

**"HAZLETON COLLEGIANS" COLLECT 83-46 VICTORY IN FREELAND TOURNAMENT**

Members of the Hazleton Center basketball team, playing independently under the name "Hazleton Collegians" in the Freeland Edwards Tournament started off Wednesday night to put in a strong bid for the championship by overwhelming the Coaldale Era Five 83 to 46. Highacres members of the slightly hybrid team are Gabe Lensack, Lew Smith, Bill Coll, Spike Ostroff, Chippy Kender and Don Krentz. In the opener, Gabe Lensack scored 24 points and Lew Smith had 14. The "Collegians" will make their next tournament date March 31 at the Freeland YMCA gymnasium.

**"COLLEGIAN" ALL WRONG ON POPEYE LIBRARY STORY: TRUTH MUCH WORSE**

How wrong can you be? Just ask the "Hazleton Collegian" editors after they uncovered the real facts in the case of "Popeye" in the library. They were serious. There are iron bars over the windows of the Highacres Library to prevent escape of students from such a treasury of learning. If you don't believe this, go and look. Those iron bars were almost "Popeye's doom" -- those bars and a record player.

You remember from our last week's story that Francis "Popeye" Mihalovic was trapped in the college library. But we didn't think it was serious. But it was. You see, "Popeye" was reading in the "stacks", as the room is called where the long steel shelves of books are. It is over the windows of this room that you will find the bars, barring the way to liberty and casting grim black lines across the panorama of Conyngham Valley. You will find two doors to the room -- one kept permanently locked, the other opening into the reading and reference room.

Now to the desperate situation in which "Popeye" found himself. He was reading near a barred window and did not pay particular attention when assistant librarian John Kurtz turned out the fluorescents, not knowing anyone was back there in the "stacks". and, because he was going to class, locked the large, strong grey door -- from the outside.

Peace reigned in the stacks; "Popeye" kept on reading. Students came to the reading room and settled down for study. In the music room Mike Belgio started listening to some of the music departments full-bodied recordings on the large player that was designed by Miss Pearl Garbrick. But Mike was disturbed.

Mike was disturbed because he began to hear a faint tapping, tapping at the door. He stopped and listened. He played another recording. He heard more tapping. Aroused, he went to the door from the music room to the reading room and angrily announced to the studying students, "If you pranksters don't stop that tapping on this door, I'll report it to Miss Garbrick."

There was quiet -- for a minute. Then the tapping started again. Again Mike thrust open the reading room door. This time the studiers assured him honestly that they were not playing pranks. What to do? Now everyone surmised that someone was trapped in the stacks. Samaritan Walter Betley then began his trips at top speed to the office, bring back wrong keys for the large grey door that was immuring "Popeye" away from his next class.

Finally rescue came. Dave Edwards, another library assistant, appeared with "the key" and with a turn and a thrust had the victim out and on his way to class.

(Thanks to Miss Garbrick for the details on this story)

**THIS IS GETTING MONOTONOUS -- LOCKED IN; LOCKED OUT; WARD AND PAYER DO SECOND-STORY WORK IN BASEMENT.**

One morning this week -- not the snowy one -- two men were seen in the quadrangle performing second-story work on the ground floor of the Memorial Dormitory building. The men were Gilbert H. Ward, assistant professor of physics, and Ed Payer. They were observed entering (after considerable prying) a window on the ground level, opening into the office of the physics laboratory. Reports have come to these pages that keys were the cause -- keys locked in the laboratory office.

Do you wish to damage the fine looking furniture in our main lounge? What about your feet? What about shoving the arms of the chairs sideways with your legs?