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ognize the policy on appropria-

tions that the Executive Committee felt was adopted at a joint

meeting of SFFC and the Student

Government Fee Commission

Dean James S. Peace (Student

Life) and Mr. Philip Brunstetter

(Student Life), the non-voting

chairman of SFFC, have denied

DSA to Have Finley Center Final Powers

The Board of Directors of the John H. Finely Student Center will not have the power to make final decisions in matters relating to policy for the Center, it was decided at a Board meeting last night. In the future, all policy decisions by the Board will be subject to approval by the Department of Student Activities.

The Government Committee of the Board had recommended that the Board be given these powers.

However it was pointed out by Dean James S. Peace, Director of the Center, that under existing Board of Higher Education regulations, President Buell G. Gallagher did not have the right to delegate final decision-making powers to the Board of Directors.

Gloria Kingsley, President of the Student Council, said, "I hope that there will never be a time when any decisions made by the Board of Directors would be overruled by the Department."

It was also decided that the Director of the Center, in the exercising of administrative authority, should be guided by the decisions of the Board of Managers Can't Read's in matters of day-to-day operation of the Center. This decision means that the Director can not overrule decisions of the Board of Managers without first "discussing the matter with the members of the Board in an effort to evolve a mutually satisfactory solution."

Student Heads To Participate to 1:45 PM. The Education In Conference

Officers of student organizations and Student Government agencies have been invited to attend a leadership training conference this weekend by the College's National Student Association delegation.

The conference, which will be held on Friday evening and Saturday at the Gould Student Center of New York University's University Heights Campus, is aimed at training qualified leaders for student organizations. It is being co-sponsored by the Metropolitan New York Region of NSA and the Federation of Undergraduate Student Councils of

Need for Discussion

Much of the meeting will be held in workshops, which, arpossibilities of campus organiza- and dancing. tions and of imparting to them techniques, skills, and compretion intelligently as leaders."

7 PM Friday with a keynote address by Anna M. Kross, New York City Commissioner of Cor- indoor and outdoor activities. rection. To cover the cost of the Besides nightly dancing and the meetings and luncheon on Satur- regular Grossinger floor show, day a \$2.50 registration fee will there will be a hayride, a weenie be charged.

To Speak



Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt will be the honored guest and speaker at the Christian Association's Student - Faculty Luncheon, tomorrow at 12 noon in St. Marks Church, 138 St. and St. Nicholas Ave. Mrs. Roosevelt will speak on the United Nations.

In attendance will be President Buell G. Gallagher, forty faculty members and a group of selected student leaders.

Why Johnny Topic of Talk

The book "Why Johnny Can't Read" by Dr. Rudolph Flesch will be the subject of a talk by Professor Jeanne S. Chall (Education) tomorrow before the Education Society. Prof. Chall, coauthor of the Dale-Chall Formula for Reading, will speak in Room 210, Klapper Hall from 12:30 PM

The Education Society claims that Dr. Flesch's book, which has appeared on best-seller lists, has the methods used to teach read- vate." ing in the schools.

Used to Appropriate Funds The methods used by the Student Faculty Fee Committee (SFFC) to appropriate student funds were attacked by the Executive Committee of Student Council in a declaration issued last night. The Executive Committee criticized the procedure followed at the

♦October 27 meeting of SFFC. It SDA Goes Off Campus; also called upon the SFFC to rec-Refuses to Submit Lists

Membership List will not be submitted by Students For Democratic Action, Arnold Adoff, acting president of SDA announced yesterday.

At the same time, it was decided to change the name of the martyrs in this decision. Each chapter from CCNY to Upper-Manhattan In this way the club's activities will be continued off



Arnold Adoff 'The Only Course'

campus.

In explanation of the action, created considerable furor in Adoff declared "We are refusing educational and psychological to comply with the ruling becircles. As a result of the book, cause we consider it an infringethe Society asserts that the publement upon our basic right to lic has become highly critical of keep our political beliefs pri-

Adoff added that "We are not action," he added.

club has acted individually, and my organization has taken the only course it deemed in keeping with the liberal tradition of SDA."

SC Exec Attacks Methods

In not complying with the ruling, SDA gives up its publicity rights, facilities for the present semester, and recognition by the Administration.

After consultation with their New York-New Jersey Regional Organiation, SDA announced the change of name to the Upper-Manhattan Chapter. This group will be composed of all members presently enrolled in the College chapter.

'Militant Liberalism'

In going off campus SDA will, according to Adoff, continue to hold meetings, distribute literature outside of the College grounds, have streetcorner speakers, and in general work to rescind the ruling.

"SDA stands for a militant liberalism in the problems concerning young people as students and as citizens," Adoff said. "We will continue our fight for Civil Liberties, and economic security for all people everywhere, through education and political

(SGFC) last June.

Dean James S. Peace 'Meeting Not Unofficial'

that the meeting in June was an official meeting of the two fee groups. At the June meeting it was proposed that the student group would approve allocations without prior consultation with the Student-Faculty group. These appropriations were to be official unless a member of SFFC raised a serious objection.

At the October 27 meeting of SFFC the allocations arrived at by the Student Government Fee Commission (SGFC) were considered. The Executive Committee contended that the SFFC "without having the opportunity to give sufficient time to each of the allocations" had altered five of the seven appropriations taken under consideration.

Almost ten thousand dollars had been appropriated by SFFC after slightly more than one hour's deliberation, the declaration stated. More than 120 manhours had been spent by SGFC in examining these budgets, the declaration claimed.

In addition, the declaration A special pre-festival event said that the student group had personally interviewed the representatives of all the oranizations involved and had called upon experts to testify as to the validity

Frosh .

The Freshman Dance scheduled for Saturday night will be held in Drill Hall instead of the Grand Ballroom, Finley Student Center. The relocation is because the Center is currently closed to student activities on Saturday nights due to inadequate protection provided for students.

SG Social Functions Agency to Hold 3 Day 'Winter Festival' in January

The Student Government Social Functions Agency is going to sponsor a "Winter Festival" next January 23, 24, 25. The event will take place at Grossingers resort in the Catskills, and will initiate a yearly festival.

The students going on the trip will have full use of all the resort's facilities. According to Bernard Hinrichsen and Joe De cording to Michael J. Lang of Maios, chairman of hte Carnival the NYU federation, will seek Committee, plans are being made to make students aware of the for swimming, skiing, iceskating,

There will also be several other hension of group functions that special events, including a profesare necessary for them to func-, sional ice show and a free variety show in which "leading Broad-The conference will begin at way Talent" will participate.

The program will feature many roast, an amateur show, and al



Joe De Maios Co-Chairman of Festival

dance contest with a \$25 first prize.

will be the election of a King and Queen at the "Winter Festival Dance" to be held at the College. The winners will receive an all expense paid trip to the festi- of organizational requests. val, as guests of the Carnival Committee. One of the highlights of the festival will be the crowning of this year's King and Queen. In addition to the trip both members of the royal couple will receive a gold plated trophy, and a bottle of cham-

The cost of the three day trip is \$49. This charge includes transportation, eight meals, free insurance against injury, and prepaid tips.

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Premature

A handsome new plan for student responsibility at the College ended its brief life last week. The Student-Faculty Fee Committee conducted business as usual, passing on every appropriation of the Student Government Fee Commission It handily overlooked an agreement formulated by members of both bodies last June, which would make SFFC only an appeals body for the all-student group.

Since the appropriations passed on were for student organizations, it would seem appropriate that students handle the matter. Carried out, the plan could effectively herald the coming of age of student self-government. It was a logical step in recognizing the ability and maturity of the student body.

However, when it came time to enact the theory, SFFC backed down. Although the proposition is contained in the minutes of the June meeting, it was not among those sent to Dr. Daniel F. Brophy (Dean of Students) who would have to pass on it. Mr. Philip Brunstetter (Student Life), non-voting SFFC chairman, now says the June meeting was "unofficial." This particular informal chat was distinguished by the taking of minutes. Moreover, other agreements reached at the "unofficial" get-together were sent to Dean Brophy.

The Dean himself said in September that he would formally approve the policy when it was sent to him. Apparently no one has taken the trouble to do so. Indeed, SFFC seems completely disinclined.

We think this plan would be good in practice as well as in promises. The Student Government Fee Commission should have learned a lesson, though, from this experience: when you make an agreement, get it in writing AND get it "formally" approved.

Current Events

Three events in the last week should warrant the careful inspection—and some serious introspection—by the members of the Student-Faculty Committee on Student Activities, particularly its student members.

Most recent, and perhaps most important, is the announcement made by Students for Democratic Action that its members will not submit a membership list. The group will take the only alternative open to it, and leave the ranks of officially recognized organizations at the College. In taking this step, SDA has registered a protest against a ruling that it feels is an arbitrary infringement of the student's right to free association. It might be noted for the record that the group is a member of a national organization that boasts over fifty chapters and which is in turn affiliated with Americans for Democratic Action, a respected member of the American political community.

Perhaps sooner than we think, only those political ideas that represent the drift of current political conformity and conventionality will be represented on campus. If this should happen, the blame will rest entirely in the hands of SFCSA and its unwarranted edict. They will have to bear the responsibility for letting students at the College develop in a political vacuum that can result only in diminished intellectual and political activity.

The members of SFCSA might also note the resolution passed at last week's Student Council meeting opposing the "compromise" membership list which had been presented at the last meeting of the student-faculty group. SC is to be commended in carrying on the fight begun by last semester's Council, and upheld two to one in a student referendum.

It is of some significance too, that the day after Council refused to compromise its previous stand, a political action committee met to formulate a policy to obtain the repeal of the ruling. We wish them success in their efforts.

A new member of SFCSA is currently being chosen and the group will meet soon again. We hope that its members will seriously analyze the results of their ruling and try to understand what the future may hold for the remaining political groups. Then, too, they must consider the inteliectual development of the College's students—to whom they owe their ultimate responsibility.

Club Notes

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Presents Mr. S. Feldman of Merck & Co on "Chemical Engineers in the Pharme-ceutical Industry" tomorrow at 12:30 PM in Room 103 Harris.

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Hears Professor Maximillian Chamoides (Electrical Engineering) on "The Philo-sophical Aspects of Engineering" tomorrow at 12:30 PM in Room 306 Harris,

Anthropology-Sociology Society Listen to "The Sociology of Folk Music" lecture with recordings. Professor Alan morrow at 12:30 in Room 144 Finley Student Center.

Architectural Society

Features Professor Gerner A. Oison (Civil Engineering) on Reinforced Concrete and Steel Construction at 12:30 PM in Room 101 W. Eisner tomorrow.

Art Society Has a work session tomorrow at 12:30 PM in Room 101 C Eisner.

ASME Presents Mr. Larkin on Profession Engineering tomorrow at 12:15 PM Room 017 Harris.

Bacteriological Society Shows "Diptheria" a film of interest to all, tomorrow at 12:30 PM in Room 209 Stieglitz Hall. Discussion of the movie and the "Loop" will follow.

Biological Society

Hears Dr. William Creighton on "Ecology of Arboreal Ants" tomorrow at 12:30 PM in Room 319 Shepard. Christian Society

Eleanor Roosevelt will speak on "United Nations" at St. Mark's Methodist Church, 136th Street and St. Nicholas Avenue to-morrow at 12 Noon. This meeting will be a Student-Faculty Luncheon.

Class of '59 Asks all elected officers to attend a meeting tomorrow at 12:30 PM in Room 212 Shepard. The Freshman Ball will be

Debating Society

Debates "Guaranteed Annual Wages" in Room 107 Wagner tomorrow at 12:30

Economic Society

Features a speaker from the Henry George School of Social Science discussing 'Lopsided Taxation'' tomorrow at 12:30 PM in Room 225 Wagner. **English Society**

Urges all interested students to aftend its meeting tomorrow a 12:30 PM in Room 204 Mott. FDR Young Democrats

Holds a business meeting tomorrow at 2:15 PM in Room 01 Wagner. Attendance

Geological Society Listens to Professor Cecil H. Kindle (Geology) on his trip to the Island of cowhead tmorrow at 12:30 PM in Room

Gilbert and Sullivan Society Rehearses tomorrow at 12 Noon in Room 230 Finley Student Center.

Government and Law Society

Sees a film concerning the Nazi Wat Criminal Trials at Nuhrenberg tomorrow at 12:20 PM in Room 106 Wagner. Hiking Club

Meets at 12 Noon tomorrow in Room 12 Shepard. A hike is planned for Pine 312 Shepard. A hik Meadow this Sunday Hillel

Is there a genuine religious revival in America? Hillel discusses "Motions and Emotions" tomorrow at 12:30 PM in Hillel House.

History Society

Presents Professor Henry L. Roberts (Director. Program on East Central Europe at the European Inskitute. Columbia University) on "The Problem of Study of East Central Europe tomorrw at 12:30 PM in Room 105 Wagner.

Iberoamericano

Dance program tomorrow at 12:30 PM in Room 302 Downer. Members are asked to bring their records.

Industrial Arts Club Shows a film on the Saugus Iron Works Restoration tomorrow at 1 PM in Room 15 Klapper

Philosophy Society Discusses "the last of George Santay-na's 'three philosophical poets' " tomor-ow at 12:30 PM in Room 116 Wagner.

Physics Society "The Spectrum of Hydrogen will be the topic of a lecture by Dr. Haskell Reich of Bell Laboratories tomorrow at 12:30

Philatelic Society

Members to meet in Lincoln Corridor, Shepard Hall, tomorrow at 12:30 PM to claim exhibition material. Psychology Society

Will show. "The High Wall." a figure along with prejudice in chidren, tomow at 12:30 PM in Room 106 Harris. Shakespeare Society

Meets tomorrow at 12:30 PM in Room 11 Mott. Everyone wecome. Student Zionist Organization

of Hillel Will show a film about the immigration problem, at the Hillel House, 475 West 140 St. today at 3 PM. The totle of the film is, "A Letter from Ronnie."

Sigma Alpha Welcomes probationary members tonight 5:45 PM in Room 306 Shepard.

Ukranian Student Society Invites everyone to a tea party this riday at 7 PM in Room 348 Finley Stu-

Folk and Square Dance Club Gambols tomorrow in Room 104 Win-cate at 12 Noon. Everyone is welcome.

Letters...

Letters to the Editor should not exceed 250 words and must be signed in full.

All such correspondence is to be addressed to Observation Post Features Editor Paul Weissler.

Professor Page Forms Theory on Soviet Policy

By ARNOLD ADOFF

Professor Stanley Page (History) has formulated a different analysis of the present Russian power struggle.

The professor, an authority on Russian history, disagrees with the current notion that Molotov's apology in regard to his statement on the Soviet progress towards

Communism, has any relation ate successor to Stalin. He also whatsoever to his function as Foreign Secretary.

Professor Page further believes that this correction by Molotov (which implied that Russia was now already in its Communist stage) is actually an indication that Soviet Russia has determined to bring about in a very short time a "tremendous" advance in the living standards of the people in Russia and in Eastern Europe. It is his contention that Russia has seriously entered upon a program of peaceable competition, hopefully pitting the Socialist system against that of Capital-

'Challenge' to US

He believes that "in some ways this represents a greater challenge and threat to the United States than a military-type chal lenge, for it means that we shall have to work hard at creating for the American people, and for all people sympathetic to us, a higher and ever-improving standard of living."

Professor Page, a graduate of the College and a member of its History Department since 1947, correctly predicted in the fall of 1952, in a "See" magazine article, what would happen after Stalin's death. At that time, a few months before Stalin's death, Professor Page predicted that tion of a book on Lenin and Malenkov would be the immedi- world revolution.

wrote that the death of Stalin would lead to an era of peace as far as Russian foreign policy was concerned.

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This was based on the idea that the successors would go through a period of insecurity in handling the elements of power within Russia; that they must satisfy the demands of people so long oppressed, under terror and greatly unsatisfied; and that they must make concessions to the popular pressure in Russia as well as in the Satellites.

Russia's Foreign Policy

In analyzing the present status of Russian foreign policy, Professor Page believes that, "Despite the fact that the fundamental aim of Russia is still the winning of the world to Communism, it must be kept in mind that one of Lenin's fundamental tenets (and the people who run Russia today are devotees and students of Leninism) was that violence should only be used when necessary. Lenin believed that there was no point in taking a risk of any kind if the aim could be achieved without taking the risk."

Professor Page's interest in Leninism will be illustrated in a few months with the comple-

Modern Jazz' Gets a Push From Hackett Hall Songsters

Gregorian chants, now recognized as an influence on Modern Jazz, was instilled in America here on the South Campus.

Hackett Hall, once housed the Gregorian chanters. The Pius X

School of Liturgical Music, formerly situated in Hackett Hall, was organized in 1916 to provide instruction for students and teachers of church music.

Gregorian music consists of a plain chant set entirely to scriptural words. It was originated in the sixth century by Pope Gregory.

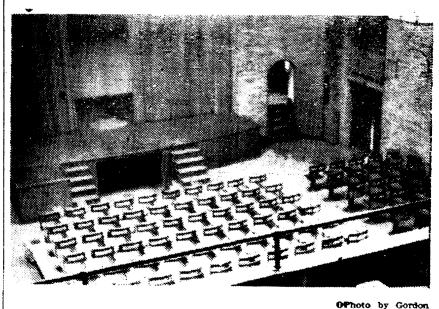
rough brick walls with ornate

ductions of classical drama and

arms on each.

mystery plays in the auditorium. Previous to the construction of Hackett Hall these productions were presented in the Church of the Annunciation (erected in 1906) at Convent Avenue and 131

The Pius X School was the center of Roman Catholic liturgi-The building contains an audi- cal education in the United



Hackett Hall

wrought iron lamps. The seats school of the diocese.

torium designed for the perform- States. It was sponsored by the ance of the chants. Seating about New York Literary Institution, 300 people, the auditorium has the first American collegiate

are similar to those in Townsend! Hackett Hall, boarded up at Harris Auditorium, with desk present, will be torn down to make way for an elementary

During Christmas week for school, It was named for James many years the Pius School pre- K. Hackett, a Shakespearean acsented elaborately costumed pro- tor and alumnus of the College.

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North Campus Matches Cuties. **South**; Catacombs Found

The North Campus may not have everything the South Campus has, but it can match catacombs.

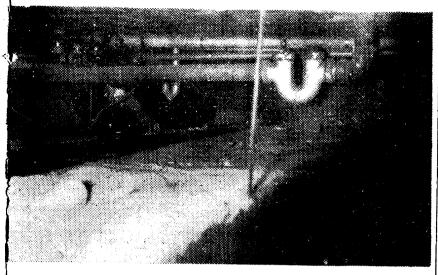
The recent disclosure of catacombs, which were formerly used

is tombs, beneath the ground in 🕈 back of Wagner Hall resulted in them when the coast is clear. xplorations of the North Campus by Observation Post.

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"Our first meeting was held to discuss membership lists," exthe Rolling Wheels. "We wanted

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North Campus Not Outdone

OPhoto by Gordon

tructor's desk. The trap door was pried open with fingernails. An inscription in white chalked etters stating "Kilroy was here"

written on the underside of he trap door.

A broken ladder stands in the ntrance. To enter the passage, m explorer must remove the adder and take a six foot jump nto the depths. Running water rickles through the pipes which e on either side of the tunnel. rieces of brick and old copies of ollege newspapers line the floor. Mr. Kenneth Fleming (Supt. uildings and Grounds) revealed hat the underground passageway vas used for storage and mainenance of water, steam and air ipes:

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others on the record are now deag. Come in. Let's talk it. over.
Interviews Daily. HOUSEHOLD STORES BOSTON RD.

Cute coeds at the College are invited to submit their pictures to the Observation Post office, Room 326 Finley Student Cen-

From the pictures submitted an "OP Cutie" will be selected to represent OP in the House Plan sponsored Carnival Queen contest to be held December 10.

plains Sid Lawrence, President of the Rolling Wheels "We wanted SC Committee Okays Garage

The Student Affairs Committee of Student Council, has investigated the Utility Garage at 460 West 129 Street and given its approval to the establishment.

The Committee investigated the garage as a service to the student body. Advertisements from the garage have appeared in both the College's newspapers.

In their report to SC, the Committee stated that the garage has a New York State License to ensure safety. The committee suggested the garage as one means to alleviating parking problems in the College area until the situation can be relieved.

The fee at the garage is fifty cents for parking from 8 AM to 6 PM or 3 PM to 11 PM.

Carnival Offers International Touch at December 10 Affair

Playing Russian Roulette, fishing for love tokens, and shaving balloons are among the activities scheduled for this year's House Plan Carnival.

The roulette game isn't for real, of course, but the love tokens and balloons are guaranteed by Dave Gorfein, Carnival Committee Chairman.

Proceeds

The activities scheduled are all based on the theme "Children's Games Around the World" and the proceeds will be donated to the United Nations International Children's Educational Fund.

Games symbolic of names or activities in all countries will be featured. A "Cupid's Fish Pond," which will hold the love tokens, is planned to honor Norway. The balloon shaving is part of a "Barber of Seville" booth.

Representing Russia is the kamikazi type parlor game bearing the country's name. Among the more sedate booths are those representing Italy (a candlelighting game) and China (a mouse race).

Variety Show

The Carnival, which will be held December 10, will also feature a variety show in the Great Hall. The show will be presented

three times because the seating capacity of the auditorium has been restricted by the library in the rear.

A film on life at the College will be shown by one house.

Among this Carnival's innovations is the "Miss City College of 1970" contest, in which faculty members will submit photographs of their daughters. The winner will crown the coed selected as Carnival Queen.

Hillel . . .

Hillel's Hebrew Speaking Circle will meet today at 1 PM in Room 304, Finley Student Center to discuss the question "Is World Federalism Compatible With Zionism?" Part of the meeting will be devoted to a comparison of recipes on how to make "felafel." a spicy and popular Middle Eastern dish. Epicureans are invited.



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Sportnotes...

 Varsity basketball coach Nat Holman and freshman hoop mentor Dave Polansky are still short of assistant managers for their respective squads. Interested students should see Mr. Tom Reilly, Assistant Faculty of Athletics in Room 1, Lewisohn

• Alan Jong has been elected captain of the 1956 Beaver tennis team.

Swimming Coach Rider No Longer an 'Unknown'

When he came to the College, unknown, in 1917, Mr. Jack Rider would never have guessed that thirty-eight years later he would be recognized as one of the finest swimming coaches in Lavender history.

ago, he has led his teams to three Met championships; in 1948, 1954 and 1955.

Coach Rider credits his success to the fact that, "I've always had

good material at the College, and as a result of this my teams have won three fourths of their dual

and 440-yard freestyle events. Coach Rider is not only a suc-

has also been President of the iors, while the rest are juniors. Metropolitan and Eastern Swimming Coaches Associations.

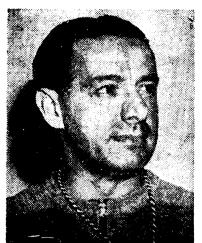
in 1917, unknown.



It's going to be a long, hard thirty-fifth year for basketball coach Nat Holman. When the curtain went up in the Main Gym yesterday at the opening practice session, there was no Merv Shorr, who averaged 24.5 points per game, Herb Jacobson, Jack McGuire or Ronnie Kowalski, of last year's quin-�

in fact, of the six returning letterman, only two are first stringers last season; six-foot, one-inch junior, Ralph Schefflan, and senior, George Jensen, a sixfour rebounder. Other returnees from the varsity, which compiled Since taking over as head Metropolitan and Eastern League an eight and ten record in the coach of the mermen ten years championships, Schloemer set 1954-55 campaign, are five-foot, new records for the Met 220-yard eight-inch captain Lou Berson; Bill Lewis, six-three; Syd Levy, six-eight; and Ted Brimat, fivecessful swimming mentor, but he nine. Berson and Brimat are sen-

> Holman will get practically no help from last year's freshman In the near future the Nation- team as most of the mainstay's al Swimming Coaches Associa- of that squad are ineligible and tion of America will award a Frank Shovlin is out for the seatwenty-five year plaque to Jack son with an injured back and leg. Rider, who came to the College The only frosh starters who attended the opening session were



Coach Nat Holman Starts 35th Season

who hit for a nine point per game average last season; Joe Bennardo, who scored eight points a -Mallin six-foot, four-inch Joel Ascher, game and five-foot, six-inch play-

maker, Richie Garber. Hector Lewis, who was expected to help the team this year did not attend yesterday's practice, but coach Holman expects him to show up today.

Of the twenty-six candidates who came out, only one Peter Marsh, a six-foot, seven-inch sophomore has the height that the Beavers need so badly. Marsh, however, has no previous basketball experience.

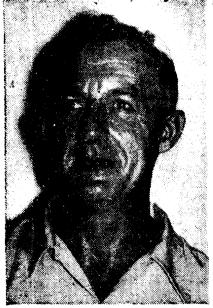
Holman has something to look forward to as of the twenty-two who survived the initial cut, eleven are sophomores.

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Coach Jack Rider No "Unknown"

meets and have never finished lower than third in the Met standings."

When asked which he considered the toughest meet of his career, Rider replied, "they're all tough, particularly against NYU and Kings Point."

"The greatest swimmer I have ever coached," the mentor says, "was Howie Schloemer." Schloemer, who graduated last June. is believed to be the greatest free-stylist in Beaver history. In addition to his many victories in

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