

*The Eighth Annual  
Commencement*



**Wilkes  
College**



*In the College Gymnasium*

WILKES-BARRE, PENNSYLVANIA

*Monday Evening, June 6, 1955*

AT EIGHT O'CLOCK

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## JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,  
God of glory, God of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,  
Opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,  
Drive the dark of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day.

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,  
Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around Thee,  
Center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain,  
Call us to rejoice in Thee.

Mortals, join the happy chorus  
Which the morning stars began;  
Father love is reigning o'er us,  
Brother love binds man to man.  
Ever singing, march we onward,  
Victors in the midst of strife,  
Joyful music leads us Sunward  
In the triumph song of life.

# *Order of Exercises*

## PROCESSIONAL

"Pomp and Circumstance" ..... *Elgar*

*(The audience is requested to rise as the procession enters the auditorium.)*

INVOCATION ..... THE REVEREND JOHN J. JACKSON

HYMN ..... "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

ADDRESS ..... "Remember the People"

FRED M. HECHINGER

EDUCATION EDITOR, *New York Herald Tribune*

# *Order of Exercises*

## THE CONFERRING OF DEGREES

AND CERTIFICATES . . . . . EUGENE SHEDDEN FARLEY, Ph.D

## THE PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

## ALMA MATER

*(The words of the song may be found on the last page of this program.  
The audience is requested to stand and join in the singing.)*

BENEDICTION . . . . THE REVEREND EDGAR FLETCHER SINGER, S.T.B

## RECESSIONAL

Coronation March . . . . . *Meyerbec.*

*(The audience is requested to remain standing until the procession has  
marched out.)*

# Graduates

Engl 2  
Hist 5 3 2  
Soc 3 2  
Pol Sci 1 1  
Psych 1 1  
Math 1 1  
Music 1 1  
Sci 1 1  
Econ 2

## BACHELOR OF ARTS

### Summa Cum Laude

Esther Helene Goldman Engl.

### Magna Cum Laude

Dale Warmouth Engl.

### Cum Laude

Judith Hopkins Math

- Virginia Elizabeth Denn Soc
- James Wallace Dull Engl
- Roland Edward Featherman Soc
- Alfred I. Fiergang Pol. Sci.
- Benjamin Francis Fiester, Jr. Engl.
- Ronald James Fitzgerald Pol. Sci.
- J. Harold Flannery, Jr. Hist.
- \*Ann Lodge Haskell Psych.
- David Lee Hoats Psych.
- \*Robert Melvin Ichter Engl.
- \*B. William Isaacs Econ.
- George Donald Kaye Math

- Mary Anna Rose Kozak Biol.
- Marian Lorraine Lipinski Soc
- James Michael Neveras Econ
- Angelo Robert Pappa Soc. Sci.
- Marilyn Ann Peters Engl.
- John Stockham Prater Soc.
- Loretta Diana Ritzie Engl.
- David Richard Rosser Soc.
- Melvin Allen Schmeizer Pol. Sci.
- Sheldon Martin Schneider Psych.
- Ellen Louise Wint Psych.
- Edward Eugene Yarasheski Math

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIOLOGY AND CHEMISTRY

### Magna Cum Laude

Richard Bernard Kent

### Cum Laude

John Warren Blaker

- Glenn Reese Martin
- Bernard Stephen Ondash
- Robert Richard Reynolds
- Bernard John Wisniewski

Math  
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Chem

\*Degree in absentia

# Graduates

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMMERCE AND FINANCE

### Cum Laude

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| <p style="text-align: center;">- Morris Israel Hollander</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o-k John Francis Aquilino</li> <li>- Arthur Robert Boote</li> <li>- Harold Earl Bowers</li> <li>- Casimir Charles Ciesla</li> <li>- Miriam Jeanne Dearden</li> <li>- Robert Carl Dymond</li> <li>- Harry Williams Ennis</li> <li>- Melvin Wilbur Farkas</li> <li>- Robert Bernard Fay</li> <li>- Allen Feld</li> <li>o-k Irwin Harold Gelb</li> <li>* Edward Goldner</li> <li>- Richard Allen Gribble</li> <li>- Arthur Ernest Imdorf</li> <li>- Allen Jeter</li> <li>* Leo Richard Kane</li> <li>o-k Melvin S. H. Karp</li> <li>- John Joseph Kearney</li> </ul> | <p style="text-align: center;">Joshua Jay Kaufman</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- John Frank Lancio</li> <li>- Vincent Gerard Lynch</li> <li>o-k * John Morris</li> <li>o-k Edward Phethean</li> <li>- Russell Raymond Picton, Jr.</li> <li>o-k * Clement N. Pietrzak</li> <li>o-k Anthony Joseph Pilarek</li> <li>- Richard Peter Ridge</li> <li>- Carl Edward Smith</li> <li>o-k Kingsley Nicholas Snyder</li> <li>o-k Albert William Spanich</li> <li>o-k Donald Paul Stark</li> <li>o-k Raymond Frederick Stephens</li> <li>- Howard Lewis Updyke</li> <li>o-k * William Williams Walp</li> <li>o-k Charles Aloysius Williams, Jr.</li> <li>- Ralph Michael Zezza</li> </ul> |
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## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION

### Cum Laude

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| <p style="text-align: center;">S. Mary Elizabeth Fitzgerald <i>Engl 33</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">B. E. Arthur Joseph Hoover</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>S. Walter Anthony Chapko <i>Engl Hist</i></li> <li>B. E. Edward Simon Cologie <i>BUS ED.</i></li> <li>S. * Bernard Cooper <i>Eng. Hist.</i></li> <li>M.S. William Chester Crowder <i>MUS. &amp; D.</i></li> <li>S. John Dreyer Curtis <i>S.S. ENGL</i></li> <li>S. Howard Edward Ennis, Jr. <i>S.S. B.A.M.</i></li> <li>S. Patricia Ann Fox <i>ENG HIST</i></li> <li>o-k Leona H. Goldberg</li> <li>o-k Anne Mel Harton</li> <li>o-k Dale Gene Hess <i>ENGL HIST</i></li> <li>S. Earl Douglas Johnson <i>HIST Engl</i></li> <li>S. * Philip Davis Jones <i>ENG. Hist</i></li> <li>o-k Naomi Ruth Kivler</li> <li>o-k Albert Joseph Liss</li> <li>S. Margaret Ann Luty <i>Eng. Hist</i></li> </ul> | <p style="text-align: center;">Helen Esther Koelsch <i>Engl</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ellen Witjak <i>Engl</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Neal Joseph McHugh <i>S. Hist</i></li> <li>Doris Jane Merrill <i>S. Engl</i></li> <li>Robert John Metzger <i>Engl</i></li> <li>Albert Peter Nicholas <i>S. FA</i></li> <li>Albert Francis Orzechowski</li> <li>Mary Joan Pomictor <i>BUS ED</i></li> <li>Mary Helen Scott Rees <i>MUS</i></li> <li>Robert Louis Sabatino <i>S. ENGL</i></li> <li>Margaret Williams Schlager <i>S. ENGL</i></li> <li>Eugene A. Scrudato <i>S. ENGL</i></li> <li>Austin Rueben Sherman <i>S. ENGL</i></li> <li>Eugene Vincent Snee <i>Engl</i></li> <li>* Donald James Tosh <i>S. ENGL</i></li> <li>Joseph John Trosko, Jr. <i>S. ENGL</i></li> <li>Ruth Isabelle Wilbur <i>Engl</i></li> </ul> |
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\*Degree in absentia

# Graduates

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING EDUCATION

-Edna Henrietta Baldrica  
-Florence Sophie Bujno  
Annie Phyllis Findley  
-Dorothy E. Hessler  
o < Dorothy Elizabeth Istvan  
o < Eleanor Theresa Januskiewicz  
-Dorothy Jane Kernchen  
o < Phyllis June Maue

Gertrude Ann Nemshick  
o < Nancy Powell Parry  
o < Margaret Conroy Salley  
o < Ann M. Sweeney  
o < Agnes Frances Whitaker  
o < Kathryn Ruth White  
o < Beatrice Hoyle Young

## ENGINEERING

Richard Lee Bunn  
Raymond Michael Gritsko  
Harold Allen Groff  
Benjamin Franklin Howells, Jr.  
Milton Victor Johnson  
Louis Francis Kline, Jr.

Ray Cromwell Reese, Jr.  
Robert Stanley Rydzewski  
Thomas Raymond Sarnecky  
Russell Theodore Smith  
Michael John Weiss



## Terminal Division

### BIOLOGY

Sheldon Howell Davis, Jr.  
A. Edward Greenwood, Jr.

Joan Harriet Russin

### COMMERCE AND FINANCE

Freda Margaret Billstein  
Janet Beatrice Eckell  
\*Mary Lou Evans

Irene Mary Goliash  
Sally Nan Thomas  
Joan Marilyn Wachowski

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\*Degree in absentia



# Awards

## OUTSTANDING GRADUATES

OF THE YEAR . . . . . WILLIAM CHESTER CROWDER  
ARTHUR JOSEPH HOOVER

This award is given by the Alumni Association to the graduate considered by a special faculty committee to have made the strongest contribution to the life of the College.

*Presentation by* DONALD L. HONEYWELL  
President, Wilkes College Alumni Association

## DOBSON MEDAL IN ACCOUNTING . . MORRIS ISRAEL HOLLANDER

Established in 1948 by Mr. W. F. Dobson, Wilkes-Barre accountant, this award is presented each year to the highest-ranking graduate in accounting.

## AWARD OF THE PENNSYLVANIA INSTITUTE OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS . . . . . JOSHUA JAY KAUFMAN

This award is made to a graduating senior who has received high grades in accounting in addition to demonstrating qualities of leadership in other activities.

## BUSINESS EDUCATION AWARD . . . . . ARTHUR JOSEPH HOOVER

This award is given to the graduate with the most outstanding record in Business Education. The award is given by the *Journal of Business Education*, and the Smead Manufacturing Co. of Hasting, Minnesota.

*Presentation of the three awards described above*  
by SAMUEL ALBERT ROSENBERG, Ph.D., Professor of Economics

## Awards

### MEDAL IN ENGINEERING..... RICHARD LEE BUNN

The oldest of these eight awards, this medal is given annually by the faculty of the Department of Engineering to the student who has performed most creditably in the two-year engineering course.

*Presentation by* VORIS BLAINE HALL, M.S. in E.E., A.M.

Associate Professor of Physics

### CHEMISTRY AWARD..... JOHN WARREN BLAKER

This award, an outstanding recent book in the field, is offered by the faculty of the Department of Chemistry. It is presented to the graduate who has maintained the highest scholastic average throughout the four years of the chemistry course.

*Presentation by* CATHERINE HASTIE BONE, M.S.

Assistant Professor of Chemistry

### L. J. VAN LAEYS JOURNALISM MEDAL .. JOHN DREYER CURTIS

Employees of the *Wilkes-Barre Record* established this award in December, 1949, as a Christmas gift to their vice president, the late L. J. Van Laeys, who was then seriously ill. The fund that they presented to the College was used for the purchase of gold medals, one of which is given each year to a graduate who has demonstrated marked proficiency in journalism.

*Presentation by* GEORGE FRANCIS ELLIOT, A.M.

Faculty Advisor, *The Beacon*

### SPECIAL AWARD..... MARY ELIZABETH CRAIG, Ph.D.

*Presentation by* EUGENE SHEDDEN FARLEY, Ph.D., President

## ALMA MATER

Wilkes, our Alma Mater,  
We pledge our hearts to thee,  
Honor, faith, and courage,  
Truth and loyalty.  
In our work and in our pleasure,  
Guide us as a friend;  
We shall always love thee,  
Loyal to the end.

Thou shalt lead us onward  
In search of finer things.  
May we find the wisdom  
That thy spirit brings.  
May our deeds of love and service  
Ever swell thy fame—  
Wilkes, we stand to greet thee!  
Glory to thy name.

## CLASS OFFICERS

RUSSELL R. PICTON, JR. . . . . *President*  
HARRY W. ENNIS . . . . . *Vice President*  
MIRIAM J. DEARDEN . . . . . *Secretary*  
CARL E. SMITH . . . . . *Treasurer*

