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CITY COLLEGE

SG Walpurgisnacht . . .

Think you're too old to go trick or treating? Then dress up and come to your Student Government's "Halloween Masquerade." The fun begins at 8:30 PM tomorrow in the Grand Ballroom.

In addition to receiving a prize, the best costumed boy and girl will be crowned King and Queen of the Masquerade. Festivities will include dunking for apples and a singer . . . Toni Lesser.

3rd American Revolution Seen In The Negro Rights Movement

Benjamin Davis, leading Negro spokesman for the Communist Party spoke before an overflow crowd of more than one hundred students at the College yesterday on "The Negro Revolution in the United States."

Mr. Davis told the group that the "Negro Revolution is not merely a Negro people's revolution, but . . . in its essence it is an American



Benjamin Davis
Criticizes Pres. Kennedy

revolution, the third American revolution."

He stressed that since 1956 the Negro people's movement has been turning toward and against monopoly capitalism, as evidenced by the fight for "jobs and freedom."

Emphasizing that "the prime problem of the movement today is how it can win greater numbers of white allies in the labor move-

ment and other democratic forces," he noted the need for showing "whites that it is in their own self-interest to fight for the rights of the Negro people."

Mr. Davis advocated the merger of the forces of civil rights with those of organized labor in a struggle for jobs for all people.

In illustrating that the civil rights movement was closely tied to the fight for civil liberties, Mr. Davis cited the prosecution of four student voter registration workers under a Georgia "insurrection" law as well as the persecution of other

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Three Here Concur On Cuba; US Policy, Their Needs Clash

The needs of Latin American reformers conflict with the United States' economic needs, three out of four members of a symposium on "Cuba Today" agreed yesterday.



Peter Gerassi (left), and Philip Luce, agreed that reformers' needs conflict with American economic interests in Latin America.

OPostnotes . . .

• The Day Session NAACP is conducting a fund raising drive in response to the bombing of the 16th Street Baptist Church of Birmingham, Alabama. Contributions to the drive, proceeds of which will be used to rebuild the church, can be made between 10 AM and 4 PM today in Finley Center opposite Room 152.

• SG Honors and Awards applications, available in Room 152 Finley and Lincoln Corridor, must be returned to the Honors and Awards mailbox in Room 152 by 6 PM, November 8.

• House Plan Association will get a new mayor Monday night when over 20 houses propose candidates in HPA's annual Election Eve Rally. The individual houses will perform short comic skits in support of their candidates in the Finley Grand Ballroom starting at 8 PM.

Henry Pachter, a writer for *Dissent* magazine, disagreed. He said that it is not in the best interest of the United States to keep Latin America in its present state. "We want money in everybody's hand so that we can sell more," he declared. He added that "it makes no sense" for this government to control Latin American industries because "we have to pay for what we import."

"Reformers must get rid of the 'haves' who control our markets in order to make real reform," answered Peter Gerassi, Foreign and Latin American Editor of *Newsweek*. He was supported by two other persons who traveled to Cuba, Philip Luce and Mark Tishman, a student at the College. The journalists also disagreed

upon whether or not the United States government had offered Cuba aid during Castro's 1959 visit to this country. State Department officials, Mr. Pachter declared, found themselves in the "embarrassing position" of having their aid and loan offers refused. Mr. Gerassi answered that Cuban officials never received such offers.

Discussing what he had seen on his trip, Mr. Luce emphasized, "I want to dispel some common myths about Cuba." Although the Cuban people are on rations, he said, "it cannot be argued that they are starving." He added that food was given to people who had "no chance of eating meat during the week" before the revolution.

"The myth that there is mass

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New Admissions Policy Questioned; Group Set Up For Future Crises

BGG Disagrees With Students

The formation of a committee to insure that the College is prepared for future crises like the present enrollment boom was announced by President Gallagher yesterday.

An institutional research committee will, under chairman Bernard Bellush (History), "identify areas of institutional research that will prove to be of greatest value in dealing with the College's problems during the next ten years."

Will Define Policies

It will also define policies which will involve both the administration and faculties in those types of research most appropriate to each and recommend the organizational and staffing pattern for an insti-



President Gallagher
Composite Score Is Best

tutional research program at the College.

At his press conference, Dr. Gallagher also defended the new admissions procedures which will go into effect next fall as "the fairest thing all around."

"It seemed to us that the best way would be to use the composite score only," he said. Until now, the college has admitted high school graduates with an 85% average irrespective of their Scholastic Aptitude Test score.

Questioned about a Student Government poll which indicated that students at the College are generally opposed to the additional lecture sections, President Gallagher commented that "student reaction might change with experience." He cited the editorial in yesterday's *Campus* as indicating that the newspaper had "softened" its position on the issue and suggested that student attitudes might change as well.

Also at his press conference, Dr. Gallagher rejected a suggestion that a trimester system might work at the College.

Minority Students Might Suffer

One of the basic premises underlying President Gallagher's emergency enrollment plan was questioned yesterday in a report issued by a subcommittee of the Student Government group investigating the enrollment crisis.

The eight-page report, which was prepared by SG secretary Joel Cooper, maintains that changes in the admissions procedure would effectively counter-balance any increase in the proportion of minority group students.

This increase is one intent of Pres. Gallagher's plan to triple the size of next fall's freshman class. Not doing this, the President said, would leave us "exposed" as a college of the "academically elite" which "would mean the end of our tuition-free status."

According to the SG study, initiating an admissions policy which considers only the composite score based on high school average and Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) mark, would result in a disadvantage to members of "culturally deprived groups."

"It is known fact," the report stated, "that standarized tests . . . discriminate against those students who come from a culturally deprived home."

The sub-committee studied one high school located in a neighborhood which is chiefly composed of minority groups and reported that

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LETTERS TO CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATES:

SG Asks No-Tuition Platforms

Candidates for City Councilman "from all shades of the political spectrum" are being urged by Student Council to "include as a plank in [their] platform" the maintenance of free tuition in the City University.

A letter to the candidates from SG President Ira Bloom states that students at the College are willing to make the sacrifices that the admission of a large number of freshmen next fall will require because "they realize that the principle of free public higher education and the practice of extending it to all who are qualified to benefit from it transcends immediate needs of personal comfort."

Bloom goes on to explain how "those who deny the validity of the principle . . . of free education" had repealed a 116-year-old mandate guaranteeing free tuition

in the CU during the 1960 session of the New York legislature, and "instituted a 'modest' \$400 tuition charge" in twenty-three previously free colleges of the State University.

The student governments of the CU have decided to publicize candidates who refuse to include free tuition in their election campaigns.

The Alumni Association at the College has also given its support to the action.

A National Student Association resolution from last summer's Congress supporting tuition-free public higher education is also being sent with the letter.

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The BOOKstore

Liberal Arts students who fear that the quality of their education will suffer as a result of next September's inevitable onslaught of 3,500 freshmen are still not in as difficult straits as engineering and graduate students. These poor souls face the bleak prospect of having to shop off campus for their required texts.

Bookstore Manager Ronald Garretson plaintively cries that increased enrollment will require more space for Liberal Arts texts, and he may be forced to discontinue the sale of engineering and graduate books. It seems that purposefully or otherwise, he has neglected the various more favorable solutions to this area of the current enrollment dilemma.

We concur fully with Mr. Garretson's desire for a North Campus bookstore. At this juncture, however, this project seems highly unlikely for reasons of space. Utilizing other available facilities, though, is plausible. Knittle Lounge might be called into service as a bookstore annex in the same way that the Used Book Exchange commandeers Finley Center rooms during registration and the first few weeks of each semester.

The most logical plan of which one can conceive, however, is simply a matter of definition. The BOOKstore should be just that. Space needed for the textbooks in question might be easily found if the greeting cards, ash trays, college pennants, records, and baby bibs now in stock were temporarily stored during the registration rush or not stocked originally.

The bookstore is not supposed to be a profit-making organization. It should function as a service to the College—and selling required texts for all courses given at the College must be its most important service.

[Note: Mr. Garretson has been out of town recently—and has not left word as to when he will be back—so it is impossible to tell which of the conflicting reports about the Bookstore's textbook department is true. All sources, however, agree that some students may be unable to buy their books at the store next Fall. We hope Mr. Garretson will repudiate all such reports as soon as he returns.]

Before Albany

In the next few days, candidates for City Council will be receiving a letter from Student Government President Ira Bloom urging them to support a free-tuition policy at the City University. We are glad to see that Council, and President Bloom in particular, are determined to keep the issue alive even though the State Legislature isn't in session.

These letters should be only the beginning of a campaign. Student and voter support must be translated now into an effective force to elect candidates who oppose a tuition fee. The public and our representatives must be with us before we face Albany.

LETTERS

BOOKSTORE

To the Editor:

The recent news concerning the discontinuance of the sale of engineering and graduate books in the South Campus bookstore filled me with disgust! Granted, due to the increase in spring enrollment, a greater area of the bookstore must be devoted to liberal arts textbooks, but must this be done at the expense of the engineering student?

The engineering student has been the recipient of countless abuses; must he put up with another? The formulation of Tech Council, in recent years, shows that the engineering student is tired of being pushed around. Yet, this did not make much of an impression on Garretson and his boys, when they got together to decide who was to suffer as a result of the increased enrollment. They got together and decided that the engineering stu-

dents would give them the least resistance; they would, as usual, take it on the chin. Isn't it about time something was done about all the injustices suffered them? A good start would be to remove some of the records in the bookroom and install more book racks. Let's face it: books are more important than records.

Jeffrey Cohen 607

INAPPROPRIATE

To the Editor:

We are greatly appalled by the inclusion of the term "schicksas" in the front-page article on Raymond the Bagelman in your issue of Thursday, October 24, 1963.

Good editorial practice necessitates the deletion of such an insulting reference to members of another faith, whether that reference is meant seriously or in jest.

Members of the City College Chapter of the National Conference of Christians and Jews

Enrollment . . .

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it found there "that the greatest number of students who enter City College enter because their high school average exceeded 85%."

This, the study stated, is because "a student who shows . . . college potential is aided by a marking system that aids him in making the grade. Thus, due mostly to the nature of the competition, academic averages are inflated over what they would be at another type of high school."

According to Registrar Robert Taylor, the use of the composite score alone as an admissions determinant, was introduced in order to even out the inequalities between different high schools by introducing a "common denominator—the SAT."

He added that "I don't look at it in terms of minority or majority groups."

The sub-committee stated that, "the evidence suggests that Dr. Gallagher's proposal would injure, not enhance, the cause we wish to champion."

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revolution against the government is unfounded," Mr. Luce asserted. He explained that there are "some counter-revolutionaries by choice," some from the Central Intelligence Agency, and some members of counter-revolutionary organizations. "But they pose no serious problem to the government."

Tishman added that the people opposed to Castro whom he spoke to, had been of the higher classes. A student whose father had been a manager for an American company before the revolution said that he was against it because he "worse off," Tishman said.

"The sons of rich men in Latin American Universities are the students who cause revolutions," Mr. Patcher countered. He opposed Tishman, saying that people "don't just act from material interests."

Davis . . .

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civil rights fighters under laws such as the McCarran Act, which is being used against the Communist Party.

Mr. Davis criticized President Kennedy's failure to enforce the 13th, 14th and 15th Amendments, his continuing appeasement of segregationist elements, and his failure to provide adequate protection for Negro and white civil rights fighters in the south. Although he commended the "non-violent policy, mass-action tactics" used by the Negro leadership, he stressed that this is not enough. It is now "necessary for the Negro people to set up self defense committees armed with the power to protect themselves from the bombings and lynchings of southern racists."

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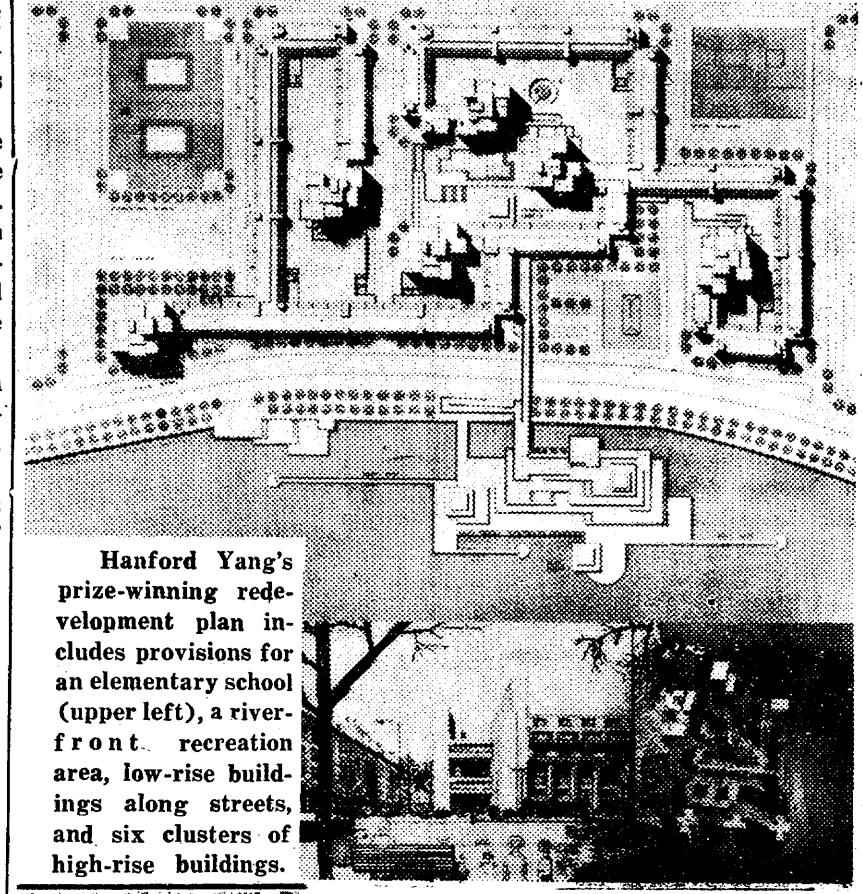
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By REBEL OWEN

In this age of monolithic, impersonal housing developments, Hanford Yang, who recently joined the Architecture Department here, is something of a rebel—he believes that in house designing, human needs should come first.

The \$2,500 third prize Mr. Yang won in a recent nationwide urban-renewal contest seems to indicate that some others agree with him. The contest called for submission of plans for the redevelopment of the section of Manhattan extending from the East River to First Avenue and from 110th to 116th Street.

Mr. Yang describes his plan, which is shown above, as being based on four principles: retention of the original street pattern where possible and making an effort to blend the project into the surrounding neighborhood; crea-

tion of a diversified neighborhood; separation of pedestrian and vehicular traffic; and the preservation of the street corner as a gathering place for pedestrians.

To make the development compatible with the surrounding neighborhood, and to avoid "scarring" the city, Mr. Yang designed around the existing street pattern, and limited the height of the buildings on the perimeter of the development to six stories, so as not to overshadow surrounding structures. The high rise buildings are thus limited to the center. To create a diversified neighborhood, he preserved the existing character of the neighborhood by locating shops and professional offices along the street front of the low-rise buildings.

A plaza above street level would allow pedestrians to reach any part of the development without exposing them to vehicular traffic. An extension of the plaza would reach across the East River Drive to a river-front recreation area. Resident parking would be hidden, largely underground. Major pedestrian walkways in the development would come equipped with "streetcorners," which provide natural gathering places for pedestrians and "foyers" for the entrances.

In his fourth year architectural design class, Mr. Yang, who has won five other architectural prizes including a Compton Prize Scholarship to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, is trying to instill in his students his belief in the importance of the human element in architecture.

He has his students draw up plans for the redevelopment of the area near the College extending from Convent to Amsterdam Ave. and from 130th to 135th Street, but before one T-square touches a drafting board, they make a sociological study of the neighborhood and survey existing traffic patterns. Only when this research is completed, do students present redevelopment plans.

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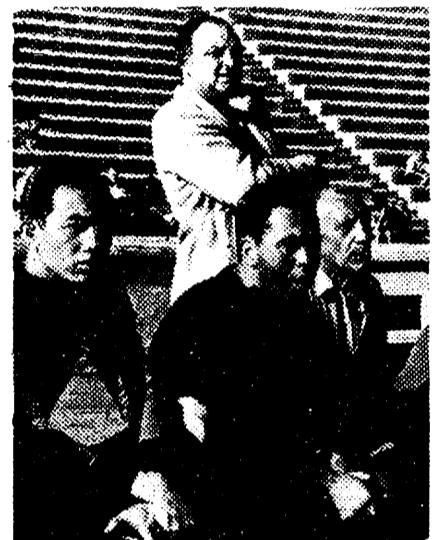
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Rough Week Ahead For Booters; Face Pratt And Queens To Start

With midterm exams drawing near and most of them usually falling within a space of one or two days, it might be a wise idea to take a tip from the College's soccer team whose schedule will also be getting hectic. With four games in the span of ten days, the booters' only solution is to play them "one at a time," as freshman Coach Les Solney put it.

Over the "Election Day weekend," the Beavers will entertain Queens College, Saturday 11 AM at Lewisohn, and on Election Day will travel to Pratt.

The Queensmen are an improved team. Returning starters from last year's team, which compiled an impressive 6-3-1 record, include Bob Jesenitschnig, who provides



The coaches carefully follow the action from ring-side seats.

the scoring punch in the Queens' forward wall. Another returning letterman is Lou Scarimbolo who Queens Coach Allen Field feels could be even better if he gets "more aggressive."

In last year's game with the Queensmen, the Lavender played badly, effecting a 1-1 tie. This year should be different if the Beavers are physically capable of taking the field. Injuries have cut down on sound personnel in the Lavender lineup. Most of the aches and pains have healed except for one very big one.

Center halfback Neville Parker might very well watch both the Queens and the Pratt games from the bench. The Lavender star injured his leg in the victory over Brooklyn three weeks ago and re-

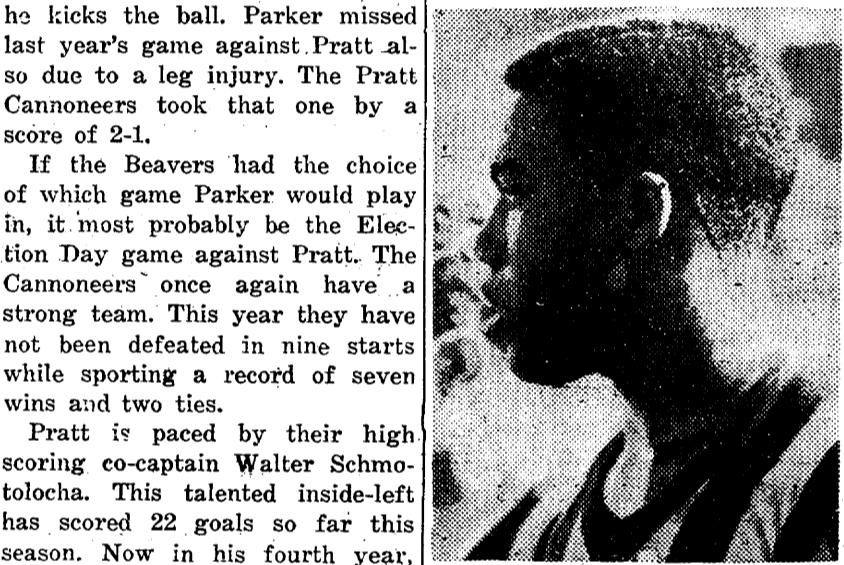


Jim Martino looks for a hole in the Queens' defense during last year's match in Lewisohn.

injured it against Bridgeport. He has been working out with the team in an attempt to keep in shape but the leg still hurts when he kicks the ball. Parker missed last year's game against Pratt also due to a leg injury. The Pratt Cannoneers took that one by a score of 2-1.

If the Beavers had the choice of which game Parker would play in, it most probably be the Election Day game against Pratt. The Cannoneers once again have a strong team. This year they have not been defeated in nine starts while sporting a record of seven wins and two ties.

Pratt is paced by their high scoring co-captain Walter Schmotlocha. This talented inside-left has scored 22 goals so far this season. Now in his fourth year, Schmotlocha has scored over 90 goals in his collegiate career.



Neville Parker
May Sit It Out

Wostl Named To US Olympic Team

A former star soccer player of the College, Wolfgang Wostl, has been named to the United States Olympic soccer team. As a member of the team, he will compete in next year's games to be held in Tokyo.

The six-foot-three-inch forward played inside right for the Beavers from 1954 to 1956. In the three years that he played for the College he scored over twenty goals. In 1954 he scored the only goal in the College's game with Brooklyn for the Metropolitan Conference Championship. Wostl scored the winning goal in the game with Army in 1955, to mark the first season in which the College was undefeated. In 1956, in an NCAA championship tournament, Wostl scored the first goal for the College and helped to score the second one as the College lost to Springfield 8-2.

—Arias



Lenny Zane
Athlete of the Month

By MARK BENDER

There is usually little clash between violet and lavender as far as clothes go, but tomorrow will see a real battle between the two. The College's cross-country team will meet the Violets from New York University, and it promises to be a close race. The Beaver harriers have a season record of three

wins and four losses and this is their big chance to improve their won-loss percentage. With top Lavender runners Mike Didyk and Lenny Zane in the race, the Beaver hill 'n' dalers stand a good chance of coming out on top.

NYU is relying heavily upon men just up from the Freshman team. Violet Coach Mel Healey is depending upon Sophomore John Loeschhorn to take first place. Healey said that Loeschhorn is expected to "become one of the three top runners in the East but in this meet, he will be running to win, and not against the clock."

Beaver Harrier Mike Didyk has been ill for a number of weeks, and did not work out during the beginning of the term. Didyk has been competing in recent matches, but his times have been nowhere near what they were before his illness and what he is capable of doing. Lavender Coach Francisco Castro is hoping that he will be back in shape as the team's anchor man.

Coach Healey predicted that the fourth and fifth runners across the finish line would determine the winner of the match. He is confident of taking first and second places, but is a bit worried about the "steady and strong" power of the Lavender hill 'n' dalers.

Basketball . . .

The College's basketball schedule underwent some minor surgery last week, switching the location of two games. The opening of the Howard University series will take place in Wingate Gym on Monday, January 6, 1964, while the Hunter feud will blow up again in the Bronx on Thursday, February 27 in the last game of the season.

Zane Voted Top Beaver For Oct.

The highest tribute to an athlete is always given by his fellow athletes. Beaver harrier Lenny Zane received this honor yesterday when he was voted "Athlete of the Month" by the College's Varsity Club.

Also high in the balloting for the number one Beaver for October were Walter Kopczuk and Tom Sieberg, both of the soccer team.

Zane has been a stalwart on this year's Cross-country team and has finished first for the College in every meet. His time of 28:00 against Fairleigh Dickinson last month tied a personal record.

The "Athlete of the Month" award is given each month to the Beaver selected by a vote of the Varsity Club and the sports editors from the *Campus* and *Observation Post*. The members of the club are all on Beaver varsity.

Injured basketball star Ray Camisa put it this way, "As athletes we are best qualified to pick the number one man." This feeling was echoed by club president Walter (Red) Brown.

The Varsity club will select the outstanding Beaver each month during the school year. All winners and honorable mentions will be eligible for the "Athlete of the Year" award.

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