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So we stand here,
on the edge of hell
in Harlem
and look out
on the world
and wonder
what we're gonna do
in the face of
what we remember. Langston Hughes

EXCLUSIVE!

THE BIO MED POWDERKEG

IS IT READY TO EXPLODE?

by Marthe Larosiliere

Minority students in the Sophie Davis School of Bio-Medical Education are charging that racism exist in the program. These students say that the racism that exist appears in different ways and so it is not that obvious to others.

According to these students, many things have been done and said to them, such as the initials KKK written on the wall of the Bio-Med Student Lounge but they had decided to overlook them. What they could not overlook, however, was last year's annual Christmas show. The Christmas Show usually takes a satirical look at the professors and administrators of the Bio-Med program but last year's show is reported to have a great of subtle and not to subtle racists overtones and remarks.

Members of Third World Organization(TWO), the Bio-Med minority student organization, had viewed the script of the Christmas Show beforehand and had protested that the black professors were being picked on and were viciously attacked. The TWO students felt although they agreed that the first admendment rights provided freedom of speech that the kinds of remarks that were being planned were inconsistent with philosophy of the school. "How could anybody who say they want to be a doctor be so insensitive to other people's feelings", said one (TWO) member.

When the TWO's demands that the script be modified were ignored by the show's planning committee, they wanted to put on a counter-skit. The skit that the TWO wanted to present was to point out that racism was a serious subject and it was something that ought to be addressed if it existed within the student body. Again, the planning committee would not agree to this on the grounds that TWO's skit had not talent and that it was racist.

Dr. June Jackson Christmas, Medical Professor and Director of the Program in Behavioral Science, is the TWO's faculty advisor and was one of the people that was satirized in the show. The fact that TWO was not able to put on their skit is what Christmas feels was the worse part of the whole incident. "I think its unfortunate that under the auspices of satire that it was allowable to make derogatory remarks about a racial minority and national minority in addition to women", said Christmas, "but what is even more unfortunate is not being able to criticize this which would of pointed out the inconsistencies of professing to care for human beings as medical students and berating a group

because of race". The members of the planning committee could not be reached for comment.

During the course of the Christmas Show things came to a climax when two Black Studies professors interrupted the show and started yelling racism. The Black Studies professors along with the TWO members then walked out of the show. According to one white student, many TWO students walked out against their will. The identities of the two Black Studies professors were not revealed.

The TWO members said that none of them left against their will and they walked out during the show's intermission to decide what they were going to do next. "We saw that all are demands were being ignored", said on TWO member, "so we decided to hold a quick meeting during the intermission to decide what we were going to do". Two Third World members were scheduled to appear in the letter part of the show and the meeting was necessary in order to decide whether they should perform or not. The two members did come back and performed but they were performing "under protest".

many people disagree with the Black Studies professors as well as the TWO members and they feel that the show was not racist. "I was astonished", said David Pfaff, President of the Bio-Med Student Government. "I was in constant communication with the TWO before the show. Everything was fine, I had sat down and talked with a few TWO members and I thought we had solved the problem". Pfaff however, did admit that he thought the show had a racial undertone. "There were things that were written in the script that were questionable", said Pfaff.

"I don't think the show was racist", said one white Bio-Med student, "blacks were not the only ones that were made fun of in the show". "The problem with the Christmas Show was not racism", said Peter Kilcommons, a senior in the Bio-Med program. "There was a personality conflict between the TWO members and the planning committee of the show".

"Denying that racism exist in the program is just another form of racism", said a Bio-Med Junior, "everyone seems to be running away and avoiding the issue". "I think people do operate by denying the racial tensions", says Christmas.

One person who is not denying that there are racial tensions within the program is the Dean of Bio Medical Education, Dr. Leonard Meiselas, but he does not think that these tensions are found only in Bio-Med. "The racial tensions that exist in the school are probably reflective of the tensions that exist in the college or maybe even outside the college," said Meiselas. "They are disturbing to me and the



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racial tensions boiling?

faculty, but I think they are unique. I think it would be a mistake to say that these are of a different kind of tensions that exist on the campus or that exist outside the college".

Dr. Christmas also feels that what is going on within the school is an example of what is going on in society today. "There are symptoms within this school of what is going on in our whole society", said Christmas. "in this country there is a tendency to pit groups against each other and the tendency in some families that students go home to they hear critical remarks about minorities".

These critical remarks as well as other parts of society helps create stereotypes. The minority students feel that the white students in the program do have a stereotypical image of them. For instance, one black Bio-Med student told the PAPER that on his first day in the program a white student approached him and

starting talking about basketball. Another Black student said that in her first Community Health and Social Medicine class the professor had asked the students for their views on the Harlem community. According to this one student, only negative things about Harlem were mentioned and someone went as far as to say that they were "scared to death" of this community.

The minority students did not mind being stereotyped at first. What they do mind is when these stereotypes never change. "It's hard to break an image even if your're working side by side with someone", said Christmas. "It goes both ways", says Pfaff. "The black and hispanic students have stereotyped the white students also".

The lack of college life on campus attributes to these stereotypical images. "Because the

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SPECIAL REPORT:

ELECTIONS '82 INSIDE

THE APATHY FACTOR

by Michael Milligan

REAGAN TO STUDENTS: DROP DEAD!!!

As many students are quickly becoming aware of how little federal aid or loan money they will be getting next year, it is becoming just as quickly apparent that the REAGAN ADMINISTRATION is not the friend of students.

Now, we may march about it. We may protest it. We may write our congressmen angry letters. But it would appear that the machinery is well oiled and put in gear and has begun to run. Although protests, marches, and letters are important, it can be argued that at this stage of the game, they are a bit too late. For Reagan is in office and 'his

mere eight hundred or so students voted, out of the nine thousand plus students on this campus. That is the same abuse of collective student power that gave REAGAN carte blanche to cut you PELL GRANT.

We have all complained about student services on campus. Some feel the food is bad. Others feel the bookstore prices are too high. Some feel there is no unity or college spirit. No matter what your view, you can loudly voice it with *one single vote*: the language of the politician.

If you feel a student leader can voice your concerns to the college's administration, for example, vote for that politician. Give the politician the votes so that he or she can truly

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will be done! at the expense of all those who depended on the now proverbial government handout.

So, who gave REAGAN the right to cut your PELL GRANT? Don't point the finger at CONGRESS, the REPUBLICANS, or any other scapegoat. Go to the nearest mirror and look. Yes, you did. For if you didn't vote, and the sad statistical fact is that many students in general did not, you gave him the right to. The simple fact of political life is that you do as your constituents want you to do. If you didn't vote in the presidential election, you said you didn't give a damn. So if your PELL GRANT is cut, and you now think REAGAN is going to give a damn, forget it.

All of which brings us to student election. What does that have to do with the price of NICKLE BAG? Simple. You see, this is often the perfect opportunity, in our small microcosm that is college life, to voice our opinions on student related problems. We can pick and choose among our peers, the student leaders, and vote for the best among them to represent our concerns to the college's administration, which for sake of argument, is a sort of federal government.

Now, student have traditionally, we are sorry to say, not exercised their power of the vote in past student elections. Last semester a

say they have the students behind them. Show you give a damn and they will have to also.

Last semesters elections were rocked with allegations of cheating. There were first fights and other embarrassing happenings that ultimately caused the postponement of those elections from May to October. And there were, alleged interference in the elections by faculty members and others who do not belong to the college. Understandably, any student who was concerned with student issues and would have voted, probably threw his hands in the air and said, "the hell with it." We don't blame them, but that type of cop-out allows for such political shinnanigans.

So before the next student election takes place, we would like to put the politicians on notice that the students will be out there watching and they will be taking note of what happens (as we will). And more importantly, students will be voting.

Although students may get frustrated at our political process, whether it is on a college or national level, they must use their power: the vote. There are politicians who often depend on the frustration or laziness or other reasons for people not voting in order to gain power. We call this the APATHY FACTOR., and we are sorry to say it often works.

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POINTS OF VIEW

OUR MISFORTUNE

by Leo Benjamin

Who is not shaken and dismayed over the latest developments in our world? From Washington and from Albany, New York, come assaults that should frighten everyone of us out of his or her hermitage. Is this not a time for action, for courage, for steely resolve, even for monumental heroism? Mere words cannot deliver us. There is no hope in empty airy utterances.

The federal government largess, which has benefited so many of us, is doomed unless we rise manfully to the occasion. The New York State camarilla of politicians, in their abandonment and depravity, impose higher tuition charges in a time of soaring inflation. We are being buffeted about between gale wind and rocky shore barrier.

Today we face a regime in Washington which in madness promotes a realm of backwardness and gloom in place of blessed culture and living light among the people. The lordly shepard of the people does not lead us on to meadows of goodly nurture, feed and browse. Instead we are enticed to a backwoods of dark age savagery, to ignorance, even to the desolation of total illiteracy. Is there no hope for a better destiny?

Here at City College we appeal to the leaders and all the fine people whom we respect and honor, to stage a great public rally and book party to launch a movement which we hope will some day redeem all America. We summon you, President Bernard Warren Harleston, to come forward and give this affair your blessing. The occasion for this is the appearance of a new edition of OUR BELOVED MEMORY OF FREE TUITION, by Leo Benjamin, published by the University Student Senate of CUNY. You, Dr. Harleston, will thus find yourself in most illustrious company, with Chancellor Robert J. Kibbee of CUNY, with Benjamin L. Hooks, national director of NACCP, with Vernon E. Jordan and John Jacob and Horace W. Morris of the Urban League, and other luminaries.

The whole system of tuition charges is a ter-

rible nuisance and affliction to all of us, which should never have been involved at all. We must restore free tuition for our good of all America. What has been the meaning of free tuition over the grand sweep of time? Free tuition has meant the comfort, the cheer, the delight, the incomparable glory of bliss in academic study where never a single penny was charged. Was not this a gracious gift in an everyday life of worry and care and fretting over the cost of rent, groceries, Con Edison bills, sundry household items, creature needs and so on?

Like missionaries of a grand new era we must go forth to the community and inspire them to embrace these informs. Our ageless sovereign guardianship urges us ever onward to a nobler future.

We are told that the heads of various faculties here have already pledged their support to this hallowed historic undertaking. We hear that the History Department, the School of Sciences, the English Department, the Black Studies Department, the Philosophy Department and others have promised to participate. The Director of the Finley Student Center, Edward Evans, is eager to do his part. Let us all, in saintliest unanimity, as one heart and mind and soul, rise gallantly to the occasion. Let us organize a student club here which will be a rallying center here for all who want to make America a better land in an endless fruitage of free public education. Let student clubs like this one be established on every college campus in our midst.

Then we must organize all our faculty and professional staff people as well. Theirs is a timeless responsibility to our nation. Our accredited functionaries in all their categories, when organized on all college campuses, can become the backbone of the great crusading force that will someday wonderously transform all America.

We have the solemn assurance of Cedric Washington, President of the Day Student Senate, and Francis Osuzuwa, leader of the Evening Session Students, that they will cooperate with all their means.

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school doesn't have any dorms by and large, it doesn't have the kind of socialization that would allow people to do a lot of their growing with their peers", said Christmas.

The problems of stereotyping and racism are beginning to be addressed among the Bio-Med students as well as the faculty. The TWO and the Bio-Med Student Government are planning on having a forum to discuss the issue and the faculty have talked about it also. "The faculty as a whole has begun a series of meetings to talk about this as a symptom of the polarization among students", says Christmas.

Addressing and solving the racial problems and tensions is crucial for the Bio Medical program since racism is in total contradiction of the program's original goals. The program began in the fall of 1973 and its goals were to educate primary care physicians (family practitioners, general internists, pediatricians, obstetricians, and gynecologists, who will come back and serve in a designated medically underserved area and to increase the number of minority physicians.

Many minority students have expressed concern over the fact that they do not think that many white students will come back and work in a medically underserved area. To make sure that the students come back after their residency training, the school makes them sign this "Service Commitment" which states that the student will come back and work in a medically underserved community for at least two years. If they do not come back, they will have to pay a fine of about \$25,000-the estimated cost of their college education.

Since the program is only ten years old and it takes about ten years to educate a physician, the very first class of students will be going into the practice of medicine this summer. "From what I know of", said Dean Meiselas, "most of those physicians are going to be involved in primary care specialties. What I don't know at all is where they're going to be located. We certainly hope that they'll practice in an underserved community".

Coming back and serving an area is one thing, but relating and getting along with the people is another. "Going to school here (CCNY) gets you accustomed to working with a wide variety of people", says Pfaff. "I guess it helps to some extent that if you're going to work in a predominately minority neighborhood, that you be a minority, but medically underserved areas are all over the City and not only in minority sections".

Kilcommons agreed with Pfaff. "There are medically underserved areas located all over the state", said Kilcommons, "and many of these places have a small minority population. So the same question may be asked in reverse". Kilcommons does not feel that he will have much trouble in dealing with minorities because of the great deal of experience he has acquired while attending City.

To help the students understand and relate better to any area they will be working in, the school provides a special course sequence called Community Health and Social Medicine (CHASM). These courses deal with the social aspects of medicine. Starting with this year's freshman class, all Bio-Med students are also required to learn Spanish.

As far as minority recruitment is concerned, the number of minorities in the program has steadily increased over the last three years. According to the Dean, in this year's freshman class, over 25% of the students are minorities. (Asian are included as minorities). This is the largest minority class in years.

In the first few years of the program, minority enrollment made up almost 48% of the freshmen classes. In 1975, however, the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith and the Italian-American Center for Urban Affairs filed separate law suits against City College. Their claiming was that less qualified minority students have been admitted and more qualified white students have been denied admission. In short, they were accusing the college of using racial quotas. The Bio-Med admission process was ruled biased and the College lost the case. After losing the lawsuit the school did not do very much in terms of minority recruitment and minority enrollment dropped down to about 10% in 1978. Since then it has been on the rise.

Many factors contribute to this rise in minority enrollment and one of them may have been, the Bakke decision. "Fortunately with the Bakke decision we now know that the courts have decided that race and economics status can be taken into account as factors that help an admissions committee determine who's coming into the school".

Everyone in the program seems to agree that the main reason for this increase in minority enrollment stems from the work of the Director of Recruitment, Tanya Cobbs Leslie. "She (Leslie) casts a very very big net over the minority community in order to identify students for the program", says Meiselas. "In fact, the New York State Task Force on

Minority Recruitment in medical schools has recently cited the Sophie Davis School as a very effective minority recruitment school. In fact they suggested to the other schools in the State of New York that they can learn from what we do."

"She (Leslie) have succeeded in keeping the level of blacks and hispanic applicants up at a time when medical schools, but it has to do much more".

Most of the work Leslie does involves speaking in high schools and giving presentations at various college fairs. "Many of the things that I do in terms of recruitment are geared to groups where I can find minority students", said Leslie. "Asian students are also considered minority students but they're not really underrepresented in medicine in the same way as Blacks and Hispanics are".

The biggest problem that Leslie faces is not locating eligible students for the program, it is the fact that less students are interested in making medicine their careers. Most of them are into engineering and computer science. "That's just disheartening", said Leslie. "I think one of the reasons for that is that engineering profession perhaps have done a better job in publicizing the need for more engineers, more specifically for more minorities than the medical profession has".

The myth that tends to go out from the medical profession is that there is a surplus of doctors. "They're aren't enough doctors", says Leslie. "There's definitely not enough primary care doctors and Black and Hispanic doctors". According to Leslie, in order to increase the number of minority physicians, there needs to be a stronger emphasis from the medical profession and from individuals involved in the education of minority students, such as teachers, counselors, and parents. There also need to be more programs that try to capture students when they're younger.

One such program that exist at City College is the Bridge to Medicine Program. The Bridge Program is for "socio-economically disadvantaged" high school seniors interested in becoming doctors. The aim of the Bridge Program is to prepare students for a demanding pre-medical curriculum, such as, City's Bio-Med.

What makes the Bridge Program so unique is that it trains bright students from disadvantaged backgrounds, who might not otherwise qualify for admission. The requirements to get into the program are: placement in the top 10% of the high school class, family income

below \$13,500, and evidence of educational disadvantage.

The thirty students that are chosen into the program spend half a day at City College, everyday, taking college level English, Math, Physics, and Chemistry courses. Upon successful completion of the Bridge Program, these students are eligible for admission into the Bio-Medical Program. Since the Bridge Program has been in existence about one-third of all the students that were in it were admitted to the Bio-Med Program. "We kind of create our own candidates with our Bridge to Medicine Program", said Meiselas.

The Sophie Davis School has also been working with A. Philip Randolph High School in developing a new curriculum in the teaching of science. This new Medical Professions Programs is very much like the Bridge Program except only students in the A. Philip Randolph High School are eligible and it is a four year college preparatory program. "We want to generate candidates from the A. Philip Randolph High School who would come into the Sophie Davis School", said Meiselas. "The faculty have just voted if we could get the additional resources to make ten extra places for the graduates of the A. Philip Randolph High School".

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Financially, the increase in minority recruitment has been very beneficial for the Bio-Med program. According to the Dean's annual report, the State Bureau of the Budget and the City University has granted the Sophie Davis School tax levy funding for various outreach programs to high school minority students. "This is perhaps the only instance which a budget item in Higher Education is devoted solely to secondary education", wrote the report.

The State and the City University system have recognized what the School have recently acknowledged in the last few years and that is that increasing minority students is crucial to the success of the program. As the Dean's report puts it, "significant groups of native white, Asian, Hispanic, and black people bring a diverse cultural and ethnic mix that is nourishing to the entire staff and faculty and is more representative of the society that needs to be served".

CITY LIFE



by
Cal
Warren

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ELECTIONS '82

WHO'S RUNNING

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THE CANDIDATES:

WHERE THEY STAND

by Michael Milligan

With the student elections now upon us, there is some confusion about what the student candidates stand for. What are their goals? What do they want to do? What are the issues? Those are not easy questions and often they do not have easy answers. But nevertheless, students should know what their student representatives hope to do when they enter student office.

There are two candidates for president this election: *Ernest Hannah*, once Student Ombudsman; and student leader *Verberly Russell*. Both candidates have submitted platforms which state their views on the issues

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to
MAY 12

they feel are important to students.

In an effort to help you decide for whom to vote, here is a brief look at the candidates' respective platforms and their views on student issues.

The STU-PAC platform covers everything from the availability of Aaron-Davis Hall to Division I status for City College's basketball team.

The SPC platform covers Financial Aid, student lobbying, and tutorial services among others.

The following represents a brief synopsis of both platforms.



VERBERLY RUSSELL OF SPC

VEBERLY RUSSELL AND SPC

FINANCIAL AID



ERNEST HANNAH OF STU-PAC

ERNEST HANNAH AND STU-PAC

ALLOCATION OF STUDENT FEES

BOOKSTORE

"SPC feels that the bookstore should stop the practice of making large profits at the students' expense. In fact, if there are profits generating from the bookstore that are shared by the College Bookstore and the Administration, it is only fair to the student body that this money be returned to them."

"It is imperative that a free legal service be established for our students. This especially includes hiring an experienced lawyer to litigate in court, free of charge, to our students. I promise that this will be one service promoted *immediately*."

NYPIRG

"Last year, SPC was calling for the abolishment of the New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG). This year we have softened our views. For a compromise, SPC recommends that NYPIRG be funded at half what they are receiving now. We also feel that the other half of the money should be earmarked to student controlled National Student Organization such as the United States Student Association, the only Washington based national student lobbying organization, whose primary purpose is to lobby against educational cuts on a federal, state, and local level."

BLACK STUDIES

The City University has cut back drastically Black Studies from its fiscal budget. SPC feels that as a college with Black and Latino students as the dominate enrollment, we cannot allow the destruction of the Black Studies department to become a reality. However, in light of the fact there have been accusations about staff members in the Black Studies department—it then becomes imperative that—the administration of this college—initiate a search for the position of chairperson.

VOTER REGISTRATION/VOTER EDUCATION COMMITTEE

"In this year of elections, we the students of CUNY can make a difference at the poles. Every seat in the House of Representatives is up for re-election. I don't know how you feel, but the Mayor is running for Governor and for all of us that know him understand that he is not a friend of the City University—SPC will initiate a Voter Registration/Voter Education Committee to register eligible students at City College and in the Harlem Community.

recreation and leisure."

CAMPUS BOOKSTORE

—The campus bookstore should fall under student jurisdiction—STU-PAC feels the business activities of City College Bookstore will be more beneficial to students than it has been—by placing the policies and fiscal procedures under the authority of students, waste, mismanagement and rip-offs can become part of history."

CHARTERED STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

"—Chartered Student Organizations should be funded directly from student activity fees—STU-PAC supports any proposals to fund clubs and organizations on campus directly by students vis-a-vis direct student activity fee redistribution and allocation."

"Financial support for center and staff with college tax-levy funds—expansion of child care services—Renovation of Child Care Center—STU-PAC is aware that a large portion of the student body are heads of families—STU-PAC is firmly committed that the college should place the staff on tax-levy lines, expand the child care services at CCNY, and renovation of the current building."

FINANCIAL AID

"—We as students united together can reserve the Financial Aid cutbacks—STU-PAC demands that students unite together to prevent further cut backs in financial aid. Our slogan is simple. THEY SAY CUT-BACK, WE SAY FIGHT BACK."

FINLEY STUDENT CENTER

"—Finley Student Center should remain as the central building for student academic and extra-curricular activities—STU-PAC supports all alternatives to destruction of FSC, and opposes its removal from City College and the Harlem Community."

THE RELATIONSHIP OF CITY COLLEGE TO THE HARLEM COMMUNITY

"—City College should broaden its scope and deepen its commitment to the Harlem Community—STU-PAC supports broadening the scope and commitments of City College in its involvement with the Harlem Community—."

(★ elected without opposition)

THE CANDIDATES

by Michael Milligan

At press time, there are only two official candidates for the office of president of the Day Student Senate. They are former Student Ombudsman *Ernest Hannah*, on the STU-PAC slate, and student leader *Verberly Russell*, on the SPC slate, respectively. Hannah is the only candidate with a full slate.

Curtis Kirkman, presidential candidate for the GROUP, is considered an unofficial candidate due to some questions as to whether he submitted his petitions for office on time. The GROUP slate is partially full. Oswald Facey, independent candidate for president, did not have enough signatures on his petitions for office to make him a viable candidate.

STU-PAC

ERNEST ALAN HANNAH
candidate for President

SIMON G. VALENTINE
candidate for Executive Vice-President

★ **CHARLES AMOAH**
candidate for Treasurer

NANA NANTWI
candidate for Vice-President Campus Affairs

★ **NATHYLIN FLOWERS**
candidate for Vice-President Educational Affairs

★ **LARRY HUGHES**
candidates for Vice-President University Affairs

SPC

VERBERLY RUSSELL
CANDIDATE for PRESIDENT

INDEPENDENTS

CURTIS KIRKMAN
CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT

OSWALD FACEY
CANDIDATE for PRESIDENT

VOTE! VOTE! VOTE!

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CITYSPORTS

by Terry Williams

Question: What is the only other women's athletic team besides the basketball team to win a championship this season?

Question: Which of the Women's teams have been the most consistent in victory?

Answer: Basketball, no, Volleyball, no, Softball, no, Fencing, close but the answer is the CCNY Cheerleaders.

You mean those girls who dance and shout and shake their bodies all about? Athletes? That's right. These young ladies have an exercise regimen that Richard Simmons would envy.

Five days a week from the beginning of October through late March the Beaverettes are

their championship. They figured their main competition would be from York and Baruch. As it turned out it was the latter that gave the women some second thoughts about regaining their title.

At the close of the semi-final round of the competition on Friday City was in second place behind Baruch. Sensing that they could not beat Baruch using the same cheer and at the same time figuring that Baruch wouldn't change their's the ladies went to work for their Monday engagement.

A Cheerleading routine in competition consist of a 5 minute cheer and use of the whole basketball court. Included in this is a mount. City was the only school in the competition that didn't fall out of their mount.

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exercising, and going through their routines of cheers, mounts and steps. To loosen up the ladies do sit-ups, jumping jacks, stretching exercises, straddles, splits and two laps around Nat Holman gymnasium. Going home with sore muscles and no voices is the norm rather than the exception. The curious thing about this is outside of the basketball game in which they perform non-stop for two hours, the girls have only one chance to prove themselves in competition.

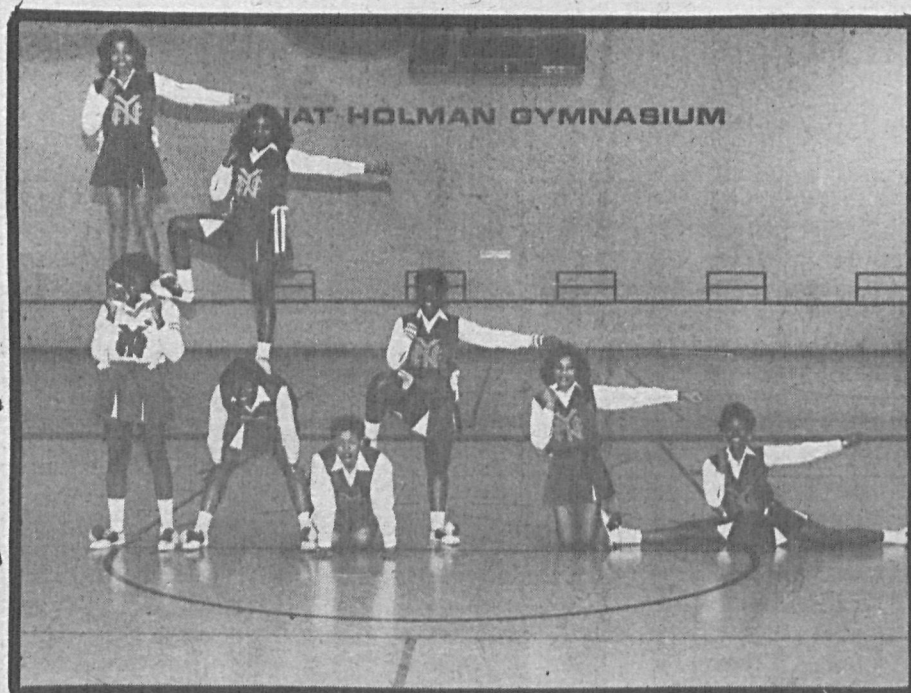
The CUNY Cheerleading competition is held during the CUNY tournament basketball in late March. Since its inception in 1978 the ladies have the competition won three out of four times. The only year they missed was 1981 and that was because they did not enter.

During this years tournament the ladies didn't expect too much trouble in regaining

Averaging four hours of practice a day over the weekend the Beaverettes made up a new routine and caught Baruch flat-footed. So shocked was the Baruch cheerleaders and their fans that they had to applaud our ladies, if not on the routine then solely out of respect. What makes this feat more amazing is that there was only 15 City College fans in the crowd. One Beaverette's approximation put Baruch with six busloads of people present. Of course Baruch's ladies were helped by the fact that the basketball team had made it to the finals of the tournament. The Beavers had been eliminated in the second round to eventual champions Staten Island.

This lack of attention and respect is nothing new to the cheerleaders. At games they cheer their hearts out but the home crowd rarely responds. On the road they get a better

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Members of the Beaverettes; top left to right, Gail Smith, Laura Gadson, Bottom left to right, Emma Campbell, Pam Robinson, Charolette Bailey, Sandra Porter, Renee Osborne, Crystal Grant.

response from the opposing crowd. One fan at a Medgar Evers game went as far as to pull one of the ladies off the line while they were performing. The ladies are the last to board the bus and receive meal money for the away games. And they operate at a deficit that only Ronald Reagan would be proud of. Besides this the ladies have to put up with other misfortunes.

Going home late at night is one problem

that is compounded by the fact that very few of the ladies go in the same direction. Two live as far as Mt. Vernon and Nassau County. Social life during the season is non-existent. The ladies saw more of each other than they did of family and friends. However, Gail Smith, a freshman, found time to work part-time and major in pre-med throughout most of the season.

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INTRAMURAL OUTLOOK

by Terry Williams

The Spring season of the Intramural tournament has reached the playoffs. In the A division it is the Crusher against the Revenge Jedi for the championship. In the B division there will be a semi final playoff round.

The B division playoffs start on Thursday April 29, with Player Pool taking on the F.B.I. and Fort Wayne playing the Nice Squad.

The Players Pool is this years surprise team. A group of misfits, they played as though they had been teammates for years. The Pool has lost only one game in four contest this season. That was a forfeit to playoff contender Fort Wayne.

Fort Wayne a team that only won two games in the fall tournament is now three and one.

Losing to the City Slickers twice last term they turned the tables and defeated the Slickers, ending any chance they had for the playoffs and helping their own cause.

The F.B.I. is a team that relies on their fire power from the outside. How accurate are they? They blew out defending-champions the Nice Squad 31-6 on the final day of the regular season.

If the Nice Squad can recover from their humiliating defeat at the hands of the F.B.I. the other teams had better watch out. They play a tough board crashing game on both ends of the floor.

In the A division the Revenge Jedi like their name implies is seeking revenge for the championship they held for two consecutive seasons before losing it to the IND Express last term. The big obstacle blocking their path is the Crusher.

The Crusher already has a victory over the Jedi this term and is the number one team in the A division. Quite an achievement when you consider that three other teams had the capabilities of winning it all. In fact The Revenge Jedi, The Raiders, and The Diplomat all finished with 4-2 records. The only thing separating the three teams is that the Jedi defeated both during the season.

The Jedi will come into the game well rested and with their strategy down pat since they drew a tie in the last week of the tournament. The Crusher comes off a double overtime victory over pre-season favorites the Wrecking Crew 35-34 and have a week to iron out any kinks. The championship for both divisions takes place on Thursday May 6.



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SLAPPED DOWN!

BAD NEWS BEAVERS

Richard Summers

Through their first nine games the baseball beavers have little to be happy about. They have accumulated eight losses over that span. A combination of no hitting, bad pitching, and outfield problems are the main reasons for the slow start. The team's inexperience has also been a problem. Coach Nick Nikou is going with 12 freshmen on his 21 man Roster and he says that it will take at least a year for the team to adjust to his system. However, this team isn't talented enough to compete with the better teams in the Knickerbocker Conference and are currently in last place.

In four of the nine games the Beavers have scored only one run and in two others they were completely shut out. By seeing these run totals it would be an understatement to say that this team doesn't hit. Pitching has been equally as bad at times. In the first game, a loss to LIU, the team lost 25-0. Nothing went right for the Beavers in that game and nothing went

it worked like a charm as the Beavers routed Stonybrook 12-3 for their first win of the season. This game was the complete opposite of the other games as City got a combination of good pitching, hitting, and defense for the first time this season.

Game six saw the Beavers play the first place Mercy team tough for seven innings, allowing only one run over that span, before losing 6-0. Things were looking up for the Beavers until they met their next opponent Adelphi.

After absorbing a 15-1 loss things didn't look so good anymore. City lost its next two games by the scores of 15-1 and 11-1 to Concordia and Staten Island. However despite the team's record, Coach Nikou does see promise in this young team and feels that this year will serve as a learning experience for them.

City's infield, led by short stop Pedro Rodriguez and third baseman and Co-Captain Fausto Polanco, is fairly solid and will

Grandstand

wrong for the Blackbirds.

In game two city played somewhat better in losing to Lehman 7-4. Then in games three and four they were overmatched by Jersey City State and conference rival Pace. The scores were 22-4 and 15-1 respectively.

Coach Nikou decided to shake up his line up for the next game against Stonybrook and

RECAP:

Game one L.I.U.

The numbers tell the story. LIU 25-CCNY-0. The Blackbirds collect 18 hits, City collects 2 hits and commits 6 errors. Not even close.

Game two Lehman.

Close, but no cigar. City plays CUNY rival tough collecting 10 hits but, Lehman's 10 hits lead to 7 runs and City's 10 hits lead to 4 runs. Final: 7-4 Lehman.

Game three Jersey City State

Jersey City State 22-CCNY-4. Enough said.

Game four Pace.

City's Cesar Rosa clouts the team's first homerun of the season. That was all that went right as Pace exploded for 14 hits and won 15-1.

get better. Ed Reyes is the ace of the pitching staff, but the team will be hurt by the loss of Simon DeLacruz to the team because of a conflict of interest with Coach Nikou. It will be interesting to see how City fares in its remaining games because they really can't do any worse than they already have.

Game five Stonybrook.

This time it was City exploding. Ken Domenech clouts a homer and gets 3 RBI's. Fred Garcia and Roy Padilla knock in two runs as City romps Stonybrook 12-3. Ed Reyes pitches a complete game victory while collecting a double and an RBI. Coach Nikou looks like a genius after shaking up the line up.

Game six Mercy.

Simon De LaCruz pitches beautifully for seven innings, giving up 1 run, before being lifted for a pinch-hitter. Relief pitching allows 5 runs over last two innings for a 6-0 loss. City didn't help the matter any by collecting 2 hits.

Game seven Adelphi.

Tragedy strikes again. 15-1 this time. This team doesn't hit!

Game eight Concordia & Game nine Staten Island 15-1 and 11-1.

Enough said.

HOORAY!!! continued

Like most people who when they see too much of each other the arguing soon follows. However they were able to overcome the petty nonsense because of their closeness. "Our relationship is on the lines of mother, father, sister, brother" stated captain Emma Cambell.

As if the ladies didn't have enough problems as it were there is always some outside factor. During one home game some neighborhood girls taunted the ladies and threw pennies at them. During the competition some former Beaverettes joined in with the opposition and jeered the women. Even the basketball team seldom gives the girls their due respect.

The administration isn't clean on this matter either. There is always talk about the money the girls get each year. Currently the

girls receive approximately \$400 dollars. Also it was alleged that an official of the school threatened the cheerleaders with being defunded if they didn't add someone white to the squad. Captain Emma Cambell is quick to add that "we do not discriminate but no whites had ever come to try out."

What the cheerleaders could use more of is guys. Despite their training it is very hard for them to do the mounts standing on each others shoulders. Jokingly and in response to the basketball teams occasional digs at them the girls feel that some of the ball players would be better off as cheerleaders.

Despite the many problems and drawbacks that they face, the City College Cheerleaders are as sure a bet as any team to repeat as champions of their respected sport.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor;

I am taking this opportunity to respond to the article printed on the front page of the March 31, issue of the campus (Titled a response to Mr. Facey). I am glad the campus is firmly committed to presenting all sides of the story. So at this time I will response to Ms. Flowers accusations against the S.P.C. slate in a frank and direct manner.

Let me begin by saying the statement made by Ms. Flowers concerning intimidation of the women running on the Collective Slate is a mark deviation of the truth which is consistent with what has been coming out of Black Studies as a defense for their design to deskill Third World Students on this campus. Dr. Jeffries has on more than one occasion intimidated students on this campus including Afro-American Women. Members of the S.P.C. slate are only students who refuse to participate in the deskilling process emanating from Dr. Jeffries and some faculty members of that department.

Concerning Richard Hoyen, He is a former CUNY student who has made tremendous contributions in terms of student activism. We do not replace student activists with faculty members. To discard this kind of student leadership because of his past and present activism is a further demonstration of Dr. Jeffries ideology of students not being capable of running student government independently.

Ms. Flowers was correct when she said there are no regulations prohibiting a faculty member from supporting candidates in student elections. However, in the CUNY system if a faculty member supports someone it is not a public event and students are not humiliated during the process. So the quality of the support is in question and how it was done.

In reference to Ms. Flowers claims of Dr. Jeffries bailing out students in academic trouble, according to the D.S.S. Bylaws any student participating in student Gov't must be in good standing and exhibit a willingness to maintain these standing. Those who can't, makes for poor leadership. Therefore, Dr. Jeffries in his attempt to bail out students has consciously co-opted student Gov't by the so called rescue system of his. If a student or a student in Government at CCNY is dependent on Dr. Jeffries to remain a student at City College, then there is no doubt that his allegiance will not be to student Gov't & the student cause as it should be, but rather to Leonard Jeffries who pulls the string for this individual. I therefore contend that any student leader anywhere in the CUNY system that remains in office through this practice should resign for he is no longer a student representative but a puppet on a string. Furthermore, the S.P.C. Slate in terms of grades received has always been up for evaluation. We are not indebted to Dr. Jeffries therefore, we can be independent student leaders.

To the statement concerning those students who work closely with Dr. Jeffries please take note that these students do not work closely with Dr. Jeffries, they are Robotized. Working closely insinuate there is

opportunity for input. Which is an adverse learning experience in an academic institution. Also if the present state of affairs shows a lack of responsible leadership then Ms. Flowers should also advise you that the present leadership ran as President on the Collective Slate (Cedric Washington).

I am offended when individuals accuse the S.P.C. Slate of using divide-and-conquer tactics. The S.P.C. Slate is a Slate that believes in Multi-Ethnic representation and leadership. Dr. Jeffries has used Racist Rhetoric for years and the time has come for student leadership to analyze the content of the so called ideology that is being disseminated by Dr. Jeffries. It is time for us as students to analyze and make a determination as to whether or not the concepts propoerted by Dr. Jeffries is part of the learning process which we attempt to avail ourselves at CCNY.

Mr. Facey was only responding to the humiliation I experienced when Dr. Jeffries called me a "Bitch" last October. As I stated in my letter to the President, I was afraid to come out as Mr. Facey did because of the defamatory statements directed at my character and a fear of harm to my person. After the attack on Mr. Facey by Errol Maitland I realized it was a good thing I stayed in the background or that might have been me instead of Mr. Facey.

The controversy around this issue is not an embarrassment to the President, but an embarrassment to me and my fellow students, particularly black and other third world students. Since City College professes to having the largest Black Studies department in the country, it is destructive to have a controversy surrounding it that could damage the future of Black Studies nationwide. Students at other CUNY colleges such as Medgar Evers college have made a decision that they will not support poor leadership even if that leadership is black. I contend that under no circumstances are we going to accept inferior leadership even if that leadership is Dr. Leonard Jeffries.

He alienated many students with his particular form of racism. Not only does Dr. Jeffries alienate non-black students but he also alienates Blacks/Africans. As part of academic freedom and as a student at City College, I strongly advocate that any student on this campus should have the academic freedom to take courses in any department of their choice (this includes the Black Studies department) without the fear of alienation and intimidation by faculty members or chairpersons of that department.

In further of my point of Dr. Jeffries deskilling process, it is a tragedy that Ms. Flowers has monopolized *The Campus* with half a page of misinformation, misrepresentation, and out right slander in the hopes of keeping on one such as Dr. Jeffries (who is no longer meeting the needs of the student body as a whole) in his position.

Lastly, it is a sad commentary when a student (who has spent as much time in school as Ms. Flowers) is unable to receive and analyze information properly.

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Apathy (Continued from Page 2)

We do not believe anyone should gain power through the collective apathy of those who are able to vote but don't. We don't think power should be gained through the lack of votes, but instead the majority of votes. We hope the majority of students in college feel the same way.

We encourage every single student to vote. Make your voice be heard and not become

part of the seemingly growing silent majority that puts a REAGAN in office, and then complains later when it is too late. For if the quality of student life deteriorates; if the problems student face do not get addressed; or if the APATHY FACTOR is the way we, as the representatives of the future, prefer to let the world run, then we can blame no one—one but ourselves.

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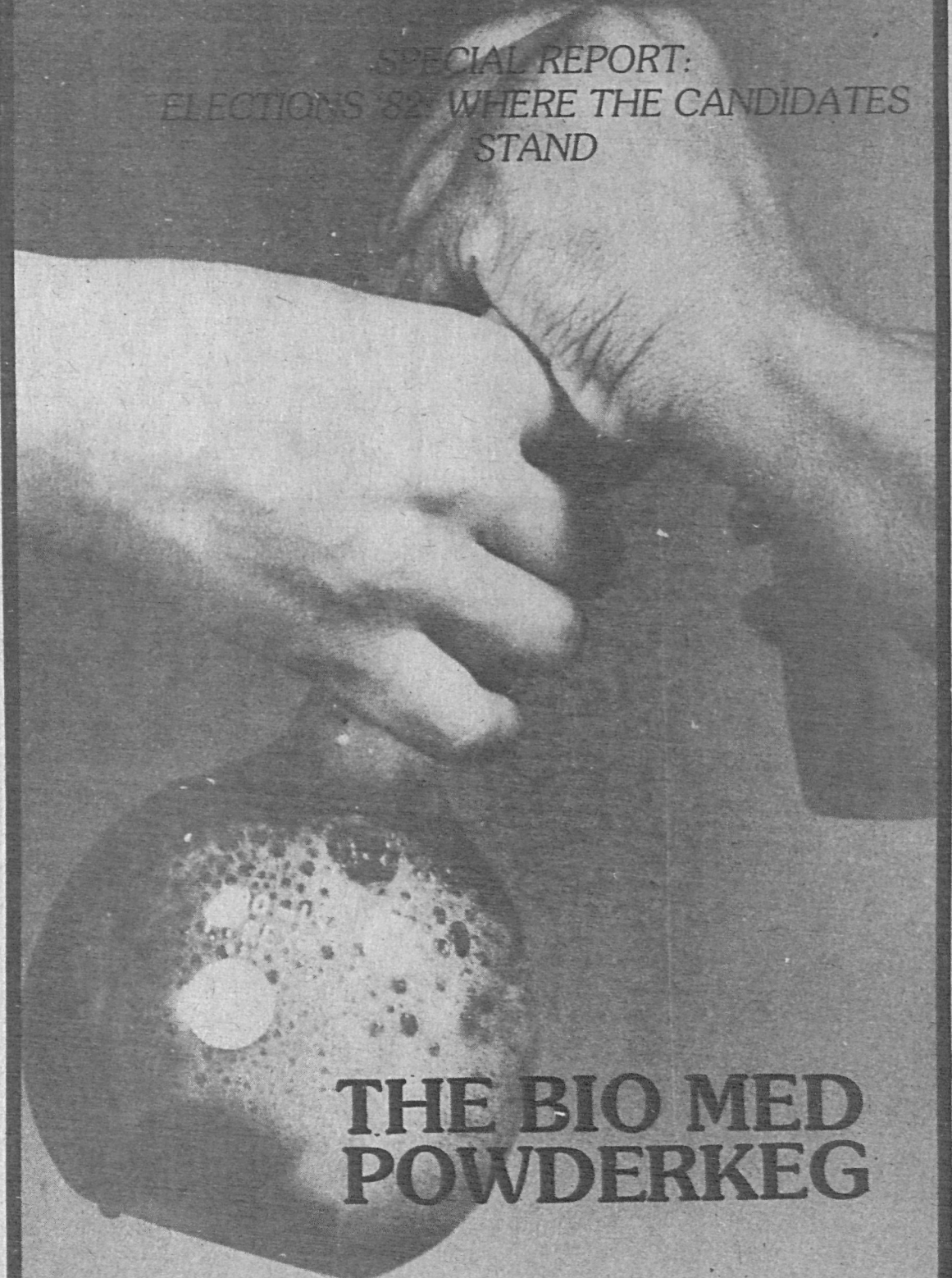
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