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The Student Council Budget Committee will hold hearings on the Fee Plan appropriations tomorrow (Tuesday) at 11 A.M. in Room 20, Main. All chartered organizations requesting money are invited.

## SC Exec Asks Fee Committee To Support Only One Newspaper

## SC Names Committee To Continue Bias Fight

The Student Council Friday night "strongly condemned" the College Administration for its procedure in the arrest of two students accused of painting anti-Knickerbocker slogans on school buildings, in a motion proposed by Ed Sparer, Students for Wallace, and passed by a vote of 29 to 14½.

Stanley Pesner and Bernard Tepitzky, against whom charges were dropped last Wednesday by school authorities, are supported by Council in the resolution which asks that "hereafter the administration follow such procedures as would provide for a student-administration conference before arrests are pressed by the College."

Continuing action on the Knickerbocker-Davis case, SC elected a committee of eight to meet with the Board of Higher Education this week and to "take any further action it feels necessary," subject to the approval of SC. The Committee members are: Peter Paulson, Robert Hanscr, Lloyd McAuley, Henry Katz, Alan Rosenwasser (chairman), Bob Meagher, Stanley Rothman, and Bob Oppenheimer.

By a vote of 29½ to 1½, Council passed a resolution stating that the elected committee shall meet with Mayor O'Dwyer in the event that the BHE "does not promise to take steps leading to a review of the case of Prof. Knickerbocker."

Bert Diamond, Counsel for the American Jewish Congress, who, according to Council President Rosenwasser, has requested a seat at the BHE conference, has been invited by the Council to attend "in an advisory capacity" the projected meeting between the student committee and the BHE.

Marilyn Leigh, Hillel representative, proposed the following motion:

Be it resolved that Student Council demand the immediate suspension of Prof. Knickerbocker. Passed by 33 to ½.

Be it resolved that if Prof. Knickerbocker is not suspended by Wednesday, October 20th, then a student assembly shall be convened on Thursday, October 21st, to arrange for a student protest demonstration on Friday, October 22nd, which demonstration is to end at the close of the Day Session. Defeated 25 to 16.

A move to place the question of a new student demonstration before the student body in the form of a referendum was defeated.

A resolution to be presented to the Student Council this Friday night by the SC Exec. Committee will ask that the Student Faculty Fee Committee allot fee plan money to only one newspaper and that, "that newspaper be known as the undergraduate newspaper of the City College."

The resolution is a substitute resolution for a recommendation made by the Student Council Committee on Publications. The committee was established at the end of last term to survey the policies of the publications and to recommend a new charter for the Campus.

The reason given for the resolution is that the fee plan cannot support two newspapers unless the publications are to receive a disproportionate amount of the fee money. (Last term the Campus received 42% of the fee money while OP received 7%).

Resolutions pertaining to publications acted upon and scheduled for action this Friday night are listed on page 3.

## OPinion

### A Free Press

The problem of a free competitive press has come to City College. The question, whether one newspaper or more than one should exist on the campus, is now to be decided.

At the Student Council meeting last Friday the problem resolved itself. A Student Council Publication Committee set up last term "charged with a survey of the problems of the school publications and the recommendation of a new charter for the CAMPUS," presented its recommendations to Council last Friday night. In its report it stated that:

"While the ideal situation would be one in which all the resources, personnel and material and financial, were put into one publication, it must be recognized that, from time to time, differences with the established policy of the permanently maintained organ might give rise to sufficient demand to justify the chartering of an additional publication. Such organs should be entitled to facilities and support of the student fees equal to, or proportional to, if possible, to that of the permanent publication. They should be equally responsible to the college community and entitled to equal privilege and authority."

The SC Executive Committee, as opposed to the Publications Committee, last week advocated the support of one newspaper for the sake of both efficiency and economy. We cannot see how the efficiency so desired by the Executive Committee can be attained either journalistically or mechanically in a situation where one newspaper without the incentive of competition receives its funds in a manner somewhat automatic.

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## Friday Dances Start Again

The Friday night dances have been resumed, and are open to all students of City College uptown and down, Hunter College uptown and down, and Brooklyn just down. Yes kids, we can once more enjoy those tempting moments spent at the dance. Dance cards may be obtained outside room 119, by showing Student Activity card, and Library card.

## Reporter Hurt; OP Sympathetic

Phil Scheffler, an OP cub reporter, was transferred to the inactive list on October 7. He didn't quit the paper, because nobody can quit and get a write-up like this. Actually, Phil, who formerly faced Oklahoma University with his atomic personality, met with an accident while chasing down a story. His eyes had been filled with tears as he thought of the glory and the honor which he might be able to bring to OP.

Phil's intentions were commendable, but his misty eyes brought about his downfall. He tripped over some subversive obstacle and injured his leg. We have not been able to determine from first communique whether the ankle is broken or sprained but whatever it is, OP wants Phil to mend quickly. We need a good leg-man.

— Editor

**OP NEEDS YOU**  
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Harris 22

## NSA to Probe Expulsion Of 60 Michigan Students

(By NSA News Service)

MADISON, Wis., Oct. 6.—An investigation of the expulsion of 60 students who refused to register in protest of violations of academic freedom at Olivet College, Michigan has been initiated by the United States National Student Association (NSA).

## Elect Ginsberg AVC Chairman

In a closely contested special election held by the College Chapter of AVC last week Nathan Ginsburg defeated William Fortunato for the Chairmanship by only two votes.

The same election provided for six delegates to the National Convention which is to be held in Cleveland Nov. 25-28, and defeated a referendum concerning membership qualifications by a vote of 42 to 29.

Delegates were elected by such narrow margins that the fifth and sixth positions were tied for by Messrs. William Fortunato, Myer Shopkow, and Howard Wiener. A "run off" for these positions will be conducted at the next Membership meeting, Thursday, October 14. The newly elected chairman urged that there be a large turnout for this important election.

Following a plea from the Olivet students, the NSA national office has authorized the Michigan Regional headquarters at the University of Michigan to conduct a study of the situation.

Of the 300 students at Olivet College, sixty have been expelled as a result of their refusal to register for the coming semester in protest of the request by the Olivet administration that Barton Akeley, a sociology professor, and his librarian wife submit their resignations from the faculty.

The school gave no reason for the action, but outside sources have called the Akeley's "ultra-liberals."

Pending study by an "impartial academic board," the Michigan chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union urged the re-instatement of the Akeley's in a report issued last Friday. The report also questioned Olivet President Aubrey L. Ashby's understanding of academic freedom and recommended that the expelled students be permitted to return to the school without recrimination.

### SATURDAY'S FOOTBALL

**PANZER.. 0660-12**  
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## A Free Press

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As regards any possible duplication which may occur, let us point out that the news covered by OBSERVATION POST extends from Thursday or Friday of the previous week to the Monday before the date of issue (Tuesday), whereas the CAMPUS covers the period from Monday through Wednesday and publishes on Thursday. No overlapping occurs, as can be seen by checking past issues.

The Economic factor revolves around the valid objection made by Henry Katz, S. C. Treasurer, that, inasmuch as campus publications last term received almost 50 per cent of the Fee Plan Fund, an insufficient amount remained for the other organizations on the campus. What has been overlooked is the fact that the CAMPUS received 49 per cent of the amount, OP but seven per cent.

OBSERVATION POST believes that both the CAMPUS and OP can publish weekly for less than the amount requested by CAMPUS alone, last term. Our plan will be explained fully at this Friday night's SC meeting.

The situation as it now exists affords the student reader the complete coverage that can be given in a semi-weekly and presents diverse editorial opinions which reflect differences existent in the student body.

The CAMPUS has shunned the responsibility of presenting this decided divergency of student opinion. OP, on the other hand, has attempted, as is stated in the Charter under "purposes": "... to publish news and express opinion which reflects the diverse interests of the student body as a whole."

Two years ago, when we first applied for a charter, there were strong attempts on the part of members of the CAMPUS to prevent the charter from being granted—and this is not an isolated example.

At one time TECH NEWS was incorporated into the CAMPUS. In 1945 the Tech Interfraternity and Intersociety Council decided to issue TECH NEWS independently. The conditions proposed by the CAMPUS for the dissolution of the merger of the CAMPUS and TECH NEWS included the following:

"(3) TECH NEWS shall report news which directly affects the students of the School of Technology. It is understood that general college news which does not directly affect students of the School of Technology shall be reported by the CAMPUS and not by TECH NEWS. (Added Sept. 28, 1945:) TECH NEWS shall report only news originating in the School of Technology and news affecting only students' Tech school as such."

"(4) Regular issues of TECH NEWS shall not be in printed form. . . ."

"(6) It is understood that TECH NEWS will not be a general City College newspaper in competition with the CAMPUS but a paper essentially devoted to the School of Technology. (Added Sept. 28, 1945:) It shall be understood that TECH NEWS shall not sell single copies of subscriptions but will be supported solely by the member organizations of the TIIC."

We would like Mr. Norman Zukowsky, present Editor-in-Chief of the CAMPUS, to answer at next Friday night's Student Council meeting the following question: Does CAMPUS still agree with the philosophy it ascribed to in 1945 when he was Managing Editor?

How does this issue affect us, the students of the City College?

We elect our student government, and in most cases what is known of the student leaders and their activities is gleaned from the student publications. It is obvious that the ethics involved in publishing a newspaper have great bearing on the outcome of the elections.

To illustrate: In last term's elections the candidates that the CAMPUS attacked were defeated. Election details were presented in so biased a fashion by CAMPUS journalists in their "news" columns that the Student Council was impelled to set up a Publications Committee whose major function was to find a way of preventing a recurrence.

In its first term of existence (Spring 1947), although severely limited by lack of funds and consequently space, OBSERVATION POST initiated its "Battle Page." There the various parties and independent candidates presented their views. In this way opinions were presented without benefit of editorial sifting. As for our news columns, we can say without fear of contradiction, that at no time whatsoever have we ever been accused of malicious intent in our presentation of the news.

This is our side of the story. To hear a more detailed exposition of the issues we strongly urge that you attend this Friday night's Student Council meeting in Room 200 when the OP charter shall be presented to the Council for its approval. Inform your representatives of your views on this basic issue of a free press.

# College's Seismograph Station Gains Nation-Wide Recognition

By Sy Richman

If a certain Greek god ever has the opportunity to talk shop with Mr. Thor of the Geology Department, both of these gentlemen would undoubtedly find that they have a great deal in common. The god supplies the earth with variety in its weather through storms, thunder, lightning, etc., while his namesake endeavors to explain and inform us of the antics of these and other misbehaving elements of the earth.

When an earthquake 10,000 miles away in the Indian Ocean, was recorded last Wednesday on the equipment in Finley Hall, Mr. Thor, as Director of City College's Seismological Station, was able to aid the Coast and Geodetic Survey in charting the center (epi-center) of the quake by immediately forwarding the photographic tracings to Survey headquarters in Washington.

The minor quake, which was recorded in spite of the interference of a hurricane sweeping up the eastern seaboard at the time, showed up quite vividly on the seismological apparatus for more than 90 minutes. In view of opinions held by many before the station's construction that such an installation could not obtain readings free from subway, traffic and other disturbances, Professor Daniel T. O'Connell proudly points to Wednesday's recordings. The traces not only indicated the presence of a strong meteorological disturbance in the vicinity, but also showed the Indian Ocean quake accurately superimposed on them.

Checking up on several disturbances that the station was believed to have missed since it started reporting to the Survey, it was found that all them were recorded, but that faulty techniques and lack of experience had caused several oversights. However, the station has been so well constructed and is so accurate in operation that Professor O'Connell does not doubt that it soon will be among the top installations of its kind in the country.

In fact, Science Service has approached the Department and offered to pay for telegrams bearing information on immediate disturbances. The Coast and Geodetic Survey has also recognized the part the station has played in the mapping of all those quakes which were recorded in time. Notable among these were the Peruvian and Japanese quakes of last June.

Such evidences of scientific recognition make Professor O'Connell still prouder when he considers that the station has only been in operation since last June. He soon hopes to overcome the difficulties in technique, so that the full-time director of the station, Mr. Thor, can put the equipment to work illustrating and clarifying geological phenomena.



—Photo by Ira Newman

Mr. Pierce, Coast and Geodetic Survey seismological expert, adjusting one of the components after installation last June.

## Dramsoc Presents 'Joy'; TW Runs Mag Contest

A contest to determine a name for a new 32-page Theatre Workshop magazine has been included in the dramatic group's plans for this semester, Mike Weinberg, Assistant Production Manager, announced yesterday. Six pairs of duets to "Street Scene," which will be presented November 12th, 13th, and 14th at the Pauline Edwards Theatre, will be awarded to the authors of the six best title suggestions. The Workshop hopes to number playwright Elmer Rice, drama critic George Freedley, and Mr. Lehr, faculty director of TW, among their contributors. Entries for the contest should be dropped in Box 54.

Two radio productions are planned for this term: one half-hour program over WNYC, which will feature a radio version of "Street Scene," and one program on the "Pride and Prejudice" series over WEVD. It is hoped that author Elmer Rice and Eric O'Brien Moore, of the original 1929 "Street Scene" cast, will be available for interviews on the WNYC program.—T. F.

Dramsoc has selected Allan Scott's "Joy to the World" for their major production for this semester. Marv Krauss, publicity director announced yesterday. The play, recently released for non-professional production, is a satire dealing with movie censorship. It presents a cross-section of life in a Hollywood studio revolving around an idealistic producer who is "tired of the adolescent puddle of love, love, love, and the snickering sex of costume pictures with the professional moralists peering down the bosoms of our virginal actresses." His aim in life is to make authentic films.

Eli Bloom will direct this fast-moving play, which is being presented as a college production for the first time.

Casting notices for "Joy to the World," which will be presented December 17th and 18th at the Pauline Edwards Theatre, will be posted on the Dramsoc bulletin board outside the cafeteria in the Main Building.

Prospective members are invited to attend Dramsoc's meeting: Thursdays at 12:30 in Room 300 Main. Costume designers, artists, stagecraft workers, publicity men as well as aspiring thespians are needed. —T.F.

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### Club News

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### Author to Speak

Pulitzer Prize winner Glenway Wescott will speak today on "The Modern American Novel" in the Faculty Room (Room 200 Main) at 12 noon. The distinguished author of "The Apple of the Eye," "Apartment in Athens," and other works, was invited by Professor Henry Lefert (English Department) to speak before his English 39 (Contemporary Literature) class. Students and faculty are welcome to attend.



# SC Executive Committee Resolutions on Publications

In keeping with the motion made by Henry Katz at the suggestion of Observation Post, during the SC meeting last Friday, OP publishes below the proposed resolutions made by the SC Publications Committee and recommended to SC by the SC Executive Committee:

1. Members of the staff shall be selected by majority vote of the entire staff on the basis of the qualifications established in this charter, or its by-laws. This responsibility may not be delegated to another agency of the newspaper. However, the Managing Board may recommend certain candidates to the staff. (Defeated by SC)
2. Meetings of the Editorial making body be open to members of the staff and any interested students provided that such persons observing maintain complete decorum and do not attempt to participate in the discussion. The Editorial making body may at its discretion vote for a closed meeting. (Passed by SC)
3. All financial transactions shall be carried out through the authority of the Central Treasurer, and the Business Manager shall report to the Central Treasurer any necessary deviations from the approved budget of the newspaper. (Passed by SC)
4. The faculty adviser for the newspaper shall be requested to consult with the publication at regular intervals, at least once a month. (Passed by SC)
5. The publication shall be under the jurisdiction of the Student Faculty Publication Advisory Board. (Tabled)
6. This publication shall be known as "An Undergraduate Newspaper of the City College." (Substituted motion passed and recommended by SC Executive Committee) That the Student Fee support but one newspaper and that that newspaper be known as The Undergraduate Newspaper of City College. (This was not part of the original publication report, but is a SC Executive Committee substitution.)
7. The statement "All opinions expressed in the editorial columns of this newspaper are determined by majority vote of the Editorial

Policy Making body," shall be prominently and separately displayed in the masthead.

8. Provision shall be made in the by-laws of this charter for editorial expression of minority opinion on the Editorial Policy Making Body.

9. Publications Advisory Board: The Committee recommends the dissolution of the Campus Advisory Board and the establishment of a Publications Advisory Board, subject to the following provisions:

Such an agency, in terms of our definition of a free college press, should not be part of the administration of the newspaper, but separate and distinct from it; it should study the problems of the college press; it should have the authority of hearing complaints and defense, and reaching findings on the basis of standard policy in regard to publications as to the merits of the complaints; it should have the authority of suggested solution, which, if not adopted by the staff of the newspaper voluntarily, should be entitled to publication by that newspaper as findings of that agency; it should have the authority of recommending disciplinary action to the appropriate authority in such cases as it feels merits such recommendations; it should have the obligation of reviewing regularly the issues of the college press, of meeting frequently to discuss with the editors of the press criticisms and suggestions regarding the standards of their publication; it should have the authority of itself initiating criticism of the college press when general standards appear to have been violated; its existence should be made known at regular intervals to the student body through the publications and by announcement.

Membership on this Board shall consist of the Faculty Advisors of undergraduate newspapers, and such other publications as may be under its jurisdiction, plus two members of the faculty selected by the President and an equal number of the students selected by the following organizations in the following order (one each): Student Council, TIIC, House, Plan, Joint Council of Social Sciences, Interfraternity Council.

(Note: Bold type portions were amended at the SC meeting last Friday, and deleted from the resolution. The resolution itself was not voted upon.)

Mr. S. Clarkson, of the Veteran's Counselling Office, scheduled an important meeting of all students going to college under Public Law 16 for Thursday, Oct. 14th, in Room 204 Main from 12 to 2 P.M.

## TIIC Raps Endorsement

(The following is a release issued by the TIIC Executive Committee—Editor.)

TIIC strongly protests the free use of its name during the last two weeks by various student groups.

On one occasion, Campus listed TIIC as the endorser of a press release, which had been issued by a Student Council group.

The Committee of Student Liberals placed TIIC on the top of its list of members on two leaflets.

We had nothing to do with any of these actions.

This practice of indiscriminately listing groups as sponsors must stop. It is not only dishonest, but, when issues are critical and verification is impossible, it is also particularly dirty politics.

TIIC insists on a public apology from Campus, and the Committee of Student Liberals. In the latter, more flagrant case, it intends to take further action.

## Pershing Rifles

The College's chapter of Pershing Rifles will play host to the organization's national assembly to be held here October 22 and 23. Georgia Tech., the University of Pennsylvania, Cornell, and N.Y.U. are among the schools which will be represented.

Festivities will begin Friday evening, October 22, with a banquet at Rosoff's Restaurant in downtown Manhattan. Dean S. L. Crawley (Student Life), Col. J. H. Marsh, Commander of the ROTC unit here, and an unnamed military dignitary will be among the guest speakers at the affair. On the 23rd, the general business of the group will be taken up at a meeting in the Drill Hall. Capt. J. M. Lesser, commander of the Pershing Rifles at the College, will preside. The assembly will close with a formal military ball on Saturday night at the Florentine Room of the Park Central Hotel.

ROTC men interested in attending the ball may purchase tickets (\$5) from any member of the Pershing Rifles.

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# CLUB NEWS

### Joint Council

At its first meeting for the Fall semester last Tuesday, the Joint Council of Social Sciences elected officers for the coming term. Harold Hoffman, President of the Economics Society, was elected President of the organization, which includes delegates from the Economics, Education, Government-Law, History, Philosophy, Psychology, and Sociology Societies. Plans for the Council include the presentation of guest speakers who will be of interest to the members of all the societies, the co-ordination of such large-scale functions as dances and teas, and the publication of the Journal of the Social Sciences. Martin Mensch was elected Editor-in-Chief of the magazine.

### History Society

Dr. S. Page of the History Department will speak Thursday, October 14th, on the "Iron Curtain in Russian History" in Room 128 Main. His talk, to the History Society, will take place at 12:30 P.M.

### SDA

All members of the Students for Democratic Action are urged to attend the organization's meeting on Thursday, October 14th, at 12:15 P.M. in Room 110 Main. Elections for SDA officers will take place. Candidates in the national and local congressional elections in November will be endorsed by SDA at this meeting.

### A.I.E.E.

The American Institute of Electrical Engineers has adopted a new policy concerning both membership and lectures.

Membership is now open to all E.E. students. The lecture hours will contain Tech talks, vocational guidance, and field trips to industrial plants. This group meets on Thursdays from 12:30 until 2:00 P.M. in Room 306 Main.

### Christian Association

The Secretary of the Shanghai Y.M.C.A., Mr. Hans E. Bojesen, will speak on "China's Present Dilemma" before the Christian Association at the St. James Presbyterian Church, 141st Street and St. Nicholas Terrace, on Thursday, October 14th, at 12 noon.

### Economics Society

"The Planned Economy of the U.S.S.R." will be the topic of the talk which Mr. William Mandel, author, former UP war correspondent, and currently an instructor at the Jefferson School, will present to the Economics Society, Thursday, October 14th, at 12:15 P.M. in Room 202 Main.

### Inter-Frat Council

The Inter-Fraternity Council will meet Thursday, October 14th, at 12 noon in Room 210 South Hall to discuss their Halloween dance. George Gazetas '50 will lead a discussion on the action of the Student Council on the Knickerbocker-Davis case.

### Jazz Club

Jacob Landy, of the Art Department, will speak on "Hot Music" on Thursday, October 14th, at 12:30 P.M. in Room 312 Main. Mr. Landy, a noted jazz critic, has been faculty advisor of the Jazz Club since its inception a year and one-half ago.

# NSA Schools to Celebrate International Students Day

The National Student Association is calling upon all its member schools to join in the celebration of International Student Day from Nov. 17 to Nov. 19, it was announced yesterday by Charles Lipow, College delegate to the NSA, and chairman of its International Activities Commission.

Lipow revealed that the Commission is also planning to institute a student tour to Puerto Rico during Christmas or inter-session. He expects that approximately 200 students could take advantage of the proposal to fly to the Island at reduced rates and live there under the same conditions as students in the University of Puerto Rico.

International Students Day was inaugurated in 1939 to commemorate Czech students who had been killed by the Nazis. After the war, the meaning was broadened to mark the ties between the student unions of the various nations of the world, and to spread information about them to each other.

The tentative program that has

been envisaged by the International Activities Commission includes:

Individual campus rallies with speakers — both American and foreign — supplied by the NSA.

A central intercollegiate meeting on Friday, Nov. 19, with films, songs, and prominent student speakers.

A drive to collect funds for the aid of a needy student union in some foreign country (as yet undecided). The funds will be distributed through the World Student Service Fund.

The keynote of the International Student Day celebration will probably be, according to Lipow, the students of China and the problems that they face.

The Puerto Rico tour is being proposed as an academic tour, says Lipow, in addition to being valuable for the exchange of ideas that it will bring about. The NSA is proposing that reports that the tour students write upon their return be accepted by College departments as term papers.

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# Eleven Meets Lowell Next

## Injuries Ruining Team's Chances For Good Year

With the experience and injuries of three contests behind them, the football Beavers are readying themselves for their meeting with Lowell Textile at the Stadium this Saturday night. The Beavers last met the Weavers nine years ago.

The weakness in depth of the Lavender eleven is becoming more evident as the season progresses. A good year had been predicted for the squad, on the condition that Ol' Man Injury stayed away from the Stadium gridiron. He didn't.

A jinx has struck Sam Welcome, the lines 235 pound mainstay, for the second straight year. Sam, a la DiMaggio, missed last season's opening games because of leg injuries. In last week's Rider slaughter, he sprained his ankle and will probably have to sit out the next two games. Another first-stringer, Claud Winter, has finally rejoined the squad. The hand fracture he suffered in pre-season training has mended, and he will probably switch from guard to Welcome's tackle spot.

### Farbo Still Out

Italo Farbo, a regular end, has not fully recovered from a sprained back and is expected to be available only for limited action.

In the backfield, newcomer Ed Sturman, who looked good in his debut in the Susquehanna tilt, is on the sick list. He is being replaced by Monroe Morris, the hard driving back who starred at fullback for the junior squad last year. This opening in the backfield will give him a chance to get that much needed experience, which is the chief factor remaining in his development.

## Booters to Face Lions in Stadium

In their struggle to retain the Metropolitan crown, the Lavender Booters open their local season this Wednesday with a game against Columbia University.

Coach Havell's men dropped their first night game of the season 3-1 to a fast Panzer squad. Although the opposing teams speed and drive completely overshadowed that of the Beaver athletes, the outcome of the fray was still in doubt until the final four minutes. At that time the star center forward of Panzer kicked the ball beyond the reach of Goalie Joe DeGiaco to score the victory-insuring marker.

With eight minutes of the game having elapsed, Beaver co-captain Fred Goldhirsch broke through the Panzer defense and registered the initial tally of the contest. The Lavender upsurge proved to be short-lived, as the foe rallied to score two quick goals in succession within two minutes.

Added to the Beaver woes was the injury suffered by Werner Rothschild early in the second half of the game. Rothschild, while attempting to score, was kicked by an opposing defenseman near the enemy goal and had to be carried off the field. Subsequent X-rays showed no fracture.

**Football Tix**  
Tickets for the Lowell football game, which is to be played at the Stadium on Saturday evening, October 16, may be obtained Monday, October 11 from 1-4, and Thursday, October 14 from 12-2 at Army Hall.

## Hoopsters Start Training; Show Strength in Depth

By Dick Sommer

Realizing that this season's varsity basketball schedule is one of the heaviest in hoop history here, Nat Holman has already started pre-season training for the 1948-49 squad.



Ed Roman

A group of twenty-eight prospects, including thirteen lettermen, has initiated workouts. Ronnie Nadell, Herb Holstrom, Mel Rothbart, all standouts on last year's freshman squad, plus Seymour Chadroff (a loose-jointed 5'3" forward who starred with the 1946-47 J.V.) have been added to the squad. They will attempt to fill the gaps left by the graduation of Lionel Malamed, Phil Farman, Everett Finestone, Sid Trubowitz and Sid Finger.

Although it is too early to form any definite quintets, indications still seem to show that Coach Holman will build his squad around co-captains Sonny Jameson and Hilty Shapiro, and a team of fast, experienced players, such as Irwin Dambrot, Norman Mager, Mason Benson, Mike Gittlin, Paul Malamed, and Joe Galiber. Other letter men who should give the Beavers depth are Arnie Millman, Moe Chefec, Dan Markoff, Moe Brickman, and Leroy Watkins (at 6'7" the tallest man on the squad). It is good beginning. Benson, Dambrot, Mager, and Galiber form a combination of adequate height and fine ballplaying which promises to add new glory to the St. Nick's already great history.

**REBOUNDS**—This term's freshmen are a thing of joy to warm the heart of every basketball fan. Lookin garound the corridors, we see towering Ed Roman, Herb Cohen (both of whom were all scholastic), Al Roth, Sy Cohen, Ed Warner, and Floyd Lane. There are also some recent hoopsters transferred to the school who will be around next year. Eligibility, not playing ability will tell the story next season.

## Intramurals

Preliminary play in the Intramural Team Tournament's got under way last Thursday. Since only six squads showed up for the Touch Football play, Bill Prymack, Football Director, announced that late entries would still be accepted until play is again renewed this Thursday at noon.

The Basketball Round-Robin Tournament got under way although the roster was still incomplete.

Table tennis, swimming, wrestling and boxing tournaments will begin this Thursday. Entry blanks for tournaments are available in Room 107 Hygiene.

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## ON THE SIDELINES

With Phil Goldstein

### Our Football Fame . . .

Every so often, the cry is raised by various malcontents that City College should have a winning football team. I have long suspected that these diehards are spies sent out by an envious NYU.

Over the years, our football Beavers have built up an admirable reputation. We are known for our football teams in every literate community. We have perhaps the "losingest" team in the country, and everybody knows it. It is an axiom taught to every tot and assimilated by every housewife. It took years to build this reputation. Recognition does not come easily. Our losing tradition was developed slowly and painfully over the years (and over the prostrate bodies of scores of our football players and an undetermined number of neurotic coaches). Yet, these radicals seek to destroy all this in a single year.

Our college is among the best known in the world, and much of the credit for this should go to our football teams. Many serious-minded sports writers have linked our team with that of Notre Dame, comparing and analyzing both squads as to their relative reactions to headwinds and breakfast foods. In fact, City College and Notre Dame are on top of their respective categories. They represent the ultras. All others are condemned to the obscurity that inevitably befalls the in-betweens.

During the war years, the Beavers hit their peak, going through an entire season without scoring a point. We received loads of free publicity from Hollywood, Broadway, and the radio world. Each week football scores were anxiously scanned, and sighs of relief went up when the familiar zero was noted beside CCNY, signifying that our phenomenal record was still alive. Later, Red Gebhard attempted to flaunt our tradition by walking under ladders and chasing black cats in an infamous bid to bring down upon us the wrath of the evil spirits. He succeeded, however, in little more than denting our reputation. He became disgruntled and left us.

### New Peril

A new peril appeared early this season when Coach Harold Parker sought to blast the status quo through the introduction of the "T" formation. That plot was symied by the alert City College Football team in the season's opener through the use of strategic fumbles. Nevertheless, the situation took on a grim aspect when it was learned that we were to meet a Rider team which had not won in years, and was obviously trying to move into our territory. Our boys, however, were equal to the task and came through handsomely.

Thus far, our reputation is relatively unscathed. We remain in a class by ourselves, but our position will always be a precarious one as long as this nonsense about athletic scholarships, inducements, etc. keeps coming up.

*Ed. Note—The above does not necessarily reflect the opinion of the Observation Post.*

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