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All-College Conference Groups Meet Today To Discuss Student Problems; Rooms Below

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OP Photo by Sarah
Core group in action, preparing for today's conference.

OP Editorial

City College is not a perfect place, and students know it. So, we gripe. We gripe about marks, about instructors, and, generally, about those things over which we have no control. Gripping is a rather wasteful effort as a rule. Today, for the first time in the history of the college, an effort is being made to turn these gripes into catalysts for progress.

In brief, this is the All-College Conference. It is an open invitation to discuss, suggest, or complain. It is the student's chance to learn problems of curriculum, publications, athletics, and other fields which affect his college life. It will be the student's duty to use this knowledge for his benefit and for the benefit of the school.

While the Conference presents the student with a chance to influence the control others have over him, it also presents him with a challenge: a challenge to learn what he's been griping about and to do something about it. We don't know exactly what will be produced by the Conference. It may be a "flop." It may just be something else the student will gripe about in the future. But if you don't attend a panel and gripe today, you'll have no right to gripe later.

Survey Finds Freshmen Believe SC "Ineffective"

By Fred Beards

College freshmen were almost unanimous in the belief that Student Council was ineffective, results from Freshman Assembly Panel groups revealed.

The groups, composed of freshmen, held a miniature "All-College Conference." They dealt with four of the topics today's workshops will be concerned with: Orientation, Social Activities, Political Activities, and Student Government.

Most groups which were assigned "student government" reported that they didn't feel that they could discuss the subject

since they knew so little about Student government. They seemed to care less. Most stated that they had never heard of Council doing anything tangible. In one assembly none knew the names of their representatives. Many who discussed "Orientation" thought that an orientation week would better serve their

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Classes Suspended for Workshops; All Invited

By Herman Cohen

Classes and activities will be suspended between 11 AM and 2 PM today to allow students and members of the faculty to attend the All-College Conference, out of which is expected to come the governing ideas of the CCNY of the future.

Agendas for the 22 workshop discussions were prepared last week in a Great Hall meeting of the core groups, described by the Conference Coordinator Sheldon Halpern as having run smoothly and with a turnout exceeding expectations.

The workshops will delve into the nature of Athletics, political activities, academic freedom, student-faculty relations, curricula, social activities, publications, fraternities, and financial problems. The numbers of the rooms in which the individual workshops will be held are listed on the opposite side of this page.

Unprecedented Act

The opportunity for all members of the student body and faculty to voice their opinions about the administration and policies of the College is unprecedented in the school's 105 year history.

Student and faculty recorders have been named for each of the workshops, assuring that all ideas expressed will be forwarded to the people who have the power to act. People who cannot attend the meetings are invited to submit written opinions as late as one week after the conference is concluded.

Director Finkel (Chairman) has requested that



OP Photo by Sarah
Prof. William Finkel
Conference Director

no more than half the time of the discussions be devoted to prepared talks and that most of the time be spent on discussion by the people attending.

Continued Panels

Beginning the week of December 15 the four centers of the College will each hold five formal type panels covering the following facets of college life: The college and the community, student-faculty-relations, curricula,

extra-curricular activities, and intercollegiate relations. At these meetings, three students and three faculty members will present prepared papers which will be discussed and revised.

The combined reports of all the panels will be presented to President Gallagher at his official inauguration ceremony on February 19th. The panel reports are expected to contain many of the ideas brought out at the workshop meetings.

President Gallagher's statement that the work of the Conference will "undoubtedly have important long range effects on college planning and policy", has given the founders of the Conference added hope for its success.

Mallon Is New Chief Marshal

Dr. Arthur Mallon (Education) has been appointed chief marshal of City College by President Buell G. Gallagher.

Professor Mallon, a member of the CCNY faculty for the past 25 years, will be in charge of all ceremonial functions at the College for the coming year.

Four such occasions have been planned. The first, a memorial service in remembrance of the 100 City College students who died in World War II was held on Dec. 7.

The Inauguration of Dr. Gallagher as President of the College will follow on February 19 in the Great Hall.

Charter Day ceremonies on May 7 and Commencement Exercises on June 17 will terminate this program.

Dr. Mallon succeeded Professor John S. Peck in the post of chief marshal. Professor Beck, a member of the school of technology faculty, is on sabbatical leave this semester.

Speech Today . . .

A speech by Alexander Lindoy, lawyer and author, will highlight today's meeting of the Faculty Wives Club at 2:00 PM in the faculty lounge. The talk will be followed by a social hour.

Improvements Suggested for Some Courses

Last week, the first of a series of seminars was held concerning possible improvements in the Education curriculum.

This first seminar dealt with Ed. courses based around historical and social foundations of education, primarily Ed. 11, 17, and 22, and was sponsored by the Ed. Society in Room 307, Townsend Harris. Dr. Berkson was the faculty advisor at this session.

The students discussing these courses felt that such courses are an important part of the curriculum but reorganization was necessary. For example: in the History of Education (Ed. 11) more attention should be paid to the modern era in education, and Ed. 22 (which deals with laws, provisions, and laws pertaining to teaching today) provides important knowledge but different information is taught in different classes.

A complete ten page report is being given to Dean Abelson (Ed.). Five more seminars sponsored by the Education Society will follow.

—Fisher

Panels Will Meet Today From 11-2

The following are outlines of the programs of some of the workshops which will meet today during the hours between 11-2. Outlines of all groups meeting were unavailable at press time.

Number 2a Curricular (Liberal Arts)

Room 126, Main

1. Introductory speeches
 - (a) Leonard Lederman
 - (b) Prof. Boeker (Math.)
 - (c) Rubin Bettino
 - (d) Prof. Magid (Philo.)
2. Discussion
 - (a) The core or required courses (30 minutes)
 - (b) Elective courses (30 minutes)
 - (c) The inter-relation of required and elective courses (30 minutes)
 1. General aims
 2. Teaching methods

Number 3 Community Relations

Room 306, Main

- Agenda
1. The Community
 - (a) National
 - (b) Municipal
 - (c) Local, Neighborhood
 2. Why should we work with the community?
 3. What relationships exist between the College and the municipal and broader surroundings?
 4. One student's view of the community.
 5. What is the college doing in the community?
 6. Summary of existing problems.

Number 4 & 14

Integration of Extra-Curricular Activities with Curriculum

Room 204, Main

1. Definition of terms
 - Mr. Taffet (Economics)
 - Seymour Grauer
 - Aims
 - Mr. Sokolsky (History)
 - Phil Berman
 - Lothar Petrover
3. Problems
 - Mr. Long (Speech)
 - Bernard Landau
 - Barbara Milstein

Number 7

Publications and Communications

Room 217, Main

1. Publications
 - (a) Integrations of Publications —H. Donald Gelber
 - (b) Problems of Newspapers—Herman Cohen
2. Communications
 - (a) Introduction — Prof. R. I. Wolfe
 - (b) Faculty — Administration Communications—Mr. Stuart Clarkson (Veteran's Advisor)
3. Public Relations —Mr. Isadore Levine (Public Relations)

Number 10 Departmental Problems

Room 215, Main

1. Integration of departments
 - (a) Enrichment of courses
 - (b) Exchange of faculty
2. Periodic evaluation of faculty to make certain that teaching standards are being maintained
 - (a) Criteria for evaluation
 1. Students' opinion
 2. Grading trends
 - (b) Investigation by department chairman or committee
 - (c) If an instructor is found to be below standard, then what?
3. Faculty councils and department chairmanships
 - (a) Provision for minority voice
 - (b) Rotating chairmanship

Number 11 Religion at the College

Room 200, Main

1. Introduction
2. Religion in our present curriculum
3. Extra-curricular religious programs and activities
4. Possibilities and suggestion for the expansion of present religious programs and introduction of new programs
5. Summary

Memorial Plaque Unveiling



At a special Pearl Harbor Day observance in the Great Hall last Sunday Mr. Spyro Soupios on behalf of The R.O.T.C. Alumni presented a bronze memorial plaque honoring the memory of 307 former City College students.

Standing before the plaque (from left to right) are Mrs. Robert P. Patterson, President Gallagher and Spyros Soupios.

Number 17

Academic Freedom and Student Rights

Room 302, Main

1. Rights and obligations of teachers (as related to academic freedom)
 - (a) What shall be the criteria for the selection and retention of teachers?
 - (b) Rights and obligations of teachers who engage in controversial activities off the campus
2. What are the rights and obligations of student organizations as to:
 - (a) Speakers
 - (b) Charters (rights of existence)
 - (c) Censorship (approval of leaflets, publications, etc.)

English Group Hears Hughes On Negro Poets

Langston Hughes, the famous Negro author, addressed a capacity crowd in Doremus Hall last Thursday. He was sponsored by the English Society.

Speaking on the topic "The Poetry of Harlem," Mr. Hughes said, "I've been to France, South Africa, and places all over the world which have large Negro communities, but somehow I seem to like the one in New York the best." He went on to explain that Harlem "has something" which no other Negro populace in the world has.

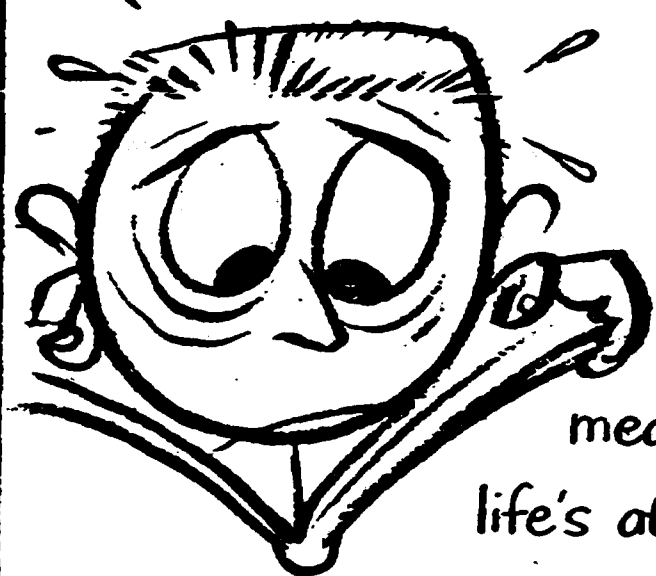
Author of poems, short stories, and novels depicting Negro life, and a world-wide traveller and lecturer, Mr. Hughes spoke of his childhood, told how he became a poet, and then read some of the poems from his "Montage of a Dream Delayed." "I have tried in these poems," he said, "to capture the rhythm of the blues and be-bop." He pointed out, however, that it is an erroneous impression that "everyone in Harlem is a bobster or a follower of the blues."

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Legal History To Be Restored To Curriculum in Spring 1953

History 30, "the Development of Legal Institutions in American History," will be given next spring, Professor Joseph E. Wisan, History Department Chairman, announced recently. Mr. Edward W. Stitt Jr., currently teaching at the Business Center, will be the instructor. The course has not been offered for several years.

The curriculum emphasizes "the historical factors responsible for the forms that our legal institutions have taken, as contrasted with either the philosophical or substantive content of law."

Mr. Stitt, who graduated from the College in 1913, is a member of the New York County Bar Association. He will represent the City of New Rochelle and the Thomas Paine National Historical Association when he unveils the

bust of Thomas Paine at New York University's Hall of Fame on Sunday, May 18th.

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Sands' Lawyer Asserts Report Meaningless

By Joe Marcus and Leonard Stieglitz

"No specific charges have been leveled against Bobby yet, and until they are made public we are unable to plan his defense. The report doesn't mean anything—it just hints."

This statement was made by Bernie Fliegel, attorney for Bobby Sand. Mr. Fliegel expressed doubt that the charge of failure to aid the investigation will be leveled, as it was Bobby's disclosures which served as the basis for the Board of Higher Education's investigation.

As for the letter to Ed Warner which served as the basis of the charges against him, Bobby Sand readily admits that he wrote it and that it indicates a violation

who spoke to various officials to help Bobby get tenure as a teacher.

It is not expected that the case will come to trial before the end of January. The usual procedure is to assign the case to a member of the Corporation Counsellor's staff who will study the report and inform the defendants of the specific charges against them. The defendants then have ten days to answer the charges.

"Charges Unjust"

Sand's immediate superior, Nat Holman stated that the charges against him were also completely unjust. "I have served the College of the City of New York for the past 34 years with honor and distinction", he said, "and I point with pride to a hard earned reputation which is as clean as any man's in intercollegiate ath-

letics today. I have returned home to defend the reputation which took a lifetime to build, and to contest those who seek to blemish or discredit.

"To Clear Name"

"I also believe that the Board of Higher Education, conscious of its unique position as prosecutor and judge rolled into one, will want to justify public confidence by giving me every opportunity to clear my good name. That is

my single purpose".

At the present time, Holman plans to sit tight and make no statements concerning the actual charges made against him.

As for the various Nat Holman committees which have been formed in his defense, Nat commented that anything which was done by friends of their own volition was greatly appreciated. In answer to those who were critical of his inability to spot the fixes, he challenged anyone who can say when a boy is playing dishonestly. He recalled that he was known for replacing players during the game when he considered them not playing up to par. He

added:

"I was never suspicious of any boy who played for me. If I was—he wouldn't have continued on the team".

Warned of Dangers

Holman referred to a speech he made before the basketball writers dinner in December of 1947. At the time he warned those present of the possible dangers of a second college scandal unless "coaches vigilantly police their teams". This warning came two years after the Brooklyn College scandal.

No matter what the outcome of the trial is, Nat says he will "walk with a clear conscience and my head as high as before".



Nat Holman
Record Clean

of the amateur code. A copy of the letter was offered to Mr. O'Neill, the BHE investigator, but he refused to consider it until it "was thrown in his face". The letter itself, Sand stated, "had nothing to do with the fix in the sense that it took place before the letter was written."

Sand maintains, however, that he was against the trip and requested that the portion of the contract dealing with money be rewritten. His only reason for consenting to make the trip, he contends, was the urging of the other members of the team and a high administration official. This official was the same one

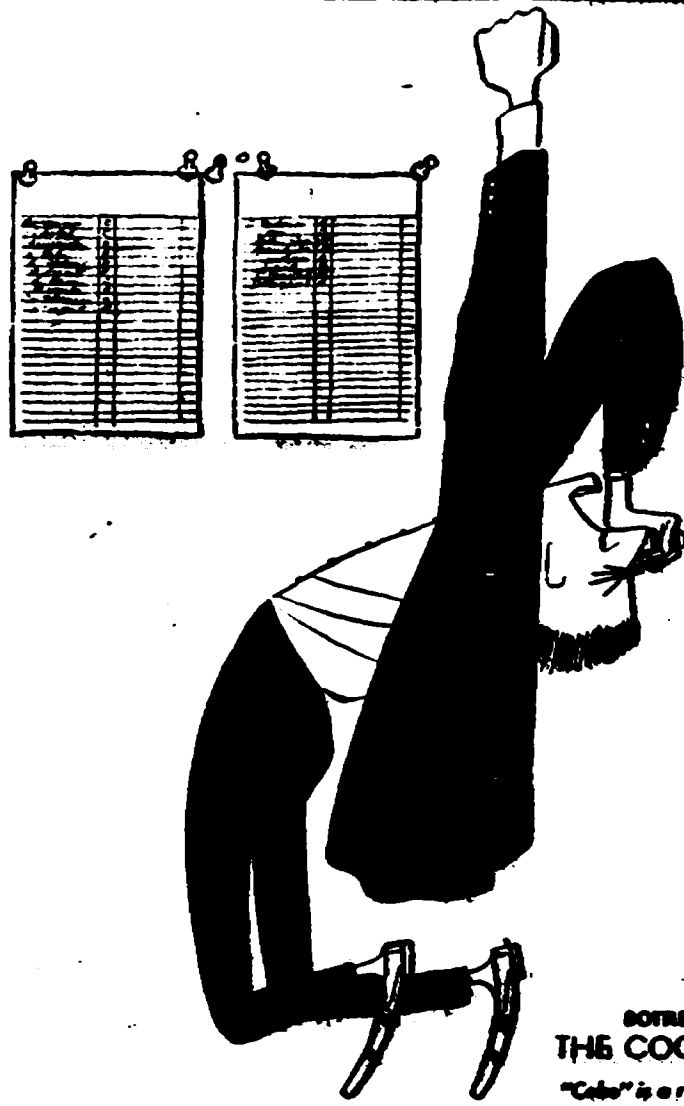
Survey...

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needs than freshman assemblies. These groups also thought that more should be done to publicize services around the College.

"Social Activities," is another field where the freshmen believed improvement was necessary. They said that greater and less expensive facilities were needed. Some thought that the neighborhood was unsafe for evening social affairs.

The groups discussing "Political Activities" were evenly divided in answer to a question about whether Communists should be allowed to speak at the College. They expressed the opinion that political clubs were beneficial to the College because they presented the issues.



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Tickets for the concert, sponsored by the City College Department of Music, are \$5.50 and will be available the night of the concert at the box office.

Most Lib. Arts Students Choose Chem or Psych

New York City is a large metropolis; it consists of people of many interests and occupations. Any school in this "melting pot" of a city has to cater to students with varied vocational objectives.

City College fills this requirement, according to a report of the Committee of Elective Concentration.

The Committee has released a listing of the various occupational objectives chosen by students in the College of Liberal Arts and Science, including those of the 52 graduating classes. The listing shows 45 different vocational objectives that vary from Archaeology to Public Administration, and include such objectives as Library Work, the Ministry, and Industrial Engineering.

Most Choose Chem

Out of the 2,673 Liberal Arts and Science students whom the listing covers, the greatest proportion, 299, concentrated on Chemistry, including 31 who majored in Bio-Chemistry. The next two highest amounts of concentrations were 273 in Psychology, and 236 in Pre-Medicine.

When queried about the reasons for Chemistry being the most frequent Elective Concentration chosen, Professor Benjamin Harrow, Chairman of the Chemistry Department, said, "One reason for so many students electing Chemistry is the great demand at present for chemists in industry, governmental agencies, and in the teaching profession."

Compared to the 299 Chem majors at the College, 273 upper classmen concentrated on Psychology. Professor John Gray Peatman, chairman of the Psychology Department, said the

high percentage of students electing Psychology is due, in one respect, to the courses offered.

"Our College", the professor said, "compared to most of the other undergraduate colleges, offers a rich variety of undergraduate Psychology courses."

The third largest group of students in the listings, 236, chose Medicine as their vocational objective. When asked why so many students choose Pre-Medicine as their elective concentration, Prof. H. Herbert Johnson, member of the Biology Department, and one of the Pre-Med advisors, said, "that although Medicine is a very



Prof. John Gray Peatman
"Rich Variety of Psych Courses"

crowded field, huge amounts of students continue to choose it as their vocational objective because of a lack of understanding of other fields of work, and a false conception of the glamour attributed to Medicine.

Here Lies Army Hall A Good Friend to All

A building which has been a friend to many, and a plague to some, will be laid to rest this coming September.

The building in its infancy resounded with the patter of little feet, then housing a Hebrew Orphan Asylum. Later, when it was used as part of the Army Specialized Training Program, the stamping of army boots echoed through its halls. Today, in its old age, Army Hall hears the footsteps of students. But the building has served its purpose, and soon these footsteps will also leave. The Board of Education is closing the building on the grounds that it is a fire hazard.

The loss of this building may come as a relief to those students who have classes there. No longer will students have to endure the inconveniences inflicted by a building which is too old to meet the needs of a modern college. Gone will be the class rooms with chipped paint, dim lighting and steam pipes circling the rooms; rooms which sometimes seem as if they would be more appropriate as surgeons in a medieval castle.

than as class rooms in a college.

Just what the Board of Education plans to do with Army Hall is not certain, but as of September 1953, City College will have seen the last of this building.

If Army Hall has served no other purpose, it has been a good subject for the students to gripe about.

Club Notes

Philosophy Society

The Philosophy Society will present Mr. Walter Lipman today at 12:30. Mr. Lipman will speak on "Art Inquiry and Art Inquiry." The meeting will be held in Room 302 Main.

KBS Helmsic Society

The KBS Helmsic Society is giving its pre-Christmas social Saturday, December 13, at 8:00 P.M. in the 23rd Street Center. Refreshments will be served free.

Christian Association

New members will be inducted today at St. James' Presbyterian Church, 141st Street and St. Nicholas Ave. at noon. All are invited to join in the fellowship of the service.

Education Society

All Education Society members will meet in Room 129 Main today at 11:00 A.M. to take part in the All-College Conference.

Prof. I. Rosenthal to Mark 20 Years in Journalism

By Phil Welocoff

Irving Rosenthal, Assistant Professor of English and instructor of the Journalism courses at the College, is proof that one and one can add up to one.

"I have always enjoyed teaching and have always had printer's ink in my bloodstream," he says. "I feel fortunate that I have been able to combine both interests by teaching journalism."

Prof. Rosenthal, a CCNY Alumnus who on January 1 will have been on the staff of the College for twenty years (he was appointed in his senior term in 1933), has put in a busy life as both a teacher and practitioner in the subject he teaches. During that time he has, at various intervals, served the College in many capacities in addition to teaching—as Director of Public Relations at the College, editor of catalogues, assistant to the President, and adviser to student publications. But the achieve-

ment that gives him the greatest satisfaction is the role he played in launching and developing the College's courses in Journalism.

Inaugurates Journalism Course
It was in 1935 that the College, at his suggestion, inaugurated its first journalism course. Emphasizing an understanding of the newspaper as a social instrument, English 51 was the first non-vocational course of its kind in the country. Since then, English 52 (Journalistic Writing), and English 53 (Magazine Article) have been added to the College curriculum.

Many of Professor Rosenthal's pupils have left his classes and gone on to achieve fame in the newspaper world. Some of his former students include: A. M. Rosenthal, *New York Times* UN correspondent; Victor Reisel, labor columnist for the *New York Daily Mirror*; Ben Kocivar, Associate Editor of *Look Magazine*; Ben Gilbert, city editor of the *Washington Post*; and Kalman Siegel, an assistant city editor of the *New York Times* and a journalism instructor in the evening session here at the College.

Wrote For Seven Newspapers
At 40, Professor Rosenthal can look back to a full, although compressed career in the "fourth estate." He entered City College in 1929 and during his undergraduate years wrote for seven New York City newspapers. In

his last semester, January, 1933, he was Director of the College's Public Relations office. Prof. Rosenthal has been at the College ever since, except for three years he served in the Army (1943-45). Immediately after his graduation, 21 year-old Irving Rosenthal was hired as a reporter for the *NY Times*, but returned after a while to his alma mater to handle CCNY's publicity full-time. During the past twenty years, however, Prof. Rosenthal has not been dissociated from professional journalism, having consistently done special assignment and summer work for the *NY Times* and other publications, and in the field of public relations.

Recommendation to Journalism Majors

Today, with his many years of practical experience in the field, his recommendation to journalism majors is: "Even though it's not easy these days, try to get a job on a newspaper and get experience. At the same time, develop a specialty, whether it be labor, films, theatre, etc. A newspaper caters to all of man's interests, and whatever your specialty may be, it can be put to use in newspaper work. In fact, the subject matter of almost every course at the College can be applied in some way in the news and feature columns of a newspaper."

Letters

A Challenge

In Nov. 18 I, in behalf of the Young Republican Club, challenged the Young Progressives of America to debate whether they believed in Peace without honor in Korea. They said they would "consider it." They never informed me of their acceptance. On Dec. 5 they circulated a leaflet in which they challenged the Young Democrats to debate the Korean question.

Their refusal to answer us can only be taken as an indication of their being yellow (I mean red). To challenge the Young Democrats must be interpreted as their considering the Dems a soft touch.

I renew my challenge to the "Students for Stalin." Our group is willing to debate with both groups at the same time. I trust that the Young Proletariat wouldn't consider it a deviation on their part to accept our challenge.

Martin Gruberg
Pres. Young Republicans Club
(CCNY)

Cease Fire

We propose an immediate cease-fire in Korea, prisoner exchange to be settled later. An immediate truce would stop the useless killing. It is common knowledge now that more men have been killed during fifteen months of fruitless negotiations over prisoners than the total number of prisoners on both sides. A cease-fire would help solve the prisoner problem by reducing world tension. With the shooting over, neither side would have a motive for refusing to compromise on the prisoner problem.

Moreover, it is simpler to reach agreement on cease-fire than on prisoner exchange because while each side objects to the other's prisoner plan on "principled grounds," what objection can be offered to a cease-fire pure and simple with talks to follow?

Yet most of the plans discussed in the U.N. make cease-fire dependent on final solution of prisoner repatriation. This can never achieve peace. We urge all students to write Pres-elect Eisenhower demanding immediate truce. We welcome all debate from the college political clubs on this issue.

Sincerely yours,
Executive Comm. YPA
Burt Polowsky, Pres.

Porter's 'Anything Goes' Dramsoc's New Offering

It was once said that if a producer signed Ethel Meriman to sing Cole Porter's songs his production would have to be a hit. This proved to be true in 1934, when Miss Meriman, together with William Gaxton and Victor Moore appeared in Mr. Porter's musical "Anything Goes."

This December 19, 20, and 21, almost twenty years later, Dramsoc will present its production of Mr. Porter's "Anything Goes" at the PET. In this production, Roslyn Yager will portray the character made famous by Miss Meriman, that of Reno Sweeney, a sultry nightclub chanteuse.

Miss Sweeney and her troupe of girls (the Reno Sweeney Sextet) are on an ocean liner bound for England. Accompanying Miss Sweeney on her voyage are Billy Crocker (Ted Rifkin), a young society deb, Hope (Sandra Shierr) who is on her way to England to marry a stuffy Englishman (Ivan Lyons-Pleskow), a gangster (Arnold Kellerman) and his gun moll (Lois Unger).

The play concerns itself with Reno's chase after Billy and the romance between Billy and Hope who are aided and abetted in their pursuits by the gangster and his moll. It is no wonder that when the activities of people such as this are confined to three decks there is bound to be excitement and songs too, as Cole Porter wrote the play. A few of the more popular tunes are "Blow Gabriel," "I Get a Kick Out of You," "Anything Goes," and "You're the Top."

The Friday and Saturday evening performances (December 19 and 20) will begin at 8:30 but

on Sunday evening (December 21) it will begin at 8 o'clock sharp. This performance is being sponsored by Phi Lambda Service Sorority and part of the proceeds will go to the Student Union Building fund. Tickets for all performances are \$1.25 (orchestra, and \$1.00 (balcony) and may be purchased at the Ticket Bureau, Room 120.

Unsightly Men Seek Election - Race Is On

"Mirror, mirror on the wall . . . who is the ugliest one of all?"

Ugliness from near and far is gathering once again for the balloting of the second annual "Ugly Man" contest. The candidates, all of stomach-turning merit, will be voted upon through Friday of this week in Lincoln Corridor.

A penny buys you a vote. All you have to do is drop your copper into the box accompanying your candidate's picture. This year the proceeds from the APO sponsored election are going to the Manhattanville Youth Center.

Faculty and females are also cordially invited to participate as it is felt that they have as vital an interest in the outcome of the election as any other group. Ugliness recognizes neither caste nor sex, and several classic examples of unsightliness have been garnered from the ranks of our faculty and female populations.

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'Helpful' Alumni

The group of alumni that has seen fit to channelize their energies towards the resurrection of Nat Holman at City College would be of much greater service to the school if they would devote themselves to worthy causes, such as aid for various student activities, and the securing of jobs for graduates.

Members of the alumni, who have remained silent so many times in the past when their aid has been needed, should remember that athletics are but a small part of the educational program at CCNY. The fact that a relatively unimportant cause such as this has attracted so much attention from these former students is not something that we can be proud of.

The formation of this organization serves only to add to the atmosphere of confusion that surrounds Holman's participation in the athletic program at the College. This is not the time for an emotional approach towards his defense, as exemplified by the "I Like Nat" club; nor is it the time for any organizations to heap unfounded abuse on City College's ex-basketball coach. Justice is not aided if the Departmental Trials must be held in an atmosphere that is prejudiced for or against Holman.

Surely these distinguished alumni can find a more worthwhile cause than support of the "I Like Nat" club, such as contributing funds to keep the revolving door in the main building well oiled.

Indian Justice

The triumph of true old-fashioned Americanism is always a heartwarming thing.

The *Observation Post* wishes to extend its deepest appreciation to the Dartmouth College Undergraduate newspaper, for its support of two members of the Iriquois tribe who claim the legal right to 2,225,000 acres of land, which includes five counties on the state's western border. The Dartmouth is distributing "Give Vermont Back To The Indians" campaign buttons to anyone contributing over twenty-five cents. The money will be given to the Indians for legal expenses.

In our return to the ideals of our forefathers we must make every effort to insure that justice is rendered. Nothing is more American than this Indian land claim dating back to 1799. The return of this terrain to its rightful owners would highlight the trend forward to the Americanism that our ancestors knew.

Next year, the two members of the Iriquois tribe will present their claim to the State Legislature for the sixth time. Rumors have it that they are willing to settle for \$1,200,000.

We urge the Indians not to accept the money in lieu of land. That parcel of earth is theirs. It is their duty, and ours, as loyal Americans to demand that the land be returned to its rightful owners. Anything else would be un-American.

Council Does It Again

Tomorrow is the deadline for the submittal of nominating petitions for Student Council office. We hope to see an improvement in this semester's crop of office-seekers.

Opinion

By STAN WECKER

Question: What do you expect to get out of college?

Herb Levowitz, L. So. 3

"Besides getting a well rounded education, and benefitting from the mature experiences of college life. I hope to get a firm foundation for my professional aspiration."

Morton Libarkin, U. So. 3

"A 2S deferment. It may help to keep me out of the army for a little while."

Ira Markman, U. So. 3

"In my particular field, biochemistry, a college education is of course necessary if I am to pursue my objective. However, I also believe that the people I meet, and the broader background that I shall obtain here, will be of great value to me later in life."

Manny Halper, L. Jr. 1

"I desire an education which will both prepare me for my future career and broaden my personality at the same time."

Peter Weil, L. So. 5

"I hope to receive an education that will prepare me for a secure, well paying future. I believe that this is the primary objective of almost all of this, and much of the talk about cultural gain is insincere."



Of Carnivals and Queens

By ANDY MEISELS

I was two years old when I first discovered that it was fun playing with a beautiful babe.

In the years that followed, I never changed my mind, but I soon learned that others shared my viewpoint. I learned that the most beautiful girl in our society is odds-on to have the widest choice of boy friends, jobs, and eventually husbands.

Intellectually, I rebelled against this social injustice. Actually, I take my place in line with other boobs to ask the good-looking girl out, interested not in her "inner qualities" but in her outer form which pleases the beast in me.

A civilized human, I do what I can to suppress this primitive instinct, complemented as it is with the pressures which modern society places on us. I believe all men should go out of their way to find those charms in a plain-looking girl which she, and not nature, has placed there.

In direct opposition to this philosophy is the beauty contest, an indecent and uncivilized institution whether it takes "talent" into consideration or not. Held under the auspices of an institute of higher learning, our own Carnival Queen Contest must be looked upon as a reversion to barbarism.

The game the self-styled judges of pulchritude at House Plan play each year is a serious one. It is a game which must hurt hundreds of girls who just weren't born with the right faces. Judging a girl mainly on her looks puts this contest on a level with the livestock show at a county fair.

Of course, every girl's "personality" is taken into account, though just how much personality a participant can demonstrate by slinking past the judges' box I don't know.

It seems to me that a college which attempts to develop an intelligent personality should prize that acquired trait above beauty, a quality sufficiently rewarded by society. And in a contest of personality alone, beauty is but a corrupting factor.

In the end, however, though many girls are of necessity embarrassed by the Carnival Queen Contest, one girl emerges in a blissful state. It's her night. She has had her knowledge, skills, opinions—all things we call "culture" neglected. She had been crowned, instead, for having a pretty shell. Her dreams have come true. She is happy.

Marks And The Man

III - "I Grade Myself" - Page

By Jerry Ludwig

"Morons don't get into City College," he said with a smile. "And you can quote me on that. In my opinion every student at City is intellectually capable of a 'B' average. It's up to the teacher to bring the capability out."

History Professor Stanley W. Page

Page leaned back, lit a cigar, and tried to explain why his students get higher marks.

"I have certain ideas about grade requirements," he announced, "and my standards for grades are not flexible. An 'A' student really rates way above average. I try eliminating students but as the term goes on more and more of them work into the 'A' class.



Prof. Stanley W. Page
Chicago Plan The Answer?

They keep getting better and better."

The instructor's major job, says Professor Page, is to "keep the students working hard and see that they get the most out of the course." The instructor must maintain a work-level and the students will work hard "... because they want to meet the instructor's level.

"Flunking students is great numbers is the fault of the teacher," he said. "It means that the

teacher is not succeeding in his job. Every time I flunk a student I feel as if I am failing myself.

Possibly one-third of the teachers you have in your four years of college mark above the average," he said, "and another third marks below the average. The two-thirds would tend to more or less cancel each other out.

"If you really want an answer," the Professor continued, speaking of ways in which the disparities in today's marking standards could be lessened, "... if you want an answer, look at what they are doing in Chicago."

The University of Chicago has formed special committees of professors for the purpose of compiling, giving and grading exam-

inations. All the instructor has to do is teach the course as thoroughly and as completely as he can.

The extra free hours that the instructors will have, once relieved of the burden of giving and grading their own tests, could be used as conference hours, Professor Page suggests.

"This system would definitely raise the standards," he believes, for looking over the results of such tests would make it apparent just who is getting through to his students and who is not. "The few incompetents would be shown up right away."

The Chicago plan "... is definitely the answer," Professor Page concluded, "if you really want an answer."

"Hear Marx From Marxists" Declares Discussion Group

What did Marx think about biology? Or about music or morals?

Take an easier question: What are the Marxist ideas on politics, or economics?

If you want to know what you're talking about, the recently formed Marxist Discussion Club offers you the opportunity to get together with others in a study of Marxian theories in these and other fields.

The members of the club are not all Marxists, but all of them believe that, as approximately 800 million are living under Marxism or under some deriva-

tive of Marxism, the study is as worthwhile as it is timely.

The club has guest speakers, and in addition, would like to have faculty members from the various departments come and debate Marx's views on their particular fields.

Their study carries them from the roots and theories of Marxism up to today, and includes an analysis of Marxism in the USSR. "It is especially important in these days," said Jack Rubenstein, Club Treasurer, "that people hear Marx from Marxists."

Rams to Face Lavender Wed.

City College's Basketball team will trade baskets with Fordham University's Five, next Wednesday night, at the Ram Gym. The game, originally scheduled for February 21, will be televised over WJZ-TV beginning at 8:30.

Last year, the Lavender quintet came very close to upsetting the Fordham team, as they battled them down to the wire, 55-52.

This season, the host team will be without the services of Bill Carlson, 6:8, and Fred Christ, 6:4, both of whom sparked the Rams' attack consistently over the past several years.

However, Fordham still has the depth and height to make plenty of trouble for the Beavers, although the squad lacks experience.

In a previous encounter this year, Fordham swamped Adelphi by an 80-57 score, contrasting strikingly with the 89-64 loss inflicted by the Panthers on City. They stopped Columbia, 71-65, in their last home game.

Ed Parchinski, who plagued

Parchinski Back

the Beavers in last year's match with timely set shots, will handle much of the backcourt duties for Fordham on Wednesday night. The first junior to captain the Rams, Parchinski features a good set shot and is a fine all-around floorman, both offensively and defensively. In the contest with the Lions, he was tied for high scoring honors with 17.

Danny Lyons, a good shooter has acquired some much needed confidence, as his seventeen points in the last games indicates. Along with Ed Conlin, a much improved ballplayer, Al Larkin, a fine defensive player and John Cunningham whose 13 in the game with the Lions is evidence of his fine scoring ability, the Rams have a well-balanced starting five.

Despite the loss of the 6:7 Christ, the Rams still feature a



Dave Polansky
Hoop Mentor

fairly tall team. Lyons is 6:4 and Conlin stands 6:5. Substitutes Paul Patinka and Roy Zabrowski are 6:7 and 6:6 1/2.

This is the first of the games with CCONY's major metropolitan rivals. On February 7, the Beavers will meet a strong Manhattan squad. The Jaspers feature 6:8 Junius Kellog, 6:6 Ed O'Connor and brilliant playmaker Andy McGowan.

The Beavers may be in for a rough night when they encounter St. Francis at home, later on in the season. The Terriers are also loaded with returning veterans. Among these are Hank Daubenschmidt and Vern Stokes.

The last game of the season will pit Dave Polansky's charges against their traditional rivals, NYU. The Violets are lacking Jim Brasco, Dick Bunt and Mel Seeman, but are still strong enough to provide trouble for the Lavender.

★ BASKETBALL ★



Marty Gurkin (left), Jerry Domershick (above) and Merv Shorr (right).

Three Beaver hoop stars.

Cagers Meet MIT Tomorrow Nite

By Herschel Nissenson

City College's Basketball team will attempt to bounce back from last Saturday's heart-breaking loss to Adelphi, when it meets the Massachusetts Institute of Technology tomorrow night in the Main Gym.

Captain Russ Kidder leads the Engineers from his forward position, but much is expected from 6 ft. 5 in. Wee Willie Friedman, a sophomore from Des Moines, Iowa. Friedman played with the High School City Champions in Des Moines, and made the all-city honor team in 1950-51.

Besides the 5 ft. 11 in. Kidder, MIT will start two other seniors, 6'0" Git Gittelman and Paul

Van Alstyne, junior Joe Christie 6 ft. 2 in., and Friedman. This is not a tall lineup, but Coach Bob Whitehall can turn to two big reserves, 6 ft. 5 in. Don Dix, and 6 ft. 5 in. Stan Shilensky.

Meanwhile, CCONY Coach Dave Polansky hopes that his boys will return to the form that they displayed in scrimmages against the Harlem Yankees and the Manchester (Conn.) club. Manchester featured a tremendously tall team with 6 ft. 11 in. Ray Felix and 6 ft. 7 in. Ralph Polson, but the Beavers still put on a fine performance against them.

On their entire squad, MIT has but four seniors, the three starters and little Dick Marciano.

The rest of the team consists of four juniors and six sophomores.

MIT opened its schedule by bowing to Trinity, 45-60, and then whipped American International last Tuesday night.

A preliminary contest will pit the City Freshmen against a strong St. John's Frosh team. The first game will start at 7 P.M.

The starting lineups:

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| MIT | |
| (19) Joe Christie (6' 2").....F. | |
| (15) Russ Kidder (5' 11").....F. | |
| (41) Willie Friedman (6' 5").....C. | |
| (13) Git Gittelman (6' 0").....G. | |
| (27) Paul Van Alstyne (5' 11")...G. | |
| CCONY | |
| (22) Jerry Domershick (6' 2")...F. | |
| (23) Merv Shorr (6' 3").....F. | |
| (15) Marty Gurkin (6' 5").....C. | |
| (32) Howie Buss (6' 4").....G. | |
| (35) Jerry Gold (6' 2").....G. | |

Frosh Cagers 'Coming Along'

By Gene Schwab

City College's Freshman Basketball Squad "is coming along nicely," stated coach George "Red" Wolfe when queried about the squad's early successes. "We're green and have a lot to learn. Our biggest difficulty is still rebounding. Our big men just haven't the experience underneath."

Wolfe has been particularly impressed with the play of James O'Shea who tallied 15 and 13 points, while the team was winning their first two contests, downing the Hunter College Freshmen and then the Commerce Center Five, 54-46.

Mentor Pleased

The fine play of Hal Lefkowitz, Stuart Mendelson, Lou Berson, Karl Fritch and Irwin Weissman has also pleased the Baby Beaver mentor. Berson, who stands 5:7 has been carrying the load of handling the outside play of the team. He's a good ball handler and features a fair set shot. Weissman particularly sparkled in the last game. He caged fifteen points, mostly on set shots in the contest with the Downtown Hoopsters.

Tomorrow night's contest with St. John's University's Junior Varsity, will be the toughest to date. Wolfe is confident, however, that his charges will make a good showing.

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Iron Men Down State Tech In Initial Match of Campaign

By Les Dertler

Fielding a powerful thirteen man team from their sixty members, the C.C.N.Y. Weightlifting Club overcame a valiant but undermanned team from the N. Y. Institute of Technology (State Tech.) in their first meet of the season, held last Friday night, in the Tech Gym. The Iron Men scored 42 out of a possible 43 points while holding the Techmen to 18.

The Beavers swept every division except the 123 and 198 lb. classes and only failed to take the latter because one of the lifters did not show up.

The lighter and middle weight classes had an edge over the heavyweights. In the 123 lb. class, a Techman, Flip Halbinger, totaled 370 in his three lifts, (press, snatch, and clean & jerk) to edge out City's entry, Don Simpson, but thanks to a terrific 160 lb. clean & jerk by James Kean (132 lbs.) the Beavers took that class and just missed the taking the next when Bob Noska (148 lbs.) totaled 5 pounds less than Tech's Jerry Maleska's 495.

Levy Lifts

But the greatest exhibition of

the evening was the lifting of City's Norman Levy. With a 175 lb. press, 190 lb. snatch, and a tremendous 240 lb. clean & jerk which brought the audience to its feet, Levy smashed all opposition and emerged with the highest total of the evening, 610 pounds, although he weighs only 150.

Not far behind was Vinnie Iacono and Joe Incoronato with identical totals of 590. Trailing was Steve Stone 550, Joe Puente, 515, and Ernie Oestrich, 500.

Next week the club will hold a meet with California, results to be telegraphed. Following will be Rensselaer Poly Tech, and Arizona University. The Eastern Collegiate Weightlifting Championships will be held sometime this winter with the Beavers to personally meet Cornell, Springfield, Dickinson, M. I. T. and Maryland.

Summary

	Press	Snatch	Jerk	Total
D. Simpson (123)	105	100	125	340
J. Kean (132)	120	120	160	400
B. Noska (148)	150	150	190	490
E. Finkel (146)	145	160	210	515
N. Levy (165)	175	190	245	610
E. Oestrich (165)	155	145	200	500
J. Puente (165)	160	150	195	515
L. Dertler (181)	160	125	170	455
S. Stone (181)	165	170	215	550
V. Iacono (181)	205	155	230	590
J. Incoronato (198)	175	190	225	590
B. Kirschner (197)	180	135	190	505
E. Deutch (197)	160	130	200	490

★ Servicemen's Corner ★

BY JOE MARCUS

Many former City College athletes are now part of a much larger team, than any of them have been on before, that of the United States Armed Forces. Several of them are keeping in touch with the school through Assistant Faculty Manager of Athletics, Howard "Chippy" Spohr, whom they remember as a guiding hand in their undergraduate days.



Marcus

Lt. Charles Fields, the outstanding track competitor for the past three seasons, is stationed in Alabama. In his three years on the varsity, Charlie tallied more points than any other competitor. He set a new City College High Jump record last year. Another former great, who is now serving in Korea with the Army, is Don Spitzer. In his undergraduate days Don majored in Business Administration. While competing, he won several minor championships, and participated in the Israel Olympic Games of 1950.

Bob Glasse, a member of the Cross Country squad for three years, is stationed in California. He majored in Social Science in his undergraduate days at the College. Three former City College Soccer players are now serving in the Armed Forces. Jack Ables, goaltender of the 1950 team, is serving on the West Coast with the Air Force. He majored in Physical Education in his undergraduate days at the College. Joe Clancy is

serving in the Marines, while Milt Kaplan, who played with Clancy in 1950, is stationed with the United States Navy somewhere in the Pacific Ocean. Both men also graduated with Physical Education degrees.

Herb Rosenthal and Al Johnson, Football and Lacrosse stars in 1949 and 1950, are now in the Armed Forces. Herb is serving in the Army while Al is in the Air Force. Al majored in Engineering and Herbie received a degree in Arts. Maryland is the mailing address of former wrestling captain Joe Cotruzzola. Joe was one of the best Lavender wrestlers in the past five years. Speedy Goldman, one of the key performers on the City College Lacrosse team last season is stationed at Fort Dix with the Army. Joe Fabro, a football star for three consecutive years, is wearing kahki in the mid-west. Joe was the star end on the City team from 1946-1950.

Lt. Tom Annas of the United States Marines keeps in constant touch with the school. Tom, who graduated with a Science degree in 1950, was a gridiron star for two years. At the present time he is commanding a company at Camp LeJeune.

Spohr makes it a point to answer all questions that former stars ask about the school, in his letters. He believes the training that the men received here to have been very beneficial.

Swimming Star Hansen Sticks To Busy Sked

By Steve Marburg

Iron rusts easily when in contact with water. But this doesn't apply to iron man Emil Hansen of the swimming team. He doesn't have time to rust away because of his busy schedule.

The twenty-two year old junior has nine o'clock classes every day, practices in the afternoon, and works eight hours at night as a mate on a tug boat. Add to this a wife and a sixteen month old baby daughter and you'll find that Mr. Hansen has quite a tough schedule. Emil, who is majoring in history, is nevertheless able to maintain a B-plus. Last Saturday, he sparked two relays as the Lavender natators beat Brooklyn Poly. The red headed Hansen was graduated from Seward Park, and then attended Evening Session where he competed for two years.

Jaspers Next

Hansen will be on hand this Saturday, when the Natators meet Manhattan College, in Riverdale, Manhattan who was just beaten by the Beavers last year.



Vic Fuldness All Well?

will be seeking revenge. They have five very able lettermen returning: George Gross and John Finger in the freestyle events; Ken Santucci, backstroke; Walt Hayden and Bill Cowley in the breaststroke events.

The Jaspers who only had a three and five record last year are expected to give the Beavers a very tough fight.

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Wrestlers to Face Kings Point Sat. After Initial Loss to Flying Dutchmen

Many people have become accustomed to the pseudo heroes and villains of modern day professional wrestling; however, a real thrill can be gathered by watching a college match, in which two competitors attempt to defeat each other by means of scientific tactics. For those spectators who like their wrestling without a script, the College team will play host to Kings Point this

Saturday at 2 PM in the main gym. Admission is free.

The Mariners are a young team lacking experience. Only two out of the eight starters competed last year. Coach Clem Strolka believes that the team will put



Joe Sapora
Grappling coach

up a good fight against the Lavender Matmen. He feels that the team is gaining experience with each practice session. Joe Zekauskas and Richard Bremiller are veterans of the last CGNY-Kings Point match, which the Mariners won 24-6. Zekauskas won a decision last year over Norman Ballot, who may be Coach Sapora's choice to oppose him in this year's 151 pound match. In the 123 pound department the Mariners will be represented by Joe Gold. The probable starter for the Mariners in the 130 pound class will be Bill Smell. Chuck Sawyer will compete for Kings Point in the lightweight division, while the welterweight duties will be handled by Bob Weinig. Pete Mobuis will be coach Strolka's choice in the 167 pound class. Richard Bremiller will definitely start in the light heavyweight bout. Coach Strolka is undecided,

at the present time as to who will represent him in the heavy-weight class. "At the present time I believe that my probable starter will be Tusgusotta."

In their initial meet of the season, the Beavers were defeated by a powerful Hofstra squad, 19-11. Coach Sapora stated after the match that he was satisfied, even though the team didn't win. Jack Gesund, of the Beavers, won his match over Jack West. Steve Levin pinned Dick Frickles of the Flying Dutchmen in the fast time of 2:54. The only other Lavender performer to win was Bernie Lloyd who decisioned Ken Boklan. Regco D'Angelo was defeated in the 130 pound class by Bill Bear. Co-captain Connie Norman, who was injured, lost a decision to Charlie Hynninen. Stan Kaplan, Milt Miller and Hal Goldman all lost their bouts for the Beaver Matmen.

—Marcus

Harrier Fete



'Doc' Bruce
Throws Shindig

Cross-country coach Harold Anson Bruce is giving a party for his hill and dale team this Saturday night at the Prince George Hotel in Manhattan.

The Five Mile Men completed one of their most successful seasons in recent years, this fall, with the Beavers beating NYU for the first time since 1921, and Lou Cascino smashing the old college mark several times.

Lady Beavers Win in Debut

By Joseph Strass

The City College Women's basketball team won its opening game of the season last Thursday against the Alumni, 27-11. This was the first varsity game ever played on the Manhattanville campus. A crowd of 75 saw the entire Lavender squad participate. Judy Levin was high scorer for the Beavers.

The Alumni showed a very poor offense, although they displayed a defense comparable to anything that will be thrown against the Beavers this year.

Lack Height

In reference to the team's chances in the coming season, coach Maggie Wolfers stated that the lady hoopsters lack the height that the other teams possess. She explained that although it is impossible to put two guards on each of the opponents' taller forwards, the team is capable of offsetting this disadvantage with speed and smooth ball handling.

The Lady Beavers won't play again at Manhattanville until March 3, when Rider College furnishes the opposition.

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