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## MANY BEHIND THE SCENES

The Third Annual Pennsylvania Junior College Athletic Association Basketball Tournament opens tonight at the Hazleton High School Gymnasium. Few persons watching the competing tournament teams will realize how much "behind the scenes" work was necessary to make the tournament an artistic, if not a financial success. Several administrative officials, faculty members and students spent many hours each day for the past four weeks making preparations for the basketball playoffs which begin tonight. These men and women are to be commended for their spirit and enthusiasm. Now we may say, "Well done."

The students who should receive special thanks for the part they played in making it possible to stage the tournament are: William Steiner, Hugh Close, Wilson Barto, Leon Baden, Dan Wargo, Anita Goldberg, George Demshock and John Ward.

## THINGS MIGHT MOVE - BUT FAST

Monday most HUC veterans received their last VA subsistence check bearing the old value of sixty-five dollars since the long awaited increase of ten dollars goes into effect this month. The checks for \$75, however, will not be in the veterans' hands until the first part of April. The increase is the result of many months of waiting by the GI students. Last spring a concerted effort was made by Vet organizations to put pressure on the Congress for swift approval of the new rate. But the final word passed over President Truman's desk only recently. The actual job took almost a year after the men under the dome decided to do something about the conditions.

The next thing to be watched in Washington regarding the Vets of the nation is the final action on the profits realized by the government from GI insurance. Something should happen before September inasmuch as a presidential year always makes things move - but fast.

## What's Your Name? ELLIOT LAWRENCE — His College Records As Good As His Band

It was an optimist who said, "Things could be worse." Take names, for instance. It's interesting to consider what your name would be if it were the antonym it might have, or if the syllables were turned around. See what can be done with your name after reading a few samples of student names below.

### What If It Weren't?

- H. Close but Faraway.
- A. Fry but Sizzle.
- W. Herr but His.
- M. Schott but Poisoned.
- A. Spaide but Shovel.
- T. Strike but Foul.
- J. Longo but Shorto.
- M. Demat but DeRug.
- H. Hyman but Lowman.
- H. Lockman but Locklady.
- R. Chuckran but Chuckwalked.
- G. Butterwick but Oleowick.
- E. Nowak but Yeswak.
- J. Wersinger but Betteringer.

Fifty-five prom dates in one season is a record for any band — and that's the record that's been made by Elliot Lawrence, twenty-two year old band leader. What's more, Elliot is so fresh from the University of Pennsylvania's Academy of Music, that seniors there still remember his playing as an undergraduate at college functions.

Incidentally, this campus favorite began his musical career at the age of three — conducting a "kid" band on a small Pennsylvania radio station.

### 76 IN CLASS

The first enrollment of physical education classes ever to be held at HUC numbers 76 at the present time. The classes were started in February and are held in the YMCA gymnasium.

## LARGE ATTENDANCE AT MODERN LANGUAGE DANCE IN EAGLES' CLUB

A large attendance enjoyed dancing to the music of Art Wendel's Orchestra at the Eagle's Ballroom February 25 when the Modern Language Clubs sponsored the Sadie Hawkins Dance.

During intermission Alice Lanyon started off a stage show by giving a rendition of Cole Porter's "I've Got You Under My Skin."

Louis Booros and Louis and Junior Colombo, the Harmony Haven Trio, were called for three encores after they sang "Ooh, Looka There, Ain't She Pretty?"

Murray Loss presented a piano solo of one of his own compositions, "Der Sturm."

The feature number of the evening was a novelty presentation of the popular song, "Slap Her Down Again, Pa." The cast included Jane Kenvin, Bob Dobra, Alice Lanyon, Donald Smith, Theresa Zogby and Mike Arlotto. Dan Wargo directed the skit. An elimination dance called by Wilson Barto, master of ceremonies, concluded the program.

Other persons who deserve credit for the success of the dance are Miss Edra Staffieri, Miss Helen Dossenbach, Miss Emma Phillips, and the various committees which worked to present the project.

Dramatics, Miss Sherrock attended HUC for two semesters in 1945 and 1946.

HUC has two alumni at Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, Penna: AARON MARSH, student of four semesters at HUC, is now continuing his studies for a History and Social Science major; and GEORGE TOMSHO, former co-editor of the Collegian. Both Marsh and Tomsho were members of HUC's International Relations Club, and both are currently active on the Swarthmore College debating team.

CLIFFORD S. BASTUSCHECK attended HUC in 1940-1942 and transferred to Penn State Campus where he graduated. Since 1945, Bastuscheck, residing in Altoona with his family, has been an Instructor of Physics at the Altoona Undergraduate Center.

NAOMI BASTUSCHECK, Field Director for the Anthracite Council, Girl Scouts, graduated from Penn State College in 1947. Miss Bastuscheck studied at HUC from 1940 to 1942. She worked until 1945 in Washington, D. C. as a government girl, then returned in 1945 to Penn State Campus to complete her junior and senior years of college.

ALICE B. ITTER, student of HUC from 1935 to 1937, wed DONALD CARTER, HUC student from 1934 to 1936; both receiving their degrees at Penn State College. Mr. Carter, CHARLES GALLAGHER — a student of HUC in the same years as Carter — and MIKE CAPPARELL, who attended HUC from 1935 to 1937, are presently employed by the Veterans Administration Office in Wilkes-Barre.

## FIRST SEMESTER KNOWLEDGE

By George Demshock

### Languages

Dinero — A Spanish dining room.  
Crepe suzette — A drunken pancake with a hotfoot.  
Sombbrero — A somber Spaniard.  
Squall — An Indian wife (not necessarily Indian though).  
Yen — A Chinese desire.

### Music

Coloratura — A high note in music. Usually a note so high that it can be heard only by a dog.  
Fugue — Warlike music. Usually written when the composer was having a fugue with his neighbor.  
Waltz — A flatfooted fox trot.

### Sciences

Laboratory — A room marked "Gents."  
Racoon — What a butterfly emerges from.  
Atom — Eve's husband.

### History

Europa — An expression of amazement, like: "Europa — I have five zips."  
Sales Tax — A tax dating back to Queen Isabella who taxed the people to raise money for sails for Columbus' ships.

### Sports

Semi-pro — Referring to athletes paid only half the time.

### General Vocabulary

Dormitory — A university flophouse.  
Honorary — A western expression as: "You're an honorary critter."  
Olive — A small green cherry used in martinis.  
Intellectual — A guy who waits for the right spots to quote what smart guys say.  
O — Prefix to an Irishman's name.

## ALUMNI NEWS

ANTHONY MARTINI, a former student of HUC, is now matriculating at the George Washington University and Law School, Washington, D. C., one of the foremost of its kind in the country. Mr. Martini completed his undergraduate work in Economics while here at HUC.

The former NATALIE BIEDERMAN, now MRS. MELVIN GORDON, who graduated from Penn State Campus with a B. A. Degree in Sociology, is working as an apprentice social worker at the Edenswald School for Boys. Mrs. Gordon was a student of HUC in 1946.

MARY SHERROCK'S major while studying at Barnard College in New York is English Speech and