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## Fulbright . . .

Grants for graduate study abroad during the 1958-1959 academic year are being offered to eligible seniors under the Fulbright Act. Interested applicants should report to Dean William E. Colford, Room 111 Shepard for further information and application blanks. The deadline for filing applications is October 31.

## Teacher Training Plan At Experimental School

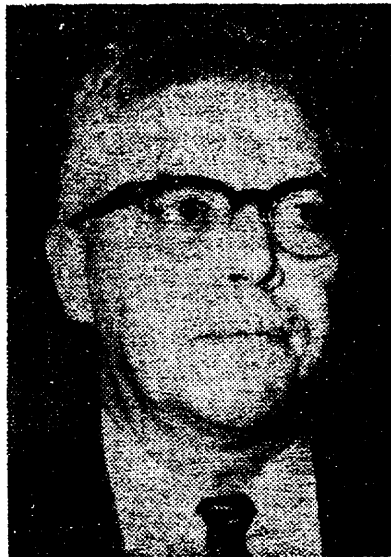
An experimental program in teacher training will be added to the curriculum of the School of Education upon completion of the John H. Finley School, now under construction at the southwest corner of the South Campus.

According to Dean Harold H. Abelson (Education), the school will be used for pre-service and in-service teacher training programs, education majors at the College will have the opportunity to observe the best of the old teaching methods, he said, together with the new experimental methods being tried.

In addition, Dean Abelson contended, the Education students will serve twelve recent graduates of College teaching classes and will be able to see difficulties encountered as they arise. This will be made possible by a specially equipped demonstration and observation room, separated by a one-way glass panel and sound screen.

A study involving gifted children will begin several months after the opening of the Finley school. Dean Abelson added. Special classes will be organized to cater to the needs of the potentially gifted child on an experimental basis. The program will include classes for the physically handicapped and the mentally retarded student.

Among other innovations, department chairmen and administrators of High Schools will join



Dean Harold Abelson

the School of Education as visiting faculty members this semester, to teach graduate courses for high school teachers.

Although the school will be under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education, matters of policy and assignment of personnel will be determined by a committee composed of Florence S. Beaumont, Associate Superintendent of Elementary Education; Truda T. Weil, Assistant Superintendent of the local school district; and Dean Abelson. —Lipton

## Four Witnesses Refuse to Testify Austin Trial to Resume Next Week

Four prosecution witnesses declined to testify "on constitutional grounds" yesterday at the Board of Higher Education trial of Professor Warren B. Austin. Because the time consumed by the four witnesses and other judicial proceedings did not allow for a "studied and enlightening summation," the trial was adjourned by Charles H. Tuttle, committee chairman, until Wednesday of next week.

### Witnesses Plead Immunity

The four witnesses, Eugene Stein, Ivan Hurlinger, David Cohen, and Murray Smolar, were each asked a series of approximately fifteen questions by Michael A. Castaldi, Special Counsel to the BHE, concerning the College's alleged Communist party cell and Prof. Austin's relation to it. All four, at various times, invoked the first and fifth amendments of the U.S. Constitution and Article I, Section 6, of the New York State Constitution which states that "no one shall be compelled in any criminal case to bear witness against himself."



Dr. Warren B. Austin (right) confers with his attorney Ephraim S. London outside the trial room.

The trial committee had been informed previously, by their attorneys, of the stand the four subpoenaed witnesses would take.

Three of the witnesses, Cohen, Stein and Smolar, are former members of the College's staff. Hurlinger was a former physics teacher at Townsend Harris High School. All four were dismissed from their posts in 1941-42 for "conduct unbecoming a staff member."

During the examination of the four alleged Communists, Dr. Tuttle emphasized that no inferences about the veracity or falseness of the charges will be drawn by the trial committee from the witnesses' answers.

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## Tech School Enrollment Up; Two-Year Degrees on Rise

Engineering training, two-year degree plans, and graduate work are on the upgrade at the five municipal colleges according to preliminary registration reports released by (BHE).

The School of Technology at the College reports an increase in enrollment both of full-time day students and part-time evening students and part-time evening students matriculated for the four-year engineering degree. Over 7,000 are believed to have registered for the two-year Associate in Arts and Associate in Applied Science degree at the Schools of General Studies of City College, Brooklyn, Queens, and the day session at Staten Island Community College.

Students participating in these programs numbered 5,775 last year.

### More Freshmen

Approximately 1,000 more freshmen than last year have been admitted to the day session of the five city colleges. Day session undergraduate enrollment in the colleges is as last year, 27,950 and the overall stands at 81,685. This is an increase of 3,100 since final registration in the fall of last year. —Workoff

## Math Teacher Fired Here—Goes to Calif.

By STEVE LUDWIG

Dr. Benham Ingersoll, former mathematics instructor at the College whose request for reinstatement was denied last spring, has accepted an offer to teach at San Diego State College. Dr. Ingersoll was dismissed in 1954 while on trial on charges of leaving the scene of an accident, and assault. In December, 1955, he was cleared of the charges which had resulted in his dismissal.

### Request Denied

Dr. Ingersoll applied for reinstatement at the College last May. His request was denied in a letter from Prof. Bennington Gill, Acting Chairman of the Mathematics Dept., on May 17. The reason given was that there were no positions available at his level.

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## Austin's Destiny In Their Hands

In the conference room of a distinguished law firm, thirty stories above Manhattan's Broad Street, the career of Professor Warren Barker Austin is being weighed. Three men play prominent roles in Dr. Austin's trial, the prosecutor, defense attorney, and the chairman of the BHE's trial committee. They are:

### Trial Committee Chairman

Charles Henry Tuttle, is one of the giants of the New York legal scene. He is chairman of the BHE Trial Committee, and has headed many similar groups in the past.

In 1954 he was chairman of a trial committee which convicted three Hunter College professors of conduct unbecoming a faculty member. The three had been accused of failing to name their associates during admitted past periods of Communist Party membership.

### Prosecuting Attorney

Michael Angelo Castaldi, 53, Counsel for the Board of Higher Education has a long background of prosecution of Communists and suspected Communists in the New York City school systems. He was

awarded a citation by the National Institute of Municipal Law Officers in 1953 for "distinguished public service" for his part in the ouster of Communist teachers from the New York public schools.

The citation noted that he had argued and won important court cases establishing the legal precedent for removing allegedly subversive teachers. He participated in the Board of Education's Anti-Communist probe in 1950 and in the interdepartmental trial of Nat Holman and two other suspended members of the College's Physical Education Department. In 1954 he was appointed as special counsel to the BHE in conducting its "loyalty" program among the staffs of the Municipal Colleges. The Austin hearings are an outgrowth of this inquiry.

### Defense Attorney

Ephraim Saffron London, 46, is a relatively young attorney who has won notable cases before the United States Supreme Court involving issues of civil liberties.

Now appearing as counsel for Dr. Austin, Mr. London previously defended Prof. Harry Slochower of Brooklyn College all the way from the BHE Trial Committee to the Supreme Court, which reversed Slochower's dismissal.

Mr. London also acted as attorney for the American distributors of "The Miracle," an Italian film which was banned as sacrilegious in 1951 by the New York State Board of Regents. Although the ban was upheld by New York court, the Supreme Court ruled unanimously, in *Burstyn v. Wilson*, that the film could be shown.

## Job Openings Now Available

The College's Placement Office has announced that there are now a variety of job openings available.

Those wishing to apply for positions may make appointments in the Placement Office, Room 204 Finley. Students who are unable to do so may register for a job on Thursday, September 26, between 1 and 3 PM.

Although employers are sometimes willing to adapt the working hours to a student's class schedule, they prefer students who have a block of free hours, five times a week, according to Placement Office officials.

In addition to jobs requiring special skills, there are positions available for those with no skills or previous experience. Temporary or spot jobs lasting from one hour to six months and permanent full time jobs can be obtained.

### Watch Bulletin Board

For summer and holiday jobs, students are urged to see the bulletin board outside of Room 204 Finley.

Graduating seniors should make appointments to see Mr. William Lockom and undergraduate students are to see Mrs. Jean C. Boyd.

# Rocketeer Alumnus Strongly Advises More Arts Courses for Tech-Men

By JERRY BIELAWSKI

When the U. S. sends its satellite into outer space this year, its color may be lavender. Among the scientists and engineers trying to break the law of gravity is City College alumnus John P. O'Connor (B.E.E., 1940)

### Working on Satellite

Mr. O'Connor, who has been employed at the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington, D. C. since 1947, is currently working as a research aeronautical engineer on the "Vanguard" rocket project. The rocket will be used to carry the proposed earth satellite to its designated orbit later this year. Mr. O'Connor's responsibility is the guidance and control system of the projectile.

When asked about the reputation that the College's School of Technology enjoys in industry, Mr.

O'Connor replied enthusiastically, "Very fine. Students at City receive good training in the basic and fundamental subjects." Mr. O'Connor feels that although fundamentals and applied mathematics should be stressed in the education of technical men, courses in philosophy and psychology might not be amiss.

### Peers Might Disagree

"Specifically, it seems to me," Mr. O'Connor continued, "that courses in English and Public Speaking should receive more emphasis. Students in my time would

hardly agree with this and probably today they have the same attitude. Fortunately, that part of education not acquired formally is picked up through experience."

### Defects of Engineers

Mr. O'Connor has found that inability to write a presentable report and to orally express their thoughts briefly and logically are the chief defects of young engineers fresh out of college. "As persons," Mr. O'Connor concluded, "I would agree with Bernard Baruch: 'At college they have learned everything but wisdom.'"

## Terpsichore...

The Modern Dance Club will hold try-outs this Thursday from 12-2 P.M. Those interested are urged to come to the Dance Studio Park Gymnasium. Experience is not necessary. After auditions the club will be divided into Junior and Senior groups. A dance concert will be given by the members later in the term. The Club will visit dance studios, see recitals and learn elementary choreography, in addition to dancing.

## Ingersoll To California...

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After pleading guilty to the speeding charge, the doctor was acquitted of the two remaining charges in December, 1955. It was held that there had been no grounds for arrest.

In 1956 Dr. Ingersoll brought a \$217,500 suit against the City of New York for assault, false arrest, and malicious prosecution. Oren Herwitz, Dr. Ingersoll's attorney, estimates that it will be at least a year or two before the case will

come to trial.

In June, the doctor received offer to teach at San Diego State College. After an exploratory trip to California, Dr. Ingersoll accepted the offer. In a California State Board of Education hearing the doctor was required to show any arrest for a violation more serious than either speeding or parking. The California Board made inquiries and two weeks later the doctor was notified that his appointment had been approved.

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## Finley Center Room Changes

Mr. David Newton (Student Life) yesterday released a list of room changes in the Finley Student Center, rooms available for meetings, parties and social events, and time schedules for all service areas.

The check rooms on the first floor, the Bittenweiser Lounge (132), and the game room (131) will open from 9 AM to 10 PM. The billiard and pool room (333) and the ping pong room (332) will open at 9:30 AM and close at 10 PM. The study hall (213-214), the snack bar (216-220), and the public typewriter room (206) will open at 8:30 AM. The typewriter room will close at 10 PM, the study hall at 10:30 PM, and the snack bar at 11 PM.

The following is the revised list of room assignments which are now in effect:

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## No Josh, Frosh

By Dean James S. Peace

WELCOME IN PEACE

This article will be of interest to you as an entering college student. College freshmen have many problems to solve. While you are not entirely "on your own" you will have increased personal responsibility—more freedom to set up plans and to make decisions. To graduate from high school, you met scholarship requirements successfully and made adjustments—personal, social, and recreational. This college phase of school will call for further adjustments on your part. Patterns of behavior that were successful earlier may need to be changed or entirely eliminated in our new environment.

Enrollment in college shows that you appreciate the contribution that education can make to your life and that you have a desire to benefit from further education. The job of being a college freshman is not a simple one. It involves planning a program of work, learning how to study effectively, participating in and contributing to the cultural, social and recreational life of the campus and making a wise vocational choice. Not every student will meet problems in all these areas, but each of you will have problems in some of them.

The level of achievement you reach as a student depends on two things—your mental ability and the expertness with which you master the skills necessary for college work. You can do little to improve your mental ability, but much can be done to improve your study skill. City College, through its selective process makes it imperative that you do your best.

You are now working with others of superior intellect and ability. The study skills you will need are: reading, writing, locating information, note taking, listening, preparing lesson assignments, recalling information and facts, taking examinations, using the library, preparing written reports, participating in discussions and many others. You have a certain amount of proficiency in most of these skills, but it is not enough. The competition here is greater than in high school. You can and must develop the skills you need for effective study.

Start now. Have a definite time to study each subject. Besides your regular preparation for every assignment, set aside time for review.

1. Take notes you can use
2. Prepare assignments regularly
3. Know the types of tests
4. Know how to use the library
5. Know how to read.

Dress appropriately and behave in a way that is acceptable to the group and to the individuals with whom you associate. While in college some allowance is made when your social behavior does not conform to generally approved standards. But after you get out of college, you will be expected to know and to practice the social graces accepted by society. If you avail yourself of the many opportunities to participate in the social life of the college there is no finer place to develop the social skills essential to successful adjustments.

A word or so on your vocational choice. You must understand the necessity for making a wise one. Your aptitudes, interests, intelligence and personality are important, and should help you make the most successful choice. Aid and guidance in making your choice may be obtained from the guidance departments of the Schools of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Technology, and Education. The Division of Testing and Guidance is also ready to assist you with a wide battery of interest and aptitude tests.

## Austin on Trial

Any way you look at it, the trial of Warren Austin is a mistake.

From the BHE's point of view, it is prosecution of a legal action with a bare minimum of supporting evidence. In a court of law, the proceedings might be dismissed as insufficient to convince a jury of the defendant's guilt beyond reasonable doubt.

Although the Trial Committee, which consists of Wall Street lawyer Charles H. Tuttle, Professor Arleigh B. Wilmonson and John J. Morris, has wide latitude in making its findings, and can consider matters that would be excluded in a common-law proceeding, it is unlikely that from the record as so far presented, a finding of guilt can be made.

From Professor Austin's viewpoint, the case represents financial loss, public embarrassment, and the risk of a lost career. Suspension without pay, even for a short period, deprived Dr. Austin of his income just when it was needed for the legal expenses of a defense.

The blow to the pride of a college professor who is dragged from the classroom is difficult to measure. Lavrentiaria could not have made an arrest with less taste than those who interrupted a section of an English class to get their man. Can anyone guess whether this 110-year-old college would have endured if a professor of twenty-five years standing had been permitted to finish an hour's instruction in composition writing?

Whether Warren Austin is guilty or not, the bungling manner of his arrest will always remain a blot on the name of the College.

From the viewpoint of academic freedom, the trial is a sorry spectacle. City College seem to offer its professors a one-way ticket to a courtroom. The vindictive prosecution of Nat Holman for our mutual sins in basketball is another example of the backward philosophy that all evil can be excused by a trial.

The trial itself is a legal game which will be decided among other matters, the skills of the opposing counsel, the technicalities presented, and the standard of proof required. Chairman Tuttle is a fair man, conscious of his high responsibilities, and we can be sure of a just result, but it is, a just result in accordance with the legal rules the committee follows.

But the OBSERVATION POST is trying to look beyond the pages of testimony, beyond the moves of the attorneys and the testimony of their clients — whether induced by selfishness or terror. We have no sympathy for the views Warren Austin is said have held, but it is genius of democracy that, unlike Communism, it is nourished by political dissent. The entire proceedings circumvent the barrier of the statute of limitations through the expedient of calling Dr. Austin to account for alleged past actions, and then accusing him of lying. Warren Austin is not on trial for what is alleged to have done, but for what he said about it. This removes from consideration any discussion of the nature of his activities, his intent while supposedly participating in them, and his development away from them. The trial is reduced to a factual one: Did he lie about his actions?

You cannot try the parts without doubting the whole, the prosecution of Dr. Austin raises questions of what of us did in the '30s. The students of course, weren't around, but many professors may have toyed with the ideas that Austin is said to have embraced. The distinction between thought, association and membership is shady in this area, and the prosecutors of Warren Austin, hungry to keep their jobs, are rushing through the marginal areas of guilt in the attempt to gain new quarry.

The ordeal of Warren Austin is the backwash of McCarthyism. It need not have happened, can serve no useful purpose and must not happen again. God grant Buell Gallagher the strength, the courage and the will to save his country from those who would trespass on our College's oldest heritage, freedom of thought.

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# Sweat Hard Work Make a Champ

» By JEUKY ESKENAZI

The sweat dripped freely Cioni the dirty brows of the soccer players as they went into their third week of pre-season practice yesterday.

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They spoke, also, of the errors committed during the warmups a< well as some of tin^1 players and how well or how poorly each did.

Coach Kariin  
Surcf r Mrttor

"At these talks," said /oach Karlin, "I give the hoys a chancee to give me their ideas—they all know the game besides listening to any gripes they might have regarding the positions they play. Some may feel, for example, that they're more useful to the team

in a different slot."

The coach was asked to explain the past four seasons have seen, the affinity between soccer and the Beaver Booters reign as the the high percentage of players of Met soccer kings. The team will ; foreign origin. -Resides the fact scrimmage Hofstra Saturday at; that the high schools here do not! 11 AM at the Stadium. I

,<< soeeer as much as other .i i<. the fellows who learned the -iurt in this iountry picked it up •;>im their fathers who. instead of ..aving a catch with them, would -mrally tend to fool around with ;, soccer hail."

### Srhonls Ask For Coaches

Hut the sport is on the increase here as shown by these statistics: just a few years ago only 1 !> colleges m the country had soccer on the agenda, now "iKS schools participate in the game on avai-sity level.

I Because of this increased interest in the sport, and the lack of : experienced coaches, many schools jhave asked Doe to recommend ; some of his players to coach and iteach the game.

Hillel oJlicially begins the term with a Square Dance, this SaJ urday night at SHO PM in the Drill Hall. Bernie Friedman wiH call tl sets. Admission will be free to all those joining Hillel for the fin time. Rejoining members will be admitted for 25 cents. Non-mer bers will pay \$1 at the door.

The Square Dance will be the first on Hillel's calendar social and cultural events. Soon to follow are a September Seminar to Camp Uahil and a boat ride to Bear Mountain October 13. Also on tap for the coming term is a Coffee Hour the Hillel House on Wednesdays at 3 PM. On October 2, Pres. Bue G. Gallagher will speak on 'Integration/'

## Austin

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After questioning the four wit- nesses, Mr. Castaldi asked for an adjournment of two weeks in order to bring another "key" witness before the trial committee.

Mr. Ephraim S. London, Counsel for the Defense, objected to the adjournment on the grounds that it was "unfair" to the respondent. Warren Austin and that the special counsel to the Board was already given enough time to put his case together. He pointed out that there had already been one postponement front -July 10 to September is because of the death of another ••major wittn-s.-." Dr. David Nathan, who died July 1. Mr. London also pointed out that while Dr. Austin \va< paid for the period July 10 to September '!. he is now not being paid.

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