Austin Asks Fair Hearing In Letter to Ordway Tread

Richard H. Austin, who along with Hyman Gold, was suspended from his position in the Registrar's Office on February 16, called on the Board of Higher Education to "stand on its own feet." The two men were suspended because they failed to answer questions of the Senate Internal Security Sub-Committee regarding possible subversion. Party posed to me invoking the Fifth Amendment.

Under Section 908 of the New York City Charter municipal officials must be dismissed if they refuse to answer questions posed by the duly authorized legislative committee regarding their "official conduct.

"The board doesn't have to change the decision of the Corporation Council," Mr. Austin said in an interview with OP. "The board isn't in line with fashion and it does not show a willingness to stand before the un-American tactics of the (Senate) Committee."

Mr. Austin has sent a letter to Dr. Ordway Tread, Chairman of the BHE stating: "Since I was not allowed to explain fully why I could not answer the one question which meets on the Third Monday of the month, I refer both cases to the Board, which meets on the third Monday of every month."

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Mr. Gold, writing before Student Council Uptown-Day, on February 11, stated that he had been dropped from the Race Language Department in the late 1920's because of Anti-Semitism. It was after he had been dropped that he turned to the Teacher's Union to help fight his case. Mr. Gold said that, he was first accused of being a Communist by Mr. William Canning of the College faculty, action he became affiliated with the Union. He was subsequently questioned by the Rapp-Coudert Committee which was investigating possible subversion in New York State, and denied any Communist Party affiliation.

Professor William E. Knickerbocker, who was chairman of the Department when Gold was fired, said that Mr. Gold's statement "is completely erroneous. "We don't consider a man's race, creed or religion when hiring instructors. It is a fact that he is Jewish had nothing to do with the case."

Legality of 903 Discussed By Buckvar, Young Liberals

Prof. Oscar Buckvar (Gov) discussed the parts played by the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution and Section 908 of the New York City Charter in last week's suspension of Richard Austin and Hyman Gold, employees of the City, in which case Section 908 of the New York City Charter in last week's suspension of Richard Austin and Hyman Gold, employees of the City, in which case Section 908 was held to be unconstitutional in the cases of Mr. Gold and Mr. Austin.

"The board needs to clarify the controversial law valid in New York City," he said "The board needs to explain in depth how to handle this to search deep to come up with a decision."

"It was true that a City employee who refuses to answer questions raised of him by the Board of Higher Education will be dismissed. This is believed by some people to contain a clause which declares that a defendant shall not be compelled to incriminate himself."

The controversy in the regents of Astor Hall is over the question of whether they can
**SC Rejects Proposals for Structure Revision**

Student Council has voted down two reorganization plans presented to it by this term's administrative officers, Dave Silver, SC president, and Hank Stern, vice president, who were elected by the student body.

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**Publicity…**

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**Small Number Of ’57 Fresh**

The up-to-date session of the College has enrolled 450 entering freshmen this semester. The comparatively small number of new students is due to the recently installed system of pre-registration in the public schools.

An 80% high school average was required of entering freshmen this term as an entering requirement. These students not meeting this requirement had to make a grade of 150 or higher on the college entrance exam in order to be admitted.

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When I opened the ocean floor, I found nothing but the deep, sunken beaches.

Harold Nichols, Jr.

Iowa State College
ROTC Graduates
Planning to Form An Alumni Group

An ROTC Alumni Association is in the offing for City College. Six former graduates recently got together in the home of Judge William Rose, 73, Col. Melvin Blum, 33, Col. Adolph Shirnberger, and Capt. Albert Rose, '41, to discuss organizing the group. They were interested in forming an alumni association in the college.

The Alumni members will function socially and academically. It is their desire to obtain funds for the purchase of trophies and medals to present in the future.

Among the men who participated in the first meeting were: 2nd Lt. Raymond Lien, 24; Bernard L. Rose, 73, Colonel Melvin Blum, 33, Col. Adolph Shirnberger, and Capt. Albert Rose, '41, well-known to ROTC students.

903 Debate ...

(Continued from Page 1)

The City College Book Store and the Used Book Exchange both reported sales very high for the first day of registration week this term. Many students did not wait until the term began to buy the books they needed. Mr. Jacob, manager of the book store, declared that "students have always bought books because they bought their books during registration week. He credits the sales to the convenience in which the decides shorter book lines during the first week of school. Not only did the books in front of the book store shorter this term, but the book-buying "rush" was even more pronounced.

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Mr. Jacob concluded by saying that he himself personally had not once the books were not sold out and that he could not keep up with the pace. He said that the books were sold before the word had even reached the college deficit.

Survey Shows City Students Favor the Horizontal Position

The kraft of City College's timber is that we are students of learning rather than of leisure. To see if the kraft had any idea of this, we conducted a survey on the number of students in the library. The tell-tale tabulation was begun in Webster Hall, where some of those students who managed to yield all of fourteen students and scholars. In the upstate New York College of General Studies, New York 21.

Look Ma, No Sitter Needed

The Extension Division of the City College is taking advantage of an unusual program this term that will enable parents to attend without hiring outitters. They may register for courses in handicrafts, paper crafts, vocabulary improvement, speech, philosophy, nutrition, home decoration, and foreign languages.

Parents can bring along one or two children without charge. A fee of five dollars will be charged for each additional child. The children must also be between the ages of five and twelve years.

These courses will be held on Thursday afternoons, and will begin on March 12.

Pupils Wise Up; Buy Books Early—Lines Shorter

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Inaugural Issue Praise

Thank you very much for sending me a copy of the inaugural edition of *Observation Post*. It gave an excellent overall summary of the proceedings, particularly valuable to those students who did not personally have the opportunity of being present at the inaugural ceremonies.

Dr. Orway Ted Freeman, BHE

Thank you for the copy of the *Observation Post* covering the inauguration of Dr. Buell G. Gal-laghe to the presidency of The College of the City of New York. It shall be brought to the attention of the Mayor.

John F. Tieran, Executive Secretary to the Mayor

Thank you very much for your letter of February 20th and the copy of *Observation Post* which you included. Your coverage of the inauguration of Doctor Gal-laghe was very fine indeed, and I am sure it will do you a great service to our readers.

With all good wishes,

President, Jewish Theological Seminary of America

Punk System?

In regards to your editorial of Feb. 9th entitled "Punk System," I would like to reply that the printing of this item was in very bad taste. The harm done was the besmirching of an entire organization because of a minor incident. This incident was merely the attempt by the "people" to make itself of bad elements. Why didn't you give credit to the Council for trying to better and make itself more efficient, rather than severely chastising it for its attainments? The rewards and benefits of the idea of Student Government are too numerous to name. Your editorial discourages the student body from becoming participants in this meritorious activity and hinders the path for new leadership and interest, which is so important in order to remedy present defects. Your encouragement for more people to join in Student Government would be the most vital and practical way of improving the situation you discuss.

—Gerald L. Cohen

Post notes...

- Microwave matters will be conducted every Thursday from 4-6. Seniors are requested to come during that time to pay the balance due on their yearbooks.
- All club notes must be submitted to Jerry Ladwig, Features Editor, no later than Friday noon in order to appear in the following issue.
- Letters to the Editor are requested not to exceed 150 words.
**Editorial Page of the Observation Post**

**An American Tragedy**

If, as are, present, investigations being conducted by the government for the purpose of peeling out those who advocate subversive ideologies, as the drama of the investigation Shakespearean, however, the nation’s/government becomes an American tragedy. The investigating committee has decided that the thought of the nation must now come under government review.

Democracy’s strength becomes most evident when, because of its very essence, it permits the expression of all ideologies, even those which would destroy that democracy. It is this property which gives it its merit. It is this property which reinforces the thesis that the concept of democratic government is Man’s greatest contribution to, and evidence of, civilization’s advancement.

The danger of subversive ideologies creeping into the schools is not their mere presence there but rather their presence under some other name. If a Communist, for example, wishes to superimpose his point of view. If, however, concrete proof of a teacher’s attempts to teach Communism in through the mind’s back door is unearthed, that teacher is guilty of moral and intellectual dishonesty and should be dismissed. In all these cases, however, the inquiry should not be conducted by a government committee, which is hardly qualified to judge the professional competence of a teacher. Investigations of this nature must be conducted and judged by a group of qualified educators who will judge by a group of qualified educators who will.

It is of the highest importance, especially when the democratic way of life is being challenged in parts of the world, to keep in mind that we destroy, rather than preserve democracy by indiscriminately limiting the realm of thought and inquiry.

903

The gross injustice of Section 903 of the New York City Charter was once again pointed up when many employees were dismissed under its provisions.

This section of the Charter makes it a crime for a municipal employee to utilize the Fifth Amendment in the Constitution in refusing to answer a question put to him by an official body. Although the Fifth Amendment is often used and abused by those seeking to prevent the revelation of the truth, many innocent people are, in effect, tried, convicted and punished under Section 903.

Has it not been the basic premise of our legal system that the accused is assumed to be innocent until proven guilty? Section 903 entirely reverses this premise and assumes that all refusals to answer are admissions of guilt. This assumption denies even the mathematical law of probability.

Such a section in the City Charter must be based upon a malicious, illegal and an abomination in the face of democracy.

**Punk System—III**

[Student Council, like any organization, is composed of many different types of people. There are people on Council who belong in the minority—but there are also many people who have ability and want to do things for the college.]

The function of an organization’s charter—

**Shades of NIF**

In our first issue this term, we ran an impartial news story informing students about the way in which the so-called “Non-Instructional Fund” were being used by the college administration. This money, 75% of which comes from the students’ pocket in the form of various fees, is being used to supplement, and in some cases to pay for all the salaries of administrative personnel at the college.

As quoted in yesterday’s Campus, Dean Leslie W. Engler (Administration) said that “we can’t always count on supplemental salaries, but the employees who benefit are non-instructional workers and therefore would legally come under this heading.” Dean Engler also argued that there was something shady about the way in which we were distributing the funds.

It is needless to point out to any student with a slight amount of basic intelligence that the difference between a student fee which helps pay non-instructional help and a student tuition which helps pay instructors is purely a semantic one.

As for OP’s implying that the way in which the money is used is “shady,” any such implication must have come from the Dean’s mind. We don’t consider anything “shady”; we agree that this money is needed and must come from somewhere.

But OP does condemn the administration’s lethargy and will continue to condemn the administration’s “what can we do?” attitude toward a deplorable situation. Let the administration show us that it is making one honest, truly energetic effort to get the needed funds from other than student sources.

And we intend to continue printing the truth about the NIF, as “shady” as that truth may seem.

**ALLAGAROO**

Now that the last two games of the season are rapidly approaching, we feel it’s time to remind one and all that there’s nothing more exciting than attending a team to victory than a vociferous and numerous cheering section. In the past few games, attendance at the games has been fairly good, but weak against St. Francis, a number of empty seats were to be found in the Main Gym.

Dave Polansky and the members of the team are doing their part. They are working hard in practice and in the games to bring victory to the Lavender. The students, for their part, should make it their business to attend as many games as they possibly can. There is nothing more inspiring to a team than to travel to an “away” game and be greeted by the cheers when it makes its first appearance.

Come on out and yell, all you Beavers! Let’s greet the inhabitants of Brooklyn and University Heights with a long, loud, ALLAGAROO!

**A Step Backward**

Education in New York received a setback this week when the State Commission on Educational Television voted 5-10 against allocating state funds for a 10-station network of educational television stations.

Education must move forward to stay where it is. If, as OP’s supposed, do not progress with the times, the potentialities of education are decreased.

The Commission rejected the State Board of Regents plan saying that there was “no justification for spending this time for spending money to build and operate the chain.” Educational TV could have given competent instructors a larger audience than otherwise possible. Educational TV could have aided bed-ridden students, sick pupils, those in institutions. TV could have pushed back the boundaries of ignorance in New York State. Yet, the commissioners could find no justification in spending money for it.

We ask the commission to reconsider its foolish decision. Aside from benefiting the people of NY, a good science lecture would be a refreshing change from the crusty lectures now on the airwaves.
Editor's
Notebook
By Walter R. Porges

"From childhood's hour I have not been
As others were—I have not been
As others are—could not bring
My passions from a common spring..."

—Edgar Allan Poe

The above lines could easily be applied to the average City College basketball fan. Let’s look at the record, and let’s look honestly. Three years ago, we bundled ourselves up with City College own sweatshirt, went to the Garden, hustled ourselves into an End Balcony love-seat, and we were ashamed to go to the same school.

The City College nine is bound to play all of its games away from home, and Babe Ruth Field, the park available for play will not be ready until mid-April. The team will journey to West Point on April 1, to face the Cadets, who are always formidable opponents.

Nobody worried us much. We were City College, the Goliaths of the hoop game. The question was whether, “Will we win?” but more likely, “Will Roman survive Warner, and, if so, how many left-handed hooks will be sink?” We were almost unbeatable. We lost a couple, sure, but we had excuses. Roman’s toe was infected, or a zone defense was “dirty basketball.” Nothing could convince us that we didn’t have the greatest players ever. After winning through the U. of Kentucky by 26 points, we would gladly have taken on the Minneapolis Lakers and the original Celtics combined.

Then the roof caved in, the walls collapsed, and the floor disappeared from under us. In one or two easy steps, we traveled from invincible quintet. It wouldn’t have surprised us very much, if, by the same token, the opposition had sat down in the middle of the arena and refused to play, on the grounds that they didn’t have a chance.

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Then, slowly but surely, came the Renaissance. It brought Dave Polansky, it brought good ball players instead of great ones. It brought the conviction in many of us that a victory in unusual, that defeat was now the inevitable, new almost the DE-...
Domershick Leads Quintet In Scoring; Kowalski Hot

By MARSHALL WEISENBERG

The main reasons for CCNY's 9-4 basketball record this season can be traced to the scoring of captain Jerry Domershick and the graduated Howie Buss, the rebounding of Mary Shorr, Buss, Ronnie Kowalski, and, Artie Dottill, the playmaking of Domershick and Jerry Gold, the hustle and all-around competitive spirit of Jack Chudnoff and Charlie Rowe, and some fine shooting by the team as a whole.

A glance at the season's statistics shows some interesting sidelights. 

The team has averaged 72.2 points per game, while holding the opponents to an average of 67.4. From the floor, the Laverde has shot an excellent 38.0%, while hitting on 63.0% of their foul shots.

In scoring, Jerry Domershick leads in total points with 227, but Howie Buss seems a cinch to win with the highest per game average. During his brief time are still open to the opponents to an average of 18-4. Domershick's average of 17.0

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**Stickers Drill For Campaign ‘Chief’ Hopeful**

By JERRY STEAR

Coach Lean “chief” Miller is neither optimistic nor pessimistic about the capabilities of the City College lacrosse team in the coming season. The weather has been ideal for training, and he is “working the boys hard to develop their play and improve their condition.” However, conflicts between programs and workouts have prevented some potential players from coming out for the team.

The stickmen open the campaign on March 28, against the Alumni at Lewishon Stadium, but they have not as yet filled the berths vacated by graduates Joe Mas, Fred Raeg and Paul Guglietta.

Miller predicted a victory against Lafayette College, but was doubtful as to whether the lacrosse team could salvage any other games. Despite this dismal outlook, he stated that his players “are all willing; they want to play, and should display a better brand of play than last season. We might even slip another win or two in there.”

Tommy Holm, Merv Shorr and Jack Chudnoff, members of the basketball team, are expected to join the squad. Chudnoff is looked upon to strengthen the sagging midfield, while Holm and Shorr should bolster the defense.

With about five weeks remaining until the season’s opener, the workouts have produced Lester Gottlieb, Arnie Levinson and Bob Greenberg as standouts.

**Glat Leading City Natator; Beavers Defeat BC, 58-26**

by STEVE MABBEG

When the City College swimming team lost the services of Howie Schloemer last fall, the freestyling duties fell squarely on the broad shoulders of Jay Glat. The added pressure has transformed him from just another freestyler who last season was lost in the shuffle of Schloemer, Charles Schlichthardt, Fred Vianciadini and company, to the team’s leading scorer. Glat has 50 points in the seven meets that the mammals have had.

Being the team’s top crawl man has meant that the 6-1, 210-pound Glat, who looks more like a fullback than a natator, had to swim the maximum three events per meet. The competition has brought his time down and in the Lafayette meet he hit his best time in the 100-yd. free-style, 66.7 seconds, a far cry from the Gat who couldn’t break a minute at Manhattan. Beavers Defeat.

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