

## Asian teacher explains Japan

Americans who think that student activists are the same the world over don't know the whole story. That was the claim made by Dr. Benjamin Duke, associate professor of comparative education at the International Christian University, Tokyo, when he spoke last week to students and faculty at Penn State's Wilkes-Barre Campus in Lehman.

Dr. Duke should know: When he returns later this month to Tokyo, he will find that his school has been closed as a result of bitter student disturbances.

"The American student movement absolutely pales before the bitterness of the Japanese movement," the professor said, pointing out that an armed clash of 6000 students in Japan last year had turned the campus, on which the fighting took place, into a veritable battlefield.

Dr. Duke, a graduate of Penn State with a doctoral degree from London University, England, believes that much of the student unrest in Japan is a direct result of American interference in the educational system there following World War II. Insisting that Japan democratize its aristocratic university system, America forced the Japanese government to expand its college facilities at such a precipitous rate that the vast majority of Japanese universities are now "in complete and utter chaos."

A phenomenal enrollment increase was the first result of this interference, Dr. Duke maintains, and has in turn caused other, more grievous problems.

"Before the war, three percent of the student population went to 45 universities, but with the United States occupation of Japan and our government's insistence that Japan pattern its educational system after our own, higher education has become a mass production thing, with 20 percent of college age persons attending nearly 350 universities."

This increase has resulted in the employment of large numbers of unqualified faculty members, horrendously overcrowded classes (there are now classes with as many as 1000 students, Dr. Duke stated) and mushrooming tuition costs.

The students resent this situation, the young professor maintained, and feel that they are the scapegoats in a very bad situation.

External factors figure into their dissatisfaction too, says Dr. Duke.

The presence of United States bases in Japan—and the attendant bars, red light districts, and slums which surround them—are anathema to a country still suffering the ravages of atomic warfare. Students especially are sensitive to this issue, and decry the use of these bases as supply stations for bombing raids on North Vietnam.

Equally offensive to the young students is the pro-American big business interests of the ruling political party. The idealistic young people resent the huge amounts of money made by government-approved businesses on war materials supplied to the United States, calling it "blood money." Frustrated, the students feel that their government's unresponsive attitude toward them leaves no alternative but open conflict.

With no optimistic forecast for the coming year, Dr. Duke predicts more bitter fighting, and suggests that if the much hated American-Japanese Security Treaty which permits America to defend Japan against external aggressions is renewed, the protests of the Japanese students will be heard around the world.

Dr. Duke's presentation was the first in a series of programs sponsored each Tuesday morning at 11 by Penn State at the Hayfield House in Lehman. The programs are open to the public.



SHARON LEINTHALL

## Sharon Leinthall chosen to attend symposium Nov. 2

Sharon Leinthall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walbridge Leinthall, Harveys Lake, has been chosen to attend the Pennsylvania Junior Science and Humanities Symposium at Pennsylvania State University, Nov. 2 to 4.

Miss Leinthall, a senior at Lake-Lehman High School, was recommended by her chemistry teacher, Calvin Kanyuck. She will stay at the Nittany Lion Inn and attend a banquet there for all students attending.

Sharon is a member of the Lake-Lehman marching band, dance band, brass choir, hockey team, basketball team and is a member of the girls' athletic association. Last year, she played in the district and regional band concerts. She is a member of the Alderson United Methodist Church choir.

Upon graduation in June, Miss Leinthall hopes to enter the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing.

## Bradley Bennett born Sept. 25

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bennett, Noxen, announce the birth of their second son, Sept. 25, at General Hospital. Bradley Dale checked in at seven pounds, eight ounces.

His brother Jeffrey is six years old.

## Oratorio Society begins rehearsal for next concert

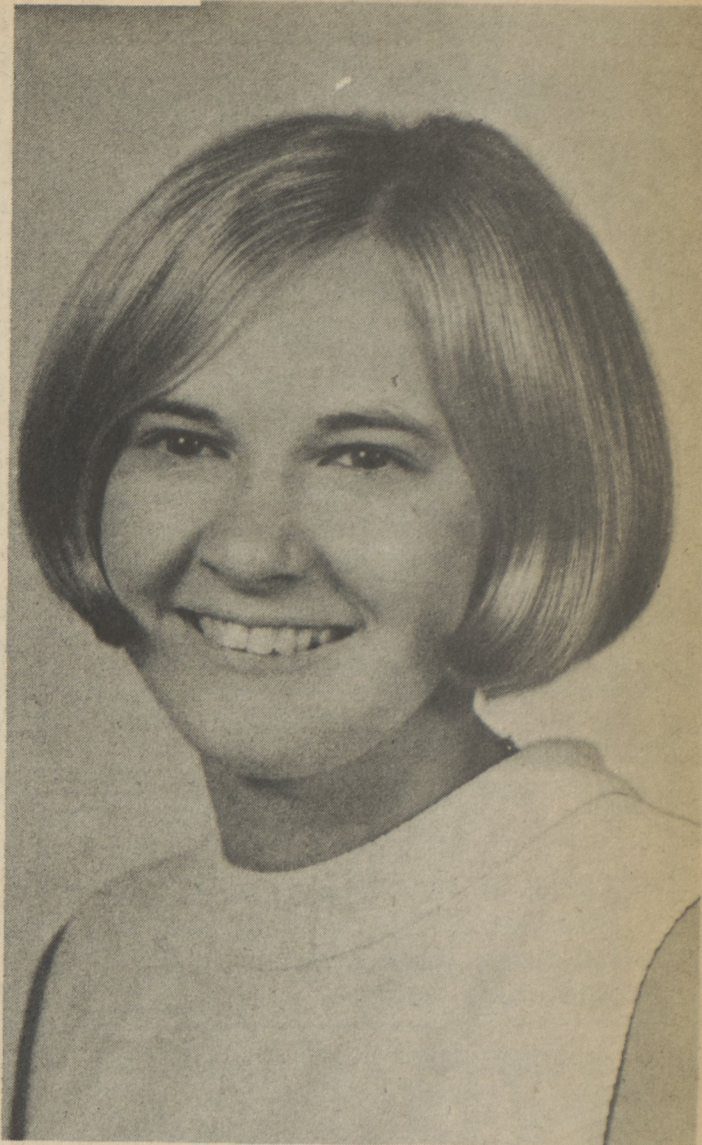
Wyoming Valley Oratorio Society directed by Clifford E. Balshaw, New Goss Manor, has begun rehearsing for its Dec. 7 concert of music by Mozart and Haydn at Irem Temple.

There is still time for new members to join the chorus which meets each Tuesday at 8 p.m. in St. Stephen's parish house, South Franklin Street, Wilkes-Barre. Tenors and basses are especially welcome.

The program now being prepared includes the "Loretine Litany, K 195," written when

Mozart was 18. The Haydn work is the "Creation Mass," so-called because it was composed during the same period as the oratorio "Creation," and contains some musical themes reminiscent of the more famous work.

Mr. Balshaw is organist and choir director at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Wilkes-Barre, and Temple B'nai B'rith, Kingston, and is on the music faculty of Wilkes and College Misericordia.



LINDA MARIE NESTOR

## former residents observe golden anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond P. Leibenguth, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., formerly of Noxen, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary, Sept. 17.

The couple were married in Luzerne by the late Rev. William J. Day.

Mrs. Leibenguth is the former Sarah Edwards of Noxen. The Leibenguths have three children, Mrs. Charles A. Mead, Poughkeepsie, N.Y., Harold P. Leibenguth, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., with whom

they reside, and his twin brother, Howard, also of Ft. Lauderdale. They have five grandchildren, 1st Lt. Douglas R. Mead in Vietnam; Barbara J. Mead and Jeffrey A. Mead, Poughkeepsie, N.Y.; Kathy S. and Randy B. Leibenguth, Ft. Lauderdale.

Mrs. Charles Mead flew to Florida from New York to join the celebration, a family dinner at West Palm Beach, Fla.

The couple live at 671 N.E. 56 Court, Ft. Lauderdale.

## L. Nestor engaged to Mark Dymond

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nestor, 819½ Pleasant St., Reynolds, King's Daughters meet Monday

The King's Daughters Circle of Shavertown United Methodist Church will meet Monday at 8 p.m. Speaker will be Hume Daron, who will show slides of his trip around the world. Hostesses will be Alvirda Cook, Alice Borthwick, Peggy Boyes, Leona Watkins and Verna Davis.

Miss Nestor graduated from DuBois Area High School in 1968.

Mr. Dymond graduated from Dallas High School, class of 1966. He is presently attending Clarion State College.

The Dymonds are former residents of Dallas.

## Seminary alumni plan homecoming

Homecoming and Parents' Day at Wyoming Seminary will be held Saturday, Oct. 11. Ned Hartman, '47, Idetown, is serving as chairman of this annual event.

In announcing the program for the day, Hartman noted that the theme will be "Then and Now." The local college preparatory school is currently observing its 125th anniversary year.

Hartman is assisted by Betty Kanaar Bierly, '37, Sweet Valley; Ahmad Kazimi, '51, Forty

Fort; Mrs. Jule Ayers, '37, Wilkes-Barre, Mrs. Karl Arbogast, '44, Forty Fort; Frank M. Henry, '50, Kingston, and Mrs. F. Prentice Lacy, '45, Dallas.

## Paula Richards attends Albright

Classes began for Paula Richards Sept. 9 following the traditional convocation marking the opening of Albright College's 114th academic year.

Miss Richards, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Richards, 90 Staub Road, Trucksville, is one of 144 women and 176 men in the freshman class at the college in Reading.

Of the entering class 35 percent will pursue the bachelor of arts degree and 45 percent, the bachelor of science. 10 percent each will seek the B.S. degree in economics and concentrate in home economics.

The total student enrollment for 1969-70 is 1189.

## area newcomers

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shepherd are new residents of Robbins Road, Haddonfield Hills, Dallas. The Shepherds, formerly of Woodbridge, Va., have two children Robert 4, and Eric, 7 months.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold A. Stelle have moved from East Orange, N.J., to Shavertown.

Mr. and Mrs. George McBarron recently moved to Hickory Road, Dallas, from Needham, Mass. There are five children in the family, William, Edward, Loren, David and John.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Lieb, former residents of Kingston, have recently moved to Westminster Drive, Orchard View Terrace, Dallas.

## Mrs. D. Spencer feted at shower

Jean Scouten entertained guests at a bridal shower in her home Saturday in honor of Mrs. Donald Spencer.

Table decorations were in pink and white with a bride and groom centerpiece.

Guests were: Nellie Scouten, Mrs. Jack Sorber, Mrs. Fred Spencer, Mrs. Robert Sorber, Mrs. Leroy Butler, Mrs. Walter Wandell, Mrs. Jerry Tallent, Mrs. William Coole and Kelly Rae, Mrs. Gary Cooper, Mrs.

Kenneth Shefler, Linda and Michael, Mrs. Frank B. Schooley, Mrs. Thomas Fetsko, Mrs. George Schooley, Mrs. Donald Meade and Donna, Mrs. Robert Clark, Mrs. Clarence Turner, Mrs. Gilbert Harvey, Mrs. Edward Freeman and Kay, Mrs. William A. Evans, Joan Evans, Barbara Evans, Grace Sorber, Nancy Thompson, Colleen Wandell, Cathy Enaboe and Vera Cave.



Ned Hartman is pictured above with members of his committee planning Homecoming and Parents' Day at Wyoming Seminary. Others are left to right, Ahmad Kazimi, Betty Kanaar Bierly and Mrs. Karl Arbogast.

## Harveys Lake women hold first fall meeting

The first fall meeting of the Harveys-Lake Women's Service Club was held recently at the Lake Elementary School. Mrs. Howard Jones presided at the business meeting.

Pauline Davis held devotions and pledge to the flag. Acting finance chairman, Mrs. Malcolm Nelson, reported that the rummage sale was a success and plans are being made for another one in the very near future. Mrs. Melvin Congdon was elected to serve as assistant treasurer for the coming year.

Community aid chairman,

Mrs. Richard Williams, reported that food had been furnished for four club members' families when death occurred in the families.

Mrs. Williams also reported on the fall county meeting to be held at Irem Temple Country Club, Oct. 22. She appointed the following chairman: Mrs. Harvey Kitchen and Mrs. Earl Crispell, hostess chairman; Pauline Davis, registration; Mrs. Joseph Rauch, decorations; Mrs. Elliot Ide and Mrs. C. Wesley Boyle, reservations; Mrs. Charles Williams, gifts.

Others are: Mrs. Howard Jones, Mrs. Calvin McHose, Mrs. Bradley Ide, Mrs. Malcolm Nelson, Mrs. Robert Pilger, Mrs. Francis Schuler.

Mrs. Wilfred Ide was appointed to serve as advisor for three years to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Ralph Lutes who moved to Florida.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Francis Schuler, Mrs. Elliot Ide, Mrs. Howard Platt and Mrs. Bradley Ide. Mrs. C. Wesley Boyle entertained the group with a penny auction.

## Purely Personal

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Whitney, Carverton Road, have had as a recent guest their son, David Whitney, New York City. David is a graduate of Dallas Township High School and Wilkes College, Edison University Theological Seminary, Rutgers University, and is now studying at Columbia. He has taught school in New York City and New Jersey.

Richard Disque and his son Richard attended the national convention of funeral directors in Portland, Ore., flying to the Pacific Coast Oct. 3, returning Oct. 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Schooley and family; Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Strohl and family; and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Grey spent the weekend at the Thousand Islands. They stayed at the Fair Winds Motel, Clayton, N.Y.

This whole community was shocked to hear of the death of Marty Petroskas. Mr. Petroskas died Sept. 30 at the Geisinger Medical Center, Danville. Sympathy is extended to his wife Gerry and daughter, Georgine, and to his daughter, Mrs. Richard C. Cronin, Landisburg.

John Brewster Sr. had as weekend guests at his home on Terrace Drive, Dallas, his two sons with their families: Mr. and Mrs. Ted Brewster with children Lucy, Ned and Matthew, Ossining, N.Y.; and Mr. and Mrs. John Brewster, with children John and David, Trumbull, Conn. Friends gathered to help celebrate the October birthdays in the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Ward, Grandview Avenue, Dallas recently visited Mrs. Raymond Loomis and her daughter, Haddon Heights, N.J.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Unsberger, Hatboro, visited Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Ward, Dallas, over the weekend.

Visiting in Dallas last week was the daughter of Vice President and Mrs. Spiro Agnew. Mr. and Mrs. Robert DeHaven, Maryland, traveled with Mr. and Mrs. David LaBar to spend the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Paul LaBar, Elizabeth Street, Dallas, and to attend the Bloomsburg Fair.

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