

Fee Issue Vote Begins Today

(Voice of the Student Body)

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Wilkinson Urges HUAC Abolition

Frank Wilkinson, jailed last year for refusing to answer questions of the House Un-American Activities Committee, called Thursday for an "independent student movement" to demand the abolition of the committee.

Speaking before about 200 students in the Grand Ballroom, Wilkinson tied the committee to the growth in this country of ultraright groups which, he said, threaten

ideas are not being challenged.

Citing an opinion of Supreme Court Justice William Douglas, Wilkinson agreed with the Justice that HUAC's inquiries into "subversive and Un-American propaganda" were "far more in violation of the First Amendment than even the Alien and Sedition Laws of the 1790's." These laws, rescinded during the Jefferson Administration, provided stiff penalties for critics of federal policy.

"If rights are denied to an organization we hate, they are soon denied to an organization we like," he said.

Wilkinson was released last month after serving nine months in the Alabama Federal Penitentiary on a charge of contempt of Congress. The conviction, upheld by a 5-4 vote of the Supreme Court last year, resulted from a refusal by Wilkinson to answer questions put to him regarding Communist affiliations at HUAC hearings held in Alabama in 1958.

He was subpoenaed then by the committee while organizing a drive for integration. At the hearings he repeatedly invoked the First Amendment when questioned about party affiliations.

"HUAC sits as a court, listens and punishes," said Wilkinson. "When you get a subpoena from HUAC, it's like being indicted by a Grand Jury."

Wilkinson's appearance was sponsored by the College's Committee to Abolish HUAC.

Gallagher . . .

President Buell G. Gallagher will be honored tomorrow, between 3 and 4 PM in a reception to be held in the Lewisohn Lounge of the Finley Student Center. Students should be attired in tie and jacket. The affair is being sponsored by Student Government.

On Thursday, Dr. Gallagher will address the student body in the Grand Ballroom at 12:30 PM. The talk is being sponsored by The Campus.

2 SC Members Decry Alleged ROTC Actions

Curiosity did not kill anyone in the Finley Student Center last Friday night, but it allegedly succeeded in roughing up two members of Student Council.

The alleged action was administered by a member of Scabbard and Blade, a military fraternity

which took him past Room 121 Finley. "I saw an ROTC cadet standing at attention across the hall from the room," he said Friday, "and I asked what was going on inside." The cadet gave no answer.

The senior representative said that he then told the cadet that he was going inside to "see what was happening." The cadet remained silent, but Forkosh said that as he approached the door, the ROTC member seized him from behind and pushed him away, telling him "not to enter the room."

Forkosh asserted that no sign had been posted on the door and no prior warning had been given to him by the cadet before he was pushed from the door.

Danielle Fraenkel heard what had happened, also attempted to enter the room, and received similar treatment, Forkosh said.

Stephen Heller, President of Scabbard and Blade, termed the charges "completely untrue." He asserted that warnings had been given in both cases. "We are not looking for trouble and we have never started anything in the past," he said.

The committee resolution states "the uniform worn by the ROTC personnel at the College gives these individuals no authority, expressed or implied, over students not associated with their organization."

Acting Dean of Students James S. Peace (Student Life) said Friday that "the matter has not been brought to my attention." He added that if the cadet had been more diplomatic, hard feelings would have been averted.



Dean James S. Peace Wasn't Told

for ROTC cadets at the College.

The incident led to a resolution aimed at the ROTC now being considered by the SG Committee on School Affairs. It began when Joel Forkosh walked through Finley on his way to play in the Grand Ballroom.

Forkosh described his route

AN OP EDITORIAL

Bookkeeping

The College at present is making a great deal of progress in several areas. Graduate studies, physical expansion, and participation in international exchange programs are flourishing, but there remains at least one phenomena here which is nothing more than archaic, namely our two dollar student fee. The fact is that with the elaborate and extensive extra-curricular program at the College, the rather old two dollar student activities fee is absurdly inadequate.

There have been several attempts to get the student fee increased in the past, but past student bodies have closed their eyes to the importance and urgency of the issue; they have simply looked upon a fee hike as a doling out of additional money at registration. But starting today you will be able to register the necessary mature judgment and vote YES on the referendum requesting that the student activities fee be raised to three dollars.

An issue that has recently been clouded by charges and countercharges of various kinds, which have already obscured the matter at hand, the question of the fee rise is one of the greatest importance to every student at the College.

It is a question which involves not "dictatorship," or "vetoes," for these are not permitted under the rules of the Student Government or the Board of Higher Education. President Gallagher, the one who must request the BHE to raise the fee, has already committed himself to the position that the students must decide whether the raise is wanted. It is thus with them, and no others, that the practical decision lies. The fee is established as a laboratory fee for the department of Student Life, though in actuality allocated by a team of faculty and students.

It is to the students, therefore, that an appeal of reason

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'Campus' Attacked By SG President

Voting on the special referendum to increase the Student Activities Fee by one dollar begins today.

The polls will be open today and tomorrow from 10 AM to 4 PM in the Finley Trophy Lounge and outside the Knittle Lounge in Shepard.

Endorsement of the measure has been declared by the Technology Council, Hillel, and House Plan. Also the members of the Student-Faculty Fee Commission unofficially favor the increase.

If the fee raise is approved by the students, SG President Fred



SG President Fred Bren Seeks Fee Hike

Bren plans to ask President Buell G. Gallagher and Dean James S. Peace (Student Life) to forward the request to the Board of Higher Education for approval.

Friday Bren retracted his earlier prediction that the student body would agree to raise the fee to \$3.

He said that an article which appeared in Thursday's issue of *The Campus* has done "irreparable damage to efforts to get the increase" by construing him as a dictator who would go over the heads of the student body.

The article said that Bren might veto the result of the referendum if the measure fails by a narrow margin. The SG Constitution does not provide him with any veto power.

The SG president said that "should the measure be defeated by a close vote, the *Campus* article will be wholly responsible."

Acting Editor-in-Chief Ralph Blumenthal, author of the article, said that "if the student body is so unsure that it can be swayed by one newspaper story, perhaps the measure is not worthy of passage."

"If Dean James S. Peace and Bren are considering overriding the student body that's pretty scandalous in itself," Blumenthal countered.

Bon Voyage

While Jacqueline Kennedy was climbing aboard an Indian elephant this weekend, the College's own Junior Ambassador Gladys Krum was striding up the gangplank at Idlewild airport finally on her way to Japan.

"Very excited and happy" at the beginning of her year long duties as New York's half of the Townshend Harris exchange student program, Miss Krum left for Tokyo two months after her Japanese counterpart Yuriko Nakajima, began attending classes at the College. She will study at the International Christian University, which like most Tokyo Colleges begins its school term this week.



School Of Tech. Will Be Renamed In Fall Of '62

The College's School of Technology will be rechristened the School of Engineering and Architecture next term. No change is planned, however, in the Department's Curriculum.

The blow to the forty year old tech title seems to have been struck in the name of conformity. Since most colleges in the country call their technology branches schools of engineering and architecture.

Dean Lawrence W. Hem (Curricular Guidance) took a similar approach Friday when he said that the change in names was being made "for the sake of consistency."

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to raise the fee must be addressed. In light of the situation as it now exists, it is apparent to us that it must be raised by at least the one dollar now proposed.

At the present time, costs are rising rapidly, a phenomenon felt by every organization on the campus. The most graphic illustration of this has been the recent over-allocation that occurred when the Student-Faculty Fee Committee, laboring under misunderstandings and inaccurate information supplied by the business office, did not slash the budgets submitted to them by organizations as radically as they usually do.

Each of the newspapers here has received notice of rate increases from their printers, with further rises in cost slated for the near future. This combined with the formation of many new organizations here whose fee requests make it impossible to raise the papers' allocations, force the journals to increase advertising greatly, and thus reduce publicity and news material customarily printed in space that now must go to ads.

Almost every other allocation made by the fee committee is on the basis of partial subsidy, often representing only a small fraction of the actual cost of programs planned. Every step of the way, observers of the committee will tell us, the requests submitted must be drastically cut, often eliminating important programming for lack of funds.

Queens College, as has been previously pointed out, recently raised their fee to twenty-four dollars; Brooklyn will soon be charging twenty-eight. Neither of these institutions has the extensive extracurricular activity found here, and neither is as heavily populated as the College.

Faced with these facts, we must now hope that the Students here, will ignore the verbal obfuscation, slander, and other ignorant action taken by some of the college's citizens.

We urge you to overwhelmingly approve the fee raise; the slight economic burden placed upon you by this action will be well compensated for by the increased opportunity provided by the newly available and much-needed funds.

Observation Post asks you to vote YES on the fee raise referendum.

Rejuvenation

The series of articles on the College's future which was recently concluded in *OP*, optimistically describes what is to become of the College in the years that lie ahead.

Physically, the campus will be enhanced by the construction of new facilities and the modernization of existing ones. Graduate programs will be enlarged and the undergraduate curriculum rejuvenated by the introduction of new teaching methods.

The possible closing of Convent Avenue to traffic (which may be aided by the cancellation of the Fifth Avenue Coach Line's bus franchise) and the increase in student social and political activity may help the College lose its reputation of being a subway school.

It is to be hoped that certain plans which appear to be unwise, such as the construction of a fallout shelter here, will be reconsidered and dropped.

These changes, for the most part, will not automatically occur, however; they need to be conscientiously guided along by individuals interested in making the City University a true citadel of higher education.

LETTERS

MALICIOUS

Dear Editor:

A letter as malicious and spiteful as the one written by Irwin Pronin concerning Lock and Key would not ordinarily rate the dignity of a reply. However, since silence on our part might be construed as tacit agreement with the writer, a response is in order.

The level to which Mr. Pronin sinks, and the prejudiced and jaundiced tone of his remarks are exemplified by his opening sentence:

"That know-nothing organization Lock and Key . . ."

Mr. Pronin claims to have read our constitution and found therein that we are not a leadership society because:

(it) "is constitutionally based on

service, not leadership." Our Constitution states that the purpose of Lock and Key is "to honor those students who have given outstanding service AND LEADERSHIP to the College." It is easy to see how crossing out the words AND LEADERSHIP leads Irwin to his conclusion. Such cheap dishonest distortions should not go unnoticed. Furthermore, if Irwin were to look at the minimum requirements for membership which are posted all over the campus, he would see that three terms of executive leadership is required of all applicants.

Mr. Pronin thinks we ought to get some "big names" in Lock and Key, implying of course that Presidents of organizations such as Microcosm or Debate are nothing more than minor bureaucrats. He is even good enough to recommend some of these organizations to us, among them being the Student Government President. Yet he

KNOWS FOR A FACT that M. Breen, the Student Gov't. President is a Lock and Key member. An examination of our membership lists shows few areas on campus, either north or south, which are not represented.

Finally Mr. Pronin calls us an smug clique of fraternity officers. You'd think he'd have the decency to back up this charge with at least one shred of evidence. I am the membership chairman this term, am not a fraternity man and I find his assertion phony and offensive. Membership applications are available to all, and they are and will, be judged solely on merit.

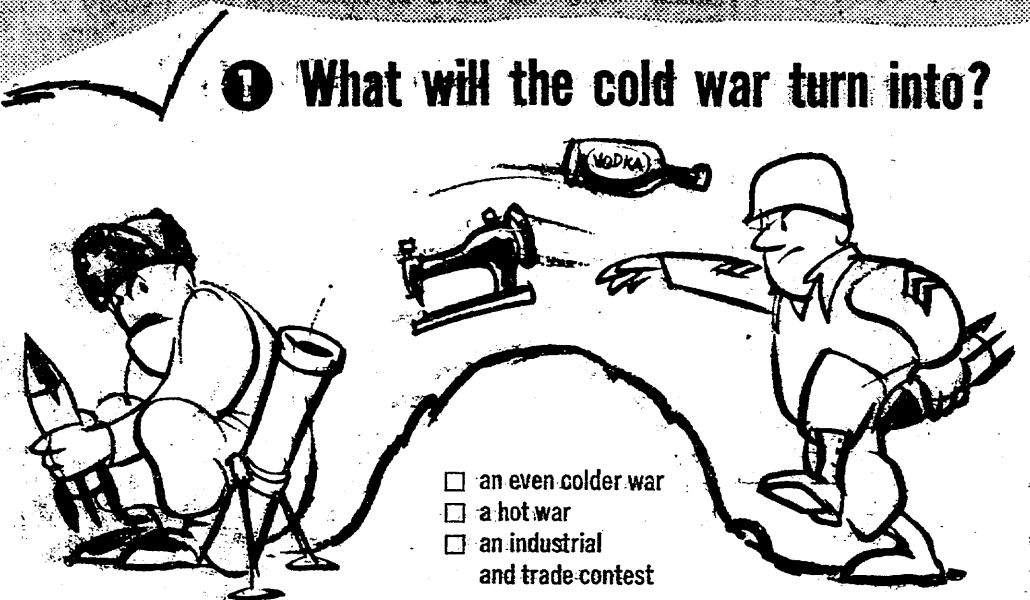
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These may be obtained in 152 Finley.

Bourguiba . . .

His excellency, The Ambassador, Habib Bourguiba Jr. will deliver a lecture on "The Problems of the Emerging Africa," today at 5 PM in the Aronow Auditorium. This lecture is part of a series, offered by the History Department.

On Campus with **Max Shulman**

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EDUCATIONAL TV: ITS CAUSE AND CURE

A great deal of nonsense has been written about educational television. Following is my contribution:

It has been said that television allots no desirable viewing hours to educational and intellectual programs. This is simply not so. For instance, you can see "The Kant and Hegel Hour" every day at 4 a.m. This excellent show is followed at 5 a.m. by "Kierkegaard Can Be Fun." For such lazy scamps as lie abed beyond that hour, there is a splendid program on Sunday mornings at 7:15 called "Birds of Minnesota, Except Duluth."

So much for the myth that TV gives no prime time to educational programs. Now let us deflate another canard: that TV is not eager to inject intellectual content in all its programs.

If you have sat, as I have sat, with a television planning board, you would know that the opposite is true. I was privileged recently to witness a meeting of two of TV's topmost program developers—both named Binkie Tattersall.

"Binkie," said Binkie to Binkie, "if there is one thing I am bound and determined, it's that we're going to have intellectual content in next season's programs."

"Right!" replied Binkie. "So let us put on our thinking caps and go to work."

"I forgot my thinking cap in Westport," said Binkie, "but I have a better notion: let us light a Marlboro."

"But of course!" cried Binkie. "Because the best way to think is to settle back and get comfortable, and what is the cigarette that lets you settle back and get comfortable?"

"I said Marlboro," answered Binkie. "Weren't you listening?"

"A full-flavored smoke is Marlboro," declared Binkie.

"Rich tobacco, pure white filter, a choice of pack or box. What is better than a Marlboro?"

"A Marlboro and a match," replied Binkie. "Got one?"

Binkie had, and so they lit their good Marlboros and settled back and got comfortable and proceeded to celebrate.

"First of all," said Binkie, "we are going to avoid all the old clichés. We will have no domestic comedies, no westerns, no private eyes, no deep sea divers, no doctors, and no lawyers."

"Right!" said Binkie. "Something offbeat."

"That's the word—offbeat," said Binkie.

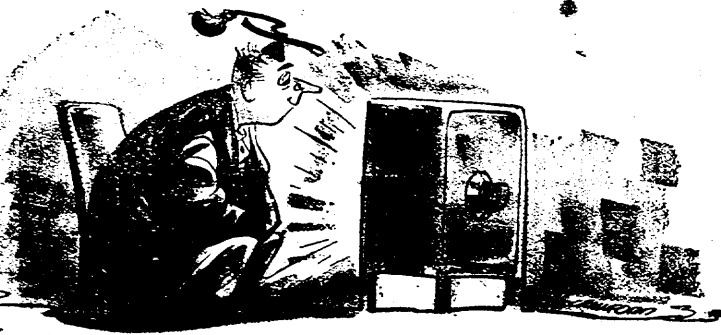
They smoked and celebrated.

"You know," said Binkie, "there has never been a series about the Coast and Geodetic Survey."

"Or about glass blowers," said Binkie.

They fell into a long, torpid silence.

"You know," said Binkie, "there's really nothing wrong with



A cowboy, a deep sea diver with a law degree plus an M.D.

a cliché situation—provided, of course, it's offbeat."

"Right!" said Binkie. "So let's say we do a series about a guy who's a family man with a whole bunch of lovable kids who play merry pranks on him."

"Yeah, and he's also a cowboy," said Binkie.

"And a deep sea diver," said Binkie.

"With a law degree," said Binkie.

"Plus an M.D.," said Binkie.

"And he runs a detective agency," said Binkie.

"Binkie," said Binkie to Binkie, "we've done it again!"

They shook hands silently, not trusting themselves to speak, and lit Marlboros and settled back to relax, for Marlboro is a cigarette not only for celebration, but for settling back with—in fact, for all occasions and conditions, all times and climes, all seasons and reasons, all men and women. © 1962 Max Shulman

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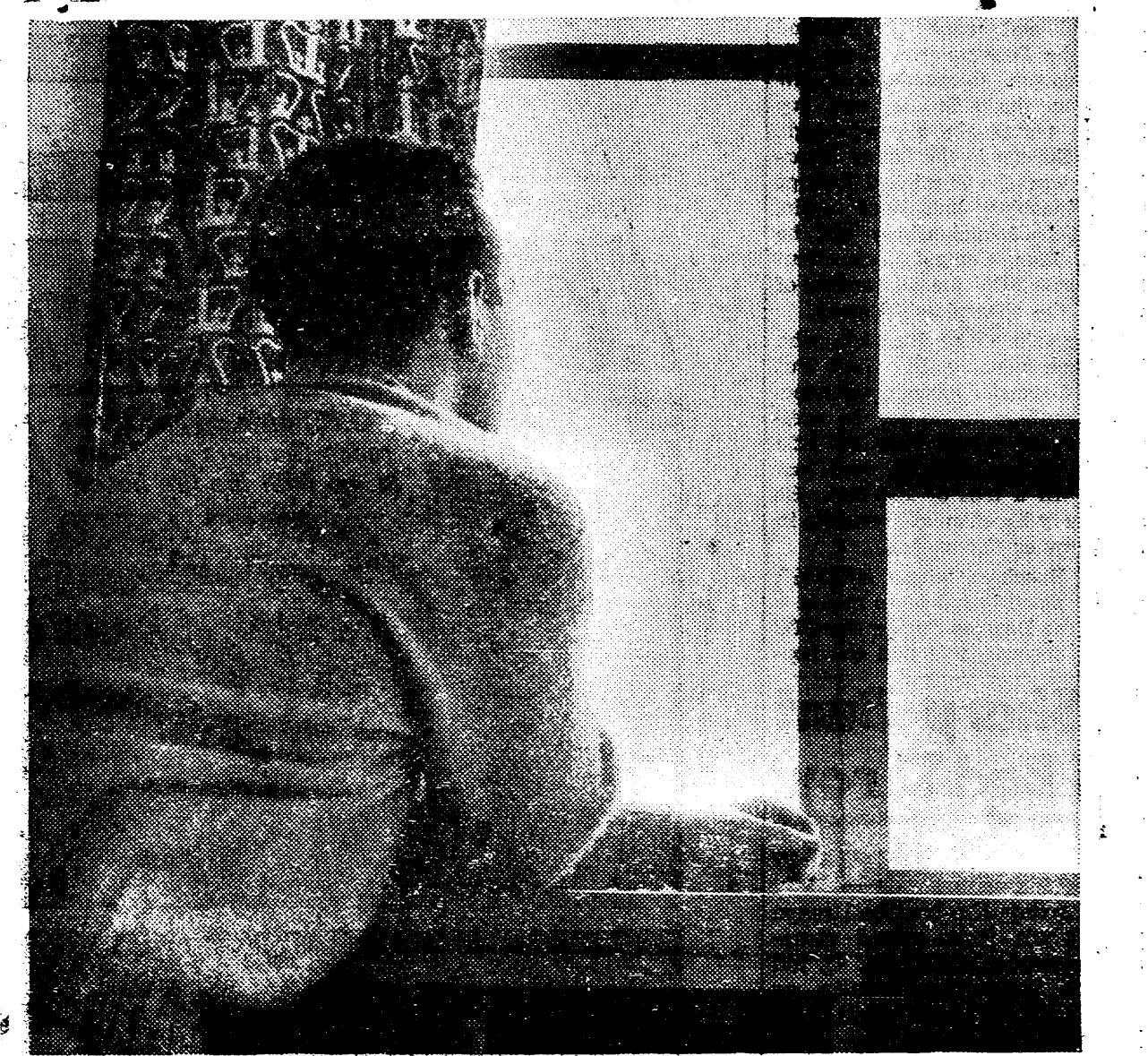
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Indoor Season Is Over But Trackmen Still Run

By RICHIE COE

The board track has been taken apart and stored, the last indoor track meet has been won, and Coach Francisco Castro is busy transforming his boardsmen into cindermen.

Just as the indoor team was formed around the Collegiate Track Conference (CTC) championship cross-country team, so will the outdoor cindermen be built around the indoor team. Strength and coordination will become increasingly important because events requiring them which aren't feasible indoors—javelin, pole vault, discus, hammer throw, and hop-step-and-jump—count for a lot of points outdoors.

The Beavers have an excellent chance to win all their duel meets and finished the season with a perfect record. They should dispose of USMMA, Adelphi, Brooklyn, and CW Post easily. Fairleigh Dickinson (FDU) and Columbia will be more troublesome, however. A tie with FDU helped ruin the almost perfect Lavender cross-country record last fall. FDU topped the Beavers in the CTC Relay Carnival and wasn't far behind when the Beavers won their two CTC crowns. Columbia is a new team on the schedule, and Ivy League teams are always rough.

The College is the heavy favorite to win the Municipal College Championships, but, once again, the CTC Championships will be tough. Iona, Central Connecticut State, and FDU are all capable of taking the championship away.

Co-captain Vince Hanzich, who has been winning the Shot Put for the Lavender indoors, will hopefully continue to do so. In addition he will defend the CTC title in the discus that he won last year with a toss of 128 feet. He and Gerry Fasman will compete in the hammer throw, too.

Don Buechler, whose 20'-11½", second place broad jump meant a lot to the Beavers during the CTC indoor champs, will add the hop-



Coach Francisco Castro Transformer

step-and-jump to his repertoire. Ernie Nolan will be high jump-

ing for Coach Castro. Nolan had trouble clearing 5-8 for quite some time, but he went over 5-11 to tie for third in the CTC's indoors. If he can do so consistently he'll be the big man for the Lavender in this event.

The pole vault and the javelin are weak spots. Bill Hill, who ran middle-distance events so well indoors, may try his hand at the pole as will newcomer Bob Berلمان. The javelin is a big question mark.

The running events won't change much. The 60-yard dash will become the 100-yard dash, etc. But the runners will remain the same. (With the exception of Paul Lamprinos who will be pitching for the baseball team instead.)

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The "A" team could beat the "B's", 10-8, only getting 6 runs in the ninth.

John Francesconi gets credit for the most outlandish play of the game. With a man on he laid a bunt down the third base line. Since the throw from third to first was too high, he went for two bases. By the time the dust settled on the base paths, John had stretched an infield bunt into a home run.

Barry Frazzita blasted a couple of balls into almost home runs. Twice he bounced the horsehide onto the left field wall, about 500 feet away, running them out for doubles.

Seeley can't give up that kind of hitting but Dave Eig showed more ability as a catcher.

Dominick Tarantola went 4 for 5 at bat, for an .800 average, but may not continue the season. He told the coach, "I think I'll quit while I'm ahead."

—Abel

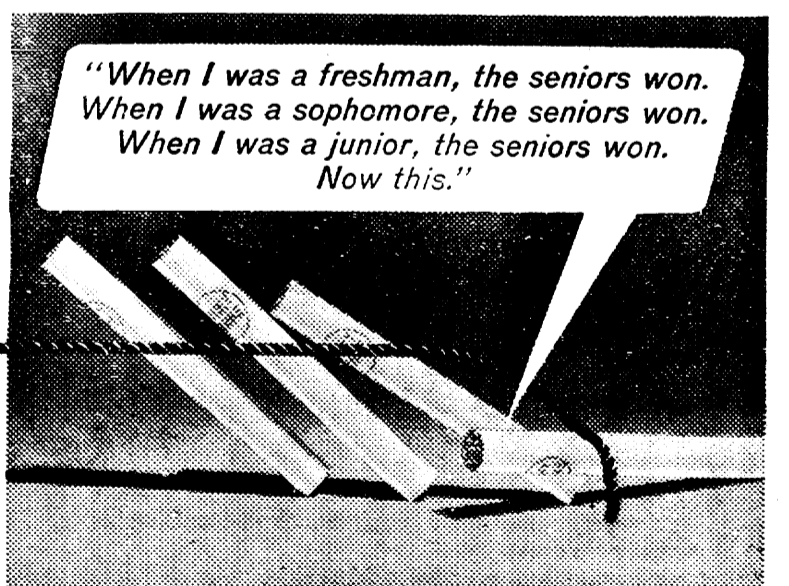
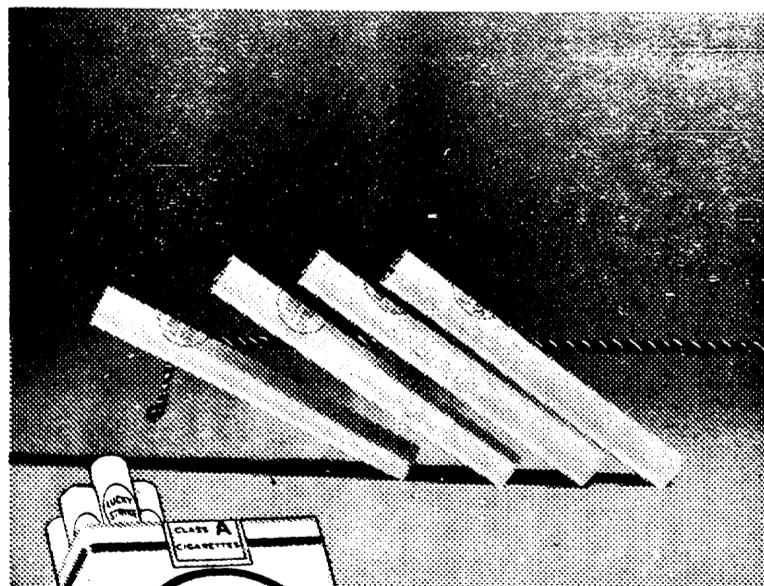
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