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SC Bias Conference Set For Friday; Wright Will Attend

By Shelly Kohen

Pres. Harry N. Wright has been invited to speak at Student Council's Conference on Discrimination in the Faculty Room this Friday at 7. Judge Hubert T. Delany, the participants in the Loreh, Swadesh, Davis, and Knickerbocker cases, and AJC and NAACP spokesmen have also been asked to attend.

The Conference is being held to discuss, clarify and plan future procedures to be used in eliminating discrimination at the College.

"While concentrating our efforts on the Davis and Knickerbocker Cases," explained SC vice-president Beverly Rubin, "we have neglected to act on charges that a definite pattern of discrimination exists at the College."

Apportion Delegates

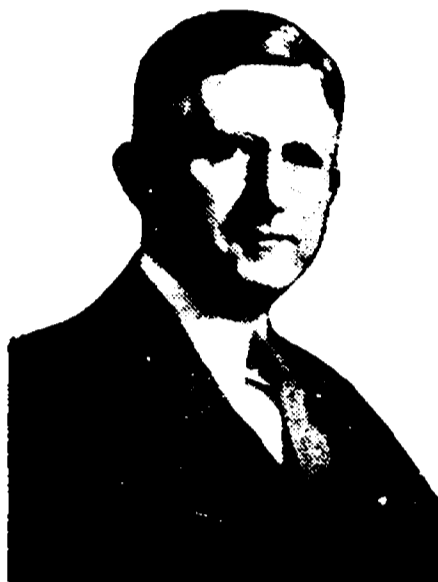
Every student organization has been asked to send one representative per hundred members. The meeting will be open but only accredited delegates will be allowed to vote.

Seven specific points which Council feels have never been satisfactorily discussed and acted upon will be on the agenda:

1. The Teachers' Union allegations of discriminatory hiring and firing policies at the College;
2. Complaints by Negro and Jewish students of discrimination in grading;
3. Refusal to admit women into the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences;
4. Complaints of discrimination against women in grading;
5. Textbooks containing derogatory remarks and mis-statements regarding minority groups, notably the Negro people;
6. Derogatory remarks and factual mis-statements about minority groups by instructors;
7. The refusal of open trials for Davis and Knickerbocker.

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President Wright will attend SC conference

SC Continues With Suit Against 'N.Y. Times'; Reverses Exec., No Charter for FAECT

By Walter Salmon

Student Council, at last Friday's meeting, reaffirmed its intention to successfully prosecute the suit against The New York Times and Professor Knickerbocker arising out of the student strike last April. Council appropriated \$330 to help defray court expenses of the case which was brought because

of "The Times'" allegation that the strike was "communist led and communist inspired."

William Fortunato, former president of Council and one of the complainants in the suit, told Council that the Appellate Division had modified, to some extent the action of Judge Greenberg of the County Court in throwing out three-quarters of the evidence submitted by the Times. Mr. Fortunato stated, however, that there was a good chance that the Court of Appeals would restore in full the action of Judge Greenberg. In this case he predicted a quick out-of-court settlement of the suit. Any proceeds from this hundred-thousand-dollar libel action will be turned over to Student Council.

Previously, Council had reversed the recommendation of its own Executive Committee by refusing to approve a charter for The Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists

and Technicians. The vote on this issue was 10-7. A motion by Lenny Strauss, of FAECT, to put the question before the student body in the form of a referendum was also turned down by Council.

Job Opportunities

The Senior Class, 1950, Job Opportunities Committee, in conjunction with the Psychology Society, will hold a panel discussion. The discussion will take place in the Townsend Harris Auditorium at 12:30 P.M. on Thursday, March 2, 1950. The chairman of the panel will be Prof. Gardner Murphy. The panel will consist of:

- Prof. Barmack
- Prof. Long
- Prof. Woodruff
- Prof. Peatman

Mr. Ryan has just compiled a new set of statistics concerning City Psychology graduates and their placement in industry.

'Beat NYU' Is Rally's Theme

A gala "Beat N.Y.U." rally and dance, featuring films showing previous victories by the College basketball team, will be held this Friday night, March 3, at 8:00 P.M. in the Army Hall Lounge. The entertainment will be provided by Jerry Sattler's famous Castle Luanga Band, and Dramsoc's play, "On Canning the Cannmen."

Some tickets are still left, at the admission price of fifty cents.

'Measure' To Open Friday

Theatre Workshop will present William Shakespeare's "Measure for Measure" at the Pauline Edwards Theatre on the evenings of March 3, 4, and 5. Julie Bovasso, who plays Marianna, in the play, has quite a problem to face—"Is her brother's freedom worth her honor and chastity?"

John Walsh plays Angelo, the lord, who does his best to administer justice. Stanely George plays a kind duke, who finally solves the problem while disguised as a friar.

The cast includes Don Madden as Lucio, the effeminate townsman, who meddles in everyone's

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Educational Democracy Branch Set; Rubin, Geduld Sent to 'Water Margin'

The city-wide Conference on Democracy in Education will take place on March 11 and 12, its executive committee has announced. The exact location of the meeting place will be made public next week.

At a meeting held Friday afternoon, the College chapter of the Conference set up its organization for the Great Hall meeting planned for March 9 and the intercollegiate meeting at Columbia University a few days later. A committee of twenty campus groups was established and a publicity group was set up.

Organized last October as an intercollegiate forum to discuss problems such as economic difficulties in procuring a college education, discrimination against minorities, and infringements on academic freedom, the Conference invites all recognized campus organizations in the metropolitan New York area to send delegates to its forums.

Beverly Rubin, Student Council Vice-President, and Al Geduld were elected the College delegates to the Conference on Inter-Group Living held at Cor-

Feb. 18-20, as well as to a member planning committee a national convention. The College's representatives hope to attend the convention, to be held in the Fall semester, staged on our campus.

Conference on Inter-Group Living was called by Watermargin Cornell student organization formed to combat the segregation existing in the fraternities on their campus.

Invitations to the conference were extended to eastern schools exclusive of women's colleges. Seventeen colleges were represented, ranging from segregated West Virginia U. to CCNY.

This conference was called to establish bonds of fellowship, unity and cooperation among groups with similar ideals and goals.



Beverly Rubin College delegate to Watermargin Conference

Dejection: An Ode

By Dave Weinstein

(with appropriate apologies to John Keats)

Oh Muse of War, God of creatures that fight,
Why did you leave us that terrible night?
Why did you leave us, our prospects so bright?
Why did you leave us—a bid in our sight?
On defense and offense we couldn't seem to jell.
The first half didn't matter; the second would tell.
But we never could get going and deeper we fell
Behind in the score and in prestige as well.
This Syracuse five led by Miller and Kiley
Outfought the Beavers who'd been rated so highly.
If only we fought like the Mahomed crew
They'd 've given their all although they were few.
Oh what is there in a journey bid anyway?
If we had got in it we'd regret it till May.
Competing with teams who were too tough to play,
Teams that had slaughtered UCLA.
The great NIT, so mighty, so true,
With Bradley, Kentucky, St. John's and St. Lou.
But our City College with its allegro
Will not share the journey's glory and hue.
Oh what is there in a tournament bid?
Only some anguish of which we are rid.
Let the St. John's crowd mock us and leer,
We of City College can "wait till next year."

Three Years on St. Nick's Heights: 'OP' Is Celebrating an Anniversary

By Nat Halebky

Observation Post, founded Feb. 27, 1947, starts its fourth year of publication today. Noted without fanfare, the event was quietly celebrated by OP editors and staff members yesterday afternoon.

Most of the talk was about the early days of the paper, days in which the continued



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THREE YEARS: Since its first issue exactly three years ago yesterday, this newspaper has worn a variety of faces. The big, gruesome, white-on-black thing with the sick-looking ruptured duck was the first, and was replaced after one issue by the slicker design of the same subject. Later followed the name in simple capital letters, then the other white-on-black creation with the fancy script. For almost a year we had the design with open letters and emphasized 'O' and 'P'—which was soon forgotten when the brash little man appeared. He only lasted three issues, stepping down to make room for the sleek, neat creation which adorns our front page today. Who knows if it'll stay?

existence—and even the actual appearance of an issue—was a matter on which no self-respecting bookie would give odds. Although the paper began as a bi-weekly, there were long periods during which it was published on a time-to-time basis. For the first year-and-a-half of its existence, OP came out on an average of five times a semester.

As the official publication of the Veterans' Association and the

College's American Veterans Committee chapter, Observation Post couldn't help but reflect some of the enthusiasm and energy that went into those organizations, both now defunct.

More than a quarter of the student body were veterans, and OP early in its life took part in the founding of the famed "Operation Subsistence," later to spread from this College to campuses throughout the country. The fight for better conditions for veteran students was but the first of many editorial campaigns to be carried out in the pages of the newspaper.

In the summer of 1947, OP began to take a stand on the question of discrimination in education, bringing to the attention of the student body the case of William C. Davis, Army Hall administrator, found guilty of segregating Negro students. From there the issue grew, merging with the criticism levelled against Prof. William E. Knickerbocker, Romance languages chairman, accused of anti-Semitic statements and practices.

Led Anti-Bias Fight

As the student-community campaign for open trials and investigations of Davis and Knickerbocker mounted in intensity, OP developed, too. In the Fall of 1948, under the editorship of Norm Friedman, the paper switched to a weekly schedule, shedding its strictly-for-vets character and becoming more of a representative student publication. While fighting for equal appropriations under the Fee Plan, OP chronicled and helped to lead the first Lincoln Corridor sit-down strike against discrimination.

In December, 1948, the paper won its freedom-of-the-press campaign by an overwhelming vote in student referendum, and

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

In the Wednesday, Feb 15, issue of the Observation Post, Phil Scheffler, in his column, "The Clipboard," made the following statement about Negro History Week:

"The one course in Negro History that the College offered has been discontinued. One of the four Negro members of the faculty has lost his position because of it. A student petition to reopen this course would go a long way toward giving us a continuing realization of the contribution of the Negro."

In the same issue, you also print a strong letter from Stanley Pavey '52 demanding that a course in Negro History be included in the curriculum.

May I say that both Mr. Scheffler and Mr. Pavey are mistaken in their assumptions. The course in Negro History has not been discontinued. It is not necessary to demand that this course be included in the curriculum because it is already in and has been there for many years. No member of the History Department has lost his position because of "the discontinuation of History 50."

History 50 has regularly been offered by the History Department in both Day and Evening Sessions for many years... Until a few years ago it was taught by Dr. Lawrence Reddick, then Curator of the Schomburg Collection at the New York Public Library, who left us to become Librarian at Atlanta University. His successor was and is Mr. Joseph A. Borome, who is head of the Burgess Library at Columbia University. We have been delighted with the services of both these instructors. Mr. Borome has been on a six-month leave, and has returned to us this Spring term, 1950, and is currently teaching two courses in the Evening Session. He is also scheduled

to teach in the Summer Session, 1950.

History 50 will be offered again in the Fall of 1950. There never has been any question of dropping either the course or the instructor.

It seems to me that as a matter of fairness and good journalism you ought to give the complete and accurate picture. The complete facts on registration for the course during previous years are available in the Day and Evening Session offices.

Prof. Joseph E. Wisan, (Chairman, History).

(In behalf of Messrs. Scheffler and Pavey, Observation Post apologizes. We're sorry that this factual error slipped past us.—Ed.)

To the Editor:

For the first time in CCNY history, Microcosm, the uptown City yearbook, is being offered at reduced prices to lower classmen. This new policy has been adopted to serve those students who wish to have a permanent record of their many friends who are graduating in the Class of '50.

Also included in the 210-page yearbook are 20 pages of candid faculty photos, 20 pages devoted to outstanding events at City during the past four years, and 20 pages of the sports of the year.

The price of the book (which sells to seniors for \$7.50) is:

Hard Cover Edition, \$5.00
Soft Cover Edition, \$3.50

Books may be ordered by mail at the above address, or in person in Room 109 Army Hall daily from 11-2 and on Monday from 4:30 P.M. to 7 P.M. All orders must be accompanied by full payment, and must be in before March 20. The book will be delivered around May 15.

Sincerely yours,
Josh S. Weisstein,
Editor, 1950 Microcosm.

City

In

Review

By Ruth Peisach

The other day I was speaking with two people. Both are graduating from the same college this term. Both have a B average. Both are English majors. One has received an education. The other has not.

Both began with writing ability. One chose "snap" writing courses, turned in a few papers, and swam through college with no effort. The other chose literature courses because he felt that his scope of vision would be broadened.

The first now feels inferior to the second, who can mingle with many types of people and hold his own. The first is driven by fears and prejudices; the second tries to objectively think through his problems and arrive at a logical plan of action.

They'll both be branded with the same trade-mark when they graduate, but I wonder which will go farther.

The History Society presents Professor Zeichner this Thursday at 128 Main at 12:30. He'll discuss various interpretations of American History.

With open arms and shutters the Camera Club awaits you. Laymen of the lens meet in 310 Main Thursday at 12:30.

And a picture of the State Democratic Platform of 1950 will be drawn for you by Assemblyman John MacNamara at the FDR Young Democrats' meeting Thursday in 203 Main.

The Economics Society is proud to present Professor Frank A. Dunn, advisor to Prentiss Hall Tax Service, and former Professor of Accounting at City College. He will speak on Personal Income Tax Problems and the loopholes in the present tax structure that President Truman asked to reform. So take your tax form to 210 Main Thursday at 12:30.

The Young Liberals announce that a rally for James Kutcher, legless war veteran, will be held this Thursday in 306 Main. Kutcher lost his job in the Veterans Administration because of his membership in the Trotskyite Socialist Workers' Party, listed as subversive by Tom Clark, who was Attorney General at the time Kutcher will also address the group.

The Senior Class council invites all seniors and faculty members to its tea, to be held Friday from 3:30 to 5:30 in the Knittle Lounge.

Seniors—especially those majoring in psych—are cordially invited to attend a panel discussion on job opportunities in Psychology this Thursday at 12:30 in Townsend Harris Auditorium. Featured speaker will be Prof. Gardner Murphy (Chairman, Psychology).

How to Win Friends Currently Being Discussed at House Plan

The next in the series of Bull Sessions with College profs will be held at House Plan this Thursday at 4:00 in the 1919 Room. The man on the hook this time is Doctor Brown of

the Sociology Department, who will throw his weight around on "Cashing In On Friendship." This new and novel feature of Housing Plan is open to all members of the College, so you can cut your class and come on over too to join in the fun.

Among the probable topics of discussion will be the meaning of friendship, factors which make for a good friendship and respect, consideration and tolerance for friends. It is expected by people "in the know" that questions such as "Is it possible to have a purely platonic relationship with a member of the opposite sex?" and "Why does my steady girl friend persist in running around with other fellows?" will be asked by the more inquisitive of the listeners and quierers.

of the undergraduate, it has gained the confidence and respect of the vast majority of the student body of the College.

The ideal that has guided each of OP's editors—Jay Atkin and Sam Cohen, Don Cohen, Bernie Rich, Norm Friedman, Max Weinberg and this writer—remains. We have all felt that it would be achieved, sooner or later, and have spoken to and for the students in the hope that we could serve them. We will continue to try.

redoubled its campaign for action on Davis and Knickerbocker. **Came the Strike.** When, last April, the student body voted to go on strike, OP rose to the occasion with a feat never before equalled by a College weekly. For the duration of the strike, the paper appeared daily, with frequent additional mimeographed supplements, earning for itself a reputation of accuracy, honesty and fair dealing. Many students said that they waited until they got to school and read OP before believing reports about the strike.

Since last year, Observation Post continued to grow. It experimented in the Fall semester with tri-weekly publication — and found that though it could be done journalistically, the financial set-up at the College couldn't sustain such a project. Lessons learned at that time are being used now and are ready for application if and when money does become available for multi-weekly publication.

Look to the Future

Today, Observation Post stands at the highest point it has ever achieved. It operates on a regular schedule, and is staffed by an imaginative, efficient and friendly group of editors and staff members. Dedicating itself to service

AFTER CCNY... WHAT NEXT?

Job Opportunities In....

A Medical Career

By Stan Naparst

April 23, 1940.

Dear Mr. —:

Thank you for your letter of April 24 concerning —, who wishes to get into medical school.

We are very glad to have you call our attention to this man and have looked him up. He applied to Cornell, among other medical schools, last fall. His application and credentials came before our Admissions Committee on February 21 and he was rejected on a comparative basis.

Cornell Medical College admits a class of eighty each fall. It picks these eighty men from about twelve hundred applicants of whom seven hundred or more are Jews. We limit the number of Jews admitted to each class to roughly the proportion of Jews in the population in this state, which a higher proportion than in any other part of the country. That means that we take in from 10-15% Jews. The same qualifications hold in picking Jewish students as in picking Gentile students, that is, they are judged not only on a basis of scholarship but on character, personality, leadership, etc.

Mr. — had a number of good qualities, but in the opinion of the admission committee there were a number of Jewish applicants who applied to the College who surpassed him in desirability.

Yours truly,

(signed) W. S. Ladd.

WL/A

This letter was written by the then Dean of Cornell University School of Medicine. It establishes beyond a shadow of a doubt the fact that the quota system existed in the admission policy of this school. That this same system exists in the other N. Y. Medical schools for students of City College will be shown.

The question paramount in the minds of the thousands of pre-med students throughout the nation is—"After an arduous four-year pre-medical course what chance do I stand for getting accepted in a med school?" For many the answer will be an unequivocal NO! The opportunity to fulfill their youthful ambitions of becoming one of mankind's healers will be denied to them by an insidious disease over which they have no control—the cancer of racial and religious discrimination.

Discrimination—Documented

That there is a concerted and pre-conceived policy on the part of the officials of medical schools to limit the enrollment of minority groups can be seen in the fact that between 1920 and 1945 there have been graduated from the New York City medical schools less than 50 Negro physicians. The breakdown on the other ethnic groups in the ratio of applicants to applications accepted follows:

	1920	1940	Average over a 20-year span
White Protestants	1:1	1.62:1	1.3:1
Catholic (exclud. Ital.)	1:1	.2:1	1.2:1
Italian Catholics	1:1	3.04:1	2.03:1
Jews	1.04:1	13.75:1	5.06:1

The doubling of the population, the halving of the number of medical schools since 1900, in existence has not helped this situation in any way. The increase in the number of applications, as pointed out in the preceding article, also tend to aggravate an already critical situation. One would naturally expect that since there are altogether too many applications that only the "cream of the crop" would be chosen to enter the halls of the academies of medicine. That this is not so will be shown.

Since 1920 there has been a significant decrease in the number of City College graduates who have been admitted to the New York City medical schools as compared with the number admitted in 1920. In six of the ten years preceding 1946, not a single graduate of the College was admitted to Cornell University's Medical School and in the remaining four years a total of nine were admitted. From 1942-1946 inclusive, 218 graduates of City College applied for admission to the Cornell Medical School. Only five were accepted. Forty-eight of these had an average of A or better.

During the past ten years, Cornell accepted 801 students of whom only 10 were from the College, an average of 1.24%. It is noteworthy that in 1920, out of 44 acceptances, 22, or 50% were graduates of City College.

Columbia, Too

In 1920, the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Columbia University admitted 98 students.

14 of whom were graduates of City College—or 14.3%. In 1928, 1932, 1933, 1937 and 1940 not a single graduate of the College was among those accepted.

Free Films

Martin Singer of the Social Functions Committee of Student Council has announced that free movies will be shown every Thursday at 2:00 in Room 126 Main. The first screening will take place this Thursday and will feature "Captain Fury" with Victor MacGleglen. Future showing will present "Moonlight Sonata," "North Star," "Arabian Nights," "La Boheme" and many others.

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59 Colleges Send Delegates to Model U. N. Assembly Here on April 10, 11

By Mal London

International control of atomic energy will be just one of the many significant issues to be discussed by representatives from 59 mid-Atlantic Colleges forming the Model General Assembly of the United Nations, when they meet at City College successively on April 10, and 11. These sessions will be climaxed by a conference at the regular U. N. headquarters at Lake Success on April 12.

In order to provide a close facsimile of regular U. N. meetings, each delegation will seek to accurately espouse the present policies of the member nation it is representing.

Most of the topics to be discussed will concern the outstanding questions on the agenda of the last U. N. General Assembly. However, delegates also contemplate heated debate over the basic issue of revision of the United Nations Charter.

Sanford Socolow, who has been designated Secretary General of the Model Assembly summed up the purpose of the conference as follows: "To make as many people as possible aware of the importance of the United Nations, as well as to understand its defects and how they may be overcome."

Several teas and dances have been planned in order to provide some recreation for the many delegates. A special tea has been planned for their visiting professors, who are acting as advisers.

Service on the Committee on Arrangements will enable students to attend the various sessions. Those who are interested should contact Betty Freedman in Room 51, Army Hall.

Concert in Review

Claudio Arrau

By Paul Rosenfeld

Last Sunday evening the Great Hall was chilled not only by the cold weather but also by the fact that only about two hundred people attended the concert of Claudio Arrau, pianist.

Mr. Arrau presented a varied program which included representative works from three well known periods of musical history—classical, romantic and expressionist. All of the selections were performed with outstanding technical proficiency but seemed to suffer from a lack of dynamic musical expression. This was especially evident in the Rondo in A minor, K. 511 by Mozart, which was performed in a rather uninteresting and static manner.

Technically Good

Mendelssohn's Rondo Capriccioso and Chopin's Ballade in G minor, No. 1, which gave Mr. Arrau a chance to display his mechanically technical virtuosity at its peak, were both well received by the audience. Liszt's Valse Oubliee presented no such opportunity and consequently the applause for this selection was the only one which did not warrant a bow by Mr. Arrau. The opening measures of Brahms' Variations on a Theme by Paganini, Book II, brought that proud 'O I've heard this before' feeling to a few members of the audience and this, together with the bravos from three particularly enthusiastic fans, helped to bring a small trace of concert hall atmosphere to an audience which was slowly acclimating itself to the temperature of the Great Hall.

The most enjoyable and brilliant part of Mr. Arrau's performance was the third portion of the program which consisted of works by Ravel and Debussy. The clear, sparkling and suggestive phrases of the impressionistic style enabled the audience to fully appreciate Mr. Arrau's equally sparkling piano technique and he was called back for two encores.

Poor Attendance

The hissing of a tired but true radiator valve served as a constant reminder that the temperature of the Great Hall was not very comforting and most of the members of the audience kept their overcoats on throughout the evening. Most notable, through its absence, was a group of college students who could if they wanted to, obtain reduced-price tickets at the Concert Bureau.

Certainly the high calibre of the artists performing and the amount of publicity given to this series should be enough to arouse greater interest and attendance but, until now, the use of the Great Hall as a concert hall has



CLAUDIO ARRAU

proven to be an insurmountable obstacle to profitable attendance.

'Measure'

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affairs; Egon "Dinky" Dumler is Elbow, simpleton cop, who is extremely slippery; and Billy Summers the elusive procurer for the town's leading prostitute.

Myron K. Weinberg is the producer; and Eldon Elder (Public Speaking) and Marv Kraus are in charge of sets.

Reserved seat tickets for all performances at \$50 each are now being sold in the cafeteria and the Beaver Book Shop. Mail orders are still being accepted.

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Cornell Fumbles, Recovers

WATERMARGIN, an inter-faith, inter-racial organization based at Cornell University, last week held a special conference of student leaders from schools all over the East. Purpose of the meeting was to lay detailed plans for a nationwide conference to be held soon on the question of improving human relations among college and university students.

Student Council vice president Beverly Rubin and Al Gedduld, representing City College, found an interesting situation when they arrived in Ithaca: only male delegates were attending. It seemed that Cornell hadn't been able to supply accommodations for women—so the Watermargin group had been forced to omit from its list of invited schools such institutions as Vassar, Smith and Barnard.

Miss Rubin, making what we think was a courageous move, rose in the conference's plenary session and attacked the situation. Pointing out that Watermargin is dedicated to the idea that equal rights must be defended in the interest of democracy, she noted that the group—by excluding women—was mocking the very principles for which it stood.

To the credit of the conference, she was backed on the floor by delegates from many of the schools attending. Result: the next Watermargin meeting will be co-ed, in keeping with its aims.

Observation Post congratulates Miss Rubin and Mr. Gedduld for speaking up boldly in defense of democratic participation of women in educational and extra-curricular activities. We also congratulate Watermargin, an organization with whose aims we entirely agree, for acting so promptly and forthrightly. Their lesson could well be emulated by us here at the College, engaged now in a campaign for the admission of women students to the School of Liberal Arts.

FAECT Again!

THE FEDERATION of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians, unchartered, has for almost a year been trying to gain recognition as a legal student organization on campus. Once again, last Friday, they were refused a charter, this time by Student Council after its executive committee had okayed the matter.

Because some individuals—on Council and in other influential positions—have decided that, for one reason or another—they don't like this union and what it stands for, a group of students, willing and anxious to obey College regulations, can't receive the authorization necessary to make themselves legal on campus. We think this is wrong and foolish; we believe that any legitimate group has the right to bring its program and activities to the student body on an equal basis with everybody else. There can't be discrimination here.

Ten Years Ago: A Mild Man Rocks City College

By Bob Gumerove

Chances are, if you would ask any student at the college who was the most controversial figure in City's history, or at least during the past decade, he would unhesitatingly answer Prof. Knickerbocker. However, a more thorough review of the last ten years would reveal that another person held that dubious honor, and that man is today considered the leading British mathematician and one of the most famous philosophers in the world.

On the morning of February 27, 1940, the *New York Times* reported that Bertrand Russell had been appointed to the faculty of the City College as a full professor of Philosophy and would begin teaching mathematics and logic the following year. The announcement was considered so important that it completely overshadowed a further announcement that George A. Schuster had become Hunter College's new President and that Gardner Murphy would head the newly organized Psychology Department.

The faculty and student body were overjoyed. With the Russell appointment, the college could now rightfully claim to have one of the leading Philosophy Departments in the nation.

However, not everyone was enthusiastic about the man who was proclaimed as "the most distinguished appointment made to any of the City Colleges in the recent history of the Board of Higher Education."

The first protest came from the late Bishop William T. Manning of the Protestant Episcopal Church who denounced the philosopher as a "propagandist against religion and morality and a defender of adultery." He condemned Russell's personal opinions on marriage, sex, divorce and religion and quoted the philosopher as writing, "I am sure that university life would be better, both intellectually and morally, if most university students had temporary childless marriages."

"Can any of us wish our young people to accept such teachings as decent, true and worthy of respect?" the embittered churchman asked. "Can anyone who cares for the welfare of our country be willing to see such teaching disseminated within our colleges and universities?"

Dr. Mead, the acting president of the College replied to this and other charges by saying, "Mr. Russell is regarded by scholars throughout the world as one of the most brilliant thinkers of our day. He has been invited by our department of Philosophy to teach courses in Mathematics and Logic, because his *Principia Mathematica* and his other books, more than thirty in number, are monuments of versatility and brilliance."

"Our students will be fortunate in being able to receive in-



Bertrand Russell, world-famous philosopher and author, as he was photographed in New York in 1944. Wide World Photo.

on his personal ethical and moral views to which as an individual he is entitled to, and which incidentally, comprises an almost negligible proportion of his published works."

In a letter to the *New York Times*, the Committee for Cultural Freedom warned that any action taken against Russell would be "imposing in the United States the worst features of totalitarian regimes of German and Russian universities."

However, Russell's opponents were too influential to have their protests go unheeded. Mr. Tuttle, a prominent layman and member of the Board of Higher Education which had earlier approved the appointment, declared that he was not aware of the "facts" revealed by the Bishop and would call for a reconsideration at the next Board meeting.

Thus began, one of the most serious attacks on academic freedom in the history of our country.

Within two short weeks, almost every petty politician, church leader and college official in the United States had commented on the Russell appointment. The man who had previously been only known to the philosophical world had now become the nation's most controversial figure.

Remarking on the support that the British philosopher had received from such educators as John Dewey, Hutchins, Albert Einstein and others, Bishop Manning stated that these were men who were so "confused morally and mentally that they see nothing wrong in the appointment as a guide and teacher of our young people one, who in his published writings said, 'outside human de-

sires there is no moral standard.'"

Dean Nicholson, who had studied under Russell in England, dispelled the belief that "the philosopher would use his Logic and Math classes as guises to inject his own poison." "Mr. Russell is first and foremost a philosopher, and in his teaching he always remembers that," the Dean at Smith College assured. "I should have had no way of knowing Mr. Russell's opinions on marriage, divorce, theism or atheism, had they not been given an exaggerated form in the newspapers."

However, on March 16, the New York City Council had passed a resolution demanding that the Board of Higher Education reject the Russell appointment.

Councilman Keegan, who had championed the resolution, charged that "the taxpayers do not want this alien coming over here to teach... His foreign character alone is ground enough for rejection." Bertrand Russell, in fact, was an Englishman, a grandson of one of Britain's most famous Prime Ministers, and himself a member of the House of Lords.

Unmindful of the Council's recommendation, the Board of Higher Education staunchly supported Mr. Russell, as one of the greatest philosophers alive, and repudiated the charges hurled against him, after an all-night session on March 17, 1940.

Needless to say, these self-styled forces for "right and decency" only accelerated their fight after the Board of Higher Education voted to stand by the British philosopher. (Please turn to Page Five)



Nelson P. Mead

rectly instruction which in the past they could find only between the covers of books. Such an experience is priceless and the universities of Chicago and California have recognized this by having him on their staffs as a visiting professor as has Harvard by inviting him to give the William James lectures."

"And after all, 'Dr. Bertrand Russell was not hired to discourse

A Forum: Should FAECT Be Granted a Charter?

The issue of whether or not to charter the Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians has been plaguing Student Council and the administration for many months.

Almost a year after the matter first arose on campus, students are still fighting over it—for evidence, witness the vote in SC last Friday night

not to grant the charter. The history of the case is too long and complicated to be explained here, but Observation Post has decided that the basic issues are important. To bring them to the student body, we have asked two representatives of opposite points of view to state the case.

Mr. Strauss, who argues pro on the proposition, is a member of FAECT's organizing committee, a

member of Tau Beta Pi and a student who has long been active in the School of Technology. Mr. Galperin, who disagrees, was president of the Student Council last semester and was a member of the Strike Committee last April.

OP will be happy to hear your views on the question. Please limit your letters to 150 words.

By Leonard Strauss

The Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians, Local 231, UOPWA, is seeking a charter to legalize its activities on this campus. The members of the group believe in the principle that every student organization—regardless of whether its purposes or ideals are approved by student government and/or College administration—is entitled to be legally recognized on an equal basis with all other groups. This recognition—embodying responsibilities as well as privileges—is our right. We in FAECT are concerned over the fact that SC and the administration are preventing us from getting a charter. We don't think we're anything special; we merely want to be treated like any other group of students—honestly and fairly, with equal opportunity to choose our friends, work towards our goals and spread our ideas.

This is the issue on which we appeal to the student body, on the basis of simple democracy. Now let's get down to broad and better questions:

Unemployment is growing in the engineering field. Engineers are worrying about their future. They are talking UNION.

To see why, we should look at the gains made by the organized Engineers and scientific employees. In one laboratory, under contract with the Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians UOPWA, the gains for the workers include:

1. 15 to 20 dollars per week direct and merit increases
2. Union security and job seniority
3. Ten days minimum vacation and 9 paid holidays
4. Seven days sick leave
5. Up to four weeks severance pay
6. Paid tuition for college courses
7. A no discrimination clause

In other contracts we can clearly see the large increase in pay won by the fighting union members:

	BEFORE ORGANIZATION	AFTER ORGANIZATION
Design Draftsmen	\$225	\$330
Asst. Engineer	\$275	\$455
Sr. Engineer	\$375	\$560

(minimum monthly salaries)

The engineer in a non-union shop finds that men on adjacent drafting boards, doing the same work, receive different pay. Often those working longest are paid less than others more recently hired. There is no job security and advancement depends on the whim of his supervisor.

Negro and women engineers are just not hired. There are only 100 Negro engineers working in industry today. Jewish engineers are finding it increasingly difficult to find jobs.

Today unemployment is growing in the engineering field. Recent graduates look for months before they are able to find work. A union survey shows over 20% unemployment among engineers. There are those in the union who remember the last depression when 95% of the engineers were out of work.

THE FAECT has a realistic program to create jobs. We feel that a government construction program similar to the T.V.A. is necessary to increase the standard of living of the people and will create much needed jobs. We feel that the government should sponsor scientific research projects against disease and hunger, for peace and a healthier future. We believe in government aid to education similar to the G.I. Bill but for all deserving students regardless of race, religion and political convictions.

These problems face all engineering and science students. The solution to them is not only the responsibility of working and unemployed scientific workers. The student has his part to play in organizing and fighting with the men in his field for better working conditions, higher pay and a secure future.



Leonard Strauss



Leroy Galperin

By Leroy Galperin

The College Chapter of the Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians has been since its proposal and will undoubtedly continue to be, the agitation point in the plank of the School of Technology. It is the answer of a small left-wing section of the Tech school to the notoriously difficult job it has been to politicize the conservative engineers.

There are a number of salient points to be made in reference to the FAECT—in any discussion of its merits or lack of same.

One, there is no purpose or function for a union on a college campus—any union. This is not to belittle the worth of unions, which now receive the token praise of even the most anti-labor elements on the American scene. There is a legitimate and vital necessity for education among college students on their role in unions and this holds especially true in the engineering field where the need is perhaps more tightly felt. However, a union according to historical and dictionary definition is an association of workers specifically for mutual benefit and protection through collective bargaining. Implicit and necessary in this definition is an employer-employee relationship. There is a noticeable lack of employees and employers on this campus.

Second, there is literally no benefit to be derived from participation in a union for the individual student engineer who is not employed, technically not a member of the parent union by virtue of his membership in the special student chapter of the union and must again join the parent union if he wishes after graduation. As explained to me by two union organizers, one AF of L and the other CIO, there is also no benefit for any legitimate (pardon the differentiation) union enrolling student members. The students, not being employed, cannot be counted upon by the union as regular worker-members. They are not employees since they are technically not professionals until they graduate, cannot be held to union dictates, cannot be compelled to pay dues and cannot be put on a par with other union members. They are simply statistics which can be used by the union to bolster membership.

The FAECT and its parent union, the UOWPA, were two weeks ago removed from the CIO. This move had been expected for a number of months because of the activities of the UOPWA in the CIO—simply another indication of the special student members. The UOPWA and the FAECT make no provision in their charter for student members—therefore, again technically the special student members become participants in the union by virtue of a special motion by the union exec making them members. In all, still technically, the status of special student members becomes more and more tenuous with each closer observation.

There are some positive aspects however, that should not be overlooked. The FAECT chapter would enable the fifty-four so-odd techmen (they could expect no more) to speak as engineers and more as City College engineers on the national scene. It would enable a pitifully small minority to represent their views as engineers and as the views of engineers, so that employers and the College may know what the views of engineers are. In an aggregate of 3,000 engineers at the College, it would insure the half hundred (if that) students that the majority engineering society can no longer misrepresent them.

Also not to be forgotten, it would add a few more names to the roster of FAECT.

I have balanced the positive against the negative. The scales will simply not balance.

'Semi-Fascist' South Africa

"Which Way South Africa?" was the topic Mr. Wallace Sokolsky discussed with the History Society at their regular Thursday meeting in 125 Main. The group, approximately fifty strong, heard Mr. Sokolsky term the present government of South Africa as being "semi-fascist."

"The current South African government under Prime Minister Malan follows a strong fascist policy. There are four major racial groups in South Africa, 2½ million whites (Boers and British), 8 million natives, ¼ million mulattos and ¼ million Indians.

Mr. Sokolsky stated that "the government is run by the whites with all other groups being suppressed. The Boers of Dutch ancestry control all of the major political parties and have little opposition. The whites are continuing their policy of oppression in the hope of keeping their jobs at the expense of the natives."

Russell

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philosopher. At one of their protest rallies, the Borough President of Queens threatened to close all the City Colleges unless the Board reversed its decision. "Anyway," Mr. Harvey continued, "the city-owned colleges offer the worst education in the world. If I had my way, these colleges would be Godly and American Colleges, or they would be closed."

Shortly afterwards, a suit was brought against the Board of Higher Education which charged that they acted illegally in the

Russell appointment, since the British Lord was "an alien and morally unfit." The case was brought before Judge McGeehen, who, after deliberating all of two days, handed down a seventeen page decision.

Interpreting a law which had never before, and has not since, been applied to the City Colleges, Judge McGeehen rescinded the Russell appointment. The law in question required all public school teachers to be citizens of the United States. The court also set a precedent which gave them the right to determine the fitness of municipal appointees, although there had been a duly constituted agency to do that.

"If ever there was a case that called for the review for which courts are instituted," Dr. Morris R. Cohen wrote in later years, "this was the case."

When the Board of Higher Education wanted to appeal the decision before the New York Court of Appeals, Mr. Candler, the City's Corporation Councillor and the official legal advisor for the Board, refused, in in no uncertain terms, to handle the case. Since

the Courts ruled that Mr. Candler was the only person who could appeal the decision, the Court of Appeals refused to review Judge McGeehen's decision.

Here again was something unheard of. Could it be that the legal advisor for a municipal agency has the right to overrule proposed action by that agency?

Clearly the officials involved were not concerned with seeing justice performed. They were only guided by their selfish interests.

On top of all this, Mayor LaGuardia withdrew the appropriation which would have paid Bertrand Russell's salary. After this had been done, Russell's lawyers announced that the philosopher had now accepted a position at another institution and that they would drop the case.

Thus ended one of the bitterest attacks on academic freedom in the annals of this or any college in American history. Unfortunately, we do not learn from our mistakes. After all, wasn't Socrates accused of the same charges of "atheism and corruption of youth" two thousand years ago?

Newman Club Will Sponsor Lectures on Labor Problems

A series of five lectures on labor problems is to be presented by the City College Newman Club beginning early in March. The speakers will be prominent people in the field of labor relations and in particular the American Catholic

Trade Union. The title of the series will be "The Catholic Church and Labor Problems."

A list of the speakers and their topics follows:

Thursday, March 2—Mr. George Donohue, organizer for the American Catholic Trade Union, who will speak on its connection with the other larger unions.

Thursday, March 9—Rev. John Monaghan, "Moral Climate of the Social World Today."

Thursday, March 16—Rev. John Byrne, Asst. Chaplain, ACTU, "Spiritual Work of ACTU."

Thursday, March 23—Mr. Rog-

er Larkin, Editor of "Labor Leader," "Function of ACTU."

Thursday, March 30—Rev. George Kelly, "Social Teachings of the Church."

It is believed by the Newman Club officers that this series will be of great interest to any students interested in the labor union field. All of the men mentioned above number among their friends the leaders of the country's largest unions. The ACTU, despite its name, is a labor union, well-supported and well-respected.

Hoop Mgr. Knows Game First-Hand

By Arthur Fast

Al Ragusa doesn't mind being Manager of the basketball team. More guys than you can shake a stick at would gladly trade places with him. But being a fellow who was an excel-

lence at Shelton High, and a better-than-average hooper here at the College, "Rags" can't help envying the boys who "sit in sneakers instead of suits" once in a while.

There was some business to take care of with the Army Air Forces before Al could think about pursuing his collegiate basketball career.

On graduating from high school in 1943 he went directly into the AAF and flew 30 missions in an Eighth Air Force

bomber over Europe, including several D-Day runs. He got out with the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters.

The season of 1945-46 found Ragusa at the College, playing ball for Nat Holman. The luck that clung to him in the air deserted him on the court, though. Troubled by a trick knee—an AAF keepsake—"Rags" still turned in some creditable per-

formances for half a season. Then along came Sonny Jameson, Lionel Malamed and Hilty Shapiro and he was relegated to the bench.

Al took his troubles to heart. His marks fell off and in June he quietly dropped out of school, pretty well fed up with life and sports. Six months later he was back at Holman's door. Then came more tough luck. Scrimmaging with the team, he re-injured his knee and an operation was needed. That meant one more year down the drain.

You'd think two doses of trick knee trouble would convince a fellow to quit playing

ball. Not Ragusa. He banged up his other, good knee up in the Borscht Circuit. That did it. Nat gave him the job as team manager in the Fall of '48 and Al has held the position ever since.

Ragusa's duties as manager are deceptively difficult. He's in charge of all cage ticket sales at the College; has to act as liaison man between the coach and the crew, and referee intra-club scrimmages.

Al is 25 years old, six feet tall and 185 pounds. He's an Eco major and gets out in June. He'd like to see that tourney champ before he graduates, though.



Al Ragusa
He also serves

Game to Remember: 1946

Beavers Trip Wyoming As Shelton Spouts Hate

By Marv Kitman

December 29, 1946: The Wyoming Cowboys galloped into town that night, led by a depraved coach who thought the chant of bigotry would stop a fast-break. But his tactics didn't work and the Beavers topped the Cowpokes, 57-48, before a seething crowd of 18,475.

Everett Shelton, Wyoming coach, irked by his team's inability to stay close to the Laverne let loose with a Rocky Mountain harangue on the religious and racial background of the CCNY quintet. His shouted philosophy will probably result in the severing of relations between CCNY and Shelton-coached teams.

Leaving their basketball finesse back in Laramie, the Cowboys played as though they were in a rodeo. They cuffed the Beavers right and left with swinging arms, pumping hips and a brand of checking that would have melted a hockey crowd. The Wyoming team caught on quickly and added the visitors clout for clout, winning their ninth game of the season. They led, 32-30 at half-time.

Todorovich, Galiber Star
Mike Todorovich, 6-6 Wyoming center who rammed in 24 points, was the only opposition player who refrained from following his coach's racist lead. Also significant was the fact that Joe Galiber, the Beavers' Negro center, was high scorer for his team with 15 points. This didn't soothe the Wyoming mentor.

With the score tied, 43-43, and about five minutes remaining in the game, the Beavers roared ahead with a point deluge that brought Shelton screeching off the bench.

Referee Matty Begovich called a foul against the Cowboys and Shelton opened up. "Why those dirty Jew-bastards are getting

Why Oh Why?

City (57)	Wg	F	TR	Wyoming (48)	Wg	F	TR
Benson, lf	1	0	2	Reese, lf	4	1	9
Galiber, c	6	3	15	Payton, rf	1	2	4
Trbwita, rf	1	4	6	Waltovich, c	10	4	24
Schmones, lf	1	1	3	Volker, lg	1	1	3
Dambrot, c	5	0	10	Plich, lf	0	0	0
Breenberg, c	0	0	0	Collins, rg	4	3	3
Brickman, lf	0	0	0	Rogers, lf	0	1	1
Shapiro, lg	0	1	1	Doty, lf	1	2	4
Finger, lf	2	0	4				
Dubow, lf	0	0	0				
Joneson, rg	0	1	9				
L. Mahomed, lf	0	0	0				
Finestone, lf	3	1	2				
Totals	23	11	57	Totals	17	14	48



Joe Galiber
He gives his all

away with everything," he yelled. Nat Holman, sitting only a few feet away on the City bench, jumped in front of Shelton and shouted, "If you say anything like that about my boys again, I'll punch you right in the nose." On the very next play, Begovich pinned another foul on Wyoming and Shelton made another disgraceful remark. Holman leaped at him but was restrained by St. John's coach Joe Lapchick, who was sitting nearby.

Tennis Try-Outs Continue Sat.

Powers of the Press

There is a certain young man who has been making history lately for the College cagers. As yet he has not taken a single shot, thrown a single pass or grabbed a single rebound. As a matter of fact, he hasn't played a single second.

You can find him listed in any of the City College rosters in the Metropolitan dailies under the name of Frank Powers, number 14, standing 5-11.

If anyone can identify this mysterious gentleman, kindly get in touch with Nat Holman, as he would like to know who he is as much as we would.

Pluck the Violets

Tickets for the NYU game to be played in the Garden next Tuesday, March 7, will go on sale this Thursday, March 2, outside the Army Hall Canteen from 12 to 4. Tickets are priced at 50¢ cents to AA members and one dollar to others.

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Gal Hoopsters Sport 3-1 Mark

With its schedule now half completed, the women's basketball team boasts an impressive 3-1 record for its season's efforts. The squad, coached by Miss Marguerite Wulfers, took on Brooklyn College yesterday for its fifth encounter, but results were not available at deadline time. The team will see action next Monday at 8, with the Women's Evening Session six furnishing the opposition.

Leading the squad in scoring this year are co-captains, Irene Fagelson and Lois Hinds. Little Clara Young, though only standing 4-11, also starts at a forward position, supplying spark to the sextet. The rest of the starting unit is rounded out by guards Anita Friedman, Claire Reed and Gloria Mandels.

After their encounter with the Evening Session, the female cagers go against LIU, a school which seems to be out-of-bounds as far as their male counterparts are concerned. As a matter of fact, schedule restrictions are not too rigid with the girls. Not only do they compete against Metropolitan competition, but also take on Panzer College at New Jersey, and wind up their season meeting against St. Joseph at Philadelphia.

Additional squad members, who see service in substitute roles, are forwards Jean Zemlowitz, Ann Ulnich, Sydelle Oksman, Rosemarie Greco, Ruth Rubacha and guards Roslyn Berkowitz, Barbara Jean Allen, Barbara Rothman, Connie Stokes, Pearl Zamber and Vera Greenidge.

Basketball Coaches, Writers Hit Press Emphasis on Point-Spreads

By Dick Kaplan

Eleven New York basketball writers, coaches, broadcasters, and promoters, responding to an *Observation Post* questionnaire, agreed that the prevalence of point-odds in metropolitan newspapers was undercutting the integrity of the sport.

Freshman Five Nips LIU 71-69; Felix Hoops 24

Trailing by 16 points with five minutes to go, the Beaver freshman quintet rallied to defeat LIU, 71-69, in an overtime battle last Saturday night. The success boosted the clubs' seasonal mark to 8-5 and provided some balm after a 71-42 fiasco at Seton Hall.

Captain Moe Bragin with 13 points was the lavender high scorer, with Archie Lipton just behind with 12. Ray Felix, the Blackbirds' 6-10 center, collected 24 for the individual high. Phenomenal shooting in the second half brought home the bacon for the Beavers. Two free tosses by Les Rothman tied the score in the last few seconds.

Last Wednesday night the team took an unholy pasting from the touted Seton Hall frosh. Paced by John Adams' All-Scholastic Mickey Hannan, who corded 22, the Pirates ransacked the Beavers in the latter part of the game. Coach Bobby Sand's five stayed with them for the first ten minutes, but troubled by the huge Seton Hall court, fell out of contention soon afterwards.

Forms were sent to eighteen of the leading basketball figures around town to find out how the men who run the game feel about the menace of gambling. Twelve replies were received. Only one expressed the view that the press should go right on playing up the gambling price on basketball games.

Receive Cold Shoulder

The survey received an obvious cold shoulder from the newspapers most directly concerned with the publication of cage prices. The *New York Post*, *New York Daily News*, *New York Journal-American*, *New York Daily Mirror*, *New York Daily Compass*, and *New York Times* did not fill out the form. All but the *Times* feature betting odds on their sports pages.

Two separate questionnaires were sent out. One was addressed to coaches and broadcasters, asking:

• Do you believe that the publication of point-odds is damaging to collegiate basketball?

• If so, or if not, why?

A second blank was mailed to every metropolitan newspaper and read:

• Does your newspaper publish basketball point-odds?

• If so, or if not, why?

Responses were received from coaches Nat Holman and Clair Bee, plus two anonymous answers; writers Bill Roeder of the *World-Telgeram and Sun*, Irving T. Marsh of the *Herald Tribune*, Lester Rodney of the *Daily Worker*, Ben Gould of the *Brooklyn Eagle*; broadcasters Stan Lomax, Marty Glickman and Bill Stern; and Garden basketball chief, Ned Irish.

Coaching Deans Reply

Holman and Bee, the two outspoken deans of the Metropolitan cage coaching profession, led the charge on point-spread journalism.

"There is no question in my mind," wrote Holman, "that the quoting odds in our daily newspapers has a damaging effect on the game. The spotlight should be on the game and not the betting odds. Why don't they leave the college boy alone without putting all that temptation before him."

Bee, the LIU coach, took a slightly different tack but came to practically the same conclusion. "Fans, players, officials, and oftentimes coaches are aware of the odds, and it reacts on them by creating a consciousness of how badly a team should be beaten," Clair observed. "Personally," he went on, "I never read sports pages the day before or the day of a game, chiefly for that reason."

Betting Necessary Evil

One coach, who withheld his name, listed point outlays as a menace to the sport, but felt that they were a necessary evil. "People just have to bet," he maintained. "And the public would complain if the press stopped printing the odds." The daily line would seep out anyway, as is the case at non-urban colleges, where contact with the sports press is limited, he insisted.

Bill Roeder of the *World-Telgeram and Sun* was the lone defender of point-spread sports coverage among those members of the Fourth Estate who deigned to reply. He claimed that "they're news."

The *Tribune's* Irving T. Marsh

Tracksters On Fritz; Injuries Plaguing Team

Beset by numerous injuries and a lack of training facilities, the track team has mailed to perform the deeds so hopefully forecast for it. Competing with some of the major teams of the nation, and facing some of the toughest individual stars of the track world, the busy boardmen have failed to reap a harvest of victories with three notable exceptions: Bill Omelchenko, the classy 1000-yard man; Charlie Fields, a high jumper who has done good work, and Bob Glasse, the lead-off man on the mile relay team.

Omelchenko may be the best runner the school has ever produced. His record this year in the best competition is certainly most creditable. In one race this year, he finished close behind Phil Tigpen, Tom Comerford and Jim Moran, three of the outstanding 1000 yard men around. Fields has hit 6-2 an excellent mark considering the lack of a jumping pit at the College. The relay team has been one of the bright spots of the season, and the man responsible for its success is Glasse. Handling the lead-off spot, has given leads to the team in almost every outing.

The Tourney Train

The next two weeks spell pay-off for the nation's top basketball teams as the National Invitation Tournament selection committee starts shipping out those precious bids. The tourney starts March 11 with a four game marathon.

At the moment three teams have accepted bids. They are Bradley the top team in the national A. P. poll, Duquesne and St. John's. The Braves of Bradley have a current record of 25-3 and by their sparkling play all season are definitely the class of the country. Duquesne's five sports a season mark of 22-1, their only loss coming at the hands of Louisville. The Redmen of St. John's have been among the nation's tops all year long. Victors in twenty-one out of 25 tilts the Brooklyn five has bowed only to C. C. N. Y., DePaul, Fordham and Brooklyn.

North Carolina (21-5), Kentucky (22-4), Western Kentucky (24-5) and LaSalle (18-3) are other fives who appear to be shoo-ins. Other clubs who are almost sure for a bid include last year's NIT champions San Francisco, Canisius, Kansas State, Hamline, St. Louis and Cincinnati.

Despite recent paddlings both LIU and C. C. N. Y. will probably receive bids also. This turn of events of course, is predicated upon the supposition that the Beavers can wallow their way past Manhattan (a theory which possesses dubious credulity) and that LIU will defeat Hamline in the Garden Thursday night.

By Friday morning such outside clubs as Niagara, Villanova, Toledo, and Arizona will be all set to howl for a bid if either of the local prospects falter.

Sapora Speaks:

Matmen Hope to Topple NYU

By Herman Cohen

"Do you think we can beat NYU?" "Well that's hard to say," mused wrestling coach Joe Sapora. "They've defeated us for the past three years, and it's going to be rough again. It will be our last match of the season, and we'll be going into it with a 2-2 record?"

"What about the Adelphi and Brooklyn matches?"

"They've been cancelled, and it's unfortunate. They looked like two victories that would insure our ending the season with a better-than-even record."

Short of Men

"It seems that Brooklyn doesn't have enough experienced men for varsity team," continued Sapora, "and Adelphi has some wrestlers who make their squad ineligible to play us under existing inter-collegiate rules."

The matmen beat the Long Island Aggies, 16-15, on Feb. 18, and Sapora was pleased with their performance.

"Our two stars, Jerry Steinberg (light-heavy), and Al Ruskin (heavy), are still undefeated, but

Tommy Wood went through his first match without a win. He wrestled to an unexpected draw. 145-pounder Dick Millikan won by a decision and will be in tip-top shape for NYC. Co-captain Hank Heller came through with his usual win."



Joe Hillner
Forgotten captain

Mishkin to Bank on Hurlers, Outfielders in Pennant Chase

By Herb Kaharek

With the sound of the Madison Square Garden third tier bugle still in everybody's ears, the Beaver basketball fast break has influenced Sol Mishkin's baseball squad. The team got a quick start by opening Spring practice two weeks ago in the Tech Gym.

Thus far practice has been limited to some hitting drills and preparatory calisthenics. The Beavers, unfortunately, have no Florida training base.

The nine will play three non-league games before opposing NYU on April 6. The inaugural will be against Columbia April 1. Facing the powerful Violets less than a week later can't help but give an excellent early-season line on the club.

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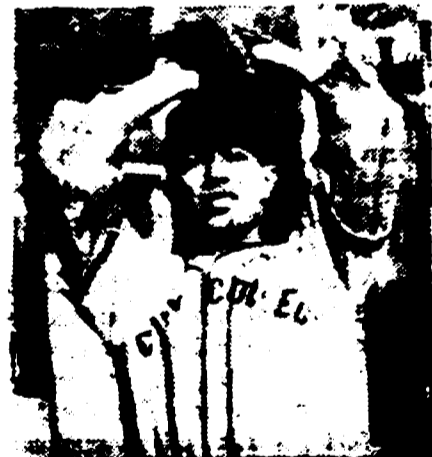
No team is better than its pitchers, and so Coach Mishkin is feverishly trying to develop a well-rounded mound staff. He has four good men to start with in righthanders George Principe and Joe Pereira, and lefties Mel Norman and Tony Piacente. From Hal Goldstein, Danny Friedman and Neil Deoule the skipper will fill out his corps.

Much of the hitting end of the bargain will depend on the vet-

disagreed. He opined that the price on the game "isn't part of the story. Marsh reported the *Tribune* "has never received a letter from a reader complaining of the lack of baseball odds."

The *Daily Worker's* Sports Editor, Lester Rodney, tied the problem of basketball in with "the total irresponsibility of a press run by big business monopoly."

Ned Irish said yes, gambling was hurting basketball, but did not elaborate.



Joe Pereira

eran outfielders Ed Argow, Jim Martain and Jerry Madalena. These three must take up where Gerry Geisler and Hilty Shapiro left off. Geisler led the Metropolitan Conference last year and Shapiro, now JV coach, supplied the distance punch. Both have graduated. Another outfielder to watch is rangy Al "Connie" Kahn, the possessor of a strong throwing arm.

Co-Captains Complete

The two co-captains, Mike Fleischer and Tony Caporas, provide the team with sound catching, with Mike holding a slight edge on his '49 showing. Herb Florowitz looks like the starting first baseman but the other four infield spots are wide open. Should Mishkin come up with a sound inner line to give the pitchers a little fielding support, the squad will be a definite pennant contender.

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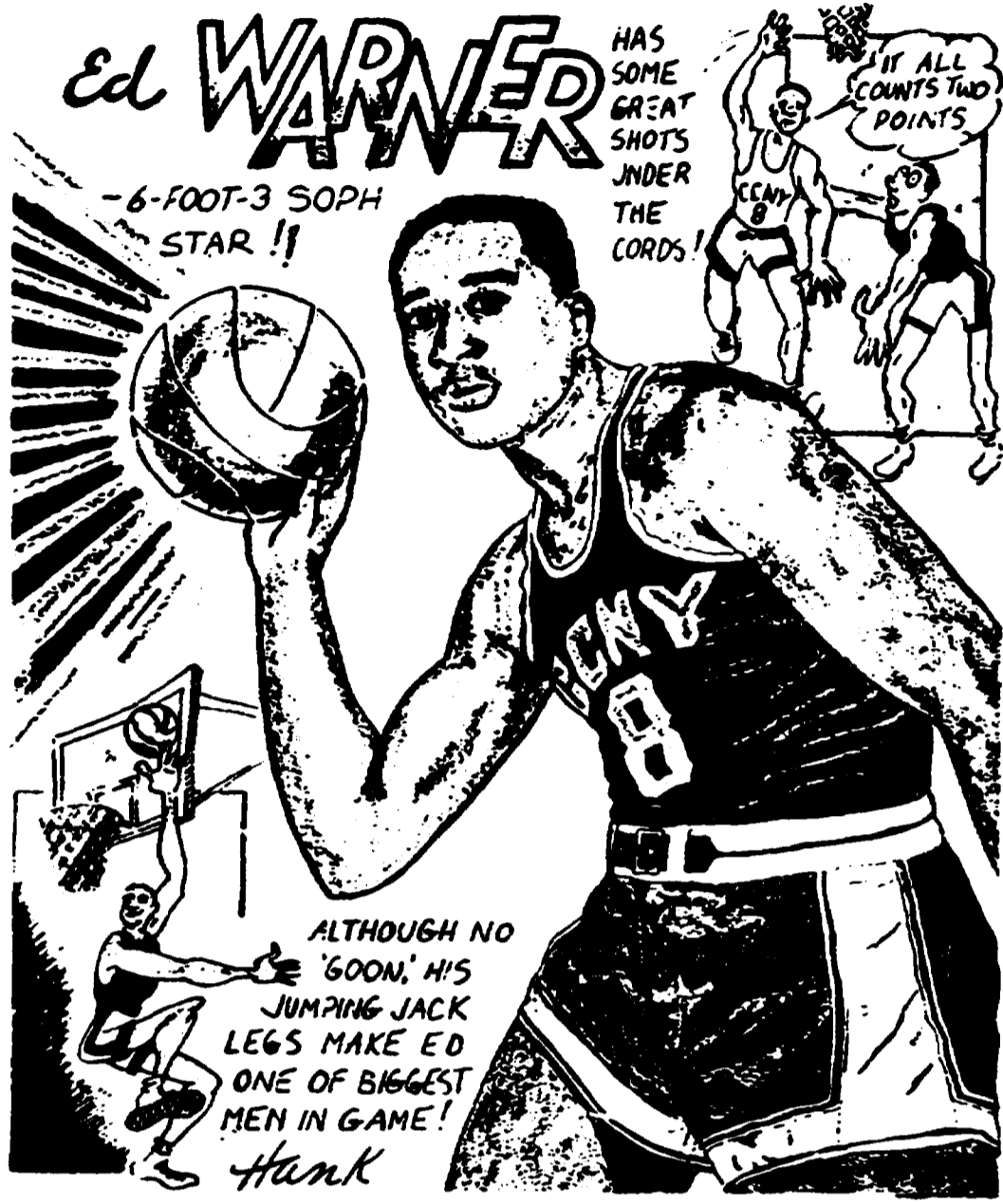
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A Ballplayer's Ballplayer By Hank Wexler



All-American

It's very seldom that a CCNY ballplayer is nominated for an All-American position but it is really something when the same player can become an All-American in only his sophomore year. Such is the case with our Eddy Warner who though only 6-2 has established himself as one of the finest rebound snatchers in the country.

No great shakes from the outside, Eddy is simply murder under those boards. He can jump with the best of them and for proof ask the coaches of SMU, St. John's, Fordham and Syracuse.

OFF BOTH BACKBOARDS

By DICK KAPLAN

Probing the Roman Riddle

If by some grotesque miscarriage of justice the Beavers got booted into the NIT on their dust-free white salin rumps, then Eddie Roman is going to have his hands full. Some pumpkins as a shooter—he has 350 points in 20 games—he has outscored only one high-class center, Bob Zawoluk of St. John's, 23 to 21, in a comedy of defensive errors by the two young pivots. Since then Zawoluk has grown up. Roman hasn't. Lately he's been a defensive flop.

Harry Foley of Niagara made "The Goose" look bad. Only 6-4 to Roman's 6-6, Foley took boards from Ed, and more embarrassing, blocked his shots. Bob Carlson of Fordham sank 29 as Roman stood flat-footed and watched. Randy Sharp, 6-9, of Canisius, a "stiff" in the patois of the sport, broke up a game with a painfully simple 9-point burst off Eddie. Thursday night Syracuse's Ed Miller whipped in 26 to lead the Orange to victory.

The inside story has it that Roman is leery of fouling out. That's a kid's outlook and the sooner Roman realizes it the better. Eddie is a wonderful prospect. He has a vast variety of accurate shots. But basketball is a two-way sport and you can't keep giving away more than you're getting and still expect to win.

A more obvious answer to the Roman riddle is that he's physically unable to bounce around with more agile biggies. In this case we can only recommend Dr. Harold Anson Bruce's Spartan cure—16 laps around the track every day. It might poop the big guy for a while, but in the long run he would develop the muscular legs he needs if he's to stack up favorably against the Lavoyas, Zawoluks, Carlsons and Spiveys.

Nadell Can't Stay Lucky

Ronnie Nadell is wondering what a fellow has to do to stay lucky. The 5-10 backcourt hustler seemed to have a starting spot—and next year's captaincy—all signed, sealed and delivered when he aggravated an old leg injury against Fordham, missing the Syracuse game. Nat had Ronnie tabbed as one of his top floormen last year, but he broke a bone in his foot and sat out the majority of the season.

HE WHO LAUGHS LAST DEPARTMENT:

Irwin Dambrot, who never used to be a paragon of team play, has finally grown up in the eyes of his mates. Irwin, who formerly shot with either hand, from any part of the floor, and at the slightest provocation, has been a real captain this year with his combative, selfless play. "The Kid" hasn't been scoring the way he used to but is feeding off and rebounding the way everybody knew he could. This is the year he really deserves those All-Met laurels.

Howard Cann must've known I picked NYU over St. John's. His Violets had the Redmen on the hook, leading by ten at half, then slowed the game down and lost, 66-60. . . . Seton Hall, which loses nightly over TV, has a brilliant soph coming up next year in 6-10 Walter Dukes. . . . Despite their lofty perch atop the AP Poll, Bradley would have trouble with St. John's or LIU. The Braves are fast and strong but woefully weak defensively.

It's always a shock to see Norm Mager slouching on the bench when the situation screams for a set-shot. It doesn't take much to recall when the Lofgranish bag of bones was Nat's ace trouble-shooter.

Quintet Must Check Manhattan In Garden Game Thursday Eve

By Marty Deutsch

The Beavers' chances for a tourney bid were kicked around amidst the groans and jeers of 15,000 spectators at the Garden last Thursday night when they blew their fifth game of the season, bowing to Syracuse, 83-74. Despite the beating, however, the team can creep into the NIT by maintaining their hold on the mythical Met championship. They haven't lost an intra-city game yet.

At the pace they're traveling, if Nat Holman's boys get an invitation after the Syracuse game it'll be the biggest travesty since the Indians sold Manhattan for \$24 worth of wampum. Speaking of Manhattan, the Lavender is slated to face the Jaspers this Thursday evening in the Garden. Manhattan has been improving steadily, even in losing to Canisius in overtime, 52-50, and in dropping one to strong LaSalle, 65-60.

29th Meeting

It will be the 29th meeting of the two New York clubs. The Beavers hold an 18-11 edge in the series, which dates back to 1906. Last season the Jaspers nipped the College, 44-43, and in so doing earned themselves a tournament bid. They were massacred by Frisco in the elimination round.

Coach Kenny Norton is bringing the same club in against the St. Nicks, with one important exception. Among the missing will be Bob Kelly, the hard-driving, high-scoring forward, who put in 15 last season. Stressing a man-to-man offense and steady set-shooting, the Green and White has compiled an 11-9 record, sometimes awkward 6-7 center, is the

cluding Saturday night's Fordham scrap.

The Jaspers will take the court averaging slightly under 6-3. Mike Joyce, the lanky and at

gis King, Joe Cullen, Jim Garvey, and Ted Hunkele.

A pleasant note for the Beavers will be the return to action of Herb Cohen and Ronnie Nadell. Cohen's broken finger has healed enough for him to entertain hopes of doing something against Manhattan. Nadell's foot, originally thought to be broken, should allow him to see some service.

Must Win Met Crown

Sporting four wins and no losses in Subway competition, the Lavender can clinch the crown by trimming Manhattan. The last time Nat Holman took the title his Beavers went on to turn back LIU in a tourney benefit game. This time the city championship figures to be the Beavers' entree to the NIT. They've beaten nobody of importance except St. John's, but the holder of the unofficial New York diadem is usually an automatic choice.

Big Ed Miller under the boards and scoring 26 points, and wee Jack Kiley, a killing outside shot, were too much for the Beavers as Syracuse swept home free. The Lavender, 13 points out late in the second half, pulled up to 73-72 with three minutes to go. But Kiley floated in for two and that was that.

Ed Roman, though hitting for 23 points, was inept on defense and was outmaneuvered by rival center Miller. Irwin Dambrot sparked the attack with 16 points while Floyd Layne played a bang up game, notching 13. Upstate New York now officially owns the Beavers. Canisius, Niagara and now Syracuse have all prevailed.

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No.	Name	Pts. Hr.	No.	Name	Pts. Hr.
17	Layne	13 3-11	3	Dambrot	16 6-4
3	Byrnes	11 6-8	8	Warner	17 6-4
2	Joyce	6 4-7	6	Roman	23 6-4
6	Propp	12 6-2	9	Layne	13 6-11
10	King	10 6-4	7	Cullen	10 6-11



Fencers Seek Sixth Straight Against Yale in Gym Tonight

The Lavender fencers make their only appearance in the Mar Gym tomorrow afternoon at 3, facing Yale. The home team will be seeking to preserve its unbeaten record by scoring its sixth straight victory.

Despite a scare in the foil event, the Beavers stopped Brooklyn College, 15½-11½ last Saturday afternoon.

With both teams slicing through previous scheduled opponents un-nicked by defeat, the CCNY and NYU fencing combos will clang swords in the last dual meet for each, Saturday, down at Washington Square.

Blue-blooded competition in the collegiate fencing set-up gets under way March 17-18 with the 53rd annual soiree of the Eastern Intercollegiate Fencing Association at the NYU strips, which will be followed by the

NCAA tourney at Wayne University — Detroit, Michigan — March 24-25.

The Beavers are eager to flex their blades with a winning lunge against the Violets in the final dual affair. City by avenging last season's 14-13 defeat, will get a good push-off in the Eastern intercollegiate fencing, since both teams are rated no more than an epee apart at the top seedings.

Palisader swordsmen are prominent in the saber division, with the Rubenstein clan, Sam and Izzy, putting the final touch on their intercollegiate careers. Izzy's lunge is no longer impaired by the bad leg he had last year.