

WUS Workers



The smiling sextet seen above will ask couples to pose for photos at the All-College Prom to be held Thanksgiving night at the Waldorf-Astoria. The girls, all members of the Sis Jaffe '57 house of House Plan, will donate their commissions to the World University Service (CUS) fund drive.

The WUS fund raising drive will start December 2 and will continue until December 23.

Pro-McCarthy Petition Given By Students for Americanism

Petitions opposing the censure of Senator Joseph R. McCarthy (R.-Wis.), were offered to the students yesterday at a booth in front of the Cafeteria. The table used was the same one employed by Student for Democratic Action last week, when it circulated petitions favoring the censure.

The petitions, which will also be presented Monday, are sponsored by Students for Americanism, and "are not connected, in any way, with those offered by 'Ten Million for McCarthy' (a national organization opposing censure of Sen. McCarthy)" asserted Dan Hodes, SFA President. "Our petitions will be sent to Vice President Richard M. Nixon," he added.

The petition states that the undersigned "urge you (Vice Pres. Nixon) to call upon the members of the US Senate to reject the report of the Watkins Committee."

'Censure Motion Illegal'

Hodes claimed that the "censure motion itself is illegal. He is being attacked for things that other Senators have done in the past. The Senate, furthermore, does not have set rules pertaining to grounds for censure." He added, "We feel that there should be an expression of both sides of the issue. There are many students at the College who would like a chance to express their disapproval of the proposed censure."

The status of Students for Americanism was brought up for discussion at the first open meeting of the Student Faculty Committee on Student Affairs (SFC-SA) Monday night. Chairman Dean James S. Peace (Student Life) said that precedent dictates that the Student Council Judiciary Committee take on the job of investigating charges that SFA, whose charter disclaims any affiliations, is connected with a national organization. The committee will be headed by Allen Bard, its Chief Justice.

College Group US Delegates At Model UN

The United States, represented by five City College students, clashed with the Soviet Union last week. The Soviet Union was represented by a Russian-speaking delegation from Fordham University.

Five students from the College attended the Collegiate Council for the United Nations (CCUN) sponsored model session at Pace College last week. Council, a national organization, holds model sessions to promote understanding of the international body's aims and purposes.

The Security Council, which consisted of delegations from the Eastern seaboard colleges, began with an address by Dr. Francisco Urrutia, Columbia's representative to the Security Council, on the methods of solving regional disputes. Greek demands that a plebescite be held in Cyprus, a British colony, to determine whether it should join Greece, a conflict currently before the real group, was then discussed by the group.

Commended

The City College delegation was commended by the CCUN after one of its members, Robert Moss, made a major speech urging England and Greece to come to a peaceful and just reconciliation through private talks.

Clubs Must Submit Names Of All Members - SFCSA

Full membership lists will be required next semester of all organizations on campus. Formerly only the names of a club's four highest officers had to be submitted to the Department of Student Life.

The action requesting full lists was taken on Monday night by the Student Faculty Committee on Student Affairs. Professor Marvin Magalaner (English), introduced the motion, which further said that if "an individual desires to dissociate from an organization, he should communicate with the president of the organization and with the Department of Student Life.

The vote accepting the motion requiring the full lists was 8-1, with one abstention.

Dean James S. Peace (Student Life), the Committee's non-voting chairman, presented a background for the action. He explained that there have been many requests from organizations hiring graduates of the College for records of their extra-curricular activities. Full information could not be given, he said, because membership lists have not been required in the past.

Protests

The presidents of two political clubs protested the membership ruling yesterday. Gil Robinson, of Students for Democratic Action, said that "while this ruling might be justified when it applies to fraternities and social clubs, I consider it an infringement on the privacy of student political opinions. The members of SDA do not object to having their names on record, but some clubs might be driven underground because of this." He suggested that political clubs be therefore exempted from the ruling.

The head of Young Progressives of America, Sima Friedman, attacked the decision as "undemocratic." "I am sure that all the political clubs will organize against this violation of academic freedom to fight it and arouse student opinion against it," she said.

SFCSA also voted to suggest to the Student Faculty Fee Committee that it appropriate money for four bulletin boards on which leaflets might be posted. This would reinforce Student Council's decision last year to prohibit the handing out of leaflets on campus.

Hillel Showing Student Work

Hillel is currently conducting an exhibition of the Art Department's choice of the best art works turned out by its anatomy classes during the past three years.

The showing, which will run until the third week in December, consists of thirteen pictures, including pencil and charcoal drawings. Typical ones are that of a mother and child showing, according to Allan Davidoff, a Hillel member directing the exhibition, great mutual love and affection; a character study of a pair of hands, and a charcoal drawing of a man's head.

Pres. Warns: Cultural Schism Endangers West

President Buell G. Gallagher warned on Monday that "scientific know-how and ethical know-how" must unite to insure the survival of western civilization.

Speaking in Atlantic City before the twenty-third general assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, Dr. Gallagher emphasized that time and a practical job of statesmanship was needed to reunite science and ethics. "It would be tragic, indeed," he said, "if the leaders of the nations were to succeed in delaying the onset of world conflict, only to discover that our civilization is sick beyond remedy.

"The uniting of knowledge into one integrated pattern of meaning for the practical purpose of directing human affairs, becomes the supreme educational task of the day. Failure or indifference may well cost us the survival of our culture, if indeed it does not bring the end of human life on this planet."

There were no guarantees, he added, that the rulers behind the Iron Curtain would respond to constructive leadership in the free world. "Nevertheless," he concluded, "we have no choice except to take the calculated risk that good ultimately triumphs over evil, that the disintegration of society is based on hatred, suspicion and force is one of the clear facts of history. We have a clear right to expect that phase of history to repeat itself."

Sports at the College

Four Years Later

By Sheldon Podolsky

This is the first of a series of articles by Mr. Podolsky concerning the state of sports at the College today.

The last four years produced the greatest over-emphasis on demoralization of the entire inter-collegiate sports program at the College.

Fifteen inter-collegiate teams have been scrapped in the four years since the basketball scandal because of a lack of funds, arising from the discontinuation of basketball at Madison Square Garden. Football, and all freshman teams with the exception of basketball were discarded in the shakeup.

Now it is no longer money which endangers our inter-collegiate setup. It is the lack of competent coaches. Next term the Hygiene Department will be forced to dismiss two more coaches and cut the pay of another because of a cut in Hygiene instructional fees. The cut in pay the third coach may force him to resign at the end of the school year. If he goes, there is no one to replace him, and the sport may have to be dropped.

Looking into the future, another coach may resign at the end of the school year with no one around to handle the job adequately. How did we get into this situation? Ask the administration! They call it de-emphasis.

"De-emphasis" started with additional hours for the Hygiene instructional staff and has now developed to the point where no

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Postnotes...

- House Plan Council will hold an important meeting today at 4 PM in House Plan.
- The Society of American Engineers will hold a business meeting at 5 PM today in the Drill Hall Classroom. Films will be shown. All invited to attend.
- Students interested in becoming either a referee or a student manager in the Intramural Program should contact Professor Alton Richards (Hygiene) in the Intramural Office, Room 107 Hygiene.

Detour: Muddy Road Ahead For Students in Biology 16

By STANLEY ZAROWIN

Contrary to the marking procedures of most college classes, the grading for Biology 16 depends upon whether the student has the ability, or can develop the ability, to meet the Professor in a mud hole. The motto of the class is: "Don't keep your feet dry; jump into the nearest puddle and then you don't have to worry about getting them wet."

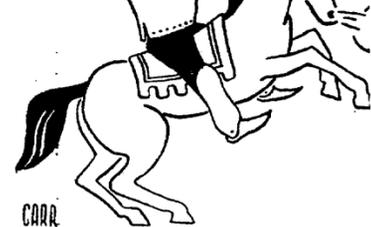
Biology 16 may well be called a "bug" course, both for its unusual field trips and the fact that it's an introduction to the behavior and identification of "bugs," or more precisely: animal ecology and behavior.

The course involves numerous field trips to Pelham Bay Park, Van Cortlandt Park and Fahnstock Park, in order to collect and observe little field animals, but what is more commonly caught are colds. In order to collect these insects, the students must sometimes wade into streams or forge through marshes. Equipped with boots

go looking for specimens, they leave their packs in one place and take only the equipment they need. This term when they were "picnicking" in Pelham Bay Park, (the thermometer read 30) they left their packs on the beach near the water. Not considering the change in tide, they were surprised to discover upon their return that the water had begun to wash away their equipment. Bravely battling the cold waves, the students waded out to their floating equipment just in time and reclaimed their butterfly nets and specimen bottles from the frigid sea.

Mating Season
One chilly evening, at about six o'clock, the weary scientific bug catchers were returning from their big game hunt, when Prof. Klots commented that this was the Van Cortlandt Park mating season. With that he turned and pointed to a car which had parked under the protective shade of evening. In the car were a couple, passionately bearing out the Professor's statement.

Whether or not Prof. Klots will lose any students in the mud is a question which can only be answered by time, but one thing is sure: the students will continue meeting him in the mud hole and although they refuse to admit it openly, they also think it's fun.



Prof. Klots As Seen By Biology 16 Students?

and pack, they begin their safari into the wilds of the Bronx whenever the weather is favorable.

Professor Alexander B. Klots (Biology), the College's sole active survivor of Biology 16, when asked how any respectable man could rationalize wading in mud puddles, answered: "It's fun!" Prof. Klots has taught Biology 16 at the College for the years and proudly comments: "Well, we haven't lost anyone in the mud yet!"

Gismet

Although some students consider the field trips an outdoor picnic, others have been done-in by the finicky fingers of fate. This year, one student (female) was being helped by a young Sir Walter Raleigh across a stream, when the chivalrous young man pulled her at the wrong moment, causing her to go sprawling daintily, head over heels, into the muddy water. Another student, displaying a huge, glowing bee bite complained: "And the Prof said it wouldn't bite!"

Occasionally, when the students

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The USSR Today

College Under Communism

By Andy Meisels

This is the eighth in a series of articles by Andrew Meisels, Editor-in-Chief of The Observation Post, who recently returned from a tour of the Soviet Union and several other Communist states.

Like City College, Moscow University is divided into various parts. Its many branches sprawl up and down the huge metropolis of Moscow and the main center, finished only last year, lies a few kilometers outside of the city. But the similarity ends there, for Moscow U.'s main campus consists of a magnificent set of well-furnished, well-cared for buildings arranged in regular order. The style of the buildings, like the style of most public edifices in the USSR, is Eastern, and, a place of higher learning, Moscow University is built in the oriental equivalent of our Gothic style.

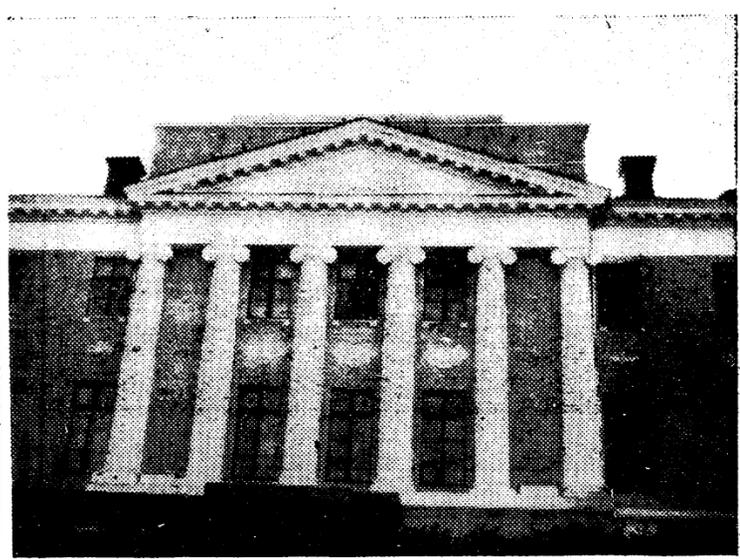
With the aid of a student-guide and an interpreter, I went on an extensive tour of the University from the gymnasium, which was in the basement and in which co-ed calisthenics were being held, to the roof, which afforded a panoramic view of the whole beautiful campus. And beautiful it is, comparing favorably to the campuses of our most famous ivy-league colleges. Complete with a lavish Student Union building, advanced technical equipment, classrooms which are conducive to learning, plush lounges and academic facilities of all types, it made City College look like a second rate frontier schoolhouse, by comparison.

The Russians spend quite a lot of money on education and allocate a larger amount of their national budget for this purpose than does the United States. To the casual visitor, this is one of the most praiseworthy aspects of the Soviet economy.

Nor is the Soviet interest in higher education manifested only in pretty buildings and advanced facilities. Being a college student in the USSR is quite a racket. Students are exempt from the draft. Most students also receive regular scholarships from the state just for going to college. The average scholarship payment received by a student at Moscow U. is, I was told, 4,000 rubles per year. Out of this sum the student pays an annual tuition of 400 rubles and fifteen rubles per month for dormitory space and board. Even these expenditures leave the average student a sum of 3,450 rubles for "pocket money," a sum which comes to about \$850 at the standard exchange rate, although it is worth considerably less in buying power.

Assuming that being a student in the Soviet Union is nice work, who can get it? In the absence of official information, I relied on my guide and on other students I met for much of the information I am using in this column. My guide, who was quite surprised when I told him that there was such a thing as a free college in the US, told me that anyone who passes an entrance examination may go to college in the Soviet Union. Furthermore, he said, those who maintain a certain level of grades qualify for various scholarships. He himself, he told me, is the son of elderly parents who are both retired and on state pensions. For this reason, he gets a high scholarship and need pay no tuition at all.

The reason for this "coddling" of students by the Soviet government is not hard to understand. Even assuming the best of intentions and the highest idealism on the part of the Russian leaders, it is not illogical to guess that the great need of technical personnel has something to do with the great emphasis on higher educa-



One of Moscow University's smaller branches, located in the heart of the city.

tion. And it certainly is not unreasonable to assume that the Communist leaders remember the aid and impetus their own revolution received from the young intelligentsia and are acting accordingly. To this end, the moral stamina of modern Soviet youth is carefully guarded. Marxism and Leninism are required courses of study at all levels of learning. It is true that the college student may study other, even conflicting philosophies, but by the time a student has undergone seventeen years of steady indoctrination, literally from the cradle, it is safe to consider him "reliable."

But these suggested reasons for the high level of Soviet education, although they are less than purely idealistic, do not detract from the fact that the level exists. And, regardless of the government's purpose, the Soviet achievements in the field of higher education must make any American college student blush at the inadequacies of his own government in this respect.

What I have described above are it might be said, the externals of Russian education today. But how does it feel to be a student in a Soviet college or university? What is at the heart of education in a Communist state? How do the students feel about it?

The Russian students I talked to were all highly satisfied with their college lives. They liked what they were being taught, how they were being taught it and the level of free expression in their classrooms.

But I met another student at Moscow U., a Westerner who spoke English, and I was particularly interested in getting his point of view. He was an exchange

student from Denmark, a twenty-three year old veteran of the Danish navy who looked, despite his years, like a boy of sixteen. "Are you a Communist?" I asked him, realizing, with an inward smile, that here this question was not out of place.

"No," he said, and then in a confidential tone, "they haven't convinced me yet — although they've done their best."

"How do you like college life here?" I asked.

"It's fine," he shrugged his shoulders. "It's a new experience."

"How are your instructors?"

"Fine. They treat me like they treat all the other students."

"Are you learning everything you want to?"

"Yes," he said. "It's fine, really."

There was nothing more to ask, and we walked quietly down the long hall with its carved bas-reliefs and the paintings hanging on the walls. Suddenly, he broke the silence. "It's only..."

"What?" I asked, pressing him to continue.

"It's only when some element of science, some point of natural law, some fact of ancient history disagrees with their point of view. Then," he said, "it either must be twisted to conform, or it just isn't brought up in discussion. To me, this is discouraging sometimes."

"I can see that," I said. "Still, don't the students themselves question such policies?"

"My informant laughed, a muffled chuckle. "They don't know how," he whispered. "They don't know how to question Communism any more than a religious person can question God. I guess they never learned."

Next: Budapest Revisited.

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new coaches will be hired to replace those who resign. If coaches are needed they will be hired from the present Hygiene staff even though they were not considered competent enough to coach a specialized sport in the past.

This new athletic policy has already hit two sports very hard. Baseball coach Sol "Skip" Mishkin, recognized as one of the finest coaches in the country, was dismissed at the end of last term. His departure will leave a gap that new mentor John LaPlace will have a hard time filling. Aside from his varied experiences as a professional baseball player and coach in the minor leagues, Mishkin was one of the most respected educators in collegiate circles. As a teacher of the game, Mishkin was unsurpassed. But don't blame John LaPlace. It's not his fault! The administration calls it "de-emphasis."

The firing of the Baruch Center coach, Dutch Garfinkel, a former St. John's and professional basketball player, also had far flung repercussions. It meant the re-assigning of George Wolfe, varsity soccer coach and freshman basketball coach, to the downtown center. Luckily Nat Holman had returned by this time, and was re-assigned to coach varsity basketball, which left Dave Polansky free to accept the freshman basketball coaching job. But this time soccer was in a rut.

If it weren't for a Hygiene in-

Alumni...

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ued, want to pay the college back in some way for the free education they received here."

Commenting further on the OP editorial, Mr. Kieval stated that "the alumni would be glad to explore with students, faculty and administration the problems raised in the editorial, the answers to which can be provided if a little thoughtful research is undertaken and if free discussion is maintained."

At the present time the policy for the Student Union is being planned by a committee of four which is made up one student, one faculty member, one member of the administration and one alumnus. Two alternate plans for the permanent government of the Union have been proposed. The plan proposed by the majority of the committee of four which was opposed by Student Government President Ira Klosk, on the grounds that students were not given equal representation on the Union policy making body, stipulated that a sixteen-man committee set up with four representatives of the faculty, alumni, administration, and students. In his counter plan Mr. Klosk proposed that a sixteen-man committee be set up on which students would have equal representation with non-students. Last Friday in the editorial "Dreams That Money Can Buy," OP backed up Mr. Klosk in his demands.

At the open meeting of the Committee of Four Friday afternoon Dr. Gallagher proposed a plan which calls for equal student and non-student representation. According to this proposal there would be seven students and seven members of the non-student college community. The final decision as to which plan will go into effect rests with President Gallagher.

On the Block



Dean James S. Peace (Student Life) won't give the shirt off his back, but he will give the tie off his neck in order to aid World University Service's (WUS) fund drive. The disrobing will take place Thursday, December 2, from 12-2 PM in Room 126 Main, at Chi Lambda's student-faculty auction. In addition to the Dean's bow tie, the auction will put on the block such assorted articles as Signet pocket books, and a nylon horseshoe.

Next: Who Else Will Go?

College Takes Lavender But Wesleyan Sees Red

Lavender, the College's official color, was the cause of an inter-collegiate squabble almost 100 years ago.

The fracas occurred when Wesleyan College protested, in 1866, that lavender was their rightful possession. Their claims were invalidated on the grounds that Wesleyan had made no intercollegiate proclamation stating their school color to be lavender.

The Wesleyan incident was not the only obstacle in the way of lavender's ascendancy to the position of City College color. In November, 1866, the College newspaper, The Collegian, had urged the choice of lavender by publishing the statement, "It (lavender) looks well by both sun and gas light, is easily distinguishable from all other colors, and can be readily procured in any material desired, kid gloves and scarves not excepted. If we do not take this, we must take a combination which is not nearly so good."

Although most of the colleges on the Eastern Seaboard had chosen their colors officially before November, 1866, City still

had none. The Collegian urged that something be done.

Some committee meetings were called, and the choices of other colleges were eliminated as possibilities. Harvard had taken crimson; Yale, Eli-blue; Amherst, yellow; Williams, purple; Hamilton, orange; Columbia, blue and white; and Brown, brown. Not having much of a choice left, the committee chose lavender.

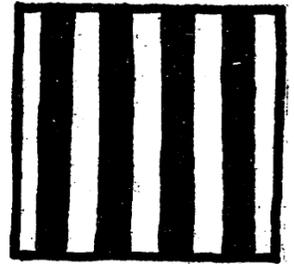
A Seal Too

Now that the students had an official color, they craved a seal. The now familiar three female heads with the words Adspice, Respice, and Prospice above them were the idea of Professor Charles E. Anthony (History and Belles Lettres), a coin and metal specialist. Translated the words mean, respectively, "look backward," "look to," and "look forward."

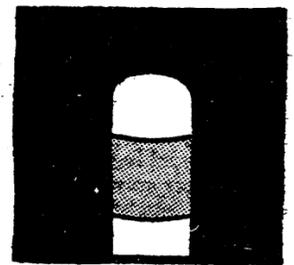


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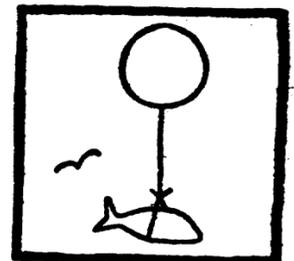
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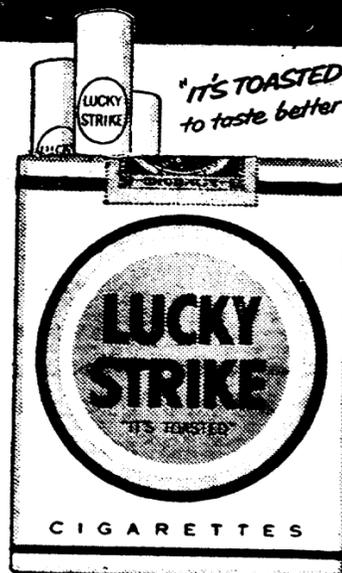
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Barbell Club Ranks Second In the Nation

By ERNIE PERELMUTER

The "Beaver Barbell Club" consists of a group of City College students who are interested in bodybuilding and weightlifting. Of the nearly eighty members, fifteen are weightlifters. Although the club has been organized for only a few years, it can boast several outstanding accomplishments.

In 1953 the "Beaver Barbell Club" placed first in the Eastern Intercollegiate Weightlifting Championships. For this achievement the club was awarded a plaque which is on display in a showcase in the Hygiene Building. In 1954, the club finished second in both the Eastern and the National Championships. The weightlifting wizards have not been defeated in a dual meet for more than two years, having outclassed such teams as Notre Dame and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Outstanding

Among the club's outstanding performers are captain Don Moskowitz, James Kean, Jack Kushner, Arnold Lufshein, Dave Okun, Sal Sorbera, Mel Stern, and Steve Stone.

Despite its outstanding achievements, the club has been repeatedly denied team status. It is in the peculiar position of being recognized as a team by other schools, whereas its own, CCNY, has yet to approve it.

As the "Beaver Barbell Club" is not officially a team, no money is extended from the College, and all equipment has been bought with dues money.

The club's faculty advisor is Prof. Joseph Mendelis (Hygiene), and he has offered to coach the the weightlifters should they be indorsed.

The club is seeking and will welcome all new members. Beginners will be taught the ropes by the veterans. Club headquarters are in Lewisohn Stadium and the doors are open all day, Monday through Friday.

Change . . .

The opening swimming meet of the 1954-55 season will be held in the CCNY pool on December 4 at 1:30 PM. Brooklyn Poly will provide the opposition.

The meet, originally scheduled for the Brooklyn Poly pool, was changed because of the Stein Fund basketball game on the evening of December 4.

Cage Preview

NYU Split Even Last Year, '5' Is Weaker This Season

By HERSHEL NISSENSON

This is the third in a series of articles previewing Metropolitan College basketball teams. Today: NYU

Up at the NYU campus on University Heights it looks as though this might very well be the year that Howard Cann's outfit will turn into "shrinking" Violets.

The Bronxites broke even, 9-9, last year, and prospects are poor that they will do that well again. Gone are four starters, including the 'big three' of Boris Nachamkin, Ted Elsberg, and Hal Weitz. The 6-foot-6-inch Nachamkin broke the all-time NYU career scoring mark, and his loss leaves the Hall of Famers with little scoring power and even less height.

The tallest starters will be Ed Kramer, Irwin Lowenthal, and Art Tierney. All are 6-3, but Tierney is a sophomore while the other two have had scant varsity experience.

Two holdovers round out the starting lineup—Dom DeBonis and Joe Scarpinato. DeBonis, 5-

11, was the fifth man on last year's aggregate, while the 6-foot-2-inch Scarpinato was the top reserve. Jimmy Nidd, another sophomore, may crash the starting lineup.

Indications are that this will be a small, inexperienced club without much defense that will try to run the opposition ragged. However, with a rugged schedule on tap and beset by the lack of good reserves, the Violets may wind up being run ragged themselves. NYU will get a much-needed break in mid-season when Frank King, a former all-city performer at Madison High School, becomes eligible. King transferred a year ago from the University of North Carolina.

All in all, it looks like a long, hard year for NYU, one which will turn Coach Cann's hair even whiter, if that is possible.



Boris Nachamkin
Record Breaker

Sport Notes

From all indications the 1955 soccer team should be even stronger than this year's Metropolitan champions. Ten starters will be back, along with four of the substitutes, and, in addition, there is an outstanding crop of freshmen, some of whom may crash the starting lineup. There is a host of top-notch prospects, including fullbacks Marty Hubner, John Paranos, and Gary Holtzman, halfbacks Steve Chirogians and Bert Dorfman, and forward Keith "Billy" Russell-Brown. The booters may be forced to drop out of the Metropolitan Intercollegiate Conference if they expect to play top teams such as West Point.

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Fencer Piperno Returns After Hitch in Air Force

Charles Piperno, who returns to CCNY this term after serving two years in the Air Force, once again demonstrated his superior fencing ability when he led the City College Epee team to victory at the Amateur Fencers League novice epee-team competition on October 30.

It all started when he was watching fencing practice at Stuyvesant High School. One of the participants, annoyed at Piperno's running commentary, playfully took a clash at his backside. "Pip" was determined then and there to learn how to fence so that he could beat the guy.

He was a proficient student, and accomplished his aim. In high school he was captain of the team as well as high scorer. When he started at City he went to night school, and was captain of the Evening Session fencing team.

Upon transferring to the Day Session he became a member of the varsity foil team, and along with Hal Goldsmith and Bobby

Byrom, won the Little Iron Man trophy in 1952, the oldest fencing trophy in the United States.

In the Spring of '53 Piperno was elected captain of the team but remained in the position only two days, after which he became a member of the US Air Force.

Piperno likes individual sports and fencing in particular because "it helps get rid of antagonism toward other schools, balances life, is good exercise, and is a masculine sport." He got married after being discharged from the Air Force, and was debating the possibility of discontinuing his fencing career due to his increased responsibilities, but his wife insisted that he continue fencing, for which he, along with the CCNY fencing team, is very grateful.

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