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U. of Wash. Dismisses Two As Communists

By Phil Scheffler
Upon recommendation of President Raymond B. Allen, the Washington State Board of Regents recently dismissed two faculty members from the University of Washington for being members of the Communist party and one for "neglect of duty," and put three others on probation for two years. The three fired men are Herbert J. Phillips, Asst. Prof. of Philosophy, Joseph Butterworth, Asst. Prof. of English, and Ralph Gundlach, Assoc. Prof. of Psychology. The three placed on probation are Harold L. Eby, Prof. of English, Gariand Eibel, Asst. Prof. of English, and Melville Jacobs, Assoc. Prof. of Anthropology.

The case began last summer with the Washington Un-American Activities (Canwell) Committee investigating Washington State's educational institutions. They came up with the names of six members of U. of Washington faculty who were Communists or "fellow travellers." The faculty of the school elected an eleven-man committee to investigate.

Two Admit Ties
Two of the men, Professors Phillips and Butterworth, admitted that they were and had been members of the Communist party. The faculty committee decided that these two were "without academic fault... competent as scholars... and objective as teachers." They recommended that the two men be retained as teachers, stating that under the terms of the state's tenure regulations "the fact of membership in the Communist Party alone furnishes no basis for removal."

In the matter of three others, Professors Eby, Ethel, and Jacobs, who stated that they had been, but no longer were, members of the Communist Party, the committee recommended retention on the same grounds as those of Phillips and Butterworth. The sixth man, Professor Gundlach, was recommended for dismissal on grounds of "neglect of duty by unresponsive and evasive answers to" (Continued on page 3)

Letters, Leaflets to No Avail; Knickerbocker-Davis Sections Full

By Marv Weinberg

Despite a vigorous boycott campaign which was waged prior to and during registration by Student Council and several other campus groups, enrollment in the classes of Professor William E. Knickerbocker and Mr. William C. Davis is on a par with that in the other classes of their respective departments.

At this writing, the likelihood of a mass demonstration or of organized walkouts from their classes seems improbable. This situation, however, is subject to last minute change, as was the case last semester, when the administration permitted students who had walked out of Knickerbocker's and Davis' classes to transfer to other sections.

Meanwhile, in Albany, State Commissioner of Education, Francis T. Spaulding, has received from the Board of Higher Education a long-overdue reply to a petition filed with him on October 22, 1948. The petition, signed by Samuel Kaplan, Secretary of the American Jewish Congress, Alan Rosenwasser, last semester's president of Day Session Student Council, Eliot H. Pollinger, Assistant Professor of Romance Languages at the College, and Pedro Mack-Y-Rita, instructor of Romance Languages at the College, calls Knickerbocker's conduct "unbecoming a member of the staff of the College of the City of New York" and asks that the Commissioner direct "the filing of formal charges against Professor William E. Knickerbocker, and the holding of formal hearings on such charges."

'City' Eyes Manhattanville

City College is contemplating adding eighteen and a half acres to its uptown campus by the purchase of the buildings and grounds of Manhattanville College of the Sacred Heart whose campus adjoins City's. It was announced last week by members of the Board of Higher Education.

The sale would add a dozen buildings to the City College plant and a site bounded by Convent Avenue, St. Nicholas Terrace, 130th Street, and 135th Street. The Roman Catholic institution now occupying the site would move if the sale were effected.

Members of the Board of Higher Education said that the board had given informal approval to the project but that other city agencies, such as the Board of Estimate, still had to pass on it. The cost of the property was estimated at between \$3,000,000 and \$5,000,000.

Overcrowding at City College is the reason the Board gave for the proposed purchase. They hoped that the addition of the Manhattanville campus would alleviate the crowded conditions that are so familiar to students and faculty members at City.

City - St. Joe Trip

All students who intend to go to the St. Joe-City College basketball game by bus are to meet Monday, February 21, at 2:50 p.m. in front of the Main Building. The bus will leave at 3 p.m. For tickets or further information see Charlotte Weissman at the S. C. office, room 20 Main, or call SE 3-4488.



The Book Exchange, located in Knittle Lounge, will be open the first week of this semester, selling good used books at reduced prices.

Presenting Case Histories; Davis and Knickerbocker

The following is a summary of events, as reported in this newspaper, in the cases of Prof. William E. Knickerbocker, Chairman, Department of Romance Languages, and William C. Davis, Economics Department, instructors accused of anti-Semitic and anti-Negro practices.

April 9, 1945—Faculty members make first complaints against Knickerbocker.

September 12, 1946—A sub-committee of the Board of Higher Education reports that it found "some evidence of careless and derogatory conversation... but otherwise found the charges without merit." Previously a faculty board had cleared Knickerbocker.

June 22, 1948—A committee of the New York City Council calls Knickerbocker's conduct "reprehensible and unworthy of the Chairman of the Romance Languages Department" and requests him to retire. The charges were that he had uttered anti-Semitic remarks, had discriminatorily denied a medal to a student (the medal was later granted), and that the complainants against him were discriminatorily denied promotions.

September 14, 1948—Prof. Knickerbocker, in an interview with *Observation Post*, expresses his intention to stay on at the Col-

lege despite the Council's retirement recommendations.

September 20, 1948—Prof. Knickerbocker's Spanish class, as a result of action by student groups, walks out in protest and petitions Dean Morton Gottshall to assign another instructor.

September 21, 1948—The Dean advises the students to return to class or drop the course. They return the following day after again registering their protests.

Three students walk out of the Economics class of William C. Davis, former Army Hall administrator ousted in the Spring of 1948 for his policy of racial segregation in the dormitory. The students are permitted transfers to other sections.

September 27, 1948—The Board of Higher Education upholds its first report exonerating Knickerbocker, precipitating "sit-down" demonstrations in Lincoln Corridor and a Great Hall Assembly.

October 5, 1948—The administration permits Knickerbocker's Spanish class to transfer to other sections.

October 7, 1948—In a referendum conducted by Student Council (Continued on page 3)

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CCNY: A Fine Tradition

Once again we find ourselves in the pleasant position of extending our semi-official welcome to the entering class at City College. We think that this little task is well worth the effort, because it gives us an opportunity to reacquaint ourselves with the high ideals, noble principles and progressive traditions that have characterized the school since it was founded as the Free Academy in 1847.

City College students have been, and continue to be, unrivalled in their interest and activities in behalf of academic freedom and student liberties. The College's 102 years have been marked by numerous campaigns to guarantee and extend full democratic rights to faculty and students.

Opposition to fascism and bigotry has ever been strong on our campus. When, in the turbulent post-depression years of the 30's, the now infamous President Robinson attempted to bring 22 black-shirted fascist students to a Great Hall Convocation, City's 3,000-strong student body joined the unanimous protest strike. More recently, thousands of students participated in the vigorous and yet-unending protest against the official white-washing of Mr. Davis and Prof. Knickerbocker.

These activities, plus the fact that the College has long been renowned as an institution which accepts all students regardless of color, religion and national origin, have brought down upon our heads the vituperation and scorn of the large troop of native moss-backed bigots. But 102 years of vile accusations have not fazed City students, although we are sorry to see that similar tactics at schools like Washington and Michigan State have not met with such united student opposition.

Traditionally, City College students have been known as fighters—for increased budgetary allotments, for decent vet subsistence allowances, for fullest academic freedom and for the right of every group and idea to be heard, discussed and evaluated by all.

These fights are continuing with the same wide interest and enthusiasm which marked them in the past and will bring even more honor upon the College, its student faculty and alumni.

Observation Post, proud of the distinguished graduates of our College, is even prouder of today's students. We believe that their lives here will be fruitful and full, bringing the greatest benefits of free higher education to themselves and the community.

It is our privilege to greet the entering class and to welcome it to the City College.

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TW Production Applauded Despite Poor Choice in 'Jason'

By Paul Eisenman

Unlike Mr. Jason Otis, who has long been recognized as one of America's foremost dramatic critics, this unrecognized critic does not have a personal secretary. Perhaps this is, in a sense, a godsend, because if I had a young lady waiting to inscribe, in immortal shorthand, pearls of wisdom

as they fell from my lips, this review might have been considerably less mellow and considerably to the disadvantage of the Theatre Workshop's performance of Samuel Raphaelson's "Jason" last January 14.

As it is, the passage of time has healed the wound somewhat, and I have come to the philosophical conclusion that, outside of Mr. Raphaelson's play, everyone is hurried and apt to make mistakes—the mistake in this case being TW's choice of a stilted play chock full of "significant" dialogue and hackneyed situations.

"Jason" is the story of a young and gifted playwright who brings new meaning (he says) into the lives of a neurotic drama critic and his pseudo-aristocratic wife by first insulting the wife, then making love to her, and finally returning her, much wiser and scarcely damaged, to her husband.

The critic's education, meanwhile, has consisted of learning to pick up hoboos in the street, taking them to his home, and entertaining them as his guests. Sounds familiar, yes?

All Credit to TW

That the Theatre Workshop Associates did so well with such a dearth of material is a tribute in itself. The production was smooth and polished; once more I found myself admiring the professional set which typified recent college productions. It was designed and executed by F. Vincente Romea, William Herman and Bernard Moskowitz.

Newton Arnold, the critic's critic, Judy Lambert the Southern "lady," and Jerry Eskow, the playwright's playwright, all acquitted themselves well.

The supporting cast, led by Hurdman Wiese and William Summers, did as well as could be expected with their lines, and good characterizations were contributed on bit parts by Hal Barnell and Howard Caine.

Letters

Prague, January 8, 1949

Dear Friend:

We have recently received a few copies of your paper, and want to tell you how stimulating we have found it. In particular, we like the way you are taking up issues of vital importance to your students, and we have been following for some time the new famous (or infamous) Davis-Knickerbocker case.

In this action your students have the fullest support of the International Union of Students, which has always followed a policy against discrimination of any kind in education, and which at its Council meeting in Paris recently paid particular attention to the problem of discrimination against minorities in the United States.

We are very interested, too, to read of the project to send students to Puerto Rico to study the conditions of students there. We would be very pleased if we could have more information about this,

In Samuel Raphaelson's Play



A dramatic moment in the Theatre Workshop production of "Jason."

CITY in review

THESPIANS . . . The City College Theatre Workshop has temporarily switched from the Pauline Edwards Theatre at the Downtown Center to the Hunter Playhouse at Hunter College, 68th and Park Avenue. This change comes on the heels of a decision to produce Eugene O'Neill's "The Great God Brown," an event scheduled to attract overflow crowds. The play will be presented Friday and Saturday, March 4 and 5, with a matinee on Saturday. Tickets for the evening performance are \$1.00, for the matinee \$0.50 and will be on sale in the Cafeteria.

HOUSE PLANNERS . . . With the appointment of Dave Newton House Plan has ended its search for a new executive director, search prompted by the resignation of Howard A. Kieval. . . . An ambitious group is seriously considering an idea to develop a House Plan camp out of town for the benefit of City College students. More on this at a later date. . . . The red carpet will be out for entering Freshmen when H. P. holds its Freshmen Reception, Saturday, February 26, at 22 Convent Avenue.

HILLEL OPEN HOUSE . . . Hillel Foundation also plans a welcome reception for all students this Thursday between 12 and 2 P.M. The Foundation is at 1590-92 Amsterdam Avenue.

BRIDGEBUILDERS . . . The American Society of Civil Engineers will hold a business meeting Thurs. Feb. 17, in South Hall, 205.

DEMOCRATS . . . The FDR Young Democratic Club, Martin Klein '51, President, will present sound films on "The Nation's Capital" and "How a Bill Becomes a Law" this Thursday in 306 Main at 12:30 A.M. The club will meet each Thursday thereafter in 203 Main.

This column is one of direct interest to all campus organizations and all students. Observation Post will continue to publicize and emphasize the many interesting and valuable extra-curricular activities at the College. We must first get the facts from you so deposit legible and pertinent information in the OP office, room 16A or Box 207 in the mail room. Deadline for all items is each Thursday at 3 P.M.

—Editor

and especially if after this visit, you could arrange to send us some of the material and information your students collect.

You seem from your paper to have a vigorous cultural life among your students, with a vital and general interest in student affairs so essential for progress.

We would like to receive Observation Post regularly and ask if you could put IUS on your mailing list. Address to the Press and Information Department. In return we will send you regularly our News Releases and other material such as special articles when these come out.

We hope to hear from you soon, and wish you all possible success

in your work during 1949.

Yours fraternally,

KEN TOLHURST

Head of the Press and Information Dept., International Union of Students

Microcosm Ads

Microcosm '49, the Senior year book, announces that all clubs wishing to purchase a full or half page must submit their contracts by Friday, February 12 at the Senior office, 100 Army Hall. Group pictures will be taken Feb. 20 in the Army Hall lounge.

"Mike" also requests any students interested in working on the business or clerical staff to sign in 100 A.H.

Decrease in Enrolled Vets

Enrollment for Day Session of the College for this semester stands at fifty students less than that of last term, it was announced Thursday by Robert L. Taylor. A breakdown into Main and Commerce campuses shows that the Uptown registration is approximately 7,200, while the Downtown stands number 3,925. This includes about 800 Freshmen at Main Center, and 400 at the 23rd Street School.

On the question of Veteran enrollment, Mr. Taylor said that there were very few in the entering class. "As a matter of fact," said Mr. Taylor, "when I asked in the Freshman Welcoming Assembly last Saturday for all veterans present to identify themselves by raising their hands, I counted only five in the audience." Veterans enrollment in the Uptown Center this semester stands at 2,700, a decrease of 1,320 over last Spring.

In the Evening Session, registration is still in progress, but the total is expected to be about the same as last semester's figure of 12,076.

U. of Washington

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questions and a background of unsatisfactory relations" with the college.

After the faculty committee released its findings, Dr. Allen recommended to the state regents that Professors Phillips and Butterworth be dropped on the grounds that they were Communists. In his report, Dr. Allen said, "A Communist is incompetent to teach the truth." The Board of Regents dismissed the two and Gundlach and put the other three on probation for two years, after they signed non-communist affidavits.

The action of the Board of Regents brought on a storm of both criticism and approval. Among the first to announce that he was in favor of the firings was Representative John E. Rankin of Mississippi, who called the dismissal "long overdue." President Wright of City College said that he thought that the firings were illegal but that he would not knowingly employ a Communist at City. President Taylor of Sarah Lawrence College was the only college president who came out unequivocally against the dismissal.

Professors Phillips and Butterworth have brought the matter up before the American Association of University Professors, who have pledged themselves to fight the dismissals.

Jackie Robinson

Jackie Robinson, star of the Brooklyn Dodgers baseball team, will speak before the Sociology Society on Monday, Feb. 14, at noon, in Room 128 Main. Mr. Robinson will discuss his work at the Harlem "Y".

Clerks Get Raise

Thirty-four clerks employed by the four city colleges won thousands of dollars in wage increases and back pay through a ruling of the New York County Supreme Court against the Board of Higher Education two weeks ago.

The thirty-four brought suit against the Board because, although they were licensed as Clerk, Grade II, they were actually performing the work of Clerical Assistants, which had a higher salary bracket. The Court ruled that the Board must increase the salaries by \$1,250 a year, and must award back pay of six years.

The case was brought to court by Ben Zelman, attorney for the Teachers Union.

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Summary

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students vote in favor of a petition to the State Commissioner of Education, asking for the dismissal of Knickerbocker and Davis.

October 21, 1948—The Board of Higher Education meets with a Student Council committee, appointed October 8, and states that it would welcome an investigation by Commissioner Spaulding.

October 29, 1948—Student Council approves a petition to Commissioner Spaulding asking for a review of the Knickerbocker case.

November 15, 1948—A joint conference of the City College Student Councils requests all metropolitan schools to endorse the petition.

December 10, 1948—In a letter to the London Jewish Chronicle, Prof. Ephraim Cross, one of the original complainants in the case, answers an article entitled "The Knickerbocker Scandal" by "Americanus" which cited the affair as a "storm in a teacup." Cross writes that "since the making of our complaint proportionately more Jews have been advanced to professorships than ever before in the century of existence of the College."

—A. E. G.

NSA Initiates Training Plan

The organization of an "internship" program for the training and qualification of the College's National Student Association representatives has been announced by James Morgan '50, chairman of the NSA delegation.

The plan, which calls for at least one-half term of service on the NSA's Campus Committee to establish eligibility for running in the semi-annual College elections, was approved by Student Council at its last meeting of the Fall semester.

"Interns" will be required to work on one of the specific committees or projects under the jurisdiction of the NSA, and will be allowed to miss no more than three meetings. According to Morgan, the new rules will prevent the election of individuals who have "shown no definite interest in the purposes and operations of the NSA."

All day session students are eligible to apply for the new program. Dates of meetings will be posted on the NSA bulletin board in Room 20.



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The New York City Council, unanimously approving a resolution by Councilman Ben Davis, has designated the week of February 6 to 13 as Negro History Week for the purpose of observing and cele-

rating the "commandable role played by Negro Americans in the historic and democratic struggles of our country during war and peace..."

In 1925, the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History, under the chairmanship of Dr. Carter G. Woodson, proposed and



Frederick Douglass, (1817-1895) an escaped slave, made outstanding contributions to the Abolitionist movement. He spoke at the first Women's Rights Convention at Seneca Falls, N.Y., in July, 1848. Together with Elizabeth Cady Stanton, he urged recognition of the essential link between women's rights and the abolition of slavery.

organized the first celebration of Negro History Week. Since then however, paralleling the growth of Negro political organizations during the 1930's, the Week lost the narrow academic character imparted to it at its conception. It has now become a celebration not only of history, but also of contemporary rededication to the fight for Negro rights.

The entire history of the Negro people in the United States has been one of struggle against chattel slavery, Jim Crow ideas and practices and national suppression. It is important that this concept be kept in mind, because it brings this week's ceremonies into their proper perspective.

The contributions of the Negro people to American history may be traced back two hundred years. In the Revolutionary War, 5,000 Negro soldiers fought for American independence at the same time that they campaigned for an end to slavery. They pointed out that Negro liberation would prevent a perversion of the democratic ideals and achievements for which the Revolution was fought.

The vigorous slave uprisings, the heroism of fugitive slaves, and the organized leadership of freed Negroes were the decisive impulses behind the growth and development of the great Abolitionist movement of the first half of the 19th century. Furthermore, the

presence of 230,000 Negroes in the Union Army and Navy and an additional 250,000 near-line workers helped to change the character of the Civil War from one of "Save the Union" to one of "free the slaves, in order to save the Union."

The Reconstruction period was one of the high points of American history, because it was in this period that the Southern Negroes demanded and began to achieve self-rule and distribution of the plantation lands. The demands were unsuccessful despite tremendous struggles and efforts, and the shame of the semi-feudal South, maintained by Northern support, continued to infect the life of America.



Sojourner Truth, born as the slave Isabella, dedicated her life to the freeing of her people. She did not confine her anti-slavery fight to the North, but went into the South to arouse the Negro slaves to rebellion.



Harriet Tubman, (1820-1913), displayed remarkable heroism in helping slaves escape to Canada via Underground Railroad. During the Civil War, she shouldered a gun and fought with the Union Army.

In recent years, the contributions of the Negro people have been no less important. Their participation has been especially noteworthy in the building of the CIO, the campaigns for social security and unemployment insurance, and the world-wide opposition to the Sacco-Vancetti and Scottsboro frame-ups. Negro Americans fought with the Abraham Lincoln Brigade against fascism in Spain and, despite attempts to confine them to quartermaster and engineering battalions, won distinguished records in World War II.

The struggle that began before the Revolutionary War has not yet ended. The Negro people, with

wide support from progressives all over the nation are still fighting for the realization of their rights as American citizens and the fulfillment of their aspirations and dreams.

To understand American Negro history is to arra oneself in the fight for Negro liberation and the fight for the social, political and economic advances of all the American people toward peace. In terms of our own campus, it means utilizing the tremendous contribution that Negro people generally and Negro students in particular, can make in the struggle of all students and faculty for academic freedom.

Intramurals By Walt Lilling

Confident that this term's turnout will surpass all others, the Hygiene Dept. again offers its full facilities for student use through the medium of the Intramural tournaments. Foremost on this term's calendar will be basketball and baseball, both team competitive sports.

Those students who prefer individual competition, will find handball, swimming, bowling and table tennis facilities available, with individual tournaments scheduled. For the many who just wish to participate for the sole purpose of enjoyment without thoughts of prizes facilities are available in such sports as wrestling, boxing, rifle and track.

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DAVE WEINSTEIN

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At this writing, the leading team in the Rocky Mountain Conference, and a very good bet to qualify for that district's berth in the NCAA tourney, is none other but our old "friend," Wyoming U., coached by friendly, lovable, Ev Shelton. Of course he was only kidding here two years ago when he uttered enough anti-Semitic jargon at the Beavers to make even Adolph Hitler feel proud. He only lost his head in the excitement of trying to win the ball game!

We don't have to enter the NCAA tourney if we have to compete against men who think more of personal ambition than of human decency. You cannot compromise with bigotry in any form, and even though the chances of City College meeting Wyoming are very remote, the very fact that we would compete in a tournament which allows teams led by men of such disreputable character to even qualify should deter us immediately from accepting the Section Two bid. Knickerbocker and Davis are enough for us to contend with.

Certainly an NCAA bid has a lot of prestige, but so has a Southern congressman elected by the fraudulent poll tax. If Wyoming qualifies for the NCAA tourney, City must not enter it also.

Entrance in the National Invitation Tourney is another matter. The tournament lacks the NCAA prestige, but makes up for this deficiency in talent. Definite invitees are Kentucky, St. Louis, Western Kentucky, Utah, and San Francisco, with such weak sisters as Bradley, Duquesne, Bowling Green, Texas, Louisville, Loyola (Chicago) and other clubs of equal caliber tagging along for the ride.

It is indeed an opportunity for the dashing Beavers to meet the best the country has to offer and we should jump at the chance. The pity of it all is that it will be admittedly one of City's weaker clubs that will represent us. This writer can only conjecture what would have happened if last year's stronger and deeper squad were allowed to compete in a post-season tourney as they so richly deserved.

Goldstein (OP) Chides Leonard Cohen (Post) For Misrepresenting Correspondence in Column

By Phil Goldstein
A little over two weeks ago, Leonard Cohen, Sports Editor of the New York Post, mentioned in his column a suggestion for a night at Madison Square Garden honoring Dave Shapiro of George Washington University for turning in four alleged basketball fixers. He invited opinions on the proposal, and opinions he certainly did get. Most of them were against the proposal which, in itself, was not surprising, but the shocking aspect of the situation was that his correspondents attacked Shapiro's integrity in a most vicious manner. Several of the letter writers seemed to be acquainted with the four accused men. None, evidently were intimates of Shapiro.

Objects To Cohen's Column
Under the circumstances, I objected very strongly to Mr. Cohen letting his column be used to smear Dave Shapiro, and I wrote to Mr. Cohen to register this objection. In a subsequent column Mr. Cohen acknowledged my letter, but he seemed to have sadly misinterpreted it. In some mysterious fashion he acquired the notion that I was in favor of the Dave Shapiro Night, and he accused me for not having written in my vote favoring it.

Let's get this straight. Like many others who applaud Dave Shapiro, I do not approve of hamming up a very noble action by having representatives of the political brass verbally pat the top of his cranium before 18,000 onlookers.

Cohen Has Wrong Opinion
Evidently Mr. Cohen is of the fallacious opinion that if one is not violently against Dave Shapiro, then he is in favor of giving him a night. He does not seem to realize that many who greatly admire the George Washington athlete would never think of voting to fete him in the proposed manner.

Moreover, Mr. Cohen, in quoting me out of context, made it appear that I opposed his printing letters in his column and also opposed a fair trial for the four accused men. Because of that and because I am still of the belief that Leonard Cohen thoughtlessly committed a grave injustice, not only to Dave Shapiro, but to clean sports in general, I am reproducing my letter to him here. If Mr. Cohen sees this article, I hope that he will consider the following an open letter to himself since there is reason to believe that he did not read it very carefully the first

City Coast Play: Hot (Stanford), Cold (Frisco), Lukewarm (Loyola)

The City College basketball team put on an amazing exhibition of versatility, last week on the Pacific Coast, in going from a condition of white-hot brilliance to teeth-chattering frigidity as they followed a dazzling victory over highly-rated Stanford by dropping decisions to San Francisco and Loyola of Los Angeles.

OP SPORTS

Garden Tilt With Eagles Thursday

When the men of Holman return to the friendly confines of Madison Sq. Garden Thursday for the first time since their western tour, they will encounter Niagra U., a quintet whose play has been erratic all season. Although the Purple Eagles, coached by John J. Gallagher, have succumbed to such powerhouses as So. Methodist (67-57) Siena (45-39), West Virginia (71-66), St. Bonaventure (61-59), and Buffalo (59-53), they have still managed to defeat such notables as De Paul (57-53), Canisius (49-48), Cornell (54-47), and Colgate (68-63). All in all, their cumulative record of 13-6 was considered good enough to earn them honorable mention in the fourth weekly AP poll.

Niagara's roster reads like an all-star team of New York City High Schools, including such former stars as Zeke Sinicola, former Franklin great and All-Scholastic choice Bill Hilroyd (Eastern District), Jim Moran (Morris), 6-2

Mike Wittlin



Beavers' Ace playmaker whose brilliant ball handling set up the plays that enabled City to run roughshod over Stanford.

springbean star, and John Kiernan (LaSalle). Other outstanding men on the squad are Mervin Mink, Ed Murphy, Lloyd Patterson (only man on roster that hails from Niagara), Walt Rooney, and Tommy Birch. They present good height in Walt Johnson and Hank Foley both 6-4 and skilled operatives in the bucket.

Niagara Tix

Tickets for the Beaver-Niagra U. basketball game, to be played on Thursday Feb. 17, may be purchased on Monday Feb. 14 and Tuesday Feb. 15, at Army Hall between 1-4 P. M. Tickets for the Fordham-Beaver game are available on Feb. 17, 18. The decats are priced at \$5.00 upon presentation of an A. A. Card.

Frosh Win

The City College freshman basketball team experienced little difficulty in defeating the Seton Hall freshman quintet, 65-46, last Wednesday evening at the spacious gymnasium of the New Jersey school.

The little Beavers, using their first five sparingly, controlled both backboards and unleashed a blistering fast break to wear down the Pirates.

Ed Roman of City College, who put on a remarkable exhibition of tap-in artistry, was the contest's high scorer with 21 points.

The Beavers were at their peak, Friday evening, February 4, at San Francisco's Cow Palace as they trampled Stanford, 67-57. Coast papers, hard put for superlatives, reported that "the crowd went wild as CCNY romped over Stanford. Not since the world famous Harlem Globe Trotters appeared on the Pacific Coast see such an exhibition of ball handling. The crowd cheered as City fast-broke, set-up plays, and with a full court press completely stymied the Indians attack."

The Stanford five was considered the best on the Coast, but from the outset the Beaver attack checked and the issue was never in doubt. Captain Hilty Shapiro scored 15 points to lead the scoring.

C.C.N.Y. (67)			STANFORD (57)		
	FG	FT		FG	FT
Jacobson	4	10	Yardley	3	11
Wittlin	3	12	Galiber	2	13
Gallagher	3	10	Stephenson	2	12
Dunbar	3	8	Levy	0	1
Shapiro	6	15	Davishon	2	11
Mayer	3	8	Forsman	1	3
Forsman	1	3	Thalala	2	4
Birkman	1	2	Carver	0	0
Watkus	0	1	Boyer	0	0
Millman	0	0			
Total	25	47	Total	19	57

The following night at the Cow Palace, a ball-hawking University of San Francisco quintet jumped off to an early lead and never were headed as they defeated the Beavers, 48-32. The defensive play and frequent ball-stealing by the two Don's catlike guards, Rene Herrarias and Frank Kuzara, plus the rebounding of Don Lofgran and Joe McNamee completely dominated the play and enabled the Dons to surge to a 26-17 halftime lead. Although their margin was whittled down to five points early in the second half, they successfully staved off the Beavers' late rush.

The Beavers failed to overcome an eleven-point halftime deficit Saturday evening, February 8, at Los Angeles as they dropped a spine-tingler to Loyola, 57-56. Norm Glick scored 19 points for Loyola to lead both teams in that department. Galiber's 13 points was high for City.

SAN FRANCISCO (48)			C.C.N.Y. (32)		
	FG	FT		FG	FT
Dunbar	4	8	Wittlin	1	5
Jacobson	4	12	Jacobson	2	5
McNamee	2	8	Galiber	2	8
Herrarias	4	10	Shapiro	2	8
Kuzara	2	8	Dunbar	1	5
Gaven	0	1	Roman	0	0
Boyer	0	1	Mayer	1	2
De Paul	0	0	Frikkan	0	0
Galiber	0	0	Millman	0	0
Zier	0	0			
Total	15	48	Total	11	32

C.C.N.Y. (56)			LOYOLA (57)		
	G	F		G	F
Jacobson	7	12	Jacobson	2	6
Forsman	1	11	Wittlin	0	17
Mayer	1	3	Corrigan	0	0
Wittlin	0	0	Chick	7	19
Galiber	0	17	Apert	0	0
Roman	0	1	Galib	0	0
Watkus	0	0	Walt	1	2
Shapiro	4	10	L. Brown	2	7
Wittlin	2	11			
Birkman	1	3	Total	24	57
Total	22	56			

Students who have not already purchased A. A. cards will have an opportunity to do so on Feb. 14, 15, 17 and 18. The cards are priced at \$1.00 and will be sold in mentioned dates. A. A. Card holders receive reduced prices for tickets to the remainder of the basketball game on the current schedule as well as for probable tournament games.

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