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### nsold Books

According to Jerry Vanderberg, Manager of the Used Book Exchange, students who have not yet picked up their unsold books from the College's UBE can get them by writing to the Used Book Exchange, Box 197, in care of the College.

## **Curriculum Change Planned** In Science, Math Sequence By JACK LEVINE

Plans to change the Science and Mathematics requirements for Arts and Science

students were approved by the Faculty Council of the College of Liberal Arts and Science

on April 15th.

## Gallagher Raps SFCSA Procedure in OP Affair

President Buell G. Gallagher went on record yesterday s criticizing the procedure by which nine Observation Post ditors were suspended last semester by the Student Faculty Committee on Student Affairs (SFCSA).

[The nine members of **OP**'s ediorial board were ousted from clared that "Freedom of the heir positions for allegedly "holdng up to ridicule and humiliaion in the eves of their classseveral members of The Campus and Student Council. the subsequent appeal of the FCSA decision to the General faculty Committee on Student Activities (GFSCA) was rejected on the ground that no new evilence had been offered.]

Negative results of the incident were listed by Dr. Gallagher as follows:

• The seven students mentioned n the **OP** editorial feel they "publicly labelled with vere names which make no one proud

• The nine editors were prevented from completing the terms of office to which they had been elected.

• The College's processes for udicial review were shown "not be self-corrective" in this intance.

• Unfavorable publicity regardng City College "has reached newspaper and other forums.

But Dr. Gallagher found posiwe results from the suspension. "Words written in passion" may e "later greatly regretted," he declared, and "To learn this leson at minimum cost is useful."

Also, the President stated, "The liscovery of inadequacies of Colhing."

President Gallagher denounced trial by name-calling" and de- these "value decisions."

Press" must carry with it responsibility.

"I find it most peculiar," Dr. Gallagher went on, that one of the complaining students" participated in the discussions of (SF-CSA) while his complaints against the newspaper were being weighed." An "elementary recognition of justice as we know it" should have led such a student to disqualify himself, the President said.

Dr. Gallagher characterized the procedure of the SFCSA meeting at which the ouster of the editors was announced as a "comedy of errors." He denounced the member of SFCSA who "leaked the confidential decision of the Committee in advance of its intended date of publication."

The system whereby three SF-CSA members who voted to suspend the OP editors later appeared as GFCSA members able to judge their appeal also came in for criticism from the President. He suggested that the General Faculty Committee of Five and the Student Council may look into methods of averting such situations in the future.

Under the heading of "Constructive Outcome" President Gallagher expressed "genuine hope" that the question raised in a subsequent **OP** editorial which ege processes and procedures, if asked "What, after all, is 'poor opens the way to corrective taste . . . What is desirable, unction, will have been a good desirable, immoral, sinful, scandalous?" may "lead us to a serious and fruitful consideration" of

Their Reunion On Saturday The College's Alumni Association will hold its annual reunion

Alumni to Hold

and homecoming Saturday noon, on the College's new South Campus.

Featured speakers at the reunon will be Deputy Mayor Henry Epstein and President Buell G. Gallagher.

### Awards

Alumni Service Awards for 'outstanding post-graduate service to the College and the Alumni Association" will be presented to Jerome Alexander '96; Walter J. Halpern '25; David Kosh '28; James P. Murtagh '31 and Irwin Karpf '46.

According to Jacob Holman '04, president of the College's Golden Anniversary Class and chairman of the reunion committee, the affair will begin at noon and will include a picnic lunch on the South Campus lawn. Scheduled number of credits for the basic activities also include tours of the Science courses. campus and buildings, business meeting and a varsity meet between the College's track team and Hofstra College.

### Awards...

**Applications for Student Gov**ernment Awards will be available in Room 20 Main starting tomorrow. They must be submitted to the SC Honors & Awards Committee by next Friday. Awards are made on the basis of leadership and service in co-curricular activities.

Approval of these recommendations by the Faculty Councils of the other three schools of the College and the Board of Higher Education is expected by the end of the Spring, according to Dean Morton Gottschall (Liberal Arts) and will effect the next semester's entering freshman class.

The new curriculum reduces the number of required mathematics courses and increases the



Morion Goffschall Expects Plan's Approval

Under the new plan, the number of required Science courses for the liberal arts degrees will remain the same but the number of credits for each course will be increased from three to four.

The mathematics requirement for the arts degree will be a new Math. 61 course which will meet four hours a week and will be worth four credits instead of three.

#### Sequence Replacement

A three term sequence, Math 1, 2, 3, four hours, four credits in St. Nicholas Park yesterday each will replace the present sequence of Math 2-4 three hours, ing one which occurred two three credits each and will meet weeks ago to the day and almost

## **Baruch** Slated For Lectures On Problems

Bernard M. Baruch '89, will deliver a series of three lectures on major contemporary problems next month at the College's Downtown Center. The lectures will be given on May 3rd, 11th and 17th at 11 AM and will be rebroadcast over radio and television.

According to Dean Thomas L. Morton of the Baruch School of Business of Public Administration, "Mr. Baruch will summarize the experience of his forty years of public service in order that he may share his knowledge with the students of his alma mater."

The first lecture will deal with how the individual can meet and overcome the problems he faces in adjusting to various social and natural forces. The second lecture will discuss the law of supply and demand and the human equation involved. Mr. Baruch's final talk in this series will concern itself with the relation of the citizen to his government and their mutual responsibilities.

CBS radio will carry the lectures from 10:30 to 11 PM on the days of the lectures. WNBT will televise the series from 3:30 to 4 PM on May 9th, 16th, and 23rd.

## **Frosh Student** Robbed in St. Nicholas Park

A College student was robbed afternoon in an assault parallel-

## Hold May Ball on Saturday

"Great success" has been predicted for the College's first Annual Charter Day Ball, to be held on Saturday night, in Great Hall.

The prediction was made by Philip Stutzel, Chairman of the Student ateil Social Funct inst

Agency, who added that the Ball will be "the best social event of the year, proving that the Colege can hold its own with any <sup>ther</sup> school in the field of social act.vities."

Jim Moran, Steve Allen's tele-Vision entertainer, will preside as Grand Marshall of the Ball, and The receive the "Personality of the Year" award from the SC Socal Functions Agency.

Tickets are moving fast, acording to Stutzel, and may be bought, for \$3 per couple, in hoom 20 Main or Room 120 Main.

Those interested in volunteer-<sup>hg</sup> their services for the Ball hould contact Stutzel in Room <sup>20</sup> Main. People are needed to heck coats and to work at the 007.



The first Charter Day Ball, which will be held Saturday in the Great Hall, is expected to be as successful as last year's Inaugural Ball (above).

the requirements of those stu- to the hour.

dents majoring in Biology, Geol-| ogy, Pre-med and Psychology. These students will be required or five" youths yesterday at the to take only Math 1 and 2.

Chemistry and Physics majors will be required to take Math 7 and 8, the same courses required all engineering students.

Drafting 1, a required course will become an elective the gang fled into the park. arse.

Solomon Max, an upper freshman, said he encountered "four foot of the steps leading from the Terrace to the Park. They asked him for the time. When he looked at his wristwatch, they threw him to the ground and took the watch and a fountain pen. Seeing a woman descending the steps,

A similar robbery also occurred

The Faculty Council also rec- on a Tuesday, April 13. at 3:30 mmended that Physics 5, 6, 7, 8, PM. Several young men attacked and 112, which are required of Donald Baker, an employee of Tech students, be increased from the Architectural firm drawing 4 credits to 5 credits. up plans for Manhattanville. This

The new requirements were assault also took place at the foot recommended to the Faculty of the steps. Mr. Baker was beat-Council by its fifteen-man Curri- en and robbed of his wristwatch culum Committee following a and \$25. He was treated at Knickstudy of the relationship between erbocker Hospital.

credit values and scheduled at- Detectives of the 32nd police tendance hours by the committee. precinct said they were investi-It found that that in comparison gating the robberies, which bewith the other municipal colleges; cause of the similarities are beless credits were being given for lieved to be the work of the the same work in the basic sci- same group. The assailants in both cases were Negro youths. ence courses.

# Student Keeps Life Spiced With Variety of Occupations

It took him twenty years to finish high school. He started college at the age of 47 in September, 1952, and is currently the oldest varsity athlete in the College's history. His name? Walter Thomas, full time student, full time fireman and part time athlete.

Thomas is a living example of than fiction. He started high school at Rhodes Prep in 1921 and didn't finish until 1941, holding five jobs in the interim. His latest job, that with the fire department, made it impossible for him to attend college until a couple of years ago when he arranged a special schedule. To top it off, he plays tennis for the College in his "spare time."

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Thomas, who will be 49 years old this July, is no slouch in his studies either. Since entering college, he has maintained a 95 per cent average, with no grades below B. His record earned him second year honors last term on the Dean's list.

His busy schedule doesn't leave much time for tennis, so that he is able to practice only one day a week, on Friday, and compete in collegiate matches only Saturdays and holidays. In his first three matches this season, he has won one singles and two doubles matches, defeating 19-year old John Cataldi of Manhattan College for his singles victory.

trim 175 pounds, didn't start lin talked Thomas into coming playing tennis until he was 35. out for the team if and when he

won the veteran's singles title. Tennis coach Harry Karlin first noticed Thomas in a hygiene class practicing his strokes by hitting



Firehouse to Tennis Court

the ball against the wall. After a Thomas, who is 5'-10" and a few minutes of conversation, Kar-He improved so rapidly that in found the time. He finally found

the old adage, truth is stranger 1951 he entered the American the time this year and considers tournament for the first time and performing a means of relaxation. 'All work and no play makes Walter a dull boy," he smiled. Against his collegiate opponents, he concedes their advantage in greater endurance and stamina but tries to overcome it with his experience and steadiness of game.

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Starting late in life isn't confined to athletics. After working for the Bureau of Fire Investigation of the New York City Fire Department for fourteen years, he decided that the "challenge of my work was such that I wanted to get some understanding of it,' and he enrolled at the College.

Thomas is currently majoring in social studies, toward a Bachelor of Arts degree. When he first entered, however, he had no intention of getting a degree. He simply took courses in psychology sources and origins of fires required so much social observation and understanding of psychology that he was far advanced in college study before he knew it.

His degree work requires great self discipline, and he forgoes many pleasures in order to concentrate on his studies.

## Art 21.9, EE 102, etc.: **Course Nos. Deciphered**

The Spring 1954 issue of the Journal of Social Studies, with a new format, will be on sale from May 3 to May 14 in Lincoln

The publication will include among others an article by Alex Groth on Marxism, a paper by Ruth Fenner on the Hero's role in history, and Peter Sugar's piece on the relation between

Corridor and the Cafeteria, at twenty-five cents a throw.

Roman philosophy and Roman science.

There's method to the seeming madness of the course-numbering system at the College.

A little research yields a goodly harvest of reasons why one department labels its elementary

course 1, another 5, and another

When CCNY was young, according to Mr. Peter Prehn of the Registrar's Office, a basic course numbering system was set up. Part of it is still followed.

All Liberal Arts studies were to be numbered under 100, with higher appellations given to graduate and school (Tech. Education) courses.

Numbers under ten were reserved for required work, those above for elective, with the forties and fifties set aside for the and sociology that would help deficiency courses. The language him in his investigation work for department still follows this polthe Fire Department. Checking icy, with the result that students starting a language take 51-52, before 1 and 2.

own system within the general illustration for non-artistic fields framework. The Art Department, like Math, or Economics, or Bifor example, uses a system so ology.

complex as to include decimaled numbers.

From Art One, the general survey, course, there is a jump to 10. Ten to nineteen are the elective art history courses. The twenties are classes in various representational techniques, and it is here that decimals thicken the plot: Art 25-26, a year's course in painting, teaches both oil and water color techniques, so that .1 for oil, and .2 for water colors is used to differentiate.

The thirties are the design courses, again with decimals used as subdividers. The forties and fifties, according to Professor Albert D'Andrea, (Chmn, Art) are being left open for departmental expansion. The sixties are used for courses for novices in the Each department sets up its drawing field who want to learn

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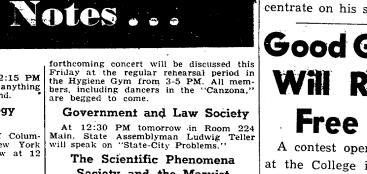
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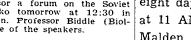
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### THE DESERVATION . POST

# Pity Poor M. Zywokarte! Dilling Exhibit ... His Last Name Is Last



With the last man, it doesn't matter anymore.

Michael Zywokarte is, alphabetically speaking, the last word students at the Uptown Day Session of City College. Zywokarte, a nineteen year old Electrical Engineering major

around this.

oes not recall ever being in a� lass, or even in a school, where e was not alphabetically last. He as last in high school (Stuyveant) and Zywokarte is the last ame in the Bronx telephone diectory.

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Zywokarte, an upper freshman, ees nothing very strange about Zywokarte," a Ukranian name, nd not at all a common one, ven in the Ukraine. "To me," he ays, "it's just a plain average ame."

Of course Zywokarte practicaly always sits in the last seat in is classes. "About half the time 'm falling asleep back there," he dmits, "but," he adds, "someimes that's fine."

But his face darkens as he peaks of registration. "As an ntering freshman I was the last erson in the whole school to egister. There were very few lasses still open," he says simply. Zywokarte is satisfied with his ame however, and would not art with it even in exchange for aaaaab. Few people will deny hat this is pure courage in the ace of adversity.

At the other extreme, lies Marn Abbe, LF5, another engineer-<sup>ng</sup> major (ME). He, if you laven't already guessed, is the ust name registered at the Upwn Day Session. He is surprised this because, as he says, There is usually an Aaron or wo in front of me." Anyhow, he has become used the first-seat-first-row routine. ccording to him it is "the most nnoying place in the world to e." Says he, "I get a kick out of alking in class and it's sort of <sup>ough</sup> right out in front there." <sup>But</sup> Abbe, like Zywokarte, is satstied with the family cognomen. Its a short name, he says, "and asy to remember. It also comes <sup>4</sup> handy at registration."

Question: What do you think of the Academic Freedom Week program held at the College?

Martin Gruberg LJr 1: It is something that has definitely made an imprint on the student minds which should be made an annual event.

### Manny Halper USr 1:

I was very pleasantly surprised. I don't usually favor the setting aside of weeks but I think this Academic Freedom Week accomplished its aims by getting people to think.

Ira Klosk LSr 1:

I thing it was a step in the right direction which I feel should be carried still further. I think it was a means of getting the important problem before the student body and as such accomplished its aims.

Daniel Parker LJr 5:

I feel that Academic Freedom Week was mostly overrated by all concerned. Although academic freedom is very important, the type of program presented at the college did nothing to aid the achievement of this. \* \* \*

Marvin Zaro U Jr. 1:

I don't think it was successful their names, neither would trade as I still don't know what acawith the other. Possibly some sort demic freedom is and I don't like people wearing buttons the mean.

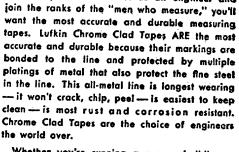
The Hamilton Grange Branch of the New York Public Library, 503 West 145th Street, will display works from the CCNY Art Department through this Friday. The display concerns the various problems in a Composition course (Art 23).

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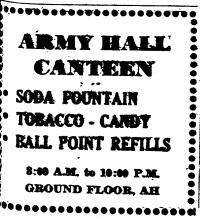
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## Jasper Tilt Postponed; **CCNY in Fourth Slot**

St. John's baseball team, mainly because of the strong right arm of ace hurler Dick Eichhorn, is in the catbird seat today, while the champion Beavers lick their wounds down in fourth place in the

pitching the way they have so far

this year the Beavers are liable

to make things real rough for

their Met League rivals the sec-

ond time around.

Metropolitan Collegiate Baseball Conference. Yesterday's sched- Konig and Joe Galletta can keep uled City-Manhattan clash, was postponed.

The Redmen, who won their fourth conference game on Monday, are a well balanced team that features fairly good hitting, Eichhorn, and a few good hurlers to back him up. The Redmen lead NYU and Hofstra in the win column, 4-3-2, with all three teams having come out on the short end once. City has split four games, while Brooklyn and Manhattan stand 2-3 and 1-3 respectively. Wagner brings up the rear with but one win in five tries.

Beavers One Down

With each team only playing

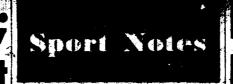


#### Ozzie Baretz Centerfielder

twelve conference games a season, the loss column looms very

City has been suffering from a

However, the defending cham-



Jerry Domershick, leading Lavender basketball scorer for the past three seasons, has been drafted by the Milwaukee Hawks of the National Basketball Association. Coincidentally, "R e d" Holzman, another former Beaver hoopster, is coach of the Hawks.

Ronnie Kowalski, varsity basketball veteran, shot an imposing 78 against Hofstra last Saturday on the golf range.

## Lacrosse Team Is Ready For Tough Manhasseters

In an attempt to end a two game losing streak the Lacrosse squad will journey to Long Island to take on a strong Manhasset team on Saturday. This will be the first meeting between the two

teams since 1951, when the Lavender-and-Black came out on the over the Beaver's chances. He long end of an 8-6 score. The Long Islanders are made up of several former All-Star players from various Long Island colleges. Miller Hopeful

feels that the Beavers' performance against Hofstra College was their best of the year. The Beavers displayed some excellent passing and team work before losing in the final half.

Coach Leon Miller is optomistic

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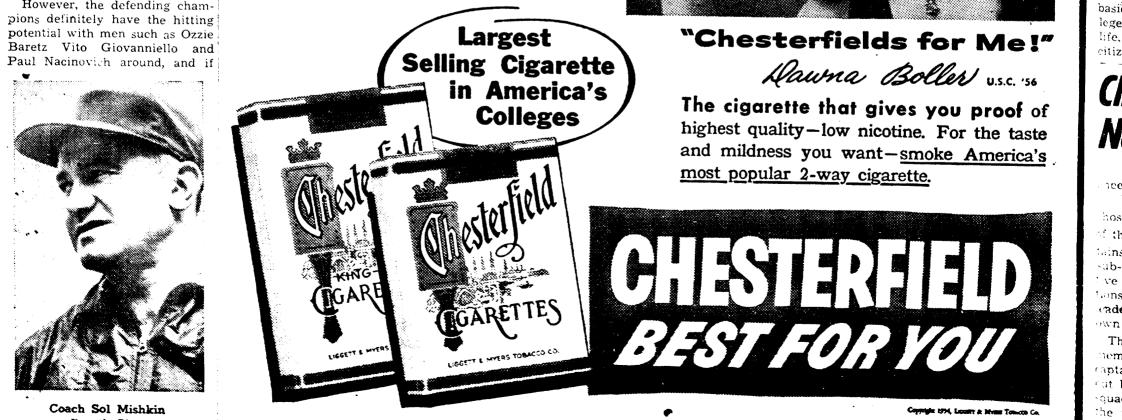
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