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PARTRIDGE TO LEAVE AT SEMESTER'S END

Lettermen's Low-Down Tonight at College Gym

Lettermen of the Blue and Gold will trade their letter sweaters tonight for blue jeans and checkered shirts and their respective fields of athletics for women as they present their first endeavor of the new semester—the Lettermen's Low-Down, a square dance, at the WC gymnasium.

Chairman of the event Walt Chapko stated yesterday that Abe Bellas and the "Night Hawks" are set for the old-fashioned hoedown. They will supply music for modern, square and polka dancing to suit the taste of all Wilkesmen and their feminine counterparts.

Chapko also advised that dancing will continue from 9 to 12.

The event is expected to be a huge success as are all Lettermen-sponsored affairs. The club had its most successful dance, the Christmas formal, prior to the holiday vacation and looking forward to another well-attended affair tonight.

Tickets, at 50 cents per person, can be obtained from any Letterman on campus and also may be purchased at the gymnasium.

The dance chairman also listed committees who have arranged for the dance. They include: publicity, Don McFadden, Howie Gross and Jack Richards; refreshments, Andy Breznay, Jim Ferris and Mel McNew; tickets, Joe Wilk, Ron Rescigno and Cliff Brautigan.

Kaufman, Imdorf Get Price Waterhouse Jobs

As the result of their work during an internship this winter at Price Waterhouse, International Accounting firm in New York City, two Wilkes College accounting majors have been accepted by the company as permanent employees and will begin work there in June, according to John J. Chwalek, placement director.

They are Arthur Imdorf, 114 South Ridge street, Taylor, Pa., and Joshua J. Kaufman, 201 West 89th Street, New York City. Imdorf, who will graduate from Wilkes in June, attended Keystone for two years. He is married to Janet Harrison of Wilkes-Barre.

Kaufman, a February graduate, came to the local college from the Bronx High School of Science.

Prexy Back from Florida

Dr. Eugene S. Farley, Wilkes President, returned this week from a short business trip to Florida.

He termed the trip a "moderate success" but refused to disclose the nature of the business.

SAVAGE REPLACES DONNELLY AS LATTER GOES FOR DOCTORATE

By JANICE SCHUSTER

During the absence of Professor Joseph Donnelly, who has left to obtain his doctorate at the University of Pennsylvania, Wilkes students will have an opportunity to become acquainted with his temporary replacement, Walter Savage, who has already received a nod of approval from his students here on campus.

The congenial newcomer, who is residing at Ashley Hall Men's Dormitory, was most impressed by the attitude of Wilkes students whom he described as "friendly and purposeful."

A native of Woodbury, New Jersey, Savage completed his undergraduate work at Middlebury College in Middlebury, Vermont, where he was active on the newspaper staff, in intramural sports, and on many student committees. He received his master's degree at the University of Pennsylvania and is presently studying for his doctorate there. He was elected to Phi Beta Kappa honorary fraternity while at Middlebury.

The young instructor is a man of varied interests but is especially interested in sports, drama, and a future in the field of writing. His wife is employed by The Saturday Evening Post in Philadelphia.

Savage is a veteran of three years service with the army in the First Ranger Battalion of the Infantry.

Mr. Donnelly, a life resident of Wilkes-Barre and an alumnus of Wilkes, will work on the thesis on the life of George Orwell and is to return to Wilkes after completing the work.

Savage replaces Dale Warmouth as dormitory proctor of Ashley Hall. Warmuth, former director of public relations and also Editor of the Manuscript, received his A.B. in English at the end of last semester.

DR. KLEIN TEACHING PEDIATRICS COURSE

Another new course was added to the Wilkes curriculum with the opening of classes in pediatric nursing this week in the Evening Division.

Dr. Joseph M. Klein, Wilkes-Barre pediatrician, is conducting the course on Tuesday evenings from 8 to 10. The new offering has attracted professional people from Northeastern Pennsylvania and stands as just another service of Wilkes.

Dr. Klein attended the city schools here and graduated from (continued on page 4)

Activities Director, Coach Accepts Teaching Position at Kent School; Calls New Job 'Chance of Lifetime'

Robert W. Partridge, director of activities, will leave Wilkes at the end of this semester, it was learned officially yesterday. Rumors that the genial member of the Wilkes faculty would leave leaked on campus during the past week, and the announcement was made definite by Partridge in a special interview with the Beacon.

The loss of the former All-American soccer player at the University of Pennsylvania will leave several positions to be filled here. No indication as to who will fill the vacancies has been given by the administration.

Partridge, who began his career at Wilkes as a history instructor, is director of activities, director of the Wilkes gym, a physical education instructor, soccer and baseball coach, and advisor to the Student Council. In addition, he is a member of the Wilkes board of athletics.

The Philadelphia native tendered his resignation three weeks ago so that he can accept a position as an instructor of history at the Kent School, an exclusive boys' preparatory school at Kent, Conn.

"I will leave Wilkes with many regrets," Partridge told a reporter, "but the opportunity offered me at Kent comes only once in a lifetime."

"I often thought that I'd like to teach in a private boys' school, such as Kent, but I never dreamed I'd get the opportunity. Naturally, I jumped at the chance," he continued, "and I'll be doing what I like best, anyway—teaching."

"Louise (Partridge) and I have made many friends here at Wilkes and we'll never forget the really wonderful experiences we have had here," Partridge said. "After being here so long, and getting to feel like a part of Wilkes, it is awfully hard to leave."

Known to students and faculty alike as "Bob", he has contributed heavily in building a spirit of Wilkes' own. He headed the first soccer team here and saw his last two teams take winning seasons. He has also been successful as baseball coach. This spring will be his last as diamond mentor.

Always eager to lend a hand, Bob has been one of the most popular persons on campus—instructor, coach and friend.

Partridge, Mrs. Partridge and their two children, Carol and Glenn, who now reside on Gibson Avenue, Kingston, will move to the campus at Kent in September.



Robert W. Partridge

Year's Top Back Led To Altar by Wilkes Co-ed

By FRED A. BILLSTEIN

Ronald Fitzgerald, recently voted the outstanding Colonel back of the year, and Barbara Bialogowicz, Wilkes co-ed, were married last Wednesday evening, January 26, in a small church wedding attended by the family and a few close friends.

Le Roy Fitzgerald, brother of the bridegroom was best man, and Geri Kolotelo was maid of honor. After the marriage a reception was held at the Hotel Redington.

The Fitzgeralds then went to New York for a week-end honeymoon. Ronnie will graduate in June, and then will probably join Uncle Sam. At present, the couple is living with Barbara's parents in Plymouth.

The BEACON extends its best wishes for the future to Barb and Fitz.

VALENTINE DANCE NEXT FRIDAY NIGHT

The one time of the year when a Wilkes co-ed can ask an available man for a date is fast approaching in the form of the annual Theta Delta Rho Valentine Dance, which will be held next Friday night at the college gym. So gals, get your man before they're all

gone. Jack Melton and his orchestra will supply the music. TDR president Naomi Kivler will draw the number that will select a King and Queen of Hearts. The couple will be presented with an assortment of gifts.

Both Debate Teams On Road Today

Varsity, Novices At Johns Hopkins, NYU Tournaments

The Wilkes College debate team travels again this weekend. Both the varsity and the novices left yesterday for Johns Hopkins and N.Y.U. respectively.

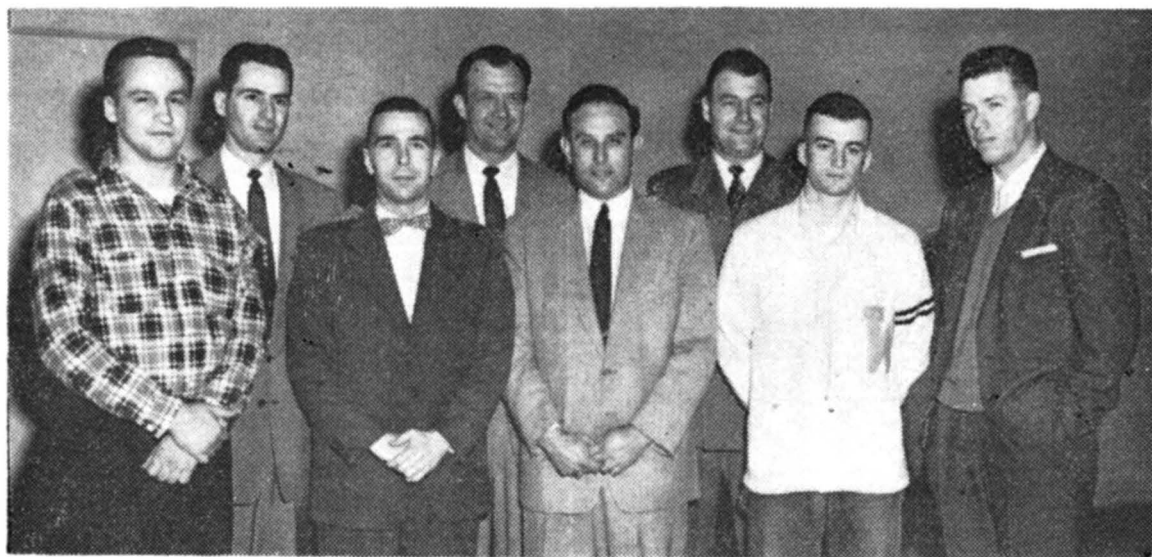
Jim Neveras and Nick Flannery, the varsity team, will spend today and tomorrow at Johns Hopkins, where they tied for first place last year, winning certificates both as individual and team debaters, as well as in extemporaneous events.

In this first two-man team event of the present season, the varsity men will handle both sides of the question of the recognition of Communist China. Both will also compete in the extemporaneous tournament, and Dr. Kruger, team coach, holds that his men have a fairly good chance.

While the varsity speaks at Johns Hopkins, the novice team will debate in the National Forensic Fraternity's contest at N.Y.U. There the group of Virginia Brehm, Bruce Warshall, Leslie Weiner, and Jesse Choper will also enter the Tau Kappa Alpha's extemporaneous, discussion, and oratory contests, as well as the debate, and will participate in a model Congress in which each member will speak.

Last week the debaters presented a program before the Dallas Rotary, and three weeks from now they will be paired with Florida at a double two-man debate at Dartmouth.

Dr. Kruger is coaching and travelling with the varsity, while assistant coach Robert Darrow serves the novices.



BEACON Photo by Cliff Brothers

Wilkes Coaches, Players Hob-Nob with Yankee Stars

DIAMOND DOINGS—During the semester "recess" Wilkes baseball stars and coaches held a parley with major league stars at a baseball clinic held at the Wilkes College gym. The clinic was held for the benefit of youngsters, but college diamond personalities were on hand to pick up pointers for the coming campaign. The big leaguers talked on different phases of baseball, and then left themselves open to questions from their young admirers. The clinic was sponsored

by the American Legion. First row, left to right are former Wilkes catcher Joe Trosko, head baseball coach Bob Partridge, Gene Woodling, former Yankee now with the Baltimore Orioles, Jim Ferris, Wilkes top outfielder, and the Yankees' Gil MacDougald. Second row, New York's Jerry Coleman, Joe Collins, and Colonel assistant coach Bill Mock. Woodling is a one-time Wilkes-Barre Barren and Collins hails from nearby Scranton. MacDougald is a frequent visitor to Wyoming Valley.

STRENGTH KEY TO U. S. DEFENCE, SAYS PENNA. GEOGRAPHER

By T. R. PRICE

Strength is the key to defense against Red Russia and Communist China, Mr. Michael Dorizas, geography professor at the University of Pennsylvania, told the student body of Wilkes at assembly last Tuesday.

He explained that the menace is great and cited Russia's schools for revolution. The students of the schools have caused much of the disturbances in the world, most recently, the murder of the President of Panama.

There is also a great difficulty in handling the communist element in such friendly nations as France and Italy. Communists will attempt to exploit such critical areas as Palestine where the Israeli-Arab dispute has been helped by the blundering of Western diplomacy.

However, wherever the communists have been met with force, as in Spain, Persia and Greece, they have been stopped cold. Dorizas stressed that we need not fear them. If we keep ourselves militarily, financially, and above all, spiritually strong, we will have naught to fear in the future.

Letters To The Editor:

Editor:

I was disappointed, but not surprised, to read about the rejection of the proposed veterans organization. The Administrative Council stated: that the organization violated a Wilkes tradition by having off-campus origins and affiliations; that the organization would be unable to make any substantial contributions to the College; and that the needs of the organization's members could better be served by existing organizations. The announcement also stated that the Administration would gladly meet to discuss their decision with any group representing the veterans.

The Administration had in its possession a copy of the organization's proposed constitution — approved by the Student Council — at least two weeks before the holidays. Whether intentionally or by accident, they announced their rejection on the day before final examinations began — a time when the students involved would be least able to form any concerted reaction.

The first reason given for the rejection of the organization is simply founded. The second and third reasons might easily be said of any organization on campus. At the meeting of the Student Council which approved our constitution, these questions, and others, were raised by Dr. Reif. Dr. Reif attended only as a privately interested individual. If he had remained long enough to hear the discussion which followed his statement, he could have informed the Administration that all these arguments were countered to the satisfaction of three-quarters of the Student Council.

I must assume, therefore, that the Administration has other motives for turning down our petition which they do not care to mention. Since the purpose, intention, and operation of the organization were all listed in the constitution, I can find no argument to take before the Administrative Council.

Sincerely yours,

Robert W. Darrow

SENIORS — A MUST!

All seniors who have not filled out their record forms at the Placement Office are requested to do so immediately. Arrangements must be made for conducting employment interviews.

AS MIMI KNOWS IT

(ADVICE TO THE SHOOK-UP)

Dear Mimi,

I was jilted! The man I was in love with ran off with my widowed grandmother. How can I regain his love?

Yours truly,
Perplexed

Dear Perplexed,

Try being his obedient granddaughter.

Mimi

Dear Mimi,

I have a schedule of 21 semester hours and I also go steady. This is quite a problem because it is interfering with my drinking. What can I do? I'm feeling mighty Lowe's.

Fluidly yours,
Etaoin Shrdlu, frosh

Dear Etaoin,

Quit school and open a bar.

Very fluently yours,
Mimi

Dear Mimi,

I am a personable young man (of age) and have been looking for a girl who will support me in the manner to which I would like to be accustomed. Do you have any good leads?

Sincerely,

Desperately Broke

Dear Desperately Broke,

Where can I meet you?

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Mimi

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60 Frosh Added, Vets Predominate, Registrar Reports

A freshman class of about sixty students has joined the ranks of older Wilkesmen who beat the pavements along the Susquehanna.

Registrar John B. Whitby announced that although accurate statistics are not available, the mid-term enrollment of sixty is "average in number and predominantly veterans". Enrollment at this time of the year is necessarily reduced since the number of high school graduates in January is very small.

Enrollment is further limited to those students who can adjust their courses to earn sufficient credits to be eligible for graduation in four years. Major fields of study are generally restricted to business and commerce and finance.

It is difficult for Science or Engineering students to enroll since some of the required freshman courses are not offered during the Spring semester, Mr. Whitby stated.

CAMPUS CHATTER

When two people tie the knot, it usually means — well it means something. However, when Al Jeter and Pat McNelis decided to tie the knot last Sunday night, they did it in real style — four or five times according to reports. The truth of the matter is that they had to tie the old knot everytime they got in and out of the car. A door had frozen and couldn't be shut. In order to assure safety, a rope was tied from one door to the other right across Pat and Al. The things some women will do to hold their men . . .

Younsou Koo came up with a good one as they led him out the door, "Excuse me please, they tell me I have to go." Then there was the debut of a local Irishman at a Bar Mitzvah last Saturday night. The band wouldn't play "When Irish Eyes are Smiling". . . . Joe Jablonski peeped his head through the door of English 242 on the first day of school and asked, "Is this Romantic?" Can you imagine anybody getting hit with about 15 two-pound anthologies?

The price tag is still on the TV set in Harding Hall—On the screen no less . . . There is a sign in Sterling Hall (girls' dorm) "In case of raid go to basement." What are we running here?

Jack Tippet has a fine new night job. He works in an undertaker's establishment. May we ask what could be deader than Homer or Voltaire . . . Some joker offered a Wilkesman a drink at a football game. The Colonel indignantly stated, "I'm from Wilkes, suh!" The benevolent one answered sheepishly, "I'm sorry. I didn't know. Here, take the whole bottle."

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EDITORIAL

AND NOW — JUNE

Another semester has passed, and for many of us, the last turn has been made and we're heading down the home stretch — or walking the last mile, as you will.

After all that studying—then a period without any to do—it's pretty tough to get back in the habit again, isn't it? "Oh, well," say many on campus, "this is better than the Army." Already the senior class is beginning to prepare for the many activities in which it will take part, so the end of May isn't really so far off.

To those students who are having the common rough time along about this time in their college careers, buck up, old man. Ask any senior how many times he almost threw in the towel. The ones who didn't will see the reward one afternoon in June.

Perhaps the cry for this week should have been "Medic! Medic!" as we licked our wounds and dove back into academic battles. At any rate, here we go again.

And as we go again, so with us will go the memories that "last semester was the worst I've ever seen." Complaints that more low grades were recorded than ever before will also be heard.

But, again, don't lose heart. Just wait until the year's final round of finals this spring and the waves of nausea, headaches, nervous breakdowns, and perhaps a few suicides that come with them. About then, you'll be ready to forget the fall semester.

Machine gun, anyone?

Curtis, Editor

Wrestlers, Cagers Active Tomorrow Night on Road

Grappling Crew Meets Huskies; Lineup Changed

A finely conditioned Blue and Gold wrestling squad will lock horns with a winless Bloomsburg State Teachers College tomorrow night on the latter's home grounds. The meet is scheduled to get underway at 8 o'clock.

Although the Huskies have no wins to their credit this year it has been reported that they gained several new men over the semester and are now much stronger. Coach John Reese has predicted that his charges are in for more trouble than the teachers' record would seem to indicate.

Reese stated that he expected the most trouble in the middle weights, 147, 157, and 177 pound class. Bloomsburg's captain, Roy Welliver, is one of the best wrestlers in the state and can always be counted on as a top trouble maker.

Weight Jump

To make things difficult, Ahmed Kazimi, Don McFadden, and Neil Dadurka of the Wilkes squad will have to work one class above their normal weight.

The Colonels will be counting heavily on the services of Bob Morgan and Dave Thomas. Morgan, who grapples in the 123 pound class, is undefeated this year in five starts. Thomas, only a freshman, has a record of five wins against two defeats.

Seen as Strong

According to reports, the Wilkes crew is in the best physical shape that it has been in all year. In the early part of the season Reese was plagued with a lack of candidates and injuries to several key men.

The grapplers will return home on the 16th to tangle with an ever powerful Hofstra College team.

Wilkes probable lineup:

123-lb., Bob Morgan; 130-lb., Sam Shugar; 137-lb., Don Reynolds; 147-lb., Ahmed Kazimi; 157-lb., Don McFadden; 167-lb., Dave Thomas; 177-lb., Neil Dadurka; Heavyweight, Jerry Elias.

Colonelettes Dropped, 46 to 16, by Marywood In Virus Sweepstakes

By HELEN M. KRACHENFELS

Those determined women of basketball, the Wilkes College Colonelettes, traveled to Scranton Monday night, only to meet their second defeat at the hands of the Marywood cagers, this time to the tune of 46-16.

Sickness on the Wilkes team (before the game, not after viewing the score) seemed as large an obstacle to the gals as the forbidding height and rotundity of the Scranton lassies. The game was played amid much coughing, sneezing, and "time out for a Kleenex!" (Well, we must have some excuse, after all!)

Closed the Gap

The Marywood Monsters went wild in the first quarter, to chalk up 21 points, while Wilkes managed a bare 2. In the second period, scoring on both sides was notably curtailed, with Marywood gaining only 6, and Wilkes none. Georgia Tomasetti, high scorer for the Colonelettes, ran wild in the third quarter, bringing the WC tally to a tremendous 11! Barbara Vavrek, a rough-and-tumble freshman on the squad, shared the scoring honors for the night.

The next encounter for the Colonelettes will be on Feb. 12 with the girls from Keystone Junior College.



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Athletes Honored at Annual Banquet

TOPS IN SPORTS IN '54 — Special award winners at the recent Wilkes Athletic Banquet line up with their coaches after being honored for outstanding achievement on fields of play. Left to right, first row, are Jim Ferris, voted the year's outstanding athlete by the coaches and also the top baseball player; Al Nicholas, recipient of the cherished Joseph Gallagher Memorial award voted him by his grid teammates; and Younsu Koo, outstanding soccer player — Reggie Burr trophy. Second row, Assistant Grid Coach Russ Picton, Joe Trosko, outstanding lineman and top griddier; Ronald Fitzgerald, outstanding backfieldman; Bob Partridge, head soccer and baseball coach and George Ralston, football and basketball mentor.

SPORTIN' AROUND

with Al Jeter

Wedding Bells

Congratulations are in order for Barbara Bialogowicz and Ronnie Fitzgerald who recently tied the matrimonial knot. The lucky groom was recently named the outstanding backfield man on the 1954 edition of the Colonel footballers and this column would like to wish the kids all the best — they're both swell.

It was fire drill time in the gym last week when the cagers tangled with Lycoming College and came out on the long end of the horn. Earlier in the season the Lycoming crew handed the Colonels a stinging defeat in a game which, according to all reports, featured the ejecting of Harry Ennis from the ball game via the foul route.

The Colonels were well on their way to working up a TWENTY point lead the other night when Ralston sent in the reserves to give them some much-needed experience. Lycoming narrowed the margin, but there was no doubt in anybody's mind as to just who the masters of the situation were.

Only logical explanation — must be the difference in courts — or something.

Who's Confused?

The last five minutes gave witness to some of the finest antics that we have seen all year. The Lycoming line was torn to shreds by the power plays of Brautigan and Petrilak, who both averaged about six yards per try for what may be a new collegiate record.

There was no stopping the pair as they tore off yardage through tackle and around end for telling gains. It was during this time that a new star was born in the form of Parker Petrilak, who in his time has been noted as a soccer, basketball, and football player. The "Park" added more laurels to his cap by turning actor and drew the plaudits of the Academy Award crowd to the tune of many bravos.

Spirited What?

In a more serious vein though, the team was just plain aggressive with a will to win that would not be denied. If the game got slightly out of hand in the closing minutes, we believe that it was a result of a hard played fracas with quite a bit of tension mounting in players of both sides: not deliberate rough stuff.

The Colonels have come a long way since a rather dismal start. This year was figured to be a rough one due to the rebuilding process that was necessary after losing most of last year's star performers. The team has done right well and has showed steady improvement right along and now seems to have hit a stride that should spell trouble for all comers.

STATISTICS OF INDIVIDUAL PLAYERS

	FGA	FG	PCT	FTA	FT	PCT	RB	TP	AVE
Harry Ennis	152	69	.454	59	41	.695	111	179	17.9
Jim Ferris	128	144	.344	84	65	.774	51	153	15.3
John Bresnahan	124	60	.484	34	22	.638	109	142	14.2
Carl Van Dyke	101	38	.376	27	15	.555	56	91	11.4
Joe Jablonski	106	33	.311	13	7	.539	79	73	7.3
Parker Petrilak	67	24	.358	40	18	.450	57	66	6.6
Dick Bunn	3	1	.333	2	1	.500	1	3	.3
Cliff Brautigan	13	4	.308	15	8	.533	12	16	2.7
Joe Popple	4	2	.500	1	1	1.000	3	5	1.3
Bob Sokol	7	2	.286	2	2	1.000	1	6	.8
Ed Troutman	6	1	.166	0	0	.000	3	2	.3

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Club 20 Sets Fast Pace In Intra-mural League

The end of Wednesday night's play in the intramural league found the Club 20 firmly entrenched in first place by virtue of two forfeit wins. The '20' crew holds an enviable record of five wins against no losses.

In games played during the week Idiots Row downed the Bar Rags, 54 to 37. Bunn shot high for the Idiots with 18 points.

The Accelerators stepped on the gas and ran down the Flashy Five to the tune of 43 to 35. Darke paced the winners with 16 counters. Falk's Five tripped up the Spanish Flyers, 40 to 35. Heltzel set the pace for the Falkmen with 10 markers.

It just wasn't the Flyers week and they were downed for the second time by the Idiots, who aren't quite as crazy as their names, by the score of 40 to 36. Barouage sunk 15 points to lead the victory.

The Bar Rags rung themselves out and stiffened the aging and

The Standings:		
Team	W	L
Club 20	5	0
Idiots Row	4	0
Weckesser Hall	4	0
Falk's Five	3	0
Vet's Club	3	1
Accelerators	2	1
Bar Rags	2	2
Young'uns	1	2
Spanish Flyers	1	2
Economics Club	1	3
Butler Hall	0	1
Flashy Five	0	4
Finale Hoppers	0	5
Biology Bugs	0	5

slightly paunchy Vet's Club, 39 to 38. McFadden registered 19 points for the Rags.

The Bar Rags came through again the next night and outtamed the Biology Bugs, 69 to 33. Carey, without the aid of John Barleycorn, came through with 22 markers for the winners.

Falk's Five went on a scoring spree and completely demolished the Young'uns by the score 55 to 23. Heltzel was high man for the winners, contributing 17 points to the outrage.

Club 20 won on forfeits from the Economics Club and Butler Hall. Weckesser Hall and the Vet's Club both registered wins when the Flashy Five failed to arrive on the scene. Idiots Row also took a win

HOOPSTERS TANGLE WITH SUSQUEHANNA; TRY FOR WIN NO. SIX

By RODGER LEWIS

Wilkes' basketball forces will be gunning for win number six tomorrow night when they invade Susquehanna College at Selinsgrove, Pa. If the Colonels come here with a victory they will be ahead of the win-lose column by one game for the first time this season. As it stands the Colonels have an even record of five wins against five defeats.

Coach Ralston expects a victory, but no easy time. Susquehanna is supposedly the "sleeper" on the Colonels' schedule, but they are known to be rough on their home court.

Coaches Happy

The coaching staff is pleased with the overall improvement of the team. Their opinions are backed up by the current three game winning streak. Much of the improvement can be attributed to the increased rebounding of Joe Jablonski and the floor work of Carl Van Dyke.

Not to be counted out is the steady play of high scorer Harry Ennis, top rebounder John Bresnahan, and the all-around play of pint-sized Jim Ferris.

Added Depth

Some new players have added strength to Ralston's bench. Former Luzerne sparkler, Dick Bunn, joined the squad at the beginning of the second semester to give some height to the substitutions. Two freshmen have also brightened the future, namely Danny Lynn and Bob Sokol.

Next week the Colonels entertain a strong Yeshiva team on Tuesday in the local drill shed.

via the forfeit route as the Finale Hoppers hopped out and failed to put in an appearance.

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NO HANDICAP TOO GREAT FOR FEATHERMAN; GRADUATE WAS REGULAR GUY, TOP STUDENT

By JACK CURTIS

For a fellow almost totally blind, who wanted to give up college two weeks after he arrived at Wilkes, Roland Featherman did pretty well by himself when he finished his undergraduate career last week—in just three and a half years.

Known as one of the friendliest fellows on campus, the Shickshinny, Pa., lad achieved a bachelor of arts degree in sociology and was consistently on the Dean's list for outstanding academic standing.

Roland's ability to get around the Wilkes campus was a remarkable feat in itself, since he had no aid. He simply memorized the way to each building, spoke to friends on campus just as though he could see them. His secret was memorization again, for he knew even casual acquaintances by voice.

The Butler Hall dormitory student entered Wilkes in the summer of 1951. At first, about two weeks after beginning his career as a collegian, he was ready to throw in the towel. He, of course, couldn't read, and in the summer there were few persons to read aloud to him.

But, using a little honest to goodness ingenuity, Roland came up with the idea of carrying a tape recorder to lectures. Until the dorm filled in the fall, this was practically his only means of studying.

Later, when the rest of the gang moved in, and for the rest of his days at Wilkes, Featherman got the boys to read to him. "Gee," a number of "readers" have exclaimed, "that guy teaches me when I'm reading to him. I don't know how he does it."

Even later, after a year here, he learned to read and write in braille. It was disturbing to sit next to the chipper young guy in class. "He made me feel like a fool," one History student exclaimed. "The guy was taking three times as many notes as I was, and you know how fast you have to write in Dr. Thatcher's class."

Yeah, he got along O.K.

Not only were his notes better, but also his grades in many instances.

No help on eating meals, either. Roland had his plate arranged in clock order. Meat at midnight, potatoes at 3, vegetables at 6, and so on. He thought of everything.

Many tales are told of the tall, good-humored man about campus. His ability to laugh at obviously



Ronald Featherman

frustrating experiences made him "one of the boys" and not a guy that you feel sorry for. He didn't want that anyway. And besides, he has a brand of wit all his own.

One day while entering the rear of Chase Hall, Roland made a wrong turn. As he groped for the door that wasn't there, he walked head-long into a wall. Stepping back, he said calmly, "Damn it, funny place to put a wall, isn't it?"

He plans to go further in his sociology studies and has applied to the University of Pennsylvania, where he plans to ready for a career in social work—helping others, of course.

Remarkable, you say. That's for sure.

His popularity is best indicated by the fact that he even had a theme in Freshman Composition written about him.

And, when you think of it, how many of us can make that claim to fame?

DR. KLEIN

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Wyoming Seminary before taking his undergraduate studies at the University of Michigan. He graduated from Michigan Medical School in 1936. Following internship at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital, the local doctor returned to Michigan to study in the School of Pediatrics, and later served his residency at Boston City and Children's Hospital, Washington, D.C.

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