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City U. Bans Communist Speakers While It Investigates Overall Policy

Reaction Here Unfavorable

By RENEE COHEN

News of the temporary speaker ban instituted by the Administrative Council of Municipal College Presidents was received with shock by Student Government leaders at the College yesterday.

After meeting for five hours yesterday afternoon, the Council unanimously resolved to bar all members of the Communist Party from speaking at any of the seven colleges within the City University.

This came as a climax to Queens College President Harold R. Stoke's denial of speaking privileges to Benjamin Davis, National Secretary of the CPUSA. Mr. Davis was scheduled to speak before the Queens College Marxist Discussion



SG Pres. Irwin Pronin Greatly Disappointed

Club yesterday.

Dr. Stoke had instituted the ban on Davis' appearance because of the new status of the CPUSA derived from recent Supreme Court decisions.

Mr. Davis spoke at the College last spring immediately after the Administrative Council had lifted its four-year speaker ban on those convicted under the Smith Act.

In lifting the ban, the Council reverted the right of barring

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Supreme Court Decision Called An Important Consideration

By GRACE FISCHER

Communist party members will be barred from speaking at any of the city colleges until the Administrative Council of Municipal College Presidents determines whether or not to institute a permanent speaker ban, it was announced yesterday.

By unanimous vote at its meeting yesterday afternoon, the Administrative Council decided to review on-campus speaker regulations and to prohibit appearances by Communist party members in the meantime.

Dr. John R. Everett (City University Chancellor) said that a final decision on any policy changes would be made "as soon as possible."

Dr. Everett indicated that a lawyer will investigate the situation and report back to the Council before its next meeting so that speedier action may be taken.

The resolution passed by the eight-member Council states:

In the light of Supreme Court actions which are pertinent to the standing of the Communist party in the United States, the Administrative Council is reviewing its policy regarding speakers on campus who are members of the Communist party. Until this review is completed and conclusions are formulated, no permission for such speakers on campus will be granted by any unit of the City University.

In its most recent verdict on the subject, the Supreme Court refused Monday to reconsider its decision of June 5 requiring the Communist party to classify it-

nature of the Communist party that the Administrative Council feels it is necessary to investigate if people whole-heartedly committed to the view of the party should have the same right to speak at municipal colleges as everyone else," Chancellor Everett said.

"It's a question of what public property should be used for," he added.

The Council drew up the resolution imposing a temporary speaker ban one day after Queens College President Harold W. Stoke denied speaking privileges to Communist Party National Secretary Benjamin Davis.

Dr. Everett asserted however that a re-study of speaker policy by the Administrative Council would have come up even without President Stoke's action.

Young Dems Hold Registration Drive

A drive to register voters in the Manhattanville projects which adjoin the school will be started by the College's Young Democrats (YD) this evening.

The group will ring doorbells and distribute literature in both Spanish and English in hope of establishing a Reform Democratic club in the College area.

The drive is part of a "community service" campaign on the part of YD to re-register the inhabitants of the new project and promote the Wagner ticket.

The students hope the drive in the predominantly Puerto Rican housing project will increase registration by Spanish speaking persons.

Manhattanville residents must re-register to comply with New York State voting regulations which require new registration after a change of address.

According to YD President Robert Moll, the Wagner ticket will undoubtedly win and doesn't need student support to insure its success the "way Kennedy did to carry New York." The purpose of the student project is to give undergraduates an opportunity to work in grass roots politics.

Moll noted that students at the College who intend to vote for the first time may register today through Saturday in their own election district.

Vibrant . . .

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CORE Rally Fri. To Be Addressed by Shuttlesworth

By BOB NELSON

Reverend Fred L. Shuttlesworth, a Southern integration leader, will deliver the main address at a rally to support the Freedom Riders to be held at the College today.

The rally, sponsored by the College's chapter of the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), will take place in the Finley Center Ballroom from 3:30 to 7:00 PM.

Welcoming remarks at the first campus mass meeting of the rally will be given by Acting President Harry N. Rivlin. Other speakers at the rally will be: James Farmer, National Director of CORE; James Peck, editor of "Freedom Rider"; Terry Pearlman, a student at the College who spent twenty-eight days in a Mississippi prison for participating in the Freedom Rides. Folk singing will be led by Larry Sandberg and Robert Traum.

Robert Atkins, Chairman of the College's CORE chapter, is hopeful that the rally "will result in an overt demonstration of sympathy for the Freedom Riders." The rally has been endorsed by the Student Council and the College's Young Democrats.

Spanish Harlem Is Lab For Sociology Students

By FRAN PELLY

Biology students do their research in a laboratory, but the Social Research Laboratory is using Spanish Harlem for its experimental dissection.

The College's Department of Sociology and Anthropology is conducting face to face interviewing to investigate the problem of multiple standards among the Puerto Rican people.

Conflicts arise when Puerto

Ricans, with traditional attitudes from home, come in contact with modern 1961 American attitudes from outside the home.

"Some of the areas of investigation will include research on family conflict and cohesion stemming from these multiple standards," Mr. George C. O'Neill (Sociology) said Monday.

This approach to "community study" is in areas of research delineated for the individual student in small groups so the research can be completed within the semester, yet be a meaningful experience for the student.

The project is the idea of Mr. O'Neill, who is of Spanish-Irish extraction. In addition to being an anthropologist, the new faculty member is a New World archaeologist, and has dug in the Southern Valley of Mexico, near Mexico City.

Another part of the Research Laboratory which is investigating the uses of language by people who speak two languages, is headed by Dr. Rosenberg (Sociology).

The students will study the linguistic usage of these bilinguals who have settled in other Spanish-American neighborhoods after liv-

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Student Council May Protest Miss. SG Disbanding

A resolution authorizing Student Council to send telegrams to Jackson State College President Jacob L. Reddix protesting his disbanding of the Student Government Association (SGA) there will be introduced at this afternoon's meeting.

Reddix based his action on activities which had embarrassed the college, a National Student Association (NSA) fact-sheet on the situation stated. "Probably, the major items he had in mind were actions taken by last year's SGA and this year's SGA in the field of integration," it reported. Telegrams have already been sent to Dr. Reddix by NSA President Edward Garvey. "We strongly urge you to reconsider the disbanding of the Student Govern-

ment Association," the telegram declares, "since any limitation of freedom in the academic community weakens that community and contributes to undermining the freedoms of all citizens."

Anne Ginsberg, SG Chairman of the Civil Liberties Committee, said yesterday that she would introduce the committee's resolution asking SG to join in the telegram drive. SG President Irwin Pronin yesterday endorsed the proposed motion.

Miss Ginsberg added that she would ask Council to send telegrams to President John F. Ken-

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Chancellor John R. Everett Supports Resolution

himself as an arm of the Soviet Union. All officers and members of the party must register with the Justice Department.

"The Supreme Court decisions have been so specific regarding the

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Forward

Our endorsement for the College's CORE rally to be held on Friday is known. Now we can only urge all of you to go, both out of respect for the Freedom Riders and a desire to financially aid their cause.

Backward

The time for looking backward has once again reached the Municipal College scene.

Monday, Queens College President Harold R. Stoke refused to allow Benjamin Davis, National Secretary of the Communist Party of the United States (CPUSA) to speak before the school's Marxist Discussion Club.

While reprehensible, this was within Dr. Stoke's presidential rights granted him when the Administrative Council of Municipal College Presidents lifted the four year old Smith Act speaker ban seven months ago. The banning authority was delegated to the individual college presidents at that time.

Yesterday, however, the Administrative Council, acting unanimously, resolved in effect to squelch academic freedom. For an indefinite period, no member of the Communist Party will be permitted to speak before any group at the seven colleges within the City University.

The rationale for this act supposedly lies in the recent Supreme Court decision ordering all members of the CPUSA to register with the United States Department of Justice. We contend that there can be no explanation for categorically limiting the views to which Americans, students and citizens, can be exposed.

When the Smith Act Ban was revoked last spring, the Administrative Council declared that students "can learn the use of the mind in sifting truth from error." Suddenly, this attitude has changed with no logical explanation. The action taken by the Supreme Court in July and upheld on appeal Monday cannot be viewed as a factor in justifying the curtailment of academic freedom.

It has repeatedly been declared by student organizations throughout the country and by the Fourteenth National Student Congress this summer that student self-government and, in effect, self-determination, must be enforced.

In a resolution condemning the policy of in loco parentis, or the overall university paternalism under which most American college administrations operate, NSA asks that students be given the right to exercise their own judgment in their activities and thereby develop maturity.

Colleges have been stereotyped in the ideal sense as the "free marketplace of ideas." How free can this be when only specific and generally approved ideas are voiced? The argument that education is received not only in the classroom, but in extracurricular life as well is old and a bit hackneyed. It is still a goal to be aimed for.

College students are often cited as the nation's future. How strong a future will the nation have, if the direction chosen by these students is based on one-sided evidence?

It is indeed disheartening to note that Acting President Harry N. Rivlin saw fit to vote with the other presidents to make the ban a unanimous decision. As a former professor of education, it is surprising to find that Dr. Rivlin would agree to limit a student's opportunity for intellectual enrichment. This is far from the "best possible" way.

The stated refusal of the CPUSA to register its membership with the Attorney General poses an interesting question. How will the City University determine who should be subject to the new ban? Will the University become a subscriber to House Un-American Activities files, or will simple guess work be employed? Perhaps a City University Un-American Activities Committee will be organized (unofficially) to make the process easier.

The three-faced emblem on the College's seal has now been molded into one. The College is the visage of "Respicere." The present and the future are in this shadow of antiquity.

Reaction . . .

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Smith Act defendants from speaking at the Municipal Colleges to the respective college presidents. Technically, Dr. Stoke acted within this presidential power.

"Pres. Stoke's actions negate the principles of a university," SG President Irwin Pronin asserted yesterday afternoon. "I have the greatest confidence that Dr. Rivlin will not take the same action [at the College]."

Pronin expressed "great disappointment" later last evening after learning of the unanimous decision of the Administrative Council. "I am disillusioned at the apparent lack of wisdom shown in such measure."

The Administrative Council is composed of the Presidents of the seven municipal colleges and Chancellor John R. Everett who acts as the non-voting chairman.

Several members of Student

Council said they would support a resolution at today's meeting condemning the new ban.

"Whatever action the Administrative Council took on the speaker issue in the past," SC representative Les Fraidstern declared yesterday, "one could at least take pride in the fact that our president would consistently cast his vote against those who wished to restrict our right to listen and learn. Now we can't even say this."

Prior to the Administrative Council decision, the College's Marxist Discussion Club issued a statement yesterday condemning Pres. Stoke's action. The group declared that it would sponsor a forum within two weeks on free speech in the schools.

Last evening, MDC President Ricky Eisenberg said that the group would invite someone in place of a CP member as a result of the new ban. The group will try to get "as many organizations as possible to co-sponsor the forum," he declared.

Mississippi . . .

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nedy and Attorney General Robert Kennedy protesting the arrest of some 100 high school students in McComb, Mississippi because of their participation in a sit-in.

NSA has sent wires to Washington and sympathy telegrams to McComb. In the NSA telegram to the President and the Attorney General, the student organization states: "We urge speedy action by the Justice Department to investigate and to defend the rights of the students guaranteed under the constitution."

Journal . . .

Quality manuscripts are needed by the *Journal of Social Studies* for its Fall issue. The deadline for submitting articles is Friday, October 20 in Room 331 Finley. The *Journal*, a publication of the College, is making plans for changing its format and presentation.

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Candidate interviews for positions on the staff of the college annual, **MICROCOSM '62**, are being held this coming Friday, October 13th between 5 and 7 P.M. in Room 223 of the Finley Student Center.

The following positions are being filled:

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ing for some time in Spanish Harlem.

Among other things, Dr. Rosenberg hopes to find out about bilingual humor. Anecdotes, for example, frequently lose their humor when translated from one language to another.

The class will try to find the answers to the questions of when do bilinguals use their language? the foreign one? In public, some bilinguals hide their ability to speak a second language. Other people tend to revert to their native tongue in time of stress.

Eventually the results of both projects will be incorporated into one integrated study.

BBC Is Potential Rival Of Overseas Namesake

By MIKE GERSHOWITZ

The British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) will not be encountering competition from the Beaver Broadcasters' Club (BBC) for some time.

If the College's BBC can overcome about a dozen obstacles, it hopes to institute operation of an FM radio station here. The College is one of the few institutions of higher learning in the metropolitan area without its own station.

The BBC must prove that it is capable of running a radio station before the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) will award it a license. The FCC requires a sufficient staff, acceptable programming and broadcasting equipment, before awarding a radio license.

The first two requisites are abundant, according to President Neil Goldman. But the equipment costs money, and BBC neither has money nor can get any, Goldman bemoaned. "Our student fee allocation this term and every other term has been zero, since capital expenditures cannot come under the student fee allocation." BBC's Finley Center fee allocation averages \$20 per year.

Goldman estimated the cost of setting up a studio in Finley Center at about \$5000. The transmitter could cost anywhere from five to twenty-five thousand dollars, depending on how powerful it is.

The club is now in its fourth year. It originated with six members, and used to broadcast three hours per week.

Presently, the club broadcasts music, campus news, publicity, and tape recordings of sports events and major speeches in Buttonweiser Lounge from 10 AM to 4 PM daily.

Immediate objectives of BBC are to extend broadcasts to other lounges and the cafeterias, and to institute evening broadcasts.

An arrangement has been worked out with the bookstore under which the club broadcasts ads for the store. In exchange, it is supplied with the records it needs for its musical selections. Outside ads are unfeasible at this time, according to Goldman.

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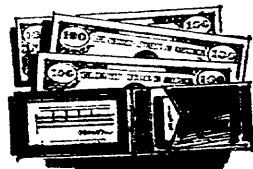
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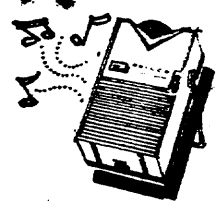
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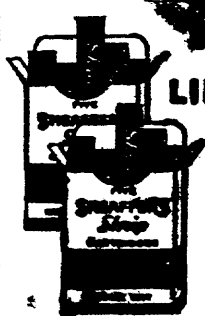
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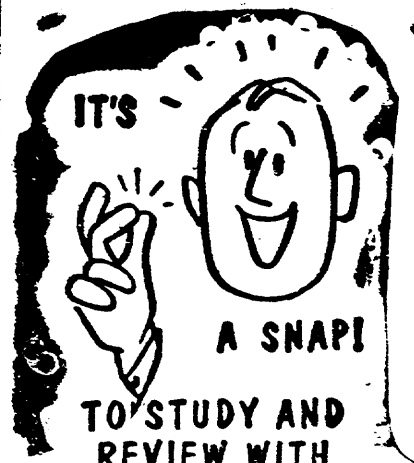
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Busy Weekend For Varsity Teams; Soccer Team to Face Rough Test

The College's fall baseball, soccer, and cross-country teams all have winning streaks on the line as they go into the Columbus Day weekend.

To celebrate that doughty explorer's discovery of these fair shores, the baseball team will engage Brooklyn College, newly escaped from the shackles of the Met conference, tomorrow at the same site where Pace was decimated last Saturday, 17-0—the Brooklyn Parade Grounds.

The Kingsmen, long the door-mats of the Met Conference, defeated to the Knickerbocker Conference this year, and have been replaced by Iona in the Met roster.

Saturday's doubleheader with St. John's, which will close out the Beavers' second fall season, will be played at Creedmoor State Hospital in Jamaica, Queens, near the Redmen campus—which is all well and good, since the Lavender nine may find themselves rather ill at ease after the twin bill with Jack Kaiser's Johnnies, runner-up in last spring's pennant race.

Among the veterans are folks like Larry Bearnarth, whose superlative pitching earned him an ERA well below 2 last spring; and Dick Bertadotti, among whose credentials were a .455 average and nearly flawless fielding at first base.

Howie Friedman, whose new overhand curve notched him 14 strikeouts out of 15 outs against

Pace, will work one game Saturday.

Coach Francisco Castro's harriers, who tied Fairleigh Dickinson last Saturday though without the services of four top campaigners, expect to make quick work of Montclair State Teachers this Saturday at Van Cortlandt Park.

Lenny Zane, winner last week, is expected to lead a Lavender group to most of the top ten spots against the New Jersey outfit which stoped them last fall, 24-31.

Paul Lamprinos, who has shed his baseball aspirations for the time being, Bill Hill, and surprising new soph Mike Didyk, are also expected to show well.

Billy DeAngelis, who had to drop out Saturday, will be available this week.

From every indication, this year's cross-country team will rank among the best in the Collegiate Track Conference.

With a 2-0 record, the College's soccer team will board a bus Friday afternoon bound for the little upstate village of Brockport, N.Y., and what should be its most difficult test to date.

Last Fall's 1-0 defeat of Brock-

port's Golden Eagles was the first Beaver loss at home in seven years, and Coach Huntley Parker will have his usual potent outfit ready for combat at 12 Noon Saturday.

But the Lavender corps, short on experience but very long on potential offensive and defensive pyrotechnics, thinks it can penetrate Coach Parker's usual excellent defense often enough to win.

Coach Harry Karlin now knows the season is under way—he's got Hunter to worry about next Wednesday, and Brooklyn's defending league champions Saturday, Oct. 28.

Sophomores Tony Negovetti, Henry Windischmann, Erwin Fox, and Neville Parker will all start for the Beavers, and other newcomers will see plenty of action.

The baseballers will be through for a few months once this weekend is out, but the harriers and soccer men are really just beginning to feel the taste of this year's competition. Their performances this weekend will be watched closely by the coaches.

Beaver Bowlers . . .

The College's newly-formed Beaver Bowling Club beat Ford in all three sets of its first official match Sunday at the Bowl Recreation Lanes in Manhattan.

This new club, whose faculty advisor is Prof. William Fra (Physical Education), is part of the nine-team metropolitan division of the Eastern Intercollegiate Bowling Conference.



(Author of "I Was a Teen-age Dwarf", "The Many Loves of Dobie Gillis", etc.)

SAIL ON, SAIL ON!

I suppose October 12 is just another day to you. You get up in the ordinary way and do all the ordinary things you ordinarily do. You have your breakfast, you walk your ocelot, you go to classes, you write home for money, you burn the dean in effigy, you watch Howdy-Doody, and you go to bed. And do you give one little thought to the fact that October 12 is Columbus Day? No, you do not.

Nobody thinks about Columbus these days. Let us, therefore, pause for a moment and retell his ever-glorious, endlessly stirring saga.



Columbus never wanted to clap eyes on a horse again.

Christopher Columbus was born in Genoa on August 25, 1451. His father, Ralph T. Columbus, was in the three-minute auto wash game. His mother, Eleanor (Swifty) Columbus, was a sprinter. Christopher was an only child, except for his four brothers and eight sisters. With his father busy all day at the auto wash and his mother constantly away at track meets, young Columbus was left pretty much to his own devices. However, the lad did not sulk or brood. He was an avid reader and spent all his waking hours immersed in a book. Unfortunately, there was only one book in Genoa at the time—*Care of the Horse* by Aristotle—and after several years of reading *Care of the Horse*, Columbus grew restless. So when rumor reached him that there was another book in Barcelona, off he ran as fast as his fat little legs would carry him.

The rumor, alas, proved false. The only book in Barcelona was *Cuidar in Caballo* by Aristotle, which proved to be nothing more than a Spanish translation of *Care of the Horse*.

Bitterly disappointed, Columbus began to dream of going to India where, according to legend, there were thousands of books. But the only way to go to India was on horseback, and after so many years of reading *Care of the Horse*, Columbus never wanted to clap eyes on a horse again. Then a new thought struck him: perhaps it was possible to get to India by sea!

Fired with his revolutionary new idea, Columbus raced to the court of Ferdinand and Isabella on his little fat legs (Columbus, though six feet tall, was plagued with little fat legs all his life) and pleaded his case with such fervor that the rulers were persuaded.

On October 12, 1492, Columbus set foot on the New World. The following year he returned to Spain with a cargo of wonders never before seen in Europe—spices and metals and plants and flowers and—most wondrous of all—tobacco! Oh, what a sensation tobacco caused in Europe! The filter had long since been invented (by Aristotle, curiously enough) but nobody knew what to do with it. Now Columbus, the Great Discoverer, made still another great discovery: he took a filter, put tobacco in front of it, and invented the world's first filter cigarette!

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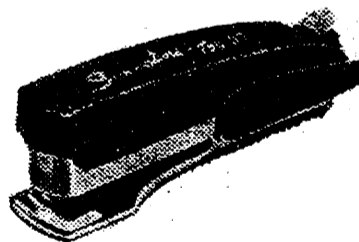
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