

# City College, Queens Gain City U. Final

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Floyd Layne had a birthday yesterday and City College remembered to celebrate. The Beavers' basketball team also remembered to do almost everything its head coach told it to do as it eliminated Hunter College, 90-82, in the semifinal round of the City University of New York tournament, which is being staged at City College's Nat Holman Gymnasium.

In the second semifinal, Brooklyn College, which had won the regular season conference championship with a 7-2 won-lost league record, was upset by Queens College, 65-59. Brooklyn's second-leading scorer, Steve Niles, was out with an injury.

Queens and City College will meet on Monday night for the championship.

"No, I'm not going to tell you that Monday night is going to be easy, just like I'm not going to tell you how old I am," said Layne, a member of the City College that in 1950 won both the National Collegiate and National Invitation tournaments.

## Hard to Predict

Layne must have remembered that even though City College had won eight of the previous 14 City University tournaments, including the first three, nothing is predictable in this tournament. Hunter, for instance, reached the semifinals this year by defeating the College of Staten Island, the defending champion and one of only two teams to start the tournament with overall winning records (Lehman was the other, with an 11-9 mark).

Last night the Beavers fell behind, 13-6, before Layne called his first time out with 14 minutes 12 seconds to play in the first half. The Beavers came back to score 10 unanswered points and take a 16-13 lead. But Hunter, led by its star freshman, Gerard Myrthil, the conference's leading scorer, who contributed a game-high 27 points, moved to a 26-20 lead with six minutes to play.

At the half, City College led, 40-37.

In the second half, Dave Hill, a Beaver junior who takes off his glasses before he enters the game, overcame Hunter's zone defense by working himself free inside for easy layups. He finished with 24 points, 14 of them in the second half, and also had a team-high seven rebounds. Bruce Johnson, a senior, scored 18, and John Brown, a junior, had 16 points for City College.

## Queens Rallies

In the second game, Queens, down by 50-48, with a little more than seven minutes to play, got the tying basket from Mark Schneid on the front end of a 10-0 spurt. The last 6 points of the rally came from Tom Corrigan. Schneid finished as the game's leading scorer with

23 points, Randy Marcus came off the bench to score 14 points while Corrigan had 12.

None of the four teams in last night's semifinals started the evening with overall winning records. Brooklyn, top seeded, finished its season at 12-14. Hunter, which finished seventh in league play with a 3-6 record, wound up with a 7-19 overall record. Queens is now 10-17 and City College 9-16.

## Penn 84, Harvard 73

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 22 (AP) — Paul Little scored 18 points as Pennsylvania fought off a Harvard comeback and took an 84-73 Ivy League triumph tonight.



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Ken Robinson of Hunter fouling Bruce Johnson of City College as Johnson went up for a shot in the second half last night at City College.