Atkins In Presidential Race
As Slates & Splinters Multiply

The SG elections became a contest this week as a second slate and several "splinter" candidates declared themselves in the running for the upcoming Student Government elections.

**2 BHE Additions Back Free Tuition**

A continued free tuition majority on the Board of Higher Education was assured last week when Mayor Wagner appointed two new members to the body.

Both Jack I. Poos and David Sullivan, the new appointees, have stated that they would resist any move to charge tuition fees at the City University.

The Board of Higher Education was given the power to impose tuition on the city colleges by the State Legislature in 1964.

Mr. Poos is the president of Parfum, a perfume firm, and a trustee at St. Bartholomew University.

Mr. Sullivan is general president of the Building Services Employees International Union.

**Appeal Public Trial Grant In Queens College Prejudice Case**

By RONALD REICH

The Board of Higher Education has appealed a State Supreme Court decision granting a public trial to two Queens College professors' charges of anti-Catholic bias in the QC administration.

In a brief, filed in the Appellate Division of the State Supreme Court, the Board claimed that such a trial might "seriously interfere with the academic reputation of these individuals involved as well as interfere with the rights of other faculty members." (Continued on Page 3)

SC Questions Choice Of Speaker; Investigation Clears Newspapers

In a sudden move last night Student Council asked President Gallagher to clarify the reasons for Dr. Jaime Benitez' being invited to speak here on Charter Day.

The motion, which passed overwhelmingly, was brought up when it was revealed that Dr. Benitez had "abolished student government and all political organizations," at the University of Puerto Rico, of which he is Chancellor, in 1948, and did not allow them on campus since.

The Council also heard a report from the Committee Investigating Student Newspapers at the College. The Committee found, "nothing that could be described as inharmonious," and that the newspaper committee majority stated: "Any declaration of 'political overtones' being responsible for the questioned articles is factually unsubstantiated." They were isolated incidents brought about by a set of circumstances and not by any overarching deficiency that would call for Student Government action.

Chancellor Benitez' activism in academic affairs was not questioned by Council, but President Gallagher was asked to explain his reason for the invitation to Dr. Benitez' attitude towards student government and student organizations.

President Buell G. Gallagher asked to explain.

**Educator Jaime Benitez Plagued By Controversy**

By VIVIAN NEUMAN

The administration of Jaime Benitez has been marked with conflicts reflecting the underlying turbulence of the Puerto Rican Commonwealth itself.

This strife led to the election of Dr. Benitez in 1948 as Chancellor of the University of Puerto Rico. A year before, student protests resulted in the resignation of Rufreed Guy Tugwell, who had been serving simultaneously as the University's head and Governor of the island.

The New York Times of September 14, 1945, noted that the new Chancellor had been an Associate Professor of Economics at the University for twelve years and was a supporter of Governor Tugwell.

Born in Vieques, Puerto Rico, thirty-four years before, Dr. Benitez already held degrees from Georgetown and the University of Chicago.

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**Special Events On Campus**

Prime Minister

The Prime Minister of British Guiana, Dr. Cheek Jagan, will speak here Tuesday, April 30, before the Evening Session West Indian Students Association (WISA).

He will be here following a trip to Canada and will also speak before the United Nations and at Harvard University.

The president of the club, Pearl Charles, has invited all students to attend the meeting, which will be held in Sunset Theater at 9 PM.

British Guiana is now internally independent.
Benitez?

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Baseball

With the season not even half over, the College's baseball team has won twice as many games as it has in each of the past three years. The Beavers own a record of 4-3.

Last Saturday the Lavender nine reached new heights. Not only did they win two games in a row, but on the same day, taking NYU 8-6 and 6-4.

The Violets scored three runs in the first off starting pitcher Howie Friedman. The Beavers, however, rebounded with two out in the second to tie the score, as they knocked out NYU's starter, Len Zimmerman. Howie Smith came on in the seventh to pitch three brilliant innings for the Beavers, allowing only three men to reach base.

After a scoreless eighth, the Beavers took the lead in the ninth on a double by demolishing Hunter, 16-4, in a 6 inning game.

In the night cap the Lavender was marred by five minutes when the Lavender was concerned the victory. The third Lavender victory was contributed by Mike Seiden and Leon Rapport in the double play.

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Lacrosse

The College's lacrosse team had just beaten Army's "B" team for the third year in a row, 8-1. A cannon sounded, and the West Point flag was slowly lowered to the call of "Taps," symbolic of the College's victory.

The battle started in the first five minutes when the Lavender grabbed the lead as Johnny Oest reached 220 and the 220 for Musters.

Last Saturday the Beavers came home to face Adelphi at Lewishohn Stadium, winning, 10-14.

With a good chance of an undefeated season staring them in the face, the Beavers faced C. W. Post yesterday in Lewishohn.

Tennis

Last year the College's tennis team had to wait until their very last match to find out whether or not they would be undefeated. Their traditional rivals from Adelphi marred the string of 1962 Beavers and emasculated the 1963 Lavender schedule in the first match.

As the Dodgers used to say, the Beavers will just have to wait until next year to beat Adelphi as they dropped a 6-3 decision on April 8. Adelphi was led by Pete Jurw, who defeated the College's number one man, Karl Otto.

In this case, nepotism's a pretty good idea. One of the bright spots on the Lavender was concerning the victory in the singles completion of newcomer Ken Wunst. Wunst didn't compete last year and didn't come out this year until a couple of weeks before the season started.

The other Beaver victory in the singles completion came from Rich Growig, Growig, after the first four matches of the season is undefeated in singles. The third Lavender victory was contributed by Mike Seiden and Leon Rapport in the double play.

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