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Science Show Opens Friday, April 21

Modern Advancements In Scientific World To Be Demonstrated

Bucknell University Junior College Science Show will begin Friday, April 21, at noon and will continue for three days. As a result of the success of last year's endeavor, the members of the Science Department have decided to repeat a similar performance again this year.

Everyone is invited to attend this show. Visitors are welcome. The program will be conducted by professors and students of the Junior College. Various features and exhibits will be on display throughout the Science Show.

Professor Schuyler with the aid of Chemistry students are designing projects and intend to complete the work within the next few weeks. A few of the exhibits which they will have on display include Light Streamers, Luminous Iceberg, Cosmetic Preparation, Electro-Plating, and Photography.

Professor Hall will be in charge of the physical portion of the show. Demonstrations of Polarized light; non-glaring headlights for autos; location of strains in machine parts, what tempered glass is and how it acts, are certain to prove educational to the Science show visitor.

The organic side of life will be explained by Dr. Tasker and his associates in the biology department. Demonstrations of the use of the microscope and an explanation of the size of organisms, circulation of blood, and insect's social life will be featured in this portion of the show.

Bucknell Junior College students are preparing the exhibits and will serve as demonstrators for the Science Show. Guides will explain the various phases of the show to visitors.

NO SCHOOL ON EASTER MONDAY

The Easter vacation which begins at the close of school today, has been extended to April 11, according to announcement made this morning by Dr. Farley. Sessions will resume on the Tuesday following Easter Monday.

FOREIGN PROBLEMS DISCUSSION TODAY

Due to the recent crises which have been occurring in Europe, the sudden acquisitions of territory, and the probable domination of Central Europe by der Fuhrer, the International Relations Club will meet this afternoon. All your doubts concerning international affairs will be answered at this afternoon's meeting. The Club will make arrangements for their next luncheon. Members who have suggestions to make are asked to attend the meeting.

STUDENTS URGED TO AID IN INCREASING JUNIOR COLLEGE ENROLLMENT

Funds Provided For Baseball--Forum On April 18th.

Students of Bucknell Junior College, upon recommendation of the Student Council, are urged to encourage high school graduates to attend the Junior College in the fall. This movement follows the suggestion made by a member of the student body, that "personal contact" should be employed in order to increase the 1939-1940 enrollment.

Freshmen and Sophomores will be called on, shortly after the Easter vacation to interview graduates of their respective institutions. These private conferences will deal with the advantages that the Junior College has to offer to Wyoming Valley students and other favorable educational phases.

Darina Tuhy, John O'Malley, John Emanski, and John Kishel, have been appointed by the Student Council to act as a committee on arrangements.

A portion of the money in the contingent fund of the Student Activity budget, has been transferred to the athletic department to defray swimming expenses and also for the purchase of baseball equipment.

Plans have been completed by the Student Council for another student forum to be held in chapel, Tuesday, April 18. It was suggested that the session might bring better results if the teachers did not attend. With this thought in mind, Dr. Farley kindly consented to the strictly student-forum.

A vacancy exists in the Student Council. Freshmen will soon meet to elect another representative to the Student Council, to replace Tom Slattery.

EASTER DANCE IN IREM TEMPLE SATURDAY NIGHT, APRIL 8th

THERE'S A DESTINY THAT SHAPES. . .

Sometime, when the burden of classroom assignments is lifted, observe the posture of the boys and girls who frequent Conyngham and Chase Halls. You'll find all shapes and forms of individuals, as they slump and slouch at their favorite angle.

Now and then you'll find a student sitting in a "Youngster Slouch" fashion. He carries relaxation to extremes, lets go everything. His body slides into a formless heap on the bottom of the chair. Legs droop dismally from an inert mass of flesh. This denotes an utter disregard for everything, a nihilist, a critic, or characteristically, a new youngster. It's a favorite pose in the illustrated-lectures presented in CO 104.

Another form of sitting is the Drag Special. You'll find the latest exponent of this art in the Boy's Lounge daily between 12 and 1:30. It's just the plan, Everyday Slouch. Then when the body more or less observes the right angle imposed by the soft-cushioned chairs in the Conyngham conservatory, we recognize the "Kidney Ache." This is plain sitting with a touch to the leeward side. Another form is sitting with the head thrown back so as to gaze ceilingward and hands either clasped behind neck or drooping listlessly on chair arms.

If a forward cant is substituted in above so that the head droops downward, shoulder blades protrude, and brow is wrinkled, position is called the "Swimmer's Slump". It's caused by over-training and Junior College tank-men are susceptible.

But the strictly regulatory method of taking things easy, that is chin in, shoulders back, body erect, we call the "V-8 Fold-up." According to observation it appears this pose is natural for some unfortunate people.

The moral might be to relax while studying. The professors believe better results can be accomplished by studying in a straight-back chair. The only solution to the whole thing is this—never, never sit unless forced to do so. Always, every time there is a flat, fairly level surface near you, relax, stretch. It's one of the modern ways of accomplishing nothing.

Guy Hall and His Orchestra To Play

Dancing 8 to 12

Annual Easter Dance will be held Saturday evening, April 8, in Irem Temple, North Franklin Street, City. Guy Hall and his Orchestra will play for dancing, from 8 to 12.

Social Activities committee of the Junior College is in charge of the affair. Elaborate decorations have been planned in keeping with the Easter holiday spirit. Refreshments will be served.

Junior College Alumni and friends are invited to attend.

SPEAKERS DISCUSS SOCIAL PROBLEMS OF THE PRESENT

In the Social Problems course of this semester, Dr. Wilfred Crook has added a great deal of interest to the subject by inviting different speakers to deal with the various phases of the material studied. Already Dr. Crook has presented six such speakers.

Mr. Messner of Philadelphia, a representative of the Student Christian Movement gave an interesting description of the housing conditions in New York City. The assistant rector of St. Stephen's Church, Rev. Edward Tate spoke to the class on "The Co-operatives in the South." Rev. Tate illustrated this topic with pictures. The refugee Problems and the Jews in Palestine were discussed by Rabbi Samuel Wolk and accompanied by moving pictures. Mrs. O'Toole of the Department of Public Assistance dealt with the administration of public relief. Most recently Miss Klove, a member of the staff of the Osterhout Library and Mr. John Pugh, Associate Boys Work Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. led an open discussion on the social picture of Wyoming Valley.

Each of the speakers offered first hand information to the class and obligingly answered the questions which members of the class brought up. This type of subject presentation has proven very popular with the students.

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EDITORIALS

ADMIRAL HAROLD R. STARK.

Bucknell Junior College points with pride to the recent advancement of one of its most appreciated donors, Admiral Harold R. Stark. Not so long ago the man who was selected by President Roosevelt as next chief of operations, top post in the United States Navy, presented Chase Hall, to Bucknell Junior College.

Born in this city, Admiral Stark is the son of the late Col. and Mrs. Benjamin M. Stark. A graduate of the U. S. Naval Academy in 1903, Admiral Stark has been commander of the battle force cruisers and aide to both Secretaries Swanson and Adams. With only two years of flag rank, Admiral Stark has eight years of service ahead before he reaches the age of compulsory retirement. It was in this selection of Admiral Stark to succeed Admiral William D. Leahy, that precedent was shattered for the United States Navy Department.

A CARAVAN OF BOOKS

Junior College students are urged to take advantage of the reading material now available in the school library. Just as rapidly as the library staff is able to do so, many new books are being placed on the shelves of the college library. The unusual number of new books of all types is due to the fact that, in addition to the regular college appropriation, a recent gift of \$2,500 has been directed to the library for expenditure.

Congressman Harold Flannery recently donated past copies of the Congressional Records to the library. Dr. David Brown's World Literature classes have aided in the selection of some of the later editions. With the excellent selection of new books being increased every day it behooves each of us to take advantage of the opportunity afforded by the wide choice. Take some time out to read!

SPEAKING OF IMPROVEMENTS.

You have a date Tuesday, April 18. Students will assemble in chapel on that day to discuss improvements to the Bucknell Junior College. All students who have constructive criticism are invited to speak. As in the past, the session will be in charge of the Student Council.

What's more the flag of freedom will wave for sixty minutes. Dr. Farley has kindly consented to a student forum surrounded by the utmost secrecy. Teachers will not be present.

It is suggested that personal feelings of petty feuds among individuals be dropped from the discussion. Furthermore, the welfare of the school does not rest upon a few individuals. It is only through the frank expressions of the entire body that the Student Council will be able to make recommendations to the Junior College director and faculty.

Let's have your opinion.

Bucknell Junior College students extend their sympathies to Dr. Daniel L. Gage on the recent death of his father; to Dolly Betz and Robert Patton, students, whose fathers recently passed away.

Fully recovered from a wound, accidentally inflicted by a companion a fortnight ago, Donald Kersteen returned to school last week. His return was welcomed by the Junior College students.

DO YOU THINK THE STUDENT

COUNCIL IS DEMOCRATIC?

Rita Yurkanin—"No, I think it should have more power than it does."

Jerry Greenwald—"Constitution ally it is democratic but functionally it is not."

Bob Hopkins—"It has certain democratic powers, but it is not truly a democratic body."

Ruth Goldstein—"The student Council is democratic in its beliefs but not in its actions."

Julia Place—"It might be but it isn't active enough to show it."

Irvin Freed—"I think it tries to be but it is impeded by the necess-

ary rules and regulations of the school."

Marvin Fischer—"It might be democratic but I do not know enough of its activities to confirm this statement."

Phyllis Ackerman—"I agree with Jerry Greenwald's statement."

Shirley Brown—"No, I don't think it is. It makes many suggestions but they are not carried out by the school."

Marion Martin—"I think it is democratic but it lacks the wholehearted support of the student body."

DEBATERS WIN, LOSE.

On Thursday, March 23, Edelman and Greenberg, members of the debating society were defeated by the Penn State team. However in the preceding debate with the Scranton-Keystone Jr. College, Lydia Greenbaum and Bernard Greenberg won the decision. The question used was "Resolved that the United States Government should cease to use public funds to stimulate business." During the past week the Junior College met debaters from Muhlenberg and Hofstra.

The Junior College team, which consists of Murray Edelman, Lydia Greenbaum, Margaret Moore and Bernard Greenberg, has been chosen to judge the debates of the Pennsylvania High School Forensic League.

CLIPPING ILLEGAL

Students are requested to refrain from cutting clippings from the library copies of newspapers and magazines. Particular attention is called to the fact that the New York Times is being ruined almost every week, and since the librarians are keeping an accurate file of the Times, all students are kindly asked to co-operate in this respect.

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THE BEACON SPOTLIGHTS:

ENTERPRISING. . .

Heading the Social Activities committee of Bucknell Junior College is Robert Hopkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fay Hopkins, Miner Street, Wilkes-Barre. Jovial, affable, Bob, a graduate of Meyer's High School, is now in his second year at BUJC and plans to continue his studies at the campus in the fall. In high school Bob engaged in all kinds of athletic competition but we know him best at BUJC for his basketball prowess. Bob is an enthusiastic worker and has aided as an enterprising agent for a number of Bucknell dances. In the summer Bob lays aside his text-books and turns to his pet hobby—fishing.

EQUESTRIENNE. . .

Madge Space, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Space, Dallas, attended Wyoming Seminary and Wilson College, before entering Bucknell Junior College. She is enrolled in the Commerce and Finance course. Miss Space is one of Wyoming Valley's most popular equestriennes. She is active in the Girl's Glee Club at the Junior College.



Girls Plan Teas - - Arrange Bridge, Archery Tourneys - - May Pageant

BETA GAMMA CHI TO ENTERTAIN GIRL GRADS

Miss Dorothy Dyer Is Guest Speaker

Girls activities at Bucknell Jr. College will soon move into more active stages according to an announcement made yesterday by Miss Barbara Ryerson, dean of girls.

At the last meeting of the Beta Gamma Chi Sorority, Miss Dorothy Hughes the president announced that seniors from the various high schools in the valley will be invited to attend the teas during the spring. The purpose of this plan is to acquaint the seniors with the students and activities of the Junior College. The invitation list will be made up of the names submitted by each member of the sorority. This plan was put into effect last year and proved very successful.

The speaker for the girl's tea on Friday, March 24 was Miss Dorothy Tunell Dyer, Dean of Women at Lewisburg. Miss Dyer discussed the type of life one could expect to find at the campus. This subject proved to be of special interest to the Sophomores since so many of them are planning to continue their college work in Lewisburg. The discussion was especially valuable in clearing up many of the questions and problems which had arisen in the minds of the girls.

Increased popularity of bridge is responsible for the arrangement of a bridge tourney which will get underway shortly after the Easter vacation. Started by a group of girls, as a medium of lounge recreation, the fad has steadily increased in popularity.

WHAT IS YOUR SUGGESTION?

Eleanor Parry, Student Council representative, met last week with a committee girls from the freshmen and sophomore classes, and outlined a plan of renewed sports activity among the girls at the Junior College. The committee consists of Joy Bodycomb, Mary Brislin, Dollie Betz, Lillian Celmer, Gertrude Jones, Madge Space, Betty Schwager, and Christine Whiteman. Miss Ryerson will assist the girls in an advisory capacity.

Results of the contest should prove interesting, inasmuch as an ideal bridge partner will be declared the final winner.

Archery will develop the necessary poise for the May pageant, which is in its initial stages. The May pageant is an annual event at Lewisburg and if the proper amount of enthusiasm is shown here, Miss Sanguliano will endeavor to arrange it for next month.

Meet the "Gang at--

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Look Where You May

"BUTTON, BUTTON", LATEST VENTURE BUJC THESPIANS

Presentation Scheduled For April

At present the Thespians are in the midst of their play, "Button Button". Which will be presented in the Little Theatre about the middle of April.

The comedy was written by Maurice Clark and was presented in 1929 at the Bijou Theatre New York. Alison Skipworth of the movies played one of the leading roles at that time.

The story centers around one Button Alexander Woodhouse. His socially prominent family consider him somewhat unbalanced but the audience soon finds out that it is not Button but his family who is unbalanced. The worst that can be said of Button is that he would rather be considered eccentric than spend his youth in a mad quest for stocks and bonds only to arrive at middle age with wealth, a bulging waist, and golf, all of which his family possesses. He is beset by rich women who try to force their hobbies upon his restless days. Button runs away from an antique collector, bumps into a girl with a new variety of free verse, wads his brother with a bag of golf clubs, and falls into the hands of an amateur psy-

TEACHER MEETS FORMER PUPIL

Edith Vongehr, a resident of China and a student at Sweet Briar, who recently visited Helen Beaver, was surprised to learn that one of her former teachers in the American School in the Orient, Professor Stanley R. Townsend, is at present a member of the Junior College faculty.

Several years ago, Mr. Townsend taught in China and last year completed a tour of Europe. Miss Vongehr was born in China and received her primary education there. Her father is an exporter. She and Mr. Townsend talked over existing conditions in Europe and some of the changes that have taken place since their departures.

chiatrist, who needs him as an experiment. Finally, and much worse to his peace of mind, he meets the practical minded housemaid who sincerely loves the easy going and delightful Button.

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CURLEY'S BALLTOSSERS AND SWATTERS PREPARE SEASON

VETERANS, NEWCOMERS, BEGIN OUTDOOR PRACTICE NEXT WEEK AT KIRBY PARK

Tough Schedule Faces BUJC Nine

Next week you shall know by a sign that Spring is here to stay, and even the most chronic pessimist will agree that the throaty cry of "Play-ball" carries this welcome message with more force and conviction than all other omens. The scene—Kirby Park, and the actors—the Bucknell Jr. College baseball nine.

Out there on the field will be a squad of eager, ambitious Junior Collegians, trying out for permanent berths on the team. Over on the edge of the grass, Jack Dooley, Larksville's gift to the team, Jack Saricks, Gacha, Netzel, and Morton, crouch alertly at their divers positions. "Zeke" Kuschel and host of others are practicing at the first base position. Holding down the hot corner (third base to the uninitiates) is Captain Ed. Labak.

Play-ball! the outfielders hear it too, tense a bit, shift away from the hitter's side. Coach Curley is pleased with the fine lot of candidates for outfield posts and is rapidly shaping the boys together.

Play-ball! The battery mates approach each other, hold a short

SOFTBALLERS WARM-UP

Softball season will get under way during the middle of this month. Six teams have been selected for intramural competition. Team captains are as follows: Yankees, Robert Conway; Giants, John Emanski; Phillies, Robert Patton; Cincinnati Reds, Robert Hopkins; Athletics, Wilbur Troy; Chicago Cubs, John Kuschel.

Last year there was a decided interest in softball activity. The current season is expected to attract more students who are rapidly learning to appreciate more the value of sports at Bucknell Junior College.

council of war, return to their battle stations. Out on the mound are Veigh and Bush. Back of the plate, fully rigged for the fray, in the game's toughest and most thankless role the catchers. They crouch signal, straighten a bit, there is a flash of white, the batter takes a hold with his cleats, swings lustily, and. . . but you will have to find out the rest for yourself.

The Annual Letterman's Banquet will be held this year on Saturday June 3 at Chase Hall. . . Efforts are being made to have Malcolm Musser, varsity basketball coach at Bucknell, as the principal speaker. . . Former coach Henry Peters will also be present. . .

With the arrival of spring weather the physical education department will sponsor an intramural softball tourney, the games to be played Tuesday and Thursday noons on the lot adjoining South and S. River Sts. . . At least six teams will be enrolled. . .

It looks as though Harvard will run away with the second half title in the intra-mural Bowling League unless Cornell trips them in their forthcoming match. . . The faculty team won the first half last year, lost the second half, and were defeated in the playoffs by a few points. . . They don't want a repetition of that occurrence. . . Harvard holds the high single game and high three games bowled in league competition. . . "Slatz" Obitz, a member of that team, holds the high three game title. . . The only thing they don't hold is the high single game. . .

John Ferguson and Paul Trebilcox put on the best intramural wrestling match of the year when they battled for two extra periods before Trebilcox gained the decision making him the 175 lb. champ.

Freshman-Sophomore Cagers, Wrestlers To Meet.

The question of interclass basketball supremacy will be settled for another year when the freshman and Sophomores clash on Tuesday, April 11, at 11:00 in the Y. M. C. A. Last year the upperclassmen managed to eke out a win in an exciting game by the scant margin of one point. They are expected to duplicate their win again this year but by a wider margin.

Albie Baker, Bob Hopkins, Bill Thomas, Bob Royer, Fred Semmer, Algerd Baldauski, Al Ringstrom,

and Wilbur Troy will carry the colors for the sophomores while Wayne Swanbery, Dave Secunda, Earl Haefele, Wesley Hershkowitz, Vic Urban, John Dooley, and George Scott are listed for action in the frosh lineup. Albie Baker and Wayne Swanbery will captain the sophomore and freshman teams.

Immediately following the basketball classic there will be introduced for the first time in interclass relations what is expected to be an annual wrestling tournament. Results of the Intramural Wrestling Tournament reveal the supremacy of the freshman in the grunt and groan sport. Several good bouts are assured. In the 126 lb. class—Bob Most vs. Al Ringstrom; 136 lb—Al Stets vs. Chet Weinstock; 145 lb—Edward Roberts vs. Bill Dowdell; 155 lb—Lee Wazeter vs. Algerd Baldauski; 165 lb—Joe Kornblatt vs. James Hunt; 175 lb—Paul Trebilcox vs. Chet Warakomski; Heavyweight—Karl Kalweit vs. Bill Morton.

Freshmen Dominate Intramural Wrestling

The first intramural wrestling tournament staged under the guidance of Joe Curley, Walt Thomas and Steve Gacha proved to be a big success insofar as the number of students participating and that the freshmen completely dominated the weight division titles. The sophomores managed to win but one title and that by James Hunt in the 165 lb. division. No other sophomore went further than the semi-finals. In the finals in the final bouts Bob Most decided Dave Evans at 126 lbs; Al Stets pinned Eugene Rogers at 136 lbs; Edward Roberts pinned Charlie Fehlinger at 145 lbs.; James Hunt pinned Joe Horoshko in the 165 lb. class; and Paul Trebilcox decided John Ferguson in two extra periods in the 175 lb. class.

The matches were well attended and several exceptionally fine bouts were staged.

- SPORT SHOTS -

One of the most amusing incidents happened during the finals of the Intramural Wrestling Tournament when but one of the female sex showed up to root for her favorite. . . A slight accident happened to Joe Kornblatt's pants . . . and was her face red.

Baseball practice is progressing very slowly as a result of the

inclement weather. . . Kuschel, Dooley, Henning, Netzel, Veigh, Saricks, Thomas, Capt. Labak, Urban, and Curley form the nucleus of what is expected to be the finest diamond aggregation ever to represent the Junior College. . . The first game is scheduled with Wyoming Seminary on April 28.

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