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cause and cure ...  
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## Sponsors at Shaw shag selected

With the naming of Carolyn Heinz and Eleanor Connor as sponsor and guest of honor, the campus seethed this week in anticipation of hearing Art Shaw at the Alcazar next Wednesday night at nine.

Miss Heinz and Miss Connor will be escorted by Donald Kirkwood, chairman of the Board of Social Activities, and Harold Ricards, who now has seven keys.

George Miller will officiate at the ceremony. He will wear a tuxedo, and a white stuffed shirt with a black tie.

Art Shaw, who can bring spontaneous happiness into more eyes more quickly than any band leader in the country today, is making swing history. His is the Dixieland Band of the present.



Eleanor Connor

His stay in New York during past months has been a sweeping triumph, and already his personal performances are beginning to rival football for drawing crowds.

When he plays here, he will also be making dance history for the Hopkins. This dance promises a second revolution in B S A policy on campus dances.

And so with the arrival of the first robin of spring yesterday, preparations for the dance are complete.

"I am overjoyed with the whole thing," the first robin said in an exclusive interview.

"Although Art Shaw has given us robins some pretty stiff competition, I'm still for him all the way, in the first at Tropical Park. His interpretation of a tropical thunder storm, 'Jungle Drums' is captivating.

When asked if he had noticed the fresh and joyous spirit pervading the campus, his little red breast



Carolyn Heinz

swelled like pre-dance ticket sales have been swelling this last week. He replied:

"Oh, my yes! I have never seen long faces so unpopular. Even members of the B S A are wreathed with smiles.

"But what about these pink handbills that say the dance is being held at the Alcazar? I am worried to find out whether the word Alcazar is in the process of being corrupted into Alcholzaz." He was reassured by his interviewer that it was mere Page four, please

## Graduate students favor negro admission, poll shows

By EDGAR J. KASSAN

That the graduate school student body is behind the movement to admit Edward S. Lewis, negro applicant, to the school of economics, was proved conclusively this week as latest results of the Liberal club poll on the question showed 92 "for" and 23 "against."

The poll, sponsored by the Campus Problems committee of the Liberal club, has only six schools yet to cover and complete results of the balloting will be available next week.

Members of the school of economics in which Lewis has applied for entrance voted for the admission of negroes by a count of 14 to 1. Students in the geology department were the only graduates opposing, having voted eight to five against. The percentage in favor was at least four to one in all schools except one.

If admitted, Edward Lewis will not be the first of his race to enter the graduate school. Dr. Kelly Miller, former Dean of chemistry at the Howard university, attended the university 52 years ago. He was admitted by President Gilman immediately after application. In a letter received by Dr. Broadus Mitchell, chief faculty proponent of the plan for negro admission, Dr. Miller stated that he noticed no prejudice or ill feeling against him during his residence at the university. Correspondence received from Dr. Miller's student associates state likewise.

Lewis applied for admission almost ten months ago and is waiting action on his application by the Academic council.

He was graduated from the University of Chicago and is now a member of the University of Pennsylvania graduate school of Sociology. Among the committees and organization in which Lewis has been active are: the Labor Relations board of the fifth district, (only colored member) which covers West Virginia, Virginia, District of Columbia, Maryland and Delaware; the Maryland Unemployment and Relief committee; the Baltimore board for establishing a local office of the United States Employment service; the Citizen's Housing committee (vice-chairman); the Program committee of Maryland State Conference of Social workers; the Executive board of the Goodwill Industries; the Council of Social agencies; the Interracial committee of the Council of Churches; and the colored Boy Scouts of Baltimore city (District Commissioner).

## Barnstormers elect officers

Tom Powers, Alfred Agrin and Val Block, respectively displaced J. R. MacShane, Robert Anderson, and Robert Feldman as officers of the Barnstormers, dramatics organization of the Hopkins, in an election held yesterday afternoon in Levering.

Powers, Delta Upsilon, and stage director of the Playshop, was chosen for president in preference to Alfred Agrin. Agrin, however, member of Phi Sigma Delta, was elected business manager. Sy Pestronk and Martin Breslau had also been nominated for that office. Victor M. Victoroff, publicity director of the club was eliminated as a candidate when he indicated his desire to remain in his appointed office.

Agrin has appeared in every Barnstormer production of the past three years, and had lead roles in "Once in a Lifetime" and "She Loves Me Not" (1938). He indicated in his acceptance of the nomination that he was willing to give up acting in future presentations if it conflicted with the proper observance of his duties as business manager.

Val Block, Tau Alpha Omega, was elected secretary-treasurer. The floor expressed the anticipation of his "making an important job" out of his new position, long considered a sinecure.



Dr. Broadus Mitchell

Upon hearing of the results of the poll, Dr. Broadus Mitchell declared that the vote upholds the principle that the University ought to welcome all of those capable of benefiting by its services.

"As the application of Mr. Lewis has been pending month after month, the question has increasingly become, not his welfare, but the state of health of the University itself," stated Dr. Mitchell. "If he is turned down, there is a grave suspicion that the University has lost something of the vigor and honesty with which it began, that it has become circumspect rather than courageous.

## N L selects Higham, McElhiney

Thomas McElhiney and John Higham, both sophomores, were elected to the positions of managing editor at the last NEWS-LETTER staff meeting on March 3. McElhiney was assistant managing editor last year.

Higham rose directly from the ranks of reporters, but he has written editorials on international relations and current events. Both of these men are members of the newly founded Liberal club. McElhiney is sophomore Student council representative.

Paul Flam, a freshman, broke precedent in being elected to the post of assistant sports editor. Today the staff will elect the feature editor. Lloyd Warshawer, Herbert Kleinfeld, and Victor Victoroff are candidates for the office. At the same meeting elections for assistant managing editor will be held. There are several candidates for the position, both sophomores and freshmen.

The aspirants include Albert Relsfeld, Carlo De Antonio, Irving Yudkoff, LeRoy Swerdloff, Charles Weiland, and Edgar Kassan.

## I R C launches symposium on Spain; Diamond states policy

At the last meeting of the International Relations club, Sigmund Diamond launched a symposium on Spain by reading a paper on the political history of Spain up to the beginning of the civil war. This was the first in a series of several papers, prepared by members of the club, bearing on various aspects of the situation in Spain.

Thomas McElhiney will continue the symposium at the next meeting by reading a paper on the development of politics since the outbreak of the war. Other papers will be delivered at subsequent meetings. The topics will include a discussion of the army, the influences of foreign military aid, the position of the Catholic Church, foreign intellectual and economic influence, and the economy of

## Collegiate Studies board discards present marking system, Berry reveals; five letter scale adopted

### June week drive begins with pledges

June week plans go into action today as William Mehling, chairman of the June Week committee, issued pledges with each NEWS-LETTER, and announced that four gala affairs are being planned for the colorful June time fete.

Contrary to the signing of pledges by only seniors last year, the pledges today are to be filled out by students in all classes.

The reason for the pledges is that the treasury last year was low and that the Dean refuses to lend the class any money unless the pledges are secured.

Last year seniors who hadn't paid class dues were charged \$10, those who had, \$7. Today all classes alike will pay about \$8 and the seniors will benefit by this price in that there will be no additional charge for the senior banquet.

The price \$8 has not been definitely set, but will be approximately that. Last year the price was \$8.50 and in addition a charge was made for Bunny Berigan.

A junior prom, a senior prom, a beach party and a small dance has been announced as the tentative program schedule.

Members of the June Week committee were named this week. They are:

William Mehling, chairman; John Edwards, Robert McShane, Ted Reese, Robert Hecht, John Levi, Frank Parker, and John Blucher.

The senior class officers constitute the ex-officio membership. They are: Bucky Sellman, Boots Kaufman, Jack Wetzler, Wethered Barroll, and Philip Perel.

One junior who has not yet been selected will be added to the committee.

After the June Week committee confers with the interfraternity board, more information will be revealed concerning the small dance.

Individual tickets for the four affairs are set at about the following prices:

Senior prom .....	\$3.50
Junior prom .....	3.50
Beach party .....	2.50
Dance .....	1.50
Total .....	\$11.00

The Lord Baltimore hotel and the Alcazar will probably be the location of the two proms; the Annapolis Road club the site of the all-day beach party. These places served well last year and in all probabilities will be used again.



Dean Edward W. Berry

## Refugee given scholarship

Fresh on the heels of an announcement issued by Wethered L. Barroll, treasurer of the refugee committee, that over one-half of the necessary \$750 has been pledged, Dr. Isaiah T. Bowman stated in behalf of the administration that a one year scholarship will be offered to the refugee if the needed amount is raised.

This step is one that has been eagerly awaited by many, and it is hoped that it will cause a surge of new subscriptions. Such a scholarship will enable the refugee to use the entire fund for his living expenses.

Barroll, speaking in behalf of the commission, emphasized the importance of subscribing to the drive and paying your pledge promptly. He stated:

"Everyone realizes the importance of raising \$750. By giving a dollar we are helping to save one individual from a life of wretchedness. Each one should make it his business to pay his pledge promptly in order to enable the committee to go ahead with its plans as soon as possible."

Circulars were placed in the post office boxes the latter part of the week explaining the drive and requesting further subscriptions. At present \$400 has already been pledged, but of that sum, only \$137 has been paid in cash. These pledges fall due on April 1, and all students are urged to mail in their subscriptions by the deadline.

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Descending disconcertingly upon an almost completely unsuspecting campus this week, came the disclosure by the Board of Collegiate studies that it had approved measures for changing the present system of grades in the undergraduate schools. The new plan calls for five grades, A, B, C, D, and F, failure.

Dean Edward W. Berry revealed that the proposal had been approved by the board at its meeting of February 14, and was at present being considered by the committee on educational methods and policies, that it might present recommendations for dealing with the details and difficulties of the transition.

The measures taken to date make no mention of the time of inauguration of the revised plan, nor do they affect the school of engineering. Likewise, the question of treatment of men already in the university and having records planned on the H, S, F system has yet to be broached.

It has devolved upon Dr. Evans' educational policy committee to make recommendations for dealing with these problems. A superficial sounding of the sentiment of some faculty opinion seems to indicate that the plan will be inaugurated next September, with all men in the respective schools similarly affected. The committee will also have to consider the question of credits toward degrees with the altered criteria set up.

The Committee on Educational methods and policies, a sub-committee of the studies board is composed of nine faculty members, including Dr. George H. Evans Jr., chairman. In all probability the board will not act on the committee's recommendations for some time when they are forthcoming, matters of finance and curricula for next year occupying its immediate attention.

It is interesting to note in connection with this action, that the Hopkins Medical school found it necessary to likewise increase the number of its grades some time back. Graduating doctors were encountering difficulty in securing internships, due to the difficulty of definition of their pass or fail grade.

According to comment by members of the Collegiate board, the action was taken in view of the difficulty encountered by men attempting to matriculate into graduate schools and advanced positions, arising from the flexibility and difficulty in interpreting the S grade. The issue had been raised in the past, when students applying to medical and graduate schools had been told that it was impossible to evaluate their standing on a satisfactory basis, an S covering too broad a field to be of any value as a mark.

Feeling that while the present system was perfectly satisfactory from a Hopkins' point of view, perhaps, but unfair to those graduates forced to turn elsewhere, the committee took this step as a solution to the problem, hoping the new plan will provide for a better qualitative classification.

The three mark system was inaugurated by Dean Berry about eight years ago, and has been in operation ever since. It is more or less unique with the Hopkins, most other universities resorting to a five letter, or numerical system. It has been this conflict which has lain at the root of the trouble.

The matter drew to a head this year when both students and faculty members had the difficulty called to their attentions repeatedly. A crying need for immediate action was felt, and the action was forthcoming.

The Board of Collegiate studies consists of 41 faculty members, presided over by the president of the university and with Dean Edward Berry as vice-chairman. Dr. R. B. Roulston is secretary. It has primary jurisdiction in all matters appertaining to matter of curricula and courses, and may rescind or modify its action at will.



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## Ode to a Cause

We have nothing but the greatest respect for the ability of the Board to do its job and do it well, but principles and convictions are hard-dying things.

The need for some change was unquestionable. The passage of the years and the corresponding intensification in competition pointed ever more fatefully to change as a mere question of time. Those men entering the competitive field—primarily pre-meds—were increasingly handicapped by the lack of definitive basis in the satisfactory grade. Standards for comparison were lacking, and oversight or disregard was the consequence.

But the advantages of the H S F system were great. At the Hopkins, by virtue of this system, education and not marks was the ultimate aim. An H was not a goal to be striven for, so much as an indication of a superior scholar. Thus, the bulk of the student body, getting an S regardless of degree, was forced into a recognition of education—the most thrillingly important experience of one's life—rather than reward as the important phase of a college career. This was in keeping, and had to be in keeping, with those elementary tenets to which any great educational institution must adhere.

That others perhaps did not see eye to eye with us is sad. The interpretation of the tenets must lie with each institution—that is what imparts to it its individuality and, for better or for worse, makes it what it is. Yet, isolation is impossible. We exist in society, not alone, but as a part of it, else we do not exist for long. But if Mohammed must go to the mountain, he need not go afoot when better ways may exist. The changing of the marking system is a foothold, a last resort—we've thrown in the towel. The Hopkins was two decades ahead of American undergraduate educational systems. In the choice of two evils it has chosen the greater. Instead of marking time by some method, and waiting for the rest, it about faced and went to meet them!

We are firmly convinced that by adopting a system such as the Board has, the Hopkins is forcing its students to work and study and cram for marks, allowing them no choice but to finish the required work in the best way possible lest the competition down them. Any incentive for initiative along cultural or research lines is not only hindered but practically killed. This is not an education—certainly not a Hopkins education.

But we know that the Board realizes this. We know that the abandonment of principle was not effected without the conviction that it was for the greatest good of all concerned. We merely lament the fact that some other means for interpreting marks could have been found that would not necessitate scrapping a plan that was good in theory and working here in practice.

The Hopkins is a truly great center of learning. It must remain one. Because the whole world was out of step with us, we have yielded. Many are to benefit from our step back. The number must justify the action—must represent a step forward. The Hopkins, however, must never become a mere school. It must always be a University, with all therein implied.

## Follow-up to some Big Talk

We hope we haven't sounded too adolescent in our rather lengthy dissertation above. There is a shade of the ridiculous in the idea of a student—editor or not—telling 43 learned gentlemen to stop and reconsider. But we're not just blowing off steam. There are ways of preserving the present advantageous system and yet coping with its shortcomings.

We have in mind a scheme which would involve much time and interest on the part of the faculty, but which we feel would more than pay its dividends in raised standards. This plan may be applied to any particular group, and is in most respects in actual operation in certain departments.

Consider, for example's sake, for the pre-medical group, it might operate somewhat as follows:—

A committee of about fifteen men, intimately and capably associated with the pre-med curriculum could be set up. Each man aspiring to a pre-medical major would be required to petition this group for admission in the middle of his second year. The committee would then, by interviewing these men, by considering their records to date, and through their personal acquaintance with them (inevitable in such a committee), weed out those men who are obviously scheduled for failure as pre-meds. That such men exist in any group is obvious on the most superficial consideration. These men would not be allowed to become pre-meds, but would be compelled to enter another group.

So far this plan contains nothing not already in effect. Theoretically, this elimination occurs under our present system. Thus, we would automatically increase the percentage of medical aspirants who will ultimately be accepted.

But the committee's most important task would be yet to come. During his last two years, the pre-meds would be carefully observed, so that finally, the committee could draw up a detailed analysis of each man's grades, which would become a part of his transcript. Thus would the problem of interpretation of marks be met.

Two birds are killed with one stone. The bugaboo of sharply differentiated marks forcing students into a hyperconsciousness of grades is avoided, while the ultimate effect of such marks is achieved.

The plan is outlined in the sketchiest possible form, but we believe its structure to be clear. That it would involve a mass of work is obvious, yet is not as appalling as might appear.

Ultimately, such a plan should prove most successful. Its general applicability is to its credit, and the difficulties attached to its inauguration not so great as to be nearly prohibitive. It might be pointed out that the great majority of colleges employ some such system.

Well, it's one way, at least, of marking time while blazing the trail.

## Footnotes to the Week---3!

A journalistic masterpiece last Monday announced the emerging of the now-legendary Y C L from a year's hibernation. But our pink playfellows had not allowed a year's grass to grow under their feet. The latest in news:—

"Y C L refused assembly"; "Council undemocratically kills Cotillion board"; etc. garnished the headlines.

The call to rusty arms is sounded! The friends of the free are resurrected!

Arise men of conviction. Report to the Johns Hopkins Y C L headquarters. Homewood? No! Eutaw St.! What is this? A gag?

It was most gratifying to learn that the Board of trustees have granted a scholarship to a German refugee student. Between this and the favorable progression of the drive for funds, a truly worthwhile cause seems to be reaching a happy end.

Pi D E conceived the idea and may take its bow. The Hopkins carried it through—to it the credit.

Mr Reuben Baer's Gymboree last Wednesday night simply bore out our remarks of last week. The intrastudent athletic program at the Hopkins is truly worthy of note. A short unsubsidized cheer for the department.

Our congratulations to Tom Powers, Al Agnin, and the rest of the new Stormer officers. Both men have worked long and hard, and are deserving, willing and able to face the demands of their new jobs.

A question, however, presents itself. What sort of an election system do the Stormers have, wherein an actor, not Al Agnin in particular, but any actor, becomes business manager? We have no qualms concerning Mr Agnin's ability to handle the job. But speaking generally, we'd suggest that our thespians clean house through constitutional revision, before they make a bad mistake.

## Clamorama

By Kenneth Maxcy

These are a few words in explanation of the pamphlet distributed by the Young Communist League last Monday.

It was twelve at night by the clock in the tower. From the shadows four hooded figures emerged and slunk toward the steps of Levering hall, casting furtive glances behind them.

They met and gave a sign and countersign. "This life is hell," one of them said in low earnest tones. "I don't know when I'm going to be caught and beaten."

"Have courage, Comrade," another said. "The life of a Young Communist Leaguer at Hopkins is a life of persecution, but we must move among the threats with courage."

"I heard it was three of us," ready flogged two of us with a rubber hose and hid the bodies!" the short one said.

"I heard it was three of us," answered the tall one. "Let's take the roll."

One of them stood before each of the others in turn, repeated a phrase and received one in reply. Their voices were muffled by their hoods and they frequently glanced into the shadows in nervous apprehension. Faintly distinguishable on their hoods were the red letters, "Y C L, Hopkins Commune."

"Number two is absent," was the report. They all hung their heads and observed a minute's silence in his memory.

Just then heels tapped on the pavement. The group scurried for cover, frantically diving for the shrubbery. Then all was still.

One of them parted the bushes and peered out.

"It's a hooded figure," he whispered to the others, "probably one of the president's spies!" They gasped, and each held his breath.

The new-comer walked to the steps hurriedly, glancing at his watch. "Wait a minute!" whispered the lookout. "I think it's one of us. I'll go closer and see."

He sneaked from one shrub to the next on his hands and knees, always keeping in the shadows. When he drew very near the steps, he saw the red letters on the newcomer's hood. This reassured him.

He stood up by the steps and said, "It's all right fellows."

The hooded figure on the steps leaped to his feet, screamed and tore off into the night. The little group behind the bushes emerged cautiously and collected once more upon the steps.

"It must be number two," the short one said.

"Then we're all present," said one with a tenor voice.

"Well, what about that rumor of the flogging?" asked another, darting a suspicious look behind him.

"Probably some malicious lie spread around by the president," said the short one.

Number two, who had recovered himself somewhere in the dark, now reappeared on tiptoe, skulking through the night, and joined them. "What makes you late?" asked the comrade with the tenor voice.

Number two looked around him to make sure no one could overhear, and the group drew closer to hear his reason.

"Been to a dance."

"Oh!" said the tall one. "Well now that we are all here, I think it is necessary to discuss our projected pamphlet."

"I think our editorial should seize the moment to denounce the administration's high-handed action in relentlessly exterminating the Cotillion board. It is only five months since it happened."

"Yes, we must make this encroachment upon student rights clear to our fellow students," the short one put in, "especially now at the time when it will have the most effect. Why, the whole topic has had hardly any discussion at all!"

"I thought you would agree," said the tall one. "I see you have received your letters from the commissar in Baltimore."

"Yes," they chorused, "we got them this morning."

"That new invisible ink is pretty tricky," said the one with the tenor voice in a pleased tone, "even if the president's spies do steam open our mail, they'll never be able to read it now!"

"The letters also said we've got to do something about the Student council," said the tall one.

"What can we do? They just passed some democratic amendments to the constitution. If there is such a thing as a democratic student government, we're closer to it now than we've ever been in the history of the school."

"We've got to attack them!" said the tall one, "orders from the Commissar!"

These last tones rang out into the night air. They all ducked, cupped their hands to their mouths, and looked around fearfully.

Bob, the cop, was coming down the steps by the tennis court.

"Cheese it, the president's storm troopers!"

"Just a second," said the tall one, "we must also point out how obvious it is why we must remain secret. And now until tomorrow night at twelve, let us disperse!"

Bob was coming closer.

"Good God, they're nearly upon us!" number two exclaimed in terror, and they vanished into the shadows of the night from whence they had come.

## The Alligator and the Cat

by SIDNEY PINESS

There has been talk and talk about specialization in this field and that. The professional men and cellophane are here to stay! The field of music has also been overrun by that individualist, the vocalist, and bands vie with one another in their efforts to secure the best singers. At one time when Morton Downey and the Boswell Sisters commanded attention, the public was clamoring for singers and more singers. Today we've reached that point again; so many talented (and some not so talented) singers have made bids for fame, and most of them have chosen the victrola record as the medium by which they hoped to reach many ears.

Perhaps the best trio of them all is that group of Southern girls, the Andrews Sisters. They happened to have a colorful combination with a swell arranger and so they got to the top with one record, "Bei Mir Bist Du Schon". But they were lucky enough and good enough to be able to stay at the top, and by now they have

a large group of fans waiting for their every new release. Their latest killer "Hold Tight" can tell its own story as to whether or not the Andrews Sisters are fading. The next sensation was Maxine Sullivan whose plaintive warblings tore many a heart. Although she started off as a swing singer and although she still does rip into a fast number every now and then, still her field is blues and she seems to have her own recipe or handling torch ballads. Her voice is a blending of Dorothy Lamour in a sarong and the haunting call of the Bayou on a cool night. (Oh yes, I do like Maxine Sullivan!).

While the Andrews Sisters became famous by chance, Mary Martin, currently of "Leave it to Me," had a crew of publicity men and Broadway critics behind her. But Mary deserves every bouquet she has caught. I couldn't be referring to anything else but her "My Heart Belongs to Daddy" which is a hot wax platter in any man's language.

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# News-Letter picks All Maryland basketball team

## Gymboree night gala success

It was Gymboree night and ETA night at Homewood Wednesday evening as a few hundred fans watched the fraternities scrimmage for athletic honors and the Turbyville trophy.

Directed by Reuben Baer and with the Greek lettermen as the feature attraction, the evening was a gala success for the fans and the contestants.

### Tug of War

At seven the Greek gladiators tested their strength in the tug-of-war. In the quarter finals, Phi Gams, ETA, Pi Lam and DU came out victorious. After a hasty draw by Mr. Baer, Phi Gam was pitted against ETA, and DU against Pi Lam.

ETA with their half ton team easily pulled the Gamma boys across the black line, and then watched the Turbyville trophy leaders, Pi Lam defeat DU in a tough pull.

### ETA Wins

Between the halves of the basketball game, the ETA tug-of-war team of Rostov, Boshack, Mazur, Piven, Pollack, C Rubin, and C Rudo proved too strong for the Pi Lam boys and proceeded to take the event in the first two tests.

In what was probably the most interesting event of the entire program, Jimmy Benson, Hopkin's badminton ace, was trounced by Franks Roberts, State champ, by a score of 21-16.

### Frank Roberts Too Good

Although Benson's overhand shot drove the bird to the far corners of the court, Roberts' tricky backhand and powerful drives proved too much for Benson. The fans were amazed at the number of trick shots and cuts the victor had at his disposal.

Ray Faught gave the first exhibition of weight lifting ever given at Hopkins. Beginning with a 130 pound weight the Hopkins' Atlas pulled up 150 pounds in a two hand snatch and then completed his exhibition with a 200 pound weight, which he proceeded to calmly carry to the far ends of the gym following his event.

Captain McDaniels, head of the wrestling squad in 1935-36 and Captain Ed Clautice, of last year, gave a caricature of the professional grunt and growlers. Edwards, leader of the present squad, was referee.

### Phi Gamma

In the highlight of the evening Phi Gamma Delta defeated ETA by a score of 22-15 in the intrafraternity basketball finals. The Phi Gams were never overtaken, and the half ended with the victors leading by six points.

Leading the Gamma attack were Williams with eight points, and Tosch and Thomas with five points each. The ETA leaders were Rossett and Eddy Rubin.

## Fencers travel to Maryland tomorrow; lose first meet of season to Haverford

The Johns Hopkins fencing team will travel to College park tomorrow afternoon to match swords with the University of Maryland.

The Terrapins have a strong squad this year and should hamper the Blue Jays, who are looking for their third win of the season.

### Lose To Haverford

Hopkins was toppled from its undefeated position last Saturday in the gym, when they lost a tough meet to Haverford college. With the score 10 to 10, Lipnick lost his saber match to Buttrick of Haverford, to place the Jays at the tail end of an 11-10 score.

The Jays began strong taking a 7-2 lead in the foils only to see their

## Lacrosse squad practicing for tough season

Lacrosse balls are flying fast all around the cage, it's spring time and lacrosse time, and Coaches Kelso Morrill and Gardner Mallonee and trainer Benson are priming their charges for a tough season that will take the lacrosse squad to Army, Princeton, St John's and back home again for a thrilling game with U of Maryland.

### Positions Open

It's too early to give the starting positions, for right now all positions are wide open. Every man has as much chance of taking a position on that team as any other man, and the coaches mean to put in the best ten men when the lacrosse team meets the Alumni April 1 at Homewood.

There are certain men cut out of the large squad who are showing up very well in practice. Most of these are veterans: Passano at goal, Buck, Day, Captain Vickers, Ward, on the defense; Spillman, Green, Penniman, Sellman, and Enders on the attack. Of the newcomers who show promise there are: Swerdloff at goal, Nance, Thomas, and Williams on the attack, and Wood on the defense.

### Tolson, Wilson Out

At present several good men are not out. John Tolson, All-American mention last year had been taken down with pneumonia and only last week returned to school. It is not likely that John will see any action for at least two weeks.

Another casualty which hurt the defense considerably came suddenly when, Wilson 6 foot 2 defense man, and star on Friends school All-Scholastic championship team last year, was operated on for appendicitis.

Hopkins has most of its prestige in intercollegiate sports in the game of lacrosse and the whole school is watching to see whether this year's ten will live up to the grand tradition that Hopkins has had on the lacrosse field. In the past two or three years Hopkins has not been doing as well as it formerly had, and this year ought to see Hopkins regaining the prestige that it has lost.

## Come hither

The sports staff of the Johns Hopkins News-Letter has issued a call for candidates. All underclassmen who are interested in newspaper work reporting sports are requested to come to the meeting of the sports staff, Monday at 12:30 at the News-Letter office.

Candidates will be eligible for Varsity Seals, if they work on the staff from their freshman or sophomore year. These lowerclassmen are especially invited to attend the meeting Monday.

Experience is not required of the candidates, lack of experience should not prevent students from trying out. Several vacancies are open for candidates.

## Melvin only Jay to make first five, Kokie captain

First Team		Second Team	
Bock, Loyola	f.	Tannenbaum, Hopkins	f.
Melvin, Hopkins	f.	Tomicheck, W. Maryland	f.
Zebrowski, Washington	c.	Moore, Hopkins	c.
Kokie, Mt. St. Mary's	c.	Smith, Washington	c.
Barczak, Loyola	g.	Karpinski, Mt. St. Mary's	g.
Captain: Kokie		Best Bet: Zebrowski	

by Charles C. Diggs

Play has ended, but the memories will linger. Thus, the latest exploits of the courtmen and their flying basketballs are being pushed into the background; outstanding feats forgotten.

As a final gesture the sports staff of the News-Letter has voiced its summary of the season in an All-Star team. The selection was limited to members of the Maryland Inter-collegiate League.

### First Team

For the first team there is Bock of Loyola and Melvin of Hopkins at the forward positions. At center is Zebrowski of Washington College. The selection is rounded out with Kokie, Mount Saint Mary's, and Barczak, Loyola, at the guard berths.

The quality of play that this all-star combination could perform is great. From the freshman sensation of Loyola, Bock, to Alex Zebrowski, Washington college's high scoring senior, there is both steady and flashy ball playing.

Bock, Loyola, was easily the biggest asset that the Greyhounds acquired this year. His play was mostly confined to the center position, but he could readily be shifted to the forward berth.

### Hopkins Represented

Melvin, Hopkins, is placed at the other forward spot. Norm, finishing up his play at Hopkins, handled his captaincy well. He was one of the scoring aces of the Jays, besides doing outstanding floorwork. At the center of pivot there is big Alex Zebrowski, Tom Kibler's Washington ace. Alex is 6 ft. 6 in. tall, and uses

## Outdoor trackmen begin practice

Outdoor track candidates will begin a month of gruelling practice sessions in preparation for the first meet scheduled on April 19 against Gallaudet.

Mr Hambleton, who has just completed coaching duties for the Mermen, will assist Coach Gwinn in rounding the speedsters in shape.

The season will close on May 20, when the Mason-Dixon conference meet is held at Homewood.

According to the schedule released this week, the squad will play host to four schools and travel the other three.

### The schedule:

April 19—Gallaudet, away.  
April 22—Catholic U., away.  
April 29—Haverford, away.  
May 2—Swarthmore, home.  
May 6—Washington, home.  
May 13—Western Md., home.  
May 20—Mason-Dixon, home.

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that height to advantage.

He is given the title as best bet on this all star selection in return for his high scoring record. In his four years at Washington he tallied over 1,000 markers.

Perhaps, the steadiest and best all around player is Stan Kokie of Mount St. Mary's who is placed at the guard spot. Kokie was the mainstay of the St Mary five, and due to his unanimous selection we give him the captaincy of this all-star selection.

### Second Team

On the reserve team would be Tannenbaum, Hopkins, and Tomicheck, Western Maryland at the forwards. Lee Moore, Hopkins, is at the pivot, and Smith, Washington, and Karpinski, Mt. St. Mary's, at the guards.

Three other players who pushed for second team honors are: Shawn, St. John's, Stropp, Western Maryland, and Savage, Mount Saint Mary's. These players are given honorable mention.

This selection includes three Hopkins men, two Loyola, two Washington college, two Mount Saint Mary's, and one Western Maryland. St. John's is the only team not represented in this selection. Their best bet was Shawn who is rated as honorable mention.

## Three vets return to golf squad

Following the meeting of golf candidates held Tuesday at 4 p m, Dr Wilson Shaffer announced intention of securing the Rodgers Forge golf course for his charges.

The squad used the Rodgers Forge course last year for practice sessions and home games.

Returning from last year's squad will be Remsen, Folmer and Mac Rae. Among the prominent candidates attending the meeting were Milberg, Duncan, and Wall.

Definitely slated by Dr Shaffer for the golfers' schedule are teams from Loyola, Washington College, and Dartmouth.

A meeting will be held in the near future by the squad in order to select a captain. The captain selected last year has not returned to school this year.

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## Mermen end season with 41-34 win over Gettysburg

The Jay mermen finished the '39 season with a 41-34 victory over a stubborn and hard-fighting team from Gettysburg college. The meet, which took place at the Knights of Columbus pool, was packed with thrills from the first to the last events on the program.

Rider of the visitors and Pardew of Hopkins were the two sole double winners of the afternoon. The former won the 100 and 440 yard free-style events, while the latter overcame his opponents in the 50 yard free-style dash and the 150 yard backstroke race. Murphy of the Jays put on a final burst of speed to nose out Rider of Gettysburg in a thrilling 220 yard free-style race.

### Jays Win 50 and 220

The Homewood natators started off on the wrong foot by dropping the event after Dunlop of Hopkins had built up a four yard lead. However, the Jays won the next two races; the 220 and the 50 yard free-style.

Hopkins took second and third in the fancy diving with Salvia and Dunlop trailing Patterson of the visitors in that order. The Pennsylvania swimmers won the 100 yard free-style, then lost the 150 yard backstroke, and finally rebounded to take the breast-stroke and 440 yard free-style. These two wins tied up the score at 34-34.

### Murphy Clinches Relay

Victory rested in the hands of whatever team won the 400 yard free-style relay. Murphy of Hopkins saw to it that the relay would go to the Jays, by building up a big lead, which Pardew increased and which Hill, in turn, increased so much that McCormick, the Hopkins anchor man, drifted in 30 yards in front of his opponent.

The Jay record for this season was two wins and three defeats. The victories came at the expense of Dickinson and Gettysburg, while the Jays were set back by Swarthmore, Delaware, and Lehigh. Coach Hambleton is looking forward to a good winning team for next year. The team will have back from this year, Murphy, McCormick, and Burhans, freshmen, Pardew, Mitchell and Dunlop, sophomore, Salvia, junior, and Radner.

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## Speedsters in UofMd games tomorrow eve

Amid some of the fastest company in the East, the Blue Jay indoor track team will enter the Mason-Dixon conference events at the University of Maryland-Fifth Regiment Armory games tomorrow evening.

This week Coach Dick Gwinn sent his charges through the paces at the Fifth Regiment Armory in order to give them a "feel" to their tournament grounds.

### Enter 880 Yards Relay

Although the squad will enter a few events, most effort has been concentrated on the 880 yard relay. The race consists of four 220 runs. Based on practice results the relay team will be composed of Glazer and Lankford definitely, while the other two will be chosen from Wall, Andrews, Pestronk, and Brundige.

Driscoll and Ratcliffe have definitely been entered in the open two mile event. Glazer and Wall will enter the 70 yard sprint.

### Conference Cham In 70

The latter event, according to officials, will contain the southern conference champ, Murphy, of the University of Maryland, and Chabot, Navy's track star.

Last Saturday night Driscoll captured the Mason-Dixon mile at the Catholic University games to the slow tune of 4 minutes and 52 seconds.

The Jay medley relay team of Pestronk, Glazer, Lankford, and Driscoll placed third behind Catholic University and Washington college.

## Baseball

The Johns Hopkins baseball squad will open practice sessions at the Gilman cage tomorrow afternoon. The announcement was made yesterday by Milt Alperstein, captain.

All veterans and candidates will meet in front of Levering at 1:30 p m. Transportation will be furnished.

It has been announced that when the weather becomes warmer, the tossers will begin practice at the new diamond on the side of Levering.

Bob Owings, former Oriole pitcher, will again take charge of the team.

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# Social 'aberrations' denounced by Silver at University lecture

Terming the world full of aberrations, Dr Abba Hillel Silver, leader of one of the largest liberal Jewish congregations in America, told the University lecture club last Tuesday night that a return to peace and order can be achieved only by following "the classic highway of truth, justice, loyalty, and courage."

"The deep waters of our social life have been profoundly disturbed in the past two decades", declared Dr Silver, and went on to point out what he considered the four most serious aberrations of the day.

"The first of these aberrations," said the lecturer, "is the organized attempt on the parts of governments to reenslave the human mind, to shackle the intellect. We have come to realize that it is only in the eternal search for knowledge that the full dignity of human life is achieved."

The second aberration which he described was "the submergence of the individual." The liberties which man enjoys are the rights which have been wrested from government, he declared. He admitted however, that regulation by government for the public good may often be necessary. He also was careful to note that whereas government attempts to coerce the individual, religion seeks to emancipate him.

"The third aberration is the pathologic distortion of nationalism. True, nationalism can be a sound thing, as is patriotism and self-determination; but nationalism today is diseased and covers much charlatanry and economic piracy."

Dr Silver pointed out that it is this nationalism that makes Italy want to civilize Ethiopia, and Japan China; while in Germany it has been distorted into an ardent racialism.

"The fourth aberration is militarism, the physical intellectual and psychic coordination of the masses in preparation for war. The war motif is becoming the play motif of modern Europe."

"Some are persuaded that the world will ultimately be restored to balance and sanity by evolution; yet there is nothing in the doctrine of evolution which guarantees man's continuous upward ascent. This return must be achieved by men who can think with a minimum of intolerance and a maximum of restraint."

Dr Silver advocated the defense of the freedom of the human mind, the preservation of the remaining rights of the individual, and the participation of the United States in another League of Nations to insure peace.

## Table, please!

The B S A issued yesterday instructions for the reservation of tables at the Artie Shaw dance on March 15.

Table reservations will be divided into two classes, fraternity and non-fraternity. All seats at tables are \$50 per couple. Tags will be issued to those persons who have paid for their table reservations in advance. Only persons showing these tags will be permitted to sit at tables.

There will be two different tags, one for fraternity and one for non-fraternity men, and each person must be served in the section for which he is tagged. Non-fraternity people may not sit in the fraternity section.

## ASU to hear Holt on Neutrality act

"Should our Neutrality act be Amended" is the topic that will be discussed at the American Student union meeting next Thursday, at 11:30 a m in the Sherwood room of Levering hall. Dr W Stull Holt, of the Hopkins history department will uphold the positive side, and Rev Aubrey Smith, of the Memorial Methodist Episcopal church the negative.

Miss Ida Sledge, Educational Director of the Baltimore branch of the International Ladies Garment Workers union spoke before the group yesterday, on "The Student and Labor."

## Sophomore meeting

Yesterday at its first meeting of the semester, the Sophomore class voted for a dance in preference to a dinner-dance. It was also decided that dress would be optional. The tentative date for the dance was set at May 6.

## Discussion group repeats panel

The large attendance drawn at the Campus Discussions faculty-student panel last Friday resulted in the selection of a second panel for today's meeting. This afternoon Dr Johannes Mattern, Dr V O Key, and Benson Sachs will lead a discussion of "Americanism." The meeting will be held in Levering hall at 4 p m.

Each of the speakers, all engaged in the political science department, is expected to give his interpretation of Americanism. Because of the informality of the panel technique, discussion from the floor will be emphasized.

A turnout last week of 35 for a six-man panel on "A Hopkins Education—or What?" established the success of the panel type of discussion. The attitudes of faculty, students, and employers toward the value of college education were presented.

"College training tends to prepare the student for an orderly and rational world," said Dr Broadus Mitchell, "but it is a false training. The student who accepts this viewpoint finds himself unable to adjust himself to the mixed-up society we are living in."

Others who took part in the panel were D B Fringer, of the Maryland State Employment service, Alexander Marchant, of the history department, Earl Thomas, Sigmund Diamond, and Carl Knabe.

Mr Fringer stated that a college education does not necessarily qualify men and women for jobs, unless they combine technical training with their liberal courses. However, people with college educations as a background do get further, after once getting their initial start.

# Commission plans dance with Goucher

The new executive committee of the Freshman commission which met early this week in Levering hall elected Bill Locklin, chairman. Other officers were: Francis Carlson, vice-chairman, and Earl Coddington, secretary-treasurer. The rest of the executive committee consists of: John Ratcliffe, Jack Hennessey, Bert Collisson, and Edward Schwartz.

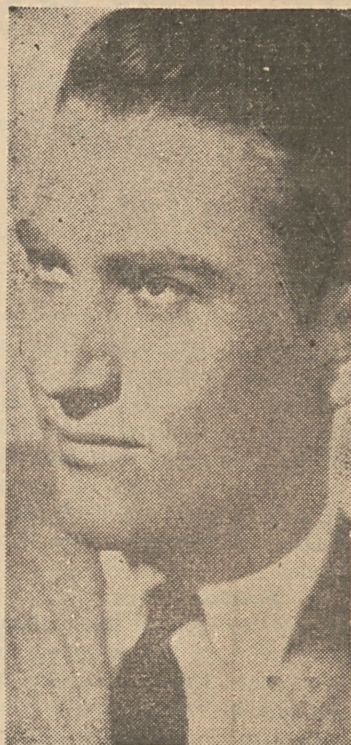
The commission's leading issue at the present time is the "Bum's" dance to be held in conjunction with a group from Goucher college, tentatively set for either March 4 or April 15.

The committee for this dance, consisting of Bert Collisson, Francis Carlson and Ed Schwartz, revealed that it is open to members of the Freshman commission, one male guest per member and their respective escorts. No stags will be allowed. It is planned to have the festivities begin at 7:00 p. m. sharp with a scavenger hunt. This hunt will be confined to the campus as will the rest of the program.

The dancing will take place at Levering hall, starting at 9 pm to the tune of the latest recorded music. Sometime during the evening prizes will be awarded to the couple wearing the oldest and shabbiest clothes as well as to the winners of the scavenger hunt. Refreshments will be served. The closing time for the event has been set at 11 p m in order that the Goucher girls will have ample time to be back by curfew.

A date bureau has been established specially for the dance. Male and female applicants may contact William Hammaker at Levering hall.

## Artie Shaw . . .



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ly an unfortunate mis-print.

"Oh, well, tweet, tweet, tweet," he stated but quickly qualified himself by adding, "tweet, tweet."

The dance will be formal according to an announcement issued for those who were wondering if it is formal and don't know just whether to go formal or not formal.

Tables may be reserved for fifty cents a couple. Reservations are on sale in Levering hall just opposite the main entrance.

Members of the fraternal orders of Delta Upsilon and Kappa Sigma are sponsoring a joint clam-bake at the bar at intermission. Others who wish to attend must bring their own

# Carroll club to hear Bunn Sunday

The Charles Carroll Club, the campus' Catholic organization, will hold its next meeting in joint session with similar groups from Goucher and Notre Dame Colleges, on Sunday, March 12 at 11 am in the Sherwood room of Levering Hall.

Reverend Edward B Bunn, president of Loyola College will address the gathering on the topic "Realism and a Christian Philosophy of Life."

Formed for the purpose of keeping Catholic students in touch with their religion, the club meets every other Sunday and obtains outstanding Catholics to speak before it. Faculty members like Dr Hubbard and Dr Rice have addressed the group already, and many other religious leaders have been booked for future meetings.

Membership to the club is open to Catholic students only, and anyone interested in joining should drop a card to Minkus, post office box 622.

Miguel Firpi is the present president of the organization, while Robert Minkus tends to the secretarial duties.

paper napkins. For further information see Donald Kirkwood, in charge of arrangements.

Tickets on sale now at Levering hall are nineteen bits plus tax for couples, eighteen bits tax included for stags.

Donald Kirkwood, Johnny Driscoll, George Miller, Arthur Maass, Harry Nance, Berkeley Sellman, Donald Kirkwood, Arthur Maas, Eddy Carl, Harry Nance, and Donald Kirkwood are members of the B S A. This proves conclusively that they do not include an Indian.

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## Pep committee fights compulsory assemblies

The Pep committee is backing a move to inaugurate a schedule of interesting weekly assemblies, which will be non-compulsory. A letter has already been sent to the Student council proposing that it appoint a special committee for the purpose of planning this program of assemblies. As yet no reply has been received.

The proposed committee would be composed of representatives from the Engineering school, the Business school, the Arts and Sciences school, the Teachers' college, and the faculty.

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