

## SG Boycott Scores Speaker Ban; 300 in Picket, Rally at College



Howard Fast, the author of such works as "Spartacus," "Citizen Tom Paine," and "Freedom Road," will speak Monday, Nov. 13 on "The Historical Novel." Fast, who was for many years a leading figure in radical intellectual circles, is being presented by the Finley Board of Managers in Room 217 Finley at 12 Noon.

### Repeat Attack By US On Cuba Seen By Jones

By BARBARA SCHWARTZBAUM

A repeat attempt to overthrow the Cuban government by US counter intelligence forces was forecast yesterday by a speaker at the College.

Leroi Jones, a thin intense brown man, with a short bristling beard made the prediction in a talk before the College's Fair Play for Cuba Club that roamed the political and poetical corners of the world.

The twenty-seven year old poet, and New York City chairman of Fair Play stated that "we know the training camps in Florida, Louisiana and Guatemala have been emptied and that this is the prelude.

"Even for a 'second class citizen' such as myself the way my country has lied about Cuba makes me ashamed."

The author of "A Preface To A Twenty Volume Suicide Note" emphasized the dichotomy between "the fat and comfortable part of the world and those who live with poverty."

"It is impossible for most of us to realize that everyone is not middle class, for we in this country have no concept of hunger. We preach about an 'Alliance for Progress' when . . . there is a mile and half of garbage outside the capital city of Chile that feeds ten thousand people."

Mr. Jones noted that the same economic forces throughout the world had deposed Mossadegh in Iran, Arbenz in Guatemala, killed Lumumba, and invaded Cuba. "As Senator Ellinder of Louisiana says, 'its safe for the cotton interests, that way.'"

### Tests Called Off Due To Boycott

By GRACE FISCHER

Postponed midterms, cancelled classes, and a more crowded library, were some of the manifestations of yesterday's two-hour boycott at the College.

Professors Milton L. Barron (Chmn. Sociology) and Helen H. Davidson (Education) decided not to give scheduled midterm examinations during the morning's protest picket against the speaker ban. They, together with several other teachers having classes between 10 AM and 12 Noon, dismissed their students.

"Professor Barron said he didn't want any scabs in his class," one of his students declared.

Among the other instructors who called off classes were; Mr. Marvin Gettleman (Pol. Sci.), Prof. Harold Lustig (Physics), and Prof. Mark Brunswick (Chmn. Music).

Professor Peter L. Tea (Physics) put the question of whether or not to postpone a test because of the boycott to his class. "It was an issue of whether a student who really wanted to picket should be made to suffer," he said, "and did not indicate a position on my part." The class voted to



ROTC Pickets In Uniform

dent reaction to the symbolic boycott. "We succeeded in our purpose — to call attention to the moral issue," he declared.

He lauded the spontaneous rally, held directly after the picketing and without previous publicity, which more than 250 students attended.

Many student-boycotters enacted their protest in the reading rooms of the Cohen library. One-hundred-and-fourteen students on the first floor of the library at 10:30 AM yesterday said they were in there because of the boycott.

One undergraduate who was



An aerial view of the marchers in front of Shepard. There were sixty-five students in the picket line.

postpone the test.

More than eighty-five per cent of the students attending their morning history classes Prof. Joseph E. Wisan (Chmn. History) estimated yesterday. "Frankly I'm glad that so few students were absent," he remarked. "Although I oppose the ban, I don't think that this is an appropriate type of expression against it."

SG Vice-President Ed Beiser was "pleasantly surprised" by stu-

cutting a class said that he was not on a picket line because it was "too cold." His table-mates vigorously concurred.

A few of the students who had no classes during the hours in which the boycott was held asserted that they would have cut it if it had been feasible.

One girl decried the lack of sufficient planning of the boycott. "I just found out about it last period," she complained.

### Gideonse Speaks

President Gideonse of Brooklyn College will speak tonight on the "Administrative Policy Regarding Speakers." The College's Christian Association will present the program.

Representatives of student organization at the City University campuses will question President Gideonse following his talk. The meeting will be held at 8 PM in Aronow Auditorium.

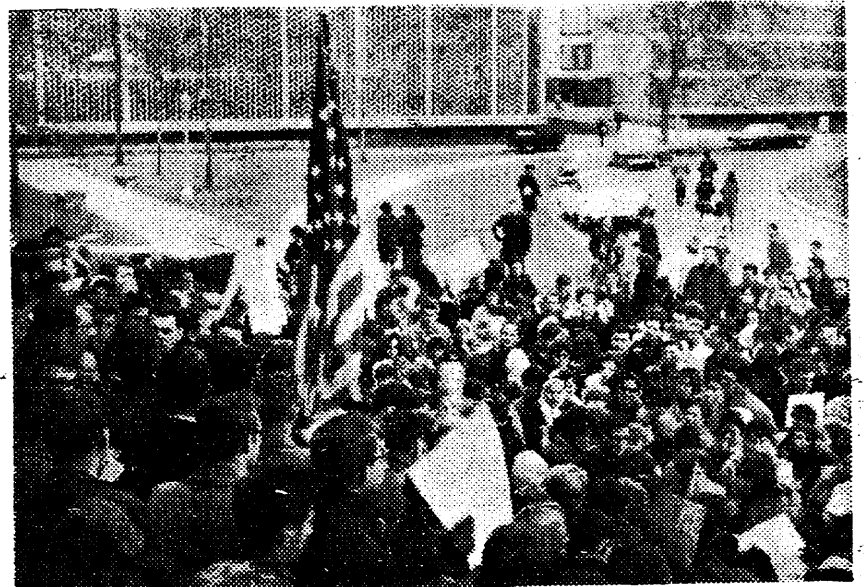
### Protestors Brave Snow, Cold; 500 March At Hunter

By TIM BROWN

The imposition of the speaker ban was protested yesterday by a two-hour boycott of College classes and an estimated 250-300 students picketing in front of buildings on north and south campuses.

At the same time at Hunter College in the Bronx, a picket line whose size was put at "about five hundred" by a police sergeant on the scene, staged a similar protest, culminating in a rally at 12

the picketing, drew a crowd of about 300 students, and was addressed by Mr. Stanley Feingold (Political Science), Professor Leo Hamalian (English), Mr. Marvin Gettleman (Political Science), and



Students at Hunter College in the Bronx terminate their picket line with a mass rally at the school.

Noon at which 250 persons attended.

The College pickets, which began at 10 AM, marched in front of all the buildings on both campuses. The largest line was in front of Shepard Hall, which numbered about sixty persons.

The Cohen library, at about 10:30 AM, reported a crowd "somewhat heavier" than usual, as did the snack bar. No statistics were available as to the effectiveness of the boycott in decimating the ranks of classes, since the registrars office does not tabulate day to day attendance records.

Picketing, although intended by its Student Government organizers to be silent, was marked by some chanting of "ban the ban," and songs such as "We shall overcome."

Few incidents were reported of heckling, and none of physical violence on the lines. A few students at the North campus line wore small slips of paper saying, "support the ban."

During the marching in front of Shepard Hall, an ROTC member in uniform was ordered to leave the line by a superior officer, and had his name recorded by the officer.

A Sergeant with the Army unit at the College said that he "did not know of any regulation" prohibiting such participation by ROTC members.

A rally held in the Grand Ballroom between 12 and 2 PM, after

several students.

Mr. Feingold suggested that a legal brief be drawn up tearing down the legal basis of the ban, and that it be submitted for ad-

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### Seven Alumni Win Bids For Public Office

The College's influence will be felt in New York City government for the next four years as a result of Tuesday's election.

Fifteen graduates of the College vied for public offices ranging from comptroller to councilman. Seven alumni who ran on the Democratic Party ticket were elected, including Comptroller Abraham Beame, Mayor Robert F. Wagner's running mate.

Fellow alumnus, Sidney H. Friedman, opposed Mr. Beame at the ballot box as the Socialist Party candidate for comptroller.

The victorious Democrats are; Mr. Beame, Comptroller; Sidney H. Asch, Municipal Court Judge of the Bronx; and City Councilmen Samuel Davis, Leonard Fastenberg, Bernard Manheimer, Julius Moskowitz, and Eric J. Treulich.

All seven graduates who competed for posts on the Liberal Party line were defeated. No former students of the College were Republican Party candidates.

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# Complacency

The temperature has dropped about twenty degrees since last Thursday, and active student participation in the campaign against the Administrative Council speaker ban has followed suit.

Approximately 1,000 students cheered at last Thursday's rally as SG Executive Vice President Ed Beiser asked how many would support a symbolic boycott of academic classes. The boycott was called last Friday night and was held yesterday morning, but the turnout, on the whole, was disappointing.

The students at the College, however, should not be blamed entirely and the traditional cry of student apathy should not be shouted out now. The fault lies instead with the tactical planning (or lack of it). Several mistakes were made preceding the boycott, and the actual event suffered by them.

Thursdays are factually recorded to be the days when least students are registered in courses. It is common for students to try to make Thursday a day off and intentionally register for courses which do not meet on that day. Wednesday between 11 AM and 1 PM is noted as the period of heaviest student registration.

Most organizations at the College will readily admit the value of wide publicity for planned events. The boycott, is an event of supreme importance in the present campaign, but there was not enough time allotted for effective publicity.

Estimates of the boycott's strength range from 15-30% of registered students. While this number ideally should have been much greater, we must not condemn the boycott as a failure. This would be far from the truth. With all of the extenuating circumstances taken into consideration, the picket showed a laudible degree of strength.

Perhaps the only fair criticism is to call the boycott a let-down, judging from the temperament of last week's rally from which yesterday's action stemmed.

Immediate action is desirable, but only when it is carefully planned. Something like a boycott is difficult to manufacture spontaneously, if it is to materialize in the desired fashion.

The strength and spontaneity of the rally held yesterday following the boycott, however, could go down in College history. The faculty members who, with only five minutes notice, came to speak before the students must be thanked gratefully. How pleasant is the feeling that distinguished and mature scholars find the same faults with the ban as do the students who are its victims.

But the ban is still with us. Our rallies, the boycott, and editorials, may seem to have gone unheeded by the Administrative Council, but we can feel more confident since we have amassed some reputable community support. The *New York Times*, the *Post*, and the *Herald Tribune* have all editorially supported the ban as a degradation of academic pride.

Of course the fight against the ban is not over, nor can we rest now. Action must continue, but planning must proceed any future picketing, rallies, boycotts. Legal arguments are of the utmost importance, and they must be formulated astutely. There is no doubt but that every right is on our side.

# Letters to the Editor

## CORRECTION

Dear Editor:

The purpose of this letter is to correct two misstatements which you made in your issue of November 2, 1961. The first one occurred in the news article on the speaker ban protest rally, in which you stated that the Railroad clubs, among other organizations, endorsed the rally. The Railroad club did not endorse the rally. It merely postponed its meeting, in order that members interested in the rally should not have to forego either the rally or an interesting club meeting. A vote to endorse the rally would have had to be by the club membership, this decision was reached by the executives of the club.

Second, we were misquoted in our listing in the Club Notes column. The club note which was given you stated, as above, that we were postponing our meeting in order that members could feel free to attend the rally. Somewhere among the nonconformist ranks of our club we might have had some members who disapproved of the rally and its purposes, and we of the executive committee had no desire to urge or coerce them to change to our opinions of the rally. Also, does a student newspaper have the right to change the wording and meaning of a club note?

Jonathan Kaplan, President  
City College Railroad Club  
for the Executive Committee

## COUNSEL

Dear Editor:

Congratulations on your editorial of November 2: "Sustained Action," which, you claim, "is the only answer to action unheeded" recommending: "Rallies, petitions, test cases, legal studies, letter-writing campaigns, boycotts —" Fine! But I notice you do not recommend a strike from classes. May I urge all students to think a dozen times before they leave classes: such action will not help to change the mind of the Administrative Council and will result only in the loss of a semester's work for the striking student.

Surely the students are aware, after the Thursday Rally, that many of the faculty and alumni are wholeheartedly with them in Banning the Ban. That evening I spoke from the same platform as Benjamin Davis, addressing an enthusiastic Columbia audience larger, if anything, than our student group on campus. Mr. Davis pointed out that "all the gold in Moscow" could not have given him the publicity that the action of the Administrative Council has. The Times and the Post are wholeheartedly with us. Student bodies throughout the country will help us. The Civil Liberties Union is with us! Let us maintain SUSTAINED AND CONCERTED ACTION.

John C. Thirlwall  
Professor of English

## AGAINST BOYCOTT

Dear Editor:

On Thursday the Student Body voted to strike in protest of the Speaker Ban. The Executive Committee of Student Government was given responsibility to decide the date and time.

I am emphatically against the strike and firmly feel that it will not help. It will only aggravate the situation.

A student strike is just the "rash action" which will alienate the North Campus student. No Tech major can afford to associate with it. The uncommitted conservative student will be

alienated by its very nature. No movement will succeed by using extremist action. Every successful integration effort taken in the South was carried on by the Moderate. The moderate who planned and fought in the state and Federal courts. To succeed against this gross infringement of our rights the student body must be united. THIS STRIKE WILL DIS-UNITE US!!!

The failure to divorce Ben Davis and the Communist Party from our movement is defeating us before we begin. The paramount issues should be; that the ban infringes on our rights of freedom of speech, freedom of thought and freedom of conscience; that the legal basis for it is false and that to be free thinking individuals in a democratic society we must hear all ideas and views. *Campus*, *Observation Post*, and *Student Government* have failed to clarify this important fact. The average student feels that it would be suicide to invite some one who preaches the overthrow of the system which the most feverishly

uphold. It is imperative that the school newspapers change their prospective of presenting the issue to the student. The FAILURE IS LOSING THE SUPPORT FOR THE MOVEMENT OF MANY STUDENTS!!!

Finally Student Government has failed to provide the movement with the proper leadership. Speaking with Prof. Hendel, Friday, he told me that he knew nothing of what Student Government was planning. There exists no link between the various private groups. The actions of the various student governments in the other colleges of the University lack coordination. It is absolutely essential that all the groups be united. WHERE IS THE LEADERSHIP!!! Action to correct this situation should be forthcoming immediately. If the present state of affairs continues we will fail!

Our main hopes lie in unity, obtaining full public support and bringing the courts into action.

Respectfully,  
Peter Scola

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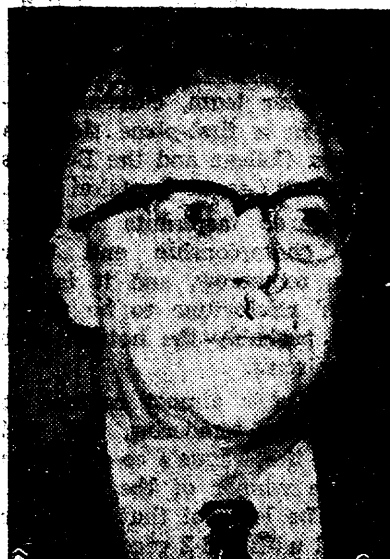
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**Education Courses Lauded In Official Dept. Query**

Although many Education students orally condemned their courses in a recent *Observation Post* survey, an opposite reaction was revealed to a questionnaire distributed by the School of Education last term.

The students were asked to rate the courses as to: amount of content, level of thinking, structure and organization, and freedom to initiate one's own learning and thinking. This procedure resulted in a more favorable response, a report issued by Dean Harold H. Abelson (Education) shows.

On the whole, the Education courses were rated higher in the four characteristics than the other courses at the College. Level of Thinking received the highest rating, followed by Amount of Content, Freedom to Initiate One's own Learning and Thinking and Struc-



Dean Harold H. Abelson Praises Education Courses

ture and Organization. Ed. 32-33 received the highest general rating while Ed. 30 rated lowest, which corresponds with the OP interview. Notably, there were considerable differences in mean ratings for the several instructors within each course.

Professor Haddow tried to reconcile the different results by observing that students in a group will generally conform to the prevailing opinion whereas on a written questionnaire they will be more individualistic. Thus, he concluded that the written survey was probably a more accurate reflection of student opinion.

Dean Abelson, who feels that the Education department is "a little better than the other departments" explained that Ed. 30 is purposely constructed with relatively little content. "The purpose of the course is for the students to talk over the

problems of Education and to observe the current practices," he asserted. "It is not intended to be filled with subject matter." He conceded that there may be too much content in Ed. 38.

The Dean discussed various areas for improvement in the Ed. department and said that he felt more stress should be given to the basic concepts in courses "in order to interpret the mass of detail." The department, he noted, is moving in the direction of this more long-range approach, "but has not yet arrived."

Field experience was recognized by Prof. Abelson as very valuable. He hopes to see the program expanded in the near future to include such areas as the Manhattanville housing projects. "The student should learn to understand the child in every phase of life," he explained. "In this way they will know the complete child."

"Educational technology" is another area in which improvement is expected by the Dean. He noted that we are "on the brink of an instructional revolution. Self-aids, machines, television, and technology in system and theory promise great progress in Education," according to Prof. Abelson.

Professor Haddow justified the existence of the "theory courses" (Ed. 30 and 38) by pointing out their long-range and holistic approach. "There are two kinds of people in the teaching field, as in any other field," he explained, "those who are dedicated and those to whom teaching is just a job. For the 9 to 3 people," he continued, "the methods courses are sufficient. They are necessary to get along on a day to day basis."

**ROTC Cadets Polled Plan Non-Army Career**

Most ROTC students at the College have no intention of entering the armed forces as a career, an informal survey conducted last week by *Observation Post* revealed. The study

attempted to find out what type of student joins the military training group and why. Several students said they joined ROTC in order to enter the army with a commission rather than as a private when drafted. Only one student interviewed joined solely because of his "desire to be a soldier."

Aside from fulfilling purely practical ends, many cadets find that ROTC experience bolsters self-confidence and poise and helps them to gain "a feeling of importance." Reserve Officer Training Corps students expect to enter diversified professions, such as teaching, law, and law enforcement.

Once enrolled students must remain in the College's ROTC program for at least two years, after which they may ask to be dropped. Cadets may be dropped if they have not maintained at least a "C" average in sixty academic credits taken over four semesters.

Colonel Carl Sory, the head of the nine-hundred-man College ROTC corps believes that 75% to 90% of the lower class ROTC men would like to continue in the program. A majority of students asked said they wished to continue. One lower sophomore bemoaned the fact that he could not get out now, declared, "If I don't like it

after a year, why should I be forced to continue and waste the government's money and my own time?"

If a student does remain in ROTC, he receives twenty-seven dollars a month, but none of the students asked claimed he was continuing wholly or partly because of this pay.

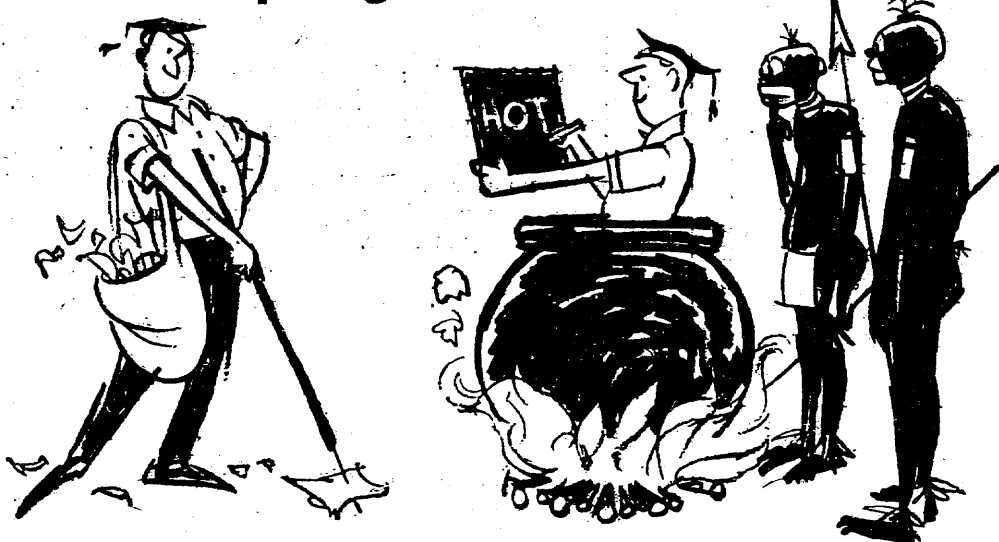
Captain Harold Perry recommended the ROTC program as a means of learning leadership. "It makes students more aggressive, less introverted and it enables them to enter the army with a commission."

Complaints were voiced by some green-uniformed students who felt that there are too many hours involved for too few credits. Colonel Sory disagreed, explaining that while a number of schools give more credit for ROTC, some give no credit at all. "The extra time it takes now pays when you get the commission," one upper freshman commented.

ROTC, for lower classmen, consumes four hours weekly, two of drill and two of lecture. In the advanced corps for juniors and seniors, ROTC takes five hours weekly, four of classes and one of drill. For the first two years, the program is a one credit course; after that it becomes two credits per term.

Check your opinions against L&M's Campus Opinion Poll 10

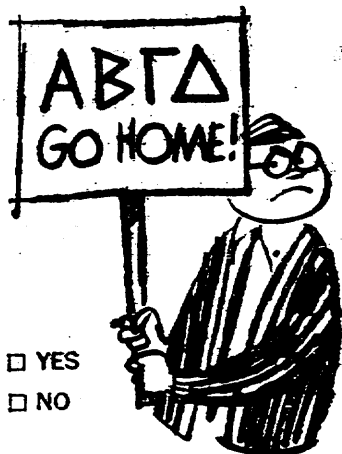
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# The Question Is — First or Third?

By LARRY BORTSTEIN

Schmotolocha, Zuleani, and Kaare Rafoss—these are a few of the names the College's soccer team must reckon with tomorrow.

They may sound like names straight out of last night's science-fiction movie, but they're really earthlings—and their brand of soccer is right down to earth.

They're members of Pratt Insti-

tute's soccer team, currently enscathed in a first-place tie with Brooklyn College and the Beavers in the Met League gonfalon race.

All three aspirants to the league championship end their seasons tomorrow, and it is the Beavers' misfortune to be pitted against probably the hottest club in the circuit.

Brooklyn is almost certain to beat Queens tomorrow, and will reign as the league's co-champion with the winner of the game at Pratt. The loser of that one ends up third with a 6-2 record.

Pratt has won its last two games by shutouts, proving that some early-season defensive lapses have been well taken care of.

Al Lorenze has turned the double whitewash trick at Pratt's goalje spot, and is rated by opposing Met coaches as "the most improved goaltender" round. Lorenze was pressed into service when Ed Loedy, two-year veteran in the goal, was injured at the beginning of the season.

Loedy has since returned but finds himself without a job.

The Beaver defensive platoon, conceding that their counterparts on the offensive will score enough to make it count, will be hard pressed to stop Schmotolocha—his first name's Walt—who has scored a remarkable 22 goals this season.

Only a sophomore, Schmotolocha, a short and stocky type, has lessened Coach George Davis' worries about attack considerably.

He makes every play in the book—and may have written a few new chapters, as well. Kicking, playmaking, long-range shots at goal—all rank as strong points in his scheme of things.

And Walt's not alone. Kaare Rafoss, Leslie Weeks, and Jerry Kalyna also are important cogs in Pratt's automation.

Offense is Pratt's main feature, but the Beaver offense will have no easy time with Pratt defense-men Jack Smith, Mario Zuleani, Andy Sheparovich, and team captain Otto Stanaitis.

From whatever angle they care to view tomorrow's tussle, the Beavers are fully aware that they must better Tuesday's less than brilliant performance against Queens.

"We played badly," said a disconsolate Sylvan Sidi, leaving Lewisohn Stadium's playing area after the 2-1 victory. "We won't beat Pratt like that."

Wolfgang Scherer was a little more optimistic. "We'll be ready," the senior halfback vowed.

Coach Harry Karlin, visibly disappointed at the team's showing against one of the lesser lights of the league, was able to recall how well his charges played in beating Adelphi and Kings Point

last week. "We played like a team then," he said. "And we'll have to play like that to beat Pratt," he added.



Wolfgang Scherer  
Optimistic



Harry Karlin  
Disappointed

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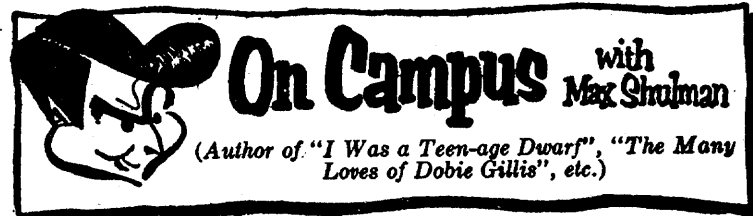
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judication to the American Bar Association.

He said that "no reputable lawyer" would support the legal portion of the ban, and called the brief presented in the Administrative Council report "either the result of stupidity or willful deceit."

Professor Hamalian expressed agreement with the students' cause, and commended those present for their "courage."

Mr. Gettelman criticized faculty members for not supporting the boycott, and said he did not know how students could respect Faculty members not opposing the ban.

The rally terminating the picketing at Hunter College was addressed by several members of the Student Government of the school. The picketing, planned to last all day, was ended early because of the bitter cold that prevailed both there and at the College.



## POVERTY CAN BE FUN

It is no disgrace to be poor. It is an error, but it is no disgrace. So if your purse is empty, do not skulk and brood and hide your head in shame. Stand tall. Admit your poverty. Admit it freely and frankly and all kinds of good things will happen to you. Take, for instance, the case of Blossom Sigafos.

Blossom, an impecunious freshman at an Eastern girls' college, was smart as a whip and round as a dumpling, and scarcely a day went by when she didn't get invited to a party weekend at one of the nearby men's schools. But Blossom never accepted. She did not have the rail fare; she did not have the clothes. Weekend after weekend, while her classmates went frolicking, Blossom sat alone, saved from utter despair only by her pack of Marlboros, for even an exchequer as slim as Blossom's can afford the joys of Marlboro—joys far beyond their paltry price: rich, mellow tobaccos, lovingly cured and carefully packed, and an exclusive selectrate filter. Croesus himself could not buy a better cigarette!

However, Marlboro's most passionate admirers—among whose number I am paid to count myself—would not claim that Marlboro can entirely replace love and romance, and Blossom grew steadily moroser.



"Accept these Gifts from Tom."

Then one day came a phone call from an intelligent sophomore named Tom O'Shanter at a nearby men's college. "Blossom," said Tom, "I want you to come down next week for the barley festival, and I won't take no for an answer."

"No," said Blossom. "Foolish girl," said Tom gently. "I know why you refuse me. It is because you are poor, isn't it?"

"Yes," said Blossom. "I will send you a railroad ticket," said Tom. "Also a hard-boiled egg in case you get hungry on the train."

"But I have nothing to wear," said Blossom. Tom replied, "I will send you one suit of cashmere, two gowns of lace, three slacks of velvet, four shoes of calf, five socks of nylon, and a partridge in a pear tree."

"That is most kind," said Blossom, "but I fear I cannot dance and enjoy myself while back home my poor lame brother Tiny Tim lies abed."

"Send him to Mayo Brothers and put it on my tab," said Tom. "You are terribly decent," said Blossom, "but I cannot come to your party because all the other girls at the party will be from rich, distinguished families, and my father is but a humble woodcutter."

"I will buy him Yosemite," said Tom. "You have a great heart," said Blossom. "Hold the phone while I ask our wise and kindly old Dean of Women whether it is proper for me to accept all these gifts."

She went forthwith and asked the Dean of Women, and the Dean of Women laid her wise and kindly old hand on Blossom's cheek and said, "Child, let not false pride rob you of happiness. Accept these gifts from Tom."

"Oh, bless you, Wise and Kindly," breathed Blossom, dropping grateful tears into the Dean's reticule. "I must run and tell Tom."

"Yes, run, child," said the Dean, a smile wrinkling her wise and kindly old eyes. "And ask him has he got an older brother."

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## Swimming...

Swimming coach Jack Rider is asking all swimmers who have been classified as "advanced" to try out for the College's team. Seven mermen have returned from last year's squad, which had a 5-3-1 record.

Nine meets are on the schedule this year, including meets with the local powers. Manhattan will be the first opponent, Friday, Dec. 8.