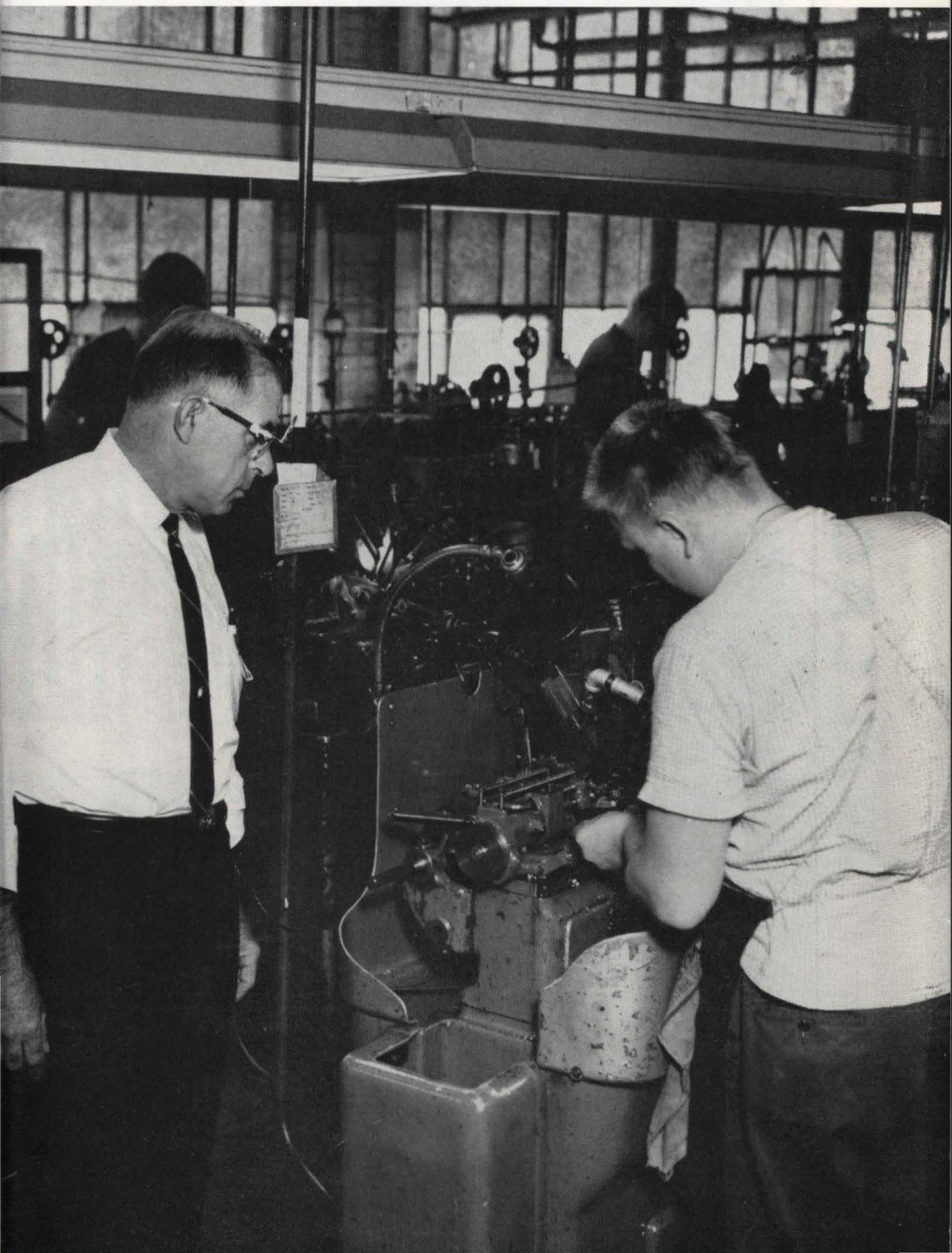


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# TOPICS

HAMILTON WATCH COMPANY





## Garden Club Plans 'Harvest Time' Theme

"Harvest Time" is the theme of the next meeting of the Garden Club which will be held October 19 in the cafeteria. It will be a flower show, for members only, with the following categories: Thanksgiving, A Few Mums, Drop-In for Coffee, Halloween, and Market-Time.

Paul Case, Pleasant View Nursery, spoke to the members at the first meeting of the new year. His topic was "Putting Your Garden to Bed for the Winter." Some of the coming program highlights are "Christmas Ideas for the Home," "Austrian Art of Egg Decorating" and "Japanese Arrangements with Spring Flowers." Demonstrations and workshops will be held on how to make an arrangement in a brandy snifter, miniature and vertical arrangements.

## Williamsburg Tour Planned

The Hamilton Recreation Association is sponsoring a weekend trip to Williamsburg, Va., October 15, 16 and 17. The group will leave Friday, Oct. 15 at 5:15 p.m. Costs for the trip are as follows: H.R.A. member and one guest, two or more in a room, \$24.00 each; single room, \$26.00 each; guests, two or more in a room, \$25.00 each; single, \$27.00 each.

## Hamilton Watch Family At 3000

A strong domestic economy and increased military requirements have combined to bring Hamilton the best six months sales in the company's history.

Not only are sales of nearly \$18,000,000 the highest ever, but Hamilton now has 3000 employees at all locations throughout the world. Included in the 3000 total are over 500 employees at Lancaster who are new this year.

President Arthur B. Sinkler, in a message to shareholders, said "Four of our five major divisions showed good increases in sales and profits over the same period for last year while a fifth is running just slightly behind. Demand for our consumer products, watches and silver, is strong as we enter the most important selling season in the year. We are quite optimistic about the fall."

Also in the quarterly statement, Mr. Sinkler reported that earnings during the first six months climbed to \$460,120 or just about double for the same period in 1964.

A portion of Hamilton's increased sales were attributed by Mr. Sinkler to contracts for military timing and fusing devices. The backlog of orders for the military division had passed the \$7,000,000 mark as this issue of *timely TOPICS* went to press.

Taking a look into the future, Mr. Sinkler predicted that a continued high rate of orders for both consumer and military products would result in the hiring of several hundred more persons in the months ahead.

**COMIN' UP**

Oct. 8—H.R.A. Dance  
 15-17—Williamsburg Trip  
 19—Garden Club  
 23—Mixed Bowling Tournament

Nov. 2—Card Party  
 13—Cherry Hill Trip  
 16—Garden Club  
 18—Roller Skating Party  
 27—Philadelphia Trip

## Dispensary Adds Nurse

An increase in the number of employees working on second shift has resulted in the hiring of a new plant nurse and longer hours for the operation of the plant dispensary at Lancaster.

According to an announcement by the employee relations department, Miss Kathleen Quade has joined Mrs. Nellie Schober, senior nurse, in the Hamilton dispensary. New hours for the dispensary are 7 a.m. until 11:30 p.m.

It was also emphasized that any employee who sustains an industrial injury *must* report it to the nurse in charge before the end of the shift.

## Softballers Are 2nd in State

The Hamilton Watch softball team enjoyed another great season in 1965.

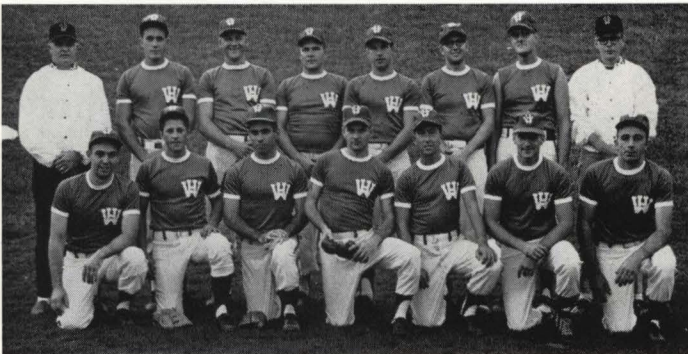
After battling through a tough twenty-four game schedule, they wound up in first place in the Lancaster Industrial Softball League's "A" division.

In the post-season playoffs, Hamilton knocked over Buck Iron in the "A" division, and then went on to defeat Fuller Co. of Manheim in two straight games for the playoff trophy.

Hamilton Watch was named host team for the Pennsylvania State Industrial Tournament which was held in

Lancaster this year. They added the "crowning glory" to an already successful season by fighting their way into the state finals only to lose a "heartbreaker" to Fuller Co. of Manheim, a team they defeated four straight times in regular and post-season play.

The team had many individual stars, but maintained team effort throughout the season. The pitching burden was shouldered by Harry Geraci (heat treating) and Cliff Steely (machine shop) with some very important help from Howard Hagy (print shop).

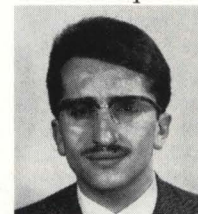


1965 Lancaster Industrial League Champs—Front row: (from left) C. Jenkins, E. Leese, R. Brubaker, R. Roschel, J. Gegg, W. Mathews, C. Rhoades; back row: (from left) D. Wolf—manager, J. Kauffman, P. Ressel, C. Steely, H. Geraci, T. Stoudt, H. Hagy, S. Tout,—coach. Missing from photo: W. Timblin, M. McConnell, R. Yarnell, H. Brubaker.

## M. Budzar Concludes Engineering Tour

Marcel M. Budzar, an exchange student from France who has been with Hamilton for the past three months, will be leaving for Europe on October 8.

Marcel has a degree from the National Superior School of Arts and Works, which is equivalent to a Mechanical Engineering degree between B.S. and M.S.



He will be studying at Superior School of Electronics in Paris for the next two years.

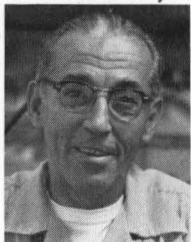
The 22 year old student lists swimming as his favorite U.S. sport. In France, he enjoys hand ball for exercise, but recently became interested in skiing.

Marcel hails from Hussigny Godbrange, near Luxemburg. His experiences in Lancaster were sponsored by an international program for exchange students in which Hamilton has participated for several years.



## RETIRED

Earl J. Eisenberger, spring, concluded 19 Hamilton years with his September 1 retirement. Mr. Eisenberger joined the spring department to assist in experiments with hair-spring wire drawing and has remained on that operation ever since.



Mr. Eisenberger says there will be plenty to do in and around the new home which he and his wife Marian recently moved into at Manheim R.D.3. In addition to work in their home and garden, Mr. and Mrs. Eisenberger enjoy the HRA card parties, visiting among their four children and activities of the Salem EUB Church in Manheim.

Reaves F. Goehring, chief accountant, retired September 1 after nearly 30 years with Hamilton's finance department.

Mr. Goehring and his wife Mary reside at Columbia R.D.2 where they are completing a new home near Kinderhook.



Just so he doesn't get stale, Mr. Goehring plans to build a new home in Florida in the near future and will do quite a bit of traveling. Known for years as Hamilton's stock market expert, Mr. Goehring also plans to open an investment brokerage business and to participate with his son Reaves, Jr. in the manufacture of antique guns and parts.

In their spare time, if any, Mr. and Mrs. Goehring plan to motor through the United States.

Clara E. Moore, service, concluded a 33-year Hamilton career when she retired September 1.



Mrs. Moore began with the motion department but has spent most of her Hamilton years as a member of service department.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore look forward to traveling around the country in the future and in the warm weather months will keep busy in their garden at home where roses are a specialty. The Moores, who live at 1314 Millersville Pike, Lancaster, also attend many of the HRA card parties and are active in work with the Covenant EUB Church.

## Basketball Team Planned

The Hamilton Watch Company will again sponsor a team in the Lancaster Industrial Basketball League this season. Another good year is expected, and a large number of prospective players have signed up for try-outs.

Any male employee interested in trying out for the team is urged to send his name and department to: Ron Roschel, M.P. assembly (ext. 314).

## PEOPLE

A note from London tells us that M. L. Bateman, chairman of the Hamilton Watch Company, Ltd., was appointed to the Court of the Worshipful Company of Scientific Instrument Makers of that city. Raymond Mellor, Hamilton's managing director in London, the note goes on, has joined the New Philharmonia Chorus as a bass, and is now appearing with that group. The Chorus recently performed a rarely heard series of poems of medieval wandering monks set to music.

Frank Byorick, son of Frank Byorick Jr., plant engineering, has been awarded the rank of Eagle Scout.

He is a junior assistant scoutmaster of Bird-in-Hand Troop 8 and has been active for four years in the troop. He has been awarded 26 merit badges and is eligible for the bronze Eagle palm.

During part of the past summer, young Frank, sixteen, served in the counselor-in-training program at Camp Chiquetan. He is a junior at Conestoga Valley High School.

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**New Timers:** Jill Ann, born to James A. (watch sales) and Carole Jean Johnson . . . August 24, Bethesda Lutheran Hospital.

George Joseph, born to George A. (military engineering) and Carol M. Blasick . . . September 11, St. Joseph's Hospital.

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**In Memoriam:** Sympathy is extended to the family of Kenneth D. McMurtrie (methods engineering—17 years) who passed away in recent weeks.

## WANT ADS

- 16 mm sound & silent projector, 1963, excellent shape, \$225—Bob Rittenhouse, traffic dept.
- '58 Chev. 4 dr., new tires, battery, etc., \$500—Ray Bejgrowicz, ext. 364.
- '61 Rambler American Wagon, low mileage, new tires, r & h, \$895—Dick Charles, ext. 213.
- Antique Elgin pocket watch, over 90 years old, perfect cond., Ira Fickes, 392-8876.
- Kenmore gas range, 30", like new, \$40—Bill Bleacher, 392-5388.
- Poodles—Miniature—Coal Black—Male 3 mo.—AKC—Had Puppy Shots—\$75—Jean K. Beane, Plate, 687-7409.

## Horseshoe Curve RR Trip Offered by HRA

A sightseeing trip by train covering 375 miles of picturesque fall scenery in the Juniata Valley and Allegheny Mountains will be operated for Hamilton employees and the general public on Sunday, October 17.

The special train will leave the Lancaster PRR Station at 9:30 a.m. and will run from Harrisburg to Petersburg and then over the Hollidaysburg Branch to Hollidaysburg where a stop will be made to inspect the Samuel Rea Car Shops.

During the trip the train will round the famous Horseshoe Curve and the lesser known Muleshoe Curve. A 15 minute picture stop will be made at the Horseshoe Curve. The train will return from Altoona to Lancaster by the main line via Harrisburg and Columbia. There will be a special car for photographers.

Tickets for this trip are now available in the personnel office or contact Bill Kiphorn, manufacturing stocks, or Ned Scheffer, accounts receivable.

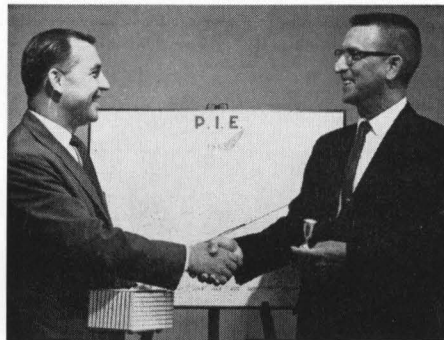
## Several Hundred See Fair, Beauty Pageant

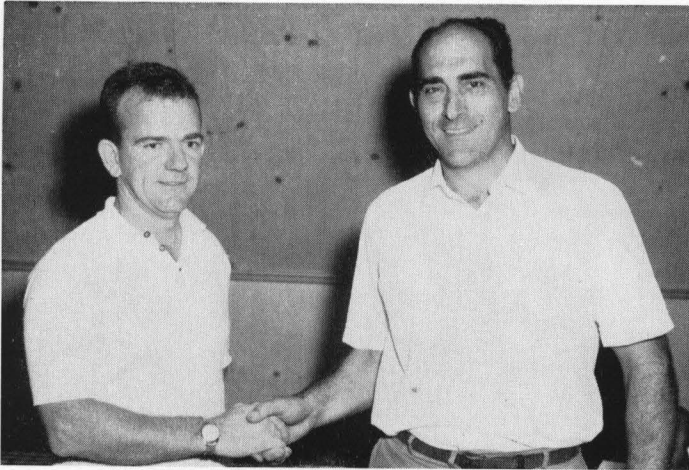
A total of 382 Hamilton employees, friends, and relatives availed themselves of the final HRA-sponsored weekend at the New York World's Fair.

Friday, September 24 one bus carrying 41 passengers left Lancaster in rainy weather for a sunny weekend in New York. The two-day World's Fair trip, leaving Hamilton Saturday, September 25 drew 82 travelers. The one-day trip on the same date attracted 259 and required 7 buses.

The Miss America Pageant was witnessed by 61 HRA members, friends and relatives who boarded buses on Friday, September 10 for three days in Atlantic City.

Richard C. Schober, right, receives his President's Cup PIE award for ten successful proposals from Executive Vice President Richard J. Blakinger. Mr. Schober is the fifth PIE program member to be cited with this award.





Bob Reynolds (left) is congratulated by John Dringoli, league president, for his part in winning the team championship with Walt Pietras. Walt was unable to attend the award banquet because he and his family were taking his son to college.



Duffer stars at year end banquet (l to r) Bob Reynolds, team championship winner (co-winner Walt Pietras not present); John Dringoli, Duffers President and team runner-up; Frank Binder, low gross final day; Tony Wasilewski, low net final day; and Jim Benarro, team runner-up with John Dringoli.

## Names in the News

*Anthony Wasilewski* was recently elected treasurer of the Industrial Management Club of Wallingford. *Elson Dolliver* has been re-elected as a director of the Manufacturers Association of Meriden and Wallingford.

*Gary Waslewski* (son of *Michael Waslewski*, tool) is leaving soon for Venezuela to play professional winter baseball. He was formerly with Toronto.

**New Patterns:** A son, *Frank Edward*, born to *Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smazer* on August 20. Frank is in watch case Polish.

**In Memoriam**—Sympathy is extended to the families of *Gilbert Hulett* (retired—20 years service) and *Thomas Tutak* (retired—33 years service).

## Duffers End Season With Tourney, Dinner

The Wallace Duffers' Club Golf Tournament was held Saturday, September 11, at the Meriden Municipal Golf Club with a banquet held at Sun Valley Acres.

Low gross winner for the day was Frank Binder, and low net winner was Tony Wasilewski.

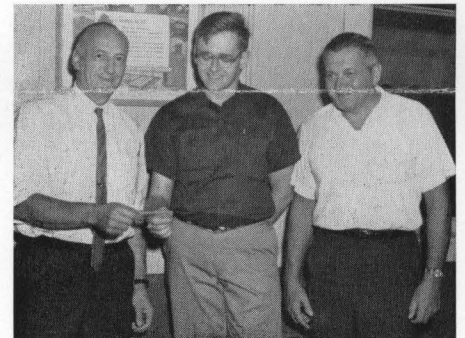
The team of Walt Pietras and Bob Reynolds won the league championship with Jim Benarro and John Dringoli the runners-up.

## A.A. NEWS

The A.A. had its final outdoor social October 6 at Walco Field back of the plant. This affair was well attended and

everyone thoroughly enjoyed the cider and donuts, hot dogs, hamburgs and the wonderful weather.

Congratulations from *Walter Vollhardt*, holloware superintendent, to *George Knouse* (center) shown receiving his State Apprentice Council certificate for the completion of his apprenticeship as a soft solderer.



## H.R.A. Golfers Award Trophies At Dinner

The HRA Golf League completed the 1965 season with a banquet at the Elizabethtown Moose where trophies were awarded to the winning teams in both the "A" and "B" divisions.

The "A" division champions included *Bill Troy* (captain), *Bud Martin*, *Bob Schafer*, *Dick Shock*, *Mel Reed*, *Noah Buckwalter*, *Ray Ellis* and *Fred Shepps*. "B" division champs included *Ron Roschel* (captain), *Carlos White*, *Dick Censits*, *Marlin Wolf*, *Bob Metzke, Jr.*, *Ron Griffith*, *Jim Giegerich*, *Gil Ulmer*.

An award was given to the most improved golfer in each division. *Herm Greer* was the winner in the "A" league and *Joe Wang* was the recipient in the "B" league. A total of 96 assorted duffers, backers and clubbers participated in the league this year and more are expected next season.

## FROM OUR SWISS CORRESPONDENT



**SOCCER ANYONE?** The Hamilton Watch Company plant in Bienne, Switzerland, recently fielded a soccer, or football, team to compete against other teams in the Bienne area. Shown here just prior to a recent match are (l - r): front row—Messers *Sieber*, *Jörg*, *Lüscher*, *De Vincenti*, and *Prince*; back row—Messers *Huguenin*, *Engel*, *Knuchel*, *Bart*, team captain *Feldman*, *Gobetti*, *Schild* and *Hepp*.

**THE BALL PLEASE, JUST KICK THE BALL**—Several members of the Hamilton Watch Co. soccer team are shown here in action against an opponent who seems determined to hang onto the ball. Hamilton team members appearing in the foreground include Messers *Huguenin*, *Grosjean* and *Feldman*.





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**Our Cover:** An increase of over 30% in employment at the Lancaster plant has called for new methods in training. Automatic foreman W. E. Marks (left), checks the progress of trainee operator, Eugene Steffish. See story page 1.

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