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Gallagher Feeds Fires of Festival Controversy

With national attention focused on Jacob Rosen, President Buell G. Gallagher scored the 19-year-old junior for lowering the American flag in salute to Communist leader Khrushchev.

Rosen, a junior at the College, has been in the headlines twice—once when he lowered the American flag to salute Khrushchev and then when he and other American students defied a State Department order by accepting an invitation from the Communist government to visit that country.

Rosen is still with the group in Moscow. A statement issued by the President said in part: "... one self-appointed 'delegate' went to Moscow where the world's press cameras clicked as he carried the American flag in

proud procession, to dip in salute and homage to Mr. Khrushchev! It will be interesting to see what reaction he receives as he returns from having thus disgraced and humiliated all of us by lowering the symbol of our national sovereignty in tribute to the Kremlin."

Dr. Gallagher also reiterated charges that two student agencies at the College had been "infiltrated" in an attempt to use them to recruit participants for World Youth Festival held in Moscow this summer.

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SFCSA Elections Date Postponed Until October

Elections of student representatives to the Student Faculty Committee on Student Activities (SFCSA) have been postponed a second week. The elections, originally scheduled for May 3 and put off until the second week of this semester, will now be held October 2. The deadline for applications has been set for Friday, September 30 at 12 Noon.

The qualifications that a prospective candidate must meet are as follows:

- He must have served, or be serving, as one of the two ranking officers of a chartered organization which has been on campus for at least two semesters.
- He must be at least a Lower Freshman at the time he takes office.
- He must be able to serve a one-year term in office.
- He must attend SFCSA meetings or work with an SFCSA subcommittee during candidacy.
- He must satisfy SFCSA minimum requirements (have a "C" average and carry at least twelve credits).

In addition, a student must have served either as a member of Student Council, an officer of a second club, a member of a student-faculty committee instituted by the General Faculty or its agencies, or served as director or assistant director of a leadership training program run in co-operation with the Division of Student Activities.

Applications can be obtained in Rooms 151 and 120 Finley, and must be returned to room 120 Finley before noon of Sept. 30. The elections will be supervised by Alpha Phi Omega.

Trial May End Today:

BHE Probers Seek Proof Of Austin's Alleged Red Tie

The Board of Higher Education trial of Professor Warren B. Austin (English) on the charge of falsely denying past membership in the Communist party is expected to conclude with this afternoon's hearing.

Counsel for the prosecution and defense indicated at a hearing last Monday that a few hours of testimony and their summations remain to be heard.

Dr. Austin, a member of the faculty since 1931 when he graduated from the College, was suspended May 21 by President Buell G. Gallagher.

False Testimony Changed

The day before, a special investigatory committee of the BHE charged that the professor had given false testimony before it on three previous occasions, the first in September, 1954. The special committee has been investigating suspected communist influence in the municipal college system.

The charge is being heard by a special three-man committee of the BHE. Today's hearing is scheduled for 2 PM in the law offices of the committee chairman, Dr. Charles H. Tuttle, at 15 Broad Street. In the course of three hearings over

the summer, the sole prosecution witness has testified that Profes-



Warren B. Austin Charged With False Testimony

sor Austin was a member of the Communist party cell at the College from 1939 to January 1942. The witness is Dr. Lewis Balamuth, an admitted former Communist and member of the Physics Department from 1927 to January 1942.

Under questioning by Michael A. Castaldi, special counsel to the Board, Dr. Balamuth has testified that Professor Austin paid dues and participated in discussions at the cell meetings. Attendance at the meetings, Dr. Balamuth said, averaged six persons, although the full membership was between thirty and fifty persons.

Balamuth Admits Perjury

According to his testimony, Dr. Balamuth left the faculty after charges that he was a party member. He admits that he denied the charges in 1941 when he was questioned by the Rapp-Coudert Committee of the State Legislature and while testifying at the criminal trial of another party member.

The first time he disclosed his party membership, according to Dr. Balamuth, was in 1953 when he was called before the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee. He testified he made a clean breast of his past then and named other party associates. He indicated he

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Joseph Cavallaro Dies; New BHE Head Sought

The Board of Higher Education will move next Monday to fill the vacancy created last month by the death of Joseph B. Cavallaro. Appointed to the Board in 1946 by former Mayor William O'Dwyer, Dr. Cavallaro won election as chairman in 1953.

On the retirement of Ordway Tead, an author and editor of Harper's Magazine, as chairman of the BHE, Dr. Cavallaro, long active in Brooklyn Democratic circles, defeated Harry J. Carman, a retired Columbia University dean, for the chairmanship. Dr. Cavallaro was re-elected with an increased majority the next year, and in recent years he was returned to his post by a unanimous vote of the Board.

Several members of the BHE are likely candidates to fill the position, including its former chairman, Dr. Carman.

New Library Still Unfinished; Steel Tie-up Delays Opening

Opening day for the Morris Raphael Cohen Library has been delayed two weeks because a steel strike during the summer held up the installation of shelves. The library will not open until October 1, when it will be available on a limited basis.

Center's Wing Called Unsafe; Ceiling Sags

The southwest wing of the third floor of the Finley Student Center has been declared "in hazardous condition" by Mr. Kenneth G. Fleming, Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds. Mr. David Newton (Student Life) said that the area is temporarily sealed off and is not likely to be used this year.

The deteriorating condition of the section was discovered in the middle of August when a Burns' guard, on a routine inspection tour, noted that the ceilings in rooms 301-314 were sagging. Mr. Fleming and the Architectural unit of the College were notified of the situation

Over 360,000 books have been moved to the \$3,500,000, three-story building on the South Campus. Student employees are currently unpacking and shelving the books. Library officials expect all work to be completed within the next few weeks and have set the end of November as a tentative date for the opening of the General Circulation and General Reference Divisions.

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Stag or Drag?



The All-College "Welcome Dance and Reception," the first social event of the semester, will be held this Friday, at 8 PM, in the Grand Ballroom of the Finley Student Center.

Sponsored jointly by House Plan Association and the Student Government Social Functions Agency, the dance will be the first in a series of twelve to be scheduled this term.

Refreshments and a Square Dance caller will be featured in the newly decorated cafeteria. Bob Kirin and his five piece orchestra will provide the entertainment.

Cohen Critique of NSA: Not Student Movement

There is no student movement in the United States, was the conclusion reached by Bart Cohen, Student Government President, after attending the Tenth National Student Congress this summer.

No Direct Representation

This, he believes, is partially due to the fact that there is no direct student representation to NSA. Although its official enrollment is close to a million, the representation is indirectly through student governments and not by individual students, according to Cohen.

Conservatism and overcautiousness, he said, were the dominant tones at the Congress. Issues, such as the question of the 18-year-old vote, and the role of the con-

event, but designed by the Soviet government to further its own partisan goals in the field of international politics." Cohen disagreed, expressing his feeling that although Soviet propaganda was definitely being impressed on the Americans, the students from our country had the opportunity

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Bart Cohen
Criticizes NSA

scientious objector, were dismissed because the Congress felt that they were outside the scope of NSA, which concerns "the student in his role as a student." Cohen feels that the narrow interpretation of "the student role," held by the majority of the delegates to the Congress this year, excluded the student from taking stands on vital issues.

No Delegate to Moscow

One of the issues voted upon and passed was the resolution upholding the NSA's refusal to send a delegate to the Moscow Youth Festival. The Congress felt that the festival was "not a student

Retiring Professor Claims Children Fear Mathematics

Professor William H. Fagerstrom, (Mathematics) retiring October 1, after twenty-seven years of teaching at the College, concludes that children dislike mathematics because their parents do.

Forty-seven years in the teaching profession have convinced him that youngsters learn to fear mathematics in the home. "Parents," he asserted, "remember their own math troubles in school and unconsciously pass this attitude along to their children."

Math a Mental Block

Dr. Fagerstrom says that parents should encourage children to look upon math as a game that will be useful to them in later life. He points out that youth would find math "no harder than other subjects if not for a mental block which inhibited their learning abilities."

"The prospect of tackling a math problem frightens most people," he explained, "when in fact the simplicity and logic inherent in mathematics should make it more enjoyable and less taxing than 'fact' courses."

The Professor is chairman of the contest committee of the Mathematical Association of America, which sponsors an annual math contest for 43,000 high school youngsters in the U.S. and Canada. He feels that the attention given

Campus Thefts On Increase: Student Life

A large number of crimes have occurred during the past two weeks, Dean James S. Peace (Student Life) reported. Measures taken to apprehend the culprits are being kept secret, in order to facilitate operations.

Administrator Mugged

Two weeks ago Mr. Walter Rifkin, Evening Session Central Treasurer, was mugged while on campus. He was struck from behind by two boys while crossing from one building to another. Mr. Rifkin started to shout, and the two attackers fled. They have not been apprehended.

The theft of a set of Encyclopedia Britannica from Professor Coleman Parsons (English) is the only major theft reported. Minor thefts involving wallets, girls' pocketbooks, and a sports jacket were numerous.

Dean Peace urged students to be alert and report anything of a suspicious nature. He further cautioned students to guard their personal belongings to prevent further increases in the frequency of thefts and to refrain from using books to reserve seats in the cafeteria. Girls were warned to keep their duffel bag-style pocketbooks closed and within sight.

Magyars...

Three new Hungarian students have been awarded scholarships to the College by World University Service. This makes a total of eight Hungarian students at the College who have been awarded these grants since the scholarship was instituted in the winter of 1956, following the revolt in Hungary.

to nuclear and atomic physics and the reputed shortage of scientists and engineers has caused an increased popularity in mathematics since World War II. He also contends that the math teachers of today are better trained than ever before and that this has also helped to generate interest in the subject.

Popular Faculty Member

His interest and participation in extra-curricular activities during his years at the College have earned him a reputation as one of the most popular members of the faculty among the students. Among numerous other extra-curricular pursuits, he has acted as faculty advisor to the Newman Club and Theta Kappa Phi fraternity.

No Student Hopeless

The professor and his wife will settle in McAllen, Texas upon his retirement, but he will miss the college and its students.

"I can't ever remember giving up on a student as being hopeless in mathematics," he asserted. "Nor do I feel that there is such a thing. There may be hopeless teachers, but not hopeless students," he said.



THE MIXTURE AS BEFORE

Today begins my fourth year of writing this column and, as before, I will continue to explore the issues that grip the keen young mind of campus America—burning questions like "Should housemothers be forced to retire at 28?" and "Should pajamas and robes be allowed at first-hour classes?" and "Should proctors be armed?" and "Should picnicking be permitted in the stacks?" and "Should teachers above the rank of associate professor be empowered to perform marriages?" and "Should capital punishment for pledges be abolished?"



Should capital punishment for pledges be abolished?

Philip Morris Incorporated sponsors this column. Philip Morris Incorporated makes Philip Morris cigarettes. They also make Marlboro cigarettes. Marlboro is what I am going to talk to you about this year.

Before beginning the current series of columns, I made an exhaustive study of Marlboro advertising. This took almost four minutes. The Marlboro people don't waste words. They give it to you fast: "You get a lot to like in a Marlboro... Filter... Flavor... Flip-top Box."

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So, with the Marlboro story quickly told, let us turn immediately to the chief problem of undergraduate life—the money problem. This has always been a vexing dilemma, even in my own college days. I recall, for example, a classmate named Oliver Hazard Sigafos, a great strapping fellow standing 14 hands high, who fell in love with a beautiful Theta named Nikki Spillane, with hair like beaten gold and eyeballs like two tablespoons of forgetfulness.

Every night Oliver Hazard would take Nikki out to dine and dance, and then to dine again, for dancing made Nikki ravenous. Then they would go riding in the swan boats, and then Nikki, her appetite sharpened by the sea air, would have 8 or 10 cutlets, and then Oliver Hazard would take her home, stopping on the way to buy her a pail of oysters or two.

To raise money for these enchanted evenings, Oliver Hazard took on a number of part-time jobs. Between classes he cut hair. After school he gutted perches. From dusk to midnight he vulcanized medicine balls. From midnight to dawn he trapped night crawlers.

This crowded schedule took, alas, a heavy toll from Oliver Hazard. In the space of a month he dwindled from 260 to 104 pounds—but that, curiously enough, proved his salvation.

Today Oliver Hazard is a jockey, earning a handsome living which, combined with what he makes as a lymph donor after hours, is quite sufficient to curb Nikki's girlish appetite. Today they are married and live in Upper Marlboro, Maryland, with their two daughters, Filter and Flavor, and their son, Flip-top Box.

The makers of Marlboro take pleasure in bringing you this free-wheeling, uncensored column every week during the school year... And speaking of pleasure, have you tried a Marlboro?

Book Exchange...

The Used Book Exchange will be operating in Rooms 423 and 424 Finley this week at the following hours:

- Monday, September 16—Buying and Selling—10:30-4.
- Tuesday, September 16—Buying and Selling—10:30-4 and 6-8.
- Wednesday, September 18—Selling only—10:30-4.
- Thursday, September 19—Selling only—10:30-4.

Moscow Festival...

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 In an address delivered before the National Student Association Congress at Ann Arbor, Dr. Gallagher, who had denounced the Moscow Festival this spring, said, "The groundwork had been carefully laid through infiltration both by the International Relations Agency and of the local committee of World University Service. The IRA was then used to carry the message from Moscow about the World Youth Festival." Rosen was chairman of the IRA at that time.
 The allegations are believed to refer to two City College juniors:

Rosen and Fred Jerome, a National Student Association delegate and News Editor of the Campus, an undergraduate newspaper at the College.

Jerome, who attended the press conference, neither confirmed nor denied the charges. When later questioned, he said he had "no comment to make at the present time."

A story circulated in July by the International News Service named Jerome as the "East coast recruiter" for the Festival and said that Jerome rented a post office box under the assumed name of Walter Hirsch.

An OP Special

Prof's Eye-View of Soviet Union

By SHELLY HALPERN

While American newspapers were beginning to be aware of Nikita Krushchev's surge to power early this summer, Professor Samuel Hendel (Chairman, Government), gleaned a different impression during a summer trip to Russia and Yugoslavia. As Dr. Hendel saw it, an upheaval was in the offing; but it was Krushchev who seemed to be on his way out.

Professor Hendel visited the Soviet Union on a grant from the Inter-University Committee on Travel Grants. The grant, financed by the Carnegie Fund, was made to enable scholars teaching courses dealing with the Soviet Union to gain first hand impressions of the country and its people.

Russians Friendly, But . . .

According to Professor Hendel, the Soviet people were extraordinarily friendly, but it was difficult to hold open, frank discussions in casual encounters. The people he met through personal contacts were much more disposed to openly discuss events of political and social significance, but they preferred to talk in a park or a crowded square where they would not be observed.

Through these discussions he found that many Russians have a distorted picture of the United States. "Many of them," he said, "cannot believe that many American workers drive automobiles. (In the Soviet Union cars are far too expensive except for a few people.)" He feels that this distortion is a direct result of the close reins the government keeps on communication media. "Intellectuals are better informed," he added, because many of them listened to the BBC and Voice of America Broadcasts.

Desire for Peace

All Soviet people that he met placed a "tremendous emphasis on the desire for peace, especially in Leningrad which was severely razed by the Second World War.

Dr. Hendel was constantly asked about the truth of Krushchev's

statement that the Soviet Union would soon overtake the United States in its production of milk, butter and meat. Another recurring question concerned the race prob-



Professor Samuel Hendel
Summers in Russia

lem in the United States.

The people were looking forward expectantly to the World Youth Festival, he said. Buildings were being constructed and cleaned in preparation for the Festival and trips were planned from all over the Soviet Union to Moscow for the festivities.

In spite of the close watch kept by the USSR on information from abroad, Professor Hendel said that many visas were granted to severe critics of the regime.

"The government went to great lengths to be accommodating, even though some requests were not granted. We were restricted from

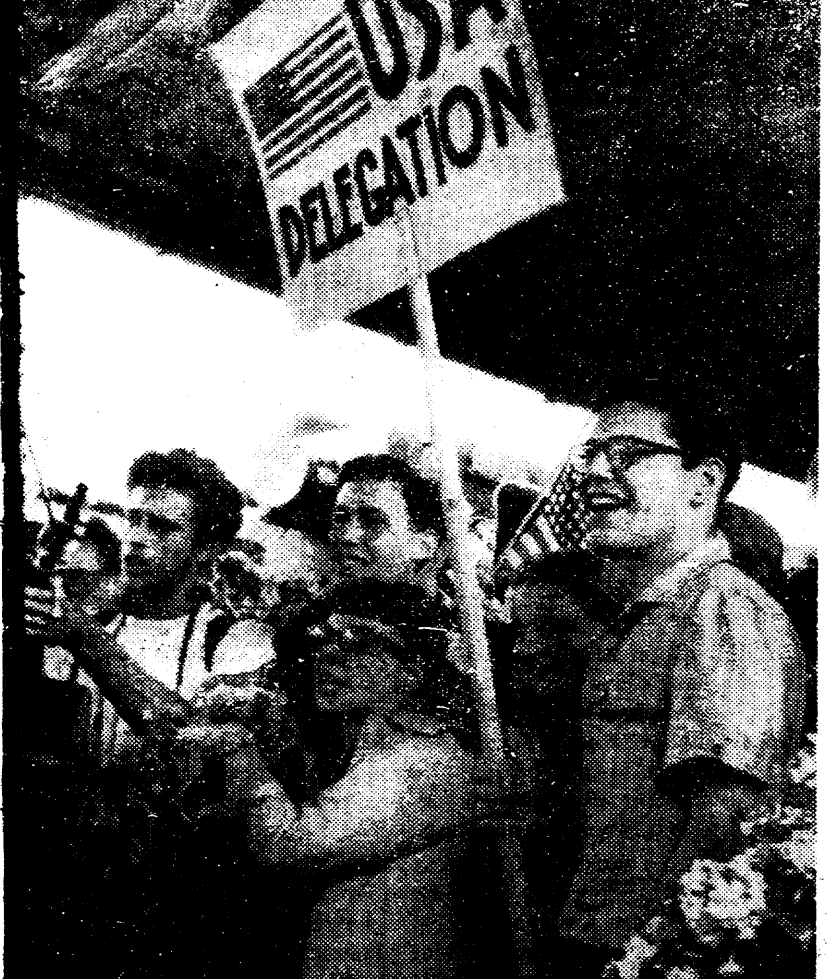
visiting certain areas," he said, "but we were free to move about as we chose in the unrestricted area."

Touring the USSR, Dr. Hendel thought the standard of living low by American standards, but not far below that of western Europe. He felt that statistics published in American newspapers are misleading because they ignore the fact that so much effort has gone into industrial development in the Soviet Union and that a variety of social services are available to many Soviet citizens at little or no cost.

Entertainment Inexpensive

He found fallacious the assumption that prices are consistently high in the Soviet Union. He remarked that while clothing and food are very expensive, prices are unusually low in cultural areas. Theater tickets, records, and most forms of entertainment in general are inexpensive, even by American standards, he noted.

Traveling through Yugoslavia, Professor Hendel found that while it showed marked evidences of a dictatorship, the people spoke much more openly and frankly than in the USSR. "They are more backward economically," he said, "but much more closely allied with the West socially and culturally."



Jake Rosen (right), in Moscow with US group for the Festival.

Freshman in Moscow:

Believes Russian Fete Aided Peace

An entering freshman, who attended the World Youth Festival in Moscow this summer, feels that it did a "great deal" to further the cause of peace. This, Peter Steinberg, a history major, believes greatly outweighed any helpful propaganda the Soviet Union may have gained from it.

The United States' delegation was constantly met with cries of "mir"—the Russian word for peace, he said. The

Russians make a sharp distinction between the American government and the American people, Steinberg added, and, while suspicious of our government, are confident of the people and believe they are not armongers.

Steinberg thinks that exchange groups are of great value in getting acquainted with the people of other countries, especially since the groups have so much to learn from one another.

He feels that it was a great mistake for the American government not to have supported the delegation, since the group would have made a much better impression were it government-backed.

"It would have been wonderful if the Student Council would have sent an observer to the Festival," he added. According to Steinberg, the Russian students have a "tremendous interest" in Americans. The sixteen-year-old student believes an exhibit of at least some aspects of American culture would have been an invaluable asset.

The American group, he notes,

was constantly asked for dance instruction as well as rock-and-roll and jazz records.

Pete said the approximately 160-member delegation covered every shade of the political spectrum. No one person could speak for the delegation or take any action in the name of the delegation.

"Jake Rosen was one of the eight man committee elected by the entire group, and was chosen leader by the committee. His public relations work was responsible in large measure for the respect received by the group as a whole. He was respected by the majority of the delegation, who thought he did a good job," said Steinberg.

The delegates paid their own fare to the Soviet Union and were guests of that country once they arrived, although there was a nominal Festival charge of \$30.

Steinberg said that there were planned trips mornings and afternoons, but the delegates were free to use their time as they wished.

Generally, there were meetings between various delegations in the morning and sightseeing trips to collective and state farms, museums and historical sites.



Peter Steinberg
They Wanted Jazz

afternoon. Steinberg feels that the

dipping episode, emphasized in reports from Moscow, was merely a matter of courtesy to Premier Nikita Krushchev. He believes that although there were some who criticized this action, the majority of the American delegates approved of it.

Steinberg found that the students did not have much criticism of their own government. "They were filled with a tremendous optimism and patriotism," he said.

The attitude of the Russian students toward the invasion of Hungary differed sharply from that of the West's. Steinberg said the Russians felt it was an absolute necessity for the Soviet Government to intervene in Hungary, otherwise, fascists, in the person of former landowners, would have taken over. They felt also, he added, that Krushchev is doing a good job, "but is not as loved as Stalin was."

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Anti-Discrimination Post Given to Gov't Professor

Professor John A. Davis (Government) has been appointed to the State Commission Against Discrimination (SCAD). Dr. Davis, a member of the faculty, since 1953, was selected by Governor Harriman on July 19 to serve on the five year group.

Dr. Davis will be one of two Negro members serving on the Commission. The other is Elmer A. Carter, who was appointed by former Governor Thomas E. Dewey.

Professor Davis was Assistant Director of the New York State Commission Against Discrimination in Employment, in 1942. The present SCAD, which was formed in 1945 under a provision of the Ives-Quinn law, is an outgrowth of this original Commission.

Regrettable Incident

Dr. Davis has encountered discrimination more than once. On one occasion, aboard a train bound from Washington, the light-skinned Professor Davis was seated in a car set aside for Negroes. Trouble ensued when the conductor, who did not believe that Professor Davis was Negro, ordered the Professor out of the car. Dr. Davis refused and was subsequently forced to leave the train.

"Lots of incidents of this type happen to people in my line of work," remarked Prof. Davis. "It's regrettable."

During the war, Dr. Davis was

engaged in work on the Fair Employment Practices Commission. Since then, he has conducted a study of aging people, acted as



Prof. John A. Davis
Appointed to SCAD

a consultant to the Department of State on fair employment practices in foreign service, and directed historical and political research for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

On September 6, Professor Davis was elected to the executive council of the American Political Science Association.

Admission Standards Raised For Term's Entering Frosh

The College's admission standards have been raised this fall in the face of an increased number of applications. Over 2,030 freshmen are now enrolled in Uptown Day Session—a number approximately equal to last year's.

Next fall's entering class will take the Scholastic Aptitude Test of the College Entrance Examination Board. "The type of examination," said Mr. Robert Taylor (Reg-

istrar), "will remain one of general comprehension."

Mr. Taylor said that this year's number of applicants rose ten percent over last year's, forcing a stiffening of requirements. Admission is based on a composite score, made up of an applicant's high school average and the grade achieved on an entrance exam. The minimum score for admission was increased from 162 to 168.

Citing the increased number of applications as a reflection of a national trend, Mr. Taylor also noted the increased enrollment in the School of Technology. This year 950 freshmen chose engineering, an increase of forty-one over last year's freshman. Liberal Arts aspirants decreased from 691 to 620, but the School of Liberal Arts and Science still leads in total enrollment, 3,520 to 3,400.

Plans for enlarging facilities at the College include the construction of a Technology building on the site where the Bowker Library and the Drill Hall now stand.

Insurance Plan Offered by SG

Student Government is again offering the Accident and Health Insurance Plan which was introduced last semester.

The plan, designed to cover accidents and sickness, provides up to \$500 for each accident. Coverage for illness includes bills for hospital room and board, surgical operations, ambulance expenses, and physicians' fees.

The current plan includes revisions in rate and time. The insurance, which will be sold on an annual basis, costs \$23.22 for males and \$18.10 for females.

Bells . . .

Miss Barbara L. Gallagher, daughter of President and Mrs. Buell G. Gallagher, was married yesterday to F. Tomasson Junnuzi at the Riverside Church. Pres. Gallagher, an ordained minister of the Congregational Church, performed the ceremonies. The couple will reside temporarily in London, England.

Personnel Shift Switches Slade

Mr. Walter I. Stalb has been named to replace Mr. Irving Slade as Central Treasurer of the College. Mr. Slade will fill the gap created when Mr. Philip Brunstetter left the Department of Student Life. A former Business Manager of the College, Mr. Stalb came out of retirement in October 1954 to assume the position of Business Manager of the Finley Center.

The move as explained by Mr. Slade, is expected to streamline financial transactions and permit a more workable scholarship and loan guidance program. The action has effected a merger between the Central Treasurer's office and the Finley Center Business Manager. Thus Mr. Slade will be free to devote the greater part of his energies to scholarship counselling and freshman orientation.

Work Increases Fourfold

Commenting on the shift, Mr. Slade explained, "Since I assumed control of the Central Treasurer's office four years ago, the volume of transactions there has increased fourfold. It was felt that someone more highly trained in bookkeeping and accounting was needed, to cope with the increase, since I have been trained mainly in personnel work. This would leave me more time for counselling and guidance in the Department of Student Activities, where I am needed most."

Hazard . . .

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tion and, after an investigation, declared the section "unsafe."

The ceilings have begun to sag because of the removal of walls supporting a false ceiling placed in that section by the original owners, the Manhattanville College of the Sacred Heart. The walls were removed to enlarge classroom areas.

Mr. Newton suggested an alternate possibility to repairing the section—completely redesigning the area and transforming it into a lodge room or theater. This would involve removing all the walls and the false ceiling, restoring the section to its original size and laying bare its former dome-shaped ceiling.

The transformation suggestion will be brought before the Board of Estimate at its first meeting, scheduled for early October.



Advice to '61

By Dave Gross

Welcome Freshmen, welcome to the chaos and confusion of life City College, the last outpost of Gothic architecture and liberalism, the advance guard of jazz and the atomic age in institutions of high learnings.

As a so-called elder statesman at the College, I am supposed to impart to you some words of wisdom, tricks of the trade or whatever else it might be called. There are only two things, however, which stand you in good stead as you ply your way through college life. First and perhaps most important, rely for the most part on your own judgment in the things that you do here, disregarding the advice of friends, relatives and Upper Sophomores. And secondly, remember that college life is different from anything you have previously encountered.

In several respects this entering class will have many opportunities which students two or three years ago did not have. With the acquisition of a new campus, containing yards of promenade grounds, a modern library which will swing into full operation by the time you become Upper Freshmen, and the obtaining of a nuclear reactor (one of a few in institutions of higher education) for engineering and science majors to play with in their advanced courses, the College is able to offer an expanded curriculum and social program.

There are other areas, however, where the College has regressed, especially in the field of academic freedom. But you have just completed through the most exasperating period of the college semester, probably don't give a good damn about school politics and the intricacies of the Board of Higher Education and the Student Council.

Later in your college career, perhaps in your Upper Sophomore term and definitely in your Junior year, you will get the opportunity to select your courses and, more important, you will be able to select your instructors. This is an item, perhaps, which should have been listed earlier as something to tuck away in the back of your mind to use when the time arrives.

Although in most classes it is up to the student how much he wants to put into a course and how much he will take from it, there will be many times when getting the "right" instructor will mean the difference between an "A" or a "C" and having an interesting term or a boring one. It might be blasphemous to advocate the careful selection of instructors, but the advice is given against the background of four college years and several impossible, incompetent instructors.

There are a variety of reasons why students enroll at City College. Some cannot finance going to an out-of-town college, others have family concerns and there are the rare few who realize the academic worth of the College. Out of the polyglot of personalities who come to the College several types of student will emerge—the studious, conscientious student, the social and extra-curricular man. But whatever you do here will have no worth unless you take away from the College an understanding and philosophy of the world which is outside the college boundaries.

The College, you must come to realize in your four years here, is not just an institution for formal classroom activities or a place where social pickings are in abundance. It is an institution for humanization and maturation, where all that will take place here will be merged into a philosophy you will live with the rest of your life.

Welcome, Freshmen, to the orientation assembly of the world.

Cohen's Criticism of NSA . . .

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to do some propagandizing of their own.

At a press conference held last week, Cohen also mentioned the forty-one Americans traveling in China. He expressed his approval of the trip referring to it as an "educational opportunity" which should be taken advantage of. The Congress in its resolution concerning the tourists in China, stated that to make student exchange possible, the ban on travel would have to be lifted. "but it deplores

the attempts to alter existing regulations by violating them.

Cohen called the final resolution on Academic Freedom "watered down," and cited it as an epitome of the conservative attitude at the Congress. "When NSA had a chance to come up with a really meaningful, principled resolution they compromised with principle," said Cohen. Major clauses dealing with the treatment of subversive groups on campus were completely omitted from the final edition of the resolution.

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Drive . . .

A Driver Education program, sponsored by Student Government, is scheduled to begin by the end of October. Students desiring information are requested to leave their names and addresses in the SG box in Room 151, Finley.

BHE Approves 3 Appointments

The appointment of three new Assistant Deans at the College has been announced by President Buell G. Gallagher.

Dr. William E. Colford (Romance Languages), an Associate Professor and former Chairman of the Department, has been appointed as the new assistant dean in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Dr. Arthur Mallon (Education) will serve as assistant dean in the School of Education.

The third newly named administrative official is Dr. Seymour Hyman (Chemical Engineering) appointed to the position of assistant dean in the School of Technology.

The posts were created by the Board of Higher Education (BHE). The appointments of the new deans were approved by the BHE at its May meeting and the officials took office September 1.

Prof. Perfects Pedigree Pets In Cellar Lab

The world's first pedigreed protozoa have been introduced by Professor James A. Dawson (Chmn., Biology) with his home-bred amoebae and paramecia.

The cultures, which are ideally suited for experimentation due to their uniformity, are the result of thirty years of work which began at Harvard University. As an instructor there, Prof. Dawson became aware of the many problems encountered by laboratory classes.

The specimens that were being used had to be purchased from a biological supply house in Nebraska at a cost of two dollars per bottle. Because of the expense involved, and the fact that specimens often perished during shipment, Prof. Dawson decided to solve the problem by growing his own cultures. Eventually the experiments found their way into the basement of his home in Floral Park, Queens.

Several small finger bowls served as containers for Professor Dawson's initial work. He experimented with a few culture mediums, in the beginning exposing them to varying combinations of heat, light and food concentrations. Discarding several unsuccessful methods, Professor Dawson was rewarded with thriving cultures of amoebae after six weeks of careful experimentation.

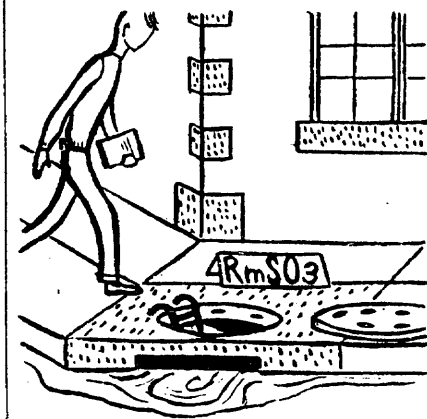
Professor Dawson brought his cultures with him when he came to the College in 1929. Because he continued his breeding program, the fine specimens used in the College's biology laboratories today are the direct descendants of the 1926 vintage.

Sewer Depths Explored By 'Designing' Professor

By JERRY BIELAWSKI

Since the middle of last semester, Tuesday afternoon spectators on St. Nicholas Terrace and Convent Avenue may have gaped at what appeared to be a reenactment of Victor Hugo's "Les Miserables." But it is Professor Bernard Kaplan (Civil Engineering) who enters the murky depths of the sewer—and not the ghost of Jean Valjean.

It all began when the Professor first descended the sewer at 140 Street and Convent Ave. Unlike Hugo's hero he was not pursued,



but lowered himself into the tunnel of his own volition.

Professor Kaplan is in charge of designing a model plant for sewage treatment which will be included in the proposed new technology building.

He explains that the easiest and most inexpensive way to obtain impure water with the same composition as sewage water is to tap the sewers near the location of the proposed building. He has been

running tests to determine the strength and concentration of impurities as well as the volume of flow of the local sewage.

Coupled with this method of research is a theory for processing sewage water to drinkable water. According to Professor Kaplan, the sewage treatment plants in every town are located as far away as possible from those designed for the purification of drinking water. He maintains, however, that sewage water, once properly treated can be purified for personal use.

On the basis of this theory, the sewage treatment pilot plant will be located near another pilot plant designed to investigate the purification of water for drinking.

Professor Kaplan feels that the country-wide water shortage would rapidly become non-existent if the full reclamation of sewage were effected, but he realizes that the "psychological barrier" of the public must be overcome before any real progress can be made.

"The attitude of the public regarding reclaimed sewage water is obviously a negative one," he said, "and research in mass education techniques must necessarily accompany a campaign for the use of 'washed water' for drinking."

Austin Trial . . .

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was not sure whether he identified Dr. Austin at that time.

The strategy of the defense counsel, Ephraim S. London, has been to attack the credibility of Dr. Balamuth. The witness has been read information about his past activities that he gave the Subcommittee and asked if he was truthful in 1941 when replying to questions about these activities. The witness repeatedly has had to admit he gave false testimony to the questions.

Dr. Balamuth has said he lied in 1941 because he was "under party discipline" and that such action was "in accordance with my beliefs at that time."

Communist Picnic?

Part of the evidence submitted by Castaldi, the prosecuting attorney, is a picture showing several people at a picnic allegedly organized by the party cell at the College. Dr. Balamuth has identified himself, Dr. Austin, and some persons known as Communists, in the picture.

Dr. Austin told the BHE committee which had investigated his past activities that to his best recollection the picnic had been arranged for the benefit of Spanish Civil War veterans.

The only witness called by the defense so far has been Professor Samuel Middlebrook, acting chairman of the English Department. Dr. Middlebrook testified that, so far as he knew, Dr. Austin's reputation "for integrity, veracity and loyalty" among the members of the English Department was "good."

On May 23, three days after Dr. Austin's suspension, forty of his colleagues in the English Department

drafted a resolution endorsing Dr. Austin's character and professional competence.

The resolution, in part, expressed their "genuine regard for Dr. Austin as a man who has displayed to the best of our knowledge, the highest personal integrity in all his dealings with us and with his students, and who has never given us cause to question his loyalty to the Government of the United States."

This afternoon, Dr. Balamuth is scheduled to take the stand again for further cross-examination by London. At the weekend it could not be learned what further witnesses will be called to testify.

The defense counsel has declined to reveal any information about future events that may be taken as "trying the case out of court." The prosecution is known to have subpoenaed four additional witnesses to appear at the trial.

But at last Monday's hearing, two attorneys who each represent two of the four subpoenaed persons, asked that their clients be excused. Both attorneys said their clients would plead the fifth amendment if asked about political associations. The only result of their appearance, the attorneys said, would be unnecessary exposure and embarrassment.

Castaldi and London last week were trying to arrange a closed session where the four persons could testify without risk of public exposure if they pleaded the fifth amendment.

Earlier this summer, Castaldi had planned to call another "major witness." However, the witness, Dr. David Nathan, a former professor at the College, died July 1.

CURTAIN GOING UP!

Some of us resent this interruption in our summer vacations, others have looked forward to this day since we are glad that the academic year has started, we will be happier yet when it ends.

The Buildings & Grounds men have been busy over the summer. New fences have been built on the South Campus to protect the greensward. But progress has its price, and the barriers also impede the student body from following their natural inclination and walking between buildings by the shortest route.

Although work on the Morris Raphael Cohen library has been slowed, the building is now expected to open for limited use in a few weeks. No municipal construction ever seems to finish on time, and if the library opens only a month late, it will still set some sort of record.

Another faculty member, not as distinguished as the late Professor Cohen but nonetheless devoted, is in trouble as the academic year opens. Warren Austin, assistant professor of English, stands trial today on charges that he lied about Communist party membership. Dr. Austin has taught here for twenty-five years, and he is on trial for his professional life. Those of you who may be interested in this quasi-judicial proceeding are welcome to attend today's session, at 2 PM in room 3008 at 15 Broad Street.

There is also an election coming up soon. Students will be campaigning for positions on what we call the SFCSA, the Student Faculty Committee on Student Activities. This group has some power in the area of student affairs, power which should be exercised by students. The structure and procedure of the SFCSA have been much improved in recent years, largely due to pressure from the *Observation Post*. Eligible members of the student body run in this election, and *OP* urges them to consider doing so.

The new term gives all of us a chance to ponder the question of our own participation in our College. To too many of us, CCNY is a stop on the subway. Despite our other competing valid interests, this need not be so. As a commuter college, City does not automatically provide the 'advantages' of campus life and the academic community. The student must provide this for himself. One excellent way is by becoming involved in the student activities of the College. The newspapers are an excellent way to start, but in whatever way you want to manifest your interest, it is unlikely that your time will be wasted.

One last point. This, above all, is an academic community. We are here to learn, if not a trade or vocation, then a way of life. These are the years in which we are charged with acquiring the background knowledge of our world which we will need to live as educated men. At City, culture is not dispensed with a shovel. It is something that the student must find for himself. Many of us, studying or playing the year round, never know what we missed until our four years are up. Take this chance, the start of a new year, to think about where you are, what you are doing, and what you can learn.

Soccer, Track, Basketball Pilots Optimistic

SOCCKER

Despite facing what Coach Harry Karlin calls "a very tough schedule," the soccer team remains "optimistic" about its chances of repeating last year's tournament-winning performance.

Four men from last year's squad have been lost through graduation. They are Wolfgang Wostl at inside left, Novak Masanovich at the center forward slot, right half-back Robert Lemestre, and goalie Charlie Thorne.

Wostl's post at inside left will be filled by newcomer Gabor Schlusser, and Heinz Minnerop will take over for Masanovich at center forward. The right halfback assignment will fall to either Isaac

Clark or Claude Spinoza. For the goalie's slot, Dr. Karlin foresees a three-way tussle among Leon Manfredi, Eli Stark, and Wally Wolke.



Coach Harry Karlin
'Tough Schedule Ahead'

Returning from last year's team will be forwards Billy Sund, Fred Bonnet, Danny McElain, Erich Bienstock, Manfred Lobel, and Pelagrino Papa, and backs John Paranos, George Biritis, Stan Dawkins, Saul Fein and Manfred Munters.

The term's action will get under way on Saturday, when the booters meet Hofstra in a practice game.

TRACK

An "enthusiastic and hard-working" cross-country squad will open their season with hopes of matching the record of last year's undefeated team.

Their first match, October 12, pits them against Hunter, Brooklyn and Queens in a home field

quadrangular meet. Last year, the Lavender Harriers beat Queens by one point and the Knights are expected to be the team to beat.

Will Miss Hurford

According to coach Harry deGirolamo, his Lavender squad will miss number one man, Rick Hurford, but the mentor remains optimistic because most of his top-flight men are back.

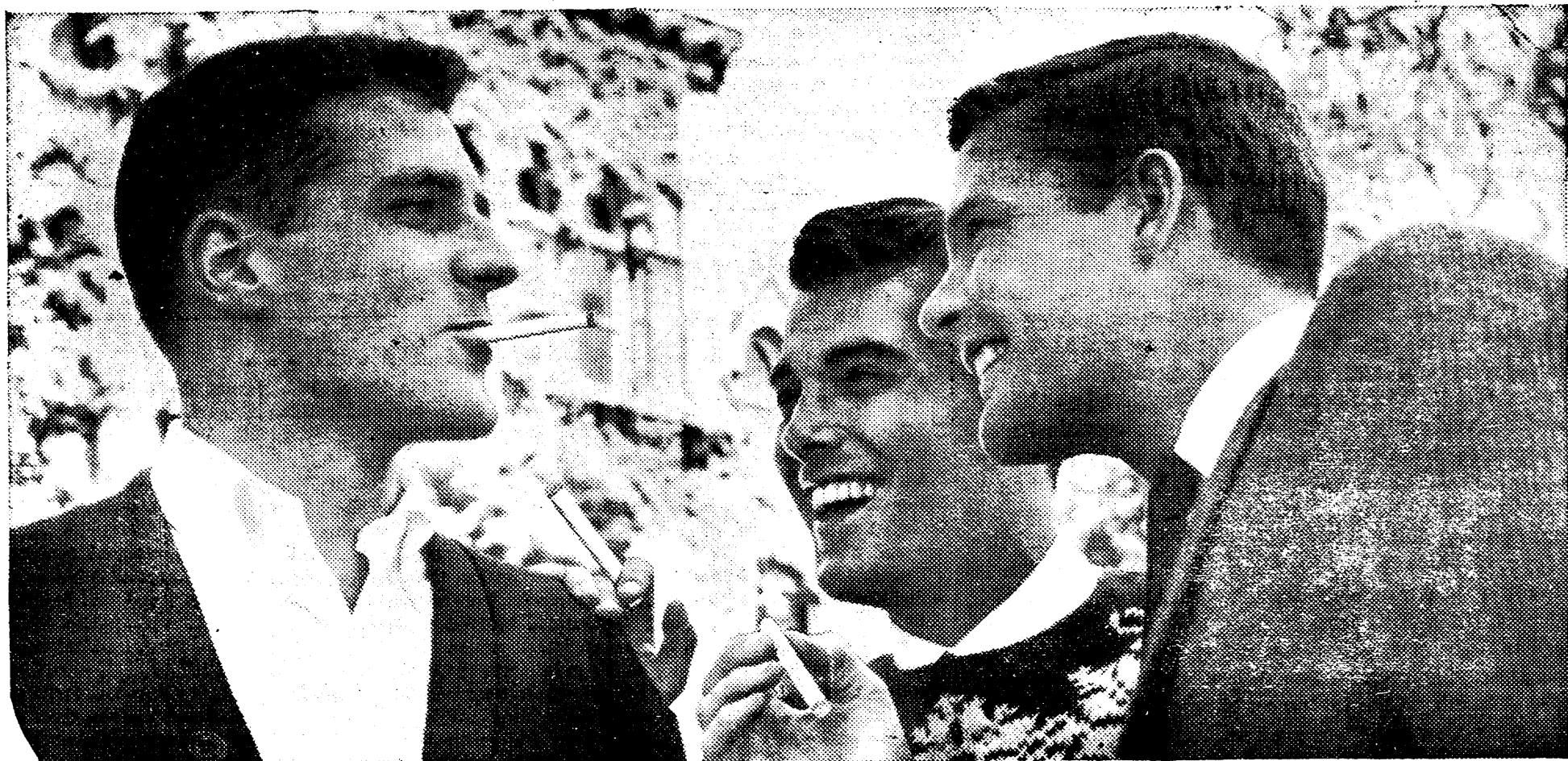
Dr. deGirolamo looks to co-captains Randy Crosfield and Ralph Taylor, the top men, to lead the team. Returning also are Tom Dougherty, Len Turner, Marv Holland and Bob Ryerson. A newcomer from Evening Session, Bob Cleary, is also expected to help as is freshman Cliff Wilkens.

BASKETBALL

There promises to be a wide-scramble for starting berths on year's Lavender basketball squad. The core of the team that compiled an 11-7 regular season's record winter may not be intact, coach Dave Polansky still has several regulars who can spark the team to another fine season.

Joe Bennardo worked with Co Polansky at a camp this summer and is shaping up as one of the mainstays of the team. Polansky also looks for Hector Lewis to Syd Levy's big shoes at center. Silver will also be returning, there is the possibility that S Friedman will be back on the team.

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World Jr. Chess Titlist Likes to "Meet People"

William Lombardy, a Junior at the College who likes to meet people, met and defeated the players of eleven other countries to win the World Junior Chess Championship in Toronto, Canada. The round-robin competition was held August 3-16.

Lombardy, who checkmated the players of Russia, Sweden and Germany among others, has been playing chess for six years. When asked why he plays in competition, Lombardy simply explained he likes the game.

Baseball and Records

Lombardy, who also played in World Student Team Championship games in Iceland this year in which the United States' team placed fifth, is majoring at present in the social sciences.

Though he is not sure if he will continue with his present course of study, there is at least one thing which he is sure of: He



William Lombardy Met the Enemy . . .

hopes to play in the tournament for the United States Championship which will be held in New York next Christmas.

—Wermuth

Senior . . .

The 1958 Senior Class Orientation Program will be held in the Grand Ballroom, Room 101 Finley, Thursday, at 12:30 PM. An agenda for the coming year will be presented. President Buell G. Gallagher will be a guest speaker.

Tower Timer Ticks At Last

After waiting two and one-half years to find out what time it is, students will no longer be left in the dark. The century-old clock on the Finley tower was repaired during the summer and will be running for the first time in the memory of veteran collegiates. The clock has a luminous face and so Evening Session students will be able to avail themselves of its use.

In a second move, fences were erected at various points on the South Campus, to protect the lawns.

The study lounge located in rooms 213-214 Finley has had its ceilings sound-proofed.

Varsity Club Aids Lettermen; Social Programing Expanded

The Varsity Club, to keep its members happy off the field, is planning to expand its program of social events. The change in policy will bring the club closer to a fraternal type of organization, according to Sam Berkowitz, Varsity Club President.

With a fuller social calendar, Berkowitz hopes to entice most or all of the eligible lettermen into the organization. Another innovation Berkowitz will initiate this semester is an athletic assembly through which he hopes to arouse more interest in the Freshmen in the sports of the College, both as players and spectators, than in previous terms. At the assembly, to be held at some future date, demonstrations of each of the various

sports at the College will be presented.

Little-known among the Club's various functions is the help that the Varsity Club gives visiting collegiate athletes. A committee, appointed by the organization, serves as host in acquainting the athletes with the College and its facilities.

The Club also acts as a "lobby" for the athletes at Student Government and other College policy-making groups.

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Posters' Squad Changing Rules

A more democratic method of electing cheerleaders has been announced by the Squad. In the past, there were no openings, an accomplished cheerleader could not be the team.

Now, however, there will be try-outs each term, with the regulars of the team competing against candidates.

Students Invited

All students are invited to enter candidates' classes. After a period of learning the tricks of the trade, the prospective rooters are given the opportunity to try out.

There are currently openings on the squad. Information about joining the club may be obtained at the Varsity Club's office in Lewisohn Stadium.

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Holman Extends Leave of Absence; Will Go To Japan For State Dept.

O Portrait

By JERRY ESKENAZI

The State Department is sending more aid to Asia—in the person of the College's Nat Holman. Professor Holman has been invited by the U.S. government to help with the basketball program in the high schools and colleges of Japan. "Mr. Basketball" is extending his leave of absence—which expired August 31—to January 31, 1958.

This move has once again raised the question of whether Holman and the Lavender are permanently parted.

In an interview, the erstwhile Beaver coach spoke of the trip, scheduled to begin October 1.

"I look upon it as a challenge and honor. It gives me the opportunity to do public relations for our country—the fellows in the State Department feel the trip will be a good will gesture on our part.

"Specifically, it will be my job to help get basketball in Japan on a level footing on both the secondary school and collegiate levels. I will also help coach the Japanese national team in the Asiatic Games—a program of events somewhat like our Olympics."

Grand-Slam

The high point in Nat Holman's 38-years of coaching occurred in the 1949-'50 season with the unprecedented "Grand-Slam" of basketball—his Beavers copped both the NIT and NCAA tournaments. In 1950, Prof. Holman was named "Coach of the Year" by the Philadelphia basketball writers.

The infamous scandal the following year, after which Coach Holman was suspended—and subsequently reinstated three years later—signalled the end of an era of



Nat Holman
'Challenge and Honor'

great basketball teams at the College.

A product of the lower East side, Prof. Holman first attained local fame as a standout player at Commerce High. After graduation from Savage in 1917, the coach started a fantastic professional career, topped when he joined the original Celtics—one of the all-time great clubs—in 1921.

He played nine seasons with the Celtics, who disbanded in 1929 due to lack of opposition, and helped them attain a winning record of better than 90-percent. Sports writers called him "the game's greatest player."

The Coach's first year at the College was 1917. He headed both the Junior Varsity basketball and varsity soccer squads. In 1919, after a year in the Navy, Prof. Holman took over as varsity coach here.

Holman-coached Lavender teams have chalked up a winning percentage of better than .700. His 1923 and '24 squads went through the seasons with but one defeat.

Basketball in Mexico

Traveling is not new to the mentor. He went to Mexico in 1946 at the invitation of the National Federation of Basketball to lecture and give demonstrations on the game. Three years later the new state of Israel invited him there to develop the basketball program.

His most recent leave took him around the world. In a whirlwind four-month-tour, the 60-year-old coach visited France, Germany, Austria, Turkey, India, Pakistan, Hong Kong and Honolulu, Hawaii.

While in Turkey, Professor Hol-

man intended to go to Israel, but the war in the Middle-East interrupted his plans. So, while "grounded" there, he coached their national team. Most pleasing to him was a letter he recently received from the members of the squad expressing their appreciation for the work he had done with them.

Will He Return?

"I'm vitally interested in the progress the basketball teams of other nations are making. I see now that basketball is truly an international sport, and any aid we can give them is greatly appreciated."

And after his coming leave is up, then what? Will Coach Holman return to the job he has held for more than thirty years? "I'm due back on the 31st of January," he says.

En Garde...

Freshman candidates and sophs with previous experience are invited to the Fencing team's first meeting of the term. Coach Edward Lucia will interview aspirants in Room 310 Lewisohn at 3 PM, Wednesday.

Coaching, to Dave Polansky, is worthwhile doing itself and in itself.

His position—coaching-wise—has been uncertain for the past couple of seasons. Downtown basketball mentor when Coach Nat Holman was suspended, Coach Polansky was given the reins of the varsity



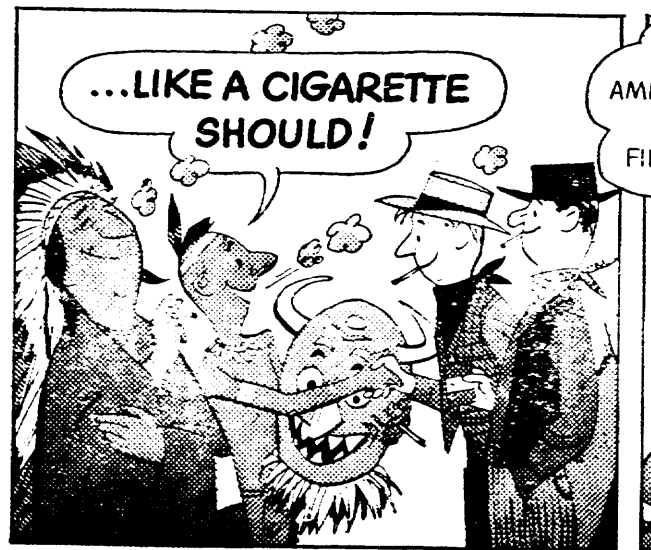
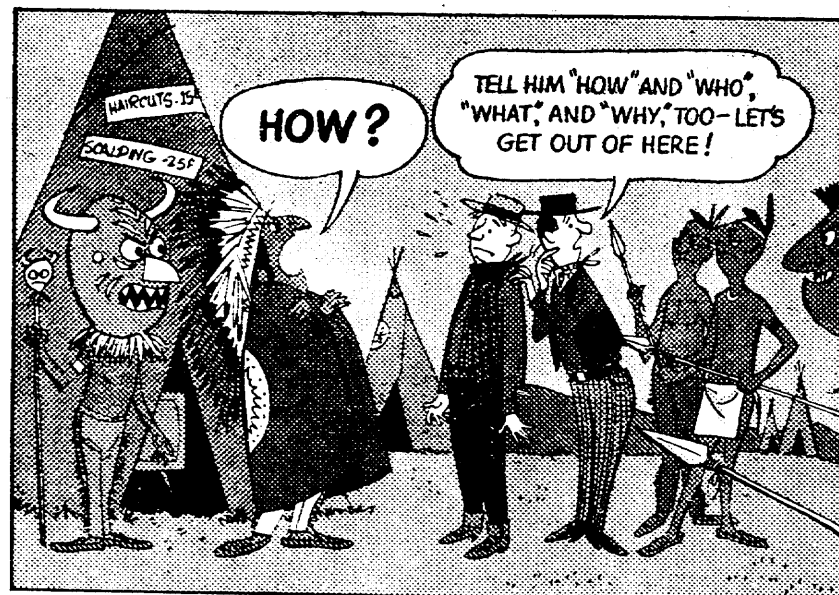
Coach Dave Polansky
'Always Optimist'

only to see them taken away from him when Professor Holman was reinstated.

The situation was almost the same this term. With Coach Holman returning from a leave of absence, Mr. Polansky was slated to give up his varsity coaching duties once again, but the extension of Professor Holman's leave to Japan will give Coach Polansky the opportunity to head the squad for at least one more term.

He is, as he says it, "always optimistic."

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