

# Attend Inauguration Ball This Saturday Night!

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## The Big Event:

# 1000 Expected to Pack Great Hall For Inaugural Strut Saturday Night

By PETE KACALANOS

"The Inaugural Ball will be the most successful social affair City College has ever had," according to Gerry Smetana, co-chairman of the group planning this Saturday night's affair. Smetana's optimism is backed up by the fact that tickets for 400 couples were sold a week before the event is to take place. "And," continued Smetana, "we are expecting the big 'rush' this week."



Pres. Buell Gallagher Honored Again

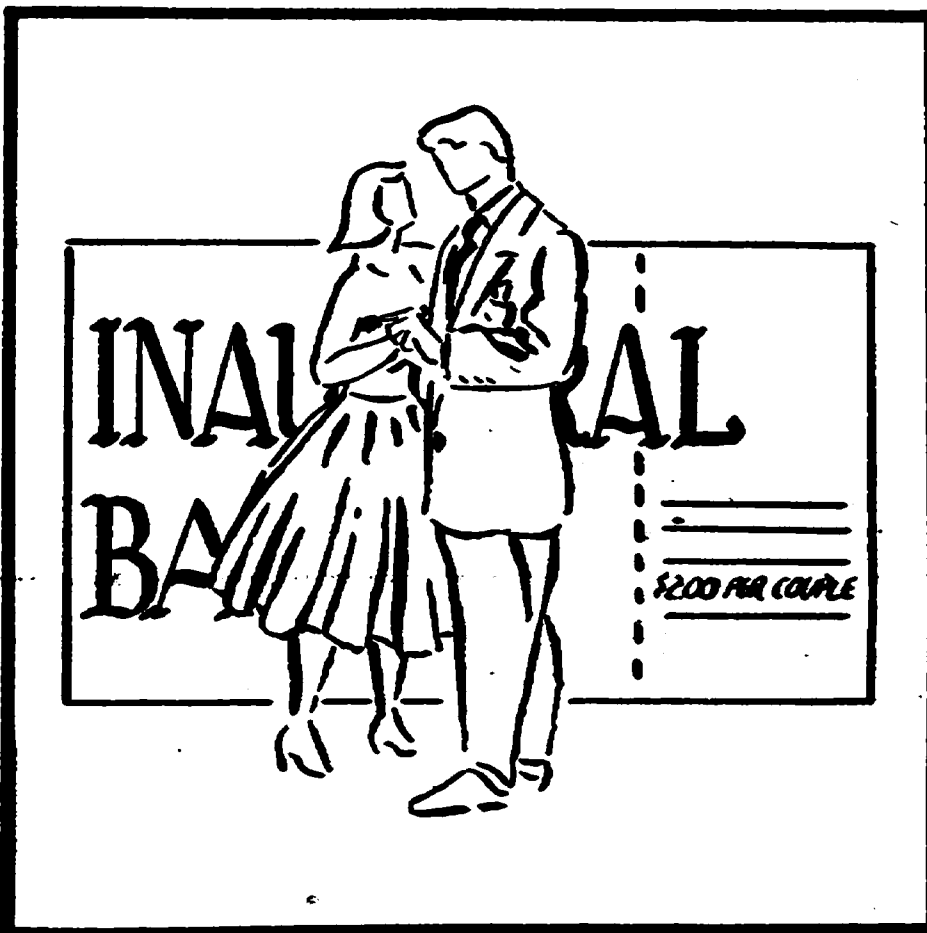
The Inaugural Ball, co-sponsored by Observation Post and Student Council and honoring President Buell G. Gallagher, will be held in the Great Hall this Saturday night, at 8 P.M. The seats will be removed to provide dancing area, and chairs and tables will be placed along the sides.

Entertainment is to be the keynote at the College's first Inaugural Ball. There will be dance music played by Leo Dryer and his Waldorf Astoria orchestra. Classical selections will be sung by Jessica Bittleston, and Harold Brienens will sing semi-classical pieces. Pianist Joan Scheater will play a few classical numbers.

### Gallagher address

The program will not be composed entirely of classical solos. Marcin Gutchoen will sing popular songs and will invite the audience to sing along with him. Arthur Murray's famous champagne dancers will also contribute to the entertainment.

See editorial "Healthy Sign" P. 5



Highlights of the evening include an address by President Gallagher to begin the program. His guard of honor will be comprised of the Pershing Rifles organization of the ROTC. The gathering will then watch an exhibition of precision drill maneuvers by the military team.

The whole program will be emceed by Dean James F. Peace (Student Life). Students planning to attend the Ball, the first in the College's history, are urged to purchase their tickets as soon as possible, since four-fifths of the tickets have already been sold. Two dollars will admit two to the Great Hall, and faculty members are also invited to buy tickets. Tickets may be bought in Room 120 Main. Dress is optional.

The Student-Faculty Fee Committee, at their meeting last Thursday, allotted \$1880 to each paper which is a reduction of \$120 each from last semester's \$2000. The newspapers are each required by the committee to publish fifteen issues.

According to Barney McCaffrey, Treasurer of Student Council and a member of the committee, the figures were "based on mathematical determinations carefully arrived at from copies of last semester's newspapers and from those of previous semesters." He further stated that the recommendations of the Student Council Fee Committee, which recommends appropriations to the student-faculty committee, were followed in this case.

## Belle of Ball...

Among the 1000 expected guests at Saturday's Inaugural Ball will be many charming young ladies, each of whom will be the center of attraction to her particular beau. But the center of attraction for everyone will be Mrs. Buell Gallagher, wife of the City College president.

Mrs. Gallagher expects to wear a long full-skirted grey gown trimmed with sequins.

## Austin Firmly Declares He's "Not a Communist"

Richard H. Austin, who was suspended last month from his job in the Registrar's office along with Hyman Gold, told OP in an exclusive interview yesterday that he is not a Communist. "I am not a Communist," he declared. "But if they call me to Washington, I will again refuse to answer to a government committee. No government committee has the right to pry into the affairs of an educational institution."

Austin and Gold were both suspended under Section 903 in the New York City Charter, which

makes mandatory the suspension of any city employee who refuses to answer any question put to him by a government committee. The application of Section 903 to educational personnel will be tested in the courts on March 30.

### Wants voice

Austin, who has been a member of the college faculty since his graduation in 1934, has asked to be given the right to speak at the College Forum this Friday. The Forum, being held in the Townsend Harris Auditorium at 3 o'clock, is sponsored by all the political clubs at the college. Section 903 will be discussed by President Buell G. Gallagher, and Professors Hubert Park Beck (Education) and Samuel Hendel (Government).

When told of Austin's request, Pres. Gallagher asked for time to think it over and said that he would give his answer today.

## Applications...

• Applications for membership to Pick and Shovel, upper class honorary service society, are now available in Room 120 Main. Applications must be submitted by March 20 and left at the Office of Student Life, Addressed to the Chancellor.

• Applications for membership to Lock and Key are also available in Room 120 Main.

## Fees for Student Publications Reduced from Last Semester

Observation Post, Campus, and other college publications and organizations have been appropriated less money than they received last term.

## Stalin's Successor Predicted by Page

Professor Stanley Page (History), who accurately picked Georgi M. Malenkov as Stalin's successor, declared that he foresaw no increased threat of war because of the dictator's death.

Professor Page, who has been teaching Russian history at the college for six years, described Stalin in an article in the November edition of "See" magazine as "a grey, wrinkled, sagging case of chronic heart disease, who may drop dead tomorrow." He also predicted in the same article that the "best bet" to be Stalin's heir is Malenkov.

He further believes that the dictator's death will be a "factor for weakness in Soviet affairs in the future." He attributes this to the "rivalry and conflict between upper and middle class bureaucracy" that will now break out in the Soviet Union. Another factor for internal weakness in the Soviet Union will be the unwillingness of the Russian people to work as hard as they have in the past, the professor declared.

For years the Russian people estimated themselves only because they feared Stalin and his promise of better things to come. Now that Stalin, who for "thirty years



Prof. Stanley Page Hopeful

was God and protector" is gone, there is, "no one who can keep the people in line," stated Professor Page.

Professor Page also predicted an era of "National Communism," with many of Russia's satellites breaking away from the Kremlin's orbit. He believes that with Stalin, who held the satellites in "ideological conformity" now gone, Russia's policy will now be questioned by the satellite nations. They will raise the question, "would Stalin have taken such action," and Stalinism, Titoism, Leninism, Trotskyism and other "splinter" ideologies will arise to undermine the Soviet's influence.

All these factors will tend to

make the Soviet Union less "aggressive" and certainly cause their government headaches. The professor also believes that the constant claims of the Moscow Press and Radio that there is no "internal disruption" is a good sign that there is.

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Sound and Fury, College literary magazine, was reduced from \$225 to \$175. The Journal of Social Studies was also cut, the cut being from \$870 to \$230.50. Vector received an increase from \$750 to \$822.50. Ancile Malden, the engineering magazine's Editor-in-Chief, stated that he did not consider the appropriation an increase because last semester they were working with a surplus of \$600 from previous semesters. —Doves

# TW to Present 'The Devil's Disciple' By Bernard Shaw on March 13-15

## Senior Prom April 25...

Tickets are now on sale in the Senior Office, Room 109 Army Hall, for the Senior Prom, which is to be held on Saturday night, April 25, in the Grill Room of the Hotel Taft at 50th Street and 7th Avenue.

The late George Bernard Shaw first achieved success in America, not Britain. The play which brought him fame was "The Devil's Disciple" which the Theatre Workshop is presenting this week-end (March 13-15) at the Pauline Edwards Theatre.

This comic-melodrama was recently presented in New York on a limited run at the City Center, but it proved so successful that it was moved to a Broadway theatre for a regular run. In this cast were Maurice Evans as Dick Dudgeon, Marsha Hunt as Judith Anderson, Victor Jory as Anthony Anderson, and Dennis King as General Burgoyne. In the Theatre Workshop production Hal Sheiner will appear as Dick Dudgeon, Tauby Heller will be Judith, Richard McKellar will be Anthony Anderson, and Ed Heffernan will portray General Burgoyne.

Professor H. Lyle Winters (Speech) is directing the play, and he is using Revolutionary period dress. Aristides Gazetas designed the sets.

Tickets for the Theatre Workshop production of "The Devil's Disciple" can be purchased in Room 120 Main. The price for the Friday (March 13) and Sunday (March 15) performance is \$.75 and for the Saturday (March 14) performance \$1.00.

## Debators Hear Dr. Gallagher At BC Friday

President Buell Gallagher is to deliver an address to eastern seaboard college debating societies Friday at Brooklyn College.

The City College debating society will represent the school on the question, "Resolved that Congress pass a compulsory Fair Employment Practices Act". CCNY will have two teams at the debate, one team taking the affirmative position and the other representing the negative.

Princeton, Fordham, and the US Military Academy will be among other eastern seaboard teams competing at the debate. It is believed that the team receiving top honors at Brooklyn College this week will emerge as the best team on the eastern seaboard.

Although the college's debating team has received the lowest financial appropriations of any other municipal college's debating society, it has always managed to be close to the top in its competition with other schools. The society, which has been at the school since its foundation, was recently ranked third on the eastern coast.

Anyone interested in joining the society can contact the society's president, Hartley J. Chazin, in Room 221 Main between 12:30 and 2 o'clock on Thursdays.

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# Deportation Facing Wife Of City Evening Student

By PHIL WOLCOFF

Quitting school to get a job is done every day of the week without unforeseen complications arising. This was not the case, however, for the wife of a thirty-one year old Evening Session student.

Jack Mekjian, a pre-dental student in his senior year, has been married for eight months. His wife, Araxy, 25, has been in this country on a student's visa from Lebanon since September 22, 1950, at which time she registered for Schauflier College in Cleveland.

Under the terms of her visa, Araxy was not allowed to leave college and go to work instead. She was permitted, however, to seek summer employment. It's a lucky thing she took advantage of this, for she and Jack first met at the hotel in Asbury Park where they were both employed during the summer of '51.

After graduating from Schauflier with a BS in social sciences in June, '52, Araxy married Jack on June 29. Though marriage is supposed to bring happiness in most cases, this was one of the cases where it directly brought a specific type of gloom.

Because Jack had been going to college since 1940—minus three years of service in the Army Air Force ('43-'46)—and only had to complete a few more terms in order to graduate, Araxy discontinued her studies to keep her husband from leaving school. In order to help Jack out, she went to work as a secretary in August, '52, instead of going for her master's degree. This was in violation of her visa and is what caused the trouble.

Mrs. Mekjian has been informed that she now technically faces deportation. She was called to Ellis Island for a hearing on February 18 and placed on parole pending further questioning on March 17.

Mrs. Mekjian says that the Im-

migration Service has treated her "most wonderfully" so far. "The whole thing is a result of my own ignorance," she says. "I felt that my married status made a difference, and since I was married to a veteran, I could eventually apply for citizenship papers. But the immigration authorities said I should have kept going to school until my student status could be changed to that of a resident's."

When asked what she thought the outcome of her case would be, Mrs. Mekjian replied, "The immigration authorities have to do their duty. I am hoping, however, that they'll let me stay here . . . I think they will." On this point, Jack says he has "all the confidence in the world that the Immigration Service will give a waiver on my wife's deportation."

## Winner . . .



President Buell G. Gallagher has announced that Jacob Schapiro, a City College alumnus of the class of 1911, donated \$1,500 to City College. The gift will be combined with the funds received from the Nathan M. Ohrbach Foundation to release Professor Hans Kohn of the History Dept. from teaching duties for a year, to complete a research project on nationalism.

Professor Kohn is compiling the information for several books.

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## Music Department Sponsoring Annual Search for Talent

A music contest, the fifth of an annual series, will be held by the City College Department of Music this Spring. The purpose of the contest is to discover outstanding talents in the student body and present them to the entire college community.

The two winners will appear with the CCNY Symphony Orchestra during the 1953-54 season and in one of the weekly afternoon concerts (Thursday series) in the Fall term.

Auditions will be held late Wednesday afternoon, May 20, before a panel comprised of three members of the Music Department and three student music majors. Contestants are required to perform, from memory, one work of the standard literature. All singers and instrumentalists other than pianists must provide their own accompanists.

Applications must be filed in the Music Department Office, Room 305, Townsend Harris, not later than May 6, 1953. Only students of the College (Uptown and Downtown centers) are eligible to participate.

For further information please contact the Music Office (by mail: Box 83, City College of New York, Convent Avenue and 138 St., New York 31, N. Y., or by phone: AD 6-2000, Extension 304).



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# Esquire Features Movie Story by Arthur Knight

By JAY G. SAMSKY

Esquire, the man's magazine, contains more than the pictures of scantily clad girls between its covers. If after seeing one of these torrid illustrations of feminine pulchritude you have the desire to turn succeeding pages, you will be surprised to find many articles covering a wide variety of timely topics.

The February issue for instance has an article written by Arthur Knight, a member of the staff of the College's Film Institute.

### Experienced Film man

Mr. Knight first wrote a small piece on "Gerald McBoing Boing," the cartoon that has cast a new light on cartoon making (it did away with the old chase type of plot) in the Saturday Review of Literature. He thought the article worthy of elaboration so he lengthened it and then managed to get Esquire magazine to print it.

The author of this article has been writing about films since his undergraduate days at the College when he wrote film reviews for the Campus. Following his graduation in 1940, Mr. Knight became the librarian for the Museum of Modern Art's film library. In the Fall of 1941 he returned to his alma mater, after working hours, to take the first film course ever given at the College. This course was an intro-

duction to the documentary film and it eventually led to the establishing of the Film Institute here at the College.

During the period between 1942 and 1946 Mr. Knight was in the Army. Upon his discharge, he went back to his position at the Museum of Modern Art where he remained until 1949. A year of free lancing followed, during which time Mr. Knight worked for RKO Pictures as head of their distribution department, and as chairman of the Dramatic Workshop film department. He also did film criticism for Harpers, Theatre Arts, the Times, the Herald-Tribune, Scholastic, and various British film magazines during this time. In September 1950, he joined the Film Institute staff.

### Film Ambition

Strangely enough, Mr. Knight does not wish to produce his own film. "My ambition is to criticize films, not to make them," he says.

When asked what he thought of the new three dimensional films, Mr. Knight replied, "I am in favor of them, but I do not think that they will replace the traditional 'flat' films."

# English, Math Profs Discuss Deficiencies of Student Body

By SHELDON SCHNEIDER

There is a popular belief that Mathematics instructors regard English majors taking Math unfavorably, and that English instructors likewise regard Math and Engineering majors taking English, as unrightened violators of their scholarly and sacrosanct precincts.

To determine whether there was any substance to the contention or not, Professor Malin of the College's Math Department and Professor Crane of the English Department were queried as to their respective attitudes on the subject.

Professor Malin believes that there is an unusual tendency among English majors to flunk Mathematics, and he is especially provoked by their inability to understand the wording of problems. He agreed that the quality, or lack of it, in their work might be attributed to the fact that English majors may confine their interest in figures to the female kind.

Professor Malin stated that as a student he had always made good grades in English.

Professor Crane of the English Department believes that Engineers make very good English Students, more than making up for any lack of imagination by their precise and logical thinking.

Professor Crane claims that the required English courses do have a definite value and is an exponent of putting an even greater emphasis upon them in the Engineering curriculum.

As a student, Professor Crane stated that he had thought of Math as being a "snap" course.

## Vector...

Vector has openings for writers, artists, photographers, typists and business staffers. See Aurie Hadden any Thursday at 12, Room 15A Main.

## Letters

### Inaugural Issue Praised

I want you to know that the work done by the members of the Observation Post staff in connection with the Inauguration has pleased me personally very much.

I was especially glad to see your February 20 issue which printed the manuscript of Mr. Murrow's address and mine, and part of Dr. McGrath's speech. We have been able to use about 60 or so copies of the paper in answering requests from interested parties who wanted one or more of these addresses. You are to be commended on the whole issue, the two pages of pictures being especially well done. I was also interested in noting your editorial in the February 27 issue commending Mr. Murrow's stand on an important issue of our day.

Your Inauguration issue has been a source of great encouragement to me.

Buell G. Gallagher  
President

I was very pleased to receive the copy of Observation Post which you sent me. It was very thoughtful and courteous of you.

I shall keep it as a souvenir of a very important event in the history of the City College and also of New York City. In addition, it will serve as a reminder of a very pleasant and colorful function.

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edward J. Waterson  
Secretary of Education

## Exams...

The US Department of State has recently announced the annual examination for appointment as class 6, Foreign Service officer. The examination for the \$4000 to \$5000 annual salary range will be held September 14 to 17, 1953.

## Club Notes...

### Iberosamerica

An important organizational meeting outlining the official program for the term is scheduled for tomorrow at 12:30, in Room 201 Main.

### Christian Association

The CA will meet this Thursday at 12 at St. James Presbyterian Church, 141st St. and St. Nicholas Ave. There will be a discussion on "Are There Any Love Standards?" Food and fun are also scheduled at the meeting. All are welcome.

### Stamp Club

New members are invited to attend the next meeting at 12 tomorrow in Room 225 Main.

### Linguistic Circle and Peretz Society

Prof. N. Susskind (German) will present a talk on the "History and Development of the Yiddish Language" at the Club's meeting tomorrow in Room 305 Main.

### Biological Society

All are welcome at a program of films tomorrow at 12:30 in Room 319 Main. The titles include: "Therapy Influencing the Automatic Nervous System" and "Experimental Malaria Transmission."

### Camera Club

"The How and Why of Photography" will be the subject of an informal discussion at the next meeting of the Club. Interested parties are invited to attend the meeting in 319 South Hall tomorrow at 12:30.

### Bookerville Society

A film, "Corrosion in Action" will be shown in Detmar Hall tomorrow at 12:30.

### History Society

Dr. H. Strauss (History) will speak on "Comments on German National Character in Recent Literature" in Room 129 Main at 12:30 tomorrow.

### Hillel

Featured guests in Thursday's program include Mr. Abraham Nisim and Chaim Ben-Ari. Mr. Nisim will act in Hebrew, but an English translation will be given beforehand. Prof. Hillel (Hebrew) will also lecture on the character of Israel.

### Education Society

The regular meeting of the Education Society will be held tomorrow, 12:30-1:00.

PM in Room 222, Main. Everyone is invited to join in the fun.

### Sociology Society

Dr. Edward B. Olds of the National Social Welfare Assembly will speak on the "Young Adult Study" on Thursday, March 12th, in Room 206, at 12:30.

### Il Circolo Dante

Alighieri invites all to attend their meeting tomorrow at 12:15 PM in Room 211. The activities will be cultural and social.

### Caduceus

Prof. H. H. Johnson, Sec. of Pre-Med Com. speaks on "Admissions to Medical and Dental Schools" in Room 315M at 12:30 tomorrow.

### SAME

A meeting of SAME will be held Wed., March 11, at 5:00 PM in Drill Hall 12. Reign of the Military Science Dept. will show color slides and lecture on Airfield Construction in Korea.

### Economics Society

Prof. Edwin Reubens will speak on "Problems of Industrialization for Underdeveloped Areas" Thursday in Room 210M at 12:30. Everyone welcome.

### Gov't-Law Society

Prof. Felix S. Cohen, 26, visiting Prof. of Legal Philosophy will speak on "The Meaning of Americanism" Thursday at 12:30 in Room 120M.

### Anthropology Society

There will be a panel discussion on the topic of "Social Research in Community Areas" at 12:30 tomorrow afternoon in Room 302M. All invited.

### Class of '55

The class of '55 will present a program at the Hotel Luccombe, 79th St. and Amsterdam Ave. on March 28 (8 PM-1PM) \$7 per couple for club members, \$1.00 for non-club members.

## Post Note...

Ed. Note: All club notes must be submitted no later than Friday noon in order to appear in the following week's issue.

# Postal Service Efficiency Brings Anything to City

When the postman rings twice at City College, there's no telling what he's going to deliver. So efficient is the postal service, that any missive bearing the word "City" somehow manages to find us way into our mailroom.

Letters intended for every municipal department from the city pound to the city tax collector are received here, besides the usual quota of mail addressed to Hunter, Queens, NYU, Fordham, and many of the other nearby colleges.

### Unusual mail

However, it is not only misdirected postal matter that plagues David Rosenblatt, photostat operator, who is in charge of the mailroom. Many instructors either forget to bring their own keys, or manage to leave with someone else's. Some absent-minded professors leave their keys in the mailboxes at least once a month.

Crowbars come through the mail. Rocks are sent to the Ge-

ology Department. The Biology Department receives cartons bearing all sorts of strange zoological specimens. Once when one of these packages was broken, Lincoln Corridor became the scene of a wild two day frog hunt.

Then there was the time an investigation of a tremendous ten foot package revealed that one of the professors had a full set of furniture delivered to the College, because he wasn't sure when he'd be home.

People write asking the addresses of good-looking girls they can date. Farmers in Kentucky want to trade Christmas holly for old clothes. A recent circular described a method by which a student could travel around the world for five dollars. Wacker

## Contests...

• Student Council is sponsoring a poster contest on the theme of "The Importance of Extra-Curricular Activities and Student Government for a Complete Education." Cash prizes will be awarded the first three winners. All entries must be submitted before March 20. For further information see bulletin board, Rm. 20M.

• The Music Department is conducting a composing contest with an eye toward recognizing local talent, as well as to select a suitable composition (processional march type) for use by the College orchestra. The contest is open to students, faculty, and alumni of CCNY. Prospective composers should see Prof. Fritz Jahoda, Rm. 306 TH before starting work.

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# OPinion

By STAN WECKER

..Question: (Asked in Knittle Lounge.) What do you think of the new fluorescent lights? Horace Manner, L.Sr. 5 "After two years of college I had to get glasses. If they had had these lights when I entered, I might not need them today."

Mrs. Emilie Wilderman, Lounge Hostess "Personally, while they do not add to the decorative scheme, I find them easier on the eyes. The lounge used to be cozier, but I feel the conditions for studying have been improved."

Gerald Smetana, L.Jr. 1 "They're a waste of money. I used to go to the lounge to relax; now I can't even close my eyes."

Diana Majarian, L.F. 1 "I think they're very modern, but I don't like their looks. However, they certainly give plenty of light."

Irwin Freidi, L.So. 3 "I think it's much too bright in here now. The lounge was nicer formerly."

Howard Plissner, L.So. 1 "They facilitate studying, and enable me to follow my chess moves better."

## College's Med Students Meet Thru Society

Born out of a need to provide a common meeting ground for students interested in medicine, chemistry and allied fields, Caduceus was founded in 1935 by Dr. Stanley Kaye, then a pre-med student. Under the guidance of Professors J. A. Dawson and H. H. Johnson of the Biology Department, it has since grown into one of the largest organizations in the College.

Among its members are to be found some of the outstanding names in the medical and dental professions. Each term, the society is extended an invitation to visit the Brooklyn Jewish Hospital to witness operations performed by leading surgeons.

Caduceus, long one of the most active groups at CCNY, has constantly strived to be of service to the College. Each semester a project is displayed by the society in Lincoln Corridor. This display has received praise from both the faculty and the students.

Another service of Caduceus is its assistance in the preparation and circulation of the Biological Review, which is published annually and sent to leading libraries, scientific academies, and universities throughout the world.

Athletically, Caduceus has bowling, basketball, and softball teams which compete actively with other science societies.

It has been estimated that 75 to 80 per cent of all Caduceus members who have sought admission to medical and dental schools have been accepted.

This term Caduceus has instituted a new membership system whereby candidates will be accepted for a six week probationary period.

# Jungle Gym

By Jerry Ludwig

You get to thinking sometimes. And then the nostalgic remembrances come flowing back. Two years of Hygiene required for a degree, two credits on your record, but that doesn't tell half the story.

Memories, memories . . . standing in the early morning chill out in Lewisohn Stadium, clad in the regulation gym uniform while the instructor, "Doc", as he is fondly called, stands shivering in his mac-kinau . . . learning how to leap to a standing position while balanced on your head . . . reluctantly pounding your partner for a passing grade in boxing (your helmet comes down over your eyes and the cotton mouth guard pops out every time he hits you).

One remembrance suddenly stands out from the others. There is a game called "mass basketball" which I played twice in my four terms. It was quite an experience both times.

Unlike canasta or mah jong, mass basketball is not a game that is likely to catch on in genteel circles. However, in less genteel quarters the game has long since taken hold.

It is played in the gutters and the alleys. They don't call it mass basketball there, as they don't have the benefit of a college background. They simply call the game "take it away from the other guy" (if they give it a name).

A gym class lines up and is divided in half. One half takes off their shirts and we now have two opposing teams; shirts and non-shirts. A couple of basketballs are given to each team, the instructors climb out of harm's way and blow the whistle.

The object of the game is to score as many baskets as possible before the whistle blows again. The instructors sit far off and count the baskets. The game is on.

There are no regulations about dribbling or walking with the ball in this game; there are no regulations about hacking or fouling. The rules are easy to remember because there are none. No blow is too low, no action is too extreme as long as you get the ball away from the other fellow and score a basket.

The fevered frenzy is a noble thing to see. It brings to mind the towering scenes of ancient Rome—gladiators ripping themselves to pieces on the sands for the pleasure of those on the side lines.

The whistle blows and the instructors decide which team won. Then the whistle blows again and the second half begins; this time you don't have to sink a basket, just hit the backboard.

Now the students are less "subdued". They rip and tear at one another in A-1 animal form, though it's all on a much more intelligent basis, of course. The poor dumb beasts of the jungle struggle like this only for food or a mate. Here in college we do it for sport.

You can't blame the students too much, though, because they're only doing what they're told to do. And I guess you can't blame the instructors too much either. It's an easy and enjoyable way for them to spend an hour.

Being a teacher isn't always an easy job. Sometimes it's hard to remember that you're dealing with people.

## 'Life of Dickens Was Tragedy And Triumph'—Prof. Johnson

Professor Edgar Johnson (Chairman, English Dept.), who recently gained wide acclaim in the field of English literature for his two volume biographical work on Charles Dickens, addressed an attentive group of students at the initial meeting of the English Society for the spring semester.

Prof. Johnson told of Dickens' diverse undertakings, which included being an amateur actor, a crusading newspaperman (he founded the London Daily News) and professional reader of his own works. These were the triumphant aspects of Dickens' life but tragedy was to be found in his unhappy family life, his battle against ill health, his manic-depressive nature, and the overall sadness brought on by his sensitiveness to the "evils" of his society.

After the outline of Dickens' life, Prof. Johnson discussed the plan with which he set out to write the biography, which has been chosen as a Book-of-the-Month Selection. He said that past biographers of Dickens made his life a success story, but he felt there was more to it than that.

Prof. Johnson attributed his success in probing so deeply in part to the fact that he had more material to work with than his predecessors, for since the publication of their biographies of Dickens, new material has become available.

The Professor went on to say that one of his major problems in



Edgar Johnson Speaks to Society

writing the book was finding some pattern or unity for the material, as he did not want to compile "a list of facts in chronological order."

After careful study of the material, Prof. Johnson said that he decided to portray Dickens' life as he thought it occurred, "a tragedy and triumph."

—Samsky

# Fees

Last week, the Student Faculty Fee Committee once again cut the Fee Plan allocation given to many student organizations. We on OP best know the specific problems of the student newspapers, so in our discussion we are concentrating on them for this reason.

The college newspapers are the only ones which provide regular service to the student body—not fifteen or thirty or sixty per cent, but every one. For this reason we feel we have a legitimate kick. We are asked to publicize organizational functions, report news of happenings around the College, and to provide the student with any information he requires.

Yet term after term we find our budget slashed, and still we are expected to turn out the same number of issues. Three semesters ago, each newspaper received \$2,400. Last semester each received \$2,000. This term we have been cut to a pitiful \$1,880.

There has been no significant drop in registration in the past few semesters, and we don't understand the reason for the cut. We wonder whether the student body feels that enough money has been allotted to the two groups that serve the entire City College family. We wonder what criterion the Fee Committee uses in making its appropriations.

We don't know the answers to these questions, but we believe that we deserve an answer. The student body is entitled to know. What we do know is that this fee cut means fewer issues for the students, less space for club news, and more ads cluttering up the pages.

Given the opportunity and the cash, we can put out two excellent weeklies at City College. With expanding facilities, the College needs sufficient press coverage more than ever. If the Fee Committee intends to operate in the best interests of the students—all the students—they will permit us to supply this service.

# Healthy Sign

As Saturday looms closer, a warm glow in our hearts has replaced a feeling of apprehension. When we suggested an Inauguration Ball to climax the celebrations centered about the injection of youthful blood into the President's office, the cynics on politic row had a field day describing our inevitable failure. The sale of tickets tells the story. Gerry Smetana, Jerry Shatz, and Dave Landsman, the trio whose show grease made our idea a fact, report enough sales to virtually fill the Great Hall. The response from our College Community proves that the idea was a natural. We hope the inevitable success of the affair portends similar events in the future where the entire school population will be able to dance in the Great Hall rather than sit in the Great Hall. How about an annual Charter Day Ball, or an affair to commemorate our annual basketball victory over Brooklyn College? City College citizens need little prodding to socialize, given the chance, and the price range to suit their pocket-books.



# Editor's Notebook

By Walter R. Porges

## NYU in Retrospect

**THE CROWD:** We arrived at the Heights Alumni Gym a little before eight and found the place practically full. Judging from the cheers that arose whenever the Beaver Frosh scored, there were more City rooters than home fans. This was borne out later, in the varsity game, when ALLAGAROOS drowned out any and all NYU cheers.

**THE FIGHT:** At 8:28 p.m., we were fortunate enough to witness a quick three-minute free-for-all between assorted fans of both teams. Most of the ballplayers looked amused at the whole affair, and all except one managed to stay out of it. The lone exception was Boris Nachamkin, the Violets' giant center, who suddenly found himself in the middle of a milling mob. Referee Anthony DePhillips quickly and gracefully gave Boris a shove in the direction of his basket, thus avoiding any possible unpleasantness.

**THE BRUTE:** It seems to us that someone should teach NYU captain Mark Solomon the difference between basketball and a street fight. The lovable little 6-4, 200-pound-plus strong boy really endeared himself to the hearts of City College fans with his excellent sportsmanship. Early in the second quarter, he bounced gently into Jerry Gold. In the last quarter, he started pushing Merv Shorr, who pushed back, but nothing came of it. Later in the quarter, Mark once more distinguished himself by knocking over Jerry Domershick, stepping on his stomach, and digging his fingers gently into his eyeballs. No foul was called, and Dave Polansky had a short discussion with the officials during the next time-out.

**THE SHOT:** At the 8:55 mark of the first quarter, Jerry Gold took a set shot. Three City fans fainted. He quickly saw the error of his ways, however, and thereafter restricted himself to foul.

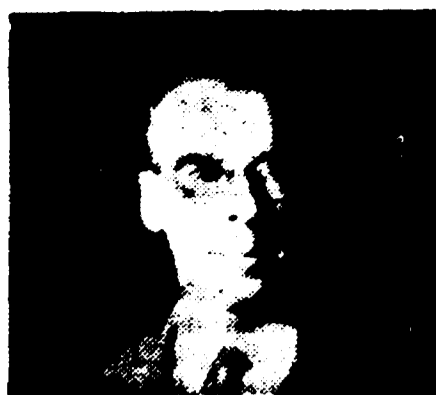
**THE PLAYERS and THE GAME:** Ronnie Kowalski in particular, and the entire Beaver team in general did a superb job on Nachamkin in the first half. The 6-6 center couldn't get decent position..... On the other hand, Nachamkin prevented Ronnie from getting inside for possible rebounds, which left the load up to Shorr and Artie Dlott, who played their usual fine games off the boards..... With seconds left in the first quarter, the Violets' Ed Doherty and City's Jerry Domershick exchanged full-court heaves at their respective baskets. Both missed.

**HONORS:** Jerry Domershick, given Honorable Mention on the All-Met team picked last week, should have made the second team. Besides leading the team in scoring, Jerry was way up is assists and developed into a real court general.

**BOTH MRS. GOLDS:** You can be proud of your boy Jerry. He was never quite on the starting five, yet he was one of the most valuable players on the squad. Seconds before he was taken out, he executed a typical play, stealing the ball at mid-court and passing perfectly to Jerry Domershick for a layup. He is undeniably worth his weight in gold.

**COACH:** Dave Polansky's first year was successful. A new spirit has developed on the team. Dave has been a friendly guide, rather than a stern taskmaster. He has remained in the background, as should a good coach. He's not interested in publicity or titles. He wants a team with hustle. Thanks, Dave ..... One comment on substitutions: Glad to see Al Portney get in the game. On the other hand, Jerry Domershick, who was nothing short of terrific, deserved the applause he would have received, had he been taken out after the issue was no longer in doubt. He had a great year.

**PREDICTIONS:** Next year, we'll beat NYU..... Jerry Domershick will break Sid Trabowitz's record for the most points scored in one game by a City player (34).



Prof. A. Richards  
Director

Included in the Intramural program is a variety of varsity teams along with a large field of intramural athletics, now taking place under the direction of Prof. Alton Richards, (Hygiene).

At present, five sports are under way and four more are slated to begin within a range of two months. The schedule has Basketball (Main-Tech. Gyms), Gymnastics (Tech. Gym), Handball (Hygiene Building), Table Tennis (Army Hall) and Wrestling (Tech Gym) already in progress with a large field of participants competing for top honors.

Soon the spring season will be here bringing two more sports to the program. They are softball and the Road Race which commence on March 26 and will be held at the Stadium-Oval and campus respectively. Although it seems a long way off the intramurals will be completed with Swimming (Pool) on May 21-24 and Track and Field (Stadium) on April 30. All athletes who are interested in entering any of the sports can obtain entry cards in Room 107 of the Hygiene Building. All entries close on the day prior to the start of any sport.

# Lona Flam to Give Table Tennis Show

In the spring a young woman's fancy turns to thoughts of table tennis, if you ask Lona Flam, CCNY's gift to the sport. Lona, a 19-year old freshman, is ranked No. 2 among

women players in the United States, second only to Leah Thall Neuberger, former-time national champion, and is currently preparing for the National Table Tennis Championships, to be held on March 27-29 in Kansas City, Kan.

In order to send Lona to the tourney as a representative of City College rather than a student-at-large, House Plan is attempting to collect the necessary funds to sponsor her. HP's Shepard '56 is taking up a collection for her that will get under way tomorrow. In addition, all money collected for the use of table-tennis tables in House Plan this week will go into the fund for Lona. Miss Flam will take an active part in the raising of the needed money by giving an exhibition of her skill and taking on challengers Thursday, from 12-2. Admission will be charged.

The runner-up in last year's tournament, Lona has met Mrs. Neuberger some 18-20 times, and has won twice, the second time being three weeks ago in the Province de Quebec Open Tournament held in Montreal. The score of that match was 21-16, 20-22, 21-17, 21-23, 21-13.

Lona, a sociology major, fell off her game last weekend and was eliminated in the semi-finals of the New England States Tourna-

ment, held in Stratford, Conn. She lost to Pauline Robertson, the country's third-ranking player, 16-21, 21-16, 17-21, 15-21. "Her defense was too good for me," commented Lona.

The New England States Tournament produced an old champion and a new threat in the national. Peggy McLean, 1950 winner, competed over the weekend and captured the NFS title, her first competition in two years.

Lona, who has been playing for 6 years, was seeded first among the Junior Girls in 1951, and was sent by her school, the University of Miami which she attended for two months, to the Nationals, held that year in St. Louis. In the first round, leading two games to none, she fell and wound up with a fractured medial meniscus, which everybody knows means a knee cartilage. "I never thought I could get hurt playing table tennis," said Lona. That mishap forced her out of action for eight months.

However, she has her sights set on winning the Nationals this year and her hopes depend on two factors. "If my teachers don't give me too much homework and I have enough time to practice, I think I'll win. However, Leah Neuberger is one of the greatest players the country has ever produced. She is ranked third in the world."

# Graduating Lloyd Undefeated in Mat Competition, Cites Genius of Coach

Bernie Lloyd, stellar performer with the City College wrestling team for the past two seasons, has completed his tenure with the Beavers. The heavyweight grappler, a Health Education major, will graduate both from the college and the ROTC in June, and he expects to be called for active duty with the Army.

He called his relationship with Coach Joe Sapora "one of the

greatest experiences that I ever had. It was a pleasure and an honor to work under that man." He noted the mannerisms of the mentor, "who will compliment you if you win well, and who will bowl you out if you win poorly. If you lose well, he will pat you on the back encouragingly. Every coach likes to win, but Sapora is not so interested in the victory as he is in his boys, injecting a spirit of comradeship in his wrestlers."

Lloyd's biggest thrill came during the Upsala match. Prior to the meeting, he had been trying to convince Norm Balot, the blind wrestler, that his opponents would take every possible advantage of him, especially on rushes. Bernie demonstrated his contention by scrimmaging with the 157-pound grappler. The following day, Balot pinned his opponent, who tried to up-end him with rushing tactics. "It was a great thing to see," said Bernie.

His record of eleven wins and



Joe Sapora  
Coached Lloyd

one draw in varsity competition looms outstanding, because Bernie didn't wrestle until he came to City College. His brother, who wrestled at CCNY in 1932, who Sapora was the assistant coach, introduced him to the sport.

Like many other natural athletes, he tried another sport, football. In 1949, he was afflicted with a virus infection, and he left the team on doctor's orders. The following year, he came right back, and this time, his football career terminated when he contracted virus pneumonia.

In the Spring of 1951, Lloyd entered the Junior Metropolitan Championships, and the New York State Championships, and he placed fourth and third, respectively. His first varsity match, and his initial victory, was against Newark College of Rutgers in the fall.



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# CCNY, MIT Lifters In First-Place Draw

By LES DERFLER

A significant advance in the progress of collegiate weightlifting occurred last Friday evening when the first Eastern Intercollegiate Weightlifting Championships and "Mr. Intercollegiate" physique contest were

held in the Tech Gym before a crowd estimated at close to 300 with City College and MIT tying for first place with identical scores of nineteen points. Five days tied for second place with 17 points each. They are NYU, Ohio State, Springfield, George Washington, and Fairleigh-Dickinson. The New York Institute of Technology (State Tech) followed with three points and Penn State trailed with a single point.

The contest actually began a week earlier, when, due to a misunderstanding a young lifter flew from Ohio on Feb. 27. He proved out to be Pete George, present middleweight Olympic champion, now a dental student at Ohio State. His near record of an 880 total, including a 255 press, 270 snatch, and 355 clean and jerk was not recognized by the officials because there were no AAU judges present at the time.

In the 123-lb. class, Don Dvorin (MIT) easily defeated his only opponent, Flip Halfinger (State Tech). Don Simpson (CCNY) arrived too late to compete. His participation would have given City the extra point needed to win. The 132-lb. title was taken by Ralph Fanger (MIT), but second and third places went to Paul Pavlides and Mary Goldstein, both of City College.

The trophy for the outstanding lifter of the meet was won by Robbie White, of George Washing-

ton. Robbie, who competed in the Nationals last year, just failed to make a 700 total, emerging with 690. The 147-pounder pressed 200, failed with 210, and declined to make a third attempt. His beautiful snatch of 220 brought the audience to its feet, as did his clean and jerk of 270.

The CCNY Barbell Club earnestly hopes that as a result of this meet, and as a result of a growing interest in weightlifting everywhere, it will be put on a par with other sports, and varsity status will be granted to its members.

## Hygiene . . .

The practice of permitting students to enroll in credit-bearing elective courses on a non-credit basis has been discontinued in the Dept. of Hygiene.

## Boxing . . .

The Beaver Boxing team, sporting an even-up 1-1-1 record this season, travels to Syracuse University this Friday for the Intercollegiate Boxing Tournament. Since City College has the only boxing team in the Metropolitan area, the pugilists will have the honor of representing the entire city. This year the Beavers beat Catholic University, 5-3, tied Howard U., 4-4, and lost to West Point, 6-2.

Arnold Slomowitz is currently leading the Beavers with a 2-1 record. The only match the fisticuff in the unlimited class lost was by one point. 165-pound Jimmy Hess has won one, while being held even in two bouts, and 125-pounder Dick Evans sports the same mark.

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The Lavender riflemen won Brochhagen, shot a 260, higher than the top Queens scorer, Al Byers, who fired a 265.

Last Saturday, on the USMMA range, the Beavers placed fourth in a field of eighteen teams, in a match consisting of teams from the New York area. The match was won by West Point.

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# Natators Place 3rd in Mets; Schloemer Sets Two Marks

By STEVE MARSURC

The CCNY swimming team, with Howard Schloemer setting two records, managed to take third place in the Metropolitan Championship which were held at NYU last Friday night.

Schloemer, who had set records in the 220 and 440-yd. freestyle events in the qualifying heats, broke his own records in the finals. He hit 2:18.8 and 5:03.5 in the 220 and 40 respectively. Of the ten events in the meet, Schloemer's twin victories were the only firsts garnered by the Beaver mermen.

NYU, taking seven firsts, scored 76 points to lead the seven team field. Kings Point was second with 52, followed by City with 47. Fordham, Brooklyn Poly, Manhattan, and Brooklyn College rounded out the standings in that order. The scoring might be changed due to a dispute in the 1-meter dive. Lou Ruffino, the Lavender springboard man, was refused fifth place because of the question of his eligibility. When the rhubarb is cleared



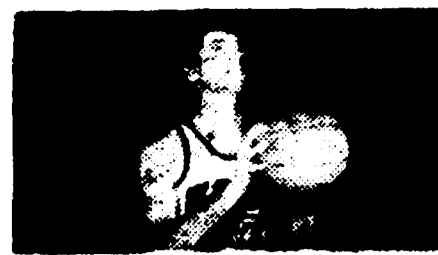
Normie Klein  
Last Splash

The score will be altered but the standings will remain the same.

Tony Sousa was another Beaver to shine. He placed second in the 200-yd. backstroke to Jerry Curran of Fordham. Curran who is one of best backstrokers in the East broke the existing record for that event.

The Beaver quartet of Hank Kyhl, Jim Popino, Ben Trasen, and Steve Kesten hit a 1:46.6, thereby winning the Freshman 200-yd. freestyle relay in record time. Kesten anchored with a 0:24.7 performance.

This was the last meet for Normie Klein and Moe Siberberg, both varsity members for three years.



Captain Jerry Demorschick, recently chosen for honorable mention on the All-Met team, led the team in various departments this season. Jerry scored a total of 283 points, 2 fewer than last year, leading the team with a 17.7 average. He also had the highest field goal and foul shooting averages, 35% and 77% respectively.

The honor of scoring the most free throws and the most shots from the floor also went to the 6-2 court leader. He scored 103 field goals and 77 foul shots.

Jerry closed out the season in typical style, scoring 27 points against NYU.

# Fencers Bow; WP Triumphs; Epeemen Star

The Lavender Lancers lost their seventh match of the campaign last Saturday afternoon, bowing to West Point at home, 17-18. The defeat brought the Beavers' record this season to one win against seven losses. The fellemsmen came closest to victory in any class in the open bouts, copping four out of nine. Larry Lazovick took two while losing one in this event. Ancile Malden and Murray Reich each copped their last bout, Malden substituting for Miller.

In the foil matches, the Beavers managed to win three bouts, while losing six. Aubrey Seeman won two out of his three contests.

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