27 Employees Under Inquiry By BHE Unit

Twenty-seven faculty members of the municipal colleges are currently under investigation by the Board of Higher Education's Special Council Michael A. Castaldi for suspected membership in the Communist Party.

The information was revealed in a report submitted Wednesday to Dr. Lewis A. Wilson, State Education Commissioner, under the provisions of the Feinberg Law, by Dr. Joseph B. Cavallaro, BHE chairman. The Feinberg Law prohibits persons belonging to organizations deemed subversive by the Board of Regents from being employed in public schools and colleges.

The report, which covered the Board's investigations from Feb. to October 31, 1954, asserted that nine persons had either been dismissed or resigned as a result of its probe. Three of these went for the road voluntarily, while the others dismissed this fall after having been found guilty of failing to cooperate with the Communist party and refusing to "name names." Four others were said to be investigating committee targets rather than face further questioning.

In addition, the report continued, the president of an unnamed college dismissed two staff members who did not have tenure on the basis of information provided him by the special investigative unit of the BHE.

The report also mentioned that Castaldi, who heads the probe, has recommended to the committee that the charges against thirteen others be dropped for lack of sufficient evidence.

Collect $72 At Frat Fair Run in Knittle

A fair held yesterday in Knittle Lounge raised $72 for the World University Service (WUS) drive.

Booths at the fair were run by members and alums of several fraternities and two sororities participating in the event, which was sponsored by Inter-Fraternity Council.

Popular

The largest single amount of money, $18.43, was raised by the boating booth operated by the Sigma Tau Delta Sorority. A group will consequently be presented with a loving cup awarded to the group with the greatest achievement. The booth housing Phi Tau Alpha's saliva-piercing game was declared the most attractive, while Delta Alpha's horseshoe throwing and throwing sponges at DKE brothers.

Leaving

Professor Edgar Johnson, chairman of the English Department, has accepted a six-month leave of absence in the spring to become Carnegie Visiting Professor of English at the University of Brazil.

Prof. Johnson will conduct a graduate seminar on Charles Dickens at the Hawke Institution.

Future of Socialism Debated By Prof. and Guest Speaker

The first professor to comment to debate before the Marxist Discussion Club, this semester, Professor Wallace Sokolosky (History), yesterday asserted that Socialism might provide a greater benefit for society if the people were educated for it.

Speaking before more than 100 students on "An Evaluation of Socialism as Socialism," Prof. Sokolosky opposed the idea that society may be "inexorably toward the period when the capitalist system shall be replaced by socialism," as Dr. Wilkerson maintained in his talk earlier yesterday afternoon. By this development will move. Dr. Wilkerson declared.

Expanding on this remark, Prof. Sokolosky said that the system of capitalism has self-destructive mechanisms which insure the removal or correction of any inequities that may occur. Dr. Wilkerson asserted that a class struggle will solve the problem of transformation to socialism, the same class struggle, he declared, that has organized a strike that eventually led will reach the point where the people will realize that the goal it seeks is attainable only by the social ownership of property.

Debating Club Loses Match On Red China

The College's Debating Team lost a match to New York University Wednesday night on the Barry Gross radio show. The studio audience picked the NYU team as the winner for their presentation of the topic: "the United States should not recognize the Communist government of China." No pro was made by Joseph Jucker and Joseph Brown. The NYU team ascribe to the Communist government of China.

Dean James S. Peace Urges Discipline Detection

Dean James S. Peace, State Education Commissioner, declared for the lists, and Profes­ sor Stewart C. Eascom (History) for the Department of Student Life will be debated by two representatives of the Department of Student Life, with one to be offered by the Student Council and the other by the Department of Student Life.

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Offer Special Auto Lessons

A special series of driving lessons will be offered to college students and their parents from December 20-31, Iris Klosh, President of the Student Council, said yesterday.

The course will be taught by the Fordham Anta Sales, Fordham Road, the Bronx, in the district of twelve instructors, six full hour lessons, one half hour lesson and the cost of the entire series is $23. Registration forms may be obtained from the City College and should be mailed to the Fordham School, in duplicate. Saturday, December 11, will be the closing date of registration.

The coming series is the third to be offered by Student Council. The last course was given soon after Thanksgiving.
From Rat Feeder to Prof.; No Grass Grows on Plant

By STANLEY WECKER

Since he came to this country in 1938, Professor Richard Plant (German) has been a drug store radio broadcaster, rat feeder, secretary to an eccentric millionaire, editor, novelist, book reviewer, YWCA teacher and City College Professor. He was born in Frankfurt-on-Main, Germany, and while attending the university there worked on the Frankfurter Zeitung, one of the city's leading newspapers. After a short stay in Berlin, he traveled to Basel, Switzerland, where he obtained his Ph. D. in German and French history. Here, in the relative quiet of pre-war (1935) Europe, he lectured on film as an art form, and wrote book reviews, essays and short stories for the National Zeitung, a Swiss newspaper. "At this time," said the professor "my 'secret sin' was a collection of three detective stories which I wrote under a pseudonym."

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Jahoda Will Play Music He Wouldn't For Nazis

By MIMI TEMELBAUM

As Professor Fritz Jahoda (Music) conducts the Music Department's Fall Concert on December 18, he will have cause to recall many vivid incidents—incidents when Hitler took over Austria.

As conductor of the Vienna State Opera, Professor Jahoda was ordered, shortly after the Anschluss, to present a musical program in honor of the "conquered." Dowlingly, the professor started rehearsals. He especially resented being forced to present the "Second Act Finale" of Beethoven's opera "Fidelio." He felt that it "didn't fit its surroundings"—the opera deals with the ultimate triumph of freedom over oppression.

Professor Jahoda never conducted the concert for which he was preparing so reluctantly. A week before the concert was to take place, he fled the country. September 18, 1938 was the first time that Professor Jahoda will ever present his interpretation of the Beethoven work. The main reason for the delay, he points out, is that the "Fidelio" is a very difficult selection. To give the music the interpretation of the Beethoven work, the professor would have served just as well as an opener. All that was needed, he indicated, was an aperitif to the main dishes.

Society Hears "Jungle" Beets

Rhythmic rumblings, born in the depths of the Haitian jungle, were heard reverberating in Townsend Harris yesterday, as a bongo band, theater group, and a troupe of modern dancers were befuddled attractions at an Education Society meeting.

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Cagers Seek First Win in Tomorrow’s Tilt
With Columbia; Merv Shorr to See Action

By PAUL ZIMMERMAN
Sports Editor, Columbia Spectator

The College’s basketball team will be making its second start of the season tomorrow night when the Beavers face the Columbia University Lions at 8:30 in Columbia’s University Hall Gymnasium, Broadway and 110th Street. The freshman team will clash at 6:15 PM.

Lavender captain Merv Shorr has recovered from the severe muscle spasm which he suffered last week and will face the Lions, although he will have to be rested periodically.

The 1954-55 version of the Columbia basketball team will be deeper and stronger than last year’s team, and will be a definite contender for the Ivy League championship.

Last year Columbia finished the season with an 11-13 overall record and a league mark of 6-6. The Lions ended up fifth in the eastern division.

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