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## SHIRLEY VAN NAUKER ELECTED MAY QUEEN

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## ARE NEW QUARTERS IN OFFING FOR H.U.C.?

### CLUB COLLEGIAN RECORDS SMASH HIT IN OPENING

#### LARGE CROWD TURNS OUT FOR OPENING NIGHT

The COLLEGIAN staff injected a novel note into school entertainment with the first annual one day opening of CLUB COLLEGIAN. The evening affair was planned as a novelty party with a night club theme.

A gay festive mood prevailed throughout the evening highlighted by the music of Pete Cortese and his "Varsity Combo". The scribes secured many unusual entertainment features, and according to general opinion, the event was one of the most successful of the current season. Decorations were in keeping with the nite-spot setting, and the Eagles Club house, where the affair was held, was alive with student revelry.

#### Various Committees Assured Evening's Success

The problems of entertainment, refreshments, and decorations were handled very successfully by the COLLEGIAN committees. The following is a list of the various committees and their members: Refreshments: Chairman — Bernard Dvorsack; Associates — Marguerite Rondish, Grace McBride, Rena Olivia, Pat Kringe and Gladys Lorah. Entertainment: Chairman—Guy O'Hazza; Associates—Leon Baden, Donald Smith, Clarence Sipple, Edward Wizada, Dan Wargo, Domenic Lockwood.

#### Entertainment Program Smash Hit

The COLLEGIAN extends plaudits to the following, who actively participated in the entertainment and helped to make the program highly successful: Miss Pearl Garbrick, Mrs. Hazleton, Mr. Rudman, Leon Baden, Guy O'Hazza, "Duke" Sipple, Ann McHugh, Howard Frable, John Thomas, Domenic Lockwood, Ruth Von Bergen, Ray Saul, Dick Barager, Nancy North and Aaron Marsh.

The Singing Waiters Quartet consisted of Neil Polumbo, Dick Barager, J. Cortese and J. Hutnyan.

#### Art Club Planning Trip To Philadelphia

The HUC Art Club under the direction of Mr. Arthur Carpenter is planning a field trip to Philadelphia some time in May. The purpose of the trip is to visit the Art Museum and the Academy of Fine Arts.

#### Other Places of Interest To Be Included

The club also plans to visit other points of interest in and around Phila. All students interested in the club are requested to attend the meetings which are held every Thursday evening at 7 p.m. at the Broad St. Building.

The ballots for the May Queen election were counted by Mrs. Amos A. Goss, advisor to the girls' sorority; Sydney Rudman, activities' advisor; and Francis Fatsie, co-editor of The Collegian.

### MAY DAY QUEEN



Pictured above is Miss Shirley Van Nauker, this year's monarch of May. This popular sophomore student has the unqualified congratulations of the entire student body.

#### Attending Public Speaking Conference

Miss Theresa Scarnecchia is attending the 35th Annual Eastern Public Conference at the Hotel New Yorker, N.Y.

The conference which is being held April 18-19, covers various fields of dramatics, radio and speech instruction.

### MARRIAGE CLINIC TO START NEXT WEEK

The Hazleton Undergraduate Center's Marriage Clinic, in charge of Dr. McIlvaine and Mr. Ralph N. Krecker, will hold its first meeting at 12 noon, April 21st. Thus far, forty-five students have signed up for the lecture course which will take place once or twice a week.

#### Course Patterned After Campus Set-Up.

Following the procedure at the campus, the no-credit course is only for students who are over 20 years of age; however, the course is available to married students of any age. Persons who have signed up for the Marriage Clinic are requested to attend all the lectures. Among some of the timely topics for discussion are, "Finding a Mate", "The Courtship and Engagement Periods", and many others.

Those students who are not eligible for the lectures may have an opportunity to attend next semester, at which time the age restrictions may be lowered.

### OPEN LETTER

#### To The People Of Greater Hazleton

We address this letter to you because we have faith in you; that faith is a justified one. We have seen the miner and clerk rub elbows with the bank president and the merchant, and with your collective shoulders to the wheel you have raised over a half million dollars for the development of new industries.

We feel it is time to call your attention to the deplorable conditions that exist in the one institution of higher learning in this community. The buildings occupied are inadequate; one of them has been condemned for many years. Class room space is so limited that many applications for the Fall semester of this year may have to be refused.

Promises have been made that conditions here would be alleviated. If the class rooms were as empty as those promises, no problem would exist.

We wish to inform the people of this community of the advantages of the Undergraduate Center, actual and potential. Some of these benefits to the community are as follows:

1. Inexpensive education for students from the Greater Hazleton Community.
2. Expenditures of \$310,000.00 annually as a result of the Center's location in town.
3. Possibility of night courses for all who desire them. (Courses such as English, Economics, etc.)
4. The training of personnel for industries that might locate here.

The above list could be extended to great length, but even so brief a list should convince the most cynical.

We feel you, the public, should receive the answers to several questions.

1. What became of the Committee who promised action on new quarters for the Center?
2. What became of the "Minute Men" who suggested positive action on this topic?
3. Why is the Center relegated to a position of lower importance than other projects, however worthy, such as the retention of the State Police Barracks?

We suggest a meeting of the Mayor, the head of the C. of C., prominent local citizens, students of the Center, and veterans of the community whereby such questions may be answered.

### West Hazleton May Be New Site Of Hazleton Undergraduate Center

#### Commencement Friday, June 6th

Dr. Hazel Ramsay, chairman of the newly appointed commencement committee, announced to the COLLEGIAN the fact that plans are being formulated for the first commencement exercise in the history of the Hazleton Undergraduate Center. Although the plan is in its infancy, the date has been set for the morning of June 6th.

Commencement exercises for junior colleges, as well as four year colleges, have become an established tradition throughout the country; and HUC is taking a definite step on the road of progress with its inception here.

Discussion among students indicates that the establishment of tradition has been lacking here at the Center, and a commencement exercise will put HUC on a true college footing.

A college commencement is entirely different from the one students experienced when graduating from high school. The impressive ceremony is one that lingers in fond memories for many decades.

The entire student body and guests will be present at the exercises. In conjunction with the commencement many awards will be presented to deserving students. The athletic awards, scholarship awards and individual scholastic awards will be presented.

Efforts are being made to secure a prominent and interesting speaker, and a suitable auditorium for the exercises. These and many other problems incident to college graduation exercises are being worked upon. The inauguration of this new phase of activity to HUC is a large undertaking, and will require the complete cooperation of all students and faculty.

Further plans will be announced to the students as they develop; it is hoped that the complete details will be available for the next issue of the COLLEGIAN.

#### English Instructor To Undertake Dictionary Project

Wallace E. McMullen, instructor of English at HUC, has announced that he is collecting material for a proposed dictionary of local terms and colloquialisms peculiar to this area. This includes mining terms and slang and also any foreign terms in current use. Students who are interested in participating in this project, or who are familiar with the local colloquialisms, are requested to contact Mr. McMullen for further details.

As an example, the material will be arranged in the following manner: **JOB'S TURKEY** — An imaginary turkey having the qualities of patience and poverty in allusion to the qualities of Job. Used as a type of comparison (1824). Example: "He is as poor as Job's Turkey".

Reports reaching the COLLEGIAN indicate that plans are already under way to expand the facilities of the Center and provide new and more adequate housing for that institution in the near future. In an interview given to the head of a student committee seeking a definite answer to what plans civic leaders had in this respect, Chamber of Commerce President Vic Diehm revealed that such plans are underway and that the students who sought a meeting of their committee with city officials should delay this proposed meeting for a period of two weeks. Mr. Diehm indicated that the answer might be forthcoming before the lapse of that time. The student representative was informed that there is a civic minded citizen so interested that he proposed the possibility of erecting a building and serving as the Center's landlord.

Meanwhile the school was alive with rumors that the Center's new location would be in West Hazleton. One interested student, who declined to be quoted, ventured information which he claims to be reliable, that the authorities await only the approval of the state legislators to close the deal for the West Hazleton site. No official confirmation of these reports could be secured, and impending action was shrouded in secrecy.

Departing from the approved journalistic policy of making news stories objective and devoid of editorial comment, the COLLEGIAN wishes to remind civic leaders that the eyes of the community are upon them. This publication, as is evidenced by editorials appearing in this very issue, has advocated action on this question for some time and watches with great interest, the most recent developments.

#### GERMAN CLUB NEW YORK BOUND

At one of the regular German Club meetings held this past week it was tentatively decided to make a visit to New York City. Miss Helen Dossenbach, club moderator and instructor of German at HUC, will accompany the group on visits to old German restaurants, a German language film and a tour of the German quarter in the metropolis. All members of the German Club are requested to plan for the trip so that it will be a successful event.

#### Reading of Antigone To Be Presented At Grebey Auditorium

On Monday, April 21, all students of English Literature are to attend the reading of the play Antigone at the Grebey Auditorium. Mrs. Marion V. Brown, dramatics instructor at H.H.S., will give the reading.

Although this reading is primarily for English literature classes, all students and faculty are invited to attend.

All Students should arrange summer session and fall semester (1947) schedules in the office during the week of April 21 to 25, between the hours of 2 an 5.