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## COP Elects Henry to Advisory Position

The Council of Presidents held its first meeting of 1972-73 on October 28, at University Park. Discussed at the meeting were various important issues concerning the Commonwealth Campuses.

The COP set up guidelines for their COP calendar. Also discussed was the importance of the selection of student members to the President's Student Advisory Board and the Board of Trustee Committee on Educational Policy. The President's Student Advisory Board meets with President Oswald to discuss matters of importance to the students and the University; the students serve in advisory positions.

The Council then selected Robert Henry from the Hazleton Campus and Stanley Charnick from the Wilkes-Barre Campus to the Student Advisory Board. This was followed by the selection of Walker Moore from Behrend Campus to the Board of Trustee Committee on Educational Policy.

After the elections, the

President of the University, Dr. John W. Oswald addressed the Council. The President emphasized the importance and significance of input from Commonwealth Campus students on these committees and in other areas of the University-wide concerns.

The USG Bureau of Branch Campus Services discussed their work. Topics discussed were generally concerned with improving the orientation of students transferring from Commonwealth Campuses to University Park and communications between organizations at University Park and students at the branch campuses. Specific items included: dormitory contract sales, personal loss insurance through the Association of Residence Hall Students, financial aid for flood victims, the "Transfer Trip" publication and relations between the Bureau of Branch Campus Services and the individual Student Government Associations.

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## Political Historian Speaks at Highacres

On October 31, at 8 pm, Milton Viorst, syndicated Washington correspondent and political historian, gave a well-versed lecture entitled "See How They Run—Campaign '72." The lecture was well attended, and many little-known facts and projections on the presidential candidates and the election were explained. Viorst, basically, had many strong arguments against the Nixon Administration. He cited Nixon's performance in defense spending, environmental controls, taxation of the "little people," failure to end the war in Vietnam, the ITT and the Watergate cases, corruption in the Department of Justice, and the lack of moral leadership in the United States.

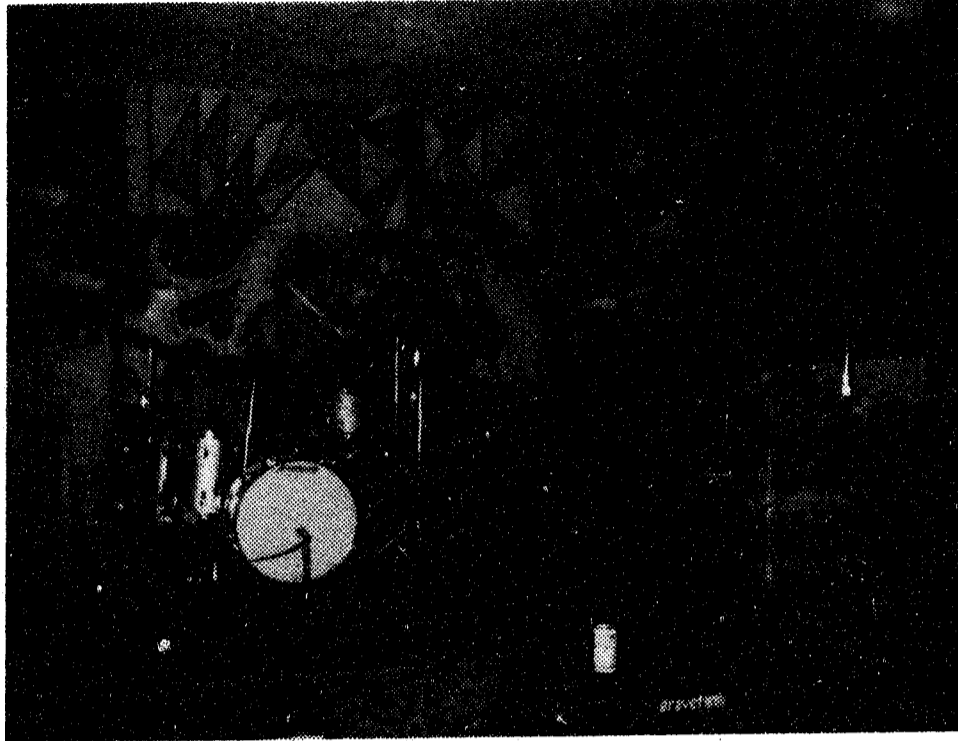
Another topic he touched on was the presidential possibilities of George McGovern. On this topic, he felt that the polls' results really did

not give an accurate picture of the national scene, and that the election would be much closer than generally expected.

He did predict, however, that President Nixon would be re-elected. Viorst also underscored a trend toward a more responsive popular Congress in the coming election.

The lecture was followed by a question and answer period which lasted about thirty minutes. During that time, one particularly interesting question was posed concerning the apparent "move toward fascism" on the national political scene. Here Viorst stressed the increasing ability to monitor and manipulate large masses of the people as our technology increases.

On the whole, the lecture was an interesting and enlightening one, although it was somewhat one-sided.



Edison Flyback, one of our local groups, warming up at the recent Gravel concert. (See page four.)

## Belles-Lettres elects new officers

The Belle-Lettres Society, the campus literary club, has chosen officers for the new term. They are as follows:

Wayne Funk . . . . . President  
Elizabeth Desilva Vice President  
Linda Gallagher . . . . . Secretary

Henry Taminini . . . . . Treasurer  
Dale Walck . . . . . Historian  
Belle-Lettres means

"beautiful words" either spoken,

listened to or written. Founded in 1956, it is the oldest organization on campus. The purposes of the society are: to promote fellowship among students and faculty, to stimulate the love of literature and the allied arts, to encourage a wider reading of the world's literature and a deeper understanding of the history of

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## Bids for new gym open in May

In May of 1973, bids for our new gynasium will be opened. The bid will be awarded to the contractor who can build the gym for the least amount of money. Then after a safe level for the foundation has been dug and approved, the building will be started.

The new gym will be located between the cottages and the athletic field, and will be 130 ft. by 200 ft. The road leading to the gym will be a fork-off from the road to the athletic field, and the cottages at the side of the road will be torn down.

The inside of the gym will have a regulation swimming pool, a basketball court, folding bleachers, an exercise room with individual exercise machines, hand ball courts, and room has been made for bowling alleys. In addition to this, there will be gymnastics equipment, locker rooms, a classroom, and teachers' offices.

The building itself will cost 2.3 million dollars, and the money for the facilities hasn't been estimated yet.

However, before the gym can be started, the General State Authority must approve all blueprints and plans. The plans consist of everything from the size of the room, to the color of the doors, and the materials used for the plumbing and heating facilities. Then bids will be opened for contractors, and plumbing and heating contracts will be awarded.

Outside construction work will be done in the summer of '73, and interior work will be started in the winter. Hopefully, the new gym will be completed in the fall of '74, and unfortunately, very few, if any of us students, will be here to enjoy it.

## John Ciardi at JCC

John Ciardi, a well known poet and author, presented a poetry reading of his own works at the Jewish Community Center in Hazleton.

Mr. Ciardi, author of "How Does A Poem Mean," has several interesting views on the writing of poetry. A poet can be most successful if he writes about objects on a low level, such as flowers and insects. A poet should be equal to or above his subject material, never below it.

His style is funny, witty and charming. Much of his poetry is dedicated to children, who appreciate it for its warmth and simplicity. He seemed to be a man of wisdom and great thought. As he observed at one point, "We are obscure to ourselves— if you're not confused you're not thinking."

The lecture was attended by a few students and several faculty members, and it was enjoyed by all.

## Student Standards Board Elections

Recently elected members of the Student Standards Board were announced by the Student Government Association. Full time members of the Board are Lorrie Evey, Bob James, Mark Rusin, Joe Morris, Amy Velenchik, and Bill Hewins. Alternates on the Board are Dave Trumbaver, Robin Paskman, and Tim Psarsky.

The Student Standards Board is a campus organization designed to enforce the rules made or enacted by the students such as quiet hours and visitation. The Hearing Board, consisting of students and faculty, hears University rule infractions such as drinking and drugs. Any decision made by these boards may be appealed through the Appeals Board, which also consists of students and faculty.

## Winter Concert Dec. 2

The Highacres Chorus, will present its Winter Concert on Dec. 2, at 8 p.m. in C-1. The 68 members, under the direction of Mr. Joseph Jumpeter, will sing sacred music of all faiths in addition to popular selections. A special performance by the Krazze 8 and soloist Yvonne Fuller will be the highlights of the show. Admission is free.

## Flea Market at Highacres

On Saturday, December 2, the Residence Hall Council and the Student Government Association will sponsor a Flea Market in the Student Union Building. All donation may be left at the dorm—downstairs on the men's side— any Sunday from 9 to 10 pm or Monday from 10 am to noon and 2 pm to 4 pm. Any and all donations will be greatly appreciated. All proceeds will go to the RHC and the SGA.

## Las Vegas Nite Dec. 1

The Student Union Building will once again be transformed into a rollicking casino when the Hazleton Campus sponsors the annual Las Vegas Night December 1. From 8 until 11 that evening there will be legal gambling on such perennial favorites as horse racing, black jack, craps, and the infamous "Lucky Wheel." There will be local "dealers," "barkers," "callers," and "cow girls." In addition to the fun, there will be food and chances to win many prizes including record albums. This annual event is one of the highlights of the term, and has been very well attended in the past.

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