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Postnotes...

• Mercury, the College's humor magazine, will be on sale today and tomorrow at various convenient locations on the campus. The cost is twenty-five cents.

• The Class of '60 will sponsor a Student-Faculty Tea tomorrow at 3 PM in Bittenweiser Lounge, in the Finley Student Center.

• As part of House Plan's Committee Rush Week, students will be permitted to join HP committees today by appearing in the HP Lounge, Room 330 Finley, between 12-2 PM today.

• The Class of '58 will hold a meeting in room 223 Finley to elect representatives to fill vacancies on student council. All interested parties should attend.

Ex-SG Office Reconstructed

The Finley Student Center rooms formerly occupied by Student Government (Rooms 326-327) are being converted to party and meeting rooms for Friday night activities.

Originally Lounges

According to Mr. David Newton (Student Life), the rooms were originally designed as lounges but were taken over by Student Government in September, 1955, when the Center was opened.

Program Commissions Plan Upheld; Activities Managing Board Created

Board to Regulate Finley Activities

By RALPH DANNHEISSER

Student Council set up last night a new Activities Program Board, charged with coordinating all programs in the Finley Student Center. The Council vote was 16-2-1.

Club Representatives

The new Board, to be composed of representatives of the various clubs on campus, will take over the functions of the present Board of Managers.

Also, most existing agencies of Student Government will be re-organized as divisions of the new group. Only the present Elections and Freshman Advisory agencies will remain directly under Council, in the form of commissions.

The Board will, in addition to coordinating existing functions, set up programs to "augment" those planned by organizations.

Chiefly, however, the group was set up to prevent conflicts in the activities program. One such major conflict occurred last Spring, when House Plan's Carnival and the Student Government Boat Ride were scheduled for the same date.

According to SG President Steve



Steve Nagler
One win, one loss

Nagler, "The new structure will aid the co-ordination of student activities, erase conflicts and bring about a more compact and efficient Student Government."

Twenty-Two Members

Included in the Board's 22-man membership will be representatives from House Plan, Inter-Fraternity Council, Technology Inter-Society Inter-Fraternity Council, the Varsity Club, the publications, religious organizations, creative arts groups, service organizations, liberal arts departmental clubs, Inter-Science Council, Inter-Class Council, and the military science organizations. A member of Coun-

cil is to act as chairman of the group.

Clubs have not been directly represented in any arm of Student Government since the Fall of 1953, when the then-existing Club Senate was abolished as unworkable.

Dissenters

Senior class representative Harold Gotthelf, who cast one of the two dissenting votes, objected to the proposal in the belief that it "threatened the supremacy of Student Government." The plan, Gotthelf felt, "would come close to returning to the old Club Senate, where voices other than those of the students' representatives will determine the activities of SG."

Log-rolling will almost surely be a result of the plan, Gotthelf asserted, with group representatives trading votes on issues of direct concern to them.

In addition, Gotthelf said, the plan will leave the SG vice-president practically powerless. His major function till the present was to co-ordinate the agencies now eliminated.

The accepted program was originally worked out by Nagler; SG secretary Burt Bernstein; treasurer Ken Werden; Hank Bregman, '59 representative; Bart Cohen, former SG president; and Burt Mayblum, chairman of the now-defunct Board of Managers.

Exec Lists Plan Is Overruled

By SANDRA HELFENSTEIN

Disregarding the Executive Committee's proposal to return to the plan of "the committee of eight" to sign membership lists, Student Council last night mandated the Executive to carry out the plan of Programming Commission. The vote for the mandate was 10-7.

The Executive Committee must now invite all interested organizations to become Programming Commissions of Student Government.



Dean James S. Peace
His Warning Heeded

The move to set up Programming Commissions was made by Council last semester and re-affirmed by this term's Council. However, no action was taken by the Executive to put this plan into effect. SG President Steve Nagler said that the Executive acted with "intentional incompetence" in not carrying out the decision to form the Programming Commissions because of the reprisals it would entail.

Dean James S. Peace (Student Lige) has declared that if Student Government continues with its plan of Commissions, it will be forced to file a complete roster of its own membership. In the past SG has never been required to file membership lists.

Exec Wanted 'Eight'

Last semester five organizations took advantage of the committee of eight student leaders in evading membership lists. The Executive proposed that this method be used once again. Acceptance of the Executive Committee's plan by Council would have meant that Council would have had to either nullify or lay aside the plans for Programming Commission.

Although the "committee of eight" plan has worked in the past, last semester's General Faculty ruling now in effect, requires that faculty advisors determine whether the roster that a group submits is a complete one.

Foreign Film Fare



"Genevieve," the English film, will be shown on Monday at 5 PM in the Grand Ballroom, Finley Student Center, as the first in a series of foreign films to be presented by the management of the Center.

The following is a list of the films to be shown.

• "Justice Is Done" (French with English sub-titles) on Thursday, March 5.

• "Battle of the Rail" (French with English sub-titles) on Monday, March 17.

• "Rash-Mon" (Japanese with English sub-titles) on Thursday,

April 21.

• "Angelo" (Italian with English sub-titles) on Monday, April 28.

• "Cry the Beloved Country" on Thursday, May 15.

• "Gates of Hell" (Japanese with English sub-titles) on Thursday, May 15.

In addition, the Center's management is sponsoring a "Music Listening Hour" on Wednesday evenings from 8-11 PM in Bittenweiser Lounge, and is offering instructions in the game of bridge every Thursday evening from 9-11 PM in Room 132 Finley.

College Students Offered European Airplane Flight

By RITA ASHKENAS

A round-trip flight to Europe for \$300 per person is being offered to members of the College Community and their dependent this summer.

The offer is open to students and faculty of the Baruch School and Evening Session, as well as Uptown Day Session. There are seventy-two seats to be filled. The plane will leave June 15 and return August 27.

According to Mike Horowitz, who is in charge of the flight, this because a special ruling of the tremendous saving can be offered Civil Aeronautics Board which allows college student governments to charter planes on behalf of college communities. He added that similar programs are being run successfully all over the country, and that he hopes that it will do as well here.

If there is a great enough demand, a second plane may be hired. "It is up to the students," Horowitz said, "to show their interest."

The destination of the flight is a central European location to be decided upon by the participants at a later date. After reaching their destination the travellers may join tours or see Europe on



Michael Horowitz
Wings

their own, their only responsibility being to return to the air field in August.

Interested students should contact Mike Horowitz, Ta 2-6808 or Gil Gleit, Ma 4-8386, or leave a message in the Student Government mailbox in Room 151 Finley.

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GERALD ESKENAZI
Editor-in-Chief

Painful Road

The road to a more efficient student council, like the road to hell, is paved with good intentions. The most recently added cobblestone is a plan which, however praiseworthy in its intent, fails to fulfill its intended purpose.

The backers of this proposed reform would have delegates elected to Student Council (i.e. Liberal Arts and Science, Education or Technology) to supplement the present system of election by classes.

Proponents of this plan naively maintain that it would "equalize" representation. They contend that education and technology students are not adequately represented on the Council which has been traditionally composed mainly of Liberal Arts Students.

The proposed remedy to this situation would do nothing more than create a system of forced representation and do nothing to add meaning to the function of this body. Rather than streamline this already-too-corpulent body the proposal would only expand it.

The addition of more members, bringing the total up to thirty-seven is directed at allowing more material for the formation of programming committees.

Those people on these committees would of necessity represent different schools. Liberal Arts students could not be asked to evaluate changes in the Technology curriculum. People on these committees, however, need not necessarily participate on Council. Indeed, not requiring Council membership would give more students the opportunity to participate in SG.

We would gladly endorse and pledge full support to any plan that we thought would combat the evils that presently stifle the potentially meaningful voice of Student Council.

But, sad to say, this plan does not seem as if it will provide the answer. If the schools of technology and education are not represented it is only because individuals attending those schools have never chosen to run. Certainly, they are not prevented from running for office under the present system. To create an already artificial standard on the student council would only serve to deepen the rift between the schools, encourage the formation of self-destructive factions, and encourage even more of the seemingly endless, ineffectual debate that already plagues the harried body.

Gratifying

Students of science and mathematics at the five municipal colleges may now reap the benefits of a new, long-absent awareness of the need for expanded educational facilities.

A tuition-free graduate program instituted by the Board of Higher Education (BHE) at last provides what is for some students the only means of achieving competence in these fields.

It is gratifying to observe the effects of a realization on the part of these educators that expanded educational means are necessary. To reproach them for not realizing this sooner would be crying over spilt milk.

The new program for improved facilities comes at a point when competence in science and mathematics is of the essence. We cannot, however, regard the BHE move with complete satisfaction.

The priority granted students of science and mathematics by the program once more serves to pinpoint the stress placed on these subjects at the expense of the humanities. The BHE's attempt at ameliorating conditions is laudable, but does not resolve the academic problem completely.

The implications inherent in the BHE's neglect of liberal arts students dangerously resemble the forgetfulness which has descended upon our nation of the true purpose of education. Now that the BHE has overcome inertia by taking the initial step towards academic improvement, we sincerely hope that it will perfect its achievement by introducing similar expanded programs in the field of liberal arts.

Club to Cure Social Blues

There are always some students who don't become caught in the College's hectic social life, and Ken Regenbaum hopes to do something about it.

Regenbaum, President of the Class of '59, is establishing a Meeting Fete to facilitate social introductions among the College's "lonely hearts."

The first step in getting a meeting is to go to the booth opposite the Finley Center checkroom, Thursdays from 12 to 2 PM and Fridays from 11 AM to 2 PM.

There, a member of the club will gather information that will help in arranging an introduction. Meetings will be held in the Trophy Lounge in Finley Center, and the student must take it from there.

"A similar program was very effective at Rutgers," said Regenbaum, "and it should work here." He emphasized that the project would not be a dating bureau, but rather, a "chance for everyone to have the social life that is a part of the college experience."

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Club Notes

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Gathers today in Room 106 Harris at 12:15 PM.

Amateur Radio Society
Will meet today at 12:15 PM in Room 013 Shepard.

Architectural Society
Holds a meeting in Room 104 Wagner today at 12:30 PM.

Baskerville Chemical Society
Presents Professor Gerald Oster of Brooklyn Polytechnical Institute speaking on "Long Lived States in Photochemical Reactions" today at 12:30 PM in Doremus Hall.

Biological Review
Will hold a mandatory meeting for members. All science students are welcome to join the staff today at 12 Noon in Room 316 Shepard.

Caduceus
Conducts its first business meeting today in Room 306 Shepard at 12:30 PM.

Camera Club
Holds a meeting for beginning and advanced photographers today in Room 04 Wagner at 12:30 PM.

Carroll Brown Hellenic Society
Rehearses today in Room 429 Finley at 12 Noon.

Christian Association
Presents a special program today in Room 424 Finley.

Economics Society
Features Mr. John Reed, Public Debt Manager, US Treasury, who will speak on "Public Debt" at 12:30 PM in Room 107 Wagner.

El Club Iberoamericano
Will present "La Celestina" today in Room 302 Downer.

Geological Society
Meets today at 12 Noon. Color slides of last year's field trips will be shown and future trips will be planned.

Gilbert and Sullivan Society
Will hold tryouts for "Trail by Jury" in Room 438 Finley at 6 PM tonight.

Hillel
Chairmen meeting at 12:15 PM today.

House Plan Council
Will gather next Monday at 4 PM in the HP Lounge. Every house must be represented.

Le Cercle Francais du Jour
Presents Professor Harold Shapiro of NYU, who will speak on "The Ideas of Rabelais and their Relevance Today" in Room 02 Downer at 12 Noon today.

Logic Society
Presents Mr. Richard Katz speaking on "Haddock's Eyes and the Dog Walking Ordinance" tomorrow at 3:30 PM in Room 201 Wagner.

Mathematics Society
Will feature Dr. Fritz Steinhardt (Mathematics) speaking on "What is a Negative Number" today at 12:30 PM in Room 125 Shepard.

Newman Club
Inaugurates a series of Friday Coffee Hours which will start tomorrow. Professor Samuel Hendel

(Government) will speak on his recent trip to Russia.

Philatelic Society
Will meet in Room 430 Finley today at 12:30 PM to discuss the forthcoming exhibition.

Philosophy Society
Welcomes all students and Faculty members to its first meeting of the year today in Room 118 Wagner.

Physical Education Society
Will hold a mandatory meeting for all Phys. Ed. majors in Room 115 Harris at 12:30 PM.

Promethean
Will meet tomorrow at 4 PM in Room 350 Finley. New talent and material welcome.

Rod and Gun Club
Gathers today at 12:15 PM in Room 111 Mott.

SAME
Will hold a drill in the Drill Hall today.

Sociology Society
Meets today at 1 PM in Room 202 Wagner.

Vector
Will have a meeting for staff and candidates today at 12:30 PM in Room 329 A Finley.

Veterans Club
Asks interested students to contact George at FO 8-2106 weekdays after 6 PM.

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Kemeny Skips Hungary Their Loss — Our Gain

By LARRY GOTTLIEB and BERNIE LEFKOWITZ

A young refugee from Communist rule in Hungary has given the College's fencing team an unexpected boost before the traditional match with NYU Saturday.

Thirteen months ago, Andrew Kemeny was fleeing with his family from strife-torn Hungary. Today he works out with his Lavender teammates, hoping to contribute to an upset of their perennial rivals, the Violet Vikings.

Slightly built, Kemeny lacks the natural insulation required in the bruising grind of sabre competition. But the curly-headed athlete knows he's not contesting in a milksop sport. After all he's weathered the storm for seven years now.

Unlike his fellow fencers, Kemeny was a veteran before he joined the squad. He is a graduate of one of the top fencing academies in Hungary. His development was accelerated under the tutelage of renowned fencing master, Bela Inreghy.

Future Star

When he was in his teens, Kemeny achieved one of the top athletic honors of his mother country; he was named to the Hungarian Junior National fencing team.

Usually subdued, Lavender coach Ed Lucia has a difficult time restraining his admiration for the new saberman. He calls Kemeny a "sleeper," a future "intercollegiate fencing star."

On the basis of Kemeny's showing in his first two contests, Lucia's optimism is well founded. Against Harvard, on February 8, he captured two out of three bouts. Four days later he swept to a triple vic-

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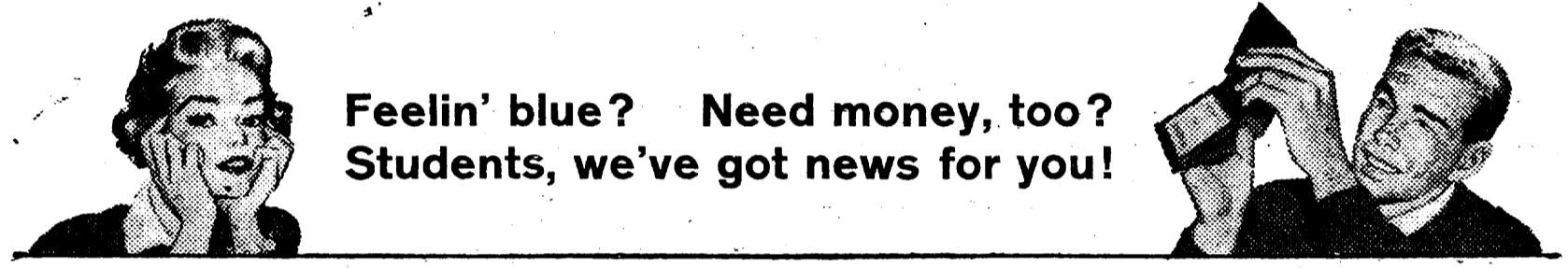
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