

Radio Station At Wilkes Opens

When the Wilkes College radio station, WCLH-FM, 90.7, returned to the air last week to begin their second season of broadcasting, at least two females "manned" the console.

The girls assume the regular duties of DJs and cover the same hours as the men. They even become quite adept at fixing specific electronic problems that occur during a taping session or broadcast.

WCLH, which is entirely student operated, will be returning with such shows as "Lum and Abner"—the 1930s radio comedy about the antics of two "hill-billy" store owners in Pine Ridge, Arkansas, and "Musical Poepourri"—a nightly classical hour featuring the music of the world's greatest composers.

The entire operation of the campus radio station affords excellent opportunity for male and female alike to get the "feel" of the broadcast media, possibly steering them in the direction of a professional career in broadcast journalism.

Although Wilkes College offers no major as such in journalism or radio broadcasting, the various courses in journalism and practical experience offered through the student publications and radio station pre-

pare individuals to enter graduate schools in these areas.

The programs offered over the radio station are designed to serve the Wyoming Valley and Northeastern Pennsylvania as well as the needs of the local campus.

Dr. Eugene S. Farley, first president of Wilkes College, formulated the idea of a campus radio station over 20 years ago. Funds were set aside gradually for its conception until two members of the history department, Dr. Harold Cox and James Berg, adopted the project four years ago and established the existing station.

Also listed on the program for the Fall are foreign Press Reviews, what's happening around the world with such programs as the Israeli Press Review, the BBC World Report and the London Echo.

Rock music will be offered 11 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday and 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday. On the Sunday evening schedule is the Sunday Night Opera, featuring complete works of such masters as Verdi, Puccini and Wagner.

David DeCosmo, of radio station WILK, is serving as programming adviser to the campus station. Student station manager is John Margo.

Sunday Independent

Sept. 10, 1972

Historic Medical Pilot Program At Wilkes Launched With Fanfare

5 Hospitals Will Train New Doctors

"An experiment in medicine that is being watched with great interest by important educational and medical groups throughout the country."

This was the way Congressman Daniel J. Flood described the innovative six-year medical education program being sponsored by Wilkes College and Hahnemann Medical College during a ceremony on Friday at which representatives of five metropolitan area Wilkes-Barre hospitals met to sign a memorandum of agreement.

The six-year program enables qualified students to study and train under a 2-2-2 program alternating at both institutions, that will upon completion bring them a bachelor of science degree from Wilkes College and a doctor of medicine degree from Hahnemann Medical College.

The Wilkes-Barre area hospitals, which signed to participate in the training portion of the program are: Mercy Hospital, Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, the Veterans Administration Hospital, Wilkes-Barre General Hospital, and Wyoming Valley Hospital.

The impressive ceremony, which was described by Wilkes President Francis J. Michelini as "an historic moment in higher education and particularly in the field of medical education," was held in the Center for the Performing Arts on the Wilkes-campus.

Dr. Edward B. Stockham, project director for Wilkes College, opened the program by introducing the individuals who would sign and witness for each participating hospital.

He then introduced Dr. Wilbur Oaks, chairman of the department of medicine at Hahnemann Medical College and project director for that institution, and Dr. Anthony Turchetti, clinical coordinator for Wilkes and Hahnemann in the combined program. Both medical men cited the merits of the program, expressed their confidence in the program's goals, and forecast even greater achievements for the future.

At this point in the program, the individuals and witnesses endorsed the memorandum of agreement:

Mercy Hospital, Sister Miriam Ruth, administrator; and Atty. Joseph Gallagher.

Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Edward Wildes, administrator-director, and Abram Nesbitt II.

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Wilkes College, Thomas Kiley, chairman of trustees; Dr. Francis J. Michelini, president of Wilkes; Dr. Donald Tappa, dean of academic affairs; Dr. James Bohning, chairman of the chemistry department; Dr. Edward Stockham, project director; Anthony Turchetti, MD, clinical coordinator.

The Luzerne County Medical Society was represented at the historic signing by its president, Dr. Robert Kerr, who said, "There is a recognition of need for more family doctors. The GP (general practitioner) is now called the family physician. The members of the Luzerne County Medical Society are convinced that this plan will supply more good physicians. We are pledged to do all in our power to implement this program. We hope this will be the forerunner of full four-year medical colleges in Northeastern Pennsylvania."

In his address to the key dignitaries from the medical and educational fields of Philadelphia and the Greater Wilkes-Barre area, Congressman Flood reminded those in charge of the program of the great challenge they face in undertaking the venture.

Flood told them that he has been visited by dozens of members of the House of Representatives and four senators, who wanted to know "just what are the 'makings' of this program that Wilkes College and Hahnemann have put together to produce family physicians in six years."

The congressman said that these people are asking because they are from parts of the country where the same educational situations exist—a liberal arts college in one part of the state and a medical college within 100 or 150 miles.

"You people and this program are 'guinea pigs' in the eyes of these individuals and a good many other medical and educational personalities throughout the country," Flood charged. "They want to see whether you can make this thing work. And I have told them that I have no

doubt that you will make it work and that you will make history doing it."

State Senator Martin L. Murray, senate pro tem leader, said, "We offer our congratulations to Hahnemann and Wilkes College. This is a good example of great cooperation with the state of Pennsylvania." Rep. Bernard O'Brien of Wilkes-Barre also congratulated the group and said, "We are confident that the local hospitals and the colleges involved will certainly do a terrific job."

The presidents of the two institutions involved—Dr. Francis J. Michelini of Wilkes College, and Wharton Shober of Hahnemann Medical College—climaxed the program.

Mr. Shober expressed his pleasure at being what he described as a moment that all could be proud of. "The leadership of this community is pulling together and working together for the common good. This is a momentous thing for our institution (Hahnemann) toward the common good of the health of this community," he said.

Wilkes President Michelini was the final speaker and emphasized his personal gratitude and the gratitude of the college family for the efforts put forth "by the man who helped to make this program possible."

Dr. Michelini paid particular tribute to Dr. Eugene S. Farley, first president of Wilkes and now president-emeritis, and Dr. Ralph Rozelle, both of whom were early pioneers in the in-

auguration of the program.

"During the years of hardship and prosperity," President Michelini added, "we had the kind of leadership that would support educational institutions. We recognize the sacrifices that will be required of professionals to pass on to other generations their training and education. I would like to acknowledge Congressman Flood and President Shober for their strong support and cooperation."

Continuing, Dr. Michelini said, "This is a pluralistic society, a diverse society. We must work together to solve community problems. I see a future of unlimited public servants for the purpose of providing greater service to the people of Northeastern Pennsylvania, for hos-

pitals are part of the total system of community service. I am proud to represent Wilkes College and I am especially grateful to Congressman Flood for his inspiration to the community and the institutions involved."

The accelerated medical program, which began accepting students last September, provides for an integrated academic and medical education by Wilkes and Hahnemann plus clinical training in the hospitals in the Wilkes-Barre area. The family medicine program, became a reality in 1972 following many months of planning and the final approval and support from the U. S. Public Health Service and the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

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AGREEMENT SIGNED — Representatives from Wilkes College, Hahnemann Medical College and Hospital, and five area Wilkes-Barre hospitals signed a memorandum of agreement Friday to participate in a program designed to increase the number of family physicians in Northeastern Pennsylvania. The signatories include, seated, left to right, Dr. Francis J. Michelini, president, Wilkes College; Wharton Shober Jr., president, Hahnemann Medical College and Hospital; Sister Miriam Ruth, administrator, Mercy Hospital; Edward M. Wildes, administrator, Nesbitt Memorial Hospital; Ronald H. Wallace, director, Veterans Administration Hospital; Thomas Saxton, president and administrator, General Hospital;

Ben Badman Jr., president, Wyoming Valley Hospital.

The witnesses and cosigners include, standing, left to right, Thomas H. Kiley, chairman, Board of Trustees, Wilkes college; Dr. Joseph R. DiPalma, Hahnemann College dean of academic affairs; Atty. Joseph Gallagher, president, Board of Trustees, Mercy Hospital; Atty. Frank Townend, Wilkes Trustee; Abram Nesbitt III, member of the Board of Trustees at Nesbitt Memorial Hospital; Dr. Charles Bishop, chief of staff, Veterans Administration Hospital; Stuart Graham, secretary-treasurer, Board of Trustees, General Hospital; Judge Max Rosenn, chairman, Board of Trustees, Wyoming Valley Hospital.



GUESTS AT CEREMONY — Included among the guests present at the signing of the memorandum of agreement between Wilkes College, Hahnemann Medical College and Hospital, and five Wilkes-Barre area hospitals were, seated, left to right, Rep. Bernard O'Brien; Sen. Martin L. Murray; Rep. Daniel J. Flood; clinical coordinator, Anthony Turchetti, MD; Wilbur W. Oakes, MD, chairman of the department of medicine and project director at Hahnemann; standing, Fred Pairente, PhD, associate professor of biochemistry at Hahne-

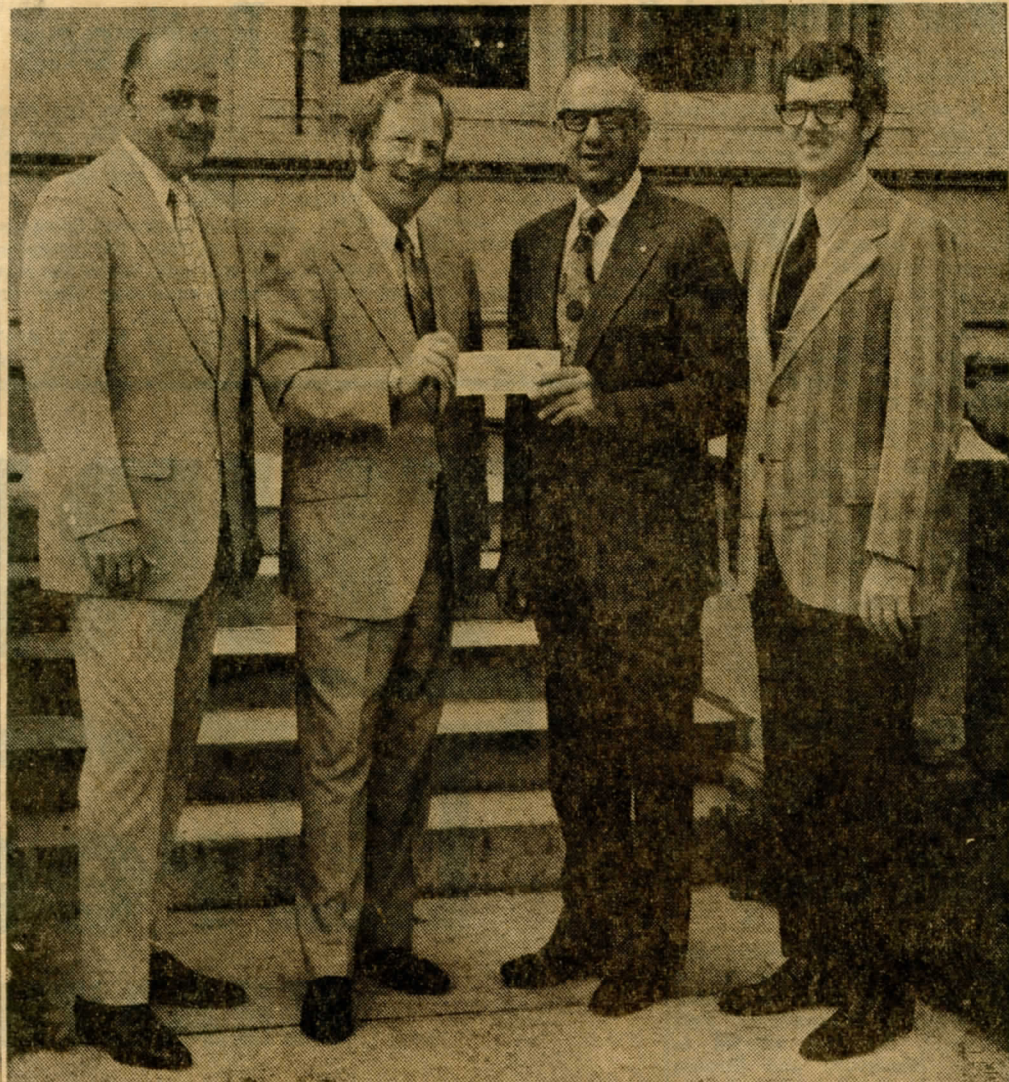
mann; Dr. James Bohning, chairman of Wilkes chemistry department; Dr. Donald Tappa, dean of academic affairs at Wilkes; John Martin, EdD, project assistant for Hahnemann; Atty. Louis Shaffer, past chairman of the board of Wilkes College; Dr. Robert Kerr, president of the Luzerne County Medical Society; Dr. Edward Stockham, project coordinator for Wilkes College; Thomas H. Kiley, chairman, Wilkes College board.

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BACHE GIVES \$500 TO WILKES—A Check for \$500 to be added to the general campaign fund of Wilkes College was contributed by Bache & Company in an informal ceremony held in front of the administration building on the S. Franklin Street portion of the campus.

Shown during the presentation are, left to right: Carl Zoolkoski, registered representative for Bache & Co., and president of the Greater Wilkes-Barre-Scranton Chapter of the Wilkes College Alumni Association; David Drasnin, resident manager of Bache & Co.; Wilkes President Francis J. Micheline, and Thomas Kelly, director of development for the college.

Bache & Company is one of several major companies with local offices which have conducted a continued campaign of financial support for Wilkes College.

Wilkes, 5 Hospitals ⁷⁻²⁴⁻⁷³ Join to Educate Family ^{TLEN} Physicians in Six Years

Five metropolitan area Wilkes-Barre hospitals will join Wilkes College and Hahnemann Medical College in a cooperative program of medical education designed to increase the number of family practitioners in Northeastern Pennsylvania.

This was announced by Dr. Edward Stockman, project director for Wilkes College, who said representatives of the five medical institutions will meet to sign a memorandum of agreement on Friday at 11 a. m. in the Center for the Performing Arts. A buffet luncheon will be held at noon.

The five hospitals, which will participate in a program that will enable qualified students to receive their bachelor's degree and doctor of medicine degree in six years, are: Mercy Hospital, Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Veterans Administration Hospital, Wilkes-Barre General Hospital and Wyoming Valley Hospital.

The signing of the agreement will provide a vital link in the plan, which was announced more than a year ago as an "innovative six-year" accelerated program to provide an integrated academic and medical education by Wilkes and Hahnemann plus clinical training in the hospitals in the Wilkes-Barre area.

The family medicine program began accepting students with the start of the fall semester of last year, following the approval of the plans, which receive support from the U. S. Public Health Service and the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Wilkes President Francis J. Michelini has called the Friday meeting "one of the most significant of all the meetings that have been held in the development of this program."

At the same time, President Michelini took the opportunity to express his pleasure over the acceptance of an invitation to Congressman Daniel J. Flood to attend the signing and the luncheon.

"Congressman Flood played a major role in making it possible for Wilkes and Hahnemann to establish this six-year program," the college president said. "He paved the way for us to see people who would review the proposal and see the merit in it. Congressman Flood also made it clear that he was concerned over the shortage of family physicians in Northeastern Pennsylvania."

Dr. Stockham, Wilkes project director, announced the following list of representatives, with two from each institution being required to sign the agreement:

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Also invited to the signing and the luncheon are: Dr. Eugene S.

Farley, president-emeritus of Wilkes College, and Dr. Ralph Rozelle, professor of chemistry, both of whom were among the major contributors of the development of the program; and Dr. Robert Kerr, president of the Luzerne County Medical Society.

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County Shy \$78-Million In Property Valuation Because of the Flood

Luzerne County has lost some \$78,000,000 in assessed property valuation as a result of last year's flood, according to Budget Director Frank Shantz.

The staggering blow represents a tax loss of \$1,146,000 for this year.

In 1972 the assessed valuation was \$413,229,448 while the new figure for 1973 is \$335,000,000.

The county realizes taxes based on millage times the assessed valuation at 92 percent collectable.

Big Lift

Officials explained that the county has obtained a big lift from the State when the latter took over operation costs of most social service functions.

The State agency in charge of such operations is known as the United Services Agencies.

County officials note that the state is conducting the USA operations in Luzerne County as a pilot project.

With the USA, under the Health, Education and Welfare Department, taking over many social programs previously operated by the county, a savings of some \$603,793 is anticipated this year.

Save \$603,793

In 1972, the county was reimbursed 53 percent of all social service costs. The \$603,793 represents 43% of the total cost of the social programs taken over by USA.

Other additional cost reductions include \$300,000 of revenue sharing to be used for health services at Valley Crest.

One mill of tax in the county produces \$308,000.



Under the Dome

It didn't take retired Wilkes-Barre policeman Ray Injaychock long to get on the county payroll.

Ray is now working in the voting machine department in the Water Street warehouse.

Those in the know claim that Wilkes-Barre mayor Con Salowski had something to do with Ray's getting the job.

Members of the Luzerne County Charter Study Commission learned early that there are price ceilings in government. Their request of \$51,705 as an operating budget was turned down by the commissioners last week.

In fact, Ed Wideman told the seven-member contingent to "go back and study the situation again and come back in a couple of days."

Pros under the dome were flabbergasted at the high



(Photo by Luka-UK)

FLOOD, CADDEN HONORED — Rep. Daniel J. Flood happily accepts a plaque from Floyd P. Evans, at right, president of Greater Pittston Chamber of Commerce, given in recognition of his dedicated service to the Greater Pittston area. At rear, Paul E. Cadden, immediate past president, receives a plaque from Atty. Vincent M. Quinn, dinner toastmaster.

Presentations took place Thursday night at the 52nd annual dinner of Greater Pittston Chamber of Commerce held in Convention Hall.

Auditor General Robert P. Casey was the speaker. Neil J. Donnelly was general chairman and introduced the toastmaster, Atty. Vincent M. Quinn, who introduced the guests at the dinner.

Rev. Enrico Giovetti, pastor of St. Anthony's Church, Exeter, asked the invocation. Annual chamber report was given by President Floyd P. Evans.

Mayor Robert A. Loftus gave the address of welcome in behalf of the people of Pittston.

Benediction was pronounced by Rev. J. Elliot Stabler, pastor of First Baptist Churches of Pittston and Wyoming.



AT INTERVIEW — Frank Carlucci, former presidential representative during flood-relief efforts and presently Under Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, discusses some aspects of the disaster recovery in Wyoming Valley with Art Eddy, reporter for the Times-Leader, Evening News, Record, after commencement exercises Sunday at King's College.

Carlucci was presented with an honorary doctor of humanities degree from the college in recognition of his efforts in the area from August 12 to December 21 as federal program coordinator. The interview followed the graduation exercises at the Sheehy Student Center.

Carlucci Recollects His Flood Aid Role in Valley

By ART EDDY
(Staff Writer)

Recognizing his humanity is the easiest task an inquirer finds when relaxing over a dinner table with Frank Carlucci, former presidential representative to Wyoming Valley during the Agnes disaster and now Undersecretary of Health, Education and Welfare.

Discussion of his role in the federal government and his development since taking federal charge in area flood relief efforts was accumulated in warm facial expressions as he recollected the positive aid he gave flood victims and in foggy frowns on the negative reports of his activities by national columnists and observers.

Carlucci came to Wyoming Valley August 12, 1972, and assumed the role of a presidential liaison to thousands of displaced residents and a coordinator of getting the recovery program on course and in high gear. His presence and efforts consistently were felt until his permanent return to Washington December 21.

Carlucci returned to Wilkes-Barre Sunday afternoon to accept an honorary Doctor of Humanities degree at King's College commencement exercises. Afterwards, the HEW undersecretary answered questions on his recovery efforts and the role he plays in the federal government's

tion money to move into a new home?

Carlucci replied "once again, I'm not acquainted with actual

Local Singers Place 8th

Quartet Competes At Lancaster

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Occasion was the 1973 Preliminary Chorus and Quartet Contest of West Central Division, Mid-Atlantic District at Manheim Township Senior High School, Neffsville.

Wyoming Valley SPEBSQSA Chorus was under direction of James McClelland and contest entries were "Song and Dance Man" and "I Wish I Had My Old Gal Back Again." Chorus of 41 members represented the local chapter, according to President John Durkin, Pittston, with additional attendance by members' wives.

Top honors as West Central

status of it. It's a long, complex process with local hearings, local decisions, and then plans have to be approved in Washington. That's one of the problems with the program. If people have specific problems, I'm always willing to try and be helpful in Washington, but I am not intimately involved in the day-to-day efforts now."

Have all of the sources for funding the recovery already been absorbed or can we look for any other outlets?

"This, of course, has been the largest disaster relief effort in our country's history, with more than twice as much money going into it as in Camille, Alaska earthquake, California earthquake and Rapid City disaster combined. There was special legislation which is due to expire in June. As you know, the SBA and Farmers Home Administration forgiveness have gone down and the interest rates have gone back up. So, I think it's fair to say that Valley partook in one of the most liberal disaster relief programs in our country's history and that Congress is now taking a look at these programs and making them a little bit tougher."

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he will pursue the inquiry wherever it may lead," he stated.

What about the recent hearings that we've had locally on federal investigations concerning frauds on SBA loans. How did these incidents reflect upon your position and your personnel?

"I'm not acquainted with the hearings. I haven't had a chance to read the transcripts and I indicated to the committee that I could not testify on that Saturday as I was in Phoenix, Ariz. I also indicated that I would be glad to testify in Washington at any time. You may recall that one of the first things I did when I came here was to invite the Justice Department and the FBI to come up to set up an office where people could air any complaints they might have about the federal operation or about any individuals that might be trying to get more than they were entitled to.

"I announced at that time that the FBI, the Justice Department and the local attorney general, as far as I was concerned, would have a free hand to investigate anything and everything and they did not need to consult me. As far as I'm concerned, that still stands. I don't know of any charges that have come out that really have had any substance to them to effect any federal employee who participated in the flood recovery action," he continued.

Were your insights here in recovery and relief in any way used to coordinate efforts in the Mississippi River flooding and its recovery?

"That's a hard question for me to answer because I'm not familiar with what's been done in Mississippi. I was told the number of families homeless is considerably smaller than there were here. I flew over the area (Mississippi River sector) the other day and it looked like one big lake. It didn't hit densely populated areas as did Agnes disaster.

"We, however, in HEW are doing a study of the procedures that we followed in Wyoming Valley in regard to the elderly. I think it's particularly important that people know we place much emphasis on seeking out the elderly and making sure they participated on an equitable basis in the federal resources that were being made available. We have given a contract to the University of Pennsylvania to analysis all of this and see what can might be replicated to in other disasters. In addition, the experience I had here was put to some value in developing the president's disaster relief proposals which have now been sent to the Congress," he said.

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Top honors as West Central Champs went to "The Keystone Capitol Chorus" of Harrisburg and second place to the host chapter, "The Red Rose Chorus," Lancaster . . . both choruses to represent the Division at the Mid-Atlantic Contest in Washington, D. C., next October. Alternate Chorus, Allentown-Bethlehem "Chorus of the Lehigh Valley."

Other area choruses competing included "The Friendly City Chorus," Scranton, and "Susquehanna Valley Chorus," Columbia-Montour Chapter.

Top quartets to represent the West Central Division at district competition in October include "Them There Guys," Lebanon; "The Lanco Lads," Lancaster; "The Penn Chords," Harrisburg; "The Yesteryears," Harrisburg; "The Friends," Harrisburg, with "The Congressional Gents," York, as alternates.

Local quartets competing were "The Shortway Sharps," Columbia-Montour, and "The Midnight Edition," Hazleton.

Weekly meeting and rehearsal of Wilkes-Barre SPEBSQSA Chapter will be held tonight at 8 at Swoyersville Volunteer Hose Company. Planned agenda includes a review and critique of the weekend competition, program review for the upcoming appearance by the local chorus at the Fine Arts Fiesta Sunday, plus "Pick-Up Quartet Competition." Woodshedding, social hour and refreshments will follow.

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"We have disaster legislation that has just gone to the Hill. The president's proposals on disaster would incorporate assistance for the schools into a joint federal-state approach. We're not looking so much for increased funding for local school districts right now, as we are toward the type of funding that goes to local school districts."

"We have made a proposal to Congress that would collapse some 31 categorical education grant programs into a broad brush approach in which the decisions on these programs would be made by the local school districts rather than some bureaucrat in Washington."

"So far, the Congress has not greeted our proposal with overwhelming enthusiasm, but we continue to think it's the right thing to do and hopefully we'll get it through Congress at some point in time," he said.

Do you have any response or reaction to the Watergate probe and Senate hearings?

"No, I haven't. I was too busy worrying about disaster relief at the time that all those unfortunate events were going on. I think what happened is deplorable and I am sure the president is determined to get to the bottom of this and I have full confidence in Elliot Richardson who I know rather well. He's a man of absolute integrity and unparalleled ability and I know (See CARLUCCI, page 17)

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Relating some of the recommendations on disaster relief efforts made to President Nixon, Carlucci stated,

"It was my feeling that the respective roles of the state and federal governments had to be clarified and simplified. We got ourselves involved in too much detail and it wasn't clear whether the state had responsibility or the federal government had responsibility."

"My feeling as I left was to give more responsibility to the state governments, with the federal government essentially providing resources. The state, by and large, is closer to the local people and they should assume more of the operating responsibility."

Carlucci was asked if that meant more state supervision, federal support.

"That's the concept and that's the basic concept behind the president's proposals to the Congress," he confirmed.

Viewing the six-week delay in the president's bringing him into the Valley to coordinating efforts as a handicap, he said,

"If you assume that I did some good, I guess you could make that case. I was very busy in Washington developing the president's legislative proposals and without those proposals you wouldn't be seeing King's College in the shape it is today, and the same with Wilkes College and other private schools which were assisted by this major breakthrough. In addition, of course, we lowered the interest rates on SBA loans and raised the forgiveness through these proposals. I was intimately involved in drawing them up and testifying on them. So I was doing some good behind the scenes, but obviously, if you're going to go the route of having a presidential representative, the sooner you get him on the scene the better."

"I was quite taken by surprise by the efficiency of the citation. All I can do is emphasize that whatever I may have accomplished was a team effort with many dedicated federal employees. But more importantly, it was total cooperation on part of the local communities and leadership. There was a real receptivity to what I was trying to do. Without it, nothing would have been accomplished," he added.

When asked if he would ever want to put himself in the same position again, such as the Agnes

relief effort, Carlucci stated.

"If I felt I could help people out, I would be glad to. Of course, it would depend on the circumstances. I have found myself in that position on a number of occasions, not only in the disaster business, but in the Indian business and other areas. When you are a career civil servant you usually respond to the orders that your superior gives you."

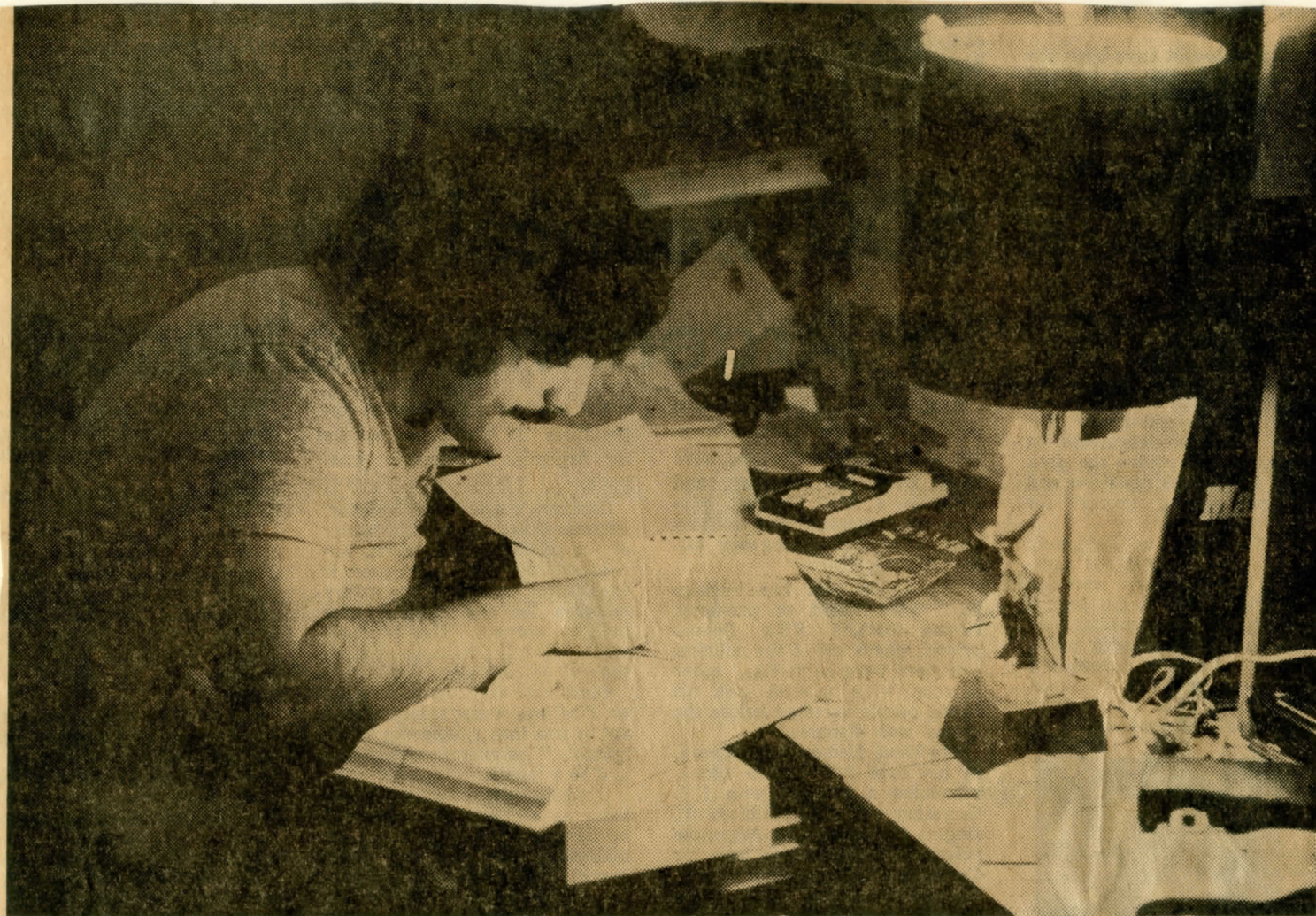
"If someone thought it would be advisable for me to go in and do something like that again, I suppose I would do it, but right now I have my hands full with HEW."

Referring to developments in the fire at HEW now, he reported.

"We're trying to decentralize a number of the HEW programs so that we can have the decision-making closer to the local levels. We're pushing in the education area for the Better Schools Act on consolidation of programs. In the welfare area, we're putting some management backbone into the program and reducing the caseload. At the same time, we're continuing to work on overall welfare reform."

"In the health area, we are developing a proposal for national health insurance. We think that issue is very much alive and it is important to every American, irrespective of income or age. We view our role as that of providing access, not necessarily doing the job, not necessarily delivering the health service, but seeing that access is provided to adequate health care for every American citizen."

"Those are the overall directions which we hope to move in HEW."



CRAMMING—Late hours, loads of books and papers greeted Lee Auerbach, a member of the junior class at Wilkes as he

prepared last week for his finals in his room in the New Men's Dormitory.

May '73 - THEN

Wilkes Schedules 26th Commencement

Some 550 undergraduate and 75 graduate degree candidates will participate in the 26th annual Wilkes College commencement to be held on June 3, at 4 p.m. at Ralston Field in the third outdoors' exercise of this type in the history of the institution.

Delivering the major address will be Sen. Sam J. Ervin (D-NC), chairman of the much-publicized Senate Committee on Presidential Activities, which is now investigating the Watergate incident.

Kicking off the weekend of events for the Wilkes College seniors will be the traditional dinner-dance held at the Genetti Hotel at 6:30 p.m. Thursday. Friday morning at 10 will be the rehearsal in the college gymnasium, followed by the official class meeting at 11:30 a.m. Highlighting the day's events will be the class and faculty luncheon beginning at 12:15 p.m. on Bedford Lawn.

Saturday will feature the traditional graduation picnic at the home of Dr. Eugene S. Farley, first president of Wilkes College. Seniors will gather at Beaumont from 12 to 4 p.m. Baccalaureate will be held at 11 a.m. at Ralston Field Sunday, followed later that day by Commencement activities, also at Ralston Field, beginning at 4 p.m.

In the event of inclement weather, Sunday's events will be moved into the gymnasium. All major radio stations will be notified by 10 a.m., in the event that morning Baccalaureate activities have to be moved indoors. Notification on commencement will be given by 2 p.m.

The Class of 1973 is the third class to be graduated under the outdoor commencement arrangements. Also featured this year for the third time are the colorful mace and medallion, presented to the college at the 1970 Inauguration of its second president, Dr. Francis J. Michelini.

Dr. Charles Reif will lead the procession for the 26th year, carrying the mace. He will be followed by President Michelini, wearing the medallion.

Highlighting the commencement activities will be the awarding of honorary doctorate degrees to Senator Ervin and Frank C. Carlucci, a native of Scranton and recently elevated to the post of Undersecretary of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Earlier this month, Sen. Ervin accepted an invitation to speak on the same morning at the Commencement exercises of Boston College's School of Law. Through the efforts of Congressman Daniel J. Flood, a close friend of the senator's, the North Carolina Democrat accepted an

invitation to address the Wilkes graduation assembly.

Sen. Ervin, whose committee is currently delving into the Watergate affair, is considered the Senate's foremost authority on the Constitution.

He was the subject of a lengthy article in Time magazine, "Defying Nixon's Reach for Power," and is also chairman of the Senate's Judiciary Subcommittee on Constitutional Rights, which is trying to block Administration-supported attempts to force newsmen to reveal their confidential sources in judicial proceedings.

Sen. Ervin received an AB degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, a LLB degree from Harvard Law School, and numerous honorary degrees from colleges and universities throughout the United States.

He also has an extensive military career, listing such honors as the French Fourragere, Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster, Silver Star and Distinguished Service Cross.

Ervin lists extensive involvement in the U. S. Senate including the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations; Senate Select Committee on Equal Educational Opportunity; National Commission on Reform of Federal Criminal Laws; Select Committee to Investigate Censure Charges Against Sen. Joseph McCarthy; and Select Committee to Investigate Improper Activities in Labor-Management Relations.

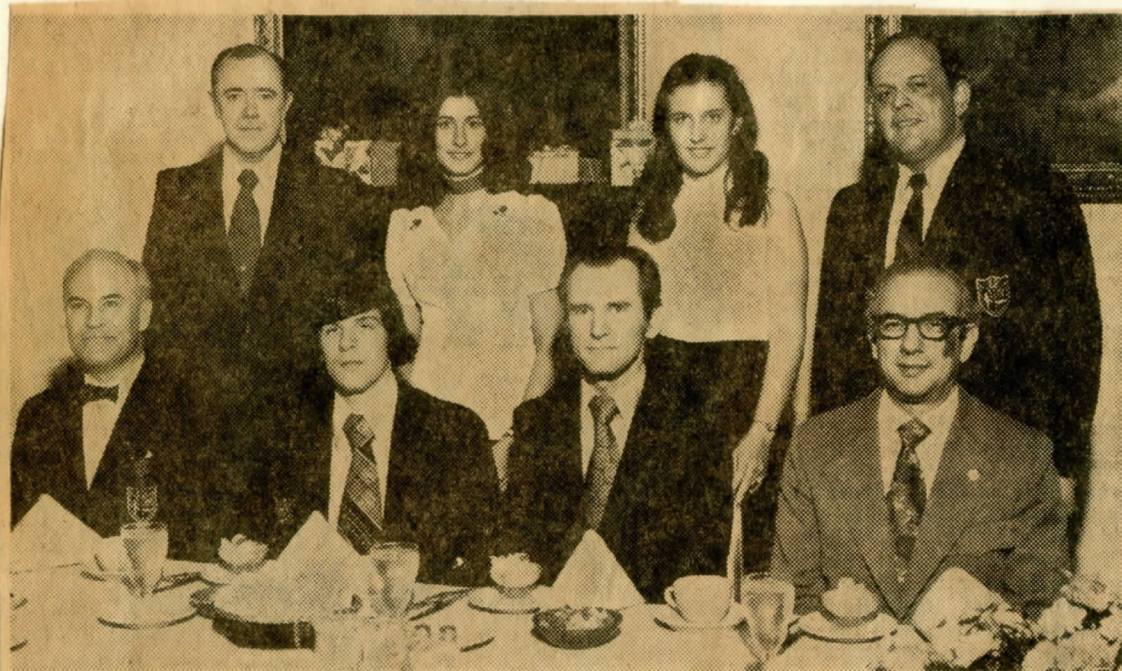
Ervin and his wife, the former Margaret Bruce Bell, have three children. Sam J. Ervin III, Mrs. William E. Smith and Mrs. Gerald M. Hansler.

The special tribute to Undersecretary Carlucci was planned before last June's disaster which eventually resulted in the former resident being sent here as the personal representative of President Nixon to carry out measures ordered by the chief executive to lend immediate assistance of any magnitude to help thousands left stricken by the record flood.

Carlucci came to Wilkes-Barre last year as director of the Office of Management and Budget. Prior to that time he also served in the capacity of assistant director of the same office.

Born in Scranton, Carlucci is a graduate of Wyoming Seminary and Princeton University. He attended Harvard University Graduate School of Business and served as an officer in the U. S. Navy. He and his wife reside with their two children in Washington, D. C.

May 25, 1973



(Photo by Ace Hoffman)

MARKS ANNIVERSARY — The Wilkes College Beacon, weekly campus student newspaper, completed the first year of its second quarter century of existence during the week with the publication of the last edition for the current school year on Thursday.

The following evening the members of the staff held their annual year-end dinner in the Hotel Streling and editors of the next school year were introduced during a program that featured a review of the problems of the campus press this year and a preview of the 1973-74 publication year.

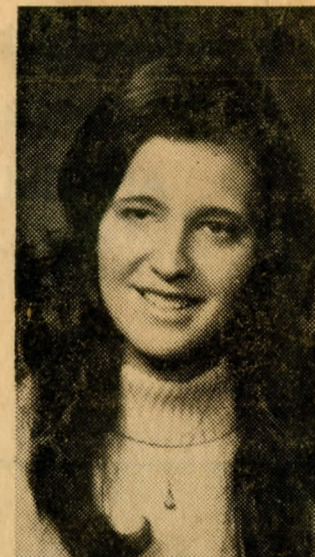
Among the principals were these individuals at the speakers' table. Left to right, seated Dean George F. Ralston, James Torbik, editor for next year; Paul Warnegaris, local weekly newspaper publisher and guest speaker; Wilkes President Francis J. Michelini.

Standing: Thomas J. Moran, director of public relations and assistant professor of journalism at Wilkes College; Barbara Zembrzuski, outgoing business manager; Marietta Bednar, editor-in-chief for the past two years and editorial assistant in the Public Relations Office; and Arthur J. Hoover, college alumni affairs director, who was toastmaster.

Torbik Named Editor Of The Wilkes Beacon



JIM TORBIK



MARIETTA BEDNAR

James Torbik, a sophomore English major, has been named to the position of editor-in-chief for the 1973-74 term by the Wilkes College newspaper, Beacon. All editorial positions have been sent to the Student Publication Committee for final approval.

Torbik is replacing Marietta Bednar who held the position the last two years. He is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Torbik and is currently living with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. William Foy, 130 Matson Ave. He has written for the past several years for the Sunday Independent and works in the college's Public Relations Office. Torbik is a 1971 graduate of Coughlin High School.

Taking over the post of copy editor is sophomore Andy Petyak. He is the son of Mrs. Mary Petyak and resides at 443 Hazle Street. Petyak is a German major and GAR alumnus.

Stepping into the position of news editor will be sophomore

duties of sports editor, a spot vacated by the graduation of Steve Jones. A Central Catholic alumnus, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Domowitch, 364 First Street, Kingston.

Heading the business staff for the upcoming year will be junior Virginia Zembrzuski, a veteran staff member of three years. She is the daughter of Mrs. Theodore Zembrzuski and resides in North Plainfield, New Jersey. Miss Zembrzuski will be succeeding her sister, Barbara, who graduates in June.

Filling the position of advertising manager will be junior Alan Rosencrance. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rosencrance, he is a 1970 graduate of Wyalusing High School. He resides in Laceyville.

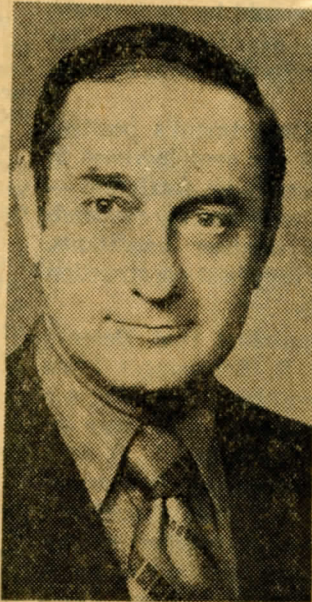
Editorial staff members will be working with advisor Thomas J. Moran, Public Relations director at Wilkes.

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Coordinator For Medical Study Chosen

Dr. A. J. Turchetti
Wilkes-Hahnemann
Program Leader

The appointment of Dr. Anthony J. Turchetti as clinical coordinator of the Wilkes-Hahnemann Medical Education Program in Family Medicine, has been announced by officials of the two cooperating institutions.



DR. A. J. TURCHETTI

As a member of the faculty of the medical college, located in Philadelphia, Dr. Turchetti will serve as associate professor of internal medicine and psychiatry. He also will be adjunct professor at Wilkes College and maintain offices pertaining to his position on the campus in Wilkes-Barre.

Details of Dr. Turchetti's background were provided in the announcement by Dr. Edward Stockham, coordinator of the Wilkes segment of the six-year combined program.

Dr. Turchetti, a resident of nearby Beaumont, is a graduate of the Hahnemann Medical College. He completed residency training in psychiatry at the Philadelphia General Hospital, University of Pennsylvania Service. He received additional training in psychiatry at Edinburgh University, Edinburgh, Scotland, and is a diplomat of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology.

Preceding his medical training, Dr. Turchetti received his BS in aeronautical engineering and MS in mechanical engineering from Pennsylvania State University, and an LLB. from the George Washington University School of Law. He has been a member of the District of Colum-

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Senior Class Graduation Committee



(Photo by Ace Hoffman Studios)

Members of this year's graduating class at Wilkes College are finalizing plans for a week of social events that will be climaxed at the 26th annual Commencement on Sunday, June 3, at 4 p. m. at Ralston Field.

Joel Fischman, president of the senior class, is working with a compact committee of

classmates to arrange the traditional activities that have accompanied Wilkes graduation week ceremonies for more than a quarter century.

The senior class graduation committee is shown, left to right, first row: Brenda Ricco, Peapack, N. J.; Stephanie Pufko Umbach, Phoenixville; Lindsey Farley, Greenville,

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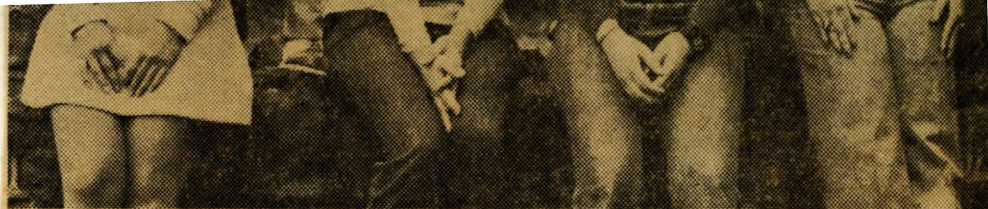
Preceding his medical training, Dr. Turchetti received his BS in aeronautical engineering and MS in mechanical engineering from Pennsylvania State University, and an LL.B. from the George Washington University School of Law. He has been a member of the District of Columbia Bar since 1953, and is a registered patent attorney.

Following his internship at the General Hospital, Dr. Turchetti was engaged locally in the general practice of medicine, and later served as executive medical coordinator for the American Petroleum Institute, trade associations for the U. S. oil industry. In recent years, he served as chief of psychiatry at General Hospital and the Veterans Administration Hospital.

In his present position, he will be responsible for coordinating the establishment of the clinical teaching program for the Wilkes-Hahnemann Family Medicine Program, a newly established six-year medical education program under the joint sponsorship of Wilkes College and Hahnemann Medical College. Students entering this program following their graduation from high school will train at Wilkes College, Hahnemann Medical College, and local hospitals, receiving a BS degree from Wilkes and MD degree from Hahnemann at the end of six years of study.

Dr. Turchetti is a member of the Luzerne County Medical Society, American Medical Association, Pennsylvania Medical Society, American Psychiatric Association, Pennsylvania Psychiatric Association, and American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law. His engineering memberships include Tau Beta Pi, Pi Tau Sigma, and Sigma Tau, engineering honors societies.

Dr. Turchetti is well known to Wilkes students and alumni as team physician for the Wilkes College football team, a service he has rendered for the past 12 years.



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Wilkes Has Different Atmosphere

Summer Sessions Mark Contrast to 1972 Flood Scene

In the summer of 1972 Wilkes College was engrossed in the operation of "Snapping Back" after the Agnes disaster that left the college buildings jumbled and mud-filled.

This summer there is much activity but of a different nature.

Summer school is in full swing at the college with only two weeks remaining in the first session. In comparison to last summer's decline in enrollment due to the June flood, registration has increased, even surpassing enrollment a year ago.

There are more than 800 students currently enrolled with 551 attending the day session while 227 students are in the evening school. Classes for the day session are held two hours a day, five days a week. Evening session courses are offered three nights a week for eight weeks. Statistics have indicated that over 50 percent of students enrolled in the summer sessions are studying more than one course.

Along with the academic courses offered by the college, two programs are available for high school students. A summer theater workshop, conducted by the Wilkes Theater, is offering young theatrical hopefuls some experience and training in working on and off the stage.

A summer art program sponsored by the Wilkes Community Effort, provides instruction for some 50 high school artists who will conclude class with an exhibition of their accomplishments in two weeks.

Dorothy Dickinson Darte Hall is the scene center for applied music courses. Lessons are given for piano and various other instruments.

Graduate program is supplementing the summer sessions with 188 students working towards masters credit.

The second session of the summer will begin July 23. Registration for classes will be held July 19 and 20, from 8:30 a. m. to 8 p. m. in the Evening and Summer School Office, lower level, Weckesser Hall.

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Wilkes Will Offer Environmental Course

The rapidly expanding field of environmental sciences is expected to be of special appeal to many students contemplating admission to Wilkes College in the fall.

Following approval by the faculty of Wilkes College, Department of Environmental Sciences has been added to the new fields of study being offered at the local institution.

Dr. Mohamed El-Ashry is chairman of the new Department of Environmental Sciences which will grant a bachelor of science in that field following the normal four-year course of study.

The new department and the degree program are a natural outcome of six years of course development, research and community involvement of the environmental science program at Wilkes College.

The proposed BS curriculum covers a four-academic-year period totaling approximately 124 credits, and is designed to provide a thorough grounding in the fundamentals of this broad interdisciplinary body of knowledge. Understanding of the relation between man and his environment will be achieved through study and analysis of naturally occurring processes, their effect on human activity, and the effect on natural processes.

The location of Wilkes College on the Susquehanna River in the heart of the Northern Anthracite Field offers a unique opportunity for field study of diversified environmental problems. Water quality surveys of the river and other water bodies, acid-mine drainage, restoration of coal-

mined areas, air pollution and environmental health, are only a few examples.

Students entering the program will have the option of selecting an area of concentration related to the career they envision. A science option, a social science option, and an education option are available to the student. Within the science option a student also may choose an area of concentration in one of the natural sciences. Upon completion of the requirements for the degree, the graduate can be well prepared to enter graduate or professional schools, secondary education, business, industry or government.

Since the career options available to the graduate are numerous and diverse, technical electives in many disciplines are an integral part of the curriculum and are expected to serve a critical role in the student's preparation.

Students entering the new degree program are considered for all of the financial aid programs for which they qualify. An award may combine a scholarship, a loan, a grant and work opportunity. Students must be admitted to the college before their applications for financial aid will be considered.

Further information may be obtained from Dr. Mohamed T. El-Ashry, chairman of the Department of Environmental Sciences at Wilkes College. Applications to the Department of Environmental Sciences may be obtained by writing to the Dean of Admissions, Chase Hall, 184 S. River St., Wilkes-Barre.

Signs of the Times—IV

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Sunday Edition

Many Flood Victims Depressed but Not Suicidal, Psychiatrist Holds

By LEE LINDER

(Associated Press Writer)

The shock of losing homes and businesses in last June's devastating flood has left thousands here frustrated and depressed, but predictions of a rash of suicides haven't materialized.

And a medical official in the hard-hit Wyoming Valley—where 15,000 homes were ruined, more than 1,200 stores wiped out and property damage exceeded \$1 billion—says it won't, despite the terrible personal problems in the continuing cleanup, repair and recovery.

"I know the people here," says Edward Janjigian, a psychiatrist who is president of the region's 400-member medical society. "They are not the suicide type. They are not thinking of that junk.

"People who were psychotic and emotionally unstable are going to have more demands, and the flood, for them, may help pull the trigger.

"But you shouldn't say suicides will increase. When you drop such a stupid hint, some nut sometimes will do it—partly for attention, partly for revenge, partly for prior mental instability. Yet this is not happening here.

"We flood victims will come out of this hardship with flying colors and few, if any, deaths due to despondency."

Dr. George E. Hudock, Luzerne County coroner, agrees.

"We have had two suicides since June 23 when the Susquehanna River inundated a large portion of the valley, and that's no increase," he says. "We've had 19 suicides to date this year and that's about normal.

'They Will Work, Not Quit'

"I don't think these people

are going to take their lives. They're tough. They are used to hard work, and they will work, not quit."

Janjigian, chief psychiatrist at the huge Veterans Administration Hospital, and Hudock, a pathologist, agree that depression is rampant.

"Who wouldn't be if they lost everything they owned in life?" asks Hudock.

Janjigian adds: "Certainly there's a lot of down in the dumps, frustration, even resentment at the government for moving too slow to help. It wouldn't be normal if it wasn't. I'm depressed. I had \$20,000 worth of instruments that were ruined, things that I loved. And my child's grave in the Forty Fort cemetery was washed out.

"There is a fantastic amount of tragedy in this area, but it will not increase the mental problem. Suicide? Nonsense. They are going to fight back in good health."

Dr. Edward Whalen, a psychiatrist on the staff of the Luzerne-Wyoming County Mental Health Center, originally predicted suicides would climb. But now he is backtracking.

"We expect people to continue to have disturbances, and some may even commit suicide, as they do all over the world, but these won't be all flood-related," he says.

The center recently received a \$500,000 grant from the National Institute of Mental Health to deal with flood-related emotional problems, and is planning a door-to-door campaign to search for people who need help.

The blunt-speaking Janjigian calls the grant "money down the

drain. People need financial help, that's all they need," he insists.

Post Flood Caseload 45% Greater

Whalen says, however, his clinic is treating greater numbers of persons for depressive syndromes, roughly 45 per cent greater than the preflood caseload of 800.

And he notes that the Children's Service Center in Wilkes-Barre, an affiliate of his group, also is busier than ever.

"That's because the children have been scattered from their neighborhoods, because of the housing problems, and are upset by attending school in unfamiliar surroundings," Whalen says.

Dr. Gene Haring, a psychiatrist associated with Whalen, says "The adults are thrust right back into the cleanup, but the children only hear the discussion of the tragedy and they can't get involved" and this makes them upset.

Janjigian, however, disputes this assessment too.

"Children are having a wonderful time," he says. "They are running around home trailers, riding bicycles all over the area, buzzing around, helping out."

The medical society head does express concern as winter approaches, which can be especially bitter with heavy snows in this northeastern Pennsylvania region on the edge of the Pocono Mountains.

"There will be sickness this winter because of inadequacy of shelter and a lack of proper nourishment, particularly among the elderly and the very young," Janjigian says.

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HIGH WATER AGAIN—Accumulated runoff of Wednesday's heavy rainfall made a lake out of the area near Wilkes-Barre Connecting Railway, Kingston, looking toward

Pierce St., Kingston. Water level inched up several steps at Third Ave. School in foreground.

(Related Picture page 38.)



NOT JUNE 23, BUT NOV. 8—Rising water on Third Ave., Kingston, Wednesday afternoon attributed to heavy rainfall was an unwelcome reminder of Tropical Storm Agnes which hit the region in June. Motorists traveling toward Market St.,

had to negotiate water which filled the street from curb to curb and which disabled the second car shown in the photograph.

(Photos by Publiservices)

River to Crest At 18-19 Feet This Morning

A crest of between 18 and 19 feet is expected Friday morning at 10 at the Susquehanna River in Wilkes-Barre as heavy rains resulted in a steady rise of the stream.

The last river reading Thursday was taken at 7 p. m. by Nicholas Souchik, official weather-river observer, and at that time was 17 feet. A reading at 3:30 p. m. was 15.9 feet and at 1 p. m. on Thursday, the river was at 14.7 feet.

Souchik, who also is executive director of Luzerne County Civil Defense, pointed out some flooding may occur in the lowland areas unprotected by dikes in Wyoming Valley. Flood stage at Wilkes-Barre is 22 feet without the dike system.

Members of U. S. Army Corps of Engineers on Thursday afternoon were working on the sections of dike near Riverside Drive which were repaired after the June flood. It was reported plastic sheeting was laid along the rebuilt sections of dike and held down with sandbags to prevent erosion from rain in the future and washouts.

The river's rise was caused by a steady rain that dumped 3.45 inches of water on Wilkes-Barre, according to Souchik's reading taken here. The National Weather Service at the Wilkes-Barre Scranton Airport recorded a fall of 2.93 inches there.

Appreciable amounts of rain also fell upstream, according to figures supplied by Souchik and the National Weather Service: Towanda, 2.20 inches Montrose, 4.04, and Chemung, 1.77.

The local river observer said three times this amount would have to fall upstream before it would pose a threat to Wyoming Valley.

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factor has been the amount of rainfall in the upper watershed, an average of two inches. The river can handle the runoff from this amount of rain, he said.

"Obviously, if there is another long storm, there will be another problem," Gen. Townend said, but he reaffirmed that Civil Defense anticipates no problems in regard to the current runoff or more rain.

In Kingston, the Woodward pump motor burned out Wednesday night, according to Council Chairman Ralph Brown, but repairs were made during the night and the pump was back in operation by morning. Brown said the Army Corps of Engineers and Office of Emergency Preparedness had people on hand to assist and the corps promised any necessary help.

The Horton Street pumping station in Wilkes-Barre was activated Thursday morning, City Engineer Leo Corbett reported, and it was planned to turn on, in turn, the D&H, Old River Road and Ross Street stations.

Corbett said the actual operation of the stations is being handled by the Army Corps of Engineers through a corps contractor, Jennings Electrical Company, Scranton. City electrical and sewer bureau personnel were on hand to assist, Corbett said.

The corps currently has a dike rehabilitation and strengthening project underway in some areas, an outgrowth of the June flood.

Corps announced Thursday the date for its public meeting into plans for future flood protection as Dec. 5 at 7:30 p. m. in Coughlin High School.

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Weather Service said its flash flood watch on small streams in the area has expired. Persons living on smaller tributaries had been advised to watch conditions as rain-swollen streams continued to rise.

Reports that Wilkes College had started moving equipment from the lower levels of building on the campus near the Susquehanna River were denied Thursday night by a spokesman for the college.

If the Old Farmer's Almanac is correct, Wyoming Valley can expect more heavy rain over the weekend and next week.

The Almanac "hit the nail on the head" when it predicted "rain, very heavy" on Nov. 8 and 9, this Wednesday and Thursday.

Wilkes-Barre had 3.45 inches of rain through Thursday morning, according to Nicholas Souchik, official river-weather observer.

The Almanac calls for rain on Nov. 10-12, and heavy rain on Nov. 14.

Precipitation in the Middle Atlantic Coastal region is expected to be about one inch above normal for the month, the Almanac indicates.

The National Weather Service late Thursday afternoon appeared to be confirming the Almanac prediction when it reported a storm system is forming in Texas. The system is expected to move east and northeast, causing shower activity over this area on Saturday.

Weatherman noted the storm forming in Texas is forming in the same area as the one that dumped heavy rain in the East the past two days.

Advised of the weather forecast, Gen. Frank Townend, Civil Defense director, said he was not worried about problems developing here. By the time the storm over Texas reaches the northeast, he said, the Susquehanna River should have receded from its current runoff crest.

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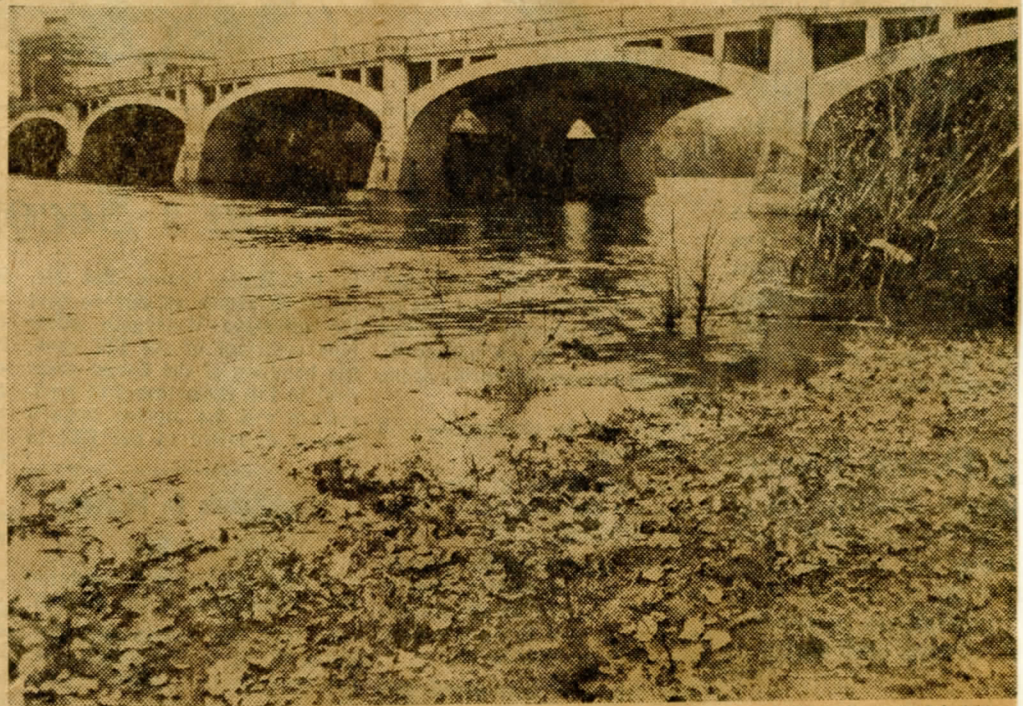
(Photo by Lukasik)

MACHINERY CAUGHT IN RIVER — No. 1 Contracting Company workers attempt to remove a huge crane used by the firm in the strengthening of the Water Street Bridge pier (rear of the boom) after the machinery had been caught in the rising waters of the Susquehanna River Wednesday night and Thursday afternoon.

Officials of the construction firm which already had for-

tified the base of the nearby pier and which was providing a new facing for the pier in the foreground said they did not expect the waters to rise so rapidly.

The crane had been removed on a hastily-built causeway to a position near the shore at West Pittston and flood lights were used to aid workmen Thursday night in an attempt to inch the equipment to high ground.



(Photo by Curtis Salonick)

CREST TODAY — Susquehanna River spread from bank to bank yesterday causing some residents of the area to show concern. The river is expected to crest Friday morning between 18 and 19 feet.

CD Says No Cause for Alarm as River Rises

The accumulation of rain mounted on Wednesday and so did problems for area residents and motorists due to minor flooding. The 24-hour rainfall nearly equalled the average monthly total for November, according to National Weather Service at Wilkes-Barre-Scranton Airport.

Late Wednesday night, the Weather Service issued a flash flood warning for Luzerne, Lackawanna and Wyoming Counties, mainly for small streams which are expected to overflow banks in some areas. The NWS advised persons living along small streams to take immediate action.

Lackawanna River was reported at 6.2 feet and rising steadily, posing a flooding threat to low areas. The Weather Service reported flood stage is 11 feet but the river should crest near bankfull. Lower part of Luzerne County received approximately five inches of rain.

A revised river forecast was issued at 9:30 p. m. by Nicholas Souchik, official weather-river observer and executive director of Luzerne County Civil Defense, updating the earlier expected crest of 5.5 feet for Thursday.

The new forecast calls for a rise to about 11 feet between 7 and 8 a. m. Thursday morning and proceeding upward to about 13 feet by Thursday afternoon. Souchik emphasized there was no cause for alarm. Pumping stage for Wilkes-Barre is 14 feet. However, pumping on the West Side was activated.

Souchik noted a crest is not expected until late Friday or Saturday after all rain figures are compiled from the upstate water shed. He explained the rainfall thus far in New York State averaged about two inches. At least three times that amount would have to fall before any serious flooding problems are posed downriver. Souchik stated.

While the CD official stressed there was no cause for alarm, many victims of the June flood still are concerned about heavy rains since such a disaster.

During the 24-hour period of Wednesday, NWS reported 2.82 inches of rain officially measured in this area. The average monthly total for November is 2.94 inches.

Steady rains forced a halt in construction work at North Street Bridge and caused mud and water problems on sections of highways and in HUD mobile home parks.

Periodical checks were being made at Solomon's Creek, Wapwallopen and Shickshinny Creeks but no major problems were reported Wednesday night. CD



INSPECTION OF DIKE—Frank Carlucci, personal representative of President Nixon, inspects a section of the Susquehanna River dike between the Carey Avenue Bridge and Breslau Bridge which has been raised two and one-half feet.

Left to right are Col. John F. McEllhenney, Susquehanna district engineer, U. S. Corps of Engineers; Carlucci, Col. Louis W. Prentiss, Jr., district engineer for the U. S. Corps of Engineers and John Rogalla, area engineer in charge of the work under contract to Addy Asphalt Co.

Carlucci said the additional two and one-half foot of dirt topping is measured for density to insure strength and extends 2,950 south of the Breslau Bridge, background.

Fill is added on top and landside by heavy equipment which compacts the dirt.

Company, York, were pulled off the job at North Street Bridge due to the steady downpour.

Equipment was taken off the causeway, which is essential for work on the span, he said. While it is hoped to have the bridge open by Christmas, Radomski said any lengthy rain or high river could delay the opening to Jan. 15, the original deadline set in the construction contract.

Another problem attributing to surface flooding was heavy accumulations of fallen leaves which blocked storm drains and backed water over the streets.

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Other police departments in the county made periodical checks with Luzerne County Communications Center updated weather reports.

Local CD units in Lehigh, Monroe and Montgomery Counties were placed on overnight flooding alert.

Woodward pumping station in Kingston was activated Wednesday at 1 p. m. because of the amount of water in Toby's Creek, "just to be on the safe side," it was reported by Louis Smith, superintendent of public works. All pumping stations in the flood control system in the Kingston community were repaired following the June flood and were ready to be activated on a moment's notice. Smith said the pumping station will be in service as long as the situation calls for it.

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from the engineers notifying him Wilkes-Barre had been provided federal assistance by Office of Emergency Preparedness for restoration of Solomon's Creek.

To date, the South Wilkes-Barre resident reported he has received no satisfaction from the city as to any planned work in dredging the creek or cleaning out flood debris. Yet, he noted, Ashley Borough Council is advertising for bids for cleaning debris out of the same creek and these are due on Nov. 17.

Wilkes-Barre police were making regular checks on Solomon's Creek and cruisemen reported at midnight that the creek ranged two to three feet below bridges spanning the stream.

in some areas. The NWS advised persons living along small streams to take immediate action.

Lackawanna River was reported at 6.2 feet and rising steadily, posing a flooding threat to low areas. The Weather Service reported flood stage is 11 feet but the river should crest near bankfull. Lower part of Luzerne County received approximately five inches of rain.

A revised river forecast was issued at 9:30 p. m. by Nicholas Souchik, official weather-river observer and executive director of Luzerne County Civil Defense, updating the earlier expected crest of 5.5 feet for Thursday.

The new forecast calls for a rise to about 11 feet between 7 and 8 a. m. Thursday morning and proceeding upward to about 13 feet by Thursday afternoon. Souchik emphasized there was no cause for alarm. Pumping stage for Wilkes-Barre is 14 feet. However, pumping on the West Side was activated.

Souchik noted a crest is not expected until late Friday or Saturday after all rain figures are compiled from the upstate water shed. He explained the rainfall thus far in New York State averaged about two inches. At least three times that amount would have to fall before any serious flooding problems are posed downriver, Souchik stated.

While the CD official stressed there was no cause for alarm, many victims of the June flood still are concerned about heavy rains since such a disaster.

During the 24-hour period of Wednesday, NWS reported 2.82 inches of rain officially measured in this area. The average monthly total for November is 2.94 inches.

Steady rains forced a halt in construction work at North Street Bridge and caused mud and water problems on sections of highways and in HUD mobile home parks.

Periodical checks were being made at Solomon's Creek, Wapwallopen and Shickshinny Creeks but no major problems were reported Wednesday night, CD officials reported.

Employees of Wilkes-Barre City Street Department were hard pressed answering complaints of street flooding through most of the day. Surface flooding was reported at S. Main and Sullivan Streets; Sambourne and Sullivan Streets, S. Main and Parrish Streets and S. River and Academy Streets.

More serious flooding developed at Scott and Laird Streets where the parking lot of Craft Associates, 1212 Scott St., resembled a "miniature river" and parking lot of Frieder and Sons Cigar Company, Mill St., where it was necessary Wednesday night for city crews to pump out the water.

Ray Radomski, on special assignment for Pennsylvania Department of Transportation in Wyoming Valley, reported workmen of Wagman Construction



INSPECTION OF DIKE—Frank Carlucci, personal representative of President Nixon, inspects a section of the Susquehanna River dike between the Carey Avenue Bridge and Breslau Bridge which has been raised two and one-half feet.

Left to right are Col. John F. McEllhenney, Susquehanna district engineer, U. S. Corps of Engineers; Carlucci, Col. Louis W. Prentiss, Jr., district engineer for the U. S. Corps of Engineers and John Rogalla, area engineer in charge of the work under contract to Addy Asphalt Co.

Carlucci said the additional two and one-half foot of dirt topping is measured for density to insure strength and extends 2,950 south of the Breslau Bridge, background.

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It was learned Forty Fort Street Commissioner James Seibert, 1396 Murray St., had approximately two feet of water in the basement of his home, damaging a new oil burner installed during renovations of the home which was inundated in the June flood.

James Garnett, 23 Vine St., "Goose Island" section of South Wilkes-Barre, reported his basement received almost six inches of water. He resides near Solomon's Creek and complained of a laxity on the part of city officials in cleaning and dredging the stream.

Garnett said he contacted various agencies concerning the creek, including Frank Carlucci, special assistant to President Richard Nixon. Carlucci informed Garnett that the matter was referred to U. S. Army Corps of Engineers. On Sept. 15, Garnett received a letter

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Tombstones at Forty Fort Await Disposition



A stark reminder that nothing was left sacred when "Agnes" passed through Wyoming Valley last June is pictured here, at the rear of the Forty Fort Cemetery, where

hundreds of gravestones from those graves that were washed away are piled awaiting a decision on what should be done with them.—(Ace Hoffman)

After emergency repairs at the Forty Fort Cemetery were completed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the restoration of the cemetery has been continuing by cemetery personnel under the direction of John Novak Jr., superintendent.

During the initial phases of the temporary dike repair the contractor for the Corps of Engineers recovered a number of

gravemarkers which had been washed into the destroyed area. These markers were placed along the dike and later removed by the contractor to the flat land at the rear of the cemetery. Since these gravemarkers are the property of the individual lot owners, final disposition of them would depend upon the discretion of the respective owners.

Plans for the future use of the

area washed out by the flood waters cannot be finalized until permanent repairs to the dike have been completed and the contour and grading of the cemetery fill have been established. Alternatives under consideration are (1) to resurvey and rebuild the roads and to lay out the burial lots in accordance with the pre-flood lot plan, or (2) to establish a memorial park

in the area and to erect an appropriate monument to the 2,000 or more persons whose gravesites were destroyed.

If either plan or a possible combination of these alternatives is finally adopted, it is anticipated that provisions will be made for lot owners to replace or relocate gravemarkers which were lost or displaced.

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River Basin Program Set

Water Resources To Be Discussed

The regular meeting of the Susquehanna River Basin Commission will be held in Ramada Inn, 5401 Carlisle Pike, Mechanicsburg, Thursday afternoon at 2.

Commission will review and discuss recommendations received at public hearings regarding the comprehensive plan. A tentative schedule for revision of the plan on the basis of comments received and for final adoption of the plan will be discussed.

A revised budget and work program will be presented for commission action.

A work plan for the development of a project review procedure will be discussed as will a plan for commission coordination of the various water resources planning and development programs in the basin.

A status report of various programs will be presented.

Dike Heightening Project Backed

A \$62 million project to add five feet to the height of 12 miles of dikes and floodwalls in Wyoming Valley and to alter five bridges was recommended for authorization and construction by the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors, U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Tuesday at Fort Belvoir, Va., it was announced by Congressman Daniel J. Flood.

Project was the largest of five water resource and environmental enhancement projects recommended.

Federal costs of the project would be \$31,072,000, while non-Federal share would be \$31,071,000. It was reported \$48 million of the total is for alteration of five bridges: removal and replacement of Market Street bridge; raising Carey Avenue and Plymouth-Breslau bridges; modifying sub-structure of two Wilkes-Barre Connecting Railroad bridges. There will be limited local channel clearing in places where substantial stage reductions can be realized.

Rep. Flood reported the Rivers and Harbors Board said the increased levee protection, complemented by additional reservoir storage from the Cowanesque Lake and Tioga-Hammond Lake projects, which are under construction and scheduled for completion in 1980 and 1977, respectively, offers the most reasonable and effective course of action for meeting flood-control needs of the area. However, the board noted that a higher degree of protection than proposed may be feasible, and believed that added protection should be considered "during preconstruction planning."

Plan was formulated on the basis of several design assumptions which are to be fully evaluated during post-authorization planning. Of major concern to the board are negative upstream and downstream effects anticipated if the existing levee and floodwall system in the study area is raised. Although the report states that adverse effects will be prevented through upstream control to be provided by the Tioga-Hammond and Cowanesque Lake reservoir projects, presently under construction, the board believed the matter should be carefully considered as part of a comprehensive evaluation of the Susquehanna

River. It recommended that preconstruction planning should be closely coordinated with the review study of Susquehanna River Basin authorized by Congress last year, and that prior to construction, the plan be submitted to Susquehanna River Basin Commission for approval.

Board carefully considered the environmental effects of the proposed project, including those discussed in the draft environmental impact statement dated Dec. 15, 1972, and it believed the overall benefits of the project would outweigh the adverse environmental effects. In addition, effects of the proposed project on the objectives of social well-being and regional economic development as required by Section 209 of the Flood Control Act of 1970 were taken into consideration. Board also believed that the added protection would contribute significantly to the regional economy and social well-being of the people by restoring their confidence and encouraging them to repair and rebuild homes and businesses which were devastated by the June, 1972, flood.

Project in the communities of Plymouth, Kingston - Edwardsville, Swoyersville - Forty Fort, Wilkes-Barre and Hanover Township, including raising 12 miles of levees and flood walls, with associated interior drainage and bridge modifications, would provide protection from a design flow of 320,000 cubic feet per second, as modified by the two reservoir projects.

The board report is being processed to the chief of engineers, who in turn will transmit his proposed report, together with the report of the board and the reporting officers to the governor of the affected state and to interested federal agencies for their views and comments. These comments will accompany the complete report to Congress with the recommendation of the chief of engineers.

After the report has been transmitted to Congress, further action for construction of any project that may be recommended therein will depend upon authorization of the projects by Congress and the subsequent appropriation of the necessary funds for the work proposed.

River Basin Group To Meet at Wilkes

Mechanicsburg (AP) — The Susquehanna River Basin Commission agreed Thursday to consider the problem of water use by nuclear generating stations.

The Chesapeake Bay Foundation, headquartered in Annapolis, Md., made the request at the commission's monthly meeting, citing estimates that an average power station will use 30 million to 40 million gallons of water daily for cooling purposes.

This would reduce the flow of fresh water into the bay, causing an increased concentration of pollutants, particularly in late fall and early winter, when the water flow is in a seasonal lull.

Thomas Webster, who represents the federal government on the basin commission, agreed to consider use of water by proposed nuclear plants in the commission's "comprehensive plan" for the basin, to be released next month.

Robert Bielo, the commission's executive director, said the group will begin public hearings in June on the plan.

At least three hearings will be held in Pennsylvania, two in New York and one in Maryland, he said.

Susquehanna River Basin Commission will hold its next regular meeting in Wilkes-Barre May 10, according to Webster, chairman.

An invitation to the commission to meet in Wilkes-Barre

was extended by Roy B. Morgan while still president of Greater Wilkes-Barre Chamber of Commerce. Morgan pointed out it would seem very appropriate if the commission were to meet in Wilkes-Barre in the light of last June's flood disaster.

The meeting will be held in the Wilkes College Center for the Performing Arts. A seminar, to which the public will be invited, will be held in the morning. At that time, various flood-related problems such as flood forecasting, flood plain management, necessary structures to be built in the river basin and the like will be discussed.

A committee has been selected to work on the seminar. Morgan is chairman and the committee includes Robert Bigelow, executive director of the commission; Nicholas Souchik, director of local Civil Defense organization; Richard Cronin, secretary of Greater Wilkes-Barre Chamber of Commerce; Andrew Shaw, executive director of Flood Recovery Task Force, and Webster.

In addition to Webster, other members of the commission who will attend the May meeting will be Dr. Maurice K. Goddard, state secretary of environmental resources; Paul McKee and Ronald W. Pederson, Maryland and New York representatives of the commission.

River Basin Commission Sets Public Session Here

A meeting of the Susquehanna River Basin Commission will be held at the Wilkes College Center for Performing Arts on Thursday.

The Commission is composed of representatives from New York, Maryland and Pennsylvania and a representative of the United States Department of Interior.

The Commission is responsible for Flood Control projects, water quality, environmental protection, stream management, land treatment, flood plain management and control of pollution.

Their area of responsibility is the entire 27,500 square miles of the Susquehanna River Basin and its tributaries.

A public program, concerning "Flood Forecasting and Predictions" will be held beginning at 9:30 a.m.

The afternoon session, which

will begin at 1, will be a formal public meeting of the Commission. Upon the conclusion of each session, a question and answer period will be conducted.

This marks the first time the Susquehanna River Basin Commission has scheduled a meeting in Pennsylvania, other than Mechanicsburg, which is the location of its administrative offices.

The Wilkes-Barre meeting is sponsored by the Susquehanna River Basin Association, the Greater Wilkes-Barre Chamber of Commerce, the Flood Recovery Task Force and the Luzerne County Civil Defense.

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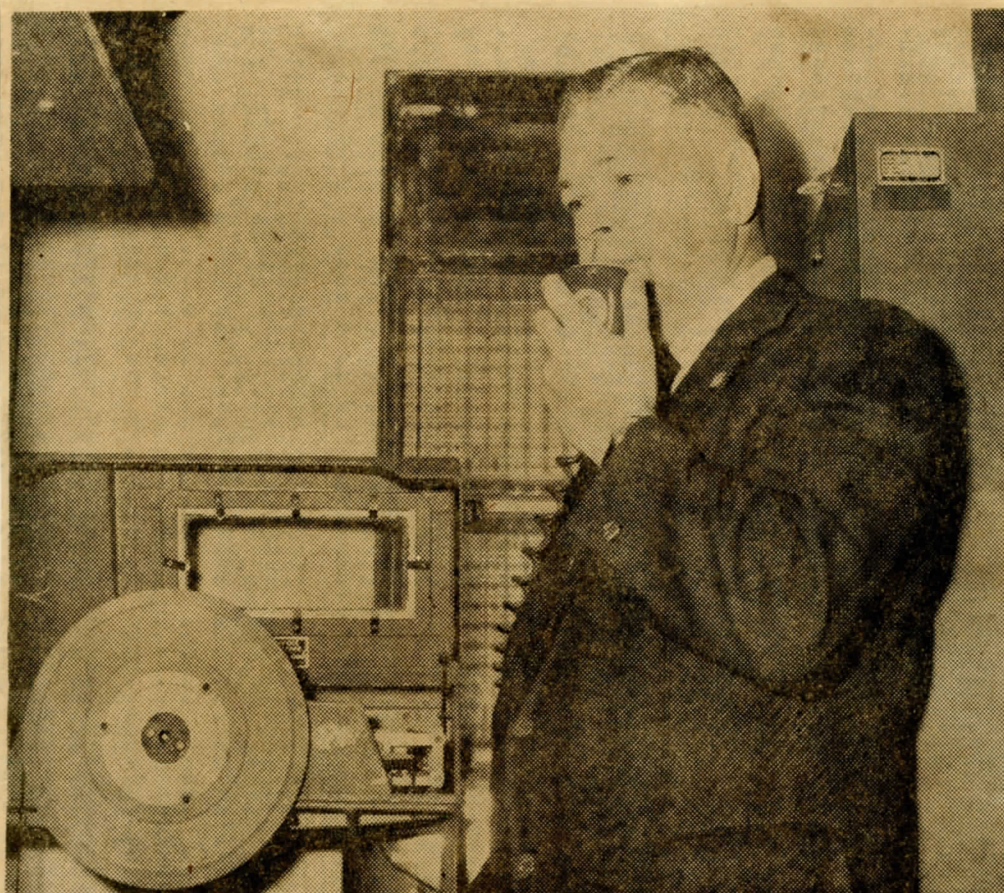
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River Commission Will Meet on Sept. 12

Susquehanna River Basin Commission will meet at 1 p. m., September 12 at the Penn Harris Motor Inn, Camp Hill Bypass, Harrisburg.

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(Photo by Dave Kozemchak)

RIVER GAUGE EXPLAINED — A special attraction new to this year's Cherry Blossom Festival on May 12-13 will provide an opportunity for local people to learn how the river elevation is recorded as part of the flood forecasting and warning system.

Nicholas Souchik, executive director of Luzerne County Civil Defense and official river observer, is shown transmitting river elevation readings from the gauge house directly behind the Union Street pumping station on North River Common.

According to Souchik, the river's height is recorded on the graph at left and this daily reading, taken at 7 a. m., is immediately sent to the Binghamton data collection center which covers some 50 reporting stations on the North Branch of the Susquehanna.

This data is then teletyped to Harrisburg where it is communicated throughout the river basin area over the civil defense Teletype network.

River elevation readings are taken from a well underneath the gauge house utilizing floats to measure the rise and fall of the water which comes into the well from the river through open grates.

Souchik will be at the gauge house during the Cherry Blossom Festival on May 12 and 13 from 1 to 5 p. m. to explain the operation to those interested in viewing the system.

4 Applications OK'd By City Zoning Board

Wilkes-Barre City Zoning Hearing Board has approved the locating of two occupations in homes and the conversion of two homes into a larger number of living units. Hearings on the applications were heard on March 15 by Leo Schuster, acting chairman; and John Dukes.

Dr. Edward L. Makowski, dentist, was granted a waiver for a parking requirement so that he could locate a home occupation at 453 S. Franklin St.

Dorothy Simon was granted a permit to locate a beauty shop in her home at 285 Stanton St.

Francis A. Dreier was granted

a waiver in a lot area requirement permitting conversion of a three-family home at 845 N. Pennsylvania Ave., into a four-family home.

Al Dellaglio was granted a permit to convert a two-family home at 322 Park Ave., into a three-family home provided he can come up with one additional off-street parking space.

The zoning hearing board postponed its decision in the request of Michael Elko who is considering the use of part of his home at 115 Charles Street for preparing income tax reports.

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Zoning Permits Hit Record \$1,604,875

A new all-time high record in zoning permits was set in March by the Luzerne County Zoning Board, it was announced by Clarence M. Laidler, zoning director.

A total of 104 permits was issued, totaling \$1,604,875.

The total included 93 for single family homes, three for modular homes, and eight mobile homes.

Of the 25 municipalities in the county which come under the County Zoning Ordinance, zoning permits were applied in 18 in March.

The total for March does not include: \$4,000,000 permit for a new sewage plant in Duryea and Avoca.

The 105 permits issued in March are:

Municipality	Houses	Mobile	Amount
Avoca Borough	3		35,000
Bear Creek Township	19	1	382,000
Buck Township	1		16,000
Conyngham Township	2		27,000
Courtdale Borough	5		94,200
Duryea Borough	10		208,600
Edwardsville Borough	1		10,000
Fairmount Township	4		15,800
Franklin Township	4	1	159,200
Harveys Lake Borough	4	2	11,650
Hunlock Township	12	5	254,700
Huntington Township	7		102,000
Lake Township	3		42,000
Luzerne Township	3	1	10,075
Nescopeck Borough	1		9,000
Plymouth Township	4	1	64,200
Ross Township	3		153,250
Union Township	7		153,250
	93	11	\$1,604,875

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Zoning Board Hears Applications From 6

The Wilkes-Barre Zoning and Hearing Board met in City Council Chambers Thursday afternoon to hear six applications for zoning changes, variances or waivers. Leo Schuster, acting chairman, chaired the session.

Applications were: Michael Elko, for the property at 115 Charles St., to waive requirements of the city zoning ordinance to locate an office as a home occupation; Stanley Rapchinski, for the property at 150 Blackman St., to locate a sporting goods store in a residential area; Adolph Roos, for the property at 36 Ivy Lane, for the location of an automobile storage and repair business in a residential area; St. Aloysius RC Church, for the property at the corner of Barney and Division Streets, to construct a school cafeteria; Stanley W. Wasilewski, for the property at 532 Carey Ave., to waive the total lot area requirement to convert a one-family home to a two-family unit; Wilkes-Barre Area School District, for the property adjacent to the former Lafayette Elementary School, for the location of a temporary elementary school structure.

Board will now make decisions on each case and notify the applicant by letter. Decisions should be handed down next week, according to a board spokesman, and made public at that time.

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Zoning Board Approves 7 Variance Bids

The Luzerne County Zoning Hearing Board, meeting Tuesday night at the courthouse, approved seven requests for variances and special exceptions and held one case open for further consideration.

The special exceptions and variances are from the county zoning ordinance. Clarence Laidler is zoning officer. Norman Sondheim is board chairman. Other members are P. Forve Leighton and William B. Isaacs.

Approved were the following: John Butka, variance to erect a single family home at 86 Coal St.; Glen Lyon, Newport Township, a two-family residence district; Leo Bator, 76 W. Colonial Drive, Wyoming, special exception to put a mobile home at Harveys Lake, suburban residence district; William Casterline, Harveys Lake RD 4, place mobile home at Harveys Lake, a single family residence district; James R. Brennan, 252 Courtdale Avenue, Courtdale, place a mobile home in Courtdale, a single family residence district.

Mrs. Lorraine Gist, 5 Plymouth St., Edwardsville, variance of 10 feet on either side of home, East Valley View Drive, Courtdale; Edmund H. Garren, 33 South St., Ashley, mobile home in Ross Township, a single family residence district; Joseph Wright, 150 Village Road, Taylor, place mobile home on Chestnut St., Warrior Run, a two-family district.

Held open was the request of Lee Wasilewski, 249 Swetland St., Duryea, for a variance to have five feet on the southwest side of his property located in Bear Creek Township, a suburban residence district. The minimum is now 15 feet under the zoning code. The plot of land is located on the east side of West Avenue.

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Transit Negotiations Continuing; Acquisition Estimate Is \$985,000

Negotiations are continuing between the Luzerne County Transportation Authority and two local transit firms to purchase some or all of their assets.

The authority is seeking to acquire certain assets of both White Transit Company and Wilkes-Barre Transit Corpora-

tion, involving a total of 64 buses.

Total estimated cost has been reported by Jerry L. Eddy, authority executive director, at \$985,000.

No breakdown of what each firm would receive is available at this time, Eddy explained, be-

cause negotiations still are going on.

In the event the purchases are consummated, they must be approved by the federal Urban Mass Transportation Administration, which will provide 80 percent of the funding for the acquisition. The remainder would have to come from local sources such as county or municipal. Eddy said the State provides no funds for acquisition of a company's assets.

A public meeting on the proposed acquisition will be held Wednesday night, Sept. 26, at 7:30 at the Luzerne County Courthouse.

Appraisals have been received on the buses, shop equipment, furniture and the like of Wilkes-Barre Transit, Eddy said, and an appraisal is being prepared on the company's real estate.

It is proposed by the authority to acquire from White 13 transit buses, spare parts and components and shop equipment. From Wilkes-Barre Transit, the authority proposes to purchase 51 transit buses, garage, maintenance facilities and general office, shop and garage equipment, service cars and trucks, fare collection equipment, spare parts and components, office furniture and supplies and miscellaneous items.

Eddy said the authority will purchase just the transit buses of the two companies and not their school buses.

If the sale goes through and receives approval, Eddy said the two lines will be operated as one combined system with an optimum of 53 buses.

The fleet of 53 buses would be comprised of 43 new vehicles scheduled for arrival in January plus 10 of the 13 of White Transit. All 51 of Wilkes-Barre Transit would be sold, the executive director stated.

All employees who were with the two companies prior to the 1972 flood are assured of their jobs under the UMTA law, Eddy said.

As far as operating the proposed new system, Eddy said the authority will have to decide whether to do the managing itself or to hire a transit management firm. He said a feasibility study is being made at this time to determine which method would be better.

All Those 65 or Over May Ride Buses Free

Luzerne County residents must be 65 years or older in order to qualify for free transportation on local buses, Gerald Eddy, director of Luzerne County Transportation Authority, said Monday.

Eddy called this paper in response to an article which appeared stating that senior citizens could theoretically take a ride all over the country by using their cards.

Eddy said his office had received a lot of calls following publication of the article. He

added there appeared to be some confusion in the minds of the public regarding those who are entitled to ride free.

He said a person absolutely must be 65 years or older in order to qualify for free local bus service, adding there has been no change in the original limitation of the program.

He said Senior Citizens can ride free by showing their medicare cards. If they do not have cards, then they get suitable cards by appearing at the transportation office with proof of birth.

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37% of Free-bus Riders Came From Families Which Do Not Own a Car

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The composite transit rider in the Wilkes-Barre area is a young female traveling to work, whose family income is less than \$5,000 a year and has no automobile for travel.

This picture emerged from on-board origin-destination survey conducted by Simpson and Curtin, transportation engineers of Philadelphia, the last week of free-fare transit service. The report was prepared for the Luzerne County Transportation Authority and was made available by Jerry L. Eddy, authority executive director.

Transit riders in the area are overwhelmingly female and predominantly under 20 years of age or over 60 years, accounting for about three of every four patrons. For the 30 percent of all females who are in the 10-19-year age bracket, the volume of work trips approaches the volume of school trips. However, women over 60, who account for 23 percent of total female trips, emphasize transit use for shopping.

Of the 25 percent of all transit users who are male, the report states, four of every 10 belong to the 10-19-year age group and an additional 18 percent are over 60.

Only 45 percent of all transit passengers in the Wilkes-Barre area are between 20 and 59 years.

The transit system is utilized by predominantly low-income family members, the survey reveals, conforming to the pattern found in most urban transit systems.

One of every two patrons has an annual family income of less than \$5,000 while one of every four has a family income of \$5,000 to \$7,500 a year. The elderly (over 60) are the most obvious low income group, with 80 percent having a family income below \$5,000 annually.

Only 12 percent of transit users in the area belong to a family whose annual income exceeds \$10,000, and these are primarily working women or school children.

The survey results may even be optimistically biased in analyzing income due to the fact that approximately 60 percent of all persons interviewed elected not to divulge their family income, the report notes.

Approximately 37 percent of those using free-fare bus service came from families which do not own an automobile. Forty-two percent own one car and an additional 21 percent own two or more. About 60 percent of those families under \$5,000 do not own a car, while only three percent of families in the over \$10,000 bracket do not own at least one car.

Stating "an extremely important factor to be considered in the analysis of a transit system is the availability of an alternative transportation mode to its patrons," the report notes the only viable alternative in this area is the private automobile.

On a systemwide basis, the report continues, 83 percent of all transit patrons are captive riders—those people who do not have an automobile available for the particular trip which they make by bus. This prevalent group of transit users must make their trip by bus or not at all. Only 17 percent are choice riders, who could have elected to drive to their destination rather than utilize public transportation.

Forty-five percent of all captive riders do not own a car, 39 percent own one car and, surprisingly, 16 percent come from families which own at least two cars, the survey shows. The latter are primarily teenage students from multiple car families who do not have frequent access to their family's automobile.

Under the heading "trip purpose," the report states that understandably work-oriented trips account for almost half of all transit trips in the area. Slightly more than 45 percent of the surveyed passengers were going to work. Almost 22 percent of all bus trips are made for shopping, 18 percent are school trips, nine

percent are personal business related and only two percent are for social-recreational purposes.

On survey day, 12.4 percent, or almost 1,500, of the riders inhabited temporary housing, including 6.9 percent in mobile home parks and 1.9 percent in mobile homes on private sites. The remainder had other types of temporary housing. While only about 4.5 percent of the population was relocated to mobile home parks, the parks accounted for almost seven percent of ridership, indicating a much heavier than normal transit use.

Referring to origin and destination, the report states the radial bus system is very conducive to central business district (CBD) oriented trips. Consequently, 28 percent of all free-fare transit riders had Public Square as the specific destination and an additional 35 percent were bound for the surrounding CBD area.

Though Public Square may not be their final destination, it serves as the transfer point for all riders making a trip which requires utilization of more than one transit route.

Wyoming Valley Mall attracts the only other major concentration of trips, accounting for about 9.6 percent of all transit trips. Of these, almost two-thirds require a transfer at the Square and the rest utilize only the mall route.

Of the remaining trip destinations, Wilkes-Barre City, excluding the CBD, accounts for 11.4 percent. The 16 percent of all trips not bound for either the city or the mall are distributed throughout the area, exhibiting no discernible geographic concentration.

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Telephone Survey Set By Transit Authority

A telephone survey will be launched Monday by Luzerne County Transportation Authority to determine what mass transportation planning will best serve the needs of Wyoming Valley.

Only those persons who filled out the questionnaire during the free-fare ridership survey last October and listed their numbers will be phoned, according to Jerry L. Eddy, authority executive director. They will be asked about any changes which may have taken place in their bus-riding habits.

This up-to-date information will be used to revise routes and schedules as needed to provide more effective service, Eddy explained.

The executive director said the authority is using this direct people-to-people method to obtain information which is as full and factual as possible.

"The public has been very cooperative in making suggestions about improving bus service," Eddy said, "and it is expected that personal phone calls will substantially add to this effort."

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Hospital, Wilkeswood To Get Bus Service

Luzerne County Transportation Authority has announced that effective March 11 a new route will operate on a daily basis to serve the Veterans Administration Hospital and the Wilkeswood Town Houses.

Robert Leonardi, chairman of the Authority, stated the new line will operate as an extension of the present Wyoming Valley Mall line, and will provide service for the more than 600 employees, 200 out patients and several hundred daily visitors of the hospital, as well as the nearly 300 families living in Wilkeswood.

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Public schedules will be available on buses and at the authority offices, after March 6th.

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New Bus Route Will Improve Service to VA Hospital Area

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Bus Service On Sundays To Be Reduced

A reduction in Sunday bus service will go into effect March 11, it was announced Thursday by the Luzerne County Transportation Authority.

Service will continue on all lines presently operating on Sundays, it was stated, but at less frequent intervals.

The curtailments were necessary due to the poor patronage experienced on Sundays during the last several months, according to Jerry L. Eddy, executive director. He noted that Sunday service did not operate before the flood.

Depending on the line, the service will vary from an hour and one-half to two hours to three and four hours, it was stated.

At the same time, service improvements were announced for the Miners Mills and Sugar Notch-Ashley lines effective Monday. Mid-morning service will be implemented on both lines.

In preparation for the new service to be inaugurated between the Veterans Administration Hospital and Wilkeswood Manor on Monday, members of the authority made a trial run Thursday morning on a special bus. At the hospital, they met with executive and staff members of that facility.

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Bus Service Cut Opposed

Laurel Line Vital To Area, EDC Claims

Abandonment of service by the Laurel Line Transportation Company is being opposed by the Economic Development Council of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

Among the routes Laurel Line seeks to drop is the Pittston-Scranton run.

Philip A. Leiberman, regional planner for EDCNP, told the Public Utility Commission at a recent hearing that the service is vital to the growth and development of the bi-county area and to the maintenance and expansion of the economic base of our region.

The council is seeking extension of the service pending development and implementation of a plan to establish a balanced transportation system in the region.

On another matter, the council has forwarded to the U. S. Senate Committee on Public Works testimony supporting extension of the Public Works and Development Act. This act has provided "considerable dollars to the growing public works program in Northeastern Pennsylvania and is a very important adjunct to the continuation of the growth and development of the region," EDCNP said.

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Towns Are Warned: Get Flood Insurance

Flood-prone communities that have not applied for federal flood insurance have been warned to do so or face exclusion from most state and federal programs.

State Community Affairs Secretary William Wilcox said in Pittsburgh that his department will make no grants to the 56 Allegheny County communities that have not yet qualified for the low cost federal insurance programs.

Wilcox said the Federal government has indicated Federal Housing Administration loans will not be available in non-compliant communities and added that Small Business Administration loans, which saved thousands of victimized property owners after tropical storm Agnes hit last summer, will be discontinued after next Dec. 31.

Wilcox, presenting citations to Pittsburgh and 14 other municipalities for their efforts to qualify, blamed apathy and fear

of big government for the low application rate in the county. Statewide, 400 of 553 municipalities have qualified, he said.

Flood Victims Will Get Tax Relief Checks

**To Be Mailed Out
When Funds
Arrive in City**

Preparation of property tax relief checks for city victims of the 1972 flood has gotten underway at City Hall, but the property owners will not receive them until the city receives its reimbursement check from Harrisburg, City Treasurer Walter Lisman said Friday.

Employees are typing in the names and amounts on the checks, but leaving the date open until the money is received.

The city on June 29 sent an application for \$546,409.88 to Harrisburg as reimbursement for the 1972 property tax losses suffered by taxpayers as a result of the June flood.

Lisman said the tax abatement checks will be mailed only to those persons who have paid the 1972 taxes on their properties and also provided the property has not changed hands since.

The tax abatement checks to the individual property owners will be based on the reduction in the assessment on flood damaged properties.

The amounts will be determined by multiplying the assessment reduction by 42.66 mills.

It is estimated that between 4,800 and 5,000 checks will be mailed flood victims eventually.

Free-rent Extension In Flood Area Sought

A spokesman for Governor Milton J. Shapp said Thursday that the State will stick by its request for an extension of the free-rent period for flood victims in temporary housing despite reports that such an extension has been ruled illegal by Federal attorneys.

Shapp announced Feb. 8 that he had made the request to the Department of Housing and Urban Development for an extension similar to that which had been granted to flood victims in West Virginia's Buffalo Creek Valley.

Buffalo Creek Valley was hit by a flood in February, 1972, when a coal-ash dam broke. To

date, permanent housing there—as in Wyoming Valley and other parts of Pennsylvania—has not yet returned to its pre-flood level of availability.

Governor Arch Moore of West Virginia asked the Office of Emergency Preparedness to extend the rent-free period for the flood victims of his state living in Federally-supplied temporary housing. An extension of about three months was granted.

The agreement was announced to the public in a bulletin published jointly by the Federal Regional Council and the State of West Virginia.

Federal sources report, however, that soon after the announcement, OEP legal counsel in Washington, D. C., ruled that the extension was illegal.

But, they say, the ruling was never announced to the public. Gov. Shapp's office says he also was never informed of the decision.

Shapp's spokesman said Thursday that until the Governor's office receives official notification of the ruling, he will stick by his request.

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Scholarship Eligibility Rules Listed by State

The Pennsylvania State Scholarship Program will operate during the upcoming academic year under both a new name, higher education grants and modifications in its eligibility standards. The new eligibility rules for the 1973-74 school year are geared to take into consideration the inflationary trend as it affects middle income families, while at the same time continuing the program philosophy of providing the most help possible to those with modest incomes.

The change in the name of the program from scholarship to higher education grant has been made to more properly reflect that awards are based upon financial need rather than scholastic achievement.

In addition, the board of directors of the agency approved changes in the eligibility standards used to determine a student's need. The need analysis is the method of determining, through a set of criteria taking into consideration earnings, assets and other data, how much support each applicant for a state grant must receive from

his family, and the amount of the state grant for a given year.

Applicants whose family income is \$8,000 or less will continue to be given consideration for 50 percent of their need after their parental contribution is determined. If, however, they are eligible to apply for the new federal program of Basic Educational Opportunity Grants (available this year to freshmen only) their grant on the state level will drop to 33 1/3 percent level. However, a \$6 million outlay of new federal money coupled with the state grants should maintain the student's grant from both federal and state sources, at the equivalent or higher level than in previous years.

Generally, the state program operates on the principle that those costs of education remaining to be financed after the parents have provided their expected contribution will be met in part by a third each of student work, student loan and a state grant. The grant is never allowed to exceed the costs of tuition and fees or \$1,200.

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JULY 23, 1973

\$30,023,353 in Relief Given 16,628 in County

Harrisburg — A report by the State Department of Public Welfare said Luzerne County had a monthly average of 16,628 county residents on relief during the last fiscal year at a cost of \$30,023,353 for the 12-month span.

Expressed another way, 4.9 percent of the county population on the average each month was drawing public assistance — as compared with 4.9 percent a year earlier and a monthly average

during that 12-month span of 16,612 relief recipients.

The department report shows that of the 16,628 monthly average for the last fiscal year, 1,514 were classified as drawing old age assistance grants, 731 blind pensions, 11,843 aid-to-dependent children assistance, 1,002 general assistance and 1,538 aid-to-disabled benefits.

Costwise, the \$30,023,353 expenditure for public assistance in the county during the past

year compares with \$28,134,356 expended the preceding year.

Broken down into three basic categories, the cost of assistance grants for relievers in the county decreased from \$12,793,458 to \$12,672,506; while medical and burial costs went on the upswing from \$12,698,958 to \$14,790,422, and costs of administration of the public assistance program in the county decreased from \$2,641,940 to \$2,560,425.



(Photo by Ace Hoffman)

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Gallagher Accused Of Breaking Word

City Manager Bernard J. Gallagher was accused by the Model Cities Citizens with not having kept his word on requests made by the citizens' organization.

The charge was leveled at Gallagher Friday by President Mary Klosowski, who charged Gallagher told an aide to collect the necessary information but that nothing has happened.

The Model Cities group, following a suggestion by Councilman Joseph Williams, has asked for a work session with city council.

The letter to Mr. Gallagher: The Model Citizens' Statement:

"The City Manager, Mr. Bernard J. Gallagher, did not keep his word regarding MCCI concerns in the Model Cities Program, in spite of all his personal assurances.

"On July 10, 1973, in a telephone conversation with the MCCI Solicitor and the MCCI Vice President, at an MCCI Board of Directors' meeting, Mr. Gallagher stated that he would personally resolve the situation.

"The City Manager personally instructed Mr. Harold Cragle, citizen participation advisor, who was present at the board meeting, to perform the following tasks:

"Get whatever information necessary to explain to MCCI what they want to know."

"Copy all data collection data necessary to fulfill MCCI requests—submit to Gallagher on Thursday for review, and then for submission to MCCI."

"Mr. Cragle was also instructed to report to MCCI on the progress or completion of these tasks, by a July 13, 1973 deadline. To date, no word has ever been received from the Citizen Participation Advisor.

"The Board of Directors was favorably impressed with Mr. Gallagher's mandate, guaranteeing them that their request for information would be honored in spite of the CDA's reluctance to furnish same.

"Apparently, someone or something influenced the City Manager, on his return from Penn State, to have 'second thoughts.' Why?

"One of his excuses was the high cost involved. MCCI contends that the following information could be furnished for nickels and dimes.

"The cost to copy the job titles, names and salaries of the City Demonstration Agency Staff, would be approximately five cents a sheet.

"The cost to furnish a breakdown of the \$315,000 worth of equipment purchased for the city, as to price and location, would be, again, approximately five cents a sheet.

A list of the names and addresses of Model Neighborhood residents, participating in the Day Care Center, would cost approximately five cents a sheet.

City Councilman, Mr. Joseph Williams, at a previous work session with MCCI representatives, suggested that in the future MCCI request a special work session with council to resolve, any and all, problems encountered with the Model Cities Program.

Therefore, in line with Mr. Williams's recommendation, MCCI has forwarded to the City Manager, a letter requesting a special work session with City Council. If satisfaction is not obtained at this level, MCCI has been advised to seek results from higher authorities.

"Mary Klosowski
"President"

Charge Denied By Gallagher

Duplicating Records Would Cost \$600

Changes by the Model Cities Participation Organization that City Manager Bernard Gallagher had gone back on promises to open up the books of the City Demonstration Organization and turn them over to the citizens organization were denied by Gallagher Saturday.

Mary Klosowski, president of the organization, said Gallagher had promised to turn over a copy of the records to the group but had turned the job over to an assistant and the promise was never kept. The group had earlier charged the agency with "inconsistent" statements regarding the expenditure of \$315,000 for flood-related equipment.

Gallagher said he informed the citizens group the city would not consider making a complete duplication of the records because "it was not in the best interest of economical government." He said it would cost the city approximately \$600 to complete the duplication.

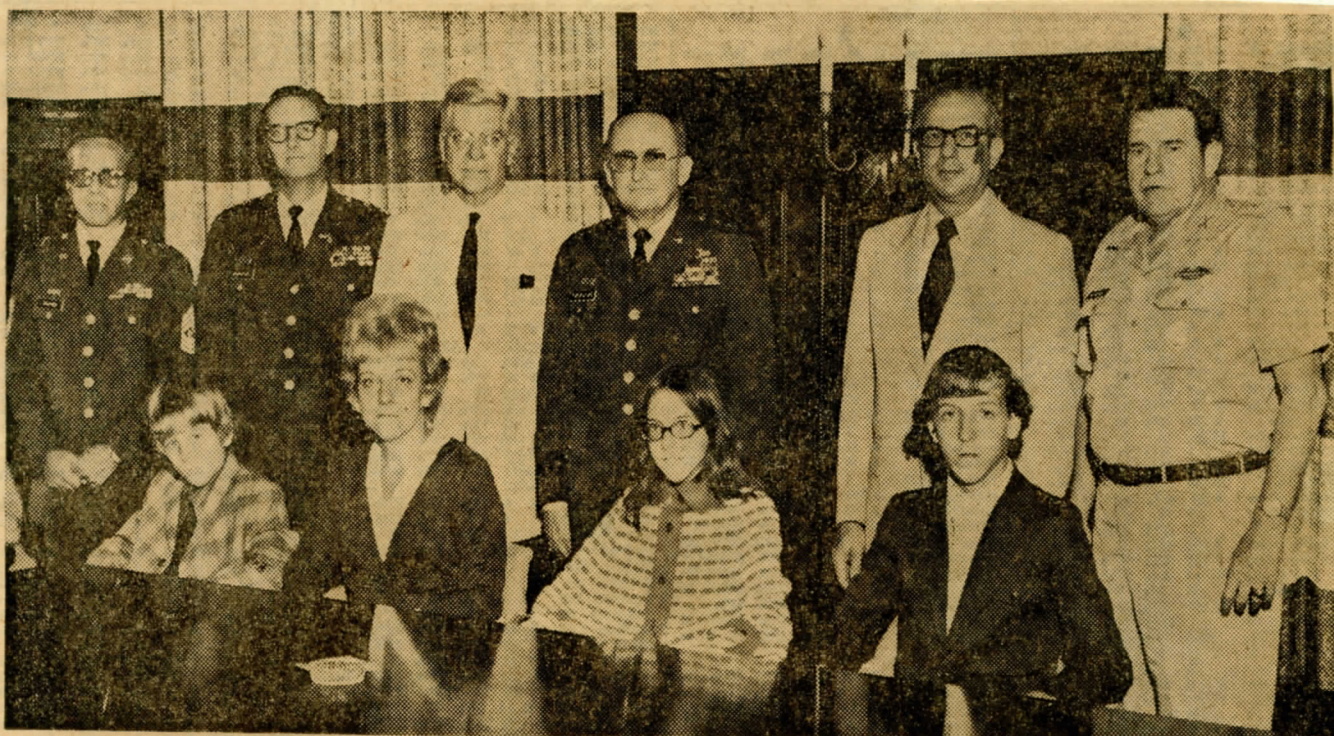
Gallagher also stated he told the organization the agency's records were a matter of public record and they are available to everyone, including the news media, if they have legitimate requests.

The city manager said he has ordered the agency to make the records available to the group at night or on the weekends in order to make it convenient for the citizens.

Mrs. Klosowski had earlier criticized the agency saying there was a lack of harmony between the agency and the citizens group regarding the citizens participation in the agency's programs. This attack has been denied by Robert Mis-cavage, director of the agency who said at least one participant of the Model Citizens group is a regular at the meeting of the agency.

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WHITMANS WITH OFFICIALS — The official party arrived at the Wilkes College campus shortly before noon for the ceremony to honor the late M/Sgt. Robert E. Whitman, who was stricken fatally with a heart attack during flood recovery work on July 14, 1972. They came via Army vehicles from the Forty Fort Airport where they had been taken by Army helicopters from Johnstown and Indiantown Gap.

(Photo by Ace Hoffman)

Left to right, seated: Tommy Whitman, Mrs. Celia Whitman, Diana Whitman, Richard Whitman. Standing: Sgt/Maj. James C. Weaver, Lt. Col. Charles B. Armagost Jr., Maj. Gen. Frank Townend, Maj. Gen. Nicholas P. Kafkalas, Wilkes President Francis J. Micheline and Col. John E. McDonald of Scranton.

July 21, 1973
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Wilkes Theater Workshop Lists Concluding Play

"It was worthwhile and interesting." Thus an aspiring actress evaluated the success of the Wilkes College Summer Theater Workshop now in its final week's session.

The workshop was made available to regional high school and college students through tuition scholarships awarded by the Wilkes Community Effort. WCE is funded by the Haas Community Fund.

The youth involved have been featured weekly in scenes from popular plays, functioning as directors or actors and actresses. All productions begin at 8 p. m. and are open to the Wilkes community.

The students are currently preparing for the final presentation of the six-week workshop. On Thursday, the cast will offer a solution to the problems of the world when they present Scene I from the second act of "The Madwoman of Chaillot." Written by Jean Giraudoux, the play tells of an old countess and her eccentric friends who "decide to save the world from avarice and corruption." Debbie Creavey stars as the countess, and her friends are Willie Margalis, Roberta Reese, and Jenni Rodda.

The comic efforts of the characters will provide a sharp contrast to the remaining presentations of the evening, as students close the session with scenes from two Shakespearean tragedies.

The classic story of "star-crossed lovers" will be re-enacted in Scene V of Act III from "Romeo and Juliet," featuring Joan Marie Woll, Debbie Yakus, Heidi Mack, and Robert Levy as Juliet, the nurse, Lady Capulet, and Lord Capulet, respectively.

Portrayed by Sandy Kabeschat, Katie Campbell, and Carole Wysocki, the three famous "toil and trouble" witches in "Macbeth" will then open Scene I in Act I. Scenes III and V from the same act will also be presented, as well as Scene I in Act IV.

Potential actors and actresses, and "... a nice group of kids," commented Michael Gallagher, stage manager, when he was asked to review the six-week theatrical workshop on the Wilkes College campus.

July 26, 1973
T. L. E. N.

SUNDAY INDEPENDENT, WILKES-BARRE, PA., SEPTEMBER 23, 1973

Dr. Eugene S. Farley

No one person ever influenced the physical look of a town or the personality or characteristics of a town as did the late Dr. Eugene S. Farley, former President of Bucknell Junior College and then for 25 years, president of Wilkes College.

That statement may sound like a tribute paid at a time of deep sentiment. Death causes outstanding tribute to be paid, sometimes to excess.

It is not possible to overstate the effect the life of Dr. Eugene S. Farley had on all of Luzerne County and Wilkes-Barre. He was a dedicated builder and educator.

He was also a salesman in the finest sense of the word, although he might not like to be remembered as such.

However, had it not been for the dedication to a dream, a goal, and had this intense desire not been accomplished by the ability to "sell" his dream, his goal, no one will deny that Wilkes College would be the first rate co-education school that we know today.

A Society of Friends Church member with conviction, Doctor Farley would often surprise people that when pushed, he could be most determined, indeed controversial.

But never did his actions have any other intention, whether you agreed with them or not, than to provide a college education for the youth of Wyoming Valley, and now the youth of Eastern United States.

Because he built Wilkes College and along with King's College, we are now a college town . . . and there are a lot worse things to be.

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Undoubtedly there will be well-intentioned people who will believe that Wilkes should be re-named Farley College. We don't think that necessary because if Doctor Farley had wanted it named that, he could have had it done easily while he was alive.

Let us cite a similar case in sports.

The great George Herman (Babe) Ruth's all-time home run record will probably be broken by another sports great, Henry (Hank) Aaron.

But it matters not how many people break Ruth's records. Yankee Stadium will always be known as The House That Ruth Built.

Other greats may some day equal Doctor Farley's life record. But Wilkes College will always be known as the College That Farley Built. Nobody can change that.

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Educator Revered By Scout Leader

"The late Dr. Eugene S. Farley is the only man I know who could have accomplished so much in such a short time on behalf of local Boy Scouting." That sentiment was reflected yesterday in a statement by Charles M. Epstein Jr., past president and current board member of the Penn Mountains Council.

In a statement reflecting the many contributions to local scouting made by Dr. Farley, who died suddenly on Monday, Epstein said:

"At a time when most men would have been glad to rest on their laurels, of which he had many, Dr. Farley chose instead to remain in the arena on behalf of a cause in which he believed deeply.

"He accepted the challenge to become president of the local Scout Council at a time when its very existence would have been greatly curtailed had he not done so. He became involved after the June flood of 1972 when the organizational and financial status of the Council presented a chal-

lenge he could not refuse. He also became involved because he felt scouting could contribute to the community's welfare and he didn't want any programs to be curtailed in any way.

"That he succeeded is a well known fact to everyone involved in scouting. The largest fund goal ever set previously, for example, was \$35,000. But Dr. Farley set a goal of \$150,000 for this year, and to date we have raised some \$84,000. He personally reduced the debt of the Council by more than \$30,000, primarily as a result of his many contacts in the community.

"Dr. Farley's accomplishments for Boy Scouting alone makes an impressive mark. His achievements in a long life of service in many other endeavors is almost endless.

"Years from now, when Boy Scouts go ahead being Boy Scouts, it must never be forgotten that they do so because of Dr. Eugene S. Farley. A tall man in life, he stands even taller in death."

Late Wilkes Leader Believed Greatness Contained Humility

The late Dr. Eugene S. Farley met many famous people during the course of his 34 years as president of Bucknell Junior College and later Wilkes College.

He was equally at ease with community leaders, celebrities and the more "common folk" alike.

Apparently awed by such personages, a young student journalist once asked Dr. Farley in an interview if it was "difficult" to meet such "big names."

Dr. Farley, the story goes, thought for a moment and replied:

"I think as you move into later life, you will find that the truly big people of the world are the easiest to meet, because they display that certain quality of humility that has helped to make them great."

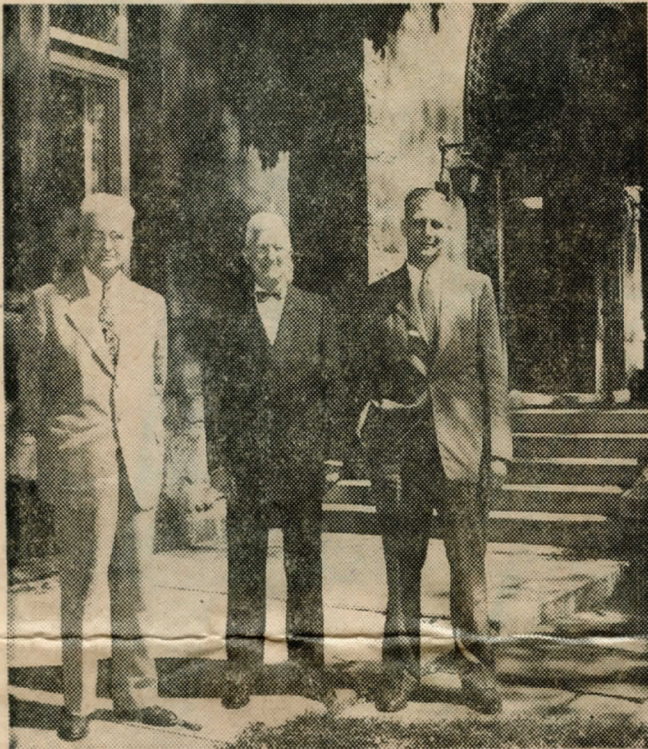


Many of the Wilkes College festivities were held on the small but adequate campus behind Kirby and Chase halls, two of the original college buildings. Dr. Farley never

failed to make his presence known and always found time to mingle with the students, most of whom he knew by name.

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First Wilkes College President Gets Further Memorial Tribute



When this photograph was taken Wilkes College was only two years old as an independent institution. The time was September, 1949, and the occasion was a tour of the campus by the late Admiral Harold R. Stark center, who years before had donated Chase Hall to Bucknell Junior College. Admiral Stark was formally welcomed to membership on the Board of Trustees shortly before this photo was taken with the late Atty. Gilbert S. McClintock, the first chairman of the board, on the left, and Dr. Farley.

Eugene Shedden Farley was 74 when he died last Monday at Fair-Lea, his Beaumont farm, but to his associates who knew him, to the subordinates who worked for him, and to his students who respected him, he will, in all probability remain ageless.

The obituaries have been written, but the eulogy will continue, as one of his graduates remarked, in the dedicated leadership which he gave to the community and Wilkes College alike.

Born on Sept. 29, 1899, in Phoenixville, he was 36 when he assumed the presidency of Bucknell Junior College. Under his leadership, that institution grew from a handful of buildings into a modern, urban campus which was chartered in 1947 as Wilkes College.

In the 34 years which bound his presidency at Wilkes, his concerns were not limited to the internal operations of the college alone.

Dr. Farley served on the boards of Wyoming Valley Hospital, Greater Wilkes-Barre Industry Fund Inc., The Osterhout Free Library, Pennsylvania Power and Light Co., and Pennsylvania Millers Mutual Insurance Co.

Community Involvement

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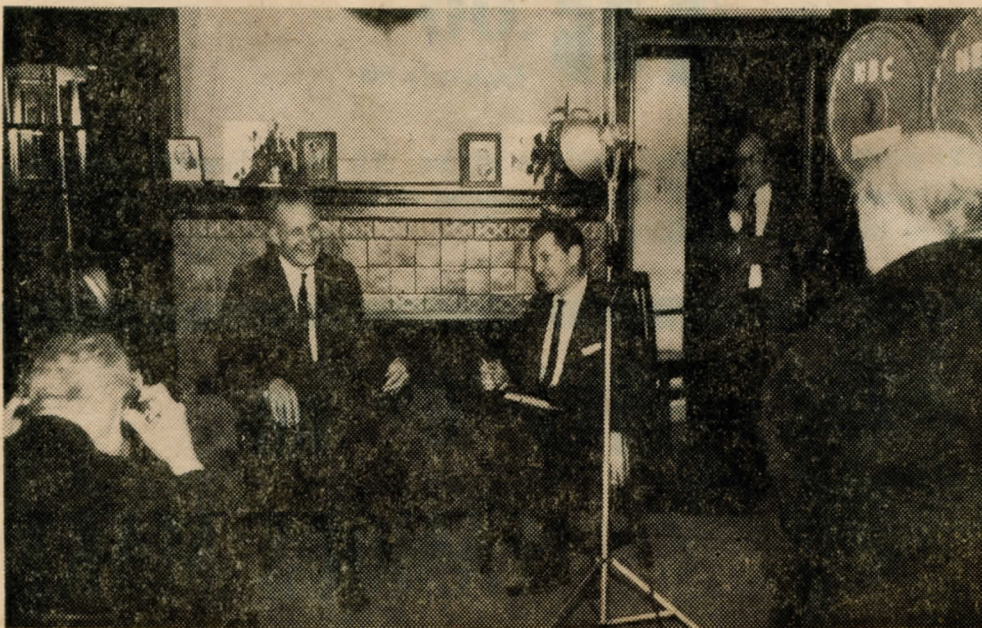
In 1970, Dr. Farley stepped

down from the presidency to become the first chancellor of Wilkes College. A year later, he gave up all active service at the college to devote himself to community endeavors and personal writing. The Wilkes College Board of Trustees named him president emeritus last year.

One of the Wilkes administrators in particular was fond of referring to him as "the old man." But the reference always sprang from a sense of deep respect. Dr. Farley was a figure who commanded respect.

His dignity often provided the source of subtle humor. When he assumed the duty of crowning the Homecoming queen, he also added a kiss. From then on, everyone in the football stands on Homecoming Day waited for the ceremonial buss. Only after it was delivered was the queen-elect officially crowned.

There is something special about being the first: the first son, the first president, the first chancellor. People remember the "firsts." But if Dr. Eugene Shedden Farley had come along at any other point in the time of Wilkes College, those who knew him and worked with him would probably agree that there was a lot more to it than that.



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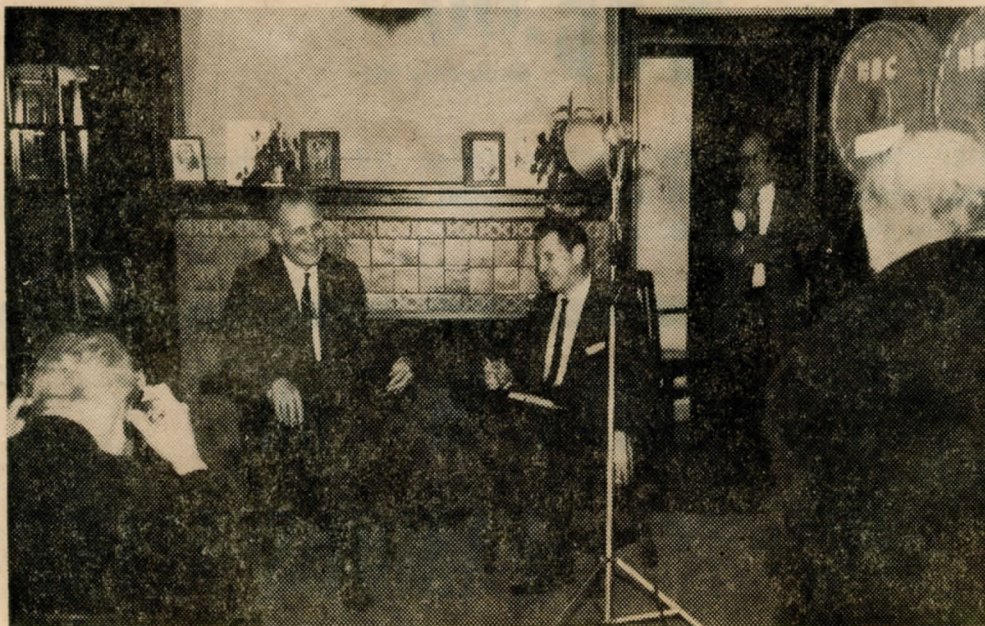
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In the bottom photo, Dr. Farley helps plan a program on Polish culture with John Chwalek, left, placement director at the college; and Joseph Lester, one Wyoming Valley's most active champions of the Polish heritage. Dr. Farley was mindful of the many cultural and social contributions made by the various ethnic groups which comprise the Wyoming Valley and constantly endeavored to bring those groups together so they

might contribute the broader aspects of their heritage to the students.

Even in his later years, Dr. Farley remained committed to community involvement through such organizations as the Boy Scouts of America, where he presided over the local council. Whether nationwide or closer to home, it was through him that the college received the impetus to grow in size and prestige and stature.

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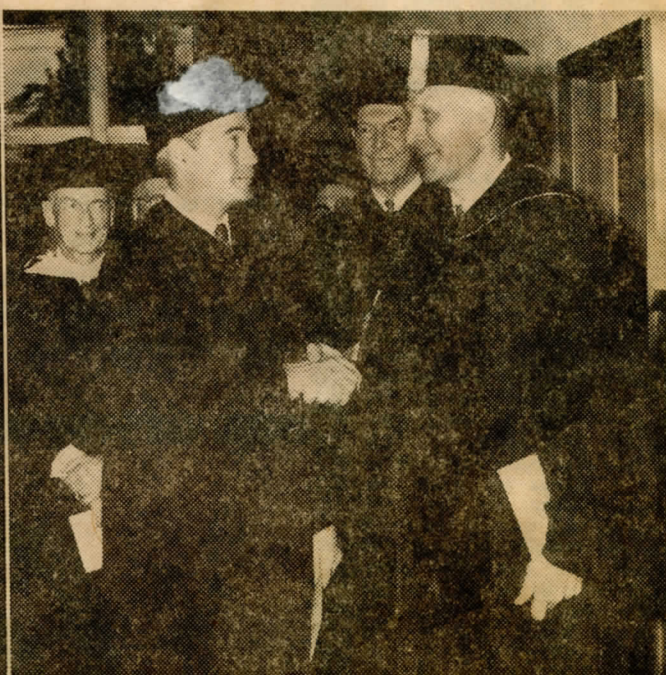


Away from the administrative offices and the board rooms, Dr. Eugene Farley enjoyed the informal atmosphere which prevailed during the freshman picnics and graduation

outings at his farm in Beaumont. He is shown here in the 1950s with his wife, Eleanor Coates Farley, who died eight years ago, and a group of faculty members and graduates.



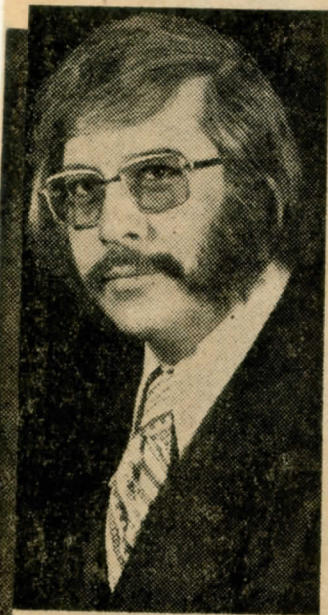
Whether it was crowning a Homecoming queen, left photo, or greeting celebrities such as Gov. William W. Scranton, right, who delivered the 1969 commencement address, Dr. Eugene Farley was up to the occasion.



During his years at Wilkes he was to meet many famous personalities; and, Homecoming coronations just weren't complete until the queen received the official presidential kiss. Each Homecoming was special.

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**Dr. Parker To Talk
At Mercy Hospital**



DR. RICHARD H. PARKER

A clinical discussion, "Current Concepts of Antibiotic Use," presented by guest speaker, Dr. Richard H. Parker, Washington, D. C., will highlight the initial session of Mercy Hospital's Fall Medical Education program to be conducted at the local health institution's nurses residence, Church Street, on Thursday, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., with all area physicians invited to attend the series.

Dr. John P. Brennan, hospital director of medical education, announced that the discussion has been approved.

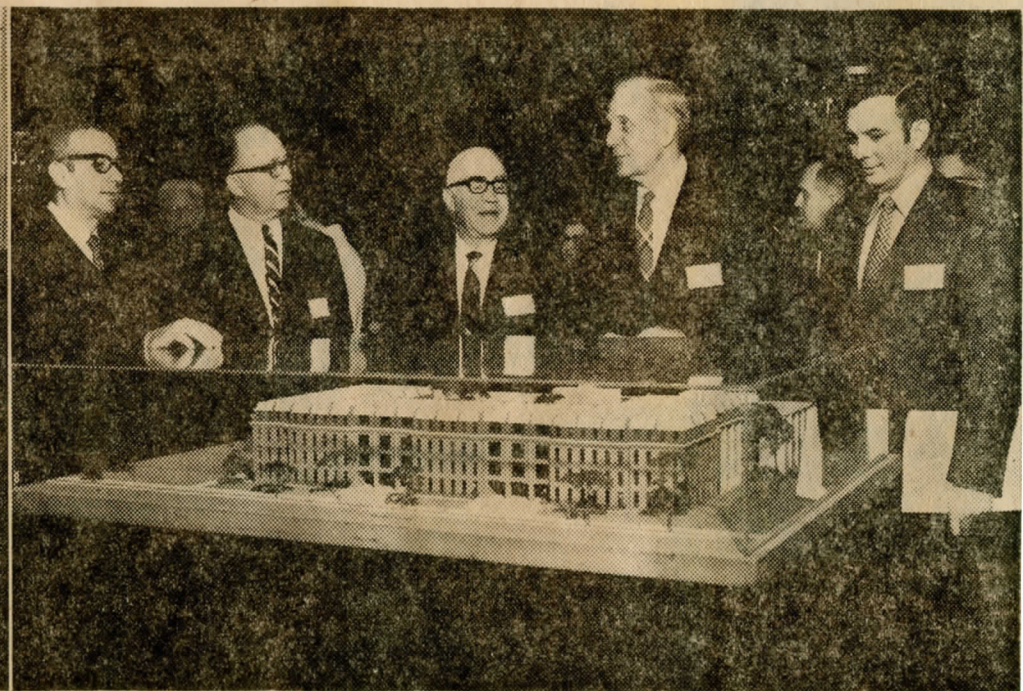
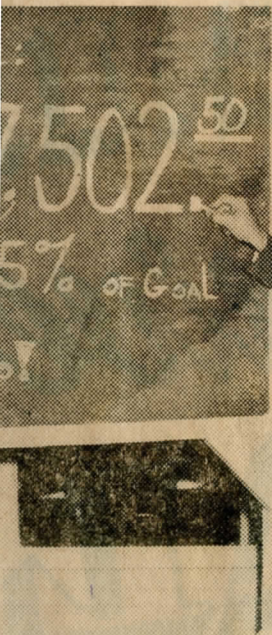
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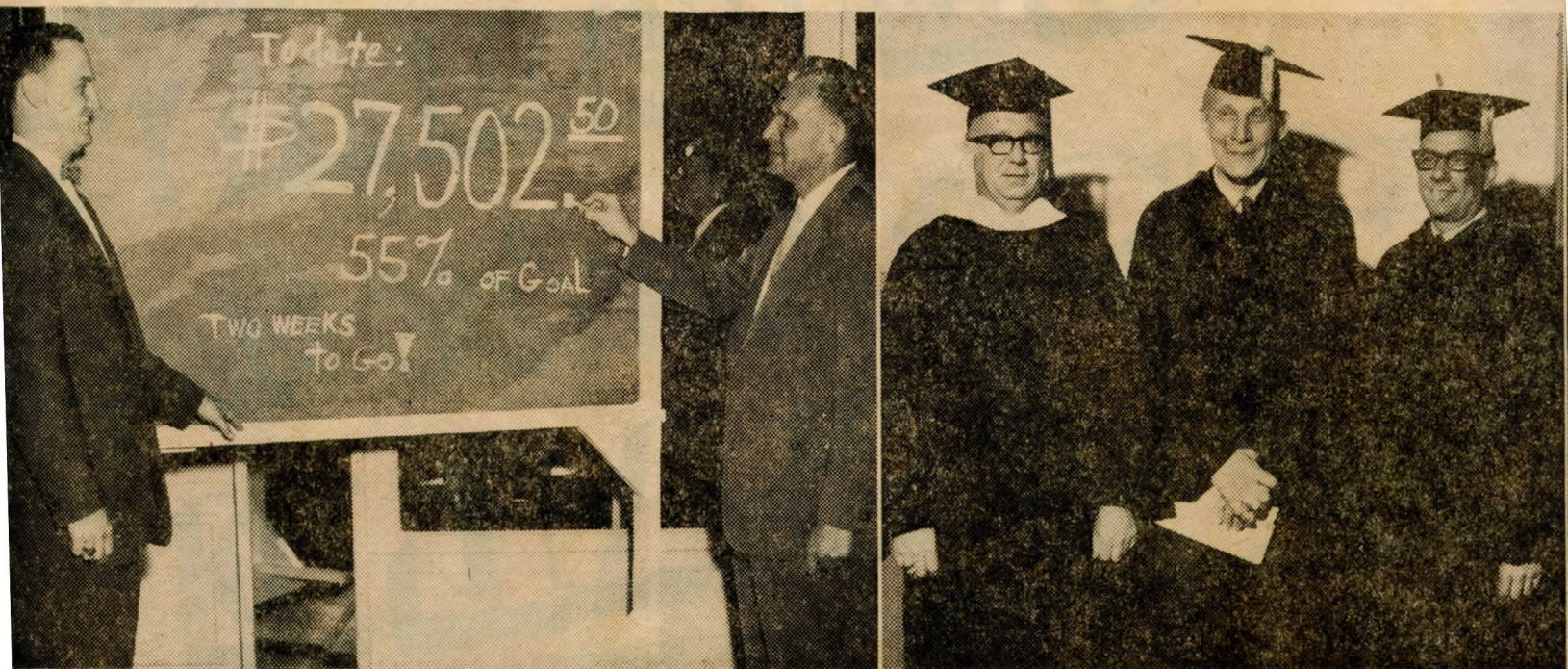
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sight of the fact that from his early days in Wyoming Valley in the late 1930s, it was the generosity and support provided by many generous people in the community that made it possible for Bucknell Junior College to grow, and he spent countless hours enlisting assistance from community and private sources. He had the foresight and the determination to see his dreams come to fruition.

Sept. 23, 1973 S. I.

Community Mourns Dr. Eugene Farley



The late Dr. Eugene Shedden Farley led Wilkes College for 34 years, from its inception as Bucknell Junior College, through its chartering as a liberal arts college, until his retirement in 1970. During that time, there have been many changes.

In the left photo, he discusses one of the institution's campaigns for scholarships during the 50s with Russell Picton, left, a Wilkes graduate who at the time of the photo was serving as development director.

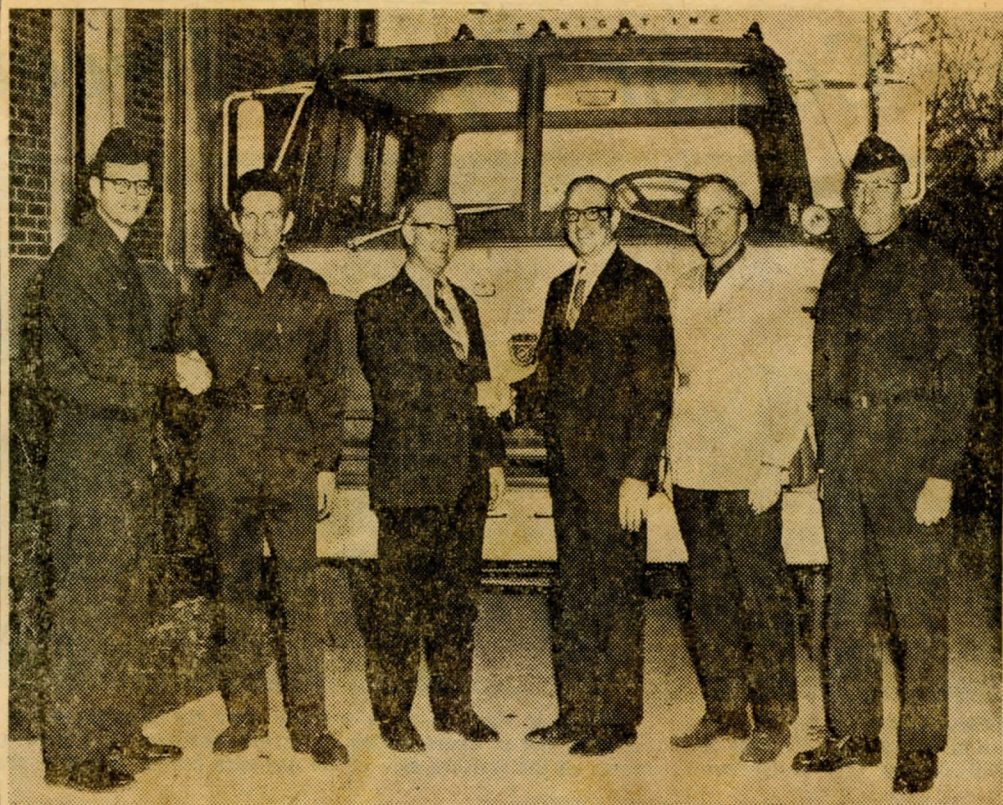
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WILKES GETS 6,000 DONATED BOOKS—Efforts to replenish the 75,000 books lost in the June flood at the Eugene Shedden Farley Library at Wilkes College were greatly aided during the week with the arrival of 6,000 volumes gathered by the Rocky Mountain Chapter of the Utah Air Force Association at Hill Air Force Base.

They were shipped to Wilkes-Barre through the courtesy of IML Freight Lines and met on the campus by the firm's local representatives, Fred E. Baumann and a member of his staff, Richard Achuff.

Shown receiving the shipment, weighing more than 9,000 pounds, are, left to right: Capt. Richard Carpenter, Wilkes College Air Force ROTC Detachment; Achuff; Bauman being thanked by Wilkes President Francis J. Michelini; Dale Buehler, Wilkes librarian; and Col. James Aikman, who is professor of Aerospace Studies and head of the Wilkes AFROTC program.

The books were donated by individuals and institutions in Utah's Weber and Cache Counties as a result of a drive headed by Suzanne Pearson. More than 2,000 volumes were donated from the library of the late W. J. Rackham, a former Ogden City commissioner; another 2,000 books came from Connie Bowe of Ogden and substantial stocks of publications came from Weber State College and the Utah State University.

The Air Force, through the efforts of Col. Aikman and Capt. Carpenter on the Wilkes College campus, has been conducting the major role in the reestablishment of the library and has a nationwide program in operation that promises to create a supply of books that will be far beyond the original figure prior to the June 23 flooding.

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(Photo by Ace Hoffman)

PROGRAM PARTICIPANT—A senior chemistry major at Wilkes College has received singular honors in having been selected as a participant in the spring semester in the Undergraduate Honors Research Participation Program at Argonne National Laboratory in Argonne, Ill.

Recipient of the national honor was Susan L. Ditson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ditson, Asbury, N. J. Miss Ditson is shown shortly after she received the news from Dr. John Labows, left, and Dr. James J. Bohning, chairman of the Chemistry Department.

Miss Ditson will spend the spring semester in Illinois and return to the campus in time to receive her degree from Wilkes College. While at the Argonne National Laboratory, she will be performing research under Dr. John Katz in the chemistry division. Dr. Katz currently is working in the field of isotope chemistry.

The Wilkes senior is a graduate of North Hunterdon Regional High School, where she won varsity letters in field hockey and basketball, and was a member of the National Honor Society.

Wilkes Drive Leaders Confer on Thursday

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Sixty division leaders and team captains, who will take part in the 1973 Wilkes College annual appeal for funds, will meet for the first time Thursday afternoon at 4 in Parrish Hall to go over campaign plans.

Chairman of this year's campaign is Charles Epstein and vice chairman is William Umphred.

The division leaders and team captains will be briefed on the progress to date in the advance gifts segment of the appeal and informed of the current needs of the institution by Wilkes President Francis J. Michelini and Director of Development Thomas F. Kelly.

In announcing the meeting, Kelly said that "it is vital the workers and those to whom we are making our appeal understand that financial assistance is still a critical need of the college despite the flood restoration aid received from the federal government.

"The federal assistance," Kelly explained, "enabled us to begin restoring the college to where it had been before the flooding from Hurricane Agnes struck. Without that assistance and the help received from other private sources, we would have been extremely hard put to come back as strong as we have from some \$13-million in losses."

Kelly said the 1973 appeal is aimed at continuing the growth of the college to meet educational needs as they were defined prior to the June disaster.

The following workers were named and have indicated that they will accept assignments as part of the team conducting the 1973 appeal.

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Clarke Bittner, Larry Greenspon, Earl Macarty, John Sheehan, George Stozenski, Nicholas Ametrano, John Dahne, Rick Geisinger, Charles Golden and Rick Ross.

Also, John Coleman, J. Muir Crosby, Henry DePolo, Charles Hardwick, Arthur Herschenfeld, Robert L. Jones, Harry Hiscox, Leo Namey, Roman Rubinstein, Lee Vincent, Norman Cross, E. B. Mulligan, Edmund Poggi, Harold Rose, William Smulowitz.

Also, John M. Coon, Frank M. Henry, Richard Hogoboom, Horace Kramer, Joseph Slamon, Samuel Wolfe, Charles Abate, Richard Demmy, Robert Eastwood, Glenn Gooch, Elmer Klimchak, Harold Rosenn, Ben Badman, Noel Caverly, Walter Fox and Herbert Morris.

wilkes plans '73 fund campaign

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Wilkes College laid the ground work at a breakfast meeting recently for the 1973 Fund Campaign which will run from March 7 through April 4 to cover areas of flood recovery need not covered by Federal Assistance.

During the June flood, Wilkes College suffered the single greatest loss of any institution during any natural disaster in the nation's history in excess of

\$20-million.

Gifts may be donated in advance in order to provide an opportunity for year-end tax credit as a charitable deduction.

Shown are members of the 1973 Campaign committee:

Seated, left to right, are: Thomas Kiley, William Umphred, vice-chairman of the campaign; Louis Shaffer, chairman of the Board of Trustees of

Wilkes; and Dr. Francis J. Michelini, president of Wilkes.

Standing: Thomas Kelly, director of development; Robert Masoner; Thomas Peeler; Eugene Roth and Gilbert Tough.

Chairman of the campaign is Charles Epstein. Division leaders are: Frank Townend, Joseph Savitz, Edward Boltz, Thomas Shelburne, and Clifford Melberger.

Wilkes Cagers Oppose Eckerd Team Tonight

The Wilkes College cage Colonels will have their hands full tonight at 9 when they take on Eckerd College in the opening round of the ninth annual Pocono Classic at East Stroudsburg State College.

Eckerd, located in St. Petersburg, Fla., is currently 12-2 on the season. Earlier this year they captured tourney honors at the Suncoast Classic.

Wilkes returns to the hardwoods after a three-week break in play. The charges of Coach Rodger Bearde, 5-3, walloped Binghamton St., 94-76, in their last outing on Dec. 21.

Prime concern of the Colonels in the second semester of action will be securing one of four berths in the post-season Northern Division MAC basketball playoffs.

Circuit standings, as of Monday, show perennial champion

Philadelphia Textile on top with a perfect 1-0 record. Trailing in the pack are Lycoming, 5-1; Albright, 4-1; Juniata, 2-1; Wilkes, 3-2; Scranton, 1-1; Upsala, 2-3; Wagner, 2-3; Elizabethtown, 1-2; Susquehanna, 2-5; and Delaware Valley, 0-4.

In revised circuit rules put into effect last year, each of the eleven Division members are required to face each other once during the campaign. If two games are played, only the first counts in league standings.

Statistics, as of Jan. 3 games, also reveal two members of the Blue and Gold cage team ranked among the Northern Division leaders. Receiving mention are Jack Brabant and Greg Buzinski.

Brabant, 6-4 sensation out of Glendale, N.Y. ranks third in scoring with a 19.8 average per tilt while teammate Greg Buzinski is in 12th position with 14.8 credentials.

The rebounding category finds Buzinski third with a 11.8 average while Brabant is tenth with 8.6 per outing.

Delaware Valley's Steve Shelly leads all Northern Division shooters with 22.0 figures while Don Williams of Juniata is the top man under the boards with a 13.7 output.

One of five freshmen included on this year's Colonel varsity roster is Doug Trostle, who hails from Adamstown.

A Biology major, the 6-2 yearling is making a transition from the forward to guard slot. Trostle, an all-county choice at Cocaloco High School, averaged 16 points per game and 13 rebounds last year.

Getting much needed experience on the Wilkes junior varsity squad, Trostle has nevertheless appeared in five varsity contests.



DOUG TROSTLE

Bob McBride in Coma

Bob McBride, a 20-year-old defensive halfback for the Wilkes College Colonels, was in critical condition early this morning in General Hospital after being injured in yesterday's 17-10 loss to Kings Point at Ralston Field.

McBride suffered a fractured skull early in the third period when he helped make a tackle.

Efforts to revive him on the field failed and he was taken to the hospital where he remained in a coma.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McBride of 454 Scott Street, Wilkes-Barre, McBride is a junior at Wilkes majoring in Business Administration. He was a 1970 graduate of Coughlin High School where he starred in the East-West Unico All-Star football game.

Because of his injury, the Wilkes College Football Parents Club has postponed its annual football appreciation banquet which had been scheduled for this evening at the Plains American Post Home. The affair will be rescheduled for another date.

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PATTON'S PATTERN

By BOB PATTON

He made the tackle and prevented a touchdown but lost his life.

That's what happened to Bob McBride of East End, a defensive star of the Wilkes team this season.

In the final game of the season with his team trailing Kings Point 7-0 early in the second half, McBride, also of Coughlin athletic fame, figured in such a bruising tackle that he never recovered from it. The collision was like locomotives hitting head on.

John Moore, who was seated on the Wilkes 15-yard line and just 10 yards from where the tackle took place, gave us his viewpoint of what happened, in this manner:

A King's Point player caught a pass 10 yards in front of McBride, who was at the Wilkes 14 when the catch was made. The Mariner took off with his head down, charging like a bull.

Instead of straight-arming McBride or trying to run around him, the Mariner crashed into McBride who was about to wrap his arms around the ball carrier.

The Mariner's head hit McBride's head with such force that

pital in Edwardsville ambulance, a Kings Point player was on the same trip for treatment of a leg injury. Ambulance stopped at both benches to pick up the injured and the game was held up until the ambulance circled the field.

Moore left the game at the end of the third period due to the cold weather and later learned from his niece, Barbara Smith of the Wilkes strutters, that the Colonels had lost out by 17-10.

Bob, member of a popular East End family and oldest of five children, was the first regional football fatality since a Hanover High School boy lost his life in 1949 after scoring three touchdowns in a game with Newport Township.

Bob's burial services will be tomorrow morning from the Marley Funeral Home in East End and Jim Marley will have a difficult time accommodating all those who will attend.

We've been residing in East End since the flood, not far from Bob's home, and the entire community is shocked over the loss of the young athlete. He also excelled in baseball as well as football.

2 1/2 per cent discount on school property taxes. Original deadline of Nov. 15 was extended by school directors to give property owners extra time in which to

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Feb. 5, 1973

85 in Wilkes-Hahnemann Clinical Study Program Begin 2nd Semesters

Eighty-five candidates for the Wilkes-Hahnemann Cooperative Medical Education Program in Family Medicine this week began their second semester in the innovative program which allows successful individuals to receive their undergraduate baccalaureate and doctor of medicine degrees in six years.

Dr. Edward Stockham, program director for Wilkes College, expressed his satisfaction over the progress made by the students and the general overall operation of the program during the first semester.

The six-year program was developed in an effort to alleviate the increasing shortage of family physicians in the expanding Northeastern Pennsylvania region.

The program began in September and is supported by the U. S. Public Health Service, Department of Health, Education and Welfare. Playing a major role in the initiation of the program at Wilkes was Congressman Daniel J. Flood and members of the local medical community.

Basically, the accelerated program provides an integrated academic and medical education at Wilkes and Hahnemann plus clinical training in the hospitals of the Wilkes-Barre area.

Students who express an interest in the program in family medicine must meet the admission requirements of Wilkes College. As Wilkes students, they must select a major which will allow them to meet the minimum natural science, social science, and communicative skills for potential entry into the accelerated programs.

Dr. Stockham emphasized that only a limited number of students who demonstrate academic achievement, maturity

and a sincere desire for family medicine will be selected upon completion of the initial two-year curriculum. Students who are not selected or do not elect to enter Hahnemann may still pursue one of a variety of degree options offered by Wilkes including the traditional pre-medical and pre-dental programs, nursing, medical technology, natural sciences, social sciences, and humanities.

Under the program the first two years are spent at Wilkes, the next two at Hahnemann Medical College and Hospital and the final two years split so that 24 weeks are spent at Hahnemann and 48 weeks at Wilkes College and Wilkes-Barre area hospitals.

Following the pre-professional health science instruction during the first two years, the third and fourth years at Hahnemann provide core basic sciences and introductions to medical practice, and a year of clinical experience.

The final two years are divided into two major programs: an advanced clinical basic science program and the onset of the family medicine track which is integrated with complementary academic courses of study at the graduate level.

The advanced clinical basic science sequence is a period of intensive correlative study of the application of the basic sciences to clinical medicine. The family medicine track is designed to stimulate and train students to become primary care physicians responsible for comprehensive continuing patient care. The graduate level courses are intended to enhance the fam-

ily physicians' effectiveness in patient care and education.

On completion of this accelerated program, the new physicians will be encouraged to enter residency programs in family medicine in the participating Wilkes-Barre area hospitals, and to remain in Northeastern Pennsylvania to set up practice as primary care physicians.

Members of the program who are now in their second semester of the first year are: Alfred Alston, E. Meadow, N. Y.; Debra Andrews, Flemington, N. J.; John R. Azain, Wilkes-Barre; Kathleen Barnhart, Philadelphia; John F. Barrett, Warminster; Edward G. Boyer, Norristown; Bruce A. Brody, Lancaster; Roy M. Brooks, Hillsdale, N. J.; Leonard M. Butera, Pittston; N. J.; Steven M. Chaladoff, Rockaway, N. J.; Darlene L. Chaump, Wyoming; William Wai-Man Cheung, Kowloon, Hong Kong; Paul Chromey, Pittston; James Chiocki, Nanticoke; Jeanne Cullinan Philadelphia; Kati E. Dessauer, Harrisburg; Thomas J. DiVito, Hillsdale, N. J.; Eugene C. Dombrowski, Raritan, N. J.; George J. Elbich, Kingston; Mary C. Fedak, Wilkes-Barre.

Michael M. Ferraro, Kingston; Ellen Field, Upper Darby; Jeffrey W. Finkel, Wilkes-Barre; James R. Farley, Wilkes-Barre; Patricia M. Goggins, Natick, Mass.; David Gottfried, Syosset, N. Y.; Mary Lou Gottlieb, Wilkes-Barre; James P. Guzek, Scranton; John R. Guzek, Scranton; Bruce R. Havera, Kingston; Katherine Kaby, Kingston; Robert D. Kapp, Scranton; David Kasper, Wilkes-Barre.

David M. Klosowski, Wilkes-

Barre; John J. Kneiss, Old Forge; Donald S. Kretchmer, Wilkes-Barre; Susan Krischunis, Kingston; Thomas J. Lasky, Kingston; Thomas P. Lenns, Scranton; Mark F. Letavish, Binghamton, N. Y.; Robert H. Levin, Clarks Summit; Paul J. Macik, Kenilworth, N. J.; Maureen R. Maguire, Wilkes-Barre; Joseph Majeski, Wilkes-Barre; John Malischak, Wilkes-Barre; Joseph J. Marchetti, Hazleton; Kenneth Martin, Wilkes-Barre.

Bonita Metzger, Wilkes-Barre; James Morgan, Freeland; Patricia Morris, Palisades Park, N. J.; Charles D. Munson, Chester; James E. Orasky, Metuchen, N. J.; Cynthia Patterson, Towanda; Michael Petyak, Wilkes-Barre; Nancy J. Pierson, Warren, N. J.; Deborah A. Pincofski, Nanticoke; Janet Polansky, Pittston; Roseann M. Rada, Wyoming; Ann Marie Romanovich, Archbald; Lewis P. Saras, Freeland; Bernadette Scavone, Wilkes-Barre; Kirk P. Schlemmer, Succasunna, N. J.

Thomas J. Shipkowski, Nanticoke; Randy E. Smith, Steelton; Cynthia Solomon, Wilkes-Barre; Bruce P. Spiegler, Bethpage, N. Y.; George Stolarick, Dallas; Craig W. Stull, Catasauqua; Jay Thomas, Kingston; Raymond J. Tomaine, Scranton; Arthur V. Tommaselli, Pittston; Douglas R. Trostle, Denver; Thomas M. Trotsky, Kingston; Ira J. Udes, Saddle Brook, N. J.; William B. Urosevich, Freeland; Paula Vecchio, Flemington, N. J.; Donald E. Wallace, Dallas.

Alexander Wazeter, Dallas; William Williams, Pemberton, N. J.; Robert N. Yanoshak, Wilkes-Barre; William F. Yoskoski, Pittston; Steven C. Zabriski, Rockaway, N. J.; Jody P. Zakrevsky, Binghamton, N. Y.

Wilkes Alumni Will Hear Coaches Tonight

Wilkes-Barre chapter of Wilkes College Alumni Association will meet Monday night at 8 in Hotel Sterling.

Included on the program will be reports from the three winter athletic coaches, Rodger Bearde, basketball; Joe Shaughnessy, swimming; and John Reese, wrestling.

Reese will show a film of his recent trip to the Olympic Games at Munich.

Also slated to speak is Andrew Shaw, director of the Wilkes College Institute of Regional Affairs.

Dec. 12, 1972



WILKES APPEAL PLANNED — The initial step in the 1973 Wilkes College appeal for funds was taken when division leaders and team captains of this year's drive met to discuss plans for the campaign which will be kicked off Feb. 28.

Shown prior to the briefing session are four of the key leaders in the campaign. Seated is William J. Umphred, vice chairman of the campaign, and standing are: Dr. Francis J. Michelini, president of Wilkes College; Thomas Kiley, vice chairman, Wilkes College board of trustees; and Louis Shaffer, chairman, Wilkes College board of trustees.

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Feb. 5, 1973

Gold Medal Band Has Concert at Wilkes

Delayed from last fall because of post-flood conditions, a concert was presented last night by the Gold Medal Band in the Wilkes Center for the Performing Arts.

Reese Pelton conducted the organization in concert after being presented by Bandmaster John J. Sauer. The band was attired in its military-style uniform.

Historian Charles McCarthy of Pittston gave opening remarks and noted the band was observing its silver jubilee as the Gold Medal organization. He told of his association with the unit and of the long service of Bandmaster Sauer, now 76, and in his 56th year as a bandsman.

James McClelland, chairman of Wilkes-Barre Recreation Board, gave brief introductory remarks. The band will now make preparations for a long series of spring and summer concerts, with some being given to entertain flood victims.

One prominent member of the band watched from the audience. Hal Cragle of Wilkes-Barre Township, recuperating from a heart attack, enjoyed the performance in company of his wife. He is the director of the King's College stage band and for some time was a patient in Mercy Hospital.

Pelton took advantage of a

varied program to demonstrate the band's versatility on different selections.

Probably the highlight of the evening was the "Romeo and Juliet Overture," by Albert Mancini, and fully utilizing the woodwinds, reeds, and finishing with a strong performance by the percussion section.

"Variations on a Shaker Melody" had good work by the bassoons, oboes, and flutes.

Bagley's "National Emblem March" had the trombonists performing in style.

"Gershwin Portrait" had the brass in standout efforts under the baton of Pelton.

Saxophones and reed section blended in the "Beguine" by Osser.

"The ¾ Blues" was a jazz waltz which the audience seemed to enjoy.

A military selection, "Gallant Seventh," had the brass and percussion sections working in style.

Several performers in the band wore their high school uniforms for the concert.

Among the sponsors of the event were the Recreation Board of the city, HUD, the brewery, and Local 140, American Federation of Musicians, through a grant from the Performance Trust Fund of the Recording Industry.

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Colonels Wilkes Bidder for National Title

Colonels 3rd In NCAA Mat Quarterfinals

Bob Roberts was the lone Wilkes College wrestler to triumph in quarterfinal action Friday night at the 11th NCAA Wrestling Tournament, at South Dakota State University, Brookings, S. D.

With his fourth win on Friday, the Colonels 126-pounder advances in Saturday's semi-final action.

Upon completion of the quarterfinals, Wilkesmen were third in the team race with 26½ points. Defending Champion Cal Poly is on top with 35 followed by Clarion St. with 28.

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After two preliminary victories, ~~John Kennedy~~ ^{Wheaton} 14-8, and ~~John Kennedy~~ ^{Wheaton} 14-8.

After making a fine start, Tony Karpovich (167) was overwhelmed in the second series, 16-0, by Gerry Person, South Dakota St.

Joe Grinkevich (190) was eliminated in the second round by B. Fritchie, Central Missouri, 5-2.

NCAA Tournament

First round preliminaries

118—Jay McGinley (W) dec. S. Schubert (Ohio Northern), 6-3 126—Bob Roberts (W) pinned M. Tsotilas (U. Baltimore) in 1:32 126—Ray Yagloski (Kings) dec. Mark Cale (John Carroll), 8-2 134—Dave Ellis (W) pinned Tim Drake (Ohio Northern) in 2:54 142—Art Trovei (W) dec. Don Johnson (S. Dakota St.), 13-3 150—Mike Lee (W) dec. B. Bichocca (Cal St.-Chico), 8-3 158—Bob Ellis (W) dec. Jim Sundall (U. of S. Dakota), 7-4 167—Tony Karpovich (W) dec. K. Rodgers (E. Illinois), 6-1 190—Joe Grinkevich (W) bye Unl—Al Scharer (W) bye

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Roberts was outstanding in his bid for a national title, fashioning three pins and a decision on Friday. He decisioned Dan Nichol, Northern Iowa, 12-7 the quarterfinals.

Total of 397 wrestlers were entered in the two-day event which was sliced to 40 after Friday night.

Losing out in the quarterfinals for Wilkes were Trovei, who was pinned in 6:33 by Lee Peterson of North Dakota State; Lee, a 13-8 upset to Rich Munroe of Springfield, 13-8; while Scharer was downed by Clarion State's Chuck Coryea in 7:38.

Opening consolation round was run off on Friday and Jay McGinley lost to Ed Alber, Montclair St., 10-4. Bob Ellis won on default over Andre Sairle, Coe College.

McGinley fell to Stan Opp of South Dakota St., 6-2, in the third round but stayed alive for consolations when Opp won in the quarterfinals.

Roberts recorded his third straight pin, flattening Kyle Abrams, Central Missouri, in 2:25.

A pair of decisions by Art Trovei and Mike Lee also enabled the junior tandem to follow Roberts' lead in the quarters.

Trovei outmuscled Central Missouri's R. Stockdale, 10-5, while Lee downed R. Springston, Old Dominion, 5-1.

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ship hopes alive in the third
round, belting G. Mailonini, Cali-
fornia St. at San Francisco, 6-2.

Wilkes was actually the team
leader after the second round of
preliminaries with 18½ points.
Defending champion Cal Poly of
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7:43.

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Drake of Ohio Northern but then
fell by the wayside to Larry
Hart, Luther, 13-0.

Art Trovei (142) advanced to
the third round by decisioning
Don Johnson of South Dakota
State, 13-3, and Larry Mims,
Albany St., N. Y., 13-7.

Mike Lee (150) dumped B. Bi-
chocca of California St.-Chico,
8-3, and then clamped Art Ri-
chart, Western Illinois, in 3:49.

Bob Ellis (158) up two weight
classes, was an early surprise,
outpointing Jim Sundall, South
Dakota St., 7-4; and John Ken-
nedy, Wheaton, 14-8.

After making a fine start, Tony
Karpovich (167) was over-
whelmed in the second series,
16-0, by Gerry Person, South Da-
kota St.

Joe Grinkevich (190) was elim-
inated in the second round by B.
Fritchie, Central Missouri, 5-2.

NCAA Tournament

First round preliminaries

118—Jay McGinley (W) dec. S. Schubert
(Ohio Northern), 6-3 126—Bob Roberts (W)
pinned M. Tsotilas (U. Baltimore) in 1:32
126—Ray Yagloski (Kings) dec. Mark Cale
(John Carroll), 8-2 134—Dave Ellis (W)
pinned Tim Drake (Ohio Northern) in 2:54
142—Art Trovei (W) dec. Don Johnson (S.
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Ellis (W) dec. Jim Sundall (U. of S.
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Second round preliminaries

118—Jay McGinley (W) dec. Tom Danner
(N. W. Missouri), 10-4 126—Bob Roberts
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7:43 134—Larry Hart (Luther) dec. Dave
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pinned Kyle Abrams (Northern Colorado)
in 2:25 142—Art Trovei (W) dec. E. Stock-
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5-1 158—Wade Schalles (Clarion) pinned
Bob Ellis (W) in 1:46 Uni—Al Scharer
(W) dec. G. Malloini (Cal St. - San Fran-
cisco), 6-2 126—Duane Nickel (N. Dakota
St.) dec. Ray Yagloski, 5-4.

Quarter-Finals

126—Bob Roberts (W) dec. D. Nichol (N.
Iowa), 12-7 142—Lee Peterson (N. Dakota
St.) pinned Art Trovei (W) in 4:33 150—
Rich Munroe (Springfield) dec. Mike Lee
(W), 13-8 Uni—Chuck Coyee (Clarion)
pinned Al Scharer (W) in 7:38.

March 3, 1973

Wilkes Students Find Friends In Suppressed Russian Society

(Ed. note—The following article was written from a collection of notes and observations made by Wilkes College students who recently spent 10 days touring some of the key cities in the Soviet Union.)

"I like the Rolling Stones . . . You do! Who else? . . . I don't like the Beatles . . . Really! How about John Lennon? . . . Yes, he's good . . . Have you heard of Leon Russel? . . . Yes, I like him . . . Would you like to go to America? . . . Yes, I know much about the States . . . Where would you like to go there . . . Oh, New York, and California, of course, Where do you live? . . . Pennsylvania . . . Oh, yes, right below New York. . . . That's right. When do you think you will go to America? . . . Never! They will not let us . . . Maybe some day. . . . Maybe."

This is the opening of a very long conversation with 20-year-old Svetlana, a young woman from Kiev.

Svetlana, like most Russians we met, cherished the opportunity to speak English and to inquire about America. This is not to give the impression that all our conversations with the Russian People were free and open. Their society is controlled, and becoming too friendly with foreigners is frowned upon.

A suppressive atmosphere does exist and very few citizens are allowed to travel outside the country's border. Yet, our group was free to travel anywhere in cities we visited. There was no requirement to stay with the tour group, and many times individual members would go off on their own in an attempt

to find the character of everyday life in such cities as Moscow, Leningrad, and Kiev.

Requires Open Mind

To see what Russians are really like requires a keen eye and an open mind. The lack of free-flowing information between the Soviet Union and the Free World has created many erroneous impressions.

Our friend, Svetlana was surprised to learn that her visualization of America was distorted. And we, too, had to admit that Russia was quite different than we had expected. For example, it was quite a surprise to find that less than 4% of the people in the Soviet Union are members of the Communist Party, and that people of more than 100 nationalities live in the Soviet Union.

The writers of this article have no desire to stress the sensational, or present the pros and cons of Democracy and Communism. Likewise, we do not want to present a "rosy" picture of Russia, but seek to present an honest description of what we saw in Moscow, Leningrad, and Kiev.

Entering the Soviet Union at Moscow Airport was no more difficult than returning to the United States through



Michelle Michelini, daughter of Wilkes President and Mrs. Francis J. Michelini, poses in front of a building adorned with a huge picture of Lenin during her second trip to the Soviet Union.

New York Customs. Our first view of the sprawling city of Moscow was of wide streets and rows of modern high-rise apartments. Within minutes we were in sight of red stars atop the Kremlin. This is when you begin to feel that you are truly in Russia.

Adding to the overpowering atmosphere of Moscow, and the Kremlin, was the celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Soviet Union. Red banners and huge posters focused on the common worker and the achievements of the Soviet Union. Also, posters of Lenin, Marx, and Engels were prominently displayed on many buildings. There was no evidence of anti-American posters, but newspapers do carry the party line viewpoint, which, at times is critical of the United States.

The main street of Moscow, Gorky Street, is quite busy, with street cars, subways, and hordes of shoppers. In contrast to New York's colorful and stylish Times Square pedestrian, Moscovites are dressed plainly, but warmly. Their outward appearance seemed to reflect restraint and preoccupation, but upon getting to know them, you discover they are a very warm and compassionate people, who enjoy having a good time. In Leningrad, we

observed a Russian wedding party, which rivaled any American wedding celebration.

Luxury Goods Scarce

Although, rent, clothing, food, education and health care are free or subsidized by the government, luxury goods are scarce and quite expensive. An inexpensive car sells for 5,000 rubles (over \$6,000). Also, to obtain a car, requires being on a waiting list for five to seven years.

Other items, such as TV sets, and furniture, are also expensive and necessitate long waiting periods. Rent is subsidized and a three-room flat costs a tenant the equivalent of \$15 a month. Some apartments are cooperatives and after a period of time the tenants acquire membership of the property.

There were no supermarkets, and food is mainly purchased from small specialty shops or open-air stands. Although there was little variety in food products, what was offered was fresh and organically grown.

Education is free for those who qualify. Students are paid a stipend and are charged a nominal amount for room and board. Health care is free and all citizens are required to undergo two physical exams per year. Perhaps this is the reason for the healthy appearance of the Russian people.

The healthful appearance was not the only impressive



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was not the only impressive
quality that we noted. The
people were generally honest
and eager to help us when we
lost our way. We always felt
safe on the streets no matter
what time of day or night.
Although our visit was too
short to gather large amounts
of information, it was evident
that family life is important
in Russia. There is an em-
phasis on youth, but elders
hold a position of respect.

Our visit to Kiev was dur-
ing the New Year's celebra-
tion, which is the major holi-
day of the Winter season. All
Russians try to go home for
New Year's. Christmas is not
celebrated in the Soviet
Union since religion is dis-
couraged. There are very few
working churches in the So-
viet Union, and attending ser-
vices is frowned upon by the
State. The majority of
churches are closed and are
now show places for tourists.

The Russian New Years is
a traditional celebration and
some similarities exist with
our Christmas customs of giv-
ing gifts, decorating spruce
trees, and having your chil-
dren's picture taken with
Grandfather Frost. New Year's
Eve festivities include fire-
works, banquets, and a plenti-
ful supply of champagne, vod-
ka, and caviar.

We returned from the So-
viet Union with mixed opin-
ions. Some of us acquired an
affinity towards the Russian
people, and many hope to re-
turn. Yet, despite any favor-
able impression one can form,
it is very evident that the cre-
ativity and intellectual growth
of the individual man is truly
stifled in the Soviet Union.
One wonders how long this
restraint can continue.

Svetlana 20

A New Day Dawns For ROTC At Wilkes



what has been a strong step in the development of the program will continue to grow.

In the meantime, the members of the AFROTC are looking with interest on their colleagues in Air Force blue and developing a curiosity which could cause them to follow into a program that makes them eligible for scholarship and \$100 a month on the way to a future in military service.

The traditional Wilkes College school colors of Navy blue and gold have been supplemented with Air Force blue during weekly sessions held by the U.S. Air Force ROTC Detachment stationed on the campus.

The detachment is under the command of Col. James Aikman, professor of aerospace studies.

Members of the Wilkes College detachment are, first row, left to right: Colonel Aikman, Cadets Ricky Manganello, Kingston; Marc Kovalchik, Kingston; Sue Sherbin, city;

Evelyn Hager, city; Jack Wallace, Pottsville; Larry Stahler, Scranton, and Capt. Richard Carpenter.

Second row: T/Sgt. Richard A. Carlson; Cadets David Glowinski, city; James Weisenflutt, Rochester, N.Y.; Paul Gallagher, Forty Fort; Leonard Marconi, city, and Brian Schlier, Kingston.

Third row: Cadets James Martin, Peckville; Gary Paich, Dover, N.J.; Larry Harrison, Edwardsville, and John Calabro, Berwick.—(Ace Hoffman.)

Only a few of the "old-timers" on the administration and faculty at Wilkes College can recall the grim days of the early 1940s when military personnel in khaki uniforms made up a part of the student body.

But once again the disciplined flavor of military life is sprinkled throughout the campus as members of the U.S. Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps mingle in uniform at least once each week with the other students.

For the few who can remember their association with the aviation cadets of the U.S. Army Air Corps — forerunner to the present-day U.S. Air Force — the reappearance of students in uniforms has brought back pleasant memories.

As one longtime profes-

sor put it, "Just looking at these young men and women in their blue uniforms tends to make one think of some friendships with cadets of many years ago and you wonder what ever became of those young men who still had a war ahead of them."

But those were the days of Glenn Miller music, songs like "Remember Pearl Harbor," and khaki uniforms on cadets who were spending a short period of educational training at what was then Bucknell Junior College before moving on to become pilots, navigators or bombardiers.

A 'Different Drummer'

Things are different with this new breed of future Air Force officers. They think differently, dress differently when they are not in uniform

during a brief period each week, and they listen to a different kind of music.

They march to the beat of a different drummer in every respect. Even the training they receive in the Air Force ROTC program, which is headed by Col. James Aikman, is different with the major portion of the program devoted to education and the minimum to the military side.

Unlike their counterparts of some three decades ago, these young people, who have elected to become a part of a highly sophisticated Air Force training program, are a lot more aware of things and have a clearer idea of what they want out of life.

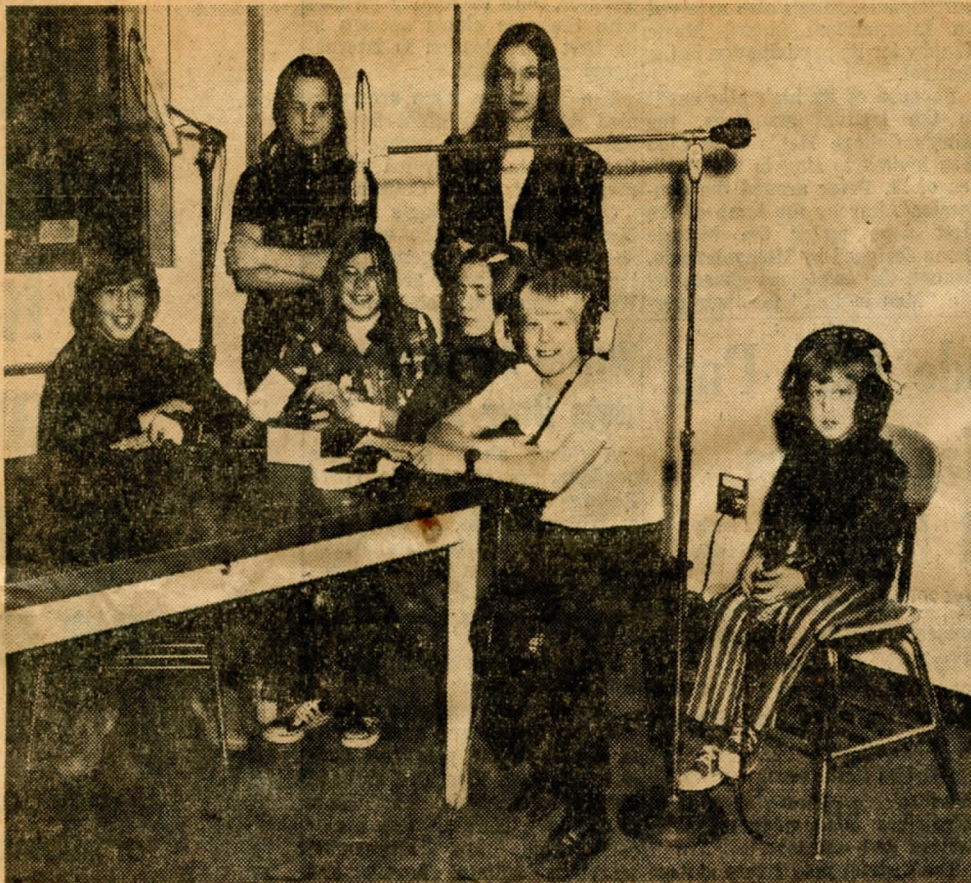
Many of them can relate only distantly to what it was like during World War 2, because of what their mothers

and fathers have told them in conversations that dealt with fond memories of the happy incidents and the only occasional passing reference to any unpleasant memories from the great war.

Today's cadets are receiving a better education in the classroom and on and off the campus. They are more concerned with what the Air Force can offer them and the fact that they are in the program is the best proof that when they sought information they found something in the ROTC plan that struck a responsive chord.

'High' Hopes

Colonel Aikman and Capt. Richard Carpenter, along with enlisted personnel and civilian aides, make up the ROTC office on the Wilkes campus and their hopes are high that



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Faculty Women At Wilkes Plan Series of Events

Wilkes Faculty Women will meet Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the board room of Weckesser Hall, 170 South Franklin Street. Mary Louise Lovette of the Wilkes faculty will discuss "The Second Sex" by Simone de Beauvoir.

Mrs. Stephen J. Tillman, vice president, is pro- with Mrs. B. Ho president, presidit meeting. Mrs. Harr in charge of refro sisting her are Mrs. penter, Mrs. Richa James P. Rodechko ter Molley, Mrs. R and Mrs. Charles

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The proposed program can be a single presentation in which the individual can talk about his hobby, special interest, vacation, school activities, sports, or just about anything.

There's no objection to several youngsters getting together and writing and announcing a program, or putting on an original play.

"Too many adults fail to listen to children today," Professor Siles explained. "It might do us all some good if we did pay more attention when children say something because many times they have something really important that we would like to hear."

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DR. EDWARD B. STOCKHAM

TEACHERS TO MEET—The Luzerne County Science Teachers Association will hold a meeting Thursday at 7 p. m. in the Wyoming Valley West High School, Chester St., Kingston.

Association President Lee Wasilewski announced that Dr. Edward B. Stockham of Wilkes College will be the guest speaker.

Dr. Stockham will talk on the "Wilkes College-Hahnemann Medical College Cooperative Medical Program."

If weather should force the cancellation of the meeting an alternate date of January 18 has been set.

The Younger Set

By Barbara Stevens



Since when do basketball and piano mix? Well, ever since David Skopek was about nine years old. (About nine years ago in Nanticoke where it all started.) Now he is a freshman student at Wilkes College where he is the only music major in the history of the college to play on the college's varsity basketball team. Both of the activities eat up most of his time.

The 6-foot, 2-inch, 18-year-old pianist, began his basketball career when he was at St. Stanislaus School. Then when he entered Greater Nanticoke Area School District at John S. Fine High School, he again played for the school junior varsity team.

When his sophomore year rolled around, Dave started on the varsity team and at the end of the year had dumped in enough points to be named one of the top 10 scorers in the Wyoming Valley League, A Division.

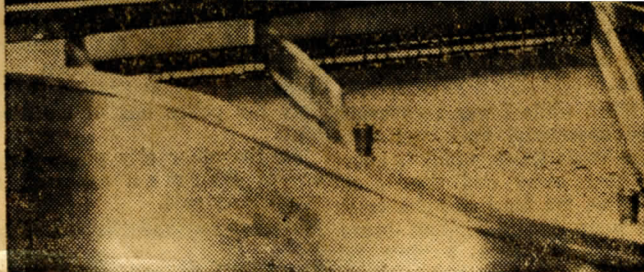


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He ended his high school career with over 1,300 points and was named most valuable player in the Sunday Independent's annual award presentation. He was also named to the First Team, Associated Press All State team.

Now at Wilkes, David is facing somewhat of a perplexing problem. All during his past career in basketball, Dave played center. At Wilkes he has been shifted to a forward position and as such, he says, must handle the ball more and "is scoring considerably less" than he had in his other pre-college games.

"However, I'm looking forward to a good sophomore year after I get adjusted to the new position, and I will get adjusted," he says staunchly. "After all, you can't adjust to something new in a couple of months after you've spent the last eight years or so doing the same thing differently."

Dave has played in three of the college's six games so far and is running into "really good" players from New York and New Jersey. He wants to play center again, "but coach, (Roger Bearde, at Wilkes) said I'm too small. Our center is 6-6, and the center at King's College, Charlie Galbraith is 6-9. I guess I am too small," Dave says. But he keeps hoping.

Taking time for basketball and piano practice doesn't leave much time for dating, says Dave. "I only have time for girls on vacations and on week ends, mostly on Saturdays."

At school, Dave had to receive special permission to attend chorus rehearsal, leave one-half hour early and scoot off to basketball practice. Chorus runs from 4 to 5:30 p. m. and basketball practice from 4 to 6 p. m. So Dave leaves chorus at 5 p. m., runs down to the gym and gets in his one hour of basketball practice. In order to build himself into a more agile forward, Dave also has joined the college's junior varsity team which he thinks will help him make a faster adjustment from playing center to playing forward.

When he's not bouncing a basketball, Dave most likely can be found bouncing his fingers over the ivories on one of the several pianos in the Wilkes College Music Center rehearsal rooms, or teaching. He has an 11-year-old student and is anxious for more to come his way. He received approval for teaching from the Federation of Music Teachers Association after testing and competition. He also is a member of Music Educators National Conference and the Young Musicians Society.

Dave, who is a "shirttail relation" to Debbie Gdovin, who was the subject of a "Younger Set" column a few weeks ago, began playing piano when he was about nine years old. For the last three years, he has been taking lessons from Mrs. Anne Liva and has received three superior ratings from his competitions in the National Federation of Music Teacher's Auditions. Two of these "superior" ratings came from the National organization, while the third came from the state organization. In addition, Dave received his senior diploma from the national federation. "A man from Texas came in and tested me at the same time of the National competition," says Dave. He said he had to memorize "10 or 12" pieces and answer questions concerning all aspects of the piano . . . EVERYTHING!" he says.

Dave is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Skopek, 342 E. Green St., Nanticoke, and has two brothers, Mark, a junior at Wilkes and Chris, 11, in the eighth grade at Nanticoke's John Fine High School. Mark, like Dave, is an eagle scout and Chris, like Dave, is musically inclined. Chris plays the trumpet for the Nanticoke band. Neither one of his brothers play basketball.

Well, if he doesn't make it on the court, he can always play the piano. And if he doesn't make it on the piano, he can always play basketball.

However, from past performances, both on the piano and on the court, Dave has nothing to worry about . . . either way!

Wilkes Students Interview Youngest Mayor



Student journalists from Wilkes College "covered" their first live assignment during the week in the form of an interview with ex-mayor Ronald Hooker, who gained national fame in the 1971 election.

Hooker was 19 years old when elected to the office of mayor of Newcomerstown, Ohio. He served 15 months in office and then resigned to take the position of village planner, an office he created while serving as mayor.

The press conference held with the former 19-year-old mayor was part of a class assignment. The students were

told to interview the guest and write a story on the youngest mayor ever elected in the United States.

Standing left to right, are: Frank Polakowski, Georgetown, Conn.; Nancy Harris, Kingston; June Beerish, Larksville; Gail DeAngelis, Old Forge; Paul Domowitch, Wilkes-Barre; Charlene Volpe, Pittston; Sandy Akromas, Morristown, N. J.; Jim Torbik, Wilkes-Barre; Jon Keough, Camp Hill, and Chuck Riechers, Nicholson.

Seated from left to right, are: Dawn Adonizio, Pittston; Jim Rodda, Wilkes-Barre; Helen Evancho, Freeland; Mary Antanitas, Shavertown, and Ronald Hooker.



Aug. 26, 1943
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Mildred Gittens, manager of the bookstore, goes over some order forms for books and supplies due to arrive on campus for the beginning of the fall semester classes scheduled for Thursday, September 6.

Aug. 26, 1973
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Wilkes Bookstore Has 'Department Store' Atmosphere

Hard work, dedication, and a gracious smile for all—an apt description of Mildred Gittens, manager of the Wilkes College Bookstore for 28 years.

Through the determined efforts of Miss Gittens, the bookstore has grown from a tiny one-room operation into a vital campus service resembling a department store in its supplies offered to Wilkes College students.

The cheerful blue-and-gold bookcases, wood-paneled walls, and abundant store of textbooks and materials almost make a visitor forget that the bookstore was one of the most severely devastated areas on campus last summer.

Yet, just one week after the flooding, the bookstore was back in operation in its temporary headquarters—room 241 in the New Men's Dormitory. A few days before fall classes began on September 25, 1972, the bookstore moved to its present location in the basement of the dormitory. Under the efficient su-

per vision of Miss Gittens, the massive task of restoration began. The results, a year later, are truly amazing.

The bookstore now boasts a "department store" atmosphere, enabling students to make convenient purchases of a wide variety of personal supplies. Notions, jewelry, lamps, greeting cards, posters, and clothing are just a sampling of the objects found on the shelves. Always available to students are the usual textbooks necessary for courses, as well as art supplies and engineering equipment. The bookstore will serve also as the center for class rings for the 1973-74 school year.

Two check-out counters and the assistance of student employees facilitate the swift and easy purchasing of supplies. Speed and convenience are certainly important qualities as Miss Gittens and her crew anticipate the annual September rush on books and supplies.

It's something Milly Gittens

has been doing for years. The yearly rush may not have been as hectic 28 years ago, but the demand for capable supervision of materials was just as great then.

In 1946 Miss Gittens met that demand, for she was instrumental in starting the first Wilkes College Bookstore, supplying army surplus books for students, many of whom were veterans. The bookstore, at that time, was located in Geis Hall, since then replaced by newer college buildings.

Then the bookstore took up residence in a small room in the basement of Chase Hall until 1954, when it was moved to Harding Hall.

In 1969 the bookstore was transferred to its permanent location, the basement of the New Men's Dormitory.

The entire operation was running smoothly for Millie Gittens, and the student body and faculty were pleased with the bookstore's services.

Then in June of 1972, after the waters receded from the campus following the record flooding of the Susquehanna River, chaos disrupted the efficient operations. Books and supplies were scattered throughout the basement area of the dormitory, and everything was buried under inches of mud and debris. Book order forms and important files were among the piles of paper and furniture.

"Operation Snapback"—the official title for Wilkes recovery—was quickly approved by Wilkes College President Francis J. Michelini. In one week's time, Miss Gittens re-opened the bookstore and ordered supplies for the second summer session. Students for both day and evening summer sessions had all they needed to resume near-normal operations.

Again, the system functioned. And Miss Gittens will see that it continues to work.

Her smile is still there. And the dedication.



Coaching course offered at Wilkes

The Pennsylvania Department of Education has authorized John G. Reese, athletic director at Wilkes College, to offer a course on the "Fundamentals of Coaching." This is the first such course of this kind ever to

be offered in the area and should prove to be valuable to coaches of all sports.

Working with Coach Reese will be members of the Wilkes College coaching staff including including Roland Schmidt, football and golf coach; Gene Domzalski, baseball coach; and Rodger Bearde, basketball coach. Together the four mentors have accumulated some 65 years of coaching experience.

Also on the program will be a trainer and weight lifting specialist who will provide lectures in their particular area.

The three-credit in-service course is being offered through the Luzerne County Intermediate Unit and will count toward certifications for all teachers.

In the near future the State Education Committee is considering legislation to make it mandatory for all coaches to take a course in coaching. This course would fulfill that requirement.

Interested teachers may call Margery Culp, 287-9681, at the Luzerne County Intermediate Unit, Tioga Ave., Kingston. The course,

which begins on Monday, Nov. 3, will be held on Monday and Thursday evenings from 7 to 10 p.m.



Wilkes College athletic director John Reese, left, is shown going over the outline of a course dealing with the "Fundamentals of Coaching," with his secretary, Denise Welsh.

The program, which is being sponsored by the Luzerne County Intermediate Unit, will begin on Monday, Nov. 3. The three-credit in-service course is directed at high school coaches.

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HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE — One of the newest and fastest growing organizations on the Wilkes College Campus is the Human Services Committee, under the direction of Dr. Lester Turoczi.

Comprised mainly of nursing and pre-med students, the organization is designed to aid the campus in medical emergencies.

Shown left to right are members of the newly formulated committee: Charles Munson, Chester; Randy Smith, Steelton; Lew Saras, Hazleton; John Barrett, Feasterville; Mary Ann Rusnak, Koebling, N. J.; Meg Slusser, Berwick; Richard Mendelsohn, Shavertown; Barbara Woronko, Edwardsville, and Dr. Lester Turoczi, faculty adviser.

One of the first major projects for the organization has been the establishment of a campus first-aid team. This team will work closely with the American Red Cross, with each member being trained in standard and advanced first-aid techniques.

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Miss Osceola Davis Appears at Wilkes



The Concert and Lecture Series at Wilkes College reached the midway point as the Fall Semester moved toward closing during the week when Miss Osceola Davis, coloratura soprano, presented an outstanding program before a large crowd in the Center for the Performing Arts.

Shown prior to the evening performance are, left to right: Dr. H. C. Fall, member of the Wilkes College Department of Music, who introduced Miss Davis; Sylvia Lee, ac-

companist; Miss Davis, and Assistant Dean Edward Baltruchitis, who is advisor to Student Government at Wilkes College.

The Concert and Lecture Series will be resumed when the Spring Semester begins on Monday, February 5, at which time the program for the remainder of the academic year will be released. Programs offered under the Concert and Lecture Series are open to the public without charge.

Juniata President On Michelini Panel

Dr. John N. Stauffer, president of Juniata College, has been elected to a three-year term on the government relations committee of the Pennsylvania Association of Colleges and Universities.

The Pennsylvania Association of Colleges and Universities represents all categories of institutions of higher education in Pennsylvania, both public and private.

The government relations committee is concerned with all aspects of legislation and other governmental action, both state and federal, as it affects support and general welfare of colleges and universities.

In accepting the position, Dr. Stauffer said, "As we move toward greater dependence, even

in the private colleges, upon government support, the work of the Government Relations Committee becomes ever more crucial. It is especially important in relation to the private colleges that independence and autonomy be maintained even as funds are received to continue and to strengthen the educational program."

The other members of the committee are: Dr. Francis J. Michelini, president of Wilkes College, who is chairman; Dr. Martin Meyerson, president of the University of Pennsylvania; Dr. Paul W. Rossey, president of West Chester State College; Sister Mary Schmidt, president of Seton Hill College, and Dr. Richard C. Richardson, Jr., president of Northampton Area Community College.

Parents Day Held at Wilkes College



Several hundred regional and out-of-town parents of Wilkes College students attended the annual Parents Day held yesterday on the campus.

Registration and tours of the various campus facilities took up most of the morning hours, with many of the parents getting their first look at the campus after having read about the devastation caused by the flooding of last June. Many expressed amazement at the success of the restoration, especially in the areas which were more critically hit.

Coffee and donuts were served during the morning in the new dining hall, where members of the Theata Delta Rho, women's

society on campus, also sold yellow mums to be worn at the afternoon football game.

Pictured at the flower stand in top photo are, left to right, Bill Metcalf, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. William Metcalf, Allendale, N.J.; Ann Reilly, Forty Fort; Marilyn Burns, Swoyersville; Jeanne Norcross, Kingston; and Doni Edwards, Wilkes-Barre.

Bottom photo shows guests being greeted personally by President Francis J. Michelini, (center) who with two students and their parents, left to right, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mansbury, Warren Township, N.J., and their daughter, Kathy; and Linda Hill with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Hill, Hellertown, Pa.—(Paramount)

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WS, RECORD, WILKES-BARRE, PA., THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2,



WILL PERFORM AT CHURCH — The Woodwind Quintet of the Wilkes College Department of Music will perform on Sunday at 10:30 a. m. as part of the morning worship service of First Presbyterian Church.

Members of the quintet are, left to right: Jovanna Gatti, Scranton; Robert Atherholt, Wilkes-Barre; Bruce Yurko, Dover, N. J.; Gail Ober, Manheim; and Mary Bice, New Hartford, N. Y.

The presentation is one of many offered throughout each

academic year by the Wilkes College Department of Music, under the guidance of Prof. William Gasbarro.

Wilkes Gears For Spring

Day and Evening Programs Offered

Activity is a key word on the Wilkes College campus this month as students and faculty wrap up work in the current semester and begin preparations for the upcoming spring semester for both the day and evening divisions.

Day division students will register Feb. 2 with classes slated to begin Feb. 5. Registration for the evening division will be held Jan. 29, through Feb. 2, in the basement of Weckesser Hall, 170 S. Franklin St.

Registration hours for the evening division will be 8:30 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. Monday through Wednesday and 8:30 a. m. to 8 p. m. on Thursday and Friday, according to an announcement by Bernard Vinorvski, director of the Wilkes Summer and Evening College.

Courses will be offered in the areas of accounting, biology, business administration, business education, economics, English, environmental science, fine arts, French, German, Spanish, history, journalism (news writing), mathematics, music, nursing education, philosophy, physical education, physics, political science, psychology, retailing and sociology.

In addition courses in the graduate division will be offered in biology, business administration, chemistry, education, English, environmental science, history, mathematics and physics.

Since its inception in 1933 as Bucknell Junior College, Wilkes has been dedicated to these twin goals—a sound and stimulating intellectual experience for students and a program of service to the community.

The original concept of community effort has been strengthened with the passing of years and with growing experience. It has been clearly demonstrated that the students, the college, and the community all benefit from cooperative effort. This cooperative relationship, with its emphasis on trained intelligence and extended planning, has resulted in cooperative action.

Wilkes is accredited by the Department of Public Instruction of the State of Pennsylvania and the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. The accounting curriculum has been accredited by the Certified Public Accounting Examiners of the State of New York.

Students of Business Administration, who hold full-time jobs while studying in the Evening and Summer College, are required to devote many years to their quest for a bachelor's degree. To encourage these business men and women, Wilkes College will award a "certificate of achievement" to those who earn 42 hours of credit in evening and summer school programs with at least 24 hours in business administration and 18 hours in general education.

The Certificate of Achievement does not designate the completion of any recognized program. It gives recognition of achievement and notes that the recipient has completed a sequence of courses which may be credited toward the bachelor's degree should the student elect to continue his studies for the degree.

Classes for the spring semester will run through Friday, May 19, with the final examination period running Monday, May 21, through Saturday, May 26.

Program on Science Scheduled by Wilkes

A Science Enrichment Program for elementary school students will be conducted by the Wilkes College Education Department on alternate Saturday mornings during the spring semester, beginning Feb. 3 and ending May 12.

This program has been a regular part of the Education Department for several years and has proven to be extremely appealing to hundreds of youngsters who have spent their Saturday mornings on the Wilkes campus.

The program, under the guidance of Dr. Harrie E. Caldwell, member of the Wilkes Education Department, is designed to provide elementary school students with exciting "science-ing" experience. Emphasis is placed on fun, active involvement of students and development of skills in processes used by scientists such as classifying measuring, controlling variables and predicting.

Parents of interested students may contact the following people for specific details: Dr. Harrie E. Caldwell (Wilkes), Richard Daniels (Tunkhannock), Tom Hofherr (Forty Fort), Gloria Bartnicki (Exeter). Information

may also be obtained by calling the Institute of Regional Affairs, Wilkes College.

Primary grade children will focus on skills in measuring, graphing, classifying and using space time relations. These students will study a variety of science topics including motion, sinking and floating, bacteria, balancing and liquids.

Students in the intermediate grades will have a program designed to develop skills in measuring, classifying, controlling variables and predicting. Science topics will include electricity, animal behavior, bones and rocks.

Students will participate in three of four topics. All students will view science films during the "milk and cookies" break.

In summing up the program, Dr. Caldwell said, "This semester we also intend to provide students with materials and suggestions that they can take home. It is our hope that students will 'mess around' with the materials in their leisure time and discover some relationship on their own. At the very least, we anticipate that children will have fun 'science-ing' on their own. Maybe some parents will have fun, too."

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STUDY SCHEDULES — Summer and Evening Division Director Bernard Vinovski (left) goes over scheduling problems with a student, Barry Gildea, Ashley, in the newly refurbished office. Vinovski is available daily, from 8:30 a. m. to 4:30 p. m., for counseling.

muddy reminders of grade slips marking their summer at Wilkes College.

The timing was excellent, however, as the Evening Division staff moved into their new offices just in time for the beginning of registration for the spring semester at Wilkes College, scheduled for the week of January 29. The staff will be on hand to help students complete registration Monday through Wednesday of that week, 8:30 a. m. to 4:30 p. m.; Thursday and Friday, from 8:30 a. m. to 8 p. m.

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Wilkes Evening Division Works It

College Gets Night School Spic and Span

Evening Division Of Classes Back In Good Order

It's been a long, muddy haul since the devastating waters of the Susquehanna River ripped through the Wilkes College campus, destroying everything in their path, but relatively few traces remain on the campus as departments are gradually getting back into their regular areas.

Such is the case with the Wilkes College Summer and Evening Division, located in the basement of Weckesser Hall, S. Franklin St. Their offices completely wiped out, the entire crew and director, Bernard Vinovrski, worked through the summer drying files and digging the mud and debris out of their regular offices.

The summer was long, but the effort was worth it as the staff watched a work crew put the finishing touches on the basement offices and move all their files back down to the lower level. The summer and evening division staff was greeted by newly decorated offices and new furnishings. Retaining none of the stiffness of an orthodox college office, the division sports an antique fireplace and even a touch of green in the corners with a plant or two.



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Placek Head Of ESEA Team

Wilkes Professor Chairman of Unit

Walter Placek, assistant professor of physics at Wilkes College, has been selected by the Pennsylvania Department of Education to serve as chairman of an ESEA Title III evaluation team.

The project is being carried out by Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit in Lewisburg. Dr. J. William Moore is the project director.

Other members of the evaluation team are Norman Namey, Wyoming Valley West School District, and Dr. Clyde Corle, Pennsylvania State University, State College. Evaluation will take place Feb. 12-13.

Placek has been active in education in this region. Graduating from Wilkes in 1961, he continued his education and earned his master's from Penn State University. He has taught locally nine years on the secondary and college levels.

Placek belongs to several professional and academic societies and is the author of educational and scientific articles.

Placek also has been invited on many occasions to speak to local service clubs not only on education but on the relationships between science and society.

He resides with his wife, the former Barbara Swankowski of Duryea, and their three children in Exeter Township.