

OBSERVATION POST

OP Decides . . .

No endorsement for SG President
 Vice President: JERRY SWARTZ
 Secretary: DIANE LASTER
 No endorsement for Treasurer
 SFCSA: STAN GROSSEL and SANDY ROSENBLUM
 Class of '60 SG Rep: AL SNADOWSKY

GF Group Passes Athletic Fee Rise

By ISAAC SULTAN

A joint proposal raising the athletic fee at the College to \$2 per semester was passed last month by two committees on athletics.

The Student-Faculty Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics (SF-CLA) and the General Faculty Committee on Inter-collegiate Athletics (GFCIA) both passed a motion which calls for the \$1 increase to begin in the Fall '59 term. The motion applies to Day Session Students only.

Starting early in the Spring term, the student members of the Athletic Association board brought up the motion. However, it was tabled and a survey to analyze the needs and uses of the additional income was begun.

Figures were presented to the SF-CLA and the GFCIA which point out the necessity of the increase.

Cited were the additional costs in dues, equipment and officials' salaries. Also, the need for new coach coaches outside of the department.

Study Estimates

Faculty Manager of Athletics Dr. Arthur DesGray anticipates the final approval of the motion, for it is "legitimate and based on figures."

"It was arrived at after study of estimates presented and increased expenses," he added.

Modern Mind



Professor John Herman Randall will investigate the "Naturalistic Approach to Religion" on Thursday. This will be the last of three lectures in the "Contemporary Philosophies of Religion" series, and will be delivered at 12:30 PM in the Grand Ballroom.

The lecture is sponsored by the Philosophy and History Societies and is presented as part of the Philosophy of Religion course.

The speaker, presently Woodbridge Professor of Philosophy at Columbia University, is the author of a required textbook for the History Two course at the College, entitled "The Making of the Modern Mind."

The motion has to go to President Buell G. Gallagher and then to the Board of Higher Education for final approval.

A \$1 athletic fee was first brought about at the College in 1952. The Finley Center fee rise, and the new athletic fee, might necessitate a total of \$14 in fees next semester.

Honors Head Condemns 'Politics' In Selection of Award Winners

Changes of discrimination on the basis of political beliefs were leveled against certain members of Student Government this week by the former chairman of the SG Honors and Awards Commission.

Marvin Binstock '60, who resigned Monday from his position in a dispute over the issuance of service awards, made the allegations in a letter appearing in this issue of *Observation Post*.

Binstock charged that four students recommended unanimously by the Commission were not given the honors they deserved because they were active in the Party of Liberal Students. The students denied recognition are Mike Horowitz '59, Lou Nashelsky '60, Bernie Lefkowitz, '59 and Mellie Berman '60.

According to his letter, Binstock questioned the "unusual coincidence that these four students are all leaders in one student political party." He further pointed up the "Coincidence" that the members of SG who spoke up against approving them "are all leaders of the opposing political party."

Binstock contends that a minor-

Charter Day Observed Here

The annual Charter Day ceremony will take place at the College on Thursday 12-2 PM to commemorate the May 7, 1847 date that the college received its charter.

There will be a Student-Faculty Picnic on the South Campus lawn and a Festival of Dance, highlighting Lithuanian, Estonian and Flamenco dance groups. A House Plan folk group will also be on the program.

"The Student-Faculty Picnic will provide an opportunity for students and faculty to get together informally," said Larry Gottlieb, a member of the Charter Day Committee.

Elections Start Today:

Eight Students Vie For Major Posts

Student Government elections start today with eight students contesting the four major offices.

Rita Ashkenas, Ira Glickstein and Barry Kahn are vying for incumbent SG President Renee Roth's position.

Miss Ashkenas, an upper sophomore, was a member of Student Council, copy editor of *Observation Post*, and served on the Student Faculty Fee Commission. If elected, she will attempt to "fulfill the potentials of SG in areas where it has a valid function and increase student responsibility in curricular planning."

This term's SG Treasurer, Kahn was secretary of House Plan, president of the Chess Club and a member of Student Council. He hopes "to cut through the jungle of red tape that has strangled so many of the activities of our campus clubs."

As a protest candidate, upper junior Ira Glickstein invites, "stu-

dents who favor membership lists, the speaker ban, and recent General Faculty decisions, and students who 'don't give a damn' about these issues," to vote for him. Glickstein was features editor of *Vector* and a member of SC.

For the Vice-Presidency Nels Grumer and Jerry Swartz are opposing each other. Grumer, former president of Hillel and a member of the Student Faculty Committee on Student Activities, plans to eliminate any activities that put Student Government in competition with other College organizations.

Grumer's opponent, Jerry Swartz, is a member of several engineering organizations, served on SC and has been active in SG activities.

Diana Laster and Alan Steinberg are running for Secretary. Miss Laster was on *Microcosm*, the cheerleading squad and is now serving on SC and the SG Executive Committee.

Steinberg, an upper sophomore, has been active in House Plan and SG, and is now serving on SC. He will try to get closer contact between SG personnel and the student body and a reorganization of SG into a simpler and more practical body, if successful in his election bid.

Of the four major offices only

the Treasurer's post is uncontested. Herb Deutsch is the only candidate.

Four candidates are contesting the two seats open on the Student Faculty Committee on Student Ac-



Renee Roth
 Incumbent Prexy

tivities (SFCSA). They are Stanley Grossel, Sandra Rosenblum, Al Snadowsky and Peter Steinberg.

Grossel, is co-editor of *Tech News* and a former member of SC.

Mrs. Rosenblum, an upper junior, served on SC and SFCSA for

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Horowitz criticized the specific members of SG who vetoed the awards, and confined most of his comment to Lefkowitz. In regard to him, Horowitz said there was "no discussion." He said he firmly believed the denial of a gold key to Lefkowitz "was obviously personal and partisan."

Cheating Study Issued

By WALLY SCHWARTZ

Seniors and departmental chairmen strongly disagree as to the existence of student dishonesty in the classroom at the College. While many students consider the problem severe, departments as a whole pay little attention to problems of cheating.

This is the major conclusion of the research by a student-faculty committee set up last semester. The difference of opinion within the College community is borne out in a special 30-page report, titled, "On Cheating in Exams and in the Preparation of Written Work," which was issued last month. The report was written by Assistant Dean Samuel Middlebrook (English).

The immediate establishment of an honor system was, however, unanimously opposed by the majority of the Liberal Arts seniors, faculty, and chairmen who returned questionnaires. About 20% of the senior class and faculty, and all of the chairmen were asked to participate.

Dean Middlebrook stressed in his



Dean Samuel Middlebrook
 Cheating Report

conclusions the need for the faculty to be better informed of methods for preventing cheating. Specifically, he requested the staff to study the detailed list of suggestions to proctors, drawn up by the Economics Department. He also asked the faculty to create a more systematic policy within the respective departments in regard to plagiarism, types of examinations,

and other matters.

He opposed an honor system in the foreseeable future, and urged dissimilar finals in successive semesters. The Dean further proposed that back files of examinations be made available to all students upon request.

None of the departmental chairmen thought cheating was "severe" here, and 35% called it "almost non-existent." However, 27% of the Liberal Arts seniors termed it serious, and only 6% said it was non-existent.

Between 75 to 83% of all three groups questioned were against an honor system at present. More than one-third of each group said they might be in favor of one, if both the faculty and students were oriented towards one.

About 85% of the faculty admitted their departments had no clearly defined policy on the subject of cheating, instead leaving it to the individual instructor. In regard to the efficiency of proctoring, 55% of the chairmen said it was efficient and only 27% of the seniors agreed.

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AN OP REVIEW

'Promethean'

By Rita Ashkenas

Between the covers of *Promethean's* new format, the discerning reader will soon discover a welter of the same old mediocrity, highlighted, as usual, by a few brilliant touches. The touches are rare.

The poetry of Richard Kelly shows fluidity of style and verbal facility, which produces a beautiful lyric quality. However, from the three examples of his work in *Promethean*, only in "John Thunder" does Kelly complement his style with real content and meaning. "John Thunder has a mountain in his mind," says Kelly, and though the reader may wallow just a bit in syntactical ambiguities, a little fortitude will enable him to find meaning and insight. It takes more fortitude than this reviewer was able to muster to arrive at the basic truths of "The Emperor of Flowers." They are cloaked in symbolic absurdities.

Sandy Cohen, however, has accomplished something of which young, modern writers seemed incapable: he has written traditional rhyme, rhythm, and poetry. His "Adriadne" is a true sonnet, complete with iambic pentameter. It tells its story simply, but seems at times to be straining at its bonds and is marred by inversions of syntax.

There are only three prose pieces in this issue of *Promethean*. "A Hot Chocolate for Jesse" by Leonard Gusser is good. It is a moving story exploring subjects of significance and moment. It probably saves the magazine.

Fred Tuten, having analyzed Kerouac in last semester's *Promethean*, now proceeds to tear into "Ithaca," a chapter in James Joyce's "Ulysses." I do not question Tuten's perceptions here, not the validity of his work as an analyst. More basic to me is that this work was probably not originally intended for *Promethean*. It is written not to the reader, but rather at a professor. Tuten does not trouble, for example, to explain to his readers just what "Ithaca" is—it might easily be an entire novel as well as a chapter. The analysis is too specific an article to reside in the company of the other pieces in the magazine.

"Forever Iva," by Barry Gross, deserves little comment or note, though it would be of great benefit to aspiring writers to read this piece, and so learn the pitfalls of the overwritten story. Beneath a welter of differing technical forms among which Gross shifts with amazing rapidity, lies the hackneyed theme of a man's realization of the reality of existence.

The editors of *Promethean* have tried again—a little differently this time. The results are certainly less flamboyant and less blatantly bad than the last issue. It is worth the purchase price, just to read "John Thunder" and "A Hot Chocolate for Jesse."

Letters...

PROTEST

Dear Editor:
At the last meeting of Student Council May 4, that body voted upon recommendations made to it by the honors and awards commission of Student Government. The recommendations were for awards in the following categories: the distinguished leadership award, the distinguished service award and the Oscar Buchvar Award for outstanding contributions to Student Government. The recommendations were based on the committee's knowledge of those applying as well as discussions with members of the faculty, letters to members of the faculty and Department of Student Life and various student leaders. The commission discussed each applicant individually as to the quality of his leadership and/or service. The commission, composed of prominent student leaders from the various phases of student activities, recommended to council the names of seven students for the distinguished leadership award and six students for the distinguished service award and one for the Buchvar award. Council then discussed each person individually. Of those recommended four were denied awards. It is an unusual coincidence that these four students are all leaders in one student political party. It is also a coincidence that those who spoke strongly against the recommendations for these four

are all leaders of the opposing political party.

In one instance, when it was obvious that one person qualified for an award, those students with the opposing views spoke out strongly in favor of their choice without knowledge of why their choice deserved the award. This merely shows that the award was not given because their choice de-

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HOUSE PLAN ENDORSEMENTS

- Pres. —No Endorsement
- V.P. —No Endorsement
- Sec'y —DIANA LASTER
- Treas. —HERB DEUTSCH
- SFCSA—AL SNADOWSKY

Club Notes

AIME
Elects officers at 12 Noon today in Room 305 Shepard. The films "Fossils" and "Oil Exploration" will also be shown. Refreshments will be served.

THE ART SOCIETY
Hears Dr. David Newton discuss future art exhibits and awards today 12:30 PM in Room 101C Eisner.

BALTIC SOCIETY
Meets today at 12:15 PM in Room 304 Klapper.

BASKERVILLE CHEMISTRY SOCIETY
Holds a business meeting today 12:30 PM in Doremus Hall. Will hold a Student-Faculty dinner tomorrow evening. Contact A. Zavisca for tickets.

CADUCEUS SOCIETY
Presents Dr. Lawrence Zaroff, M.D. who will speak on the artificial heart-lung machine today at 12:30 PM in Room 126 Shepard.

CAMERA CLUB
Meets on the South Lawn today at 12:30 PM to photograph Charter Day Ceremonies. Bring film and camera.

CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION
Discusses "American Dilemma: A Modern Code of Ethics" today from 12-2 PM in Room 440 Finley. The Theology Club will meet Tuesday at 1 PM in Room 418 Finley.

ECOLOGY SOCIETY
Hears a student lecture on new ways to predict weather on Monday at 6 PM in Room 320 Shepard.

EDUCATION SOCIETY
Invites all members interested in holding a position next term to Room 323 Klapper at 12:30 PM.

FRIENDS OF MUSIC
Presents Carl Parrish, head of the Vassar Music Department today at 12:15 PM in the Aronow Auditorium. Mr. Parrish will speak on "Some Curious Aspects of Renaissance Music."

GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY
Holds elections today at the usual time and place. Refreshments will be served.

INTER-VARSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
Presents Alexander David speaking on "Does Christianity Help the Heathen" today at 12:30 PM in Room 206 Harris.

THE JOURNAL OF SOCIAL STUDIES
Elects next term's editorial board today at 12:30 PM in Room 331 Finley.

LE CERCLE FRANCAIS DU JOUR
Hears Mrs. Jacqueline Wiener of Haiti who will speak on Haitian poetry today at 12:30 PM in Room 03 Downer.

MUSICAL COMEDY SOCIETY
Meets in Room 348 Finley.

PHYSICS SOCIETY
Presents Dr. Hiram Hart who will lecture on "The Physicist's Role in Biophysics" today at 12:30 PM in Room 105 Shepard.

THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT CULTURAL AGENCY
Shows the film "Fate of the Slums" at 12:15 PM in Room 301 Cohen. The 1938 movie stars Lew Ayres, Horace MacMahon, Helen Mack and Marjorie Main. The Mack Sennett featurette "His Marriage Wow" will also be shown.

AICE
Holds business meeting and nominations in Room 103 Harris at 12:30 PM tomorrow.

ASCE
Will hold nominations for next term's officers in Room 106 Harris at 12:30 PM tomorrow.

IL CIRCOLO DANTE ALIGHIERI
Dr. Milella will speak on "Aspects of Spanish Influence in Italy" tomorrow at 12:30 PM in Room 204 Mott.

OUTDOOR CLUB
Meets at 12 Noon tomorrow in Room 312 Shepard to discuss Sunday's hike.

SOCIETY OF ORTHODOX JEWISH SCIENTISTS
Holds a meeting of its Ramzan study group tomorrow at 12:30 PM in Room 309 Harris. All welcome.

UKRAINIAN STUDENT SOCIETY
Will hold its social on Friday in Room 438 Finley at 8 PM.

VARISITY CLUB MEETING
Meets tomorrow at 5:45 PM in the Varsity Club Room of Lewisohn Stadium.

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Elections...

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a year. She was editor-in-chief of *Observation Post*.

In her statement she said, "My previous experience working with many organizations at the College plus the respect I believe I have earned in my year on SFCSA makes me a qualified and able candidate."

The Senior class has two candi-

dates for President and one for Vice President. Gus Bennett and Rick Marcus are running for President while Marvin Felsen is unopposed for Vice-President.

Three candidates are contesting the one vacant Liberal Arts School seat from the School of Liberal Arts. They are Hope Rauch, Walter Schwartz and Al Snadowsky. Arnold Barnett and Jay Freeman are running for the one seat from the Tech School.



On Campus with Max Shulman
(By the Author of "Rally Round the Flag, Boys!" and "Barefoot Boy with Check.")

TILL WE MEET AGAIN

This is the last column of my fifth year of writing for Philip Morris and Marlboro. I have made it a custom in the last column of each year not to be funny. I know I have also realized this aim in many other columns during the year, but that was not for lack of trying. Today I am not trying. I am not trying for two reasons: First, because you are getting ready for final exams and in your present state of shock, nothing in the world could possibly make you laugh. And second, this final column of the year is for many of us a leave-taking, and good-byes always make me too misty to be funny.

For me the year ends neither with a bang nor a whimper, but with a glow—a warm, pleasant, mellow glow—the kind of glow you will find, for example, at the end of a Philip Morris or Marlboro.

It has been in every way a gratifying experience, my five years with the makers of Philip Morris and Marlboro, and I would like to take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt appreciation to these good tobaccoists, to assure them that the memory of their kindness will remain ever green in my heart, and to remind them that they still owe me for the last three columns.

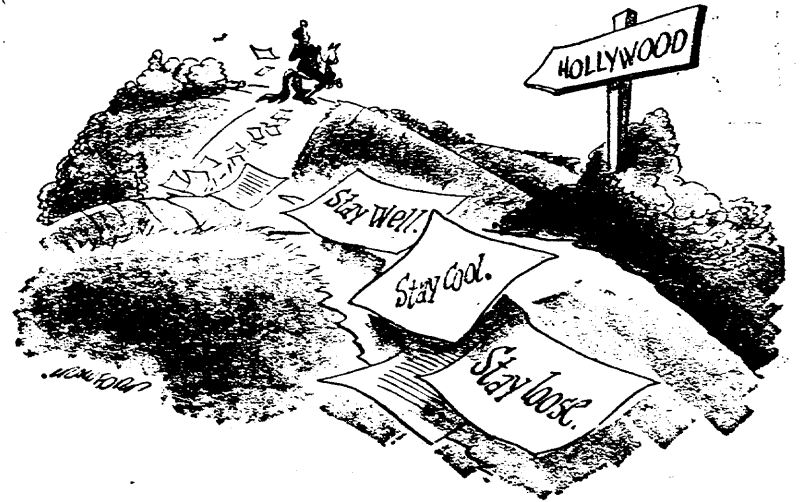
And in these waning days of the school year, let me address myself seriously to you, my readers. Have I trod on any toes this year? Ruffled any feelings? Jostled any sensibilities? If so, I am sorry.

Have I occasioned any laughs? Chuckles? Sniggers? Mona Lisa smiles? If so, I'm glad.

Have I persuaded any of you to try Philip Morris and Marlboro? To taste that fine flavor? To smoke that excellent tobacco? If so, you are glad.

And now the long, lazy summer lies ahead. But for me summer is never lazy. It is, in fact, the busiest time of year. Two summers ago, for instance, I was out ringing doorbells every single day, morning, noon, and night. There was a contest, you see, and the kid in my neighborhood who sold the most bluing won a pony. I am proud to report that I was the lucky winner.

Last summer I was also out ringing doorbells every single day, morning, noon, and night. I was trying to sell the pony.



This summer I am not going to be out ringing doorbells. I am going to saddle the pony and ride to Hollywood, California. What am I going to do in Hollywood, California? I am going to write a series of half-hour television comedies called THE MANY LOVES OF DOBIE GILLIS, and starting in October, 1959, your friends and mine, the makers of Philip Morris and Marlboro, are going to bring you this program over the Columbia Broadcasting System every Tuesday night at 8:30. Why don't you speak to your housemother and ask her if she'll let you stay up to see it?

And now good-bye. For me it's been kicks all the way, and I hope for you it hasn't been altogether unbearable. Have a good summer. Stay well. Stay cool. Stay loose.

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For us, the makers of Philip Morris and Marlboro, it's been kicks too, and we would like to echo kindly old Max's parting words: Stay well. Stay cool. Stay loose.

Good Humor Man Finds Little Here

There is at least one "friendly man who sells Good Humor" whose friendliness and patience is being harshly tried by small tickets demanding payments at a nearby police station.

The man in the white suit, Gilbert Green, is a rather lanky six feet three and a half inch forward from the Wisconsin State University basketball team. He joined the ranks of these jovial ice cream vendors in order to raise enough money to transfer to the College in the fall term.

He chose the area around the College as the major part of his daily route. According to Mr. Green, the New York City Police Department is not going out of its way to help his bank book swell.

In his capacity as an aspiring

student at the College, Mr. Green has had to visit several of the officials for the customary pre-entrance interviews. He therefore found it convenient to park his Good Humor truck very near the campus.

"On the first day," he explained, "I received two tickets, one for a 'peddling violation' and one for 'illegal parking.'" Approximately one month has gone by now since Mr. Green began to sell the frozen confectionaries. He is able to boast of having received seven such tickets.

He has marvelled at the secure positions held by some of the "old" vendors around the campus. In a letter to Student Government officials, Mr. Green states that "a number of the student body would affirm my suspicions by saying that I am getting these tickets because of my not making a 'pay-off.' Can such a thing be?"

Being a Good Humor man is, according to Mr. Green, an ideal job for this season. The position can prove to be quite lucrative if you are a good salesman and happen to have a route infested with ice cream lovers, since the salary is composed solely of a twenty-five per cent commission on the day's sales.

"The fellas at Fordham University take in about \$140 a day. Because of the obstacles facing me," he asserted, "I manage to take in about \$35 a day. That means I have a take-home pay of about \$8. I'm lucky if I have a dollar after I finish paying off all my fines.

"This is getting really crazy," he said, "I've become the subject of ridicule receiving three tickets marked with three successive dates.

"If this is gonna help me get through college, boy I would really like to see them show me how!"

Three Political Decades

(This is the final article in a series describing and discussing political thought at the College during the past thirty years.)

Like a plague the one word that has run through this decade is "apathy."

Students may deny it. Teachers may hedge. College presidents may refuse to admit it. But for something that is non-existent, it has commanded more news space, occasioned more rebukes and drawn more adherents than a handful of political issues or a dozen losing teams.

At Columbia an "apathy club" was formed to successfully sleep through addresses by visiting speakers. The stated purpose of the organization was to "snooze quietly but efficiently" no matter the importance or volume of the event.

On Convent Avenue the movement has been less organized but the results similar. Some teachers call it a "supermarket" generation. Veterans of the thirties often describe the era as "security-minded." Maybe the perspective is lacking. Maybe everyone is too closely involved. But one thing is certain: no one is truly satisfied with the times.

The people who have condemned membership lists in the past four years are dissatisfied. Those students and administration members who have fought against the Smith Act Ban are discontented. Communism at the College becomes an issue from time to time, to the consternation of some. And many teachers are disturbed at the inactivity of students in their social science classes.

But nobody has any cures. And nobody is going out on a limb.

Typical of the dissatisfied in the academic arena is Mister Norman Rosenberg (Government). He characterizes the fifties as a period "of broad general decline" in intellectual performance.

"I can hardly recognize this school anymore," the former stu-



A student cuts down an effigy of Jake Rosen hung in the fall of 1957.

dent here during the forties says. "The lack of real political interest is worthy of Columbia.

"Students today generally remind me of barnyard fowl. They just go through the motions," he observed.

"Part of the problem is that parents who worked in the sweatshops in the thirties own them now.

"The students nowadays just don't understand injustice. They're in a helluva way spiritually. It's like an Alexandrian decadence.

"They're never going to do or say anything different or out of step, because they just don't feel that way. It's not particularly that they're afraid."

Professor William Bradley Otis, a teacher at the College during the maelstrom of the thirties, finds the problem just as acute. "The world has grown old in the last few years. Before CCNY students felt they could change things. Now they're uncertain and lethargic. What can they do about the atom bomb?"

The nuclear age, however, was only one of a number of reasons estranging undergraduates from the political current. Pidookies roamed the College at the start of the decade evidencing a general contempt for student politics. Observation Post on December 5, 1949 ran a banner headline: STUDENT COUNCIL MEETS: AND TALKS . . . TALKS . . . TALKS . . . Halfway down its blank column the paper printed in agate type:

"Council elected two delegations to separate city-wide student conferences but gave neither delegation the right to speak or vote at the meetings.

"Council adjourned at midnight," the story concluded.

Six years after the OP article Ticker, the Baruch school paper, charged that the search for substitutes on the campus had resulted in apathy. President Buell G. Gallagher retorted, "There is nothing apathetic about the College, its professors or its students."

If there was apathy the occurrences of that year appeared designed to reactivate the students.

plored bureaucracy on the university campus, the Student Faculty Committee on Student Activities approved compulsory membership lists to ostensibly keep more accurate records of student activities.

Through a student referendum pronouncedly opposed to lists and a dozen different student and faculty plans the problem has persisted.

In the wake of the roster dispute almost all of the political clubs left the campus. In 1955 the Students for Democratic Action left in protest. In 1956 the Young Progressives disbanded after eight years of political activity. The same year the Young Democrats folded, but this time due to lack of members.

In 1957 the five municipal college presidents "refused the courtesy of the campuses to persons under indictment for any reason or awaiting appeal from a conviction to include persons convicted under the Smith Act."

John Gates, invited by the Public Affairs Forum after being barred by Queens College, retorted, "I regret very much that I have been deprived of the right to speak. But the more serious matter is that the students have been deprived of the right of free inquiry and exploration of ideas."

The Smith Act Ban still stands. But in 1955 the President guarded himself and the College's administration from charges of McCarthyism in his Biennial Report. Dr. Gallagher maintained that the College was safeguarding civil rights and academic freedom of all suspected persons.

"In short we are refusing to harm the innocent in order to catch the guilty; and at the same time we are refusing to let the guilty go free in order to protect the innocent."

The next time the President issued a direct comment on communism was the fall of '57. The previous summer Jake Rosen, a student at the College, visited Russia and took part in the Moscow Youth Festival. According to a Microcosm summary published last year, Rosen was sent as an official observer by Student Government.

While in Moscow, Rosen aroused protest in the United

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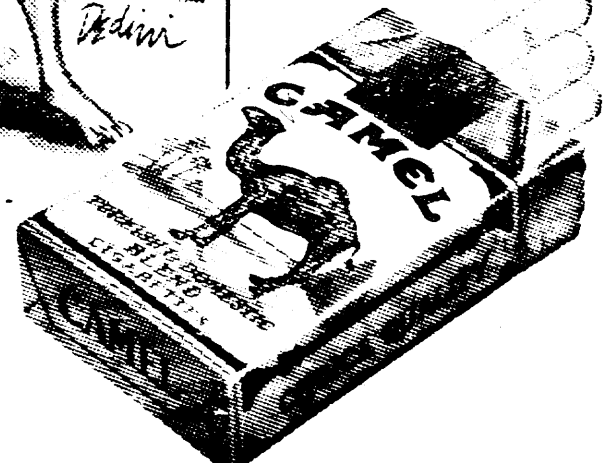
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Observation Post Editorial Page

Prejudice . . .

The tawdriness of Student Government was more apparent than ever this morning, a few hours before its annual dinner.

There is nothing sacred in the SG catalogue of values and for an action to have the characteristic SC brand it would appear it must be touched by a little prejudice.

Question has been raised as to the propriety of disclosing the happenings in an executive session. But inquiry has been also made into the nature of selecting leadership and service awards. Risking censure for intruding into consecrated territory, we must ourselves condemn the few members of Student Council who exercised irrational partisanship in the evaluation of honors candidates, at last Wednesday's meeting.

Assuming that the unanimous protest of the non-partisan SG Honors and Awards Commission is justified, and convinced that Upper Seniors do not resign from a Commission without believing deeply in the principle involved, we must join in the condemnation of SG's irresponsibility.

Of course it is unfair to label SG when only a few members may be responsible for this latest fiasco. And it is impossible to pinpoint the few because the balloting for awards was secret. However, it is with a shudder that we view the possibility of a student-elected body abusing its privilege and mocking its standards.

Corruption has apparently tainted the zealots. Ethics are discarded, accomplishments forgotten, service discounted, because political beliefs differ or are misunderstood.

Perhaps the necessary measure of accomplishment is innocuity. Perhaps the necessary qualifications for the sparse SG awards is an unobtrusive personality, a penchant for distorting fact, and a profound uninterest in politics. With this in mind the vocal few on Council have made their point well. Disagree but don't step on our toes, they imply. This is too high a price for any ethical man to pay. And it will not be paid this semester.

Of course, it should be noted that there is no question that the students honored fully deserved their award. But the omissions rankle. They sting a little, but not too much. Because one cannot get very excited about anything that Student Council has done or has attempted to do these past few months. With this in mind students are invited to consider the endorsements below.

Your Pick

This was supposed to be a crucial election. Words befogged issues. The fate of Student Government, it was implied, hung in the balance. Gigantic forces gathered steam, bandwagons appeared on the horizon, cannons roared, flags waved and all the parties involved tensed for the struggle. More indicative than anything else, supposedly, was the top of the ticket. Here the leaders would be presented who would rally the forces of right and justice and experience. At last evil and good would come to grips. So what happened. Thud. And nothing more.

For one reason or another many of the people who had commanded much of the attention focused on campus politics during the past semester declined to run for the Presidency. No one should be criticized for failing to offer his services. However, it is a trifle beyond us to pretend that Armageddon has come upon the scene with sudden fury.

In fact it is entirely beyond us to laud Rita Ashkenas, Barry Kahn, or Ira Glickstein. Mr. Glickstein has affirmed his support for causes we have constantly opposed. He favors compulsory membership

sibility of students maturing too quickly, or exercising minority views. With this summary of his protest movement we dismiss Mr. Glickstein.

Miss Ashkenas, although hardly in Mr. Glickstein's class, seems unlikely to blaze her way into the archives of the College's History. Her views are neither unique, imaginative nor particularly independent. Although, it is not our duty to question physical durability or inner confidence, it may be that Miss Ashkenas lacks both. We shudder to imagine the state of Miss Ashkenas' equilibrium after two weeks of the SG grind.

Which of course bring us to Barry Kahn, who could not be considered a pearl in any oyster. Mr. Kahn has that rare quality which every SC representative has boasted since Eight B.C.: "Leadership potentiality."

This is not to say that he is now or ever will be a leader. But there is just that possibility. Mr. Kahn speaks like a man who, at least knows his mind. He has an idea of what he wants to do and he cannot be dissuaded after a few minutes of polemical discussion. We cannot help but add that Mr. Kahn's certainty borders on dogmatism. And we cannot help but fear that Mr. Kahn will confuse the Democratic Forum and Union desires with his own judgments.

Mr. Kahn we admit is the best of the lot. But, to put it bluntly, that's not saying much.

Competent . . .

Two qualified and competent candidates, Jerry Swartz and Nels Grumer, are competing for the office of SG Vice President.

Swartz, an engineering student, has served on Student Council, the Academic Affairs Committee, Inter-Fraternity Council, Academic Freedom Committees and many other groups.

Grumer also has been very active at the College. He has held four different positions in SG, he was a copy editor of *Observation Post*, President of Hillel and his House Plan and a member of many committees.

The Editorial Board of *Observation Post* was impressed by Swartz's enthusiasm and imagination. His ideas on the curriculum delegation of SG responsibilities and more flexible and realistic requirements for candidates for SG office are both practiceable and sensible.

Also, Swartz is an engineer who wants to see more tech students involved in SG. The dearth of tech participation has been a major reason for Student Government's ineffectiveness.

Through personal contact and by making SG more sensitive to the needs of tech students, he hopes to encourage them to participate in extra-curricular activities.

Grumer would be a competent and efficient Vice President. However, we do not believe that SG will be improved by having him as Vice President. Grumer, to us, does not seem one who would make a crusading, or even energetic Veep.

Observation Post endorses Jerry Swartz for Student Government Vice-President.

Go Laster

Two candidates are currently campaigning for position of Student Government Secretary.

Diana Laster, one of the contestants, has proved her ability to cope with problems which face students in all phases of life at the College. She has served on Student Council, was a cheerleader, and is a member of the staff of *Microcosm*.

Miss Laster's statement concerning voting regulations is a particularly valid

Council for one year. If during that time the student is unable to complete his term of office and there is a vacancy left on Council which the student body has no voice in filling until the following election. Miss Laster would revise this procedure and would receive our support in so doing.

She has also expressed approbation of a two-party system at the College. This is a position which we have frequently taken in hopes of insuring a greater student voice in the activities of Student Government.

We endorse Miss Laster on the basis of these and other views which she has outlined, and which we feel would be beneficial to the entire student body if instituted.

Hesitant . . .

We found that the candidate for the SG Treasurer's position was inexperienced and uncertain of what form his responsibilities should take. Although Herb Deutsch runs uncontested OP hesitates to extend its endorsement.

The Best . . .

There are no candidates we are more pleased about endorsing than Stanley Grossel and Mrs. Sandra Rosenblum for positions on Student Faculty Committee on Student Activities.

Mrs. Rosenblum has acquitted herself admirably during the past year she has served on SFCSA and Stan Grossel has distinguished himself for his ingenuity, intelligence and patience during his stay on Student Council.

We are particularly proud to endorse Grossel because he is a member of a portion of the student body which has often been accused of apathy and indifference to student affairs. As an engineer and an undergraduate active in "co-curricular interests" Grossel is doing his best to dispel the current myth.

He also represents the best of the political party which has endorsed him. Due to personal considerations he was unable to run for SG president. We are distressed that there is a dearth of material for that position, but similarly we welcome Mr. Grossel's decision to run for SCFSA. He can add thoughtful decision and intelligent discussion to the immensely important process of Student-Faculty deliberations.

As Editor of *Observation Post* Mrs. Rosenblum has had a direct influence on the problems facing the student body. On SFCSA she has extended this influence. We hope she is not denied the opportunity to serve the College's community with her usual high standards.

Honor Systems

There has probably always been and always will be speculation at the College about the benefits or disadvantages of the honor system. The feasibility of such an institution is quite doubtful.

From the statistics of Professor Middlebrook's report, the problem of cheating at the College has not, reached an infectious level. However, the fact that there is some borrowing in the classroom during examinations cannot be overlooked.

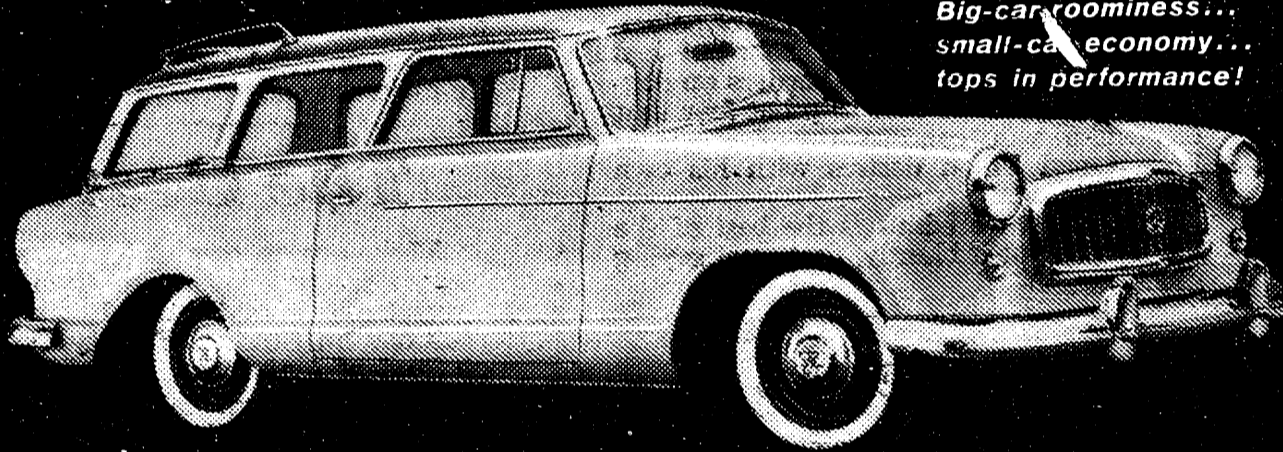
Before an honor system could be successfully undertaken, there would have to be some alteration of academic emphasis starting at the elementary school level. Cheating is obviously caused by nothing more than a desire to attain or maintain a high grade. Removing the emphasis on marks would lessen the problem considerably. This is an old request, but nonetheless an important and significant one. An honor system is basically an acceptable in-



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CLUES ACROSS:

- These may indicate that a nation is prepared to wage war in the air.
- Some college students.
- When at, Light up an Oasis.
- Sinking ship deserter.
- Plural pronoun.
- One expects discussions in a sociology class.
- A student's careless might annoy a short-story instructor.
- Initials of Uruguay and Denmark.
- Germanium (Chem.)
- Nova Scotia (Abbr.)
- It probably would count when you pick a horse to bet on.
- Sometimes a girl on a date must into her pocketbook to help pay the tab.
- The muscle-builder's may fascinate a poorly developed man.
- Chemical Engineer (Abbr.)
- Campers will probably be by a forest fire.
- When starting a trip, tourists usually look forward to the first
- At home.
- Literate in Arts (Abbr.)
- Familiar for faculty member.
- Associate in Arts (Abbr.)
- One could appear quite harmless at times.
- Reverse the first part of "L&M".
- What will soon appear in a bombed-out city.

CLUES DOWN:

- The beginning and end of pleasure.
- A rural can be inviting to a vacationist.
- Second and third letters of OASIS.
- When one is packed, it could be exasperating to remember a few articles that should be included.
- It would pay to be careful when glass is
- Grounds to relax on with a mild CHESTERFIELD.
- Author Ambler.
- District Attorney (Abbr.)
- A from Paris should please the average woman.
- An inveterate traveler will about distant lands.
- are hard to study.
- Stone, Bronze and Iron
- How Mexicans say, "Yes".
- All L&M cigarettes are " high" in smoking pleasure.
- May be a decisive factor in winning a horse race.
- Initials of Oglethorpe, Iona, Rutgers and Emerson.
- United Nations Organization (Abbr.)
- Golf mound.
- Colloquial for place where the finest tobaccos are tested for L&M.
- Poet Laureate (Abbr.)
- Filter ends.
- What Abner might be called.
- Bachelor of Education degree.

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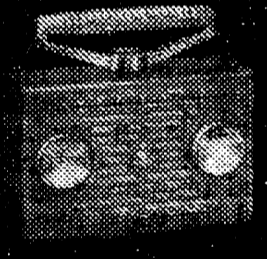
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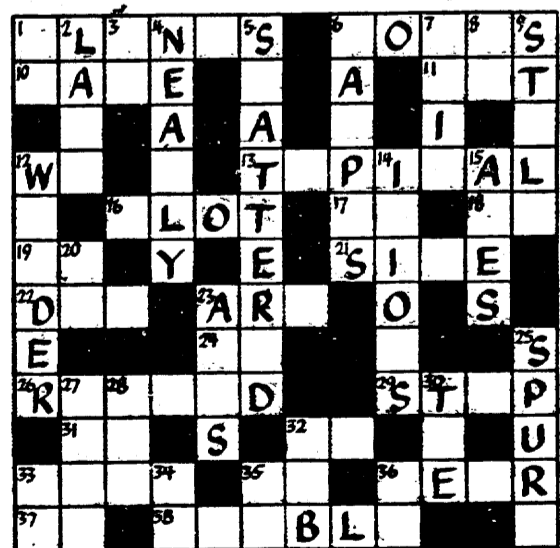
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Rosenblum's Hitting Rises As Baseball Team Declines

Since the College's baseball team never rode on top of the Metropolitan League this season, Kenny Rosenblum is a man of distinction.

Playing on a "second division" team, Kenny began the season a threat to lead the Met League in batting.

What is even more surprising is the fact that this is his first season with the varsity team. Although his initial pace has slowed down considerably, Kenny is currently boasting a batting average in the .300's.

Last season, Kenny played centerfield for the College's frosh baseball team and finished the season with a .460 BA. Now he rotates between all the three outfield positions, but his average is not quite in the .400 range.

Key hits by Kenny in two early season games aided the Beavers to

two rare victories. In the opener against a strong Hofstra array he broke open a 4-3 game with a bases loaded triple. Against Brooklyn, Kenny garnered three hits, good for just as many RBIs.

The hard-hitting Beaver is an Economics major at the Baruch School. He played baseball at Madison High School and plays for the Eagles in the Parade Grounds League. He hopes to enter law school upon graduation.

Baseball Breaks Monotony

Besides attending classes and regular baseball practice, Kenny works about 24 hours a week for the Park Department. "The baseball games break up the monotony of school and my job," Kenny says.

He also takes an active part in the extra-curricular program at the Baruch School. He writes for The Ticker, and is a referee for

the Intra-Mural Board.

Kenny feels that this season on the varsity has been very helpful for him. He improved on his fielding abilities in that he has learned to get a better jump on the ball by observing the batters' stance. He admits, however, that he still has trouble hitting the low pitches.

The Lavender nine has about four or five sophs in the starting lineup. Thus Kenny believes the team will improve with time. "The players know that the potential is there, but it just hasn't jelled yet. One thing is certain," he says, "morale is still high."

In addition to the present morale, the team feels very optimistic about a decent finish in the Met standings.

"The team is confident, but I've never seen worse luck," is the way Kenny sums it up.

An Apathetic Decade: Pidookies and Lists

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States by dipping the American Flag before a Soviet reviewing stand. Before Rosen left, Pres. Gallagher warned, "Such a person would merely support Soviet propaganda." After the incident the President said:

"He has disgraced and humiliated all of us."

During the middle of the fall semester, Rosen was hung in effigy on the North Campus. Until the issue was reawakened this semester, by discussion of the Vienna Youth Festival there was no further debate on Rosen's actions.

Despite the incidents, despite the recriminations most participants will remember the era as a time of sneering. However, the mockery has not been directed at FBI agents who have invaded the sanctity of the classroom to inquire about students, or against the so-called communist problem,

but rather generally at politics and particularly at the "picayune quarrels" in Student Council.

Steve Nagler, a graduate student here and Student Government president in the spring of 1958, described the activities of SG as dominated by "passive moderation."

This condition, Nagler traces to the activities of the Department of Student Life.

"The DSL has sought to create nice socially acceptable students. It has resulted in a domination by passive moderation" he says.

Nagler sees the greatest problem of SC as an inability to understand its role. "They just haven't looked at the College as an entire community. They just haven't considered the wishes of all the students."

And what are the wishes of all the students?

Perhaps it is as unrepresentative as any of the other comments published above. But as one day-session student seated behind a tall malted in the Snack Bar late in the evening expressed it:

"If I could pass all my courses with a little to spare, get a decent job, watch the basketball team win a few games and find a decent, passionate girl I would be satisfied. I'm not asking for much more. And I don't want much more pushed on me."

And in this year of 1959, with the fifties inexorably receding, it doesn't appear that much more will be pushed on him.

Letters

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served it, but because they didn't want the member of the opposing party to receive it.

Criteria for these awards should be based on the applicant's efforts and performance as a student leader, not on his participation in a campus political party. However, in this case, it is obvious that no matter how qualified these four people were for the awards, the opposing block, a minority in council, saw to it that these people would not receive awards. Permitting this minority the influence and control of Student Council and student activities can only be detrimental to the democratic traditions of City College. This brings to mind the defacing of the College's name which occurred a generation ago as a result of similar minority influence. It is unfortunate that City College still bears the scar left from the deep wounds inflicted by the last generation.

Most people remember the College not for its accomplishment but for its mistakes even though the accomplishments far outweigh the mistakes. We, the students at City College, must be made aware of the possibility of a similar situation arising. We cannot afford to let this happen again. We must see to it that Student Council and the newspapers and the rest of student activities are kept free to represent a majority of the student body. At City College, majority, not minority rule must prevail.

Sincerely yours,
Millie Berman,
Marvin Binstock
Mike Horowitz
Lou Nashelsky

THINKKLISH



English: **LOWEST MAN IN THE COMMENCEMENT CLASS**

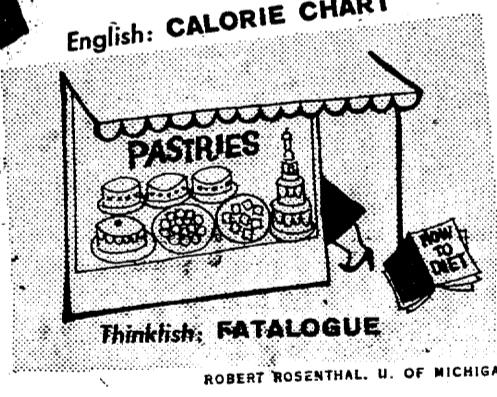
Thinklish translation: The only courses this bird absorbed were the ones served in dining hall. The only examinations he passed were the ones his dentist gave him twice a year. After five years of work (at a two-year college), he finally got his diploma. Obviously, the word for this fellow is *gladuate!* Of course, being a Lucky fan marks him as a man of high degree ... with extra credits for good taste. Get the honest taste of fine tobacco yourself. Spend this summa cum Luckies.



English: **WANDERING HORSE**

Thinklish: **NAGABOND**

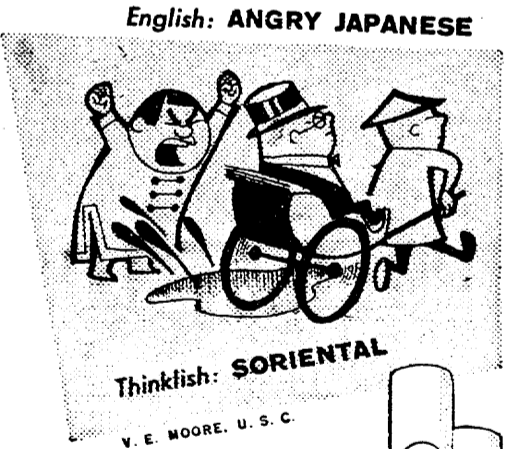
FRANCIS HAAS, ST. BOHAVENTURE U.



English: **CALORIE CHART**

Thinklish: **FATALOGUE**

ROBERT ROSENTHAL, U. OF MICHIGAN



English: **ANGRY JAPANESE**

Thinklish: **SORIENTAL**

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English: **CIGARETTE COMMERCIAL**

Thinklish: **TOBACCOLADE**

CALVIN MCCONNELL, U. S. NAVAL ACADEMY

Diamondmen Boot Another; Give Violets 13-9 Victory

By STEVE SOLOMON

The College's baseball team defeated itself yesterday with erratic fielding as it gave NYU a 13-9 victory in a Metropolitan Baseball Conference game.

The Beavers now have a 2-9 record in the league.

Bill Botwinik, an outfielder who started on the mound for the Lavender turned out to be the goat of the game after it appeared he'd be the hero.

In the opening frame with the College leading 1-0 and the bases loaded thanks to two hits, an error, and a walk, Botwinik stepped up to the plate and nailed a Bruce Campbell fastball for a grand slam homerun.

Leading 5-0 Botwinik did not fare very well on the mound. He gave up singles to Red Velpri and Mike Abernathy and then Dick Reilly connected for a three-run homer. Coach LaPlace decided to relieve him with Luby Mlynar.

However, feeling that he needed Botwinik's bat, the coach sent him



Coach John LaPlace Directs Debacle

to third base. The strategy was soon to backfire.

In the sixth inning disaster struck. The Beavers were leading, 8-4 and seemed to have the game in hand with Mlynar pitching steady ball.

However, Campbell opened the inning by walking and advanced to second on Velpri's single. After a fly out, Reilly walked to load the bases and this is where the Lav-

Tep-Tops . . .

Tomorrow afternoon, Tau Epsilon Phi, the fraternity champion, will meet the Kingpins, in the final round of the intramural softball tourney.

The TEPS, undefeated in league play, took both halves of a doubleheader last week, as Jerry Waldman tossed consecutive two-hit shutouts. The fraternity men topped AEPi and SAM.

ender defense collapsed.

A grounder by Al Klausman was booted by the dependable Bob Demas, permitting one run to score, and when Bob Regan walked forgoing in the second run of the inning Callichio took over for Mlynar.

At this point, Botwinik erred. With the bases loaded and the score, 8-6, Sal Carillo grounded to him and instead of forcing the runner at home he decided to go for the double play.

He stepped on third for one out but threw wildly to first permitting two runs to score and Carillo to go to third. Moments later he scored the fifth run of the inning to put NYU ahead by a run.

The Beavers managed to tie the contest in the top of the eighth on a Demas single and a double by Ken Rosenblum, but it made little difference. In the bottom of the inning, the Violets tallied four runs on a two-run homer by Carillo and two-run triple by Conte to put the game out of reach.

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Netmen Close Season Today

By JOE LOWIN

In its last match of the season, the College's tennis team opposes a weak St. John's squad this afternoon at the Fleet Tennis Club.

After being decisively beaten over the weekend by NYU, the Beavers' record now stands at 3-4. The team is confident, however, that, after today's match, they will wind up the season with a .500 percentage.

Coach Harry Karlin thinks that "St. John's is not any stronger than Manhattan." Manhattan was trounced earlier this season by an 8-1 score by the Lavender. Yesterday, the Jaspers beat the Redmen in all six singles matches.

Captain Jay Hammel will face Frank Sacco, and Beaver Mike Stone will oppose Johnnie's Captain Mike Gallagher in the first two singles matches. Mark Buckstein and Sy Silver will go against Ken Kubicki and John Dudelis in the third and fourth matches respectively.

Jerry Swartz and Vinnie Catrini in the five and six spots will face Mo Vallat and Matt Chlupsa. Gad Selig and Jack Kornfield will probably go in the doubles as Coach Karlin intends to use all his men in the final match of the season.

Harold Deutschman, who shows up only for the doubles on Wednesdays, will not be able to play for the Beavers at all this afternoon. "He sprained his shoulder before the match last Saturday," explained Professor Karlin, "and will be out for the rest of



Harry Karlin "We'll Win"

the season." He went on to say, however, "I think we'll win without him."

St. John's record for the season is 0-5 and they've found it very difficult to win many of their singles matches. In fact most of the matches they've won have been in the doubles competition.

Coach George Seewagen said that the reason for his charges' poor play is that "there is a great lack of experience on the team."



Luby Mlynar Pounded

Runners Vs. B'klyn Today

By BERNIE TEITELMAN

When the College's track team meets Brooklyn today Coach Harry deGirolamo will try out his junior varsity squad without really endangering the Beaver's undefeated dual-meet record.

"I know we're much stronger than Brooklyn," the coach said. Last year the Lavender easily triumphed over their Flatbush opponents.

Part of the freshman squad will enter the contest at Lewisohn Stadium scheduled to begin at 1:30. "This will give the JV boys a chance to compete and gain experience, while getting the opportunity to earn points towards a varsity letter," deGirolamo explained.

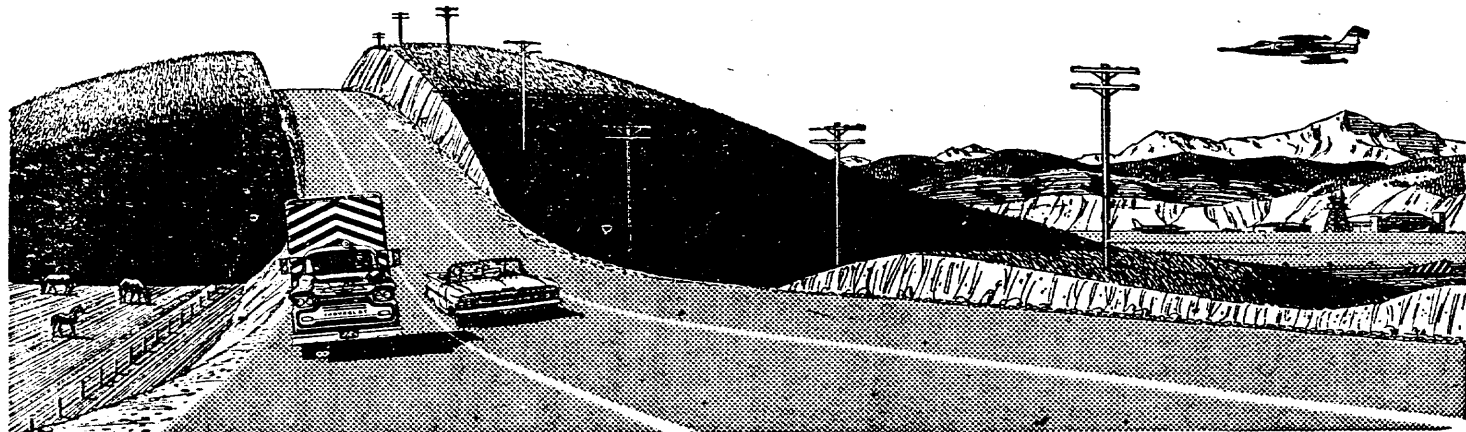
The following frosh will probably see action in today's meet: Paul Piavaver, Jerry Wexler, Mark Antonio, Alex Bell, and John Kudlac.

The trackmen will still rely on their veteran nucleus to clinch victory. Stan Dawkins, Ralph Taylor, Josue Delgado, George Best, and Ike Clark, will specialize mainly in their own fields, since much of the burden for the events will be carried by the frosh.

The track team will finish off its dual-meet competitions on Saturday when it runs against Queens College. Coach deGirolamo feels that the team stands an excellent chance of completing the season undefeated and considers this year's squad as one of his "greatest."

The last year the trackmen went undefeated was in 1957.

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