



'BRAIN', SMOTHERS, MONSTER ON CAMPUS

MONSTER MAKES DIFFERENCE

BEACON FAVORED IN TILT

by Ruth Partilla

The time—8:30 p.m. The place—the Wilkes gym. The date—tonight. Throngs of excited students are descending on the campus, spilling out of dormitories, pouring out of cars, then sprinting down the street with one objective in mind—to find a good seat for this year's most thrilling sports event since the Winter Olympics. Everyone is rushing to see the struggle between the Student Government Savages and the **Beacon** Brutes as they attempt to demonstrate their mighty prowess in a game of touch football.

Inside the gym, extra bleachers are being set up to accommodate the overflow of fans. The players are in a huddle formulating their final plans for the slaughter. Milling among the spectators can be seen a few pro scouts, examining the prodigious talent being displayed on the floor. (Primarily on the part of the **Beacon** staff).



The **Beacon** "Secret Weapon"

As the teams run out onto the "field," several fans become overwhelmed by the outstanding physical fortitude of the competitors. A deafening roar from the crowd spreads through the gym as the players take their positions. Such note-worthy athletes as Jim Jones, Dick Burns, and Cathy DeAngelis spark the line of Student Government. The **Beacon** Brutes boast such bullies as Gigantic Joe Klaips, Massive Marshall Evans, and Charlotte "Way-back" Wetzel.

Coached by Rugged Roger Squier, the mighty **Beacon** team gets set for the ensuing kick-off. A wave of terror engulfs the crowd as the **Beacon** secret weapon roars out onto the field. Shuddering, Student Government releases their own secret weapon. Gasps of excitement fill the air as the whistle blows to commence battle.

Artists Plan Trip

The Wilkes College Art Club is planning its annual Spring trip to New York City for Saturday, April 18. A chartered bus will depart from Parrish Hall at 7:00 a.m. Upon arrival in New York the bus will proceed to the Metropolitan Museum for those interested in the paintings on exhibition.

The trip is open to the public and is NOT tour oriented. Each person will be responsible for his activities throughout the entire day. However, the bus will leave Port Authority at exactly midnight to make the return trip to Wilkes-Barre.

Round trip fare will be six dollars and a one dollar deposit is necessary to make a reservation. The full passage must be paid by April 14. Anyone who is interested in accompanying the Art Club to New York can pay his deposit or full fare to Ron Kucirko, club treasurer, or any member of the Art Club.

IDC Flies For Zoes

by Sylvia Dysleski

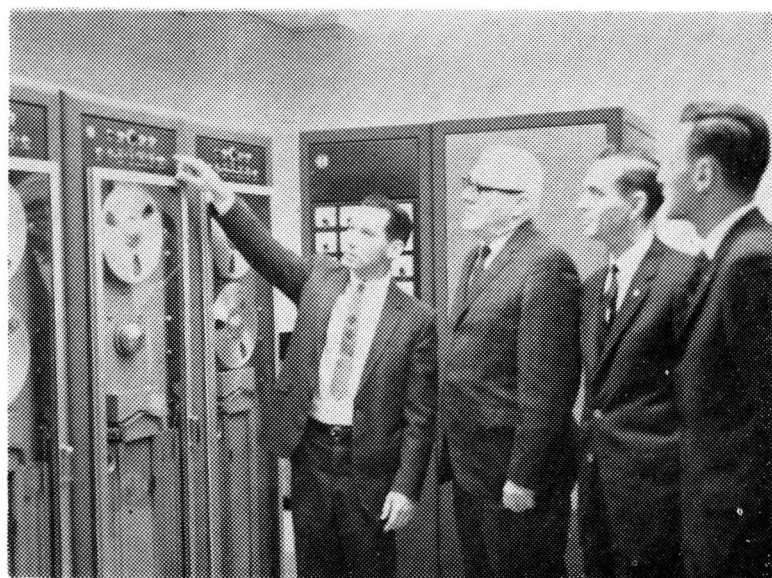
The second annual Fly for Zoes Day will be held on April 12, or in case of rain on April 19, from 1-6 p.m. This activity is sponsored by I.D.C. for the benefit of their Greek orphan.

The two planes will take off from the Forty Fort Airport for a scenic flight over the campus and Wyoming Valley. Everyone can take part in this enjoyable flight for the mere fee of \$2.00. Tickets may be purchased at the airport.

Transportation will be available from the school for all interested students. Cars will leave from Weiss Hall at 1, 2, 3, and 4 p.m. Anyone bringing a car and wishing to make it available on Sunday should contact Don Ungamah.

The members of the committee are: Danny Lyons, Boyd Aebli, Judy Sisco, Scott Adams, Mary Ellen Donahoe, and Don Ungamah.

Burroughs Computer Acquired; To Be Used In Curriculum



by Barbara Graytock

Three and a half tons of "electronic genius" was presented to the College in the form of the Burroughs 205 General Purpose Stored Program Electronic Digital Computer. The machine was donated by the Burroughs Corporation aided by the efforts of Stephen Krupinski, an alumnus of Wilkes who is the company's representative in this area.

The tube computer consists of a photoelectric reader, a high speed tape punch typewriter control, an electric typewriter, a magnetic tape control, three magnetic storage units, and an external switching unit.

The computer can read 6,000 digits

or perform 1,000 mathematical operations a second. The College will use its new "genius" in solving scientific problems, investigating new match theories, studying the application of computing methods used in science and engineering, and instructing students in computing and data processing.

Beginning in April, the computer will be utilized in the academic curriculum. Cromwell Thomas, an assistant professor of engineering, will be in charge of the computer, which is stored in Stark Hall. It will be used primarily by the science department, but will probably be available to all departments.

Dickie Smothers and Brother to Sing; Special Ticket Rates for Big Weekend

The top folk-humor group of the country — The Smothers Brothers — will be on campus Saturday, May 16. The night before is the date set aside for the long-awaited Cinderella Ball.

Because of this double-event weekend, a special offer is being made to those students who attend both affairs. By purchasing two tickets to the Smothers Brothers concert, a student may obtain his Cinderella Ball ticket for \$2 instead of \$3.

The Smothers Brothers will make their Wilkes College Debut at 8 p.m., in the gymnasium. Their appearance is sponsored by Student Government under the direction of Richard Burns, Jim Jones, Cathy DeAngelis, and Vicki Tatz.

The school intends to use its percentage of the profits to establish a fund for a new Student Union building.

Tickets may be obtained from members of the class executive councils, at the Book Store, and in the record department of The Book and Card Mart. General admission will be \$3.00; reserved tickets will be \$3.50.

Since the Smothers Brothers started their career playing for \$4 a night, they have made four albums: **At The Purple Onion**, **Two Sides**, **Think Ethnic**, and **Curb Your Tongue**, **Knave**. The only previous place they have performed in this area has been at Scranton University during the winter of '63.

Dickie Smothers has been married for three years and is the father of a two-year-old daughter. He is the eter-



Smothers Brothers

nal straight man whose painful duty it is to bring a sense of order out of the chaos Tom creates. He has the look of a round-faced cherub or a boy scout who has just won a merit badge. Tommy needs no description.

Cinderella Ball

The Cinderella Ball this year will be held in the Ballroom of the Gus Genetti Hotel instead of in the gym as usual. The Mark McKune orchestra will provide the music.

CIRCLE K

ALL THEY WANT IS YOUR BLOOD

by Marshall Evans

Blood Day will be conducted on campus on April 24 between 9 a.m. and 3:45 p.m. at the Gym. Semi-annually students, faculty, administration, and other college personnel are asked to donate a pint of blood. The blood received is credited to the College's account at the Blood Bank. This drive makes blood available to the College free of charge and without obligation.

Once again Circle K will undertake general solicitation for the campaign. During the Fall drive Circle K issued a challenge to the faculty and other campus organizations to donate blood. This challenge achieved little response. For this drive Circle K has issued a challenge to the individual, hoping that each individual will answer this challenge by giving of himself—giving one pint of blood.

Each day student will be personally contacted at least once by a member of Circle K. Dorm presidents will be contacting members of their respective dorms. This individual will be asked to sign a pledge slip and to make an appointment. Students under twenty-one are reminded that a parental consent slip is required.

In recent drives congestion has often developed, forcing donors to wait. Efforts are being made to eliminate these bottlenecks by providing additional assistance and by having students assume most of the administrative functions of the drive. The aim is to have the entire process consume only thirty minutes of the donor's time.

Hoover To Explain Student Aid Program

by Linda Edwards

A Financial Aid Seminar will be held for those students seeking to renew their scholarships and to apply for student loans. Scholarship renewal forms and applications for National Defense Student Loans will be available at this Seminar which will take place at two different times — Tuesday, April 14 at 11 a.m. and Wednesday, April 15 at 7:30 p.m. in Stark 116.

Arranged by Arthur J. Hoover, director of student activities, this Seminar has been created to help those students participating in the financial programs to better understand them. At the meetings Hoover will acquaint the students with other possible sources of financial aid, and he will review the overall financial aid program, its requirements, and the policies which govern it. He will also answer any questions relative to the program.

The purpose of the double time is to insure an opportunity for all students to attend the Seminar. Since there are approximately 500 men and women involved, the meetings had to be split to accommodate them. Hoover said that it was preferable that commuting students attend the Tuesday meeting and that the dormitory students meet Wednesday. This eliminates the transportation problem that any commuters might have, although they can attend either session.

Editorial . . .

GIVE THE CLUBS A CHANCE

The hard core of our extracurricular activities is the clubs. Unlike the legislative bodies, the classes, the athletic teams, and the service organizations, they are interested in the professional and intellectual development of the individual. And after all, what is the main purpose of college? The College has recognized their importance by scheduling an hour each week when there are no classes so that the clubs may function effectively.

To fulfill their purposes the clubs must have money. Their activities necessitate films, speakers, books, trips, and special equipment. A lack of funds would cause them to limit their activities, and therefore the pragmatic education of the school's club members.

This year many of the clubs have reached a crisis. To effectively carry on their activities, they need money. Since as a whole they receive little financial assistance from either the College or the Student Government, they must raise their own funds. Each year, this becomes more difficult.

In past years, the clubs were able to make a reasonable profit from almost any dance they ran, and fund raising was no problem. Most clubs were able to subsist on earnings from the dances and their dues. But in order to improve the dances as social functions, the Student Government has passed a set of rules that has decreased the fund raising potential. The clubs have resorted to bake sales, car washes and the like. As the number of the activities increases, their effectiveness decreases. What once were lucrative projects have become only marginal money makers.

We must find a solution before this situation degenerates further. One suggested solution is for Student Government to subsidize the clubs. But we realize that this would be impossible for various reasons. Another better suggestion, is to give the clubs a chance at the more profitable fund raising activities. The concessions at athletic events, formal dances, special events, etc., could be made into a rotating system whereby each club would have an opportunity to have a concession. When a project like the Intercollegiate Hootenanny comes along, let the clubs in on it. True, a system of this type would lead to some extra paper work, but certainly the result would be worth it.

J.H.G.

WHAT ☆ WHERE ☆ WHEN

Collegian Dance — Gym — TONIGHT, — 9-12 p.m.

Beacon — S.G. 'Tilt' — Gym — TONIGHT 8:30 p.m.

Annual Sports Awards Dinner — Commons — TONIGHT 6:30 p.m.

I.C.G. Convention — Harrisburg — ALL WEEKEND

Baseball — Lycoming — Home — TOMORROW 1 p.m.

Tennis — Lycoming — Home — TOMORROW 1 p.m.

Baseball — Moravian — Home — APRIL 16 3:30 p.m.

Golf — Moravian — Home — (IREM TEMPLE COUNTRY CLUB) — 2 p.m.



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Letters to the Editor

Concerned Reader Views NSA Editorial

The snide editorial from the Collegian, "NSA Abandoned," regrettably reprinted by the Beacon, was so biased in presenting its facts that I felt another view must be aired:

1. NSA defended the right of Japanese students to protest the visit of former President Eisenhower. Unlike our sedate, middle-of-the-road citizens, those of other countries are more adamant in their protests. They believe in their views more strongly than our "protesters," thus American newspapers always call these protests "riots."

2. a. NSA praised Castro's educational reforms justly. The Cuban leader, however much we hate and disagree with him, has made good reforms. No government is all bad, as we feel his is, or all good, as we feel ours is.

b. NSA condemned Batista's suppression of academic freedom only because Batista did suppress academic freedom. No politics were involved, just a concern for the Cuban students under his reign.

3. NSA recommends that the House Un-American Activities Committee be abolished. President Truman called the Congressional Committee: "the most un-American thing in America today." Eleanor Roosevelt fought against the H.U.A.C. because it violates the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights. Among the members of the Committee are Southern segregationists, Ku Klux Klan members, and John Birchites.

4. NSA is opposed to student loyalty oaths because they are not effective, not democratic, and degrade the human spirit and dignity.

5. a. NSA criticizes the United States. Don't we allow that anymore? At various times the following people have been very critical of the U.S.: Washington, Lincoln, Jefferson, Wilson, Roosevelt, Eisenhower, Kennedy, and Goldwater. Are they all Communist-sympathizers?

b. NSA criticizes Spain and Portugal. True, they are our allies and are anti-Communist, but Spain and Portugal are also dictatorships. The United States is supposed to be for democracy, but apparently only when it suits its purposes. Otherwise they'll support any undemocratic, cruel, repressive dictatorship, as long as it's "anti-Communist."

6. The McCarran-Walter Act, which NSA opposes, supposedly regulates Communist activity in our country. In fact, though, it not only hinders Communists but an indeterminate number of other Americans. It is unconstitutional and inflicts a strong censorship on all Americans. The way of preserving democracy is not to become a dictatorship, always in fear for its life.

7. NSA protests the firing of alleged Communist teachers. Who does the alleging? The right-wing which includes isolationists, segregationists, and religious fanatics. Teachers have been fired for teaching evolution, integration, peace, and brotherhood. These teachers have been called "communists."

8. NSA denounces our costly struggle for nuclear domination, but also the Russian, British, and French attempts to become supreme. NSA is for a world where students can grow up. They are against nuclear destruction.

9. NSA condemns our involvement in the plot to overthrow Castro. If our ego and pride and investments were not at stake, we would recognize the Castro government, admit that the revolution in Cuba succeeded, and realize that Cuba holds no terrors for us. What about Hungary? Tibet? Poland? Where has all our "humanitarianism" gone when the only country we actively want to liberate is Cuba?

10. NSA condemned the resumption of nuclear testing. We now have a test ban treaty. Were Kennedy and Congress all dupes of Communism, or were they trying to secure peace for us all?

The Virginia Military Institute condemned NSA for being too "radical." But we must remember, what is "radical" to a Southern military school is not necessarily radical to millions of intelligent, non-Southern, non-military minds.

The fact that a student newspaper could believe in such insane reasoning as quoted in the editorial is shocking. Somewhere, in the back of my mind, I thought that students were supposed to be informed human beings who believed in peace, truth, and love. That is what the editors of the Beacon apparently do not believe in.

Concerned Reader

Cue and Curtain Tryouts

Dear Editor:

Is it now the policy of Cue and Curtain to cast a play without holding public tryouts? I have believed, (perhaps I am wrong), that the Cue and Curtain is a theatre group designed to give students an opportunity to display their hidden talents. It appears, through several phone calls to select individuals and the holding of a secret meeting, that a cast was formed which includes only those privileged few who were contacted. This is certainly not conducive to fostering new talent, and if these tactics continue the future of Cue and Curtain certainly will not brighten.

DEJECTED CUE AND CURTAIN MEMBERS

What Ain't We Got?

In reply to a recent speaker at assembly I would like to note that . . . We got railroads, we got mines, We got winter snows and crimes, We got Penna. scenery, and some mountains you can climb, We got poolrooms, unemployment, and uneducated slobs, What ain't we got — We ain't got jobs. There is nothing like a job, Nothing in the world. Nothing else will make you rob, Like the lack of a decent job. We got movies, busses, cars, And at least 10,000 bars, We got friendly reputations that reach right up to the stars, We got business men and bookies, meager savings for to rob, What ain't we got — A decent job. We got tons of moral codes, We got pot holes in our roads, We got Wishy-Washy-Willie who refuses to expose All the evils of our little towns that we all know so well, What ain't we got-You know damn well.

While the tune may reflect the South Pacific (There Is Nothing Like A Dame) the lyrics are undoubtedly North Atlantic.

A Poverty Pocketeer (No relation to singing group.)

Hails Hoot

Dear Editor:

On Saturday evening, March 14, I had the opportunity and privilege to be in attendance at the first Wilkes College Hootenanny. What a wonderful evening it was!

Congratulations to the various groups of folk singers and balladeers

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THE BALLOT BOX

Lest We Forget

by Vince McHale

Reflecting upon the recent death of General MacArthur and our confused and muddled situation in South Vietnam, I cannot help but bring to my mind the whole problem of our past and present involvement in Korea. Will Vietnam meet the same fate, hopelessly divided?

It has been almost eleven years since the signing of an armistice agreement at Panmunjom, July 26, 1953, and divided Korea technically is still at war. A peace treaty has never been signed, nor is there any real hope that one will be signed in the foreseeable future. The 2½-mile wide demilitarized zone along the 38th parallel crackles with tension and very often an occasional burst of gunfire aimed at the U.N. patrols.

The weekly meeting of the Joint Military Armistice Commission is almost wholly taken up with the problem of charges and countercharges of violations of the armistice agreement. Since 1953, there has been a total of 8,319 alleged violations recorded for both sides. Considering each side separately, the United Nations Command in South Korea is charged by the Communists in the North with 6,044 violations, while the U.N. Command has registered 2,275 by the forces of the North.

Current Stalemate

Unsatisfactory as the current stalemate may appear, after interviewing a recent U.S. soldier returnee, this writer found that the troops in South Korea consider it better than fighting. In retrospect, it seems likely that the North Korean Communist attack on South Korea was based upon a miscalculation, for it occurred in an area where the West's "vital interests" had not been clearly defined. Secretary of State Acheson, in a speech to the National Press Club in January, 1950, excluded specifically South Korea from the perimeter which in case of attack the U.S. would defend unilaterally. The withdrawal of U.S. troops

from South Korea must have gone far to convince the Communists that they could take our policy at face value.

Looking over the past records during the 37 months of active fighting, the price to restore the status quo amounted to 157,530 American casualties, including 33,629 battle deaths and 20,617 deaths from other causes.

Approximately 55,000 American servicemen are stationed in South Korea today, and the South Korean Army totals another 600,000 men. From all indications, North Korea arrays about half that many along the dividing line, but these forces are buttressed by the proximity of Communist China. All indications, however, reveal no signs that the North Koreans are preparing to launch a new offensive.

"Police Action"

As an aftermath of the "police action," South Korea remains largely dependent upon United States aid for its survival. An estimated \$4 billion in U.S. military and economic aid has been poured into the country over the last decade, but unemployment and poverty are endemic. America has encountered many difficulties in trying to transform South Korea into a showplace of democracy—including a period of military dictatorship. Governmental problems still do not appear to be resolved. When coupled to the situation in South Vietnam, perhaps this is an example of the limits to success the U.S. can expect for its military efforts in Asia.

T. R. Fehrenbach, in writing *This Kind of War* (1963), seems to spell out the reality of the Korean truce:

"In exchange for peace along the parallel, the United States agreed to accept the Republic of Korea as its ward, perhaps forever . . . In exchange, Syngman Rhee agreed not to obstruct the armistice . . . There was no more war but there was no peace. There was no victory. It was called cease-fire."

BOOK STORE ALSO SERVES AS ORPHANAGE; GYM BAGS, BOOKS, PENS, WAIT FOR HOME

by Helen Dugan

All books, hooks, gym bags,
and clothes tags,
Hose, No-Doz, and even
umbrellas,
So they tell us,
Shall have had by the end
of their life,
One common object in
their strife.

Their common object? A home! The above represents an extremely neglected orphanage — The Book Store's Lost & Found Department. These poor inanimate creatures lay at the bottom of their drawer waiting for their rightful owner to hobble in someday and reestablish their sense of security.

All week long, hands dart into the drawer, dirty fingers shove them aside, and then once again they're left lying in a heap—rejected and forgotten.

Then comes the weekend. For 63 hours the drawer doesn't move, and no light is allowed to enter. There lies the umbrella with a pencil in its side, and the new book with the big pink and black comb pushed between its pages.

Finally a key is in the lock. This could mean a long awaited home for something, but more than likely it only means more dirty combs, knives, and candy Dew Drops to be put in.

The cause may seem hopeless, but it isn't entirely so. One must view the other side, too.

LETTERS TO EDITOR (Continued from page 2)

and to James Jones, chairman of the program, and all other Wilkes students who contributed to making that "Saturday Night" a resounding success. This program was a pleasant contrast to the deafening "noises" heard in the Wilkes gymnasium on other "occasions."

Allow me to ask the following question: What constitutes the unmistakable appeal of folk music? May I suggest as a point of departure that folk music, ballads, call them what you wish, are, to say the least, echoes of joy and sorrow, the inner feelings, the unspoken thoughts of many of us. Perhaps this in part is responsible for the vast appeal of this type of music.

I am interested in what Wilkes students think about the almost universal appeal of such music. Why??

"Is this nothing?"
Why then the world, and all that's in't, is

Nothing,
The covering sky is nothing . . .
If this be nothing."

Sincerely

Gordon E. Roberts
Alumni Secretary

NOTICE

Gordon Roberts, Alumni Secretary, has announced that several hundred copies of the February issue of ALUMNUS are available to students. Anyone desiring to acquire an issue may obtain one at the Alumni Office, Chase Hall.

ELEMENTARY ED CLINIC

On Saturday, April 11 on the second floor of the Commons, a clinic in music will be held for the area elementary school teachers. This meeting is being sponsored by the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association. Mrs. Laura Crook, a trained clinician from Harrisburg, will conduct the all-day session. Students planning to become elementary teachers are invited to come to the proceedings as observers.



Waifs looking for a home

Somewhere along River Street or down Franklin Street someone may at this very moment be tearfully thinking, "It was such a nice pink comb." But stop! Don't forget about it. It's waiting for you. Hurry. Run to the Book Store, and look for it. It's not lost. It's looking for you, too.

REVIEW OF MITFORD'S BEST-SELLER REVEALS MORBID FACET OF SOCIETY

by Joan Dobransky, College Misericordia

Beautiful bodies by Chambers. The automobile company which advertises beautiful bodies by Fisher need not fear any competition. The bodies by Chambers are of a different type. They are human bodies — dead human bodies. However, it is such a shame that they must be dead. So much remains unappreciated. For example, there is the casket selected to house the body. It is chosen with such care, and there is something to please everyone, from classic to colonial to French provincial to futuristic. For those interested in solid comfort one company offers caskets with a "beautyrama Adjustable Soft-Foam Bed." The whole thing will probably be lined with Supreme Cheney velvet, magnificently quilted and shirred with matching coverlet.

Jessica Mitford's book *The American Way of Death* is a survey of contemporary burial practices. Miss Mitford has painstakingly studied the processes by which the American Funeral Industry is able to take in an estimated \$1.6 billion a year. She discusses openly the "psychological" strategies by which the American public is tricked into buying expensive funerals. She quotes the Mortuary Management's Idea Kit as saying, "Your selling plan should go into operation as soon as the telephone rings and you are requested to serve a bereaved family . . . Never preconceive as to what any family will purchase. You cannot possibly measure the intensity of their emotions, undisclosed insurance or funds that may have been set aside for funeral expenses."

By parting the formaldehyde curtain the whole macabre process of undertaking is revealed to those who have the stomach for it. It is a process composed of one corpse, six to eight gallons of perfumed embalming fluid, special make-up in one of four new shades, proper clothing to reveal station in life, some grief therapy supplied by the funeral director for the bereaved family, and lots of money. It is also a process which is almost sacrilegious to the Judeo-Christian tradition of America.

The American Way of Death is extremely well documented and indexed. The horrible truth of it is shocking and repelling. *Newsweek Magazine* called it a "gruesomely fascinating, indignant survey," and stated, "Miss Mitford's acerbic new book is the most ghoulishly amusing attack on commercial vulgarity of its kind." And that sums it up rather well.

Twelve Students Register Travel to Hampton Between April 6-25

by Andrew Thorburn

Twelve Wilkes students will journey to Virginia next week to inaugurate the annual exchange program between Hampton Institute and Wilkes. Early in May, Hampton will reciprocate by sending a group of students to spend a weekend here.

The Wilkes students, along with two chaperones, Millie Gittens and Mr. Elliot, will depart by automobile for Hampton on Wednesday afternoon, April 15; and, after a one night stopover in Washington, they will arrive at Hampton on Thursday. The students, who will be staying in dormitories while at Hampton, will spend the first day on campus participating in classes with Hampton students. The highlight of the day will be a dinner at the home of the President of Hampton Institute.

The plans for the remainder of the weekend are incomplete, but, judging from last year's report, the students will have a hectic and fun-filled weekend. The twelve participating Wilkes students are Jim Jones, Jeff Raschal, Karen Volgamore, Margie

Registration for the Fall semester, 1964-65, will be conducted during the following periods:

Juniors and engineering students	April 6-10
Sophomores	April 13-17
Freshmen	April 20-25

A fee will be assessed for late registration.

Students will meet with their advisors to register for courses and sections as outlined above. In order to register, students must pay a non-refundable tuition deposit of \$25 at the Finance Office, Parrish Hall. Students will be given a receipt which they must show to their advisor before they will be allowed to register.

The purpose of the non-refundable deposit is to prevent those students who do not intend to return from registering.

Harris, Jim Tredinnick, Linda Ewing, Ted Gourley, Al Gubanich, Anne Masley, Andrew Thorburn, Ruth Friedlander, Holly Rapp. They were chosen from a large list of volunteers by an IDC committee headed by Sandy Faux and Mike Mostello.

VIEWPOINT '64

Legacy of the League of Nations

by Andrew Thorburn

Present United States foreign policy suggests that the failure of the League of Nations has had a greater effect on our national consciousness than is usually believed. United States refusal to join the League, born of provincialism and isolationism, has remained, in our political tradition, the cause of the League's ultimate failure. This belief, as well as Senator Fulbright's recent broadside at the entrenched fantasies of American foreign policy, pinpoints the overriding myth of American policy. All the myths and contradictions to which we so fervently cling are just manifestations of the great dual myth of America's inevitable primacy and American omnipotence. It is a pernicious and burdensome myth, and it fostered, among other things, Congressional rejection of our proposed entry into the League of Nations.

Now we seem to believe that American recognition is crucial, not just, as with the League, for success, but for existence. Red China, for example, does not exist in American policy. We steadfastly refuse to admit a nation of 600 million people to the United Nations, and we refuse to recognize the government that has ruled the mainland for two decades. The reality of Red China is simply ignored, as if, like an apparition, it is unreal and need not be dealt with. Formosa, meanwhile, loses its identity as a small, independent, island state and remains, in the American fantasy, the true representative of the Chinese people.

Cuba Revisited

Our commitment to a myth-laden and inconsistent foreign policy is epitomized in our relations with Cuba and Panama. At first we encouraged Castro and hailed him, before his revolution was complete, as a great liberator. After he became the head of state, however, we condemned his public trial of former Batista aides and were late in extending diplomatic recognition to his new government. Our reluctance to renounce the atrocities of Batista's regime and our ambivalent reaction to Castro's socialist

revolution moved Cuba away from the United States camp. This failure to see the United States and capitalism as the true savior is the cardinal sin, and our vision of our own omnipotence finally forced the abortive Bay of Pigs invasion.

The next step in Cuba was the economic boycott, still in effect despite its total failure. Its failure was certain from the outset, simply because our allies do not believe, as we do, in our omnipotence and are unwilling to affect a total boycott on our say-so. One British businessman was quoted by Fulbright as responding to American criticism of the British sale of buses to Cuba with, "If America has a surplus of wheat, we have a surplus of buses."

The Colonial Mentality

In Panama we have perpetuated the myth of American primacy in the supposed sacrosanctity of the treaty of 1903 on the assumption that the original American action was moral and righteous. The reality of the situation is an obsolete treaty, only twice revised, and an American arrogance that was able to leave the embassy in Panama empty for six months and totally ignore the nationalist aspirations of Panama. We have continued to exercise control over part of the territory of Panama, and despite a growing social and economic alienation between the zone and the rest of Panama, we denied the people even the means to complain.

A Russian prince once remarked, in a different context, that "there is a special providence who watches over fools, drunkards, and the United States of America." We ourselves seem filled with that belief, and if we have dropped the more obvious trappings of manifest destiny, Brinkmanship, as practiced by Dulles, we demonstrate our continued belief in our eternal primacy and invulnerability. The great "egocentric predicament" of Romanticism has plagued us, and although it may some day be fatal, we continue to believe, in Fulbright's words, in "the myth that we can get anything we want if we only try hard enough."

Wilkes Hosts Alcoholic Seminar; Sets Public Education As Goal

by Leona Sokash

Because of the lack of available centers and information for alcoholics in this area, the Luzerne County Committee on Alcoholism in cooperation with the College, the Welfare Planning Council and the Pennsylvania Department of Health has instituted a series of five alcoholic seminars. The all-day meetings began on April 2 in Stark 109 and will continue every Thursday until April 30. The committee hopes to enlist the aid of the community to establish facilities and information centers, which would resolve this problem.

The chairman is the Reverend Burke Rivers, pastor of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. Dr. Francis Michelini is the seminar chairman. The maximum number of registrants expected was 50; however, 63 people have signed up. Dr. Michelini pointed out that this was significant because it proved that the agencies and people of this

community were concerned with this question. Commenting further, Dr. Michelini said that Wilkes was chosen as the site of the conference because "the problems of the community are the problems of the College."

The basic philosophy of the seminar is to consider alcoholism a disease, which possesses a peculiar combination of psychological and physiological factors. However, the public has come to consider alcoholism simply a lack of personal restraint on the part of the alcoholic. It is one of the purposes of the seminar to educate the populace concerning the true nature of alcoholism.

The initial meeting began with a panel discussion which pointed out the complete lack of facilities for alcoholics and the magnitude of the problem. (A conservative estimate would number about 12,000 alcoholics in the country). The panel was composed of Chief of Police Charles Morgan; Mrs. Ruth Shiffman, Public Health Nurse; Mrs. Ida Lewis, Benjamin Badman, Administrator of the Hospital; and the Honorable Judge Jacob Shiffman.

The first address was given by Joseph Kanner, who spoke on the attitudes of the community which, in the main, generalizes the problem simply as a matter of will power. The people consider alcoholism in a moral

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Student Apathy Kills Contest

by Bill Kanyuck

Last year a contest was held to find a suitable name for the athletic field. Students were asked to submit entries with an award to be given for the most suitable name. The contest, however, died with no definite results announced. Since there has been no news on the contest for quite a while, the *Beacon* checked on the matter.

According to Arthur Hoover, assistant dean, there was a lack of enthusiasm and very few suggestions by the students. The contest has been in abeyance ever since.

Hoover also disclosed that the College recently purchased a tract of land to be used for a football field and a soccer field. The land will be landscaped; eventually a parking lot, a press box, and refreshment stands will be added. The present athletic field will continue to be leased for a baseball field and for a practice field. Perhaps when the new parcel of land is improved in approximately two years, the "Name" contest will be revived.

SG INTERCOLLEGIATE CONFERENCE Election Of Class Alumni Return For Annual Seminar ATTENDED BY 7 LOCAL COLLEGES Officers April 24th

by Charlotte Wetzal

Four Students Pass Certification Test

Students aspiring to teach modern foreign languages in the Pennsylvania schools recently took a Language Certification Examination. The test is a requirement to become a certified language teacher. The four students who took the test last fall received notification that they met all requirements for certification. These students are: Ruth Schimmelbusch Sindaco, French; Lorraine Dyers, French; Jane Sokola, Spanish; and Sally Schoffstall, German.

To qualify for the examination a student must have had at least 12 credits in the particular language. According to Joseph Kanner of the Guidance Center, it is most advisable for language majors to wait until their senior year to take the exam. The test, which is sponsored by the Modern Language Association, consists of reading, listening and speaking comprehension. The exam is administered twice yearly, in November and in March, and a \$15 fee is required.

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sense; they do not consider it as a disease.

William Martin showed the pattern of change in the alcoholic as he progresses through the various stages. He illustrated his speech with graphs and charts.

At yesterday's meeting Dr. Martin D. Kissen, medical director of C. Dudley Soul Clinic, St. Luke's Hospital, and Children's Hospital in Philadelphia, discussed the physical effects of alcoholism on the human body and the advances in the treatment of acute alcoholism. Dr. Martin cited and explained the importance of the understanding and attitude of the patient in order to insure his recovery.

The second speaker was Dr. Richard Potter who stressed the relationship between alcoholism and tuberculosis.

Next week's speaker will be Dr. Michael McGuire who will discuss the psychological factors, such as dependency, immaturity, loneliness and anxiety, which urge certain persons to use alcohol as a means of overcoming these same factors.

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by Marie Parcell

An Intercollegiate Student Government Conference was held at the College on April 3, 4, and 5. The purpose of the conference was to enable the Student Government of the participating colleges to exchange ideas and find solutions to their common problems.

The conference was attended by four representatives from Keystone College, two from Kings, five from Marywood, six from College Misericordia, four from Pennsylvania Military College, two from Shippensburg State College and ten from Wilkes. The representatives from the College were Dick Burns, Cathy DeAngelis, Elaine Geba, Jim Jones, Steve Paradise, Gail Roberts, Simon Russin, Marie Shutlock, Vicki Tatz, and Harry Wilson.

Each college acted as a discussion leader for one of the six discussion groups. P.M.C. led the discussion of student-faculty-administration relations; Shippensburg State College led the groups discussing social policies; Keystone led the discussion on stimulation of the student body; Misericordia and King's led the discussion on the functioning of the student government; Marywood led the group discussing the role of tradition, and Wilkes led the group discussing orientation.

The general chairman of the conference was Vicki Tatz. Lou Coopey was in charge of food and lodging, and Ron Czajkowski was in charge of banquet arrangements. Elaine Geba and Darlene Moll headed the welcoming committee.

The conference was culminated by a dinner Saturday night at the Europa Lounge. Dean Margaret Ahlborn and Arthur Hoover were guests. Dr. Francis Michelini spoke on the values of college students. His speech was followed by a brief discussion period.

NOTICE

Practice for cheerleading tryouts will be held in the gym on the following dates: Tuesday, April 14, at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m.; Wednesday, April 15, at 4 p.m.; and Thursday, April 16 at 4 p.m. Tryouts will be held Monday, April 20 at 4 p.m. in the Gym. Six new cheerleaders will be chosen for next year.

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A startling change took place at the recent nominations for class officers of the Freshman and Sophomore classes. For the first time in the memory of many students at the school, all the officers of both classes are running for re-election, and all are being opposed.

Vying for the top spot in the Class of '67 are President Ed Pashinski and Hermon George. In the race for Vice President, incumbent Bob Zebrowski will oppose Ann Weatherby and Barbara Simms. Treasurer Judy Rock will run against Betsy Dukes, Harry Russin, and Jim Lowcavage. The candidates for Secretary are Susy Kallen, the incumbent, and Regina Belden. For Student Government representatives, the nominees are Elaine Geba, Darlene Moll, Jo-Ann Prego, Toni Supchak, Ron Czajkowski, Rich Kramer, John Loughney, and Al Saidman.

In the Class of '66, incumbent Bob Deets and Joe Chanecka are running for President. Vice-President Phil Cheifetz will be opposed by Dave Greenwald, Bob Weston, and Henry Benscotter. Mary Lou Snee, Treasurer, will run against Lois Petroski. Secretary Mary Beth Kennedy will oppose Karen Moran. Running for Student Government are Marie Shutlock, Vicki Tatz, Judy Valunas, John Cavallini, Bob Roebuck, Simon Russin, Ron Searfoss, and Harry Wilson.

The Junior Class was unable to obtain a quorum at its meeting, so nominations were postponed until the regularly scheduled class meeting on April 16.

Elections will be held on April 24 in the cafeteria.

Photographic Exhibit of Cohen at Co. Annex

Today is the last day to see Mark Cohen's exhibit of "thirty-four Photographs." Any interested person can visit the exhibit at Conyngham Annex from 7 to 10 p.m.

The exhibition was opened on April 3, and it consists of pictures which were taken over a two-year period. The various types of photos which Cohen is showing are nature studies, portraits, and photo journalism. All of these photographs were taken with a 35 m.m. Leica M-3 Camera.

Mark has been a photographer for eight years. Up to this time, he has exhibited at Penn State University, the Fine Arts Fiesta of Wilkes-Barre, and the Wilkes-Barre Camera Club. He enrolled at Wilkes in February, 1964 as a math major. Previous to attending Wilkes, he was a student at Penn State University.

Gordon Roberts, Director of the Alumni Office, has announced that the annual Alumni Seminar will be held May 16. Registration will begin at noon, and the first sessions will be held at 1:30. The various seminars will be conducted all over the campus. A schedule of specific conferences with times and places will be distributed at a later date.

The Alumni Office is planning to have between twenty and twenty-five groups. Students and alumni will be allowed to choose three. Each group will consist of a faculty member, alumni, and students. The addresses of the faculty members will be about thirty minutes in length and the remainder of the time, which may include another hour, will be devoted to a question and answer session. The alumni will be asked to supplement the text of the speeches with opinions or with information gained through personal experiences in the particular field. Although a few new faculty members will participate in the program, most of them will be composed of members who have served the college for some time and with whom the alumni are well acquainted.

Among some of the participating faculty members and their topics are the following: Dr. Eugene Hammer, Education and the Liberal Arts College; Dr. Stanko Vujica, Liberalism and Conservatism in 1964; Attorney Charles Casper, Obscenity and the Law; Dr. Bronis Kaslas, the Monroe Doctrine and the Alliance for Progress; and Mr. William Gasbarro, the Undergraduate's Program in Music Education: Preparation for Teaching and Graduate Study.

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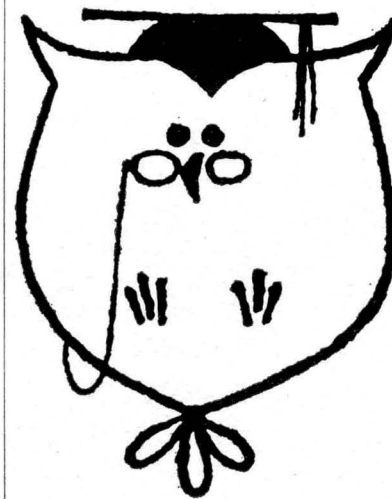
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SCUBA and Sr. Life Saving Begins at Y

Kenneth Young, physical director of the Central YMCA and coach of the Colonel swimming team, has announced the commencement of Senior Life Saving classes and SCUBA Diving classes to be offered at the "Y".

The Senior Life Saving Course certifies the student in water safety and carries with it the certificate and badge of the senior life saver. This certification is valuable in securing summer employment.

The SCUBA course offers a unique opportunity to learn a rapidly growing new sport. The instructors for the course will be Tony Quadro and Helen Micak, both members of the Skin and SCUBA Divers of America. These classes will be from 7:30 to 9:30 on Thursday evenings beginning April 9. Members must furnish their own masks and snorkels, with the remaining equipment furnished by the "Y".

Further information may be obtained from Young at the Y.M.C.A.

Colonel Netmen Vie With Lycoming In Home Opener Tomorrow Afternoon



Gary Einhorn

WILKES TEAM WILL BE TRYING FOR REVENGE ON LAST SEASON'S 6 - 3 LOSS

This season the Wilkes College tennis team feels destined to surpass last year's fine showing of 6 wins and 3 losses. This is the team's best record in several years.

The squad seems to be a strong one once again this season with the following lettermen returning to bolster the attack: Don Austin, Bill Douglas, Fred Smithson, Doug Yeager, Gary Einhorn, the team's captain, the ever returning Owen Frances, and Douglas was undefeated in singles matches last year and appears to figure as the mainstay of the present team. Newcomer Dave Closterman is

expected to fill one of the open positions on the team, with Doug Yeager, Owen Frances, and Simon Russin contesting for the other vacancy.

Good balance, sufficient depth, and expected improvement from last year's players, it is hoped, will make this year's squad a formidable threat in the M.A.C. northern division. The first match, slated against Albright College, was cancelled because of cold weather.

Tomorrow afternoon at 1, the Colonels take on Lycoming in the home opener for Wilkes. The Colonel netman will be out to avenge the 6-3 loss suffered at the hands of the Warriors last season. The Wilkesmen should have another good year under the leadership of Coach Thomas McFarland.

Intramural Softball League Is Delayed

Due to the poor enthusiasm displayed by the members of the student body who failed to participate in the Intramural Softball League by not submitting team rosters, the starting date for the first game will have to be set back.

Originally scheduled to start by April 15th, the league will be forced to delay action. As soon as the required rosters are submitted the games can be scheduled and will get underway.

Coach John Reese urges that rosters be submitted as quickly as possible to the gym office. The following information must be included on the rosters: Name of team, roster of players, and captain of team. It is imperative that this be accomplished immediately.

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COLLEGE TO SHOW APPRECIATION TO ATHLETES AT AWARDS DINNER TONIGHT

This evening the annual Awards Dinner will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the College Commons. Each spring the college shows its appreciation to the campus athletes for their participation in the intercollegiate athletic program. Events of the evening include presentation of letter awards to qualifying athletes for special recognition for having been especially contributory to the spirit and interest of the team. In addition to the presentation of trophies for these honors, the new team captains will also be announced. Not only the athletes and coaches, but the faculty athletic committee and administration are also invited to attend.

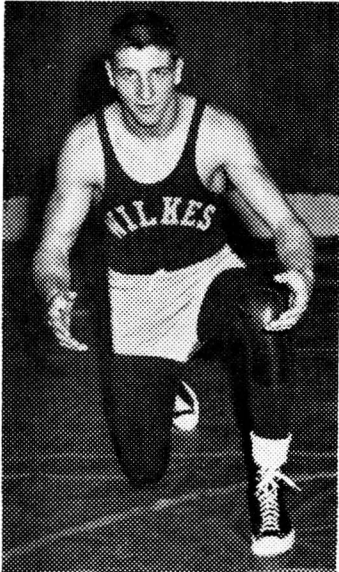
Highlighting tonight's activities will be the presentation of the Outstanding Athlete Award and the Scholastic Average Award. The Outstanding Athlete Award is presented to that athlete who not only shows outstanding performance, but who also embodies leadership and scholarship as well. In the past, winners of the award include such recently exceptional athletes as Bob Herman and Marvin Antinnes. (Photo) Herman was a mainstay and captain of the Colonel mat squad as well as an outstanding member of the football team. Antinnes likewise distinguished himself as a Colonel football and wrestling star, gaining numerous honors in both sports. Both Herman and Antinnes are mat coaches at local high schools, and Antinnes is, in addition, a head football coach.

The Scholastic Average Award is presented to the senior athlete who has compiled the highest academic average. This award is presented by Dean Ralston, who will be acting in his customary role as Master of Ceremonies. John Reese, Director of Athletics, makes the Outstanding Athlete presentation.

In addition to the two awards above, the Gallagher Award is presented to the football player who most embodies team spirit. This trophy is presented in honor of Joseph Gallagher who was a member of the Colonel football squad, and who was killed in an automobile accident shortly after the 1948 season.



George Ralston, Master of Ceremonies



Marv Antinnes, Former Outstanding Athlete

The women athletes receive similar awards to those presented to the men. There are trophies for the outstanding woman in basketball and field hockey and also the over all Outstanding Woman Athlete. The Women's Letterman's Club will grant a scholarship to the junior girl who is determined by a vote of all the women athletes.

In addition to the awarding of the individual trophies for Most Valuable Player on each team, sweaters and letters will be presented to qualifying athletes. This event, which brings together the administration and athletes is one of the highlights of the athletic season.

Veteran Baseball Team Returns; Hardballers Face Tough Schedule

PITCHERS HAVE HAD NO MOUND PRACTICE IN REPLAY OF LAST YEAR

The Wilkes baseball team is going with a veteran squad this season in hopes of gaining a top spot in the Middle Atlantic Conference standings. Head coach Rollie Schmidt is in his second year at the reins and has been trying to whip his team into shape. He has expressed his concern over the lack of outdoor practice for the team and especially for his pitching staff which has yet to get an actual mound practice due to the weather and field condition.

Matt Himlin (photo) is only one of the returning veterans. The speedy centerfielder has been a mainstay on the Colonel squad for several seasons. Himlin is this year's co-captain, sharing the honors with Lou Zampetti.

The opener at East Stroudsburg was called off due to poor field conditions, and Wilkes' home opener with Scranton, scheduled for last Monday, has been re-slated for May 14. The Stroudsburg team was division champion last season, while being handed a 11-5 pasting by Scranton during that same season.

The Colonels were scheduled to open with Juniata on Wednesday, but as of this writing the game looks doubtful. Unfortunately the scheduling of the game makes it too late for the BEACON deadline for this



Matt Himlin

issue. Last season, however, the Indians made the most of their first appearance against the Colonels by downing Wilkes 6-1. The Colonels' pitching staff was at a disadvantage in that contest as the field was not in shape to allow the hurlers mound practice. Coach Fred Prender will be going with a eight lettermen, including four pitchers, but the Indians are forecasting an experimental year.

Lycoming Here Tomorrow

Tomorrow the Colonels will be at home for a game with the Warriors of Lycoming, which will be the second of a four game home stand. Game time is 1 p.m. Last year this game was cancelled.

The Moravian Greyhounds come to town next Thursday for a contest slated to begin at 3:30. The Greyhounds edged out last year's slow starting Colonel hardballers 3-0. Last season the Greyhounds had to settle for a 9-9 log to end a skein of 16 winning seasons in a row. Coach Harvey "Gil" Gillespie has been in the head spot for 24 years and gained acclaim as one of "the winningest coaches in collegiate baseball." Under his leadership, the Greyhounds have compiled a .677 percentage. Gillespie saw action in collegiate baseball as a pitcher for the Greyhounds.

This season the Greyhounds have a wealth of talent returning, and the pitching staff is almost entirely in tact. Among returning lettermen is Andy Semmel, an outfielder who led the team in hitting with a .305 average last season. The freshmen ranks appear to be a source of prospective success for the Moravian club, with Jack Fry being singled out as an up and coming catcher.

In all, MAC competition appears to be rugged, but coach Schmidt is hoping to mold this year's squad into an effective organization. The outlook appears bright if the Colonels don't balk in the opening game.

Sports Shorts

1963 was a tough year for champions. The New York Yankees and the Green Bay Packers headed the parade of fallen title defenders. Four world boxing champions lost their titles during the year. In addition the Wilkes wrestling team failed to regain its MAC crown.

I have read the story of a New York woman who owned a tavern in the city. She got tired of the rowdy mob which frequented her establishment so she took a weightlifting course. After that, for kicks she would toss out inebriated rowdies who eventually gave her little argument once she attained heavyweight proportions. For extra fun she would allow a local oriental to jump up and down on her stomach.

INTRAMURALS

DORM ALL STAR TEAM FOR 1964

Gubanich	Gore	6
Dunn	Barre	6
Katz	Miner	5
Douglas	Barre	5
Curry	Miner	4
Russo	Miner	4
Brillinger	Hollenback	4
Eichman	Miner	3
Holstrom	Gore	3
Houlistan	Barre	3
Burns	Ashley	3
Travis-Bey	Butler	3
Comstock	Butler	3
Krusczek	Butler	3
Dukoff	Warner	3
Theurer	Slocum	3
Gray	Slocum	3

INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL

DORM LEAGUE

FINAL STANDINGS

TEAM	W	L	Rating	(G)	Goals	Fouls	Total	Avg.
Barre	6	1	1.727	6	147	41	435	55.9
Gore	6	1	1.703	7	121	26	268	38.3
Butler	6	1	1.661	5	109	29	247	49.4
Warner	4	3	1.49	6	108	20	236	39.3
Miner	3	4	1.37	7	165	41	371	53.0
Hollenback	2	5	1.25	6	88	18	194	32.3
Ashley	1	6	1.16	4	27	25	79	19.7
Slocum	0	7	1.00	5	66	24	161	32.2

Forfeit games are not considered in the statistics.

INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL

SCORING LEADERS

Name—Team	Games	Goals	Fouls	Total	S. Avg.
1. Kruczek - Butler	4	36	6	78	19.5
2. Travis-Bey - Butler	4	34	5	73	18.2
3. Douglas - Barre	6	39	12	90	15.0
4. Russo - Miner	7	45	12	102	14.6
5. Gubanich - Gore	6	39	9	87	14.5
6. Dunn - Barre	6	40	6	86	14.3
7. Houlistan - Barre	4	21	14	56	14.0
8. Curry - Miner	6	38	4	80	13.3
9. Katz - Miller	7	33	4	70	10.0
10. Comstock - Butler	5	21	7	49	9.8

Ferris Appointed Instructor In Physical Education Department

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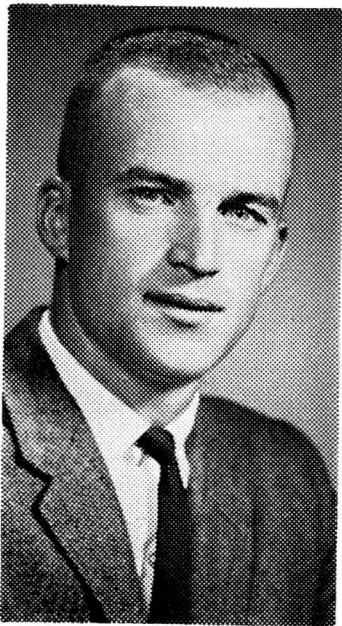
Wilkes athletic director John Reese announced last week that Jim Ferris, currently a member of the Kingston High School Faculty, has been appointed to an instructor's position in the physical education department at Wilkes.

In making the announcement Reese also said that Ferris will assume his new duties with the start of the fall semester. Now assuming the role of baseball coach at Kingston High School, Ferris will finish out his stint there before making the move to Wilkes.

Ferris' move to the Colonel faculty is by no means a totally new affiliation with Wilkes. He first came into contact with the school as a student and graduated in 1956. Upon graduation Ferris turned to Bucknell University where he received his Master's degree in administration in 1961.

While at Wilkes, Ferris compiled a record of awards which would be the envy of any athlete. On the basketball court he proved himself by having been chosen the first Colonel cager to receive the Outstanding Basketball Player Award. In his junior year, Ferris was recipient of the Howie Davis Trophy and at the end of his senior year he was chosen as the BEACON Athlete of the Year. He was also presented with numerous other honors and was a frequent "Athlete of the Week" recipient. Ferris also contributed his efforts to the soccer team and the baseball team while at Wilkes.

Ferris assumed the post as head basketball coach here at Wilkes during this past season. He has long guided the soccer team in their efforts and has produced impressive records while at the helm of the booters squad. These posts were filled on a part-time basis while still teaching at Kingston.



Jim Ferris

In addition to retaining his jobs in soccer and basketball, Ferris will also become assistant baseball coach next year under head baseball mentor Rollie Schmidt, another former Kingston teacher-coach.

Ferris, a math teacher at Kingston, is also one of the top sandlot baseball players in Wyoming Valley. He is a regular member of the Swoyerville club which last year won the Wyoming League championship.

As head coach of the cagers this year, Ferris was faced with a, needless to say, challenging year. Taking this drawback into consideration, Ferris exhibited a highly commendable display of skillful leadership. In an attempt to rebuild the squad Ferris is faced with a long hard job, but the BEACON is looking hopefully to an improvement in the cage record.

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