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Bickering Hinders Initial Council Meeting; Student Protest Kills 'Thought-Control' Bill

Oklahoma U. Petition, Letters Halt Measure in Legislature

(Special to The Observation Post)

Mass student action, in the form of a petition and letters, late last week defeated an attempt of the Oklahoma House of Representatives to force college students and faculty members in state supported schools to sign non-communist affidavits.

The measure, passed in the House by a vote of 102-7 but defeated in a State Senate committee, called for each student and faculty member to swear that he was "not affiliated directly or indirectly with the Communist party, the Third Communist International, or with any foreign political agency, party, organization, or government." The penalty was a \$500 fine and ten days in jail.

The Senate committee threw the former bill out and substituted a much watered down loyalty pledge leaving out all mention of Communism and applicable only to faculty members.

Students Protest

A petition supported by nine campus organizations and signed by 1,500 students of Oklahoma University protested against the measure saying that it "confesses lack of faith, is an insult, is unnecessary, probably unconstitutional, and can never achieve its objective." State Representative W. H. Langley, who was responsible for most of the provisions in the original bill, defended his position, saying: "There are students coming to Oklahoma colleges and universities from outside the state who have Communist leanings and are a threat to our Oklahoma students."

Alice Anderson, native born graduate student of psychology at Oklahoma University and campus leader for the last five years replied to Langley, calling the measure a new peak in civil liberties violations against college students and faculty members over the entire nation.

Hits Sponsor's Motives

She also criticized Langley's motives in supporting the bill by saying: "It is obvious that this measure is designed to intimidate students from northern and eastern states who, along with those who are residents of Oklahoma, have been trying to overthrow the vicious Jim Crow educational system in the state."

The revised version of the bill is expected to pass the Legislature even though there will be opposition to it from student and faculty members throughout the state.

BHE Protests O'D's Action In Queens Tiff

Summoning the Board of Higher Education to an unprecedented meeting at City Hall, Mayor William O'Dwyer insisted that the Presidency of Queens College be awarded to a person who will not be opposed by the community.

A group of political and religious organizations were assembled in the Mayor's office and their opposition to Dr. Bryn J. Hovde, President of the New School of Social Research, who is under consideration by the BHE, precipitated the Mayor's statement which endorsed Dr. Margaret V. Kiely, Acting President of Queens College.

BHE Members Protest

Immediate reaction to the Mayor's stand came from members of the BHE with whom the final authority for the selection of a president rests. The action was termed "brazen," and one comment was "the riot act was given to us." "With the situation as it stands now, how can we attract any outstanding educator to the job?" one member of the Board asked a reporter of the New York Times. "All of the best persons will be scared off by this political mess."

Professor Angered

Equally indignant, Dr. David Henry, associate professor of History at Queens, assailed the O'Dwyer statement as an "attempt at political control."

"I regard the Mayor's interjection as a shocking act extremely injurious to the principles of education," Dr. Henry continued. He expressed a hope that the BHE would not be intimidated but would "stick by its convictions."

BHE to Meet Group

The Mayor demanded that the BHE meet with representatives of organizations chosen by Justice Charles Colden who is publicly recorded as a supporter of Dr. Kiely. Echoing support for Dr. Kiely in the Brooklyn Tablet, official organ of the Queens College Students' Union, which termed the Mayor's action as "a political move," the Tablet stated that the Mayor's action was "a political move."

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Lengthy Procedure Debate Prevents Agenda Completion

By Phil Scheffler

Covering four items on the agenda out of a scheduled nine, Student Council closed its first session of the semester last Friday at midnight. A lack of accomplishment marked the meeting as members of the group delayed progress of the agenda by continually bringing up points of order and challenging the chair's rulings. The chairman, Bill Fortunato, was upheld on most of the challenges.

Four Hour Delay

The report of the Membership Committee, usually dispatched in a short time, was held up for four hours while members decided whether or not an amendment proposed to it was in order. The amendment was designed to prohibit the seating of Students for Wallace for failure to comply with an SC ruling of last semester that the club apologize for a violation of election rules. The amendment was finally declared out of order and the content of the amendment was put into the form of a by-law to be discussed at next week's meeting.

Fee Committee Election Wednesday

The treasurer, Harvey L. Karp, announced that elections for positions on the Student-Faculty Fee Committee must be held by Thursday so that emergency appropriations might be made for Observation Post, Campus, Dramsoc, and SC facilities. The elections were held but then declared invalid because of a by-law which required advance notice to be given to clubs and organizations of the elections. It was decided to hold a meeting of all SC delegates on Monday in Room 20 and to hold elections on Wednesday.

The report of the Budget Committee was accepted, but election of a permanent Committee was tabled until the next meeting.

Letters to O'Dwyer and BHE

It was suggested that SC send a letter to Mayor O'Dwyer condemning his stand on the selection of the President of Queens College and one to the Board of Higher Education complimenting their stand on the matter. Discussion on the motion was interrupted by the custodian of the building, however, who informed the Chairman that it was midnight and that SC must vacate immediately. The meeting adjourned until the next meeting.

NEW STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICERS



Left to right are Harvey Karp, treasurer; Bill Fortunato, president; Shirley Lay, secretary; and Ed Sparer, vice-president.

Fee Money Deadline

1) All organizations wishing to apply for monies under the Fee Plan must submit their requests via budget forms. These forms are now available in Room 20, Main.

2) To receive immediate and primary consideration, the forms should be returned to the SFFC before Wednesday, February 23.

3) The organization's officer submitting the request will be expected to appear before the SFFC for an interview. Interviews will be held on Saturday, February 26.

4) For further information, see Harvey L. Karp, SC Treasurer, in Room 20 Main.

BHE to Meet Next Week

It was announced that the meeting of the BHE, on Feb. 28, would concern itself with a further inquiry into the qualifications of all candidates. Supporters of Dr. Hovde indicated that they will not change and as eleven votes are needed for appointment, they may be able to block any but a compromise appointment.

Help Wanted

Observation Post still has room for new candidates in all departments. Openings are available for writers, artists, photographers and business and advertising staff.

All interested male and female candidates are urged to apply in Room 16A Main.

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Until the OP charter is accepted by the SFCSA, OP must continue to operate under its old charter which provides for a board of directors composed of representatives from AVC and OP.

All opinions expressed in the editorial column of this newspaper are determined by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

On Loyalty Pledges...

THE students of Oklahoma University have beaten off a serious threat to educational liberty in their state. By concerted action they forced the State Senate to throw out a bill already passed by the State House of Representatives which would require students and faculty in state supported colleges and universities to sign a non-Communist affidavit. The penalty for refusal to sign was a \$500 fine and ten days imprisonment.

Hats off to the student body of Oklahoma University for believing that the way to democracy is through education, not suppression.

...and Mayor O'Dwyer...

WE are sure that there is no love lost here at the College for the Board of Higher Education. Yet, we must protest Mayor O'Dwyer's misconduct in attempting to appoint his own choice to the Presidency of Queens College. The appointment of a new President is a Board of Higher Education affair. There is no room for machine politics in education.

P.S. — It is interesting to note that when petitioned by City College students concerning the Knickerbocker-Davis case, Mayor O'Dwyer showed no desire to interfere with matters falling under the jurisdiction of the B.H.E.

...and Council Meetings...

STUDENT Council held an eight hour meeting last Friday night. It was the first meeting of the new semester, and there was much work to be done. Very little was accomplished.

The student body of the College did not elect representatives to Council who would argue for hours about incidents and bicker among themselves. They elected representatives who would work for them in an efficient manner.

Members of Student Council made a promise to the students when they had their names placed on the ballots. We fervently hope that the students are not disappointed.

...and Book Exchanges

THE heartiest congratulations are due to Alpha Phi Omega, Al Tauber, the student manager, and all the others who devoted long and frantic hours to the Used Book Exchange. They have managed to remove much of the sting from what used to be an annoying thorn in the side of all of us at registration. We're sure that every student at the College joins us in saying "bravo" to the students connected with the Exchange.

We'd like to suggest, though, to the students and the administration, that efforts would be made to re-establish the book lending system that was used here years ago. Today's ridiculously high prices are making it more and more difficult for students to buy their own texts. Is it possible to set up, beginning right now, a lending-library at a cost of, say, 10c per book per term? It seems to us that such a library would be the only genuine solution to the perennial textbook headache.

AVC WANTS WOMEN

In line with an increased social program, the American Veterans Committee is forming an auxiliary for young ladies who are interested in veteran's problems. Anyone interested in participating in such a social group can get all the details in room 16a Main, the AVC office, where an especially trained veteran will answer all questions.

Join "Shmoo," Aid Humanity

Be a Shmoo. Don't let the world pass you by. Become a disciple of Al Capp and let no one call you inhumane. If aid is needed in the transition from a life overflowing with the prosaic to an idyllic Shmoovian existence, heed the quiet call of the American Society for the Advancement of the Shmoo (ASAS.) Zealous students at the University of Bridgeport banded together in September of last year and have incorporated themselves under the sovereign laws of the State of Connecticut to "promote patriotism, community programs for social betterment, assistance to charitable organizations, economic improvement for all and the spread of happiness."

Schmoos Aid Charity According to Benjamin A. Radvogal, President, the society counts a membership of 2,000 in ten colleges and universities. The disciples of the kindly Shmoo have done work on behalf of the March of Dimes and other local organizations. Plans are in the Shmoovian offing for aid and assistance to the World Student Service Fund, the United Negro College Fund and the National Scholarship and Fund for Negro Student.

So become a Shmoo and help "restore humanity's faith in mankind." For lucid details concerning the life and times of the you-know-what, communicate with the American Society for the Advancement of the Shmoo, University of Bridgeport, Bridgeport, 5, Connecticut.

All quotes taken from the Shmoo brochure and membership card.

Be a Shmoo.

A. E. G.

HP Offers Social Outlet For Study-Wearry Students

By Fred Streit

The two ordinary, substantial looking buildings at 290 and 292 Convent Avenue are known collectively by many satisfied customers as House Plan. Operating with limited facilities, the directors and students at House Plan have done a great deal to improve the social life on campus for the average student. They promote co-ed parties among HP clubs here at the College.

Full, House Plan held a series of receptions after the football games. Semi-annually entering students are greeted at the Freshman Reception, to take place this term on February 26. The students here at House Plan do practically all the work in the New York City area. This



A scene from a House Plan party. The man with the open mouth is Howard Kieval, former director of HP, recently replaced by Dave Newton.

Glinka
Is a stinka
But Buxtehude
Is very gude
Please don't labour
Over C. M. von Weber.
But when Diabelli
Pains the belly
And poor old Bach
Evokes kreplach
It's time to get ethereal
About disease venereal.

A certain Wagnerian Scholar
Got a notion he lived in Walthalla.
He pranced down the road
And shrieked Liebestod
Till a cop pulled him down by
the collar.

David Lawson

with the directors acting in purely advisory capacity, and I'm proud to work with them." These words of Lee Davis, Assistant Executive Director of HP, clearly illustrate the spirit in which jobs are tackled at the student houses.

HP Elections

In elections held at approximately the same time as the Student Council balloting last semester, Ed Safarty assumed the presidency of HP. Hank Stanger was elected secretary, "Toby" Tobenfeld took the treasurer's post, and Kurt Shaffert became chairman of the SC delegation.

House Plan offers an outlet for whatever you may care to do. If you like to dance, put on the radio, choose a partner and dance; if you care to sing, find a pianist and sing; if you relish things literary and like to write, join the HP newspaper; and if you like to help get the ball rolling, become a senior adviser for the new Freshman House. In short, House Plan does a fine job in trying to give you that social uplift when your studies begin to break you down.

JOURNAL NEEDS HELP

The Journal of Social Studies, a magazine sponsored by the Joint Council of Social Sciences, is making a call for proofreaders, copy-readers, typists, artists, circulation and publicity men. The Journal is accepting contributions for this semester's issue. Papers submitted should be typed and double spaced, and 3,000-4,000 words in length. They should evidence original thought in any of the social sciences.

Address all inquiries to Box 262 or our Alan E. Goldberg, OP office, Room 16A Main.

Letters

Negro History

To the Editor:

Congratulations on your inspiring article on Negro History Week in the first issue of OP. Facts about the Negro people's fight for freedom during the Revolutionary War and through the Civil War are those which never are included in our history texts.

At a time when the Negro people are engaged in the greatest fight for their rights since the Civil War and, paradoxically, when the attacks (even violent) on their freedom are increasing, City College can point with pride to a student newspaper which recognizes their invaluable contributions and past and present struggles. (Evidently the Campus doesn't.)

In view of the fact that right here in City College Mr. Davis and his apologists are trying to check the forward march of the Negro people by defending segregation, your article is even more commendable. It was a valuable contribution to the nationwide fight against Jim Crow.

Jeanne Marra '52

FDR Democrats

Dear Editor:

It has been the fault of many students to have mistaken the official title of the F. D. R. YOUNG DEMOCRATIC CLUB. Some had called it the Young Democratic Club while others have inscribed it as being the Young Democrats. I would like to inform you and your paper that the official title of the club is the F. D. R. (FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT) YOUNG DEMOCRATIC CLUB. No other name would be acknowledged.

I would appreciate it if you would take this information into consideration.

Murray Katman

Corresponding Secretary,

F.D.R. Young Democratic Club
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Civil Liberties To Be Aired At Great Hall Symposium

The topic, "Mass Communication—A Democratic Process," will be discussed at length at a symposium which will take place on Thursday, February 24, at noon in the Great Hall. The purpose of the symposium is to study community relations and techniques in coping with such problems as civil rights.

The symposium will take the form of panel discussions. Three main speakers have been enlisted for the occasion: Dr. Dan Donson, director of the Mayor's committee on unity; Dr. Warren Brown, Assistant Professor of Sociology and Anthropology at City College; and Mr. Edwin S. Newman of the American-Jewish Committee. Specifically, they will discuss the education of the community in making civil rights effective; the utilization of tools for scientific research in social action campaigns; and the organization of the community to take full advantage of guarantees of civil rights.

In addition, open discussion from the floor will be welcomed. The entire proceeding will be aired by WNYC beginning at noon on Thursday.

The Sociology and Anthropology Departments hope to make this an annual affair for discussing community problems. These departments, along with the Social Research Laboratory, the Department of Student Life, and the American Jewish Committee are sponsoring the entire program. All students of the College are invited.

NAACP to Form College Chapter

The formation of a College chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has been announced by James Morgan, College NSA rep.

The first meeting will be held this Thursday, Feb. 24, in room 302 Main. Dr. C. H. Turner, President of the Brooklyn branch of NAACP will point out the "Role and Need for NAACP Chapters on Campuses." Phil Scheffler, News Editor of OP will relate his experiences in the battle of the Oklahoma U students for the admission of Miss Ada Lois Sipuel to the Law School.

James Morgan, who will chair the meeting, pointed out the direction which the chapter will take: "By its very nature, this NAACP chapter must become a militant force in the fight to oust Davis and Knickerbocker. We call on every element, political, social or cultural, to join in this non-partisan fight for the rights of minority groups."

Wanted: One Upright

The Department of Education is in need of an upright plane for a teacher-training course. The Department will pay for the transportation of the instrument from the donor to the College. Information may be secured in the Department office.

Pres. Wright Is Optimistic Over Manhattanville Sale

By Bernice Belmont

At a meeting of the General Faculty last Thursday, President Harry N. Wright expressed optimism concerning the proposed sale of Manhattanville College of the Sacred

Heart to the College. He said thought the sale would go through very shortly.

President Wright also announced to the General Faculty that the Board of Higher Education had made official its recommendation that the City purchase the school. The BHE announced this at an Associate Alumni luncheon held last Saturday in honor of Professor Nelson P. Mead, retiring chairman of the History Department.

Not For Expansion

In an interview with *Observation Post*, Dean John T. Theobald emphasized the reason for the proposed purchase. He said that it was not for expansion, but merely to make the facilities of the school adequate for our present needs.

Dean Theobald also pointed out that the Centennial Fund would not be touched for funds to purchase Manhattanville. But if the sale went through, the problem of the site for the proposed Student Memorial Union would be alleviated since the Manhattanville Campus would provide a place.

Army Hall Would Go

Army Hall, currently leased to the College on a year-to-year basis, would be given up if Manhattanville were purchased. The building would be converted into a public school.

The action of the BHE was taken as a result of an appeal to its various members by the College Alumni Association.



A view of the Main Building at Manhattanville College.

Industrial Arts Course Announced

A four year teacher-training course in Industrial Arts, leading to the degree of B.S. in Education will be offered in the College for the first time next September. The instruction, tuition-free to any resident of New York State who meets admission requirements, will prepare young men for teaching industrial arts subjects in junior and senior high schools.

The new curriculum will be directed by Professor Albert R. Spillman, former Supervisor of Trade Subjects for the Vocational Division of the New York City Board of Education.

A New York State appropriation for teacher-training has made the industrial arts course possible. Prior to the State grant, students from outside New York City were rarely allowed to matriculate at the College.

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NSA Hits NYU Firing; Plans Extensive Program

The College's NSA Delegation approval and promise of aid has come from the State Department and some New York City officials, and the French Embassy. It is hoped that when carried to fruition, the cultural exchange will involve most of the departments in the college, making use of both student groups and administration. The program was presented to NSA by SC president William Fortunato who was responsible for preliminary contacts.

Two projects are presently being planned in the fields of Student Rights, and Government. One will involve a Conference on Academic Freedom at which time the entire question including the meaning of the phrase itself, will be considered in connection with student, faculty, administration relationships and existing branches of academic freedom throughout the country, their roots, and prevention. NSA Student Bill of Rights will serve as the core for the discussion and will be used to aid in setting criteria.

Swap Column Resumes

Commercial swap and sell advertisements will be published in the *Observation Post* beginning with the next issue. The first insertion will be free.

After the first insertion, the charge for an ad will be 20 cents per line of four words for copy twenty or more words.

Students wishing to place an ad must submit copy, name address, and student activity number to OP, Room 16A.

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Sturdy Fonf

By Marv Weinberg

I ordered a copy of Campus, last Monday, and then, as I never do, began to read it. In doing so, I was mildly surprised to find a funny article by someone called Arthur Zelvin. It was a column called "sturdy sons" and seemed to me to be the work of a master penman.

The article was very funny. I remember, because the writer used "s" where he should have used "ss", burlesquing the typography of old colonial days. It was a lot of nonsense, I know, but it was funny just the same and I laughed loud and good.

The other day a friend of mine, who also likes funny articles, showed me a copy of the "Subtreasury of American Humor" which I read and enjoyed very much. The piece I liked best was called "Spain" and was written by somebody called Frances Warner.

The funny thing about this article was that it used the same "f" as "f" was used in my funny article in Campus, and also in my column last week. Well, I mused, that old saying about great minds thinking alike must have a lot of truth to it. Now I am convinced.

Of course, the articles weren't the same; the titles were different. Also, about six or seven words had been in the "Subtreasury" were not in Mr. Zelvin's funny article. Otherwise, though, they were not exactly the same. I thought about that "great mind" saying and I laughed loud and good again.

But then I thought about my funny friend Mr. Zelvin and I knew that he would be angry if somebody had gone and copied his work out of Campus and used their own name on it. So I did some "private eyeing" and found out that the "Subtreasury" story was a reprint (with the author's O.K.) from a very old New Yorker magazine. I was puzzled. This meant that the "Subtreasury" article was printed before Mr. Zelvin's. Had there been foul play? Oh, my!

I decided to settle the issue so I could get some sleep. I approached Mr. Zelvin. Knowing he was very, very honest, I decided to keep my terrible fears to myself.

"I liked your article very much," I said.
"Thank you."
"Where did you get the wonderful idea?"
"It just came to me."
I said good-bye and left. How silly I am . . . he is much too honest to do such a thing. I walked on thinking about great minds, copyrights, and Little Steel formulas.
I laughed loud and good.

Dramsoc Plans Gershwin Show

Encouraged by last term's successful presentation of "Joy To The World," and prompted by the desire to give a larger number of students the opportunity to participate in the cast, the Dramatic Society has chosen to do a book musical, George Gershwin's highly popular "Girl Crazy," which enjoyed a run of about three years on Broadway, is the play that has been selected.

"This is the first attempt of its kind by Dramsoc in a number of years. We feel there is a definite need for a good musical," explained Lenny Malleck, this term's Publicity Manager.

Western Romance

The story is about a young Broadway dandy, Danny Churchill, played by Bill Sommers, who, being sent to a ranch out West by an irate father, falls in love with Molly, the pretty Postmistress. The role of Molly, played by Ginger Rogers in the original production, will be taken by Carrie Caldwell.

The part of Kate, the gambler's wife, originally played by Ethel Merman will be portrayed by Carol Sawyer, and Giebel Goldfarb, first enacted by the late Willie Howard will be the role of Howard Caine. Eli Bloom will take on the direction of "Girl Crazy."

Those wishing to rock to the rhythms of Gershwin's "Embraceable You," "I Got Rhythm," "Bidin' My Time," and "But Not For Me" will be able to purchase tickets at the rear of the cafeteria. The performances will be held on March 25, 26 and 27.

T. F.

also, such as the Jewish people, the Mexicans and the Puerto Ricans.

Jacob Goldfein

V. P. Economic Society

P. S.—My position is given for information only and is not to be construed as speaking for all the members.

Dear Editor:
This is to congratulate you and your staff for the wonderful story on Negro History Week. Many, including our own newspaper, have ignored the entire thing shamefully. As a matter of fact, your entire newspaper puts NYU WSC Bulletin to shame. I will enclose a copy of the latest issue of our newspaper so that you can see just how pussyfooting it is. Enough from a busy magazine editor.

Al Toffler, Editor-in-Chief
Estelle Mowette, Man. Editor
"Compass Review"

New "Lavender" Lyrics

Dear Editor:
The following is a new set of lyrics for the City College Alma Mater, Lavender.

Tell us not a man is better
By his faith, or birth, or race,
For we'll judge a person's value
Let us, sons of City College,
Our equal rights proclaim,
White and Black we'll stand

Not forgetting we're the same.
The inspiration for this verse came during the leisurely days of the Lincoln Corridor sit-down.

Join the
BASKERVILLE
Chemical
SOCIETY



City in review

HELP . . . The Senior Class has sent an appeal for help in producing the Class Night show later this term. Urgently needed are acting directors and writers of shows, music, lyrics. Leave your name, address and telephone number in Room 100 Army Hall and/or attend a meeting Thursday, February 24, between 12 and 2 p.m.

SMOKER . . . The group which renders a great deal of service around the College, Alpha Phi Omega, will hold its semi-annual smoker on Friday, February 25, at 8 p.m. at 467 East 142 Street.

LOCK & KEY . . . Lock and Key, the senior honorary service society, will hold an induction dinner Saturday, February 26, at 7 p.m. in the Webb Room. Guests will include President and Mrs. H. N. Wright, Dr. and Mrs. J. Theobald, Dr. and Mrs. J. Peace, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Taffet. The principal speaker will be Bernard G. Walpin of the Hunter College faculty and a member of the New York City Board of Directors. At a recent meeting, John Eichenberger was elected Chancellor of the Society.

BUGS . . . The College's Babor Seismograph Station, in Finley Hall, was recently knocked out of first place accuracy rating by a spider, according to the Station Director, Prof. Daniel T. O'Connell. The spider's travels caused a violent reaction to be registered, similar to that of an earthquake, but, in spite of the web it had spun in one of the three seismometers the Babor Station had the second best accuracy record in the nation for the past three months.

WHOA, CRITTER . . . If the thrill of reeking to the rhythm of a five gaited horse appeals to you, the Saddle Club will welcome you to its Open House Party on Thursday, February 24, at 12:30 p.m. in room 11 Main. This co-ed group of hard riding individuals, led by Carl Eckhard '52, offers riding at reduced rates every Saturday at 8:30 a.m. at the Chateau Riding Academy, 31 West 96 Street. Novices at the sport are especially benefitted by a new program of free, professional instruction. Riding habit is not required or necessary.

SWING YOUR PARTNER . . . The regular Friday evening square dances were resumed on February 13, at 8:30 p.m., in Townsend Harris Hall. They are free to students of the four city colleges seeking proper identification.

EXECUTIVES . . . President Harry N. Wright will hold an informal reception for the executive committees of the four student councils on Wednesday, February 23, at 2:30 p.m. in the Webb Room.

SWING SOME MORE . . . The Student Life Department has decided to sponsor a program of dancing daily from 3 to 6 p.m. in Army Hall.

OPPORTUNITY . . . Representatives of the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation will present an illustrated talk on the Bureau this Thursday at 12:30 p.m. in room 315 Main. They will conduct personal interviews with those interested in summer and permanent jobs. Engineering sophomores, juniors, and seniors are asked to attend.

It is requested that all City in Review notices be submitted to the OP office (Room 16A Main or Box 207) by 5 p.m. each Thursday for publication in the following issue. **EDITOR**

Invitation to Daydreaming Presidents

If you plan for a club membership of 50 or 100 at the beginning of the term, work hard and usually end up discouraged . . .

If you invite a dignitary to address a meeting and end up red-faced because of a meager turn-out . . .

If you publish a bulletin, review or journal and worry about getting "rid of them" . . .

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Seymour Richman
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strike of last term, but were held in abeyance at the time because it was felt that publication of the words then would cause them to be construed to apply to the Knickerbocker-Davis affair exclusively.

May I suggest that you print these words in the next edition of OP with a suggestion to the members of Student Council that they resolve to adopt these lyrics (or perhaps better ones bearing the same message) as an additional third verse or a substitute for the second or first verse of Lavender?

Aaron Carter '51

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Letters

Many Praise Article On Negro History Week

Dear Editor:

The article, "Negro History Highlighted by Service to Democracy," in your Feb. 14 issue deserved comment and commendation from the students of CCNY . . . The fight for the rights of the Negro people is part of the fight for the rights of all people. The lesson to be learned from Hitler's theory of racial superiority is that such a theory meant not only an attempt to destroy the Jewish people but also the Poles, the Slavs, the Russians, the English, the Americans and resulted in the downfall of the German people themselves. It is therefore, in the real interests of the white people to fight for the rights of the Negro peoples. In our own experience, we realize that the fight against anti-semitism cannot be won till the fight against Jim Crow is won. The Davises and Knickerbockers walk arm in arm . . .

We must also note that there is a danger that Negro History Week may turn into another Mother's Day to be observed but once a year. The struggle for Negro rights goes on every day . . .

As students we have a part to play in the fight for democracy . . . We must critically examine our courses and the texts we use for evidence of anti-Negro, racial-segregationist attitudes . . . It is everyone's job to fight the

cancer of racism. We are glad to see PO strike a blow for democracy.

The Executive Committee of the Frederick Douglass Society.

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To the Editor:

I would like to congratulate you on the excellent article on Negro History Week. Your survey of the struggle for the liberation of the Negro people, and your pointing out that we can have no democracy until the Negro people have full democracy, give a greater meaning to the struggle to oust the racist Davis.

The American Veterans Committee has always been one of the leading organizations on campus in the fight to oust Davis and Knickerbocker.

Coleman Lefler
Vice-Chairman, AVC

Dear Editor:

I wish to commend you for the publication of the article "Negro History Highlighted By Service To Democracy" in your issue of February 14.

It is the first time within my recollection (3 years at CCNY, Main.) that an article of this type has appeared in a CCNY paper.

I hope and I urge that a series of such articles will become a regular feature of the paper not only about the Negro people but about other minority groups



DAVE WEINSTEIN Says...

About the Athlete of the Week...

Effective with this issue, *The Observation Post* will present to the man or woman most outstanding in CCNY Athletics during the previous week, a new "Athlete of the Week" Award. The recipient for the award will be chosen by a majority vote of OP sportswriters.

At the conclusion of the school year readers of this paper will have an opportunity to select the "Athlete of the Year." The athlete chosen will receive an award.

For outstanding performance in the sport of Basketball, we, the sportswriters of OP by unanimous vote have adjudged Spencer "Sonny" Jameson as the outstanding athlete during the week of February 12-18. Sonny truly merits it for his scoring of eighteen points in the Canisius game, and his heads-up play in the Niagara contest while scoring 10 points. None of those who remember the Niagara game will forget how Sonny Jameson pulled one of the quickest-thinking stunts ever seen on a basketball court. Falling out of bonds trying



to hold on to a wide pass. Sonny signalled for time which any player on the offensive team is permitted to do. This brilliant maneuver is typical of Sonny Jameson.

He is without doubt the steadiest player on the team, and his value in this day of substitution en masse, is such that Sonny plays from 38-40 minutes per contest, compared to the average star's half hour of action.

This year his set shot has drawn raves from the crowds, as have his playmaking, ballhandling, and defensive play.

A graduate of Seward High where he was All-Scholastic, Sonny is playing out his fourth and final year under Nat Holman.

Shortly after the Niagara-Beaver game last Thursday night, Clair Bee, verbose LIU coach, gave the sportswriters his opinion about the National Invitation Tourney selections. Bee, member of the Tourney Selection Committee, opposed all talk of no local team being chosen to participate in the N.I.T. this year. Calling it a tournament run by the New York Colleges, he maintained that two Metropolitan teams should be in there automatically, because of the high caliber of the competition they encounter in the Garden.

"I think," Be affirmed. "CCNY and NYU belong in the event as the best two teams in the city... and I'm going to fight to the finish to establish this policy."

Lavender Nine Begins Training Despite Lack of Home Diamond

By Phil Goldstein

If you happen to see a moon-faced, cherubic individual sneaking into a vacant lot with a tape measure, don't send for the wagon. It's probably Sol Mishkin. The old Dexter Park favorite, who now coaches the baseball Beavers, is having housing troubles of a sort, these days. The baseball squad has been dispossessed from Lewisohn Stadium (which is currently undergoing alterations in preparations for the Summer Concert Season) and Sol honestly doesn't know where his squad is going to practice or play this season.

Admittedly, the situation sounds whimsical, but it is a very serious matter as far as the horsehide Beavers are concerned. If they don't find a practice field very shortly, their quest for the Metropolitan Baseball League Championship will be seriously handicapped.

Six Lettermen Returning

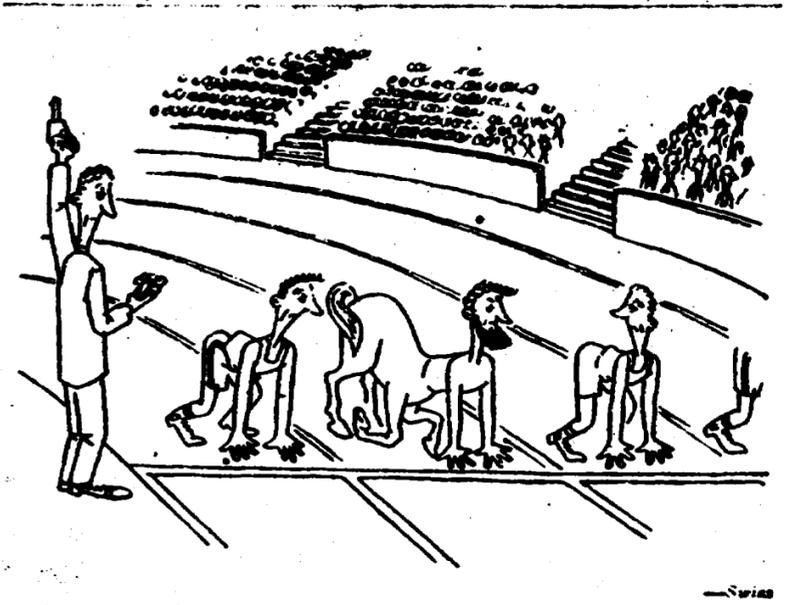
City College, with six lettermen returning, stands a good chance to better its second place tie finish of a year ago if the playing field difficulties can be surmounted.

According to Mishkin, this year's edition of the Beavers will be a faster and surer fielding outfit than last year's. And (keep your fingers crossed) there is hope also for the pitching. George Printipe and Bernie Cohen, two highly touted scholastic stars from Tilden High School, have been added to the team's mound staff. They will join veterans Joe Pereira, Mel Norman, and Kenny Greene.

The catching will be in the capable hands of Tony Caporsa and Mike Fleischer.

The return of Bernie Reisman, Bernie Ettinger, Jerry Weinstein, Al Horowitz and Sy Galanter assures the team of an experienced infield, while the outer pastures will be patrolled by such stalwarts as Hilty Shapiro, Joe Iacucci, Bill Van Der Does, and Sonny Jameson.

Although the loss of Ernie Levy



Tracksters Win in Garden

By Ben Zeidman

Coach Harold Bruce, ex-Olympic track mentor, has reason to crow over his track squad's recent successes.

On February 5, they ran away with the trophies at the Teaneck C.Y.O. Games. The team of Bob Glasse, Ed Laing, Eric Williams, and Don Spitzer outran Seton Hall (B), LaSalle, and North Carolina A&T in the fast time of 3:24.9. The Distance Medley team consisting of Bill Omeltchenko (880), Eric Tinkhauser (440), Burt Adler (220), and Tony Bonnano (mile) came in first, under a 30 yard handicap. The Freshman mile relay team came in

third behind Seton Hall and Fordham. In all, two gold medals, some bronze medals, and several other awards went to the Lavender.

In the New York Athletic Club Games, held at the Garden on Lincoln's Birthday, the Lavender relay team of Glasse, Laing, Williams, and Spitzer won high honors, topping St. John's, St. Francis, Brooklyn and King's Point.

first baseman and Dick Elkind, catcher, both All-Met selections last year, leave gaps that will be tough to fill, Mishkin is confident that the team will make a strong showing if it can get enough outdoor practice.

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Niagara Eagles Nip Beavers 66-64; Dambrot Sets CCNY Garden Record

By Paul E. Eisenman

Trailing by 9 points with one minute and fifty-five seconds of play remaining, Niagara's Purple Eagles astounded 15,749 spectators and the City College basketball team by forcing the game into overtime and then going on to win in the extra five minutes, 66-64.

The game can be considered a severe, but not fatal blow to City's tourney hopes.

After being held to 4 points in the first half, when his team left the court trailing 30-21, Emilio Sinicola, former All-Met star at Franklin High School, exploded for 21 points in the last 25 minutes.

His 25-point total overshadowed one of the finest performances ever turned in by Irwin Dambrot in Beaver uniform. Irwin hit the cords for ten field goals and three fouls to keep City ahead throughout the torrid second half which saw the Beavers fluctuate from the ridiculous to the sublime.

Dambrot Scores

The weary Beavers just couldn't come back in overtime. Irwin hit with one of his wonderful jump shots to grab the lead, but the irrepressible Moran hit with a driving, pivot and Sonny Jameson's lay-up was negated by another remarkable set shot by Sinicola.

With just nine seconds remaining Dambrot hit with another jump shot, but Lou Eisenstein's whistle lost in the cheers of Beaver rooters, indicated a foul before the shot, erasing the two-pointer. That was the game.

Over-confidence would be too simple an explanation for this stunning Niagara upset victory. The Beavers who had the height advantage, just weren't jumping with the same spirit that had won them the St. John's game, and the up-Staters displayed a fine pressing defense that prevented City from freezing in the last minutes to protect their waning lead.

NIAGARA (66)	CCNY (64)	G	F	P	G	F	P
Irwin Dambrot	10	21	10	10	10	10	10
Emilio Sinicola	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Other players	10	10	10	10	10	10	10

Intramurals

By Walt Lilling

The first of the many intramurals to be featured by the Hygiene Department will be held Thursday, February 24, at 1:16 P.M. in Lewisohn Stadium. The three track events will be half mile and mile relays, and one mile run. As in all intramural events, varsity athletes are barred, thus enabling all comers to compete on a fair basis.

Tourneys to Begin

Also starting this week will be the perennial hoop tournament. Deadline for entries is Feb. 21, with play opening on Feb. 24 in the Main and Tech gyms. Last year's play, featuring over 15 teams, saw the Madison quintet emerge champs, defeating the favored Printers in the semi-finals.

Other sports also beginning February 24 are Handball in the Hygiene Building, Wrestling at the Tech Gym and Boxing, Table Tennis and Co-ed Archery, at South Hall. Gymnastics, Bowling and Freshmen Basketball will also begin.

TOP SPORTS

Irwin Dambrot



23 Pts.
New City
Garden Record

The City Cage Crew will try to get on "tourney road" again Wednesday evening, when they take on the rambling Rams from Fordham at the 69th Regiment Armory. A preliminary game will pit the City Frosh (who will try to bounce back after their 57-53 setback by St. John's Frosh) and the highly touted Fordham frosh which includes such stars as the Rooney Twins, all CHSAA all-selections last year. Festivities commence at 7:30 and judging by last year's grueling match, fireworks will pop this year.

'Five' Visits Philly For Hawk Fray

Tonight, the Beavers will journey to Convention Hall, Philadelphia for a return match with the St. Joseph College "Hawks." Coach Ferguson's woes have been increasing since St. Joe lost to CCNY 60 to 53 last January 8.

The Hawks had previously lost to Bowling Green, Western Kentucky and Utah, but since their drubbing by CCNY, they have bowed to Albright, Muhlenberg, La Salle and St. Johns.

St. Joe's has beaten Rhode Island State in addition to their great victory over the Oklahoma Aggies.

Nat Holman's boys will have to face the same lineup of Dudek, Senesky, Welsh, Ramsay, and McDermitt. Many students intend to travel to Philadelphia, as in years past, to see the Beavers strengthen their Tourney bid, and to see Temple trounce NYU.

STARTING LINEUP			
ST. JOE			
Pl.	Number	Pos.	Notes
Dudek	12	F	
Senesky	4	F	
Welsh	23	G	
Ramsay	17	F	
McDermitt	9	C	
CCNY			
Pl.	Number	Pos.	Notes
Dambrot	5	F	
Jameson	10	F	
Gallher	12	G	
Shapiro	13	F	
Wittlin	20	F	

WRESTLING

The Wrestling Team has reached the half-way mark in its season. Under the expert coaching of Joe Sapora, the team has compiled a 3 won-1 lost record. The only defeat came at the hands of Westchester State Teachers, one of the stronger teams in the East.

The grapplers have lost the services of two of its star operatives, Capt. Al Goldstein, through graduation, and Bernie Kessler, via ineligibility. Joe Kelly, however will fill in for Kessler and as a result of a good match, Jerry Steinberg will take over the 165 lb. slot. Cartwright Ashcom, the Captain, will still wrestle at 145 lb. Irv Marson (121) Hank Heller (128) Joe Hillner (155) and Dave Lesky (175) are other competing members of the team. Lesky remains undefeated in three years of varsity competition.

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Lavender Blues

by Dick Weingarten



Entering the office of Coach Miller, the effervescent Lacrosse coach, we found a new name listed as assistant to the coach. It read Richard Havel, former, present, and future head mentor of the Soccer squad. George Baron, City's lone All-American, and Asst. Coach last year, has been forced to withdraw from the faculty due to the budgetary difficulties besetting the College. Undoubtedly, the loss will have a dire effect on Lavender athletics. Not that Havel will be a poor replacement for the capable Baron, but because George was the only one around that could persuade the Chief to cut down his tall stories. God save the boys who will be exposed to the unrestrained Indian this year! Chief can raise your hair with his tales better than Geronimo could lift a scalp.

Walking through Lewisohn Stadium last week, we were cordially greeted by a sombre group of sulking athletes who serve to make up the roster of the Beaver Baseball squad. They were not, as is their usual custom, carrying gloves and bats, for lo, wonder of wonders, they were encumbered with notebooks and pencils, their faces lined with scholarly furrows. Such a wonderful sight was not to be passed without explanation. We quickly inquired as to the nature of the transformation, and were cheerfully informed that science has come to the sweat-lined walls of the ancient stadium. Coach Mishkin has incorporated into the faculty of CCNY, a Department of Baseball, with himself as chairman and ranking professor. Thus, a baseball school at St. Nick Heights means just that.

Our aspiring baseball candidates are to spend the next few weeks learning the rules, techniques and skills that the sport requires, not on the frozen field, but in the warm and comfortable classroom. With such knowledge at their command they will be better equipped to take the field and round themselves into a winning club. At least that is the theory of "Professor" Mishkin. Let us fervently hope that their bottoms do not become too tender to permit a hearty slide into second base. This ailment is found to be common in our students by the examining physicians in the Main Gym every year.

Joe Galiber tells us that a great deal of the difficulty encountered on the coastal jaunt was due to the interpretation of the rules by the referees. There seems to be a greater difference in officiating throughout the country than between Presidential candidates. The Beavers were penalized for travelling so many times that Holman must have wondered whether the referees were reckoning in the plane trip. By the way, why all this trouble about the AP Hoop Ratings? The members of the squad are completely unconcerned. They are certain that if they beat Kentucky, St. Louis, and Oklahoma A&M by decent margins, our standing in the nation will be no less than 20th. Of course, this all depends on what N.Y.U. will do.

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