

Students Favor Popular Election Of S G Heads

In the past, the President of Student Government has been elected by the members of this governing body. A recent column in the BEACON proposed that in the future the President ought to be chosen by popular election. Out of the twenty-six students interviewed in a recent BEACON survey, sixteen favored popular election, while the remaining ten opposed the idea.

Students favoring election by the student body included:

Neil Remland, freshman: "The election should be taken from the floor to let the student body know who is running. A student may have voted for two certain people for Student Government representatives from his

class, but he may have a preference as to which of the two he would like to see as president."

Sumner Hayward, junior: "Nominations by Student Government with popular elections for president of the governing body is desirable. Such procedure can increase student interest in their government and yet provide Student Government with some control in the selection of THEIR president."

Sylvia Carstensen, freshman: "The student body should elect the president for two reasons. First, such elections would arouse school spirit as the students backed the candidates of their choice. Secondly, the United States Congress doesn't elect the

national President; why then should the representative body of Wilkes elect the president of the Student Government?"

Anonymous: "Of course the student body should choose the president. Otherwise those students who are interested but who aren't in Student Government are deprived of a voice in the election."

Those opposed to popular election included:

Gary Einhorn, senior: "I feel that the Student Government president should be elected by the class representatives rather than by popular vote. Because Student Government representatives see who is in action and who possesses the material needed in

their leader, they are better qualified than a rather divorced student body in the selection of president."

Carolyn Koslowski, freshman: "The president should be elected by the Student Government because the members know who is better qualified for the position; otherwise the election may become a popularity contest."

Carolyn Kaplan, freshman: "The representatives should choose the president of Student Government, but if the students elect him, the candidates should first appear before the student body to explain their platforms and qualifications."

Vernie Shiposh, freshman: "The student body elects the members of the Student Government as their repre-

sentatives. If they don't have faith in their choice of a president, they shouldn't have elected them as their representatives."

John Cavallini, sophomore: "Student Government representatives should be elected by the student body, but the president of Student Government should be elected by the representatives. The representatives, rather than the students, know who is best qualified to preside over their meetings."

Ed Pashinski, freshman: "The whole student body doesn't know the person well. Student Government members know him well and know his qualifications and can make a better choice."

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**Clay Is
The Greatest!**

Senior English Major Selected LODGE, KENNEDY LEAD IN STUDENT POLL

In Glamour's 'Best Dressed' Contest

The local preliminaries for Glamour Magazine's annual Best Dressed Coed Contest were held recently at the College. Miss Barbara Gallagher was chosen as Best Dressed Coed among ten women who demonstrated their tastes and fashion sense by modeling on-campus, off-campus, and evening ensembles. They were Misses Pam DeHaven, Jane Edwards, Ruth Friedlander, Bonnie Hyatt, Lee McClosky, Ann Marie Micklo, Marie Persic, Joan Smith, and Regina Watkins.

Miss Gallagher's on campus selection was a blue and white V-neck shift jumper complemented by a blue silk crepe blouse, a gold bracelet, and tan kid flats. She chose a dark blue three piece knit suit for off-campus wear. The collarless jacket, trimmed in white, topped a sleeveless shell and straight skirt. Miss Gallagher's evening dress was a black crepe with the bodice forming a V in front and back. The bronze peau de soie overskirt accentuated the slim black skirt. A topaz dinner ring and silk clutch bag completed the evening ensemble.

A bouquet of American Beauty roses was presented to Miss Gallagher by the Lettermen. She also received a silver charm and bracelet from AWS. The other coeds also received silver charms as a memento of the contest. Judges for the contest were Mrs. Carolyn Dzurko, Dr. Ruth Jessee, Miss Charlotte Lord, Welton Farrar, Alfred Groh, Arthur Hoover, and Dr. Francis Michelini.

Juniors Elect Ungemah To S G



Don Ungemah, and Judy Rock

Close Elections

In a recent Student Government election, vacancies were filled in the offices of Freshman Class Treasurer and Junior Class Student Government Representative. By a relatively good turnout at the polls and tight competition, the juniors elected Don Ungemah, education major, to fill the position of class representative. Judy Rock was elected to the position of Freshman Class Treasurer. Both these individuals have assumed their respective responsibilities of their offices.

Cinderella Ball Relocation?

by Carolyn Kaplan

Student Government announced at its last meeting that the Administration has okayed the possibility of re-locating the Cinderella Ball. President Dick Burns said that possible sites are now being investigated.

The Class of 1967 Scholarship Fund was discussed, and the idea of such a fund was given approval. Acceptance of the Fund, however, is still pending at this writing.

It was noted by Miss Gail Roberts that Student Government is discussing the possibility of the popular election of its president. Further debate and possible action on the problem will be taken up at a special meeting on Monday, March 2nd. At this time proposed amendments to the Constitution will be discussed.

Intercollegiate Hoot Planned; Cash To Be Awarded Best Entries

by Bill Kanyuck

Want to win one hundred dollars? If so, be sure to enter the first Wilkes Intercollegiate Hootenanny which will feature competition among entries in the folk field. The event will be held March 14 at 8 p.m. in the Wilkes gym. The first prize will be one hundred dollars with consolation awards of twenty-five dollars and ten dollars.

All entries, whether individual or group performers, must be associated with a college or university; groups must have one-third of their membership enrolled in a college. Only folk music may be performed; each entry may perform one number of his preference.

Winners will be selected on the basis of their general appeal.

Deadline for all entries is noon, Wednesday, March 11. A retainer fee of five dollars must accompany the entry; three dollars of this fee will be returned following the event. Include with the entry: the name of the group; the college represented; and the name, address, and telephone number of the leader. Address all inquiries to INTERCOLLEGIATE HOOTENANNY, Wilkes College, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania 18703.

Tickets will be sold at Wilkes by class executive councils and are scheduled to go on sale at noon, Friday, February 28 at seventy-five cents each. Profits will go to classes in proportion to the number of tickets sold.

by Charlotte Wetzel

Last Friday, in addition to the election of class officers, a campus-wide political primary was sponsored by ICG. The purpose of this poll was to determine student preferences concerning the Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates who have been mentioned as prospective nominees for the national conventions to be held this summer.

The members of the committee who directed the activities were chairman Joe Grohowski, Charles Petrillo, John Lore, Karen Volgamore, Andrea Petrasek and Judy Valunas.

Library Circulation Vastly Increases

by Sylvia Dysleski

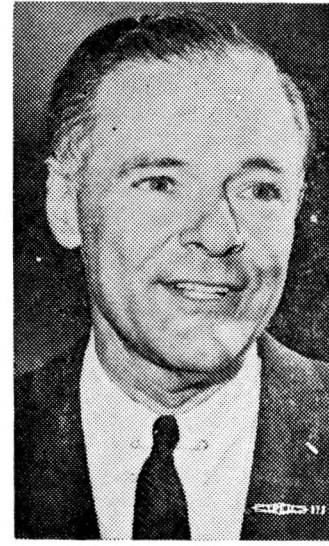
The circulation of library books has increased considerably in the past year. During the fall semester of 1963, the library circulation has risen on the average of three thousand books per month over the figures of the previous year. In January, 1964, four thousand more books were checked out than in January, 1963.

Reasons for this increase in circulation have been given as extra library hours and student pick-up in non-fiction readings suggested in class. Since students are taking an interest in nonrequired readings, there appears to be added enthusiasm in their courses.

The library is now open an extra hour daily and for three hours on Sunday. This makes the library accessible to students who otherwise could not use it. During finals the library is open all day Saturday.

As a side-light, Mrs. Vujica was happy to announce a new addition to the library staff. On February 1, Mr. Marvin Rasnick joined the staff as the new circulation and reference librarian. A native of Brooklyn, Mr. Rasnick received his library training at the State University of New York in Albany.

The balloting, which was limited to the Presidential race for the Republican Party, revealed that Henry Cabot Lodge led all other nominees from his party with 31.9% of the votes. Lodge, who was formerly U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations and U.S. Sen-



Henry Cabot Lodge

ator, presently holds the position of U.S. Ambassador to Viet Nam. The other results were as follows: Richard Nixon, former Vice-President of the U.S., 23.9%; Nelson Rockefeller, Governor of New York, 17.5%; Barry Goldwater, U.S. Senator from Arizona, 12.5%; William Scranton, Governor

of Pennsylvania, 6.2%; Margaret Chase Smith, U.S. Senator from Maine, 6.2%; George Romney, Governor of Michigan, 1.5%; and Harold Stassen, less than 1%.

According to Jeff Gallet, Chairman of ICG, the Republican returns illustrated several interesting factors. Although Republican supporters campaigned for Nixon, Lodge, who is not an avowed candidate, superceded all other GOP candidates. Furthermore, even though the Conservative wing of the Republican Party has stated that American college campuses are continually advancing towards their faction, Goldwater, the leading Conservative of the party, ran fourth in the Wilkes poll. In fact, all the candidates who led Goldwater have Liberal tendencies.

Assuming that President Johnson would be renominated for the Presidency, ICG restricted the Democratic poll to the Vice-Presidency.

Concerning the results of the Democratic Party, Gallet remarked, "It is significant that Attorney General Kennedy received 52.8% of the votes for the Democrats, while no Republican candidate achieved this accomplishment."

The returns of the Democratic Vice-Presidential race also showed these results: Adlai Stevenson, U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, 23.8%; Hubert Humphrey, U.S. Senator from Minnesota, 13.2%; Robert Wagner, Mayor of New York, 3.6%; R. Sargent Shriver, Director of the Peace Corps, 3.2%; Jacqueline Kennedy, 1%; Harry Truman, 1%; and Eugene McCarthy, U.S. Senator from Minnesota, 1%.

'Silver Opinion' Scholarships Available To Women Students

During the months of February and March, Reed & Barton, America's oldest major silversmiths, are conducting a "Silver Opinion Competition" in which valuable scholarships totalling \$2050 are being offered to duly enrolled women students at a few selected colleges and universities.

Wilkes College has been selected to enter the Competition in which the First Grand Award is a \$500 cash scholarship; Second Grand Award is a \$300 scholarship; Third Grand Award is a \$250 scholarship; fourth, fifth and sixth awards are \$200 scholarships; and seventh, eighth, ninth, and tenth are \$100 scholarships. In addition, there will be 100 other awards consisting of sterling silver, fine china and crystal with a retail value of approximately \$50.

In the 1964 "Silver Opinion Competition", an entry form illustrates twelve designs of sterling with eight designs of both china and crystal. The entrants simply list the three best

combinations of sterling, china, and crystal from the patterns illustrated. Scholarships and awards will be made to those entries matching or coming closest to the unanimous selections of table-setting editors from three of the nation's leading magazines.

Mary Russin and MiMi Wilson are the Student Representatives who are conducting the "Silver Opinion Competition" for Reed & Barton. Those interested in entering the "Silver Opinion Competition" should contact either Mary or MiMi for entry blanks and for complete details concerning the Competition rules. They also have samples of twelve of the most popular Reed & Barton designs so that entrants can see how these sterling patterns actually look.

Through the opinions on silver design expressed by college women competing for these scholarships, Reed & Barton hopes to compile a valuable library of expressions of young American taste.

Editorial

Is Freedom of Speech An American Myth?

Revilo P. Oliver, classics professor at the University of Illinois, tested the principle of freedom of speech recently, and the repercussions were violent. A torrent of comments, invectives, pans, barbs, and the like have been unleashed at the right-wing professor who attacked President Kennedy in a lengthy treatise in American Opinion magazine, the official monthly of the John Birch society.

In the midst of this whirlpool of criticism, Oliver staunchly maintains, "What I have given was fact."

His "facts" describe President Kennedy as a clever Communist agent who won the Presidency by "peddling boob-bait for the suckers" and who was assassinated last year because he botched his assigned role to capture the U. S. He also charges that Kennedy collaborated with Khrushchev on a "fake invasion" of Cuba to strengthen the Communist stronghold on the island and concludes that all the late President's activities were aimed at subverting and sabotaging our defenses.

As might be expected, the collegiate press throughout the nation responded vigorously — and in some cases surprisingly.

Roger Ebert of the Daily Illi, of the University of Illinois, commented that "only a strong and free society could permit Professor Oliver his own freedom. I see nothing wrong with his speaking out — particularly because by doing so he is disproving his own charges."

Jack W. Peltason, acting provost of the U., degraded Oliver's views, but firmly defended his right to the sacred, untouchable freedom of speech.

But surprisingly, many student editorials disagreed with these sound, liberal viewpoints. Some implied that Oliver should be immediately dismissed and persecuted for his "outrageous charges."

One editorial in particular scorned the naivete of belief in free speech. Concluding that freedom of speech is restricted and that partial freedom is non-freedom, this editor berated people who wasted time arguing the point and inferred that they should instead calmly accept the fact and face reality.

In our opinion, this attitude is far more dangerous than the professor's extremist charges. Especially dismaying is the fact that this passive attitude is becoming an accepted tenet of the youth of today.

Numerous polls by sociologists, psychologists, and others have told us that our youth, surprisingly conservative, favor restriction and censorship in many areas — including freedom of the press and speech. Unfortunately, to modern Americans, the abstract ideal of freedom of speech is upheld only if what one says is socially, politically, and culturally acceptable. If not, the dissenting voice is quickly smothered by the majority who see a threat to their security.

This frightening, insidious tendency to smother the "unpopular" is incompatible with the democratic ideals we proclaim to the world. It implies a distrust of the masses. It implies that the "ordinary person" is too weak to be exposed to the fire of a dangerous idea. It is an insult to the basic integrity and intelligence of Americans.

To say that this freedom is a basic tenet of our way of life is to reiterate a well recognized fact. To remind our readers that the ideas of the "fathers of our country" were not only "unpopular" but treasonous is unnecessary. To recount the innumerable times our countrymen have fought for this right would take volumes. We all recognize the importance of this basic freedom but we are too comfortable, too cynical, and too sophisticated to bother about it. As long as it doesn't involve us personally, we are disinterested.

This is as ridiculous as calmly watching a fire burn down each house on our block and then excitedly yelling "fire" when it enters our back yard.

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Letters to the Editor

Competent Judges?

Dear Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to suggest that in the future the Associated Women Students look into the possibility of obtaining judges for the Glamour Magazine contest for the best-dressed coed from among the population of Wilkes-Barre outside of the College Administration. These persons could be chosen from the local store managers and other individuals having a knowledge of current styles of clothing as well as modeling techniques. This move would render the best choice possible and would eliminate any implication of bias in the choice of the contestant most qualified to represent our school in the national contests.

Sincerely,

ROGER SQUIER

NOTICE

K. S. and J. R.: We will print your letter if you sign the original copy. Your names will be withheld upon request and held in confidence.

The Editors

Thanks

To Members of the Junior Class:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for electing me as your representative to Student Government. As your representative, I will try my best to serve you. If anyone has a particular stand on something or an idea which would pertain to the Student Government, I should appreciate it if you would drop a note in my mailbox at the bookstore.

All that I can say is thanks again.

Sincerely,
 Don Ungemah
 Class of 1965

A Conservative Replies

Last week Mr. Gallet proposed that I write on the issues. He claimed that I used every trick in the book to avoid discussing the real issues. If this is so, there is only one reason why — I never intended to discuss my views; I only intended to express my disapproval and condemnation for his columns.

Mr. Gallet has asked me to state

my views. I will because, as a conservative, I am not ashamed of them.

I am in favor of a strong stand against Russia and Cuba. Co-existence can only lead to our downfall. This point was avoided when he tried to imply that I was slandering our administration. Although I feel that they should be replaced, (because this is what elections are for) the truth is that not once did I imply or mention their names.

I am against the test ban treaty because it can only weaken the nation, while allowing France and Red China to continue to produce weapons.

I am against the selling of wheat to Russia because I cannot condone the fact that this food will feed some Russian who is making weapons that are killing our soldiers in Viet Nam.

I am against the U. N. because it has done nothing to promote our interests above the rest of the world. It is only a stumbling block toward ridding the world of Communism.

Finally I am in favor of States Rights. The rights of the states have been unnecessarily usurped by the federal government. It is my opinion that the state should have the final say in health, education, and welfare. And to quote one of our greatest

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VIEWPOINT '64

LOCAL CENSORS MAKE BAD

by Jeff Gallet

"We are voicing concern by our public indignation; that cannot be termed 'censorship'. The right to speak out in favor of good cannot be challenged in a democracy such as ours." — Mrs. J. W. Lawler, chairlady of the Luzerne County Mothers of America, said in speaking in defense of the right of her organization and a sister organization, Luzerne County Citizens for Decent Literature led by Mr. Peter E. Petroski, to censor magazines and books from newsstands. Just last summer these groups were able to get convictions in cases involving local newsdealers who carried material they considered objectionable.

Realism vs. Obscenity

What is obscene literature? Is literature obscene because of the use of certain words, or because it describes certain physiological acts? Censors have objected to frank sections in the works of such talented authors as Henry Miller, J. D. Salinger, Ernest Hemingway, and D. H. Lawrence. The authors defend their works as realism. They claim that they are only describing what they see. Is this kind of writing necessary? Most citizens agree with Cardinal Newman, "We cannot have a sinless literature about sinful men."

Then what is the problem? The censorship groups say that "obscene" literature is damaging to children. Are we to assume then that all books and magazines are to be written at a child's level? At the trial this summer, Petroski and another witness, James Walsh, testified that they had been reading what they considered the worst kind of obscene, lewd books and magazines for a period of two own admission average citizens, and since they have not committed any grievous anti-social acts, we must question the committees' conclusion that this material is harmful to the average person. The censors tell us that these books and magazines lead to juvenile delinquency. But Major Social Problems by Raub and Selznick, a leading textbook on social problems, concludes that there is no substantial evidence that obscene literature leads to juvenile crime.

Danger of Censorship

The danger of censorship is not that certain trashy magazines may be removed from the bookshelves. The danger is the censorship machinery itself. Who can really say what has value and what has not? Censors have banned the works of Joyce, Faulkner, Huxley, Chaucer, Rabelais, and even Shakespeare.

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RANTS 'n RAVES

by Bill Williams and

Jeff Gallet

Jacques Barzun, Dean of Academic Affairs at Columbia University, recently lamented what he considered the slow death of the liberal education. Wilkes College is a small, liberal arts institution, the type of institution Barzun considers the "last outpost" of a liberal education.

We've never completely agreed with Barzun until last week. On February 18, 1964, two paintings were removed from the Senior Art Exhibit at Conyngham Annex. Mr. Barzun is right. Liberal arts is dying, dying not because what it teaches is unnecessary in our modern world, but rather because of academic and social parochialism.

That the artist of numbers 56 and 63 is a talented creator of Fine Arts is not in question. That the subject is a legitimate one for artistic expression is not in question. That these paintings have been displayed in other exhibits (Wyoming Valley Art League's current exhibit) is not in question. That the art department advocates the study of the human figure as "the most beautiful form" is not in question. But the question is the closed mind of society. Society no longer allows the free expression and free thought that is essential and paramount to a liberal arts education.

The removal of the paintings is only a small and minor incident, but it points out the demise of a liberal arts education. Goya and Picasso (who have painted nudes) are considered "masters," but students who try to follow masters are stopped. How can this be rationalized? World Literature students are required to study Chaucer, but "woe betide" if a student tried to write with the "masters" realism.

The demise of liberal arts might be a product of our times, but somehow we find we must still look longingly back upon the period when higher education was personal — interested in the individual, his thoughts, his development, and his freedom of expression.



I KNOW THE ARTIST IS TRYING TO COMMUNICATE BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT IT IS!



THE BALLOT BOX

THE CASE AGAINST HOME-RULE IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

by Vince McHale

Within the past several years, a strong movement has emerged, bent on securing home-rule for the citizens living in our nation's capitol. In fact, this topic was highlighted in a recent session of the Wilkes College Forum. Yet despite all the propaganda in behalf of home-rule, there are several important reasons why such a course of action is neither favorable for the citizens living in Washington, D.C., nor feasible from the stand of the U.S. Government.

The District of Columbia was established specifically as the seat of the Federal Government. Unlike most other cities, Washington did not grow at a geographically favorable site; it was deliberately chosen. In addition, its boundaries are fixed by law and cannot be increased.

Washington has no specific industrial complex within its boundaries, and its revenues are limited to levies on light consumer and service businesses, a real estate tax, a levy on incomes, and sales and excise taxes.

Fifty percent of the District's area has been retired from the tax rolls because so much of its land is either federally owned or under irrevocable trusts. Each year, more of its land area is made tax exempt.

Average Income Fell

Most important, in recent years, the average income of District residents has fallen below that of their neighbors in Virginia and Maryland. Property values in some parts of the city have depreciated, thus further reducing potential revenue sources. Washington has little opportunity to increase its tax base because it has been almost wholly developed within its own city limits.

IF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA WERE GRANTED AUTONOMY, IT WOULD IMMEDIATELY BECOME BANKRUPT!

The only remaining untapped reve-

nue source then would be a payroll tax on residents of other areas who work, but do not live, in Washington. But this tax could hardly offset the substantial federal payment now made to it. In fact, this would tend to discourage expansion of facilities within its boundaries such as new service industries, consumer installations, and perhaps federal offices.

A fully autonomous Washington, D.C. would have no more legitimate right to demand money from the federal government than would any other place that has a post office, a military installation, or a federal building within its boundaries.

If the District of Columbia were to receive such a payment, every congressman could successfully argue that his district or any municipality in it also should receive such a payment for every acre of land owned federally and therefore not on its tax rolls.

The Constitution, in Article I, Section 8, Clause 17, states in part, that Congress shall have the power "to exercise exclusive legislation in all cases, whatsoever, over such District (not exceeding 10 miles square although enlarged to 70 miles square by a retrocession act in 1846) as may, by cession of particular states, and the acceptance of Congress, become the seat of the government of the U.S."

Even if the word "exclusive" and the phrase "in all cases whatsoever" had not been used in the above quotation, there would be no question concerning the authority and responsibility of Congress to govern and rule the District of Columbia. But the very fact that they are used seems to emphasize that the Framers were determined that there should be no conflict over federal interest in and control over the District.

In Hands of Congress

Until 1871 the District was governed by a mayor and a legislative council chosen by the people, and be-

tween 1871 and 1874 the District was represented in the House of Representatives by a delegate chosen by the voters. But due to inefficiency and corruption, especially in 1874, the present system of government was created in that year, whereby residents of the District elect none of the officials who run the government under which they live. To insure the greatest good to the largest number of people, authority for running the District's affairs is placed exclusively in the hands of Congress.

Let there be no misunderstanding. There is no quarrel with the desire to grant all citizens a maximum of self-government. But, actually, the status of our nation's capitol does not differ from that of any military post, federal reservation, park, or federal installation anywhere in the United States. Persons living in federal complexes outside of the District of Columbia have all the rights of other citizens, but they do not have the right to govern the affairs of the places where they live. In these areas, federal interest and control are predominant.

By the same token, residents of the District of Columbia also are forbidden to have home-rule. Not only is the federal interest in affairs of the District dominant, but the federal responsibility, prescribed by law, must not be relinquished or redelegated.

The advocates of home-rule have many complaints. In addition to being denied the right to govern themselves, they argue most congressmen are little concerned about District affairs. Housing, hospital, and educational conditions in Washington, it is argued, are deplorable. I wonder just how many of these complainants availed themselves of the frequent sessions of the House and Senate Committees, at which interested residents and organizations may appear.

Former Student Takes Long Walk; Jerry Shilanski Makes Headlines

by Jinnie Todd

Whether he is Walter Mitty reincarnated or a misplaced Horatio Alger protagonist, Jerry Shilanski has led a life of which both would be envious. A native of Lehman, Jerry has dabbled in a number of occupations, including a hitch in the Navy as a member of the Admiral's publicity staff. In his two years here as a History and Political Science major, he was also a Beacon reporter, State Chairman of the CCUN, student government representative, class officer, and a member of more clubs than most students are aware exist on campus.

Jerry left this area in September of 1962, destined for the Seattle World's Fair. He had only a sleeping bag, a 50 pound pack, and a lot of optimistic determination. Of the long distance, 2400 miles were covered by motor vehicles of every description. Averaging about 200 miles a day, Jerry traveled with 29 different drivers and recommends hitch-hiking as "the only way to travel." Many of the drivers who gave him a lift went out of their way to help him reach Seattle, some inviting him to stay at their homes.

Jerry also traveled 700 miles by "hobo special", once in a box car and four times in a caboose. His odyssey took him through twelve states and four time zones. He reports that he slept well, sometimes with friends or relatives, at a Wisconsin farm, in an abandoned school bus, but more often beneath the autumn stars.

His appearance on Don McNeal's Breakfast Club aroused interest in his trip among coffee drinkers everywhere. When Jerry reached the World's Fair, he obtained a job as maintenance man so he could explore all of its many displays. When the Fair closed, he and a young man from Indiana, who had gone west the year before, traveled down the Pacific coast to Los Angeles.

In four days after reaching Los Angeles, Jerry began working for a Hollywood newspaper as copy boy. Continuing in his journalistic ventures,

he writes a column for record companies and feature articles through which he has become acquainted with many of Hollywood's celebrities. In addition to the many people he met, Jerry also made friends with Lobo, the wolf which starred in Walt Disney's movie of the same name. Jerry feels that the most important result of all his experiences is a strong confirmation of his faith in mankind.

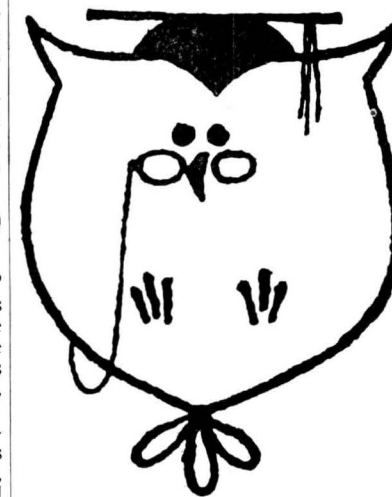
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AS YOU LIKE IT

WHAT HO! WHAT HO! A MESSAGE FOR THE THESPIANS!

Merry men from Wilkes are needed to play the merry men from the forest of Arden in Cue 'n Curtain's production of Shakespeare's comedy AS YOU LIKE IT. At the first tryouts held recently, not nearly enough men turned out to fill the seventeen male parts in the play. Several female roles also remain unfilled. Tryouts will be held again soon, and all admirers of the Bard are urged to come to Chase Theater and read for one of the parts.

Sepulchral tones and tragic masks are not required, for the play is one of Shakespeare's gayest and lightest. It is to be delivered with plenty of "Hey nonny, nonny noes," and "Marry, then sweet wags." The imposing name of the author should not prevent anyone from trying out.



We're Know

It-Alls

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Walsh said, "It is a known fact that the Communists exploit this kind of literature in order to break down the morals of our youth, thereby making them more susceptible to Communism." It is only a short step from years. Since these men are by their that kind of statement to political censorship. In fact, there are "decent literature" groups attempting political censorship now. A democracy cannot tolerate political censorship. The late John Kennedy told the Senate, "The lock on the door of the legislature, the parliament, or the assembly hall by order of the king, the commissar, or the fuhrer has historically been followed or preceded by a lock on the door of the printers, the publishers, or the booksellers."

Let us not be misled by emotional pleas. As individuals we must reserve the right to read and to think unhindered by artificial restraints. The right to read freely and the right to think freely are basic parts of our way of life. The censors ask us to surrender these rights. I refuse.

HARRY SONNY

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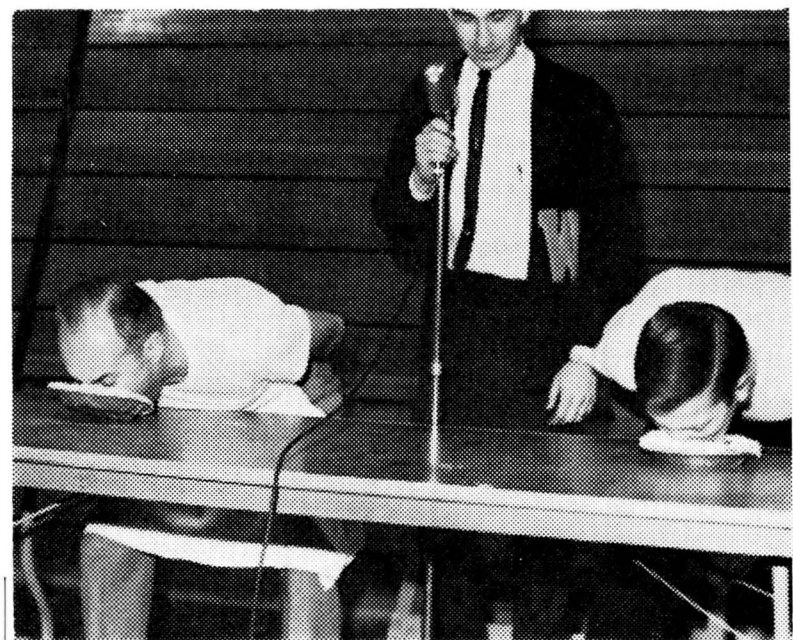
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Once again this year, the student body proved its superiority over the faculty by winning both contests conducted at the Cherry Tree Chop held last Friday night. In the first encounter, Bill Mulford defeated Dean Ralston in the pie-eating contest. The faculty also dropped the second struggle as Pete Winebrake and Lou Zampetti emerged victorious over Dr. Michelini and Dean Ralston in the log-sawing test. The announcer was Tom Trosko. Music at the Cherry Tree Chop, which is an annual affair sponsored by the Lettermen, was recorded. Everyone attending the dance was treated to free cherry pie.

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presidents, Thomas Jefferson: "... the government that governs best governs least."

I hope that I have answered some of his questions. Undoubtedly we could continue this for weeks, so if Mr. Gallet would like to further discuss this, I will be glad to meet with him.

RON CZAJKOWSKI

Debaters Cop Two From Scranton U.

The College Debate Society was host to six novice debaters from the University of Scranton. The practice session between the two novice squads was held on Thursday, February 20, in Conyngham Hall.

The topic for debate was the national proposition. Debating for Wilkes were Al Airola, Larry Di Gregorio, Enhraim Frankel, Mark Hamdi, Paul Mocko, and Leona Sokash. Out of the round of three debates, Wilkes took two. The judges, members of the English faculty, were Mr. Gutin, Mrs. Kish, and Mr. Misticchelli. Mark Hamdi served as chairman. Following the debates, refreshments were served.

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Gettysburg Forces Colonel Mat Squad To Settle For 15-15 Tie

Rejects Near Title; Trojans Gain First In Nat. League Play

Mermen Edge Drexel Tech 48-47; Barnes and Heesch Cop 2 Firsts

ADAMS' DEFAULT SEEN AS DECIDING MATCH; WILKES ENDS WITH 5-2-1 RECORD

The Colonel grapplers ended their season last Saturday on an unexpected note when Gettysburg forced John Reese's maulers to settle for a 15-15 tie.

Although Brooke Yeager's absence might have made some difference, Bob Zebrowski, pinch-hitting for the injured Colonel captain, did an excellent job in whipping the Bullet's Wight 10-5.

Zebrowski's win and Ned McGinley's lead-off victory gave the Wilkesmen an early lead, but Gettysburg came back to take the lead when Baravo decisioned the Colonels' Bob Weston in the 147-pound division.

McDowell of Gettysburg handed Dave Hall his second straight loss to add a sour touch to Hall's otherwise excellent season. The former Wyoming Seminary wrestler has been a definite asset to Reese's squad and shows prospects of developing into a tough mat competitor.

The 167-pound and 177-pound classes produced two draws to give the Bullets a 15-10 edge going into the final match.

Bill Tinney, another freshman and likewise valuable addition to the squad, turned in a thrilling performance by pinning Stauffer within 2 seconds of the final buzzer to knot the meet. Tinney, a Lancaster native and current resident of Butler Hall, is also gaining valuable experience which should develop the potential he possesses.

The Colonels suffered a telling blow when Tim Adams had to give up his lead and leave the mats because of an eye injury.

The Colonels are idle this week and will be preparing to make their bid for MAC honors a week from tomorrow at Bucknell.

Last year was the first time in many years that Wilkes was unable to gain an individual title as the team dropped from 4th to 6th place. John Gardner was able to climb only as high as 3rd place after he won the 147-pound championship two years ago. Gardner, however, is no longer a member of the squad.

It had been hoped that Brooke Yeager might be able to capture a title this year, but he will miss the tournament as the result of a chest injury incurred weeks ago against Lycoming. Yeager was runner-up in Wilkes own "Rose Bowl of Wrestling."

Ned McGinley appears to be the only other wrestler from the squad who might go all the way. McGinley lost out in a tough overtime decision in the quarter finals of the "Rose Bowl," and was 3rd in the NAIA Tournament held at Bloomsburg last year.

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John Reese has been rebuilding the team after Lycoming ended 5 years of Wilkes supremacy in the MAC's the year before last, and it looks like he has gained some fine material.

RESULTS:
123—McGinley (W) dec. Post 4-2
130—Zebrowski (W) dec. Wight 10-5
137—O'Donnell (G) won by default over Adams.
147—Baravo (G) dec. Weston 8-2
157—McDowell (G) dec. Hall 4-2
167 Settineri (W) with Mulling 2-2
177—Vogt (W) drew with Alwick 6-6
Hwt.—Tinney (W) pinned Stauffer 8.58
Referee: Ray Oliver

Cage Team Travels To Juniata In Final Contest of Season

The Wilkes cagers finish a long season tomorrow when they travel to Juniata to take on the Indians in a contest scheduled for 8. Last year the Colonels lost to Juniata 67-54. So far the Colonels have managed to gain only 2 victories against 17 defeats. One bright spot is that Jim Ferris has gained some new talent and may find better sailing next year.

Barons End Season; Lose 3 In Row After 5 Game Win Skein

The Wilkes-Barre Barons ended the 1964 season of the Eastern Basketball League by dropping three games last week-end. The losses gave the local cagers a 10-18 record for a .357 percentage and sixth place in the league standings.

Playing before 1,000 fans at the West Side Armory Friday night, the Barons were edged by the Scranton Miners, 119-112. The loss ended the Barons' five-game win streak at home and marked the final home clash for Coach Chick Craig's quint. The loss brought Wilkes-Barre's home count record to 9-15.

Although tied at 99 in the closing minutes of play, the Miners iced the game on a pair of goals by Tom Hemans. Hemans finished the game with 22 points while Richie Gaines

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In the American League last week the Rejects moved a step closer to a divisional title as they downed the Illiterates and the Campus Clowns. The Rejects jumped off to a quick lead against the Illiterates, and never were headed as they coasted to a 34-45 win.

On Monday the Campus Clowns' title hopes faded with the Rejects dealing the crushing blow. Reed Balewski and Pete Palmere capitalized on the backboard efforts with fine floor work as the Rejects built up a 21-9 lead at the half. In the second half the Campus Clowns fought back but the effort fell short as the Rejects walked off with a 49-33 win.

In the National League the Trojans loomed as playoff prospects as they downed their two opponents to take sole possession of the top spot in their league. The Trojans showed a well-balanced attack against the Globe Rotters in their 88-60 win with four men hitting in double figures.

In Monday's game the Astronauts threw quite a scare into the Trojans as the lead changed hands many times in an exciting first half, but Vetter and Kosher took command of the high scoring offense in the second half, and the Trojans turned the game into a 97-40 route.

was high scorer with 30.

Saturday night Wilkes-Barre traveled to Trenton and was sent home with a 157-126 wallop. The Colonials jumped to an early lead and held a 82-53 bulge at halftime.

Wayne Yates paced the Barons with 43 points on 18 goals and 7 fouls, while Tom Stith was second high with 27.

The following night the Barons were clobbered by the league leading Camden Bullets, 146-123. The game was played at Camden and further details were not available at the time of this writing.

Jockeys Wanted

Faculty and students will be pitted against each other (and against the donkeys) in the annual donkey basketball fiasco Friday, March 13, at 8 P.M. A special feature of this year's game is the free dance that will be held until midnight after the game. Refreshments will be served. The admission price will be \$.75 for adults and \$.50 for children under twelve.

The players (?) have not yet been chosen, so anyone who would like to join the team may contact Fred Smithson.

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Last Saturday the Y.M.C.A. pool was the scene of one of the most exciting swimming meets that the Wilkes mermen have engaged in all season. The excitement was heightened by the fact that a win would give the Wilkesmen the best record since the swimming team was organized. The victor was not decided, however, until the last event was finished. When the event was completed, the Wilkesmen were victorious, resulting in a tight 48-47 edge over the Drexel Dragons of Philadelphia.

The Wilkesmen opened the meet with an unexpected loss in the 400-yard medley relay, after being hopeful of setting a new record in this event. They quickly recovered, however, as freshman Harry Heesch turned in a first place in the 200-yard freestyle with Jon Carsman following with a second place. Following this, captain Jack Barnes produced a first place in the 50-yard freestyle to put the Wilkesmen out in front.

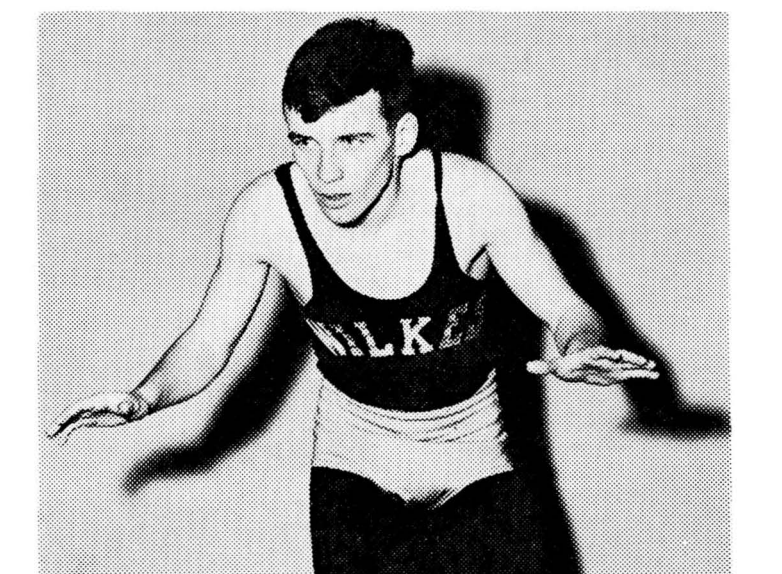
The Wilkesmen dropped the next event, however, leaving the score deadlocked 17-17 going into the diving event. After the diving and the 200-yard butterfly, the Wilkes swimmers were at the short end of a 22-

30 score.

The Wilkesmen soon regained their lead, however, as Jack Barnes and Ken Wiswall produced a first and third in the 100-yard free event. After this Chuck Petrillo and Pete Morrison came through with a first and third in the 200-yard backstroke, and Harry Heesch and Jon Carsman scored a first and third in the 500-yard free event to bring the Wilkes team out in front of a 40-39 score. The Dragons then captured the 200-yard breaststroke leaving the Wilkesmen behind 41-47. The last event, the 400-yard free relay worth seven points, was easily won by the Wilkes swimmers and ended the meet with a 48-47 victory for the Wilkes Mermen.

During the season, the Wilkesmen set six Wilkes records: 200-yard freestyle, Harry Heesch; 200-yard individual medley, Ron Daggett; 100-yard freestyle, Heesch (tied record set by Captain Jack Barnes); 200-yard back, Chuck Petrillo; 500-yard freestyle, Harry Heesch; and the 400-yard free relay, Scholey, Daggett, Barnes, Heesch. In addition Harry Heesch set a Chester Y.M.C.A. pool record in the 200-yard freestyle event.

Ned McGinley Picked As 'Athlete of Week'



Ned McGinley

by Ivor Smith

This issue, Ned McGinley has been selected as the Beacon "Athlete of the Week." Ned, a junior, defends the 123-pound division on the Wilkes Wrestling squad and usually sparks the team to a fine performance.

A graduate of Kingston High School, Ned ranked third last year in the 115-pound class of the NAIA Wrestling Tournament at Bloomsburg State College, and was the only Colonel to enter the finals in the Wilkes Open Wrestling Tourney.

So far this season, Ned has performed admirably and has chalked numerous victories for the Colonels. C. W. Post suffered defeat at the hands of the Colonel grapplers, with

Ned posting a convincing 10-0 decision over his opponent. Last Saturday's meet with Lycoming, one of this season's toughest, Ned had to settle for a draw with Lycoming's Soukey. In the season's last encounter with Gettysburg State College, our "athlete" decisioned Ed Post in a close 4-2 victory.

Since Ned has a knack for winning, the wrestling squad can always count on him when points are needed. Ned uses his quick moves and wrestling know-how to outmaneuver his often heavier opponents.

For his performances on the team and his talent for winning, Ned McGinley has been selected "Athlete of the Week."

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