By JOAN SYDHER

Observation Post will cease publication today, the tenth anniversary of its founding.

The decision to close the newspaper was made late yesterday evening by the Managing Board. In ending the two-newspaper system at the College, in effect since February 27, 1947 and supported three times since then by student referenda, the Board cited the fact that its staff had normally been from thirty to forty persons.

We regret that this final step had to be taken, and we fully realize its implication," Michael Spelman, Editor-in-Chief, said. "But there was no longer any alternative."

Other reasons given by the editors were that the pressures of supporting the publication virtually single-handed left no time for schoolwork and that the students' money was being wasted on the overtime printing fees required to publish the under-manned newspaper.

"We just couldn't get our copy out in time. We had to be our own reporters and copy-readers, and then even distribute issues in the morning. There was nothing else to do," Kenneth Foyes, News Editor, declared.

Staff Declared

Hard-hit by graduations and resignations, the newspaper had enough new people to make up the deficiency. Although the situation was much the same last year, the students would not have a chance to join now, "We didn't have the strain on the remaining people when they didn't and the strain on the remaining people became greater and greater, there was nothing left to do but stop publishing,"

Analogies were drawn between the plight of Observation Post and other College organizations. It was pointed out by the editors that both Mercury, the humor magazine, and Student Government were having trouble finding people. "But they don't have our academic freedom as its guiding concept, " OP had been glad to keep the paper going, but it became greater and greater, there was nothing left to do but stop publishing,"

Peter Franklin, Business Manager, blamed the newspaper's collapse on student apathy. "This disease is spreading like a cancer throughout the whole College," he asserted. He went on to say that the newspaper was in a satisfactory condition financially, but "and could have continued if someone besides only a few people had given a damn. The avenger that large student finding if we had received a minimum of support."

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A Hair-Raising Tale

HotFoodSoon

At Snack Bar

Patrons of the snack bar will be able to order hot dishes within the next two weeks. According to Mr. David Newton (Student Life), a new vending machine offering canned hot foods will be installed on the second floor.

Students will be able to make their choice from a selection of six separate items at various prices. The heated cans will be wrapped in insulating material, and a plastic spoon will be dispensed with each serving.

The new vending unit has a capacity of 172 cans.

Promethean

The deadline for the submission of prose material for the Spring issue of Promethean has been extended to Wednesday, March 13. Poetry, however, must be handed in by Friday, March 8.

Clown Notes...

At Noon in Room 201 Wagner

All members of the National Student Association will meet tomorrow at 12:30 PM in Room 201 Wagner to discuss th^ fishing trip. Those interested in the fishing trip should attend. Never must be handed in by noon.

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Promethean: A Hair-Raising Tale

By Ken Foeg

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been many others whose exits have been unheralded. And when the account is totaled, all of us might do well to take stock of what is happening to our school.

Are classes the end-all of a college education, or are there important values to be derived from the so-called extra-curricular activities? Ask the students who constantly sacrifice their time and energy to do the menial jobs that keep a student government in existence. Ask the other dedicated students whose efforts make possible even a semblance of an extra-curricular program. Ask us if we wouldn’t gladly spend the majority of our waking hours (and many when we should be sleeping) to keep alive this publication.

But there is the well-known law of diminishing returns, and there is just so much that handful of people can do. We go with an understandable bitterness, but we also go proudly. We believe that we have been of service to our colleagues and to our school. As individuals, most of us will be around for a while longer, but as a newspaper, a fine tradition has come to an end. If what we have stood for has any meaning, we hope that the often thankless job of trying to better our College will continue after our death.

Observation Post is finished. We hope that there will be some to mourn us. There is little more that we can say.

Andrew Meisels, three-time Editor-in-Chief of OP, was elected by the student body to visit the Soviet Union in the summer of 1954 and report his impressions to the College. He did this through a special series of articles published in Observation Post. Besides visiting the USSR, he traveled to Hungary, his native land.

Meisels wrote of the Russians as persons of servile faith in the Communist ideology they had been taught to accept. He found zeal rather than rebellion; dedication to Marxism and decay of religion. While he admired the rigorous and splendidly housed educational system of the Russians, he deplored the narrowness and tyranny that directed it.

In Budapest, however, there was latent resentment and stern silence in the once-joy cafes. Meisels noted at that time that the Hungarians were smoldering under the yoke, and might well erupt.

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It was a group of such men, anxious to express their opinions and determined to speak for the veterans as a whole, who founded Observation Post ten years ago today. They chose the name Observation Post, an old army term, because they felt it symbolized a position, high above the frenetic everyday occurrences, from which they could clearly see and report events of interest.

As the years passed, and the founding veterans were graduated, Observation Post underwent a period of evolution, during which it was transformed into a newspaper truly representative of the student body, making two such papers. The name, Observation Post, was retained, because it was felt that City College one of the few

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Thank You...

Three men must not be forgotten, as Observation Post celebrates its Tenth anniversary. These three—former Professor Raymond F. Purcell (Hygiene), Professor John D. Yohannan (English), and Professor Stewart C. Easton (History)—have served as faculty advisors to OP. Without their sympathetic and understanding help, OP often would have been at a great loss.

Journalists...

Many of the former Observation Post editors who have created a legend—personified something like that of "The Front Page"—are still in the journalism business. Marty Deutch is a public relations man, while Walter Porges is a radio writer. Some of those who stuck to newspaper work are Andy Meisels, an Associated Press reporter, and Selwyn Rabin, ditto for the Jersey Journal. Paul Weissler scouts the Connecticut countryside for news, while Bruno Wassertheil, Spanish text tucked under his arm, intends to explore the more lush vistas of Havana.

Once...

A few short years ago, odd-looking creatures with broad shoulders and plastic helmets roamed the wilds of Lewishaw Stadium, kicking around a bag of wind. The species became extinct at the College in 1951.
Ten Years of City College

Grand Slam!

OBSERVATION POST

Beavers Check Bradley, 71-68; Classes Suspended for Victory

By Dick Kaplan

Ecstasy reigned over the campus on March 29, 1950. The night before, the Beaver basketball team had reached heights never reached before or since in college hoop history. "GRAND SLAM!" the "Observation Post" headlined. By defeating Bradley 71-68 at Madison Square Garden, Nat Holman's Beavers had won the NCAA Tournament crown to add to the NIT championship it had collected weeks before by beating the same team. This was the only time that any team has won both of these major tournaments. "Flip Your Lids, Kids" Observation Post said.

"Victory Rally at Noon," for, in an unprecedented action, President Wright suspended all classes from 12 to 2 PM to enable the jubilant students to hold a victory rally around the North Campus flagpole. The happy-go-lucky mood which pervaded the College was most aptly expressed by an Administration spokesman who said "We haven't yet figured out how we're going to get students to attend classes in the first place—and personally, we just don't give a damn." An era in inter-collegiate athletics at the College had come to a climax, and in the process, reached a height the College probably will never see again.

Dr. Buell G. Gallagher leaves the stage of the Great Hall shortly after his inauguration on February 19, 1953 as the seventh president of the College. Dr. Gallagher assumed the duties of president in September 1952. He was selected by the Board of Higher Education after a nation-wide search among educators had been conducted to find a successor to Dr. Harry N. Wright, the sixth president of the College.
On April 11, 1949, the serenity of everyday College life was suddenly broken when the students, led by Student Council, began a strike which was to curtail classes for five days. The uprising was a protest against two of the College's faculty members, one accused of being anti-Semitic, and the other anti-Negro. Picketing became so vigorous that, as a result, sixteen students were arrested and convicted of "disorderly conduct." One of the teachers soon resigned and the other retired a few years later, leaving the way clear for one of College's most unpleasant periods of history to fade into oblivion.

In 1955, a City College alumnus gained world-wide fame for developing an effective anti-polio vaccine. Here the scientist, Dr. Jonas Salk (center) is shown with New York Governor W. Averill Harriman (left) and President Bueil G. Gallagher at last year's commencement exercises.

After almost a century of confinement to the bleak gray buildings of what is now the North Campus, the College opened its physical plant in September, 1951 with the occupancy of Manhattanville. The new green lawn provided a pleasant resting place for weary students—wary from the trek from North to South Campus. It also fulfilled the dream of countless generations of Cornells—a Student Center.
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Wrestlers Thick With Woods: Three Down, Three To Go!

By NORM WEINER

It will take awhile, but Wrestling Coach Joe Sapora can hardly wait until three brothers who plan to join his squad enter the weightroom. The reason for the coach's enthusiasm is that the trio has already wrestled admirably for the College. In fact, two of the brothers, Bernie and Pat Woods, are members of the impressive team which posted seven victories in eight decisions this season.

Bernie Woods, who at one time had a string of thirteen straight wins, started the reign of the Woods family when he was elected co-captain of the 1953 team, while he was still in high school. Pat and I came to City's gymnasium to watch Tom compete," remarked Bernie Woods. "It was their wrestling that gave us an incentive to come out for the team. However, our whole family wants to enjoy rough and tumble sports, including my father, who is an amateur boxer."

Bernie, a Lower Junior and major, emerged as the unbeaten matman this season by winning eight matches. He began wrestling in 1954, when he had the distinction of being elected the outstanding Freshman wrestler at the College and took third in the Junior Metropolitan Championships in the 147-pound division.

This Christmas Bernie represented CCNY in the Metropolitan Invitational Tournament and took first place in the 147-pound class. "Woods is the most improved man in wrestling this year," Coach Sapora said. "The boys who never could have done so well without him."

Following in the footsteps of his brother Tom, Bernie had the honor of being elected co-captain of next year's squad after the East Stroudsburg match Saturday. "My good fortune stems from Coach Sapora's excellent coaching and the fine competition of my teammates," Woods said, "and I am deeply indebted to all of them."

Although Pat Woods is graduating this year and the new co-captain can only wrestle for one more season, the name of Woods will probably appear in the College's wrestling summaries for a long time to come. "Pat and I are already training our three younger brothers," Bernie said.
Gal Hoopsters Gain 1st Win; Trounce Pratt

The College's Woman's basketball team snapped a two-year losing streak by beating Pratt 31-20 Tuesday night at the Park Gymnasium.

In the first quarter, Captain Helen Wong and Mickey Weiss provided the scoring punch that gave the Beaverettes an 11-0 lead. At the other end of the court, the three Lavender defensive players stopped Pratt from scoring. However, in the second quarter, the tide of battle changed. The Beaverette coach, Miss Laura Ham, put in six new players and the girls from Pratt, sparked by the scoring of Barbara Jones and the rebounding of Pauline Titus, closed the gap to 11-9 at the half.

Miss Ham returned the first string to the lineup to start the second half, and their superiority was clearly evident. Miss Wong and Miss Weiss resumed their torrid scoring pace and the game was no longer in doubt.

Miss Wong and Miss Weiss led the Lavender scorers with twelve points a piece, while Miss Jones tallied eleven for the losers.

The last win for the Beaverettes was against Rider two years ago. However, they beat the Alumnae earlier in the season in an exhibition game. The win brought the cagerettes' record to 4-1 this season.

—Grumer

More Yeller Needed, Shout Cheerleaders

Plans are under way to strengthen the feebie Allasses of the Lavender cheering squad.

A meeting will be held at Noon tomorrow in Room 2 Lewisohn Stadium where the novices will be trained and then tryouts for the squad will be held. The revamped yellers will consist of fifteen eager Beaverettes of both sexes.

The present squad is comprised of six roosters. Two boys were the team, but according to Captain Dreana Winfield, "they have disappeared somewhere.

The other rooters are Maria Laron, Yvonne Clary, The Fried, Lenore Sofferman, Elaine Waring.

Miss Laron, the pert brunette, on the end at most of the college's basketball games, is looking forward to the experience. "It's very hard for all of us to get to most of the games," she says. "This way, we can turn our attention to the others and there will be less of a burden for everyone.

The plight of the Cheerleaders has improved greatly during the past few weeks. "It used to be pretty lonesome, yelling out by ourselves," says the shapely brunette, "but now everyone is cheering with us and it is just great."

—Hend

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