OpPicks...

Jay Carr, a twenty-one-year-old senior, was elected Editor-in-Chief of Observation Post for the fall semester. Also elected to the Managing Board were: Darvin Thoms, Managing Editor; Marsha Cohen, Features Editor; Arnold Deutchman, Business Manager; and Paul Kahan, Art Director.

SFCSA Subcommittee Urges Review of Group's Functions

A subcommittee of the Student-Faculty Committee on Student Activities has reported to its parent body that clarification of the responsibilities of SFCSA is needed.

Confusion on DSL Role

The subcommittee issued its report because of existing confusion concerning the roles of the Department of Student Life and SFCSA in determining the activities policies for the Finley Student Center. "SFCSA ceases to have a reason for existence," the report asserted, "if SFCSA is in determining the activities policies for the Finley Student Center."

Three Possibilities Seen

Any further attempts at clarification, the subcommittee felt, would result in one of three possibilities:

1. The illumination of SFCSA's specific role and responsibilities leading to more effective operation of the Committee as well as the Center.

2. No change in status quo, and no more build a definition of the role of SFCSA than was previously held.

3. The elimination of SFCSA from the policy making area and the assumption of its responsibilities by the professional administrative staff.

Further action on the issue was deferred by SFCSA until next semester.

Sigma Alpha Service Group

Records Books for the Blind

A library of textbooks recorded on tape is being prepared for the use of visually handicapped students at the College. The tape consists of the essential portions of textbooks used by various departments. The tape is made by Sigma Alpha Service Group (SA), the College's junior honor service group.

A recorder was recently purchased by the group with part of the proceeds from previous flower sales. This term the proceeds of the sale were used to buy equipment for the recordings. Both Sigma Alpha and the SA have been fortunate to have Prof. Pennington's assistance in this summer, is screening readers for the project. Good diction and the ability to affect proper stress in a passage are the attributes looked for in the readers. We are fortunate to have Paul Pelinga into full swing.

Ex-OP Editor Wins Citation

Joan Diane Snyder, former Editor-in-Chief of the Observation Post, won the College News Story Award of the Newspaper Women's Club this week. Miss Snyder, who was in competition with the coeds of sixty colleges, was awarded the honor in recognition of the outstanding publication of the award will take place at 10 AM Saturday in the Biltmore Hotel.

Mercury...

Mercury, the College humor magazine, will publish for the seventy-seventh year next week. Copies of the issue will be available at the college bookstore, the snack bar, and the ping-pong room.

The feature story is derived from three sources, the Albany Association, student fees, and funds collected from the operation of the pool room, the snack bar, and the ping-pong room.

The Alumni Association pays approximately $60,000 annually, student fees amount to $60,000, while the income from the other sources varies. The added support of the Budget Committee for programming, if forthcoming, would make possible the extension of activities and functions for the students.

Start Repairs On Art Books

BY LEWIS B. LEPTON

Tuesday night's flood in Richard R. Bowker Library may not be as costly as estimated, declared Professor Jerome K. Wilcox, College Librarian. Approximately 250 books were affected; seventy-five of these were removed to the basement. "A large portion of these may not need rebinding," he added. The others, mainly art and course books, were thoroughly wet. If they can be salvaged, continued, the cost may be between $500 and $1,000.

Drainpipe Overflows

The heavy storm overflowed a drainpipe in the College's junior honor service group, a part of the reference room, the stairs to the mezzanine, and a trap door in the attic, where the damage was done. By the time the flood was discovered some of the irreplaceable color slides had been completely destroyed, Professor Wilcox said. In order to salvage some of the wetted items the library staff hastened to place wax paper between the pages of damaged books. Those which were only partially damaged were placed on tables in the reference room to dry.

Confusion over the situation, Department of Buildings and Grounds issued the statement that "the sudden volume of water" was "from the policy making area and the assumption of its responsibilities by the professional administrative staff."

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By LARRY CADOFF

A disabling leg injury suffered by Al DiBernardo while he was playing on the freshman basketball team turned out to be his biggest "break" in college.

The accident was severe enough to dampen his interest in the game, so he turned his energies to new sport—baseball.

With the help and tutelage of his baseball coach Bob Michaud, DiBernardo went whole hog into the new activity. He began to try in Industrial League and pilot ball during the summer. By the end of the first ball season, he had developed into a workhorse. So in 1955 he was named the outstanding sandlotter in Brooklyn.

In the same year he made the all-star varsity team, and has been the team's index finger, which he injured—Al doesn't know which club to sign with.

Tapes...

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Harvey Honig, an alumnus of the College, originated the idea of such a library. After entering the school in 1953 as an engineering major, Honig was forced to leave college when his eyesight was impaired. He became aware of the specialized needs of the visually handicapped when he re-entered in 1955.

With the aid of Dr. Margaret E. Condon (Testing and Guidance) and faculty members at the College and NYU, Honig formed the Association for the Visually Impaired. "We wanted to do something of lasting value, not for the blind, but for those whose sight was badly impaired and who weren't receiving the same amount of care and attention," he said. Honig, whose idea has spread to NYU and other colleges, hopes that the program will be built up sufficiently so that tapes can be sent from college to college as the need arises."

By MARY HOFFMAN

Opportunities for graduating physics majors are "excellent" according to Professor Mark Zemansky, Physics Department Chairman. He went on to group these opportunities under two headings: those for students seeking graduate admittance to graduate school and those for immediate placement in industry.

As far as the latter group, the jobs are generally available to a graduating B.S. in physics "as good as those for graduating engineers," and they pay $400-$500 a month, said Prof. Zemansky.

Many Scholarships

Graduate school candidates find an even more secure future awaiting them. Virtually all those qualified receive scholarships, fellowships, or assistantships, which pay from $1500-$1800 yearly.

Students with "A" grades are usually advised to apply to such schools as Harvard, Princeton, MIT, and other Ivy League colleges. Those with "B+" are generally placed in the large mid-western universities such as Ohio State and Wisconsin. "C" students may find openings in various other respected institutions.

"Future prospects now look even brighter," says Prof. Zemansky, "with the revamping of the college's physics curriculum coming up. This will make the curriculum as modern as any now given elsewhere."

Many of the College's alumni have achieved renown in the field of physics. Among them, Prof. Zemansky mentioned the following: Dr. Robert Hofstadter (Stanford U.), Dr. Edward Gerjuoy (U. of Pittsburgh), Dr. Herman Eilbert (MIT), and Dr. Bernard Field (MIT).

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In their only other meeting of the year, the Brooklynites nipped the Beavers in the ninth inning, the Lavender, 8-6. Pete Trlica hit one out of the park to pull the Lavender up on top. Adelphi, beaten by the Lavender, 12-0, lost to Lafayette, 13-7, trounced the Pennsylvania team 9-5, and Drexel, which topped the Lavender, 13-7, trounced the Pennsylvania team by 5-3.

The nine's outstanding moment during the season occurred in the Wagner tilt, May 4. Going into the ninth inning, the Drexel linemen engaged Hunter at the netmen engage Hunter at Dexter Park, Brooklyn, will beat a team that stands in second place in the Conference tomorrow.

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