An appeal for state aid for higher education was voiced in the form of a letter to The New York Times yesterday, by members of the four municipal colleges.

The letter requested that state aid be provided to municipal colleges. The letter emphasized that although there have been many suggestions of a method of acquiring monetary aid, there is little evidence that the principle demand "that state assistance is necessary to expand opportunities for higher education in these (the municipal) colleges." The letter also mentioned the heads of the Alumni Associations of the four municipal colleges.

Governor realises growing demand for state aid for higher education. In the letter to The New York Times, Governor Lifton explained that Governor realizes the growing demand for state aid for higher education, and that a certain stipend has been set aside in the New York State budget for this purpose.

The Alumni Associations' letter. The letter from the Alumni Associations of the four municipal colleges was discussed at a meeting of the Board of Higher Education (BHE), and from the Council of Social Agencies (CSA). The letter was discussed at a meeting of the Board of Higher Education (BHE), and from the Council of Social Agencies (CSA).

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Tight Controls Sought On Fraternity Houses. The Inter-Fraternity Council (IFC) is planning a drastic revamping of its program this semester. The IFC president, outlining this action, attributed it mainly to the growing antagonism toward the group from both the citizens of Harlem and the students themselves.

Bob Bissmoff, newly elected president of the IFC, will be the first to implement this plan. He has beenstemmedmainly from the ineptness and lethargy of the fraternity houses, especially with regard to building codes, fire or­dances, and Certificates of Occu­pation.

Tripod-Promon Attack. The first point of the Council's three-pronged attack on the problem of the fraternity houses is the creation of a "tripod" to control the fraternities. It will be composed of a triad of three elements: the IFC itself, the Placement Office, and the Alumni Association.

Previously, any Greek letter so­cial organization was under­controlled by the IFC president and the Placement Office. It is hoped that this feature in the past has been an attempt to control the College and the accepted fraterni­ties from the actions of "un­licensed" fraternities.

The first facet of the directive calls for increased social and ath­letic functions by IFC itself. IFC has been operating a series of inter-fraternity athletic events, many already set into motion, plans to turn the IFC office into a center for inter-fraternity activities and dance programs, and the publication of two fraternity newsletters.

Off-B'way Director Will Appear Here. Eugene VanGrona, director of the Off-B'way Theatre, will appear at the college on March 17 to discuss Elizabethan drama in the Finley Center Ballroom. Mr. VanGrona's own play, "His Voice," will be performed at 8:30 p.m. in the Finley Center Ballroom.

Spring Concert. The Spring Concert will be held on April 17 at 8:30 p.m. in the Finley Center Ballroom. The concert will feature performances by various groups, including the college orchestra and the college choir.

College to Air Handel Opera. The College will participate in the current Handel Festival, sponsored by the College's Department of Music. The vehicle for this participa­tion will be the presentation of Handel's opera "Xerxes" in concert form.

This will be the first perfor­mance of "Xerxes" in New York in twenty-five years. The concert will feature performances by various groups, including the college orchestra and the college choir.

College President's Column. The College President's Column will be published on Wednesday, March 19, 1959.
In the University of Utopia (to borrow Robert Hutchins' phrase,) things are done different. To no one's surprise, the students turn out differently.

At the U of U, when the registrar signs up forty students for a class, the custodian provides forty chairs. As a matter of fact, the registrar has been dismissed. The maximum enrollment is twenty-five at present.

In Utopia, curriculum changes come even more slowly than at City. (How long have I been listening to rumors that a certain required course on the Social Science list would be replaced by a currently semi-required course, and that the semi-required list would be dropped?) They haven't even reduced the science requirement for non-scientists there, despite the commonplace view that there is so much more science to learn, there isn't much room in trying to teach any to the non-scientists.

Even the faculty is different in Utopia. Not that they're brighter, just that they employ more of their brightness to illuminate the problems confronting in class, and less for the authorship of esoteric articles about incomprehensible minutiae published in obscure journals, whose readers are the authors of other esoteric articles, etc.

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Two Roads to Education

Vice Admiral Hyman Rickover and Professor Theodore Brameld of Boston University have expressed their philosophies of education in a number of excellent critical works. The following excerpts are indicative of the general tenor of their criticism, and had a profound effect on the path that education in the United States will take in the future.

From Vice Admiral Rickover's "Education and Freedom":

"Substitution of knowledge for solid learning prevents all the widespread tendencies of schools to instruct pupils in the minutiae of daily life." Disagreeing to some extent with his critics, Dr. Thomas Spitz said that subject matter should come first. He emphasized, however, that methods were of great importance. "You can't build a house without a foundation," he said. "However, methods are necessary in all fields."

Another Education senior described these problems in all our Education courses after year after year, but nothing has been done yet."

In answer to Admiral Rickover's over-all criticism, Dr. Haddow declared yesterday: "Our graduates rate right up at the top in so many respects, and are absolutely ready to teach. They uniformly are the top entries in teacher examinations, and they provide the outstanding leadership. We have a splendid record."

Impressions...

"Impressions," the Art Society magazine founded last term, is accepting material for its Spring publication. Poetry and fiction, as well as art contributions are wanted. Artwork will be accepted through March 26 at the Art Building Desk on the first floor of Eisker Hall.

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Strums in Broadway Show

Jerry Silverman, who strums "a pleasant backwoods cross-legged and playing a guitar" by Blind Lemon Jefferson.

The idea of a folk guitarist who wrote major in music raised many eyebrows. Indeed, it was the first time this had happened at the College. Silverman still calls himself an "oddball" music major.

"Mozart operas and Beethoven sonatas may seem to have as little to do with the banjo as E=mc^2," Silverman observes, "but it enabled me to add a new dimension to my development.

The research done on this thesis was for Silverman's collecting folk blues for publication in book form. No such collection had been available previously. The book, entitled "Folk Blues," is published by the Macmillan company.

The assortment of folk blues has been divided into categories according to the mood or condition of the stage. This was "real musicological value," he explained, and involved research into an unchronomized field.

"Folk," now it was Music 1!}

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Nevertheless, through the elaborate openmindedness exhibited by student leaders, the obvious choices, the progressive concepts of current feelings, the more controversial and provocative personalities than their age. Mr. Powell's achievements in the drive for freedom have been scaled, his inter-party juggling will be cited in the national conclaves and nominating conventions have been surmounted. On occasion, his day, we dare say, who more represents in the public's view, by no American politician as standards of liberal and progressive statesmanship. Yet there is no man in America who is a unique opportunity to convey the must convey not confuse. He must bring forth dear, logical confirmation of faith in good old principle. His body must prove, and his conscience must go to the extreme of doing nothing but his students not eating to remove the true situation. The guards parted the cafeteria rooms hand by hand, rather than extra facilities, the teachers with the heaviest papers were awarded Proficiency awards. I heard, "I read the story on page 58 of The Times," Al said. It got about the campus, but to the writer to reflect on the point.

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Honors Aids Specializing

By GRACE FISCHER

Whether it be cancer research or a study of the lost generation, the Honors Program provides students with a distinct opportunity to depart from the formal college curriculum. The program allows students to specialize and to pursue a subject of individual study in a major subject.

The Honors course consists of a three-term study designed to allow qualified upperclassmen freedom to experiment in various fields of interest. At the end of the first semester, the student graduates with honors in the subject of his specialization.

The Honors student works together with, and under close guidance of his own mentor. In the Social Sciences, the student must follow a reading list and take comprehensive examinations on the readings. This section of the program is designed to give the student scholarly inroads.

Another six credits are devoted to a "little thesis" from fifty to two hundred pages on a topic of the student's own choice. The student is encouraged to delve into original sources wherever possible, and to be original in subject matter and handling.

The length of the Honors courses in the physical sciences varies to a great degree. Although nine credits are required to graduate with honors, a student may take more or less than this amount. However, no more than six credits may be taken in one semester.

Useful Introduction

"For the College senior planning to continue his studies, an Honors course can provide a useful introduction to graduate school techniques and the tool of research. "It is a real advantage for those interested in college teaching," said Professor Albert Friend (Chmn. English Honors Committee).

However, the Honors courses "are not good for everyone," said Dean Sherburne Barber, executive officer in charge of the program. Some students who fulfill the technical requirements, such as having an A average, may be turned down, whereas "some who have to squeeze under the wire" are accepted.

"To take entrance examinations as the only requirements would defeat the idea of the program."

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Pajama Game . . .

"Pajama Game" will be presented Friday and Saturday evening by the Musical Comedy Society. The production will be presented in the Taft High School Auditorium, 230 East 172nd Street. Tickets in a $1.10 to $1.50 range are on sale in the Flarky Trophy Lounge, Room 132. Groups buying tickets in blocks of fifteen or more receive a ten per cent discount.

The whole is equal to the sum of its parts

(But some of its parts are more equal than others)

Alumni Note Excerpts

Financial Assistance for Municipal System Is Deemed Imperative

To the Editor of The New York Times:

"As heads of the Alumni Associations of City, Hunter, Brooklyn and Queens Colleges, representing 100,000 living alumni of the municipal college system, we ask you to help us increase public awareness that financial assistance from the state to these colleges is imperative. It is imperative for a point of view of principle and from that of fact."

"Let us take the facts first."

"There are severe bills now in the legislative bodies, such as the Interstate-Brook and the Greenberg-Pedersen, which would provide partial support by the state for the operating expenses of the municipal colleges. The formulae in these bills vary but the principle is the same: that the state should assist in order to expand opportunity for higher education in specialized fields."

"New York City spends $24,000,000 a year of tax funds for the operating expenses of the municipal colleges. The state last year paid about $8,000,000 toward the education of students in the colleges preparing to become teachers, as it does in the rest of the state. The city also appropriated $11,000,000. New York, Dec. 20."

"Even Euclid had to admit . . . It's what's up front that counts

Euclid proved that a straight line is the shortest distance between two points. And if you walk a straight line to the nearest store, that's the shortest distance to a really enjoyable smoke. It's the tobacco up front that makes the difference and that's where Winston packs its own exclusive Filter-Blend—a special selection of light, mild tobacco, specially processed for filter smoking. You'll find Filter-Blend gives Winston a flavor without parallel. In fact, it's axiomatic that . . .

Winston Tastes Good, Like a Cigarette Should!
Pool Sharks Unite! Chalk Your Cues! Your Parlor Is Set for Met Tourny

Hearken, all ye connoisseurs of the ancient sport of billiards (pocket or three cushion). The clarion rings for the nimble-fingered art of the pool cue. The blue chalk awaits the beginning of a new era at the college.

The green cushions of the College's billiards tables will soon greet the pool sticks of opposing sharks from other metropolitan schools. Irvin Brownstein (Student Life, alumni supervisor and billiard novice of Finley Center), proposed the creation of an invitational billiards tourney for met schools on Monday at a Managers Agency committee meeting.

"For the past two years I have annually received entry blanks from the national tournaments," Mr. Brownstein related, "and with the recent improvement of our 'billiards lounge' I feel that we are ready to develop a team good enough to compete on a national basis."

The national tournament is run on a "mail-order" basis. The competing universities mail in the results of the contests held in their own billiards rooms. The deadline for the tourney has past and it is too late to enter this semester.

Larry Gottlieb, a member of the Managers Agency, feels that the best way to form a team "is to initiate an intra-college tournament and select the top five players as the College's representatives.

Gottlieb, chairman of the tournament committee, cited last spring's pool tourney in the Finley Academy, which was curtailed by the sudden need to mend nine worn-out pool tables, as an attempt to expand upon activities offered the student in the Finley Center.

As is natural for most Tech alumni here at the college, Helgans enrolled in engineering major, Bob has compiled a 3.5 average, good enough to net him membership in Pi Tau Alpin, a national honors society. In addition to a 287 shooting average, the affable senior has posted better than 290 bulls-eyes out of a possible 300. Five times this season. This feat has placed him in a class, reserved only for sharpshooters.

The five foot-ten inch eagle-eye is a first lieutenant in the ROTC and an active brother in the Peraltas.

His outside activities are limited to participation in the Rimmond Hill Rifle Club and loads of hunting, fishing, archery, and ice skating.

Coach Bernard Kelley rates Helgans as one of the top marksmen in the metropolitan area. Kelley praised "Bob's poise on the firing line and his trigger-quick reflexes" that are required for unerringly accuracy.

The Coach emphasized that Helgans' early training was a solid foundation for his present success on the squad. He stressed that the rifler's stamina was developed through active participation in outdoor athletics. "Throughout the season Bob's durability played an important role in winning close matches."

Now that graduation is drawing near the rifleman's future plans are coming out of meatballs and becoming realities. The youthful Queens resident plans to marry his college sweetheart, enter the army for a quick hitch, then settle down to a career of teaching aspiring engineers.

Your Parlor Is Set for Pool Sharks Unite! Chalk Your Cues!
Final Basketball Figures: Groveman Leads Scoring

Figures compiled yesterday, revealed that Marty Groveman, jump-shooting guard led the basketball team in scoring with a 17.1 points-per-game average. The 6-3 Senior also led the team in free-throw percentage with a .790 mark. He appeared in every contest.

Hector Lewis, the only other player to average in double figures also collected rebounding laurels with a total of 290 for his 16 appearances. His scoring average was 29.1 per game. Joel Ascher grabbed 138 rebounds, averaging 20.7 per contest.

Shelley Bender, a 6-4 Junior, led the team in field goal percentage with a .480 mark.

The Beavers averaged 63.9 points per game, while yielding an average of 70.8, and compiled a .480 win-loss record. Comparable figures for last year were 62.1, 59.6, and 9-8 respectively.

The Beavers averaged 6.2 turnovers per game, while committing 12.8. Baruchian Dave Altnegel led the team with 25 points for the evening.

With Brooklyn leading, 51-48, in the third quarter, Joel Ascher led the team in scoring with a 17.1 points-per-game average. The 6-1 Senior also led the team in free-throw percentage with a .790 mark. He appeared in every contest.

When Spring invades the OP cage, And we sport buffs find an empty page, We start with the Booters and Sund's magic toes, Paced by Taylor, Corr, Kalet, and King.

To Hec, Bender, and Ascher, under the rim, Pacing to toast from an Orange Juice vat, To Coach Laura Ham, and her six Kosher cuties.

Reflecting on this xointer's meets, When Spying invades the OP cage, We end with Lucia's fine fencing team, Weary though for lifeguards in your younger days.

This marked the second straight winter for the women cagers after beating Rider last Saturday. 61-45. The team's record is now 5-3.