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City Turns Out En Masse
For 'Support Team' Rally

By IREV COHEN

From out of the shock and horror of the greatest scandal ever to hit college basketball, a spontaneous surge of support for a team that had been dashed to the depths of disgrace by the foolish acts of three of its members, arose from the still loyal student body.

THE TEAM: Heading from left to right are: Sy Levitch, Dave Cohen, Ray Schwartz, Jerry Gold, Herb Hodstein, Ed Chesna, Moe Bragen and wildly cheering Great Hall crowd.

Bullets

District Attorney Hogan last night began quizzing three LIU basketball stars—Seymour White, Adolph Blige and Jerry Smith in connection with the current court scandal.

D. A. also revealed he was using wire-tapping to break the City College bribe case and that Beaver stars would be unable to deny charges when they heard their own voices re-played...

NYU Graduate Manager of Athletics Gilchrist has charged Harvey "Connie" Schaff for his role in the bribe farce.

Ed Warner yesterday led police into a cache of $3,000 earned from "throwing" basketball games. The money was concealed in a shoe box at Warner's house...

City College House Plans have come out against the suspension from school of Al Roth, Ed Warner and Ed Roman...

OP Editorial:

City and the Scandal

For I know your manifold transgressions and your mighty sins:
your feet were point of departure, they turned aside their way, and through their right and left.

An unprecedented scandal is rocking City College. Three members of last season's "Grand Slam" champs are accused of accepting bribes to "throw" games. The important consideration that must be taken into account is not the fate of the three men involved, but how the College as a whole is affected by this situation. OP hopes that this will receive the lightest possible sentence. Not that we conceive that the whole of the basketball revenues. It is hard to conceive that we have been duped for the past season. It is hard to conceive that athletics will be able to exist on the same level, without the sale of student body, the team and the College itself. The top-flight teams; the "Rational Darlings" are responsible for this deplorable state.

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To the nation, City was basketball, and basketball was City. Our emphasis to our scholastic achievements and raised the College to a mediocre institution to a first-rate collegiate force. Overnight the work of years has collapsed.

If losses the possible end of the City College basketball dynasty, high school stars will be reluctant to attend, and the lure of "City College basketball power" will be lessened, if not gone. However, the action of the three accused should not reflect on the rest of the team. Now is the time for the City College spirit to rise up. The thunder which greeted the arrival of the team on the platform at the Great Hall Rally shows that the College is not losing its head. This is the time to back the team to the hilt.

City vs. Missouri... Dec. 9
City vs. Arizona... Dec. 28
City vs. Boston... Jan. 11

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OP Photo by G. M. Schuy

College Accepts Team...
"Hoped Against Hope It Wasn't True" -- Galibar

By DICK KAPLAN
(From a Sports Edit)

Joe Galibar paused. "I can understand what they did," he said softly, referring to his old teammates Ed Roman, Al Roth and Ed Warner. "But naturally I can't appreciate it."

Galibar, who along with Irwin Dambrt co-captained last year's Grand Slam five, said he "sort of expected" the explosive trial disclosures but that he had been "hoping against hope that they weren't true."

"Sure, everyone used to talk around town that ball games were being dumpped," continued Galibar, who now works in the Brown District Attorney's office. "But you knew how these rumors are. "I haven't seen any games this year," Joe said semi-apologetically. "But I'm going to try to be with the team Thursday night."

During his college basketball career, Galibar had to support a wife and child, but he said, while he understood the trials and tribulations of guys like Roman, Warner and Roth, he couldn't figure out how they could have been so short-sighted.

"They just didn't think of a long-term basis," Joe said, pointing out that despite their fine athletic records, the two Eddie "Tote" would be marked for life.

Galibar, who sat on the bench last season with Warner and Roth, said he expected trouble because "those kids had the wrong attitude.

"The guys on the club last season were Warner, Irwin Dambrt, Mike Wittlin—they were up there. It would have been a help to the team win.

"Speaking for myself," Joe went on, "I never minded watching the game from the sidelines if I knew someone else could do the job better. And those three Eds were definitely. But the way they acted, they got cocky and you know the rest of the story better than I do."

"I never minded watching the game," Joe went on, "but I was going to try to bait my former buddies, he'd be down at Magistrates Court March 12, the rest and I couldn't watch."

"What about taking the game back to the gyms?" "Joe said, lingering over the word, "It might alligee conditions somewhat, but who knows the right answer? I don't."

"Heh, heh, heh," Joe called, "and a rotten thing like this is sure to break him up."

By Hank Wexler

Campus Interviews on Cigarette Tests

Number 12... THE MOURNING DOVE

"Some of them are pretty sad!"

Misleading and dejected, this gloomy miss found little to titillate her in the recent deluge of quick-trick cigarette tests! She was not enthralled by the idea of judging cigarette mildness with just a fast puff or a single sniff.

But, joy of joys!... happiness came to her when she discovered one test that left no doubt in her mind.

It was the sensible test!... the 30-Day Camel Mildness Test, which simply asks you to try Camels as a steady smoke—on a pack after pack, day after day basis. No map judgments needed. After you've enjoyed Camels— and only Camels—for 30 days in your T-Zone (T for Throat, T for Taste) we believe you'll know why...

More People Smoke Camels than any other cigarette!
From rags to riches and back to rags again. That is essence, in the story of Ed Roman, Ed Warner and Al Roth and of the biggest basketball scandal in 1934.

Around the campus yesterday reporters from metropolitan newspapers and radio stations were hounding College officials, ballplayers, and they could lay their hands on, asking questions related to situations in the murder statement. It reminded you of the Grand Slam, but this time it was different.

The student body was stunned by the revelation that three of their number had been party to a basketball scandal that dwarfs, even the Manhattan College crime brine story of Jan. 17.

Many of the students' reactions were taped by Martin Weldon of the Columbia Broadcasting System and were played before the Bill Leonard program, at 9 this morning.

The student said he felt that this was 'just the beginning' and that there would be other fixes uncovered before the authorities were through. He wasn't exactly sure what the brine news would mean.

Floyd Lane

From the story of Ed Roman, M. Warner and Al Roth of the biggest basketball scandal in 1934. It is no more.

In spite of this bittersweet crime, I can condemn the three players. Last year they were the "big men" who wrote CCNY into basketball history books. The memory of the students that I felt when I learned that all three former All-Americans were going to play for the College: the unreasoned joy of seeing their play for this College reach fruition in last year's tournaments; the unforgettable sight of an Ed Warner spinning, driving, twisting layup shot; Ed Roman shooting which made him the greatest all-around athlete in the College; and Al Roth setting up plays with heady passing—all this I will cherish long after this terrible scandal has been repressed from my mind.

These big men will remain "big" for me long after the smallness of their deeds has been repressed from my mind.

Emptiness remains. It is said in the Bible that the sins of the fathers are visited upon the sons. And CCNY—Grand Slam Champions of 1936—will not go to a tournament in 1937. It is very possible that the fate of Brooklyn College after their scandal—outcast from Madison Square Garden, may prove to be the future of CCNY. It is now rumored that Fordham and St. John's will no longer accept CCNY to the basketball tourney. And the the College's basketball program, scheduled for the season, may be gone. As a foot soldier with this team, I am not surprised after this. The changing of prospective high school stars' minds to come to the College would also be very regrettable.

If only Bobby Sand's proposition for a Mid-Conference had been accepted. The Mid-Conference was a league of small colleges in the area of the Greater New York teams, like the sacrosanct five: NYU, Manhattan, St. John's, Fordham and St. Anthony's. It would make the College a Mid-Conference team and would combat the commercialism of the sport. All new rules now that CCNY does not meet the requirements of the BCAC are superfluous and stupid. President Wright would be doing the College and the sport a service by calling the conference of the college heads that was thought up by L.L.U.'s Presy Morals but which never had the support of the Conference.

As for the players who were not involved in the fix—never be before has so much depended on a few. Demoralization of the team's spirit has been surprising after this.

To the boys on the team this year, By Lovelitch, Bode Cohen, George Hard, Joppe Henn, Nat Rotenberg, Bob Drew, Herb Holstein, Ed Chastain, Herb Cohen and Floyd Leyer. People called you "nothing—leaders for the future."

If the CCNY student body doesn't get behind you now like she was ready to get together with all and form a Mid-Conference team, it will be a lack of enthusiasm for the sport.


Maybe you're not getting all you should have gotten to play this year. You should have been more successful of those things that you did good here. We'll be backing you each one of the long road ahead. You have the Potential and the Spirit. The goal is up to you.
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Club Notes

CCNY Debating Society will hold the following debates:
- 5:27, 3:40 P.M. in 221 Main, Opponent—St. John's, Feb. 23, 4 P.M. in 221 Main, Opponent—Brooklyn.
- March 1, 12:30 P.M. in 221 Main, Interclub. The topic will be for all occasions. Resolved that the anti-communist nations should form a new international organization. All interested students are invited to attend.

The Evangelical Fellowship will divide into small groups for purposes of studying chapters 1-4 of the Gospel of John (in the Bible), on Thursday, March 1, in Harris 105, at 12:30.

An exhibition of paintings and designs by Professor Simon Lissin of the College's Art Department is now taking place at the George East Gallery, 97 East 97th Street. The final day of the exhibition will be March 10.

Professor Lissin has works on permanent exhibition in London's Victoria and Albert Museum, the Jeu de Paume in Paris, the Albertina in Vienna, and private collections.

Trio Set Records In Last Outing Sat.

Hall high. The tallying of 95 points, the Beaver total, will come when the final total is added to the Beaver total. If Ed Cohen, representing the Athletic Association, expresses his reaction when he first heard the news which rocked the basketball world and of his team, personal hurt. He cried softly and one other man. Hygiene Department, told the situation and once more the Whiz Kids' points in the half was also as impressive.

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The victory was the Beaver 11th in 12 weeks and the third straight road win.

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