drops a line regularly to the Wilkes Public Relations Office and advises that there is nothing like the life of a Navcad. Benny will be a Navy pilot when he finishes training at Pensacola Naval Air Station. BILL FOOTE, outstanding Colonel grappler last season until sidelined with a shoulder injury, has accepted a position with the Boys Clubs of America in Lancaster. Bill will find time for evening classes starting in February and expects to finish his education while working in the downstate city . . . Former Wilkes Center JACK JONES made it quite uncomfortable for several grid-iron dopesters last week. Jonesy is in his first year as head coach at West Pittston High School. He guided his boys to a rousing 62-0 defeat of Shickshinny in the initial outing of the season, after most of the "experts" picked them to lose. How wrong can you be? Shades of Effie Welsh! The Alumni show, "Here's To Ya," scheduled for sometime late in November will feature former Wilkes athletes NORM CROSS and JACK FEENEY. Other funsters slated for comedian duties are MARTY BLAKE and SKINNY ENNIS, the smaller.

Soccer Squad Opens Against Rider

OUTLOOK FOR SOCCER VICTORY BRIGHT; HOME WEDNESDAY WITH STROUDSBURG

By NICK FLANNERY

Autumn is upon us and with the seasons first brisk winds and frosts murmurs of "football - football" are heard from Massachusetts to Oregon. To a smaller but equally spirited circle, it's soccer season, time for the players to "get in shape" for one of the most grueling and under-attended games in sportdom. During the past two weeks the twenty-five man edition of the 1953 Wilkes Colonels squad has been doing just that under the critical eyes of Coach Bob Partridge and his assistant.

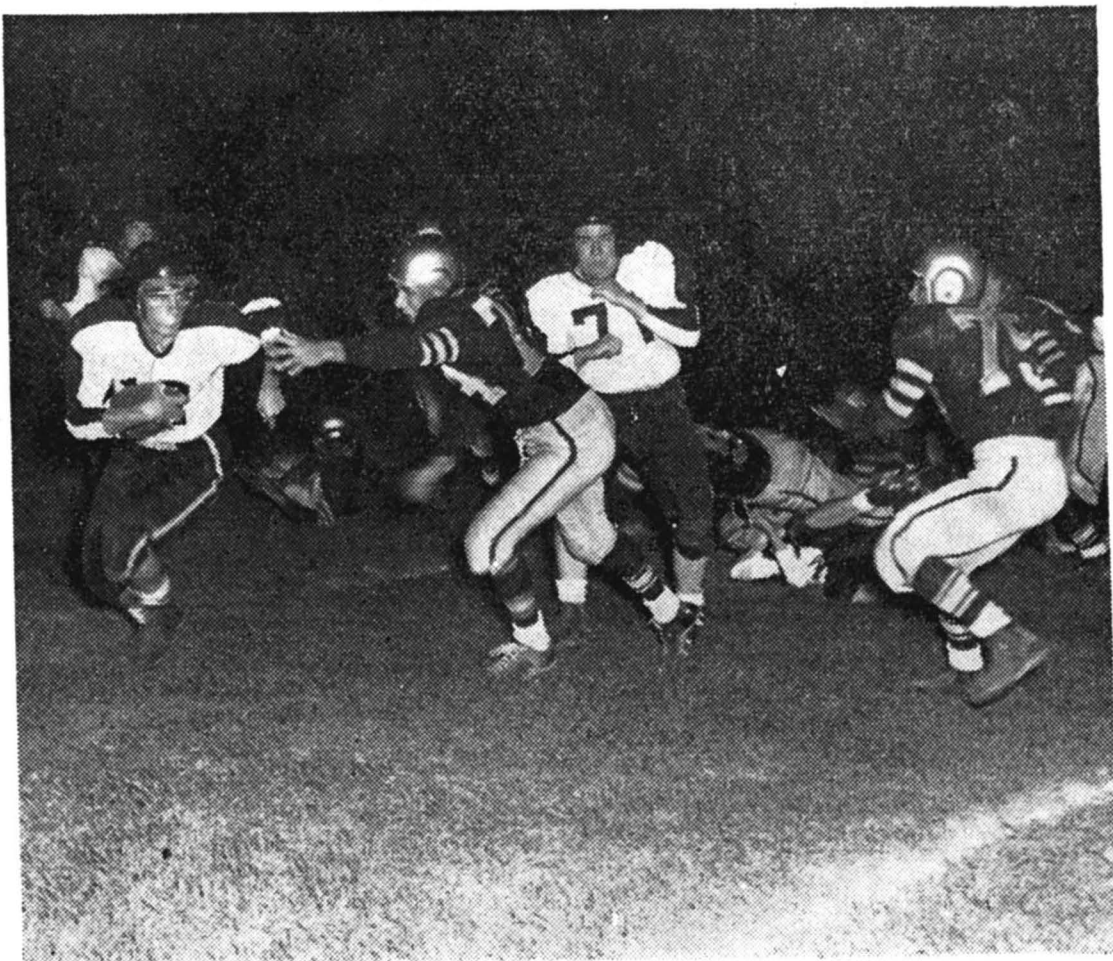
Finally the big day is at hand; tomorrow the Colonels journey to Trenton, New Jersey, to open the season against a highly regarded Rider College eleven. In past years the "garden state" school has produced some of the east's top teams and advance reports indicate that this year is no exception.

Despite losses to the services and graduation Coach Partridge feels that our returning lettermen, led by co-captains "Flip" Jones and Bill Mergo, will form the nucleus of a winning team. Among the old reliables are: Hillard "Lefty" Kemp, Jim Moss, Ralph Zezza, Hank Deible, Dick Polakowski, and Dick Hawk. Almost all of the new candidates for "Operation Soccer-1953" have had some experience. This makes the coach's task much easier, and as Coach Partridge remarked, "the quiet determination of this year's team stamps them as one of the best I've coached."

Our fifth season team has an international flavor with Ahmed Kazini of Trans-Jordan, Younsu Koo from South Korea and Dean Arvan of Greece. All three will see action with the possible exception of Younsu Koo whose minor injury hampers his speed.

In regard to our possibilities of a winning season co-captain Flip Jones expressed the team's optimism, "with our strongest line in years, and a fast passing attack, the outlook is definitely bright." The opposition this year is formidable with several of our opponents having "All-Americans." The latest word from Coach Bob Partridge indicates that the starting line-up is not definite, but will probably include: Bill Mergo, Dick Hawk, Lefty Kemp, Flip Jones, and Glen Phethean in the backfield of course, Jim Moss as guardian of the goal. On the line will be: Hank Deible, Jim Ferris, Carl VanDyke, Ahmed Kazini, and Dick Polakowski. The schedule facing the soccer Colonels looking for their first win is: October 3—Rider, away; October 7—Stroudsburg, home; October 15—Lock Haven, home; October 17—Lafayette, away; October 24—Elizabethtown, home; October 27—Elizabethtown, away; October 31—Trenton, home. The first opportunity for the boys to "strut their stuff" locally comes next Wednesday against Stroudsburg. Let's all turn out to root for what may be Wilkes' undefeated 1953 soccer team.

BREZNAY GOES A LONG WAY ON THE GROUND



Andy Breznay, Colonel scatback, is shown racking up important yardage against Bloom last Saturday night. Getting in line to do some important blocking is Ray Tait (71).

Alumni Homecoming Weekend Of Oct. 16-17

Alumni Homecoming has been scheduled for the weekend of October 16-17. Loretta Farris, a 1944 graduate of Bucknell University Junior College has been chosen general chairman of the affair.

On October 16 the first event will be a coffee hour from 5 to 6 P. M. at McClintock Hall. Gene Maylock '49 is the chairman of the coffee hour.

Tom Brislin '41 will preside over a business meeting to be held on the second floor of the cafeteria. This meeting will be followed by a talk by Dr. Farley. It is hoped that a preview of the Alumni play, "Here's To Ya" will be presented that night. The play is scheduled for presentation at the Irem Temple, November 28. It is being held to raise scholarship funds.

On Saturday afternoon, the 17th of October, the displays of the various clubs will be judged. This will be followed by a party at the Kingston House. Saturday night Wilkes will play a home game against Hofstra.

Dan Williams is in charge of registrations which will take place in Chase Hall.

On Saturday afternoon, senior volunteers will act as guides on a tour of the campus for the alumni.

Wilkes Psychology Club Holds First Meeting

On Thursday, September 24 the Psychology Club of Wilkes College held its first meeting of the term. Plans were made for a coffee party and seminar to take place on Friday, October 2, at 7:00 P. M. in Chase Lounge. The seminar will be an informal one and will serve to introduce our new students to the Club and its members. The seminar will be over in time for the dance that night.

A short informal talk was given by the club's president, Sheldon Schneider, on the book, Soviet Psychiatry, by R. Wortius. The meeting ended with a group discussion on Psychology and Politics.

The Psychology Club invites all students to the seminar-meeting

Campaign Speeches On Tuesday Assembly

Next Tuesday's assembly program will feature campaign speeches by the presidential nominees from the various classes.

Wayne Madden, president of the Student Council, is Chairman of this program and will introduce each nominee. This program is a prelude to the campus elections, which are to be held the following day, Wednesday.

Poetry Association Desires Manuscripts

The National Poetry Association announces the tenth annual competition of College Students' Poetry. The closing date for the submission of manuscripts by all college students is November 5.

Any student attending either junior or senior college is eligible to submit his verse. There is no limitation as to form or theme. Shorter works are preferred by the Board of Judges because of space limitations.

Each poem must be typed or printed on a separate sheet and must bear the name and home address of the student, as well as the name of the college attended.

In 1952, some 20,000 manuscripts were received in the college competition, from practically every college in the country.

There are absolutely no fees or charges for either acceptance or submission of verse. All work will be judged on merit alone.

Manuscripts should be sent to the offices of the association—National Poetry Association, 3210 Selby Ave., Los Angeles 34, Cal.

this Friday night. A special invitation is extended to all Sociology majors to join the Psych Club and attend the seminar. Mr. Joe Kanner and Mr. Bob Riley are the club advisers. Mr. Kanner advised the club last year and with his help the club was able to hold 12 successful and informative seminars. The Psychology Club is looking forward to an even better year. It welcomes anyone who is interested Sociology-Psychology.

Wilkes Vs. Lebanon Tomorrow Afternoon

Saturday afternoon, October 3, will see Wilkes College meet Lebanon Valley College for the first time.

Lebanon Valley is located in Annville, Pennsylvania, a small suburban town which lies midway between Harrisburg and Philadelphia. Little is known about Wilkes' new opponent. The Lebanon Valley "Flying Dutchmen" are coached by Richard Fox, a 1941 graduate of Temple. Fox is starting his second year of coaching at the school. In his first year, he produced a 4-3-0 record against some of the finest small college teams in the east. When the two teams meet, it will be Lebanon's first game while Wilkes already has one game under its belt.

The only team which both colleges met in 1952 was Moravian. Lebanon scored a 20-7 victory over them while Wilkes almost repeated the score with a 15-6 decision over Moravian.

The Flying Dutchmen have a local boy as captain. He is Edward Hutcko, a Plymouth native. He now resides in Hanover Township. Hutcko plays center and is a returning letterman.

Nothing is known about the offensive of the Dutchmen but word has it that they emphasize speed and have a very heavy line.

The Wilkes starting team should be about the same which started against Bloomsburg with of course the exception of Eddie Davis who was hurt in that Bloomsburg game. Either Norm Chanosky or Walt Chapko will fill the opening left by Davis. At center will be Glenn Carey; at guard positions will be oe Trosko and Boxer Wright; at the tackle positions will be Ray Tait and Cliff Brautigan; the ends will be Neil Dadurka and Paul Gronka; in the backfield will be Ron Fitzgerald, Andy Breznay, and George Elias.

There is no caravan scheduled for this game butt if anyone does wish to attend the, the best route to take is Highway 11. The trip lasts about three hours. Starting time is 2:15 P. M.

FOOTBALL COLONELS LOSE SPIRITED GAME; REPORT ON EDDIE DAVIS' INJURY IN ERROR

It was erroneously reported that Eddie Davis' leg was broken in the Bloom game last week. However Eddie received a serious sprain, which may incapacitate him for the remainder of the season.

Wilkes fought a strong Bloom team on even terms last week but the lack of reserves not spirit was the team's downfall.

The score at half time was 6-6—a surprise to most of the 3,500 fans, many of whom had tagged Bloomsburg too strong for Wilkes. And judging from the first half—the way the Colonels played with Eddie Davis doing the "thinking" for the team on the field and with his accurate passing arm always a threat—it was not impossible that Wilkes might upset the dopesters and either tie the teachers or beat them.

Wilkes started the present grid campaign like a piece of intricate machinery for which there were no spare parts. It was a gamble, but the machine had to run. And run it did for two quarters.

But the first time Bloomsburg took possession after the second half the most vital piece of equipment in the Wilkes engine was knocked out of commission. It was on the runback of a punt and Davis was in on the tackle. When the players unscrambled Davis couldn't make it. The engine began to sputter.

From then until the final whistle saved an even higher score there was little hope. Bloomsburg plays ran roughshod thru the lighter Colonel line, piling up seven first downs and three touchdowns when the best it could do in the first half was three first downs and six points.

Bloomsburg first scored in the game when even then the power of the teachers' line was being felt. Hard charges pushed the blue and gold Colonels back to the 22 from about the 40 as they attempted to get their offensive going. And a fumble, recovered by Bloom's Charles Pope, on the Colonels' 15 set the stage for three ground plays and the TD by Barney Osevala from the 4.


But Wilkes bounced right back and made up the six points in the second period when Andy Breznay, a freshman, intercepted a Bloomsburg pass on his own 48

and ran it to the 19. Davis passed to Paul Gronka in the end zone for the tally.

The rest just happened. One after the other and if these two teams had played for the rest of the season—providing Kingston wouldn't object to moving its games elsewhere, the Colonels of the second half would not have halted the stream of tallies. One was due every so often. Time ran outt when three had been scored.

It marked the fifth time in six years that the teachers have put the cap of defeat on the Colonels.

The difference between freshmen and seniors is that when a professor enters freshman class and says "Good morning," they write it down in their notes.



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FREDERICK WECKESSER

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Mr. Weckesser was born in Clayton, N. Y., November 14, 1867, the son of Frank Joseph and Mary Susan (Grim) Weckesser, the former a LaFargeville merchant.

At the age of 10 Mr. Weckesser began working before and after school hours in the LaFargeville store operated by George Lingenfelter. When 19 he went to Watertown, N. Y., where he obtained employment in the store of Bush, Bull and Roth. He was with this firm for several years and then obtained a position with F. M. Kirby and Company. It was the beginning of a long friendship and business association that eventually established Mr. Weckesser and Mr. Kirby as among the outstandingly successful pioneers in the five-and-ten-cent store business in the nation. Their partnership continued until Mr. Kirby's death here some years ago.

Mr. Weckesser speedily demonstrated his ability and was placed as manager in the Kirby store at Pawtucket, R. I., later being sent to Baltimore. In 1889 he came to Wilkes-Barre where he went into the general office of F. M. Kirby and Company. He was appointed to the responsible post of general manager and buyer, which offices he held until 1912 when the company merged with the Woolworth concern. From 1912 to 1920 he was district manager in this city for F. W. Woolworth Company and was made a member of the board of directors and became a leading figure on the executive committee.

Mr. Weckesser was a staunch Republican but he never sought for or held public office, his business interests keeping him fully occupied. He was a member of First Presbyterian Church and was a trustee of the church for many years. He was a 33rd Degree Mason, being affiliated with Landmark Lodge 442, Free and Accepted Masons; Shekinah Chapter 182, Royal Arch Masons; Dieu le Veut Commandery 45, Knights Templar; Keystone Consistory of Scranton, Accepted Scottish Rite Masons, and Irem Temple, AAONMS. He was also a member of the leading clubs of the community, including Irem Temple Country Club, Westmoreland Club, Franklin Club, Wyoming Valley Motor Club and Wyoming Valley Country Club. In addition he held membership in Lake Placid Club, Hardware Club and Pennsylvania Society of New York City; Tin Whistle Club of Pinehurst, N. C., and Union League Club, New York City.

On June 15, 1892, Mr. Weckesser married Anna E. Hammond of Rutland, N. Y., the daughter of George and Fanny L. (Sawyer) Hammond.

Surviving are his wife and two daughters, Mrs. Esther Walker of Kingston, and Mrs. J. Henry Pool of Huntsville; also five grandchildren, Mrs. Samuel Kress, Stamford, Conn.; Dr. Charles Frederick Laycock, Glen Summit; Joseph H. Pool, Kingston; Fred Weckesser Pool, Denver, Colo.; and Mrs. James Stokes, Philadelphia; and 14 great-grandchildren, and a brother, John Weckesser, LaFargeville.

Many tributes were paid yesterday to Mr. Weckesser. Among them were the following:

Dr. Eugene S. Farley, president of Wilkes College:

"Since we have become acquainted with them, Mr. Weckesser and Mrs. Weckesser, their friendship and thoughtfulness have meant much to us."

Rev. Jule Ayers, pastor of First Presbyterian Church:

"Mr. Weckesser was a man who never forgot God. His influence and example bore witness to the fact that he knew the source of life's richest blessings."

"The church and its welfare were ever close to his heart. He gave unstintingly of his time, talent and money for the furtherance of religion and morality in the community."

"His leadership and helpfulness remains a challenge to others in the Wyoming Valley who will want to see carried forward the major purposes of his life."

"He was a man's man and one who was utterly devoted to his

family and that which is right and good in all family relationships."

Mrs. George Fry, commissioner of the Wyoming Valley Council of Girl Scouts:

"Mr. Weckesser was a very wonderful friend to the Girl Scouts of Wyoming Valley. Through his generosity and the generosity of Mrs. Weckesser, the local council received as a gift some years ago the Weckesser summer home at Harveys Lake. It has since become known as Wildwood. As a result of this gift and other gifts many Girl Scouts have the opportunity of a camping experience they would not otherwise be able to obtain. Mr. Weckesser was a true

friend and his passing is greatly regretted by us all."

Wallace Wakefield, president of Second National Bank:

"Mr. Weckesser served as a director of the Second National Bank for more than 40 years. In all that time the bank and his associates on the board had the benefit of his sound judgment and wise counsel."

"Through booms and depressions through two wars and their aftermath, he had a leading part in the formation of sound banking policies. His broad vision, strong personality and capacity for loyal friendships will be long remembered by all of us who had the privilege of knowing and working with

him."

The funeral was held yesterday afternoon at 2 from the family residence, Rev. Jule Ayers of First

Presbyterian Church officiating. Interment was in Oaklawn Cemetery.

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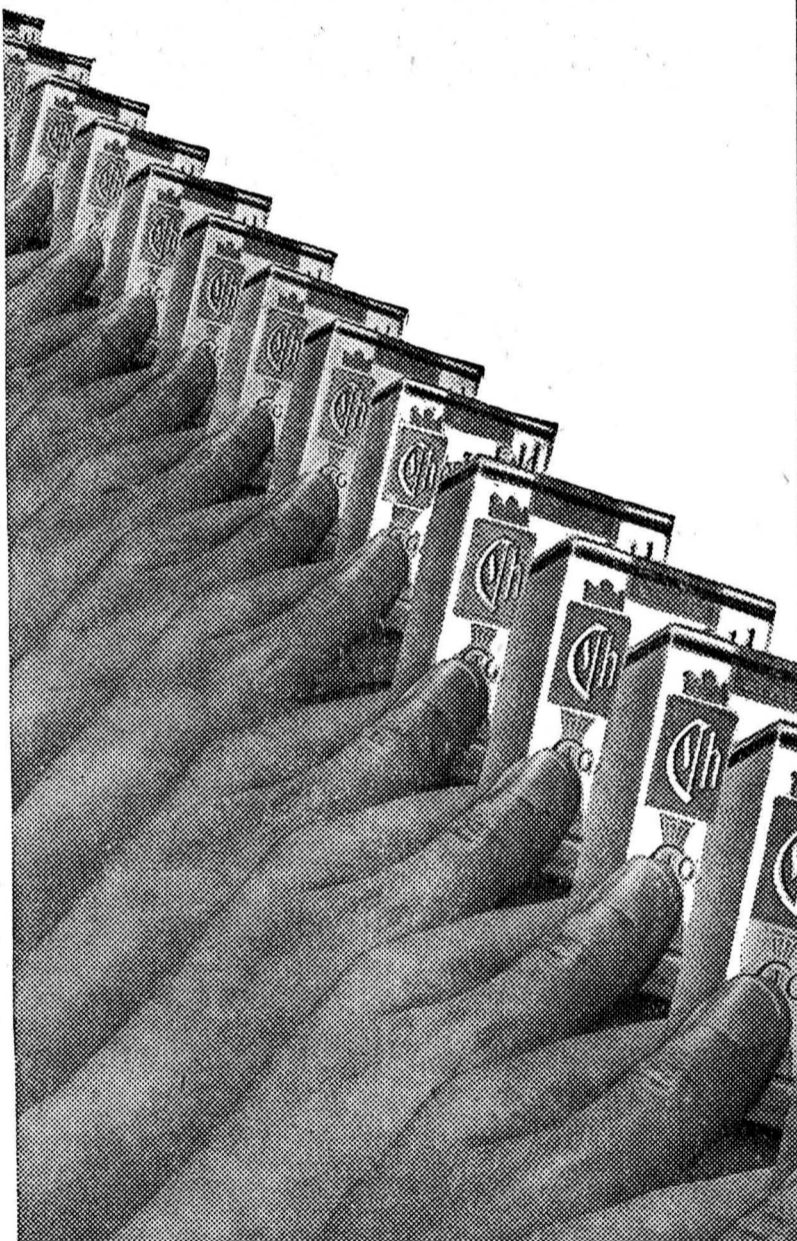
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