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EASTER BUNNY HOP TO FEATURE TAPED MUSIC AND RECORDINGS

By IRENE JANOSKI

Say, guys and gals—know what's cookin' tonight besides corn? Nope. Guess again. It's not a sport dance. What? You're right. It's an Easter Bunny Hop! No difference 'tween the two? Hop along to the cafeteria and see. The Student Council is sponsoring it—this info was graciously posted by Peter Cottontail himself—or was that Danny Sherman peaking from under one long, pink, floppy ear?

At any rate, a multiplication of fun is predicted along with dancing from 9 to 12, sentimental music and that ever thirst quenching punch. Mr. Al Jacobs is Dance Chairman pinch-hitting for ole P. C., with the following students on committees:

Decorations: Connie Smith and Jim Tinsley. Music: Wade Hayhurst and Danny Sherman. House: Art Bloom, Al Manarski and Don Follmer.

Know something? The music for tonight will be tape recorded, making possible a larger variety of songs. Uh-huh—the music was re-

corded the night before by Student Council members. This means that a lot of music was played for more than an hour on Thursday, just to get it on tape. It also means that those with twinkling toes are invited to dance to this stuff every Thursday at 8:30 in the Music Room of Gies Hall.

Did you know that that lush, creamy colored recorder (which resembles a small piano) is a latest acquisition to the Music Dept? Now you know. Yes, sir, it's a versatile piece of equipment—does everything but boil water. What, THAT too?

THETA DELTA RHO TO FETE ATHLETES

The Lettermen will be guests of Theta Delta Rho at the sorority's next regularly scheduled meeting meeting on April 11.

The meeting will be held at 7:30 in the Science Lecture Hall and the program will begin at 8. The movie "The Rains Came" will be shown.

Poli-Sci, IRC Members Hear of Judge Selection

Mr. Andrew Hourigan, Jr., of the Luzerne County Bar Association spoke on the Pennsylvania Plan for selecting judges before the Poli-Sci classes and IRC Thursday, March 30, at 11:00 a. m. The Pennsylvania Plan will be discussed at the Intercollegiate Conference on Government at Harrisburg on April 14. Wilkes is a member of the ICG and will attend the convention with a 25-member delegation.

The Pennsylvania Plan is an effort to combine the best features of the elective and appointive systems of selecting judges. The Plan can be accomplished only by an amendment to our State Constitution. This new method proposed by the Pennsylvania Bar would affect the State Supreme and Superior Courts, the courts of record in Philadelphia and Allegheny Counties, and county courts throughout the state.

The amendment provides that judges shall be appointed by the Governor from a panel of three persons nominated by a judicial commission, the judge's tenure subject after one year to approval by a vote of the people which will be held not by party ticket but on the judge's record. The judicial or nominating commission shall consist of one judge, three members of the Bar elected by the Bar, and three lay citizens appointed by the Governor.

TETHER TO SPEAK TO PRE-MED GROUP

Dr. Russell K. Tether will be a guest speaker at the April 13th meeting of the Pre-Med Club. Dr. Tether's topic will be: Federal Health Insurance.

Dr. Tether is the father of Robert Tether, Wilkes junior, and Biology major.

AMNICOLA STAFF WORKING HARD ON PICTURE LAYOUT

The Yearbook staff is working on the layout of pictures for the 1950 edition. Students who had their pictures taken at the Barrie studio received proofs from which they chose the picture they wanted to have in the "Amnicola". However, those students who had pictures taken in the Yearbook office will not be able to choose the picture they prefer because of the late date that the pictures were taken. In order to have the Yearbook ready for distribution before the end of the spring semester, the staff had to follow this practice. Last year, so many students delayed in having their pictures taken that it was only by sheer effort that the Yearbook was ready before the end of the finals. This year the staff hopes to have time to study for finals, too.

FORMER WILKES STUDENTS HONORED

Ronald Edward Savage and George Edward Shamis, who transferred to Bucknell after completing two years at Wilkes, will be initiated by the Tau Beta Phi Honorary Engineering Fraternity at Bucknell University, Lewisburg, on April 12. Mr. Hall, instructor in the Physics Dept., has announced.

PEP KIDS PLAN TO REORGANIZE

The Cheerleading squad will hold an reorganization meeting on Wednesday, April 12, at 7 p. m. Gene Bradley, captain of the squad, has announced that the "tryouts" procedure for this year will be discussed and the date will be set for tryout to begin.

Charlotte Davis, Peggy Anthony, Tony Popper and Bruce Mackie, the four seniors of last year's squad will leave the fate of the new Cheerleading team in the hands of the ten remaining members. Probably four new members will be chosen to bring the number up to fourteen again. The veterans of last year's team are: Gene Bradley, captain; Helen Williams, Jerry Pautis, Toni Menegus, Joe Cherie, Annabelle Perry, Tom Morgan, Beryl Colwell, Priscilla Swartwood and Charlotte Davis.

LEADS IN "GOLDEN BOY"



Above are Pat Boyd and Tom Robbins who will portray the roles of Lorna Moon and Joe Bonaparte, respectively in the coming Cue 'n' Curtain production of "Golden Boy".

LETTERMAN'S APRIL SHOWERS BALL TO FEATURE LEE VINCENT'S ORCHESTRA

By CHUCK GLOMAN

Tickets, costing \$2.80, are now on sale for the forthcoming Letterman's Annual April Showers Ball, at Sans Souci Park on Friday night, April 14, and featuring one of the valley's leading dance bands—Lee Vincent and his orchestra.

The affair, which will last from 9 to 12, is semi-formal with the "no corsages" rule prevailing once again. The males of Wilkes will be relieved to learn that they will have no parking worries this year, for plenty of parking space has been provided.

Olie Thomas, general chairman, has announced a change in policy this year. Instead of selecting the April Showers Queen from a group of Wilkes coeds, the lettermen have decided that ALL girls should be eligible to be chosen Queen. The girl does not have to be a student at Wilkes. The committee is sure that the student body approves of this change.

A special committee, known only to Dean Ralston, will observe all girls at the dance, and at the designated time, will choose the Queen.

The following are committee chairmen: Donald Blackenbush, tickets; Jack Semmer, publicity; John Jones, programs; Richard Scripp, arrangements; and Chet Molley, orchestra.

The lettermen are making extensive preparations in order to make this year's dance one of the biggest social events ever presented by Wilkes College. Students are urged to secure tickets from any letterman, at the bookstore, or at the dance.



LEE VINCENT

And here's a word of advice from the dance committee: If you want to spend one of the most enjoyable evenings you've ever had, get yourself a date and plan to hurry on down to Sans Souci Park two weeks tonight for the April Showers Ball.

PLACEMENT OFFICE RELEASES STATISTICS

Wilkes College Placement Center, operating with the majority of its contacts in one of the 4 "Distress" areas declared by the U. S. Bureau of Employment Security has succeeded in uncovering 210 part-time jobs for its students and placing 60 per cent of the February graduating class.

The announcement was made by John Chwalek, who released his first set of statistics in a report at the end of six months as director of the recently organized Placement Center.

The news of the success enjoyed by the center helped considerably to ease the tension on the students, who are graduating in June and will be seeking employment.

At the end of January, a federal announcement declared Wilkes-Barre, with at least 12 per cent of its workers out of jobs, as one of 43 "distress" areas that pockmarked U. S. prosperity. This report, coupled with the statement by educational officials that a 25 per cent decline in employment possibilities is expected for June graduates, caused many students to speculate about their chances for gaining employment.

The Wilkes Placement Center has been extremely fortunate in its efforts to place students and graduates in either part-time or full time employment.

While a good many of the last several graduating classes at Wilkes have elected to continue their education by attending either graduate or professional schools, the Placement Center has had to make contacts about employment possibilities for about 60 per cent of the graduates.

Plans have been made for summer employment for Wilkes students. To date, employment has been obtained for 35 students and requests for additional help are be-

FRESHMEN PLANNING FUN FOR EVERYBODY

On Saturday evening, April 27, the freshman class will sponsor the most complete wiener roast in the history of Wilkes College at Hanson's at Harvey's Lake. The evening will be replete with hot dogs, an impressive assortment of trimmings, soft drinks, potato chips, campus humorists, singing, dancing, the fruit of the entertainment committee's ingenuity, and sheer good fellowship. "All this and someone too" should make the night one to remember. The festivities will begin at seven o'clock and will be open to all Wilkes students and their guests.

After this week, tickets, \$1.00 apiece, will be available from the bookstore, the cafeteria, and members of the frosh General Committee.

Influenced by the large capacity, strong appetite, and weak resistance of class President Lesnick, the Refreshment Committee under the leadership of Grace Ruffin will provide prodigious quantities of food for the consumption of the vast throng to be attracted by the operations of the Publicity Committee led by Dave Whitney.

Henri Bush, chairman of the Transportation Committee, asks anyone who can offer transportation to inform him, Irene Janoski, Thomas Vojtek, or Gerald Blake. Anyone needing transportation may inform the same people. Parking space will be provided for those driving cars.

ing received daily by the Placement Center.

In May, representatives from many of the country's leading firms will spend a day on the Wilkes College campus, interviewing June graduates for positions.

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EDITORIAL

CINDERELLA CONTEST A FLUKE?

It has been called to our attention that the Student Council has already chosen the candidates for this year's "Cinderella" contest. The surprising thing connected with this announcement was that the student body was not consulted.

Last year, each member of the council, class officers, and heads of campus organizations were all asked to submit lists of names. The candidates were chosen from these lists on the basis of the number of different lists on which the girls' names appeared.

There was much criticism.

This year, the council evidently decided to have even fewer people "in" on the choosing of the candidates. Yet the council expects that the student body will cooperate by voting for the girls which the student body has had no say in nominating.

It is true that probably the same girls would be chosen no matter who was doing the picking, but what irks us is the undemocratic method employed by the council.

The student council should have profited by last year's mistake. Balloting should have been held for the student body, and no matter how small the response, those candidates nominated by the STUDENTS should compete. This way there could be no comeback on the part of the students that they had no voice in the selection of the candidates.

The student body was given a voice in the SECOND most important decision—that of selecting the band. This was done at a recent poll. Why not give the students a voice in making the most important decision also?

After all, is this a "Name Band Dance" or the "Cinderella Ball"? Which is the more important feature, the band playing for the affair or the crowning of "Cinderella"?

DEAN OF COLUMBIA COLLEGE, NEW YORK, TO VISIT WILKES CAMPUS APRIL 12

Dr. Harry J. Carman, Dean of Columbia College at Columbia University, will spend a day visiting with Wilkes College students and faculty on Wednesday, April 12, according to an announcement made yesterday by Dr. Eugene S. Farley, President.

Dr. Carman, who has been Dean of Columbia College since 1943, will be guest speaker at a special assembly of all Wilkes College students at 11 a. m. in the Baptist Church and following his address will consult with members of the student body.

In the evening, he will speak to the members of the Wilkes faculty at a dinner meeting in the college cafeteria.

Dean Carman, who holds degrees from Syracuse, Columbia, Wagner, Hobart, and William Smith, entered education as an elementary school teacher in 1903. He later became principal of the high school at Ithinebeck, N. Y.

The present director of the Urban League of Greater New York, Dr. Carman entered college teaching as an instructor in history and political science at Syracuse University in 1914. He continued in this capacity until 1917, at which time he was made an assistant

professor of history at the same school.

In 1918, he began his affiliations with Columbia University, when he accepted a position as instructor in history. From 1925 to 1931, he served as assistant to the dean of Columbia College and in the latter year he was appointed professor of history. He became Dean of Columbia College in 1943.

Dean Carman has been a member of the New York City Board of Higher Education since 1938 and a member of the Board of Mediation since 1941. He has been a trustee of the Institute of International Education since 1942 and since 1947 held the same position on the board of Atlantic University.

Among the organizations he is affiliated with are: American Catholic Historical Association, American Historical Association, Academy of Political Science, American Geographical Society, New York Historical Society, History Teach-

KAMERA WERIES

by Ed Bolinski

The Question: What suggestions do you have for making Wilkes College more attractive to local and out-of-town students, who are trying to choose a college?

FRED DAVIS, member of the debating team: The post-war influx of the G. I. student has flooded the market with college graduates. Therefore the prospective student must first be convinced that additional education will enhance his chances of employment. Also, he must be convinced that Wilkes can best serve his interest in this respect. This can be accomplished by continuing a vigorous placement service and acquainting the student prospect with this service.

JOAN YONAKAS, member of Cue 'n' Curtain publicity staff: Catalog the social and educational activities of students by presenting them through a series of photographs. This catalog should then be sent to recent high school graduates. We should also offer more scholarships to people who couldn't afford to attend college at their own expense.

MERRITT WAGNER, Freshman Class president: Plan a "college day" and invite high school students to attend. During this day Cue 'n' Curtain could put on a play, the debating team could conduct a debate, and a movie should be shown of the college life of Wilkes. We could also invite students to our football game "free of charge". This would probably create a deeper interest in Wilkes' athletics.

DOROTHY BURAYAK, member of Cue 'n' Curtain: Send Wilkes students as representatives to the high schools from which they graduated, to speak on courses and activities offered at Wilkes. They could either speak during assemblies or have discussion periods with students who plan to attend college. The student teachers are doing a good job of spreading good will and proving that Wilkes College provides ample education for future vocations.

ers Association of Middle Atlantic States and Maryland, Agricultural Historical Society, New York State Historical Association, and the Adult Educational Council of New York.

Among the books he has either written or helped write are: An Introduction to Contemporary Civilization in the West, Record of Political Events, Social and Economic History of the United States, A History of the U. S., Historical Currents in Changing America, American Husbandry, Lincoln and the Patronage, and Jesse Buel, Agricultural Reformer.

BILL GRIFFITH: Beacon news announcer: Have the school become outstanding in some field, either through recognized authorities in the teaching field, or by offering the best all-around program in teaching, facilities and research.

ROSE MARY TURISSINI, Manuscript member: We might put the name of Wilkes more in the minds of high school students and even create good will by sending from the various departments of the college bulletins concerning developments in the fields with which each department is concerned.

ECONOMIC PROBLEMS DISCUSSION TOPIC

On Wednesday, March 15, the first Wilkes College Labor-Management Forum was held at the Science Lecture Hall. Mr. John Riley of the Wilkes Economics Department acted as moderator for the topic "Union Pension Plans." Guest speakers included Mr. Christopher Boland of the U. S. Social Security Bureau, Mr. Eugene Burke, Vice-president of the Pennsylvania Federation of Labor, and Mr. John Griffith, Auditor of Sears, Roebuck and Company.

On Wednesday, April 12, the second Forum will be held. The topic will be "Rights and Responsibilities of Labor and Management in Collective Bargaining." Guest speakers will be Attorney Max Rosenn, and Mr. Leon Decker, Business Agent of the Dairy Workers Union.

The topic for discussion at the third Forum, which will be held on Wednesday, May 17, will be "Union-Management Co-operation: It Can Work." Guest speakers for this meeting will be Mr. Morton Wolovsky, President of the Pioneer Manufacturing Company, and Mr. Eugene Considine, President of the Central Labor Union.

The primary purpose of the Wilkes College Labor-Management Forum is to promote sound thinking about our current and long-range critical economic problems. A basic understanding of the problems confronting management, and labor is necessary in order to help develop the kind of attitudes, thinking, and institutions which enable people of different beliefs to conduct their affairs with a maximum of co-operation and a minimum of conflict.

Rats Survive Fourth Week of Experiment

The three white rats that were sentenced to death by the Biological Science classes are beginning to show the ill effects of the typical student's diet. Manny, Moe and Jack (the three white rats of course!) have been fed on everything from beer and pretzels to lady fingers and coffee.

The experiment is now in its fourth week. The control group is normal. The experimental rats are refusing to eat; this is a normal reaction for animals that are lacking vitamins. They sleep most of the time but this is not too unusual. The fur has turned yellow and is falling out of the experimental group. One of the rats, (I think it is Moe) cannot walk any more.

This is all we have for this week. We expect the rats to be with us for a few more weeks, so look for the next play-by-play account in the next issue of the Beacon.

Winter Sports Teams Coffee Hour Guests

Four winter athletic teams—basketball, wrestling, hockey, and swimming—will be honored at a Coffee Hour, sponsored by the Wilkes Women on Wednesday, April 12, from 3:30 to 5, in the college cafeteria.

The Wilkes Faculty Women, an organization composed of faculty wives and women faculty members, has been sponsoring these Coffee Hours every other week throughout the regular school year. Each event honors several of the more important prominent organizations on the campus.

The Coffee Hours are under the direction of Co-Chairmen Mrs. Louise Partridge and Mrs. Betty Mailey.

Pouring at this next event will be Mrs. Eugene S. Farley, Mrs. Thaddeus Mitana, Mrs. James Laggan, Mrs. Gertrude M. Williams.

Hostesses will be Mrs. Stanko Vujica, Mrs. Charles B. Reif, Miss Catherine Bone and Miss Mary Harvey.

Extra-curricular Activities Are a Problem At Vassar

Poughkeepsie, N. Y.-(I.P.)- A recent Legislative Assembly meeting at Vassar College discussed the problem of financing the student budget. It was pointed out that the Board of Trustees can no longer provide the student body with funds sufficient to carry on the enlarged program of extra-curricular activities. "As an example of the increase in the past decade we might compare the total budget of 1940-41 of \$2,925.00 with that of 1949-50 of \$9,964.00," a financial report revealed.

Possibilities for supporting the extra-curricular program for any excess of the \$6,000 that the Trustees have tentatively consented to provide, include: Adding the necessary 4-5 dollars to cover the additional expense as a special activities fee to be paid by parents; make the 4-5 dollars a blanket fee for all students to pay on Vassar Pay Day.

One of the advantages of collecting time money from the students, it was emphasized, is that organizations would profit from fixed incomes whereas now the Trustees may cut a budget at will. Large scale programs can be planned by groups if they are allowed to put their surpluses in a fund from year to year.

MORE CHUCK GLOMAN

This time of the year I always think of an old married couple that I used to know. What a happy married life they had! They were just right for each other... he snored and she was deaf.

This kind old woman had complete control over her husband. In fact, you might say that she had him eating out of her hand... then she bought a set of dishes.

She had a very interesting past. She used to be a tight-rope walker in the circus. But one day she was tight and the wire wasn't.

And their courtship was so romantic. They had a sort of a garden romance... he was a dead beat and she was an old tomato. She never got her name in 'Who's Who', but once she had her picture in 'What's This'.

Her husband was one of the most easily contented people I've ever known. In fact, he lived in the same house for twenty-seven years. He'd have been there yet if the Governor hadn't pardoned him.

And then there's the one about the two maggots who were necking in dead Ernest.

Colonels' Corner

- By -
ED TYBURSKI



The weather, mid-semester exams, and the Easter vacation have all combined in a plot to upset the Wilkes' spring sport program. First it was the weather. Bob Partridge was forced to delay his spring training one week. Then mid-semester. The weather again. And now no soccer practice until after the vacation. George Ralston faced the same situation with baseball. After delaying his opening practice sessions, he finally found himself in the throes of a beautiful day and issued a hurried call for spring training. All this after sweating out the weather and mid-semester, and lo and behold, the weather is acting up again. And next Wednesday Easter vacation begins.

Last Monday Ralston issued a call for aspirants for the Colonel nine. Considering the fact that the call sounded around noon, the 25 would-be-stars who showed up prove the campus is interested in baseball. During the week, Ralston's flock increased, and it's getting to the point where he is having a difficult job in cutting the squad for the opening game. Returning to the squad from last year are 10 veterans. The infield is practically intact. This isn't to say that the veterans have these positions cinched. Not by a long shot. There's always a good rookie who shows up and blasts all predictions aside. There just isn't any predicting the chances of a rookie making the squad. They just happen. Any way, to return to the veterans who are returning to the team, we can say a few words about them. First of all, there is Alec Molash, hard hitting shortstop. Al took the hitting honors on the team last year with a lusty .320 average. Then there's Ben Dragon, back for another try at third. Ben is a consistent player, and he hits a long ball. Then there's Pinky Pinkowski, utility infielder. Pinky has played both the keystone positions and also third base. If his hitting improves as it did towards the end of last season, he will almost be a cinch for an infield position. Bob Hall, the peppery first baseman of last year, is back. Bob is small for first base, but he proved last year that he can do a good job.

In the outfield there are two veterans returning. Jack Semmers and Don Blackenbush. Jack will be completing his third year as a baseball Colonel. Don is about the best hitting outfielder we have seen around here in a long time. Last year he was second only to Molash, having hit well over the charmed .300 mark.

The difficulties crop up in the mound corps. Ralston has only one pitcher coming back from last year's team. Chet Molley is what is known as a tough luck pitcher. Last year he hurled a couple of one-hitters, only to lose the game through erratic fielding, or to be shut out by the opposing pitcher. Chet toiled all season with a sore arm, but his control was sharp, and his fast ball had the old hop when he needed it. He has been working on a new curve, and if his flipper holds out, some of Ralston's worries will disappear. Of course he needs more than one hurler to carry him through the season. Only time will solve this problem. Time and an early Christmas.

The receiving end of the battery looks better. Joe Deschak is back after a year's absence. A hustler behind the plate, Joe wields a pretty good stick. He has a good arm, and if he doesn't mistake the centerfielder for the second baseman, the opposition will have trouble in the larceny department. Just a joke, Joe. Then there's Danny Pish who handled the catching duties last year.

Adding strength to the outfield is Al Nicholas and Al Minarski. Nick played ball around the valley and up in York state. Minarski played for Plains and with the American Legion. He is a hard hitter and a fast fielding outfielder.

Opening day is April 15.

STRIKES TO SPARE - - -

The loud squeal that you just heard was not the spilling of blood by the weaker sex, but the exultation expressed by Bev Van Horn as she scored a strike. To you peasants who don't know what a strike means, to the informed it means the highest form of enjoyment that a howler can experience. This gives an idea of how the Bowling League has made an impression on the Theta Delta Rho. These inspired females have shown the boys from Wilkes what the meaning of "spirit" is. Although none of the girls has ever bowled before they are showing remarkable strides in bowling form. This is not to take

any of the credit away from the boys. Most of them haven't bowled either. Not one experienced man bowls with the Cue 'N' Curtain but because of the enjoyment received they are talking of the pin boys instead of "Golden Boy". The Economics Club has accepted its supply and demand curve on the marginal propensity of the bowling ball to cure on number five and six alleys. Thor's Five, under the leadership of "Thor" Sabanski, has shown the pin boys what power can do. Every time he bowls all the pin boys leave the pits. Since Wilkes has started to bowl, four pin boys have been hospitalized. The Chem Club has traded its test tubes for a bowling ball. They have found out that acetylsalicylic acid poured on the ball gives it the "pocket split" effect. The Engineers have taken their classroom training to the alleys and they bowl with one hand and figure out the percentages with their other hand using a slide rule.

After two weeks of rolling it has been shown that none of the teams has sufficient strength to run away with honors but all of the teams make up this deficiency in spirit. Outstanding bowlers have been Terry Gavilski, Curly Shiffer, Larry Mellus, John Surash, Jean Wasilewski and Neil McHugh.

SPRING IS HERE SO IS BASEBALL

By JOE GRIES
(BEACON Sports Writer)

More than 50 baseball aspirants for the 1950 Colonels team greeted Coach George Ralston Tuesday at Kirby Park when he issued his first call for practice. This year will mark the fifth time for the diminutive mentor to coach a Wilkes baseball team.

Many old faces greeted the coach's eyes as he looked around at the boys indulged in pepper games and playing catch. The returning veterans included Don Blankenbush, Chet Molley, Danny Pish, Jack Semmer, Joe Pollack, Ben Dragon, Alex Molash, Frances Pinkowski, Bob Shemo, Joe Gries and Jerry Ostrowski.

Ralston was also glad to see all the newcomers who are competing for births on this year's team. Some of these rookies included Frank Zigmund, Al Minarski and Al Nicholas. It is expected that Zigmund will bolster the pitching staff and take up the slack left by the loss of Boyd Earl, Crane Buzby and Walter Hendershot, all pitchers on last year's nine.

When interviewed on the radio by this reporter the Wilkes mentor said that the pitcher forms the nucleus of any baseball team and that if his pitching comes through Wilkes will have the finest team ever to represent this institution. Mr. Ralston said that he is in fine shape at the other departments but expects his biggest problem to come from the mound because he will have to find replacements for the three pitchers he lost from last year's team. He concluded by saying the "some people think I am a pessimist but they are far from being right because this year Wilkes will field the best team ever to wear the Blue and Gold colors of this school." There you are and who are we to disagree. Somehow we think he is right.

Wilkes won't have to go too far to better last year's record of six wins and eleven losses, but they will have to hustle to beat the mark set by the 1948 team who won 8 and lost only 4. Six of this year's returning veterans played on that team which had a big man patrolling right field by the name of Moose Galetta. This human hunk of Sampson rattled the windows in the armory building on more than one occasion and actually hit one over the left-centerfield fence in Artillery Park into the Armory building. The ball traveled over 410 feet and was the longest drive hit all season in that park including players from the Eastern League. We tried to get him a pair of shoes from Tom McHale at the Hub but were informed some Baron won this award with an inside the park homerun a few days prior. Let's hope another Galetta unfolds from this year's nine.

The Colonels have scheduled themselves against some tough foes this year with Scranton University and Ithaca College being two of the better ones. This means that the Wilkes mentor will have to field a good team to bring his record over the five hundred mark. Under Ralston the Colonels have won 18 and lost 20.

The Colonel baseball team opens the season on April 15 against Lycoming College of Williamsport. Twenty games comprise this year's schedule.

In keeping with the beauty and inspiration of the season, I have written two poems. The first one goes something like this:

He met a millionaire's daughter
Up in the high Sierras;
As there he sat—
She left him flat;
No hits, no runs, no heiress!

Or maybe you would enjoy something a little more on the romantic side, like this one:

He drank from her slipper,
His toes turned toward Heaven;
He wasn't aware that
She wore size eleven.

SOCCER PRACTICE NOT TO BEGIN UNTIL WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

By PAUL B. BEERS

If you see a bunch of fellows crying in Mrs. Brennan's hot coffee, you'll know that it's the soccer team. Led by Coach Bob Partridge, the boys have been moaning for a month about the weather. Why oh why can't "that lucky ol' sun" do some rollin' around the heavens some day? Just when everything clears up, including the boys' tears, some little angel starts peeling onions and it comes down again. Soccer practice was originally called for March 13th. Since then, rain, snow, more rain, more snow, and finally even more rain has fallen in a steady stream. Peeking out from beneath his umbrella, Bob called off practice until March 20. Well, that was mid-semester week, so patient Bob postponed it for another week. Everything was set to go on March 27th, and then somebody turned on the faucet and it started to come down again. Now the operations have been pushed back until April 12th, the day that the Easter vacation ends. If it rains on April 12th, Bob has promised to go upstairs and find out just what is the trouble. He isn't going to let any New York water shortage ruin spring practice for his two-year old soccer squad.

The original idea for scheduling practice so early was so that some of the boys on the soccer team, or those planning to go out for it, could also try their luck at baseball. That's out of the question now. Don't blame me. Maybe Jolson has been singing his "April

Showers" too early. Coach Partridge has also announced that something new has been added. Last season the team was privileged to run themselves ragged on a 100-yd. by 50-yd. field. This year Bob is going to let themselves run ragged on a field 120-yds. by 63-yds. There are a number of reasons for this change. Last year the twenty-two men in a game felt a little crowded. Then too, most colleges prefer the bigger field. But the Coach has his own little reasons, too. Now when he says "Okay, just two more laps and you can stagger home" it will mean 66 more yards to go, which Partridge is very fond of. Toss in a couple trips up the dike and you have the best conditioner on the market. The Coach says that the secret of success in soccer is being in shape. Where he picked up this information isn't known, but some of the boys claim he once worked for Calumet Farms.

As usual, the spring practice will be held in Kirby Park down by the picnic ground. All eager beavers are requested to turn out. Also wanted is a good man for manager. Marty Blake has left and the job is wide open. This year Partridge would like to have a "manager".

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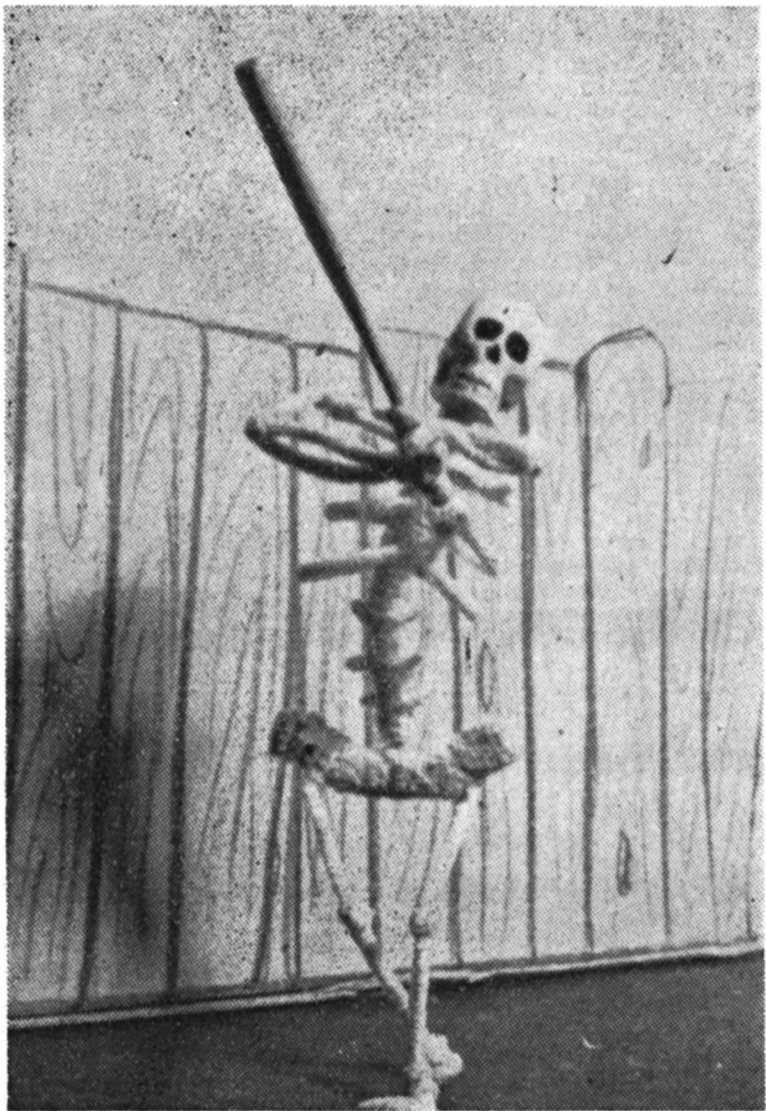
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BASEBALL AND SPRING GREET BONES; HE SPURNS BOTH, THEN IS OLD SELF

(SPECIAL TO THE BEACON)

Homer "tried for Golden Boy but couldn't make it" Bones sat quietly in the Beacon office and stared glumly at the happy students passing by. The two "A" students disappeared down the street.



"What's the use," he muttered. "I'm a failure and, I just don't want to admit it. I've just been a flop, a blowhard who doesn't amount to anything. Take football for instance. All those bowls I told you about weren't football bowls; they were pipe bowls. I'm not an athlete. I'm not an actor. I'm not a lady's man. I'm not a student. I'm a failure."

The hysterical wails of the miserable creature in the Beacon office penetrated the thin walls of the room and disrupted the German class next door. "Ach, mein goodness," cried the professor, "die Tinte, sehr gut aber nicht und wie ich spreche oder SHUT UP OVER THERE!"

Homer came to his senses with a start. The hollow of his eyes remained hollow, but there was something different about our hero. He had that adventurous look about him.

"I'll travel!" he shouted. "That's it. I'll travel all over the world. Oui! Oui! Si! Si! I'll broaden my education. The girls are nice looking over there, too. Travel, that's the thing."

Homer bounded out of the office, greeted the glaring German professor with a vibrant "Cherchez la femme!" and headed for Chase Hall and parts unknown.

The parts became known very shortly as the traveler (courtesy Kaiser-Frazer Corp.) was noticed on the river common tossing a baseball with some of the fellas.

When asked about the delay in his traveling, Homer explained that he was waiting for the final papers from the front office. He continued to pass the time by playing ball.

"Ye Gads, Homer, where did you get that arm?" asked one of the dorm boys.

"Shut up the wise remarks before I blast ya one," returned Homer. "Okay, so I'm not such an athlete. But I'm a man of the world, or at least will be. I'm going to travel! Ohayo, wa karee ma sen. That's Japanese. Oink! Oink! That is pig Latin."

Homer was his old self. He was confident and happy.

"But I didn't mean that," said the dorm boy. "I meant that your arm is terrific. You have power and a beautiful natural curve. Plenty of speed! Can you swing a bat?"

Homer stiffened to attention. Was the guy kidding him? Or was Homer an athlete after all? Homer's head lifted ever so slightly, and his chest puffed out.

"Can I swing a bat? Brother, just wait'll you see. Why I can play baseball better than my great grandfather, Abner Doublebones, and he developed the game. Ty Cobb, Christy Mathewson and even the Babe, himself, took lessons from my father, Kennisaw "Hills" Landbones. Why, just last summer I was giving pointers about the game to a few of the Yankees. Heck, even my name, Homer, comes from the way I can pole the ball over the fence. And then there was the time I..."

What's that? Homer leave Wilkes to travel? Homer to leave Wilkes? Leave the baseball team? Nosirree, not our Homer.

PRE-MED SOCIETY TO VISIT PHILA.

A tour of Jefferson Hospital, Women's Medical Hospital and Hanneman Hospital will highlight the Wilkes College Pre-Med Club's trip to Philadelphia on the weekend of April 21-23.

The 31 club members and faculty advisors Dr. Reif and Miss Dague will leave Wilkes-Barre on Friday afternoon. They will travel by Martz bus and while in Philadelphia stay at the John Bartram Hotel.

The program committee for Pre-Med group is: Doris Mae Gauger, committee chairlady, Walter Mokychic, Wayne Redline, James Smith, Joseph Bernard Schleicher, Betty Rebennack and Irene Wang.

SPRINGTIME INSPIRES BEACON REPORTER TO WRITE HIS OBSERVATIONS ON THE SEASON

By CHUCK GLOMAN

Spring is in the air these days. Yes, once again that wonderful season is here. The very season that inspired Wordsworth, Shakespeare, Byron, Keats, Davidoff (my Spanish professor), Milton and Coleridge, has penetrated the walls of the Beacon office and is now inspiring me.

Ah yes, it's spring, and everywhere the air is filled with adventure, youth, joy, happiness, love, romance, coal dust and gas fumes.

As usual, this season has made every young man's fancy turn to thoughts of what he's been thinking about all winter. Because of this, a great many marriages are scheduled to take place this month. Out in Hollywood, they have a special system of marriage... they get married early in the morning so they'll have time for an afternoon divorce.

And what weather we're having these first few weeks of spring! I'm not saying that the air these days is very damp, but just the other morning a fellow stepped out of Chase Hall and they had to drag the dew for his body.

Springtime is the time for gar-

dening. And this year, science is attempting to improve gardening. For instance, someone crossed a Virginia creeper with a cabbage to grow brussels sprouts that leap into the pot. Another fellow has crossed snakes with rabbits to produce adders that multiply.

Anyway, spring is the time that everyone should forget his troubles. It's the time to take it easy. Take a vacation. Get out on the open highway. See America. It took nature two million years to make the Grand Canyon... the least you can do is go out and look at it. That reminds me, President Truman went out to the Grand Canyon a few weeks ago. He said that he wanted to see what a depression looked like. You know, we were supposed to have a depression back in 1946, but it got delayed in the

red tape in Washington.

I always enjoy taking hikes through the woods this time of year. Just last weekend, on one of my walks, I passed a kangaroo who really looked disgusted about something. Pretty soon he yanked his offspring out of his pouch and clubbed it with a twig, exclaiming bitterly: "I'll teach you to eat crackers in bed!"

By the way, I guess you heard about the baby kangaroo who ran away and left his mother holding the bag.

I don't know whether or not you've realized it, but people seem to have more respect for "old age" these days if it's bottled.

I happened to be present at my advisor's office when he was correcting the Biology mid-terms. On one of the papers was written this definition of SPINAL COLUMN: "A bunch of bones that run up and down your back, keeping you from being legs all the way up to your neck."

And now, in closing, I would like to leave you with this thought: When a girl wants to become a chorus girl—it's not her family tree that counts, it's her limbs.

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